

2017

# The Lake County Folk Club Newsletter

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hosted by  
SCOTT ENGSTROM

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## ANNE HILLS

[annehills.com](http://annehills.com)

Anne Hills has become one of the better known voices on the contemporary folk music scene, receiving awards and recognition for her live performances, her unique solo and collaborative recording projects, and her overall artistry and benefit work. Blessed with **a stunning soprano voice**, she accompanies herself on guitar, banjo, or simply a Tibetan bell, and puts her whole heart and soul into the moment.

Anne is a **truly gifted songwriter** who occupies a seat in the upper echelon of the craft. You won't want to miss a chance to hear her exquisite songs and stories in person, as she will undoubtedly win you over with her warm, lively and humorous performance.

"Anne's writing is as direct, melodic and deep as any work being done today. **She is quite simply one of my absolute favorite songwriters.**" — *Tom Paxton.*

### ★ OPENING: JIM FINE

Kicking off the evening of music is seasoned performer and club member, Jim Fine. Cut from similar cloth as the great Guy Clark, Jim is an acoustic troubadour who mixes folk wit with a little dusty twang on his authentic interpretations of alt-country laments and rootsy ballads. With a smooth baritone voice and graceful guitar work, Jim is much more than fine.

### EVENTS

Sundays at 7PM

NEW LOCATION! ←

Grayslake  
Heritage Center

164 Hawley Street  
Grayslake, IL

[Link to Map >](#)

### CONCERT ADMISSION

General	\$18
Senior	\$15
Members	\$13

Doors open at 6:00PM for  
all concert performances.

### CONCERT RESERVATIONS

847.602.8882

Please text or call before noon  
on the Sunday of the show.

## November Events

### OPEN STAGE

NOVEMBER 12

Sign-up at 6:30PM

Host: **Scott Engstrom**

### CONCERT STAGE

NOVEMBER 19

Artist: **LJ Booth and Chris Kokesh**

[ljbooth.com](http://ljbooth.com)

Opener: **Blind Hills**

[chriskokesh.com](http://chriskokesh.com)

### SONG CIRCLE

NOVEMBER 26

Join in from 7PM-9PM

Host: **Judi Z**

## Future Events

### CONCERT STAGE

DECEMBER 17

Artist: **Tricia Alexander**

[triciaalexander.org](http://triciaalexander.org)

Holiday Special!

### CONCERT STAGE

FEBRUARY 18

Artist: **Diamonds in the Rust**

[diamondsintherust.com](http://diamondsintherust.com)

### CONCERT STAGE

MARCH 18

Artist: **Claudia Russell & Bruce Kaplan**

[claudiarussell.com](http://claudiarussell.com)

## Become a Member or Volunteer

### 2017 MEMBERSHIP

Individual \$20

Family \$30

Only members are chosen as opening acts for the featured performers of our Concert Series.

Please inquire at any of our events about becoming a member. We appreciate your support!

### VOLUNTEER

All of the work involved in our concerts (*booking, promotions, venue equipment set-up and tear-down*) is performed by our loyal volunteers.

Please consider volunteering your time and energy. Just mention that you'd like to at any LCFC event.



### BEHIND THE SONG CONCERT / OCTOBER 29

## ANNIE & ROD CAPPS

[annieandrodapps.com](http://annieandrodapps.com)

On a musical journey that began in 1982, **Annie and Rod Capps** have earned sincere praise for their songwriting and musicianship, with two albums topping the Folk-DJ charts, multiple Detroit Music Award nominations, and as two time Kerrville New Folk Finalists.

Defining their "style" is not easy. It never ceases to be a moving target as they work continually to evolve with surprising new influences and inspirations, always striving for **true musical and songwriting maturity**. For more than 30 years they've been cultivating a symbiotic sound that reflects their deep and intuitive understanding of each other, delivering songs with an all-American roots vibe and a soulful groove. Get insight into the stories behind the songs on this special night.

### ★ HOST: CHUCK VANDERVENNET

It's part concert, part interview, with a focus on song-craft and composition. Chuck VanderVennet comes armed with insightful questions for the artist (and takes some from the audience) to deftly expose the backstory underlying song origins, stylistic choices, and the process of songwriting. Behind the Song concerts are very inspirational evenings for any lover of music, and may nurture and coax new songs from our own souls.

## UPCOMING CONCERT STAGE / NOVEMBER 19

## LJ BOOTH & CHRIS KOKESH

Exceptionally literate and elegant songwriters **LJ Booth and Chris Kokesh** bring their musical tour-de-force to Grayslake. Both are masters of songcraft and veterans on the folk music scene. Upon meeting in 2010 at Texas' *Kerrville Folk Festival*, they sensed the sum of their collective talents had powerful potential, and began touring together.

They take great joy in fusing their **distinctive poetic voices, the vibrant palette of guitars and fiddle, and the sparkle of their harmony singing**, into a memorable evening of story and song. The twosome has earned the respect of peers and critics alike with performances that can be both revelatory and joyfully raucous.

Their comfortable presence, stellar songs, and stage banter makes for a immensely entertaining concert experience. **Be sure to put this one on your calendar!**

[chriskokesh.com](http://chriskokesh.com)[ljbooth.com](http://ljbooth.com)

### ★ OPENING: BLIND HILLS

The evening begins with the understated virtuosity of club-favorite, [Blind Hills](#). If musical duos embody a special chemistry, Diccon Lee and Chuck VanderVennet run the chem-lab. Playing tasteful fingerstyle guitar and trading lead and harmony vocal lines, their songs range from Thoreauvian introspection to sing-along, pub-folk exuberance. Blind Hills is the subtle yin-yang of two halves creating a whole that is bittersweet and beautiful.

## HOLIDAY CONCERT STAGE / DECEMBER 17



## TRICIA ALEXANDER

[triciaalexander.org](http://triciaalexander.org)

Joy-filled, uplifting and inspiring are some of the words used to describe **Tricia Alexander's** music and performance. Singer, songwriter, performance poet, accomplished guitarist, percussionist and harmonica player, Tricia moves between jazz, blues and folk, original compositions and re-interpreted cover tunes—and she does it all with seamless grace.

Tricia has been known for many years as **"one of Chicago's finest folk performers... always a little on the jazzy side"** (*Chicago Sun Times*). Her original blues, jazz and folk songs range from deeply spiritual to social commentary—from lightly romantic to slightly bawdy.

This is a special **HOLIDAY** concert, so come prepared for some wonderful **Trish-mas Carols**. It'll be a night of great music, gentle humor and seasonal-sing-along fun!

# Our Venues



## Grayslake Heritage Center

The Grayslake Heritage Center located at 164 Hawley Street in downtown Grayslake is our home for the majority of club events, including **Open Stage, Song Circle and most concerts**. This intimate space in a building rich with history and warmth of community is in perfect alignment with the folk music tradition we proselytize at our club events.

The [Grayslake Heritage Center & Museum](#) has become well known for assembling and displaying a wide variety of fascinating exhibits centered on Grayslake history. And we are part of that rich history! The Lake County Folk Club was founded in **October 1991 at the Last Chance Saloon** in downtown Grayslake.



**MAP TO GHC >**  
**164 HAWLEY STREET**



## Grayslake Village Hall

The LCFC is very excited to occasionally host some concerts at the beautiful Grayslake Village Hall theater space. We will make it clear in which performances will take place at this venue—just **look for the icon on the left** in concert listings.

The Village Hall is located at 10 South Seymour Avenue in downtown Grayslake, just west of the railroad tracks, and just a couple of blocks away from our typical venue, the Heritage Center.



**MAP TO GVH >**  
**10 S SEYMOUR AVENUE**

*Light refreshments will be available during events, and the Grayslake community offers **many dining options** for those who want to eat before the music.*



## Open Stage / Second Sundays

The second Sunday of each month is our Open Stage night, hosted by Scott Engstrom. Come out and enjoy some great local musical talent! Non-performing listeners are always encouraged and will be pleasantly surprised with the diverse musical styles represented. There's a little something for everyone.

***Anyone who would like to perform is encouraged to do so.***

You'll never find a more supportive audience than at the LCFC. Sign-up begins at 6:30 PM and the music starts at 7:00. Each performer is allowed up to two songs spanning about 10 minutes. If time permits—and it usually does—artists can perform an additional song near evening's end. ( *suggested \$3 donation* )



## Song Circle / Fourth Sundays

On the fourth Sunday of each month we hold our Song Circle. Members and non-members are always welcome. Come out to play or just listen.

***Make music, learn new songs, make new friends.***

Marcia Krieger, along with other members of the LCFC, hosts our Song Circle. It's a casual opportunity to kick back, play some music and meet others. The participants form a circle—each one in turn can choose to play a song, ask another participant for a song, or pass. It's a chance to lead songs or to join in with others. We keep moving around the circle until it's time to call it a night. ( *suggested \$3 donation* )

## Behind the Song / Check Schedule

We are thrilled to (occasionally) present a special Behind the Song concert, hosted by Chuck VanderVennet. These unique events are an intimate exploration of the personal craft of songwriting from one artist's perspective.

***Entertainment and inspiration.***

Part concert, part interview, Chuck speaks candidly with the featured artist, and deftly exposes the backstory underlying song origins, stylistic choices, and the process of songwriting. Chuck also provides an opportunity for audience interaction, voicing any burning questions attendees might have. These are inspirational evenings for any music lover.



Music for the people, by the people.

**Total Amount**

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