



SPRING 2020

quarter NOTES

Wheatland's Wish You Were Here (Non)traditional Arts Weekend

With the cancellation of WMO events through June 30, 2020, we are sending your way some of the TAW talent you are missing.

Saturday, May 23, 2020, the Wheatland Music will be streaming a two hour free concert, 7:00 – 9:00 PM, featuring 4 performers/groups that we had to cancel for TAW 2020. The Palooka Brothers will start off the concert, followed by Rollie Tussing, The Family Business and Creole du Nord. Each performer/group will perform a 25-30 minute set. The concert will be emceed by everyone's favorite announcer; Frank Youngman. Viewing information will be available soon.

The Palooka Brothers have been called a State of the Art, pre-modern "All-timey" String Band. They play tunes and songs from the 18th century, the 19th century, and, if you remember, the last century. For a contemporary touch, programs include Bracken & Gartner originals. Band members are Jon Cotton, Bruce Gartner, Dan Bracken and Bruce Bauman.

Rollie Tussing has played music in concert halls, major music festivals (including Wheatland!) and sidewalks all over the United States and in Europe. His "raggedy folk" style is informed by the era of 78 RPM records, juke joints, and street performers

The Family Business, an offshoot of Rhythm In Shoes is Sharon Leahy, Rick Good, Abby Ladin, Sam Bartlett, Ben Cooper and special guests Emma Good & Linzay Young.

Creole du Nord - authentic Cajun & Zydeco music meant for the best of times. Led by Mark Palms who traced his family roots to St. Martinville, Louisiana along with Carol Palms on bass, Billy King on guitar, Geoff Kinde on drums, and Zach Fusilier from Scott Louisiana on fiddle.

A big Thank You to Dan Bracken for coordinating the project, assisted by Greg Hoff and The Traditional Arts Weekend Committee. And to WCMU Public Media for their technical support.



ABOUT THE FESTIVAL...

The WMO Board of Directors, at their board meeting on May 12, 2020, set the date for their June board meeting to June 2, 2020; at which time a decision on holding the Wheatland Festival will be made. Following that meeting, the decision will be posted on our Facebook page and web page. Until that decision is made, volunteer sign up and festival ticket sales will be on hold. The June 2nd board meeting will be a virtual meeting and therefore the public is not able to "attend" the meeting. However, the Board welcomes written comments that will be reviewed at the meeting. Please submit our

comments to wmo.office@wheatlandmusic.org by June 1st. Please put Public Comment in the subject line. The COVID-19 pandemic is changing daily and the board continues to monitor it. Wheatland Music cares deeply about the safety and well-being of their staff, volunteers and event attendees. We need to be confident that moving forward with plans for the 47th annual Wheatland Music Festival is in everyone's best interest. Thank you for your support through these difficult times.



47TH ANNUAL

Wheatland Music Festival

SEPTEMBER 11-13, 2020

Festival Performers

The Program Committee is working hard to bring to our festival the best that Traditional Music has to offer. The most current updates are always available at: www.wheatlandmusic.org

Blue Highway

September 12 & 13 bluehighway.com

Che Apalache

September 11 & 12 cheapalache.com

Foghorn Stringband

September 11 & 12 foghornstringband.com

Racines

September 12 & 13 flattownmusic.com/artists/racines

Joe Louis Walker

September 11 & 12 joelouiswalker.com

Evie Laden Band/Keith Terry & Crosspulse

September 11, 12 & 13

Sweet Water Warblers

September 12 & 13 sweetwaterwarblers.com

Eileen Ivers

September 12 & 13 eileenivers.com

Big Sandy and his Fly Rite Boys

September 11 & 12 bigsandy.net

Dirk Powell Band

September 11, 12 & 13 dirkpowell.org

Eilen Jewell

September 12 & 13 eilenjewell.com

The Family Business

September 11-13.....<https://leahygood.com/rhythm-in-shoes>



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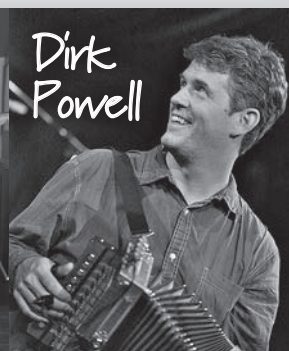
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Big Sandy and his Fly Rite Boys



Dirk Powell



Wheatland Marketplace

The Kids Marketplace has become so popular we have decided to continue our Teen Marketplace for 2020. Ages 16 thru 19 will be allowed to sell the art items they have made themselves. This area will follow the same guidelines as the Kids Marketplace. Those guidelines are available at www.wheatlandmusic.org/kids-hill-market-place

WheatSongs 2020

CALL FOR PARTICIPATION

The 47th annual Wheatland Music Festival will offer a songwriting track led by Jan Krist and Dan Hazlett. This will involve pre-festival group sessions and song assignments, one-on-one coaching sessions, online via Zoom during the week leading up to the Festival. Friday evening 9/11, there will be a meet and greet at the Song Stage. Saturday morning there will be a group feedback session in the Classroom Building, and Sunday afternoon there will be performances of completed songs on the Song Stage.

Space is limited to 10 participants. Applications must include a simple smartphone video of an original song (ideally sent via a link), a brief bio, and statement of why you'd like to take part in this. WheatSongs 2020 also requires basic proficiency with an acoustic instrument for self-accompaniment. Applicants must be 15 and up.

There is no fee for the program, however accepted participants are required to purchase a standard festival weekend ticket. (see wheatlandmusic.org for ticket sale dates)

Note: this program will proceed fully online in the event of festival cancellation.

Entries should be emailed to Wheatsongs@gmail.com
Deadline for submissions is Midnight, July 1st 2020.
Selected participants will be notified by July 15 2020.

About the teachers: Jan Krist and Dan Hazlett are both acclaimed songwriters, with experience teaching at places such as The Interlochen Arts Academy and Lamb's Retreat for Songwriters.



Wheatland Music Organization

membership

Become a Member Today!

Whether you are a new member or a long-time supporter, your contribution makes a difference. Your gift shows that you recognize the value of joining the Wheatland family in preserving our rich heritage of traditional arts.

As a member of the Wheatland family, you will:

- Able to purchase adult festival tickets early (2 per Level 1, 4 per Level 2 or 6 per Level 3-5)
- Helping to preserve and present traditional arts
- Helping to support Wheatland as a regional resource center
- Receive Quarter Notes
- Receive information on the annual Festival and Traditional Arts Weekend, monthly events like Jamborees and Wheatscouts, and occasional events like concerts and dances.
- Receive discounts on ticketed events with advance purchase
- Receive recognition as a supporter
- Eligible for a tax deduction as allowed

YES! I'd like to become a member.

I would like to make the following donation _____.

I understand donations are tax deductible as allowed by law, minus any value returned.

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City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Place of Employment (optional): _____

CHECK OR MONEYORDER CREDIT CARD NUMBER: _____

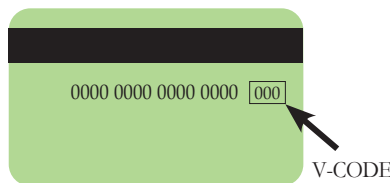
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EXP. DATE: _____

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May we publish your name as a donor or member?

YES NO



2020 Memberships

VALID JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31

All membership levels include your name recognized in print and a membership decal

Level 1.....\$50
 \$5 discount for 2 adult or senior festival tickets; 5% discount on 2 Adult TAW tickets

Level 2.....\$75
 \$5 discount for 4 adult or senior festival tickets; 5% discount on 4 Adult TAW tickets

Level 3.....\$150
 \$5 discount for 6 adult or senior festival tickets; 10% discount on 6 adult TAW tickets; 5% discount on 1 Summer Wheat full camp registration

Level 4.....\$500
 \$10 discount for 6 adult or senior festival tickets, 1 of which can be Early Entry (up to 6 people in vehicle comprising one campsite; entry after 3pm Thursday); 10% discount on 6 adult TAW tickets; 5% discount on 2 Summer Wheat full camp registrations

Level 5.....\$1,000 +
 \$10 discount for 6 adult or senior festival tickets, 2 of which can be Early Entry (up to 6 people per vehicle comprising one campsite; entry after 3pm Thursday); 10% discount on 6 adult TAW tickets; 5% discount on 3 Summer Wheat full camp registrations

Thank you for helping the Wheatland Music Organization preserve the old ways, our rich heritage of stories, dance and song with which this land was blessed.

Wheatland Music Organization

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The mission of the Wheatland Music Organization is to serve as a regional resource center for the preservation and presentation of traditional music and arts.

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VOLUNTEER SIGN UP

VOLUNTEER SIGN UP IS DELAYED UNTIL AFTER THE JUNE 2ND BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING.

Sign up for Campgrounds, Day Parking, Middle Ground and Kids Hill will start May 18th. Campgrounds, Day Parking and Middle Ground will once again sign up online through SignUpGenius

APP INFO

We are happy to announce that Wheatland Music App is currently UNDER CONSTRUCTION! Be on the lookout for the new app in the Apple and Google Play stores this summer. The new design will highlight what's next on our schedule and feature dynamic homepages with easy access to artist and schedules for each event. Users will be the first to know important updates when they sign up for personalized push notification topics, and they'll easily locate friends or find areas of interest using the interactive friend finder feature and location categories on the map. Never miss an event – use the new app to create your personalized schedule and it will create calendar reminders that get you to the fun! Stay safe, and stay tuned for updates and direct links to download the app when we can celebrate Wheatland Music together!

HELLOS AND GOODBYES

Have you made any additions to your Wheatland family since the 2019 festival? For “Hellos,” please tell us their name, when he or she was born (and/or when he or she joined the family), and his or her parents’/guardians’ names. If you have had to say goodbye to a special Wheatie since the last festival, consider letting the many people who read the festival program book every year know of their passing. For “Goodbyes,” we would like to know the person’s name, when he or she passed away, how many festivals he or she attended, and what the person liked best about Wheatland. If you have a black and white or high contrast color photo of your loved one you would like to share, we might be able to include it in the program book. Send info for “Hellos and Goodbyes” to WMO, PO Box 22, Remus, MI 49340 or email us at wmo.office@wheatlandmusic.org. The deadline for Hello & Goodbye entries is July 31, 2020.