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WINTER 2011

quarter NOTES

A TONIC FOR MODERN ILLS!



Wheatland Music Organization
PRESENTS:

Winter Wheat GRAND RAPIDS

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Attention All Wheaties!

Imagine. Christmas is over. You celebrated New Year's Eve. It's still January. It will be weeks before you see green grass. What is there to do? Try out Wheatland's latest annual event: **WINTER WHEAT**. It's the third annual concert and dance event, held at the Intersection on Grandville Avenue in Grand Rapids.

Twelve hours of music! A sing along! Dancing! Concert presentations! More dancing! Two stages running from 1:00 PM to 1:00 AM! If you have questions, check it out at www.wheatlandmusic.org. You may get advance tickets at the WMO office, at (989) 967-8879 or at the Intersection box office.

If you like Traditional Arts weekend and the Wheatland Festival, and can't quite wait for the first festival of the 2012 season, this is where you want to be.

SATURDAY
JANUARY 7



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Fiddlefire



Midnight Cattle Callers

Wheatland Music Organization
PRESENTS:

WINTER WHEAT

2012



Intersection

133 Grandville Ave. SW, Grand Rapids, MI
(616) 451-8232

FRONT LOUNGE

- 1:00 **JAMMIN' WITH THE
BLUE WATER RAMBLERS**
PICKIN' AND SINGIN' WITH THE BOYS
- 2:30 **BRUCE AND BECCA LING
OF HAWKS AND OWLS**
THE EVOLUTION OF TRADITIONAL MUSIC
- 4:00 **RUTH & MAX BLOOMQUIST**
ACOUSTIC AMERICANA
- 5:30 **AN DRO**
TRADITIONAL CELTIC WORLD MUSIC
- 7:00 **MICHIGAN MAFIA**
ROCKINACOUSTICBLUESGRASS
- 8:30 **RED SEA PEDESTRIANS**
WORLD ROOTS MUSIC
- 10:00 **CRANE WIVES**
ORGANIC GRAND RAPIDS INDIE FOLK

Red Sea
Pedestrians



All proceeds support
Wheatland Music Organization

A 501(c3) non-profit organization

SATURDAY January 7, 2012

A Celebration of Traditional Music and Dance.....

**1:00 P.M. - 1:00 A.M. @ THE INTERSECTION,
GRAND RAPIDS, MICHIGAN**

Advance Tickets \$15 • Day of Show \$20 • Students \$10 with ID • Call WMO (989)967-8879

DANCING IN THE SHOWROOM

Squares and Contras, Waltzes, Honky-Tonk, and Cajun

- 1:30 **WHEATLAND SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS'**
RECIPIENTS OF WHEATLAND'S 2011 MUSIC SCHOLARSHIPS
- 3:00 **BIG BILL'S BLUES AMBASSADORS**
THE BLUES LIKE MUDDY WATERS HAD THEM
- 4:30 **FIDDLEFIRE**
GRAB YOUR DANCIN' SHOES! LINE UP FOR SQUARES AND CONTRAS
- 6:00 **MIDNIGHT CATTLE CALLERS**
GIT YER BOOTS ON! FOR HONKY TONK AND TEXAS SWING DANCING
- 7:30 **RHYTHM BILLIES**
SWING THAT PURTY LITTLE GAL - WITH WHEATLAND'S OLDEST FUN FELLERS
- 9:00 **JIVE AT FIVE**
DANCE LIKE YOUR PARENTS DID - TO SWING, JAZZ AND BLUES
- 11:00 **BACK BAYOU**
LAISSEZ LES BON TEMP ROULER -
A CAJUN AND ZYDECO DANCE

SQUARES AND CONTRAS CALLED BY
DAN GORNO AND GLEN MORNINGSTAR

13 Bands. 12 Hours. 2 Stages.



Jive at Five



Ruth & Max Bloomquist



The Rhythm Billies

editor's corner

As always, I had the absolute best festival I have ever had. I know, I say that every year, along with a lot of other things, but this year, it really was the best. What made it so besides the great weather, the great Wheatland family we share the week end with and the great music and entertainment?

It was seeing and feeling the spirit of kindness all over the festival from setting up to tearing down. I was able to spend a lot more time on the festival grounds prior to festival this year. I had great conversations with fellow volunteers, listened to compliments, complaints and suggestions all in the best interest of the organization. The point is; we all care no matter what, year after year, you couldn't begin to add up the thousands of collective years of experience this festival has in the richness of its volunteers.

I observed kindnesses such as someone from Happy Farmers coming down to the gate house to offer us lunch after we had been sitting out there most of the day. It was the help offered by volunteers to a festival attendee at a moment of need. Then, as I walked by third stage on Friday afternoon and heard Jo announce how these nice young dancers took the place of the scheduled instructor who didn't show up and wanted nothing for their kindness. And the really kind young people who patiently taught me how to play the spoons on kids hill, I appreciated that.

All we ever hear about in the world are the mean, selfish, vile things people do to one another. Not the case at the Wheatland festival. Not, on this one beautiful week-end a year.

I did work, in spite of the fact I promised myself I wouldn't. What I realized is how I could never attend the festival and not 'work'. As the original Wheatland founders used to say, 'our work is our play and our play is our work'. I think that's how it went. There is a truth in that.

WMO is always looking for good volunteers to keep the mission alive for the next one hundred years (at least). Young people are needed in every area of the festival so think about how you might be interested in contributing to the family and magic we have all come to know as "Happy Wheatland".

Come support the organization at the third annual "Winter Wheat". It is a fundraiser for the organization. It is also a great way to heat up the feet and warm the heart and just relax and enjoy the Wheatland family after the holidays. It is also a great way to introduce some new people to the mission of preserving and presenting traditional arts and having fun while we do it. And speaking of our mission...please remember to fill out the membership form or go on line to continue your support of the ongoing projects and upgrades the organization continues to invest in.

Enjoy the spirit of the holiday season.

Kim Croy



2012 Festival T-Shirt Designs

Designs for the 2012 Festival T-shirt can to be sent to
Jim McLachlan in care of the Wheatland Music
Organization P.O. Box 22 Remus, MI. 49340.

The person with the winning design will be awarded
2 passes to the 2012 Festival, \$100 and a t-shirt.

The deadline for sending in your submission is May 25th
2012. The designs must have , somewhere in the design,
year of the festival, (39th Annual, 2012). Name of the
city, (Remus, Michigan) Electronic submissions will
be accepted, but hand drawn is preferred. Designs are
printed in either 2, 3 or 4 color.



Traditional Dancing

<u>DANCE</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>BAND/CALLER</u>
Squares & Reels	January 15	Blue Water Ramblers Banjo-Jim Foerch
Cajun Mardi Gras Party Potluck at 6:00 pm	February 19	Back Bayou Linda & Jack Freeman
St. Patrick's Day Party Potluck 6:00pm	March 19	Hurry the Jug Pati Loveless
Squares & Contras	April 16	Oakland County All-Stars Glen Morningstar
Contras & Squares	May 21	Rhythm Billies Jerry Hickman

Come and dance from 7:30-10:30 pm.
Instruction at beginning of dances.
No experience needed. Come with or without a partner.

ADMISSION:
\$6.00/person; under 18 free.
Beverages and snacks welcome.

LOCATION:
Classroom Building at Wheatland Music Organization
Two miles west of Remus on M-20,
then 2 miles South on 50th Ave.
www.wheatlandmusic.org or phone 989-967-8879.



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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 be:

- Able to purchase adult festival tickets early (1 per individual; 4 per family or 6 per benefactor) if your order is received in May
- Helping to preserve and present the 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 by law
- Receive a Wheatland member decal

☒ **YES!** I'd like to become a member.

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ANNUAL DUES

Individual	\$25.00
Family	\$50-99
Benefactor	\$100-249
Benefactor II	\$250-499
Benefactor III	\$500-999
Benefactor IV	\$1000+

Benefactors will have their name engraved on a plaque displayed in the Wernette building.

Names of all paid members are published in the festival program unless otherwise requested.

**MEMBERSHIPS ARE VALID
JANUARY 1 - DECEMBER 31**

I would like to make the following donation _____.

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

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____

State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

☐ CHECK OR MONEYORDER

CREDIT CARD NUMBER:

☐ VISA ☐ MASTERCARD ☐ DISCOVER

EXP. DATE: _____

V-CODE: _____

May we publish your name
as a donor or member? ☐ YES ☐ NO



Best of the Best in 2010!

First Place and Best of the Best Awards given to Wheatland!

At the annual meeting/convention of the Michigan Festivals and Fair's held in November, it was announced that the Wheatland Music Organization's 2010 Festival Program Book was awarded the top award in their annual publicity contest called the "fun awards".

The fun awards contest is an opportunity to share our best promotional campaigns and marketing tools to be recognized and achieve media exposure. There were approximately 130 outstanding promotional pieces submitted by festivals and fairs across the state of Michigan. The 2010 poster won first place in its category and the 2010 Festival Program Book took first place in its category along with the "Best of the Best" award.

We are honored to have received this recognition against such great competition. It truly highlights the professional teamwork that goes into this annual project. Dawn Paine of Innovative Design Solutions in Mt. Pleasant is the graphic designer who creates this top notch piece of work. Peggy Brisbane contributes the photography and many others contribute to the various sections as well as proofread the entire book.

It is with great pride I announce this and thank everyone involved in the composition of this winning piece that stood out to the judges as being "The Best of the Best in 2010".

— KIM CROY



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September 10-12, 2010

Come for just a day... or an entire weekend getaway!

Performers

• The Paschall Brothers • Slide • Jeff & Vida Band • Rory Block • Big Medicine
• BeauSoleil avec Michael Doucet • Dave Alvin and The Guilty Women • The Joel Mabius Trio
• Laura Cortese's Acoustic String Project • Nic Gareiss and Friends • The Hotmud Family
• Gentecorum • The Red Sea Pedestrians • The Corn Fed Girls • Delilah DeWylde & The Lost Boys
• Ralston Bowles • Michigan Songwriters: Jill Jack, John Latini, Barbara Jordan, Josh Rose
• Steppin' In It • The Wild Turkeys • Davis vs. Davis • Seth & May • The Starlight Six • Open Range

SUNDAY TICKETS

ONLY \$25 Adults/Seniors, \$2.00 Children 5-12
GATE SALES BEGIN AT 8AM SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13TH.

SUNDAY MAIN STAGE SCHEDULE

Gospel Hour.....10:15 - 11:15	Hot Mud Family.....2:20 - 3:00
Paschall Brothers.....11:30 - 12:10	Nic Gareiss & Friends.....3:20 - 4:10
Gentecorum.....12:25 - 1:05	BeauSoleil avec Michael Doucet.....4:30 - 5:20
Joel Mabius Trio.....1:20 - 2:00	Dave Alvin and The Guilty Women.....5:50 - 6:30

Order Your Tickets Today

BY PHONE: (989) 967-8879 ONLINE: WWW.WHEATLANDMUSIC.ORG



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Wheat Futures

DECEMBER

Saturday, Dec. 10

Wheatscouts

Gladys Wernette Building 10:00 AM

WMO Jamboree WMO Cabin 2:00 PM

JANUARY

Saturday, Jan. 7

3rd Annual Winter Wheat

The Intersection

Grand Rapids 1:00 PM

Tuesday, Jan. 10

Board of Directors Meeting

Gladys Wernette Building 7:00 PM

Saturday, Jan. 14

Wheatscouts

Gladys Wernette Building 10:00 AM

WMO Jamboree WMO Cabin 2:00 PM

Saturday, Jan. 21

Contra Dance

Gladys Wernette Building 7:30 PM

Music by The Rhythm Billies

Jerry Hickman calling

FEBRUARY

Saturday, Feb. 11

Wheatscouts

Gladys Wernette Building 10:00 AM

Saturday, Feb. 11

WMO Jamboree WMO Cabin 2:00 PM

Tuesday, Feb. 14

Board of Directors Meeting

Gladys Wernette Building 7:00 PM

Saturday, Feb. 18

Cajun/Mardi Gras Party

Gladys Wernette Building 7:30 PM

Back Bayou w/ Jack & Linda Freeman

Potluck @ 6:00 PM

MARCH

Saturday, Mar. 10

Wheatscouts

Gladys Wernette Building 10:00 AM

Saturday, Mar. 10

WMO Jamboree WMO Cabin 2:00 PM

Tuesday, Mar. 13

Board of Directors Meeting

Gladys Wernette Bldg. 7:00 PM

MARCH (continued)

Saturday, Mar. 17

St Patrick's Day Ceili Dance

Gladys Wernette Building 7:30 PM

Music by Hurry The Jug

Pati Loveless calling

Potluck @ 6:00 PM

APRIL

Tuesday, Apr. 10

Board of Directors Meeting

Gladys Wernette Building 7:00 PM

Saturday, Apr. 14

Wheatscouts

Gladys Wernette Building 10:00 AM

Saturday, Apr. 14

WMO Jamboree WMO Cabin 2:00 PM

Saturday, Apr. 21

Squares & Contrás Dance

Gladys Wernette Building 7:30 PM

Music by The Rhythm Billies

Carole Howard &

Dan Gorno calling

MAY

Tuesday, May 8

Board of Directors Meeting

Gladys Wernette Building 7:00 PM

Saturday, May 12

WMO Jamboree

WMO Cabin 2:00 PM

Saturday, May 19

Volunteer Orientation

Gladys Wernette Building 9:00 AM

Wheatscouts

Kids Hill/ Dance Stage Area 10:00 AM

Contrás & Squares Dance

Gladys Wernette Building 7:30 PM

Music by Hawks and Owls

Laurie Pietravallo calling

Fri.-Sun., May 25-27

24th Annual

Traditional Arts Weekend