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Starting Our Second 25 Years!



Twin Voices in Harmony CONCERT!

**CHRIS & MEREDITH
THOMPSON**

Friday, January 7

\$10 Members \$12 Non-members



FOOD DRIVE & Singer/Songwriter CONCERT!

LORI MCKENNA

Friday, February 4

\$14 Members \$16 Non-members

Please bring a donation for the Food Pantry

ALL OPEN MIKE and CD RECORDING PARTY!

Sign up at the door to be one of 16 performers. You'll have 8 minutes to share your songs, instrumentals, poetry, whatever, and maybe be on our Sampler Music CD. All artists welcome, not just folk.

Friday, January 21

\$5 Members \$6 Non-members

COFFEEHOUSE



Alastair Moock



Paul Lee

Open Mike

Friday, February 18

\$5 Members \$6 Non-members

All events at 8 p.m.



Beal House



Route 106, Kingston, MA

Across from the First Parish Unitarian Church

For more information: Call 781-871-1052

Or visit us at www.ssfmc.org

SILENT AUCTION RETURNS – READ ABOUT IT ON THE BACK

CHRIS & MEREDITH THOMPSON

Friday, January 7th - \$10 Members, \$12 Non-members

Chris and Meredith Thompson are identical twin sisters who grew up down the street from the Stone Soup Coffeehouse in Providence, Rhode Island. They played their first concert there in 1992 and have since played in venues across the US and released six albums. They are known best for the blend of their voices, a match that appears to be unique to twins. When they double their voices in a line there seems to be no separation between their notes, and when they break to harmony the richness of the blend has a special, and effortless feel. Chris plays percussive, riff-driven guitar. Meredith plays authentic Latin rhythms on congas and adds flute to their sound. Their music taste has been wide ranging, with their love of world music evident in their fifth recording, Clearwater. Their most recent album, Live, is heavily influenced by the spiritual songs that they grew up hearing at the Stone Soup and at the First Baptist Church in America. -Laura Kiristys of the Worcester Phoenix described them as "One of the most innovative acts on the Boston area acoustic music scene." MaryAnn Robertson, of the Spotlight in Portsmouth NH said that "It is their mix of intriguing stories of people's hopes and histories that makes the Thompson's music so compelling."

ALL OPEN MIKE NIGHT – January 21 - \$5 M, \$6 NM

This is our annual night when you are the star! Sing, play instrumentals, recite poetry, tell a short story. There will be sixteen 8 minute Open Mike slots, enough time to do two songs. All performance types welcome, not just folk. The best open mike is full of variety, so come on down and share your special performance with our warm audience. Tonight is our Sampler Music CD Recording Party, too. We'll be recording the evening, and your performance might be selected to be on the CD. This year we're hoping to include covers as well as originals and public domain material on the CD (the performer would be responsible for the licensing charge).

LORI McKENNA and FOOD PANTRY FOOD DRIVE

Friday, February 4 - \$14 Members, \$16 Non-members

Lori McKenna's music gives voice to the struggles and victories of growing up and living in small-town America. But this is not music rooted in towns far away in America's rural south or the hollows of Appalachia. McKenna was born and lives with her family in Stoughton, Massachusetts. On the thirteen tracks on Bittertown, her most recent of four recordings, Lori McKenna chronicles the struggles for faith, love, lost dreams and redemption among those who still see high school as the best years of their lives. In these loosely connected small town anthems, she creates intimate portraits of her neighbors, relatives and friends, and through them defines a local world that is worth knowing. Lori McKenna is an accomplished writer and performer whose spontaneity and polish are evident in the way she recorded her third album, The Kitchen Tapes.

Intending just to document some songs she had written recently, McKenna recorded the 11 songs in under an hour armed only with her guitar and a tape recorder. In 1998 WUMB named McKenna Best New Artist, the Boston Globe listed her first album, Paper Wings and Halo, on its Top Ten list for the year, and she went on to win a Boston Music Award.

Tonight we're holding our annual Food Drive for the Food Pantry, too. Please bring a non perishable food donation. Thanks!

COFFEEHOUSE – February 18th - \$5 M, \$6 NM

What shelf does Alastair Moock belong on? Folk? Rock? Roots? Blues? The truth is, his music isn't easily defined by any one genre. His lyrics are long on wit, telling of lost loves, wandering friends and the gifts of daily life. The Boston Globe calls him "one of Boston's best and most adventurous songwriters." Moock's songs are simple; built on country-blues structures. A gruff voice, Alastair mixes his rootsy, confident originals with old songs. Moock knows both his history and how to tell a good story.

Tonight, our own Paul Lee will preview songs from his debut release, "The Buzzard's Bay National Bank". Not a self-promoter, Paul mostly hides behind our concert sound-board, very much a diamond in the rough. His sincere, extremely *musical* stage presence finds instrument-and-voice at times playing tag, at times even dancing between emotional highlights and lowlights. Come surrender to songs that explore love, illusion and lost American dreams. The Open Mike follows.

SILENT AUCTION RETURNS

Last year's Silent Auction was a great success and fun, so we're doing it again. The Silent Auction will run during the last three events of the season, and auction items will be awarded at the final concert. This year we are working a way for you to place bids online as well as at the Club. Art, hand crafts, merchandise, services and adventure opportunities are likely to be in the auction. If you'd like to make a donation for the Silent Action, call Ellyn at 508-224-4957.

SPECIAL MEMBERS

Golden Patrons of the Club – Thank you!

Edward & Caroline Burke
Ed & Charlotte Russell
Peter A. Ward

New Silver Sustaining Members – Thank you!

Teri & Dave Treiger

New True Blue Members – Thanks!

Barbara & Jerry MacDonald

Help Keep the Club Strong As We Start



OUR NEXT 25 YEARS!

PLEASE RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP for the 2004-2005 SEASON

Thanks to **you** we celebrated our 25th anniversary season, and we're looking forward to another 25 years! Please renew your membership, and won't you consider supporting the Club even more by renewing at the True Blue, Silver Sustaining or Golden Patron of the Club level? **Thanks!**

Membership levels for the 2004-2005 season:

REGULAR MEMBER - \$10.00. This entitles you to \$2.00 off one ticket to each Concert and \$1.00 off one ticket to each Coffeehouse for the season.

REGULAR MEMBER AND GUEST - \$15.00. This entitles you to \$2.00 off two tickets to each Concert and \$1.00 off two tickets to each Coffeehouse for the season.

TRUE BLUE MEMBER - \$25.00. This popular level entitles you to the same benefits as a Regular Member and Guest **plus** you will be listed as a True Blue Member in an issue of the *Hurdy Gurdy* **plus** you will be entered in a drawing and may get to attend our famous potluck, meet the performers and attend a concert as our guest!

SILVER SUSTAINING MEMBER - \$50.00. Help the Club even more! This level entitles you to the same benefits as a True Blue Member, including being listed in an issue of the *Hurdy Gurdy* and the potluck/concert drawing **plus** a copy of the 2004-2005 SSFMC Sampler CD.

GOLDEN PATRON OF THE CLUB MEMBER - \$100.00. Help the Club the most! This level entitles you to the same benefits as Silver Sustaining Membership, including the 2004-2005 SSFMC Sampler CD **plus** you will be listed as a Golden Patron in **ALL** issues of the *Hurdy Gurdy*, **plus** you will know that you are supporting the Club at the highest level of commitment, with our thanks.

The SSFMC reserves the right to substitute thank you gifts.

MEMBERSHIP/FRIEND APPLICATION - SOUTH SHORE FOLK MUSIC CLUB

MAIL WITH CHECK AND SASE TO: P.O. BOX 316, MARSHFIELD HILLS, MA 02051

The SSFMC membership year runs from September 1 thru August 31. Members are entitled to reduced rates and other benefits.

New Member/Friend Renewal

Name _____ Date _____

Address _____

Town _____ State _____ Zip _____ Email _____

- Member \$10.00 Send my Hurdy Gurdy via email. Send my Hurdy Gurdy via regular mail
- Member and Guest - \$15.00 Send my Hurdy Gurdy via email Send my Hurdy Gurdy via regular mail
- True Blue Member - \$25.00 Send my Hurdy Gurdy via email Send my Hurdy Gurdy via regular mail
- Silver Sustaining Member - \$50.00 Send my Hurdy Gurdy via email Send my Hurdy Gurdy via regular mail
- Golden Patron of the Club - \$100.00 Send my Hurdy Gurdy via email Send my Hurdy Gurdy via regular mail
- Friend -\$5.00 Send my Hurdy Gurdy via email Send my Hurdy Gurdy via regular mail
- e-Friend - Free - your Hurdy Gurdy will come via email.