

THE FOLK CLUB OF SOUTH FLORIDA, INC.

FOLK NOTES

Since 1985 traditional, contemporary, roots & alternative music
February, 2010

ACOUSTIC UNDERGROUND CONCERT SERIES

presents

JOE VIRGA

**LUNA STAR CAFÉ, SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 6, 2010 – 8
P.M.**

775 NE 125TH Street, North Miami, FL 33125 305-799-7123

Requested Contribution: \$10, members of any folk club, \$7

How many of us have said, "What I wouldn't give to have been in The Villa contemporary folk movement". Well, we are blessed with many such folks audience but some, like Joe Virga, were on the stage, and they are living a Times reported on December 4, 1987 that Rod MacDonald, David Masseng next evening at the Folk Music Cooperative. And Joe really traces his roots on McDougall Street. He recorded at Fast Folk Magazine along with Lyle Lo Shindell and Christine Lavin and other luminaries.

And when you hear Joe now at one his shows all over South Florida, at fes benefit of over forty years of playing with some of the best folks around. H four decades or with his own soulful and heartfelt music is well based. His forceful voice fill a room as much as he fills it physically.

If ever a re-plant from The City took to the land on all sides of the Evergla been Joe Virga. After toiling all of his business life in the canyons of Wall S four years ago and never looked back. He and his music have thrived and l

absorbed by our people, our land and our spirit. And he has given back mu

His new CD *Star Dust Land* captures his sound and his feeling beautifully; n
of us believe that his song *Cabbage Key* alone could carry him to national f
let Joe leave without playing *A Prayer For The Living*. So, if have not yet he
learn more about Joe's interesting background and to hear his some of his

Joe will be accompanied by his good friend and neighbor,
nationally known musician John R. Butler, who will also
open the evening. Check out: www.johnrbutler

MONTHLY SONG SWAP SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 14, 2010 5:00 – 9:00 P.M.

This month's Song Swap will be at the home of Holly White, 9300
SW 80th Avenue in Kendall,
305-595-3549. The zip code is 33176 and you might want use your
computer for a map. This will be on Valentine's
Day but there will be no special prize for someone who shows up
as cupid. Just show up with a potluck dish
to share for about 6-8 people, vegan and veggies appreciated.
Come to play, sing or request a song,
recite a poem, tell a story or just listen. "Holly White"
<hollybw@bellsouth.net>

PREZ SEZ

By Barry J. White

Folk In Dade/Annual Meeting/Folk Notes Production

How do you build a wall? One brick at

time. And that is how we are building the folk community in Miami-Dade County. The reality is, there is not a large, natural client base for traditional or contemporary folk music here. So, one brick is Luna Star Café, others are the monthly Song Swaps and the Open Mic on Thursday evenings at the Elks Lodge in South Miami. Now we have added a contra dance in Palmetto Bay. And the ethnic diversity of the participants on the first evening was mind-boggling: Jamaican Chinese American, Mexican American, African American, Latinos of every background in addition to a diverse Anglo population. And less than 30% of these folks had ever been to a contra dance. And age range was equally broad from high school kids to those who had to park their walkers to dance, almost. Great fun and before long the contra line was moving as though were all were born to it. Feb 27 will be the next shot; folk ain't dead in Dade!

Put Sunday, March 21 from Noon to 5 on your calendar for Folk Club Of South Florida Annual Meeting. Not quite sure of the location yet but you won't want to miss it. We've had the last two out of doors and hope to be able to do that again. We'll do a coordinated pot luck meal again this

year and underwrite the cost of each dish once the coordinator agrees to the dish so we don't wind up with half a dozen pasta dishes and no main course, salad or dessert. Dust off that family potato salad or succotash recipe.

We could use someone to help in the production of Folk Notes. If you can make this rag look better than it does, we can use your knowledge and time. Everyone who reads it will most appreciative.

Contra Dance in Palmetto Bay February 27

The first contra dance at Perrine Peters United Methodist Church, 18301 South Dixie Highway, Palmetto Bay, FL 33157, was a great success thanks to Liz Warriner and the fine folks at the Church. Great music by The Usual Suspects - Marty Spencer, Matthew Sabatella and Bill Feuer. The hall was filled and many folks were introduced to the "balance and swing" and to the "unbalanced line" by master caller Andy Shore. And they are going to do it all over again on Saturday, February 27. Lou Dow will be calling with the legendary Bob Murphy and the

Palmetto Bug Stompers providing the beat. The evening will start at 7:30 for beginners with the main event from 8 to 11. Requested contribution is \$10. If you have never tried contra dancing, here is another chance. Most fun you can have with your clothes on. Come alone or with a group, no matter. We'll soon become one moving, twirling, sashaying, sweating mass. Call 786-242-0766 (305-803-7008 on dance night) for more information.

***REGULARLY SCHEDULED
EVENTS FOLK CALENDAR
BY TONY THOMAS***

All events start at 8 p.m. unless time is given. Folk Club of South Florida events are in bold type.

February 6. Folk Club of South Florida's Acoustic Underground Concert presents Joe Virgo CD Release Concert. [Luna Star Café](#), 775 NE 125th St., N Miami 305-799-7123

February 5 [Broward Folk Club](#) Open Mic 7:30pm - Featuring Featuring Joel Zoss at 9pm Fresh Aroma Coffee Bar. 3656 W. Hillsboro Boulevard, Deerfield Beach, (NW corner of

Powerline and Hillsboro); (954) 463-7374

February 7. [South Florida Bluegrass Association Festival](#) 12:30-5pm
Greynolds Park. Miami Gardens Dr.
and NE 22 Ave. (305) 358-1800 /
(888) 950-Blue
sfba@southfloridabluegrass.com

February 10. Songwriters in the
Round [Luna Star Café](#), 775 NE 125th
St., N Miami

February 13 (Second Saturday of Every month) . John Gorka
at the [Labyrinth Café](#) at the UU Church of Ft Lauderdale
3970 NW 21st Ave at. Info day of concert: 954-478-8637. /
[Contra Dance](#), Davie Women's Club, 6551 Orange Dr, Davie, FL
7:30 -11PM cliffpbc@gmail.com.

**February 14 Folk Club of South
Florida Open House and Song Swap
at the home of Holly White 5: to 9:
p.m, 9300 S. W. 80th Avenue, Miami,
FL (305) 595-3549 Miami, FL. For
directions, call (305) 595-3549. Bring
a contribution for the potluck dinner.
Musicians and non-musicians
welcome.**

February 16. Irish Music Session

[Luna Star Café](#). 775 NE 125th St.,
North Miami. 305-799-7123

February 19. [Songwriter's
Showcase. Broward Center for the
Performing Arts](#), Abdo New River
Room. 8PM sharp - open mic (sign
up no later than 7:50 PM). 9PM
SONGWRITERS "In the Round"
954-462-0222

February 21. Retirement Party,
Roast and Toast, for FCSF board
member Tony Thomas including
open mic and appearances of major
banjoists, miscreants, and
subversives. [Luna Star Café](#), 775 NE
125th St., N Miami 305-799-7123

February 28 . [Broward Folk Club
Jamming In The Park](#) Secret Woods.
Julia Assembly Hall, Secret Woods
Nature Center 2701 W State Rd. 84
Dania Beach 954-791-1030 2-5 pm
hosted by Donald Rappaport

Weekly and Biweekly Events
Sundays John Brown's acoustic
showcase, [JohnMartin's](#), 253 Miracle
Mile, Coral Gables. / Open Mic.
hosted by Glenn Allen [The Castle](#)

[Lounge](#) 1322 West Dixie Hwy corner of Cleveland St., Hollywood 954-840-9683 4-8 pm

Mondays: 8:30pm Monday Night Acoustic Night Gene Merola Host. Mangos 904 E Las Olas Blvd., Ft Lauderdale. Info. Gene @ 954-829-6085 or genesshow@aol.com

Tuesdays Jim's jam, [Luna Star Café](#), 775 NE 125th St., N Miami, 5-7 p.m. 305-799-7123. / [Old-time jam](#), Elks Club, 700 NE 10th St., Pompano Beach, 7-10 p.m. / Open Mic [Stage84](#), 9118 SR 84, Davie, 9 p.m. / [Shauna Sweeney](#), Kingshead Pub, 2692 N. University Dr., Sunrise. / [Blues jam](#) at Nitecap Lounge, 15455 W. Dixie Hwy., N Miami Beach, 9 p.m. / Open mike hosted by [Paul T](#) at Tom's NFL, 5001 NW 36th Street, 6 p.m. Miami Springs (for info call Paul T at 786.970.8021) / Open Mic hosted by Michael Shivers, [Stage84](#), 9118 SR 84, Davie, 8:30 p.m.

Wednesdays: Open Mic after Midnight Churchill's Pub 5501 NE 2nd Ave. Miami

Thursdays :Open Mic: Open Mic [Elks Club](#), . 6304 SW 78th St., South Miami. / [Open Mic](#) D.P.'s 200 N. Hollywood Broadwalk , 954-922-7993

Fridays: [Bluegrass Jam](#): Fridays (Call 954 374-2464) ElksClub 87190 Davie Road Ext, Hollywood /

[Bluegrass Gospel Sing & Jam](#) 4th Friday every month. 7pm 2400 South Pine Island Dr., Davie(954) 578-1359

or (954) 663-3568

Saturdays: Open Mic hosted by Jimmy Durkin [Luna Star Café](#), 775 NE 125th St., N Miami 305-799-7123. Sign up: 7-9 pm (after 9 pm we cannot guarantee a spot), Feb. 13, 27.

[Bluegrass jam](#), Lake Forest fire station, SW 39th Street & 41st Avenue, Hollywood, 3 p.m.

Open Mic 6-9 pm. MC Glen Allen-- aka Space Hippie at [The Little Bakery](#), 2033 Harrison Street, Hollywood. Spoken word and acoustic music.

And don't forget club director
Michael Stock's *Folk & Acoustic
Music*, broadcast every Sunday from
2 to 5 p.m. over WLRN-FM, 91.3
MHz. You can call Michael at 305-
995-2220 or write him at
mstock@wlrn.org.

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Mission Statement: To foster and promote traditional, contemporary and multicultural folk music and other folk arts in South Florida by supporting and encouraging local talent and showcasing local and national folk performers. To increase public understanding of the rich variety, artistic value, cultural and historical significance, and continuing relevance of folk music. The Folk Club of South Florida, Inc. is a Florida non-profit corporation with 501(c)(3) status and is a member of The North American Folk Music and Dance Alliance. We proudly support Friends of Florida Folk and Miami radio station WLRN.

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Helpful Links:

Local folk music calendar: www.gotfolk.com

Barker House Concert Series: www.floridamusic.org

Broward Folk Club: www.browardfolkclub.com

North American Folk Music and Dance Alliance: www.folk.org
South Florida Folk Festival: www.southfloridafolkfest.com
Palm Beach Folk Club: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/pbfcchat>

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Annual membership entitles you to a special rate for Folk Club events and concerts, Folk Notes the monthly newsletter and admission to our annual party featuring complimentary food and music. Please choose the membership level that best suits you and your family.

**Please fill out membership info and
mail your tax-deductible check
made out to FOLK CLUB OF
SOUTH FLORIDA
10001 SW 129th Terrace
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**Individual \$20 – Family \$25 –
Supporting \$35 – Sustaining \$75 –
Sponsor \$125 – Benefactor \$250 –**

Pete Seeger Endowment Fund, above \$250

Highlights For The Month:

Every Thursday – Open Mic –Elks Lodge South Miami 7:30 PM

February 6– Luna Star Café – Joe Virga – 8 PM

February 14 - Song Swap – Kendall - 5- 9 PM

February 27 – Contra Dance – Palmetto Bay – 7:30 PM