

Journey's End Farm

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Folk Song Weekend

LABOR DAY WEEKEND 2016 September 2, 3, 4

Tim Curtis started the gathering in 1989 at the home of the Curtis Family -- Journey's End Farm in Sterling, PA. The event has been repeated each year since to showcase the most ancient instrument -- the voice. Participants arrive Friday evening and stay until Sunday early afternoon, sharing the gifts of song, storytelling, and community, as well as many other talents on this special weekend. We hope you will join us!

2016 NEWS

Labor Day weekend starts on the first Friday of the month. Therefore, Folk Song Weekend will include our local monthly folklore gathering on Friday evening, incorporating some area folks who may be here only that night. Tim Curtis and Helena Guindon expect to relocate/return to Monteverde, Costa Rica, within the year so this is a good time to sing with them and wish them well.

The new companion book to Rise Up Singing has been available for several months now. Rise Again has nearly 1200 songs -- all different from those in Rise Up Singing. Consider a purchase of one or both books from <https://www.riseupandsing.org/> to support the work of Peter Blood and Annie Patterson, whose goal is to get people singing together. Their website also has playlists on YouTube that can help you learn songs from Rise Again.

Do you think of songs throughout the year that you want to bring to FSW? Maybe you hear something at a folk concert or you learn a new song that isn't in one of the books and wish that your friends at Folk Song Weekend could sing it with you. You can nominate songs that you hope we'll sing together. Go to Beyond Rise Up Singing. Suggest a song, add a link if there is a site where people could listen ahead of time, and write in your name if you are willing and able to lead the song. Good choices might be songs that have a chorus that can be learned quickly. The leader will need to carry the verses. We'll try to incorporate these in our Friday night and Saturday night sessions.

If you play an instrument, please consider signing up on the Volunteer list to play with the dance band on Saturday night. Our dance may include some square dances as well as contras.

Sign up for Open Mic! It will happen in the Tent, after the contra dance on Saturday night.

Weekend Schedule:

Friday: **5-6 pm:** arrive and settle in **6:30 pm:** Potluck supper. **8 pm:** Open sing.

Saturday: Starting with an **8am** breakfast, we will enjoy a variety of activities, workshops and songs throughout the day. **6pm** dinner, followed by a Contra dance, Open Mic, and songs around the campfire.

Sunday: **8:30 am:** Breakfast. **10 am:** spirituals, gospel, hymns & sacred rounds
12 pm: Lunch preceded by a farewell song.

Saturday Workshops: (subject to change)

Saturday: cooperative games, animal songs, John Prine songs, new folk revival, food songs, a Capella songs, Songs in the pond, songs from our Nomination list, dancing, Open Mic, songs around the fire.

9 am	Cooperative Games	Liz Martin
10 am	A. Animal songs	Tim Curtis
	B. John Prine songs	Blair Shepard
11 am	New Folk Revival	Claire Harvey and Tenaja Henson
Lunch		
1:30	A. Food songs	Suzanne and Tony
	B. Open	
2:30	A. a Capella songs	Tim Curtis
	B. Open	
3:45	(Sea) Songs at the pond followed by pulling in the dock	Ron, David, Tim C, Tim S.
5 pm	Beatles songs	Mike and Blair

<http://www.journeysendfarm.org/folksong.html>

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If you feel led to facilitate a workshop on a particular topic bring your ideas to the scheduling session for 2017. All are welcome to attend this session, held in the tent on Sunday afternoon.

We may still have open slots in the schedule when the gathering begins if you'd like to lead something this year.

Meals

To keep costs down and to simplify meals, we use a 'Stone Soup' model for many of our meals. Simplicity works best when facilitated by willing minds and hands, so we count on each of you to help prepare food, get meals on the table, and clean up afterward. Use our Volunteer SignUp form.

Dinner Friday:	Potluck -- Bring what you like to make, please label your containers.
Breakfast Saturday and Sunday:	We'll create a Journey's End breakfast on site. (usually pancakes or eggs and biscuits)
Lunch Saturday:	Journey's End has peanut butter to share. We ask that others bring a loaf of bread to share, some jam, or something else you'd enjoy eating. Label it "lunch" and put it on the kitchen counter/in the area of the fridge dedicated to lunch.
Dinner Saturday:	Everyone brings a jar or can of your favorite pasta sauce (try to avoid corn syrup) or pesto and we'll put together a vegetarian and a non-vegetarian pot of sauce. Journey's End will provide linguine and GF pasta. Garlic Bread will also be prepared. (Please let Kristin know if you would like to bring 10 loaves of sturdy Italian bread for the group.) JE will provide the garlic and butter/oil. Journey's End will supply garden produce depending on what is in season. Bring a finger-food dessert or snack to share -- we'll serve these after the dance.
Lunch Sunday:	Journey's End will provide local all-beef skinless hot dogs and Smart Dogs to cook on sticks over a campfire, and we will have whole wheat bread for 'buns'. Pickles, condiments, leftovers, watermelon. If you need or desire something different, please bring it.

****Please take responsibility for any special food needs, and please label your food.****

Plates and utensils as well as basic condiments will be available. Journey's End always has a selection of teas available next to the hot water in the dining room. However, **we don't have coffee** so we depend on whoever wants it to bring whatever is necessary and desirable for coffee drinkers.

*** Please keep bunk areas free of food to discourage rodents. ***

In the spirit of **Zero Waste**, we ask that everyone help themselves only to the amount of food they can eat.

Parents, please supervise your children at all meals.

At the end of the weekend, please take home any remaining contributions of food.

Accommodations and Sleeping Options

You can sleep in the camp bunkhouses or bring your own tent or camper. There are a few indoor bedrooms available for additional cost. Indoor beds will be made up in advance unless you tell us that you're bringing your own bedding.

Packing List

- **Food** (see "Meals" above for details)
 - potluck offering for Friday night – label your container
 - coffee/coffee maker (if you want it)
 - bread, jam or other for Sat. lunch
 - jar of sauce or pesto and finger food dessert (if you wish) for Sat. dinner
 - healthy snack food (and alternative to hot dogs if you need or wish to)
- **Unbreakable travel mug or cup** labeled with your name. Use this for any hot beverages that you want to carry with you to workshops – rinse as needed and reduce the number of dishes to be washed. JE mugs are for use indoors.
- **Towel**
- **Flashlight**
- **Toiletries**
- **Rain gear**
- **Swimsuit**
- **Sheets, blankets, pillow** (*for bunkhouses*) **and/or sleeping bag**
- **Songs and stories and photos to share**
- **Rubber boots** (*optional but really handy, esp. for deny mornings*)
- **Non-aerosol insect repellent**
- **Hat**
- **Hugs**
- **Instruments**

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Please Bring Your Own copy of Rise Up Singing and / or Rise Again if you own one

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**PLEASE
NO ALCOHOL OR OTHER DRUGS
LEAVE YOUR PETS AT HOME**

Directions

Friends, please use these directions instead of what Google maps or your GPS* may tell you. If you must rely on something other than what's written here, know that our street address (364 Sterling Road) is located just south of the village of Sterling in southern Wayne County on State Route 196, not in Newfoundland (even though our mail is delivered from the Newfoundland. Post Office – confusing but true)

Journey's End Farm is located in northeastern Pennsylvania just outside the village of Sterling. Driving time is approximately 2-3 hours from both New York City and Philadelphia, and approximately 4.5 hours from Washington, D.C.

Our street address:

Journey's End Farm
364 Sterling Road
Sterling, PA 18463

Lat: 41°19'30.84"N
Long: 75°23'29.46"W*

- **From I-84:** Take EXIT 17 to PA 191 north to PA 196, then south 2.5 mi. We are located 1.2 mi. south of Sterling, PA on PA 196, and 15 mi north of Mt. Pocono, a yellow farmhouse in the valley between two concrete bridges. ([click for map](#))
- **From D.C. & MD:** Take interstates/Beltway I-495 to I-95 North, to I-695 north (Baltimore), to I-83 north to PA near Harrisburg; then I-81 north to Scranton, then I-380/84 east to EXIT 17. (See above) ([click for map](#))
- **From Philadelphia:** Take I-476 north to I-80 (Pocono Exit), I-80 east to Exit 293 for I-380 North toward Scranton, 6 miles to Exit 8 Tobyhanna. Right on PA 423 north through stoplight, follow turns, continue about 4 and a half miles to where PA 423 intersects with PA 196 north. Turn left and follow PA 196 about 8 miles. Journey's End is on the right in a valley between 2 concrete bridges. ([click for map](#))
- **From NY/NJ:** I-80 W to Exit 293 – I-380 North – toward Scranton (follow directions above from Phila.) ([click for map](#))

* NOTE to GPS USERS: GPS devices have been known to give a false location and/or directions to JE. Please use the coordinates provided and make sure you know where you should be going prior to your trip. A paper map (remember those?) is also a great thing to keep handy.

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