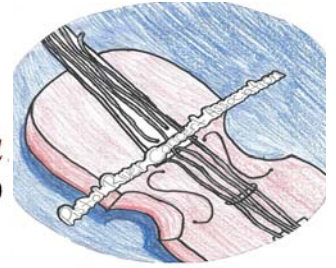


Pistol River Concert Association

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THE SPECIAL CONSENSUS

It's a nice feeling to see green grass sprout again, brought on by our fall rains. But it's the bluegrass heading our way in January that will really be lifting our spirits! At 8 PM on Saturday, January 20, 2018, the Pistol River Concert Association is pleased to welcome back to the Friendship Hall, the bluegrass quartet The Special Consensus.

Advertizing themselves as the players of bluegrass with an attitude, The Special Consensus has been around for over 40 years. Led by founding member and banjo guru Greg Cahill, The Special Consensus has played hundreds of national and international venues on their own, and have even shared the stage with orchestras. The group has been active in educational efforts, creating the Traditional American Music program to introduce bluegrass to students and teachers in schools across the country.



Besides Cahill, The Special Consensus includes guitar picker Rick Faris, who's been strumming that instrument to bluegrass tunes since he was seven. Rick actually joined the band in 2009 as the mandolin player, but switched back to guitar in 2015 when Pacific Northwester Nick Dumas was added to Special C for his mandolin skills. Dumas is also a multi-instrumentalist who has been in the bluegrass scene in our area for years. Rounding out the quartet is bass player Dan Eubanks. Dan started hitting bluegrass shows with his grandparent in the 70's, taking up bass at age 12 and hooking up with The Special Consensus in 2013.

The Special Consensus brings all the great aspects of bluegrass you would expect of the genre, as well their own unique sparks. Whether it's bluegrass classics, their own compositions, or covers of songs from other musical realms (their 2014 album was a tribute to John Denver!), impeccable musicianship including - plenty of how-can-their-fingers-move-that-fast picking - and beautiful vocal harmonies will be on display with every tune by this precise, energetic band. Their song 'Fireball' on their most recent album "Long I Ride" was recognized as the Instrumental Recorded Performance of the Year award in 2016 by the International Bluegrass Music Association.

Please join us as we bring in the New Year at the Friendship Hall with some great bluegrass music provided by The Special Consensus. Doors open at 7PM and the show starts at 8PM.

Shows on the horizon



Saturday, February 17, 2018

Laura Gibson
Folk/Indie Rock

Saturday, March 10, 2018

Molly's Revenge
Acoustic Celtic

Saturday, April 14, 2018

Kathryn Claire
Folk/Indie

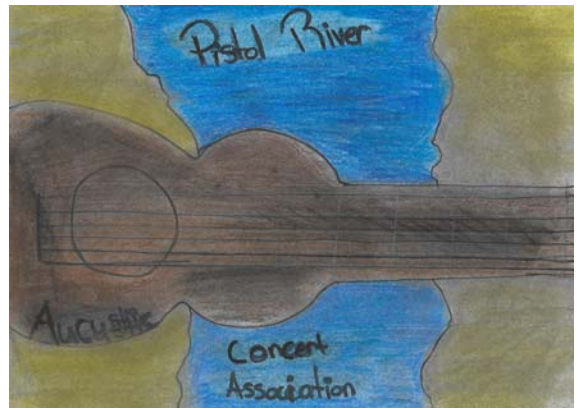
Tickets: All shows are \$15 and are available at:

Gold Beach Books 541-247-2495

Wright's Custom Framing 541-469-7900

Tickets can also be reserved at www.pistolriver.com, or by calling 541-247-2848 and picked up at the door.

Tickets may also be purchased, if available at the door



Notes from the Board:

A BIG THANKS to all who came to celebrate our 35th anniversary. Great local musicians, cooks, sponsors and of course enthusiastic audience members made it a special occasion: and over \$2, 000 was raised to boot! Needed improvements never seem to cease! Next up is replacement of some lighting,. If you would like to contribute, donations are always appreciated.

NEW PRCA T-SHIRTS AND SWEATSHIRTS FOR SALE! A chance to wear your support for our great cause. T-shirts are \$20 and sweatshirts are \$30 and are available at the shows.

THANKS TO MR. LENSING'S RILEY CREEK 7TH GRADERS FOR THEIR ARTWORK! We are looking into a new look for our logo, and these young artists provided some great ideas! We'll include a few of their works in the next few newsletters. Let us know if one fits the bill for you, or if you have a logo idea!

A SPECIAL THANKS TO GOLD BEACH BOOKS AND WRIGHT'SCUSTOM FRAMING for being our ticket outlets. We couldn't do it without you! If you purchase tickets for our shows from these businesses, please give them a hearty thank you for their continuing contribution to the arts in our area!

Want to become a PRCA Member?

We welcome anyone as a member of the Pistol River Concert Association that has an interest in supporting the concert series. If you want to get a heads up on upcoming shows and wish to become a member or if it is time to renew your membership, please fill out, detach and mail the registration form below along with your check made payable to the Pistol River Concert Association. (It's tax deductible !!)

Please Print:

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Street Address: _____ City: _____ ST: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Membership: Individual \$15 Family \$20 Amount enclosed _____

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