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## **HAPPY HOLIDAYS!**

It's a busy time of year for many. We hope, though, you will find time to visit us on a Friday night, unwind from the hectic work week and recharge your batteries for the weekend. We have some nice entertainment lined up for the months of November and December. Do stop in and check it out.

## **JOB SKILLS FOR YOUR RESUME**

**The past year has seen the loss of many jobs. If you find yourself unemployed or underemployed, you might consider picking up some volunteer activity to supplement the skills on your resume. Any of our volunteer opportunities can be used to demonstrate to a prospective employer that you are a worthy candidate for the position. Here are two ways that you can acquire more job skills.**

### **Concert Coordinator**

Concert coordinators take turns being the host at our Friday evening concerts at the Coffeehouse. A Coordinator arrives at the Wil-Mar about 6:30pm and coordinates with volunteer workers to prepare the space for the evening. He or she acts as host to the guests and performers, and makes sure announcements get made. The coordinator set up the sound system and sometimes operates it. He or she counts the admissions and food boxes at the end of the evening and assist the volunteers in putting everything away properly. Knowledge of the sound system is helpful and existing coordinators can train you.

#### **Transferable skills:**

Communication, leadership/management, problem solving, customer service in the sense that audience and performers are both our customers. This is an event management position which could be closely related to work as a project manager or team lead.

### **Volunteer Coordinator**

A most important job at the Hog, this volunteer maintains a list of those who volunteer during concerts at the Hog and schedules those volunteers on a rotating basis that meets their needs and those of the Hog. Its a great way to get to know other Hog members. A telephone and online access to email are required.

#### **Transferable skills:**

Communication both written and oral, scheduling, computer/e-mail. This is a recruiting and scheduling position. Delivery service and trucking companies along with manufacturing firms, bakeries, newspaper services and others look for people with these skills.

More detailed information is available at [www.wildhoginthewoods.org](http://www.wildhoginthewoods.org). If you would like to talk to a live person, see the list of coordinators on the back page or e-mail us at [info.wildhoginthewoods.org](mailto:info.wildhoginthewoods.org) with your phone number and we will contact you.

# SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER EVENTS

## AT THE WILD HOG IN THE WOODS COFFEEHOUSE

Monday, Nov 2  
7:00-8:30pm

### Coordinators Meeting

Hog business is transacted on the first Monday, approximately every other month. Held at the Wilmar Neighborhood Center. Check the basement and other meeting rooms for the exact location.

Friday, Nov 6  
8:00 - 10:30pm

### Songwriters' Night

Stephen Lee Rich leads a bevy of talented local songwriters onto the Hog stage. Performers include: Andrea Potts, a South Dakota transplant; Julia McConahay who fiddled with Mark Croft; a very prolific John Crossman; and SLRich, your friendly, neighborhood, yodeling cowboy.

Friday, Nov 13  
8:00 - 10:30pm

### Skip Jones

Skip, of Bowler, Wisconsin, is a folksinger, storyteller, educator and grandfather. He plays guitar, banjo, and Native American courting flute. He has played at the Wild Hog almost once a year since the Old Green Lantern Days. Reviewers have noted his "Burl Ives-like voice" and his ear for good songs and have called him a masterful storyteller. He invites you to come spend the evening singing and celebrating life. See and hear more at [www.skipjones.net](http://www.skipjones.net).

Friday, Nov 20  
8:00 - 10:30 pm

### Tracy Beck

According to one reviewer, Tracy's music is about true meaning, life and the spirit. Her new Album, "As An Eagle Soars," features 12 unblemished songs written by Tracy. Her singing style in conjunction with the lyrics of each song is definitely a winning recipe and is a welcome addition to the folk music scene.

Friday, Nov 27  
8:00 - 10:30pm

**Closed for Thanksgiving. Have a safe and wonderful holiday!!!**



Friday, Dec 5  
8:00 - 10:30pm

### Graham and Co.

Nelson Graham will grace the stage with his fine voice accompanied by his own guitar-playing. He will be joined by The Company, which includes any of several of Nelson's musician friends on a given night. Tracy Jane Comer and possibly others will join Nelson for a show of original and traditional tunes, probably including selections from the CD [A Graham and Company Christmas](#).

Friday, Dec 11  
8:00 - 10:30pm

### Eleike (Mike Bell and Eleanor Mayerfeld)

This father and daughter duo, Michael Bell and Eleanor Mayerfeld, return to the Hog stage for another performance. Michael is an accomplished mandolin and guitar player who has performed on Prairie Home Companion and Eleanor at age 11 is an excellent fiddler. They play traditional music, old and new, as well as their own compositions.

Friday, Dec 18  
8:00 - 10:30pm

### Isaac Strafstrom

Isaac received a Madison Folk Music Society scholarship and used it to pay for banjo lessons. This young man learned fast, as was evidenced by the fine concert he gave at Folk on State this summer

Friday, Dec 25  
Closed

**SANTA CLAUS! Ho-Ho-Ho!!!  
Merry Christmas to Everyone!**

Friday, January  
Closed

**Happy "Born to be Wild Hog" New Year!!**

Friday, Jan 8  
8:00 - 10:30 pm

**TBA — the Hog re-opens for a new year**

## In Memory of IVAR LOHMAN 1917-2009

With great sadness we report that Ivar Lohman passed away on September 26, 2009 at the age of 92. His very active retirement included bicycle trips in Europe and the U.S., and courses through UW and PLATO. A regular in international folk and ballroom dance circles, he performed with Kickapoo Cloggers, Folklore Village Dancers and Italian Folk Dancers of Madison. He particularly enjoyed Cajun music, Argentine tango and Scandinavian dance. He was also a bassoonist with the Madison Community Orchestra until just about a year ago.

For many years Ivar assisted Tom Gross with hauling equipment from the Coffeehouse to the barn dances and back again. Kim Genich remembers putting up posters for Hog events with Ivar, a task Ivar had also done for many years.

An interesting and generous man, he will be fondly remembered by all the Hog folks who knew him.

## Renew your Membership and Support a Great organization!

Yes, it's that time of year again — time to renew your membership with the Wild Hog in the Woods Coffeehouse. We are a great organization, dedicated to bringing you a venue of varied and often educational events at a cost that cannot easily be duplicated in any mainstream, for-profit venue.

While you are filling out the membership form, you can give some thought to whether you might be able to offer an hour or two of your time to help us run an event or do any of the administrative tasks required to keep our organization functioning.

Your membership fees pay for rent of the facility where we hold the concerts, provide you with a bi-monthly newsletter, and allow us to post all of our activities on a website. Dues also allow us to maintain and upgrade our sound and lighting equipment as needed and provide the front money for some special concerts and events.

Everything else that is needed to keep this great organization running is volunteered or donated. We couldn't do it without you, so please renew your membership today.

Gratefully,  
Your dedicated Wild Hog Coordinators

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## Wild Hog in the Woods 2010 Membership Form

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Name (please print) Email

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Address City State Zip

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Telephone Date

Please check here if you do not want your name given out for non-Hog folk event mailings.

The Wild Hog is a volunteer-run cooperative and all members are encouraged to volunteer. We ask working members to commit to volunteering at least three times per year. Are you interested in helping with any of the following?

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Set-up/clean-up                       | <input type="checkbox"/> Poster distribution | <input type="checkbox"/> Sound mixing        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bulk mailing                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Graphics/art        | <input type="checkbox"/> Concert coordinator |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter or Website (circle choice) | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity           | <input type="checkbox"/> Baking for concerts |

I am interested in performing on stage at the Coffeehouse. Please call me!

Please indicate which type of membership you prefer:

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| <p><b>Working Member (volunteer at least 3 times a year)</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> \$10 Individual</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> \$15 Family</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> (Optional) Donation _____</p> | <p><b>Subscribing Member</b></p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> \$13 Individual</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> \$18 Family</p> |
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- Thanks!

*Please make check payable to  
"Wild Hog in the Woods"*

*Mail this form with check to:*  
Wild Hog in the Woods  
953 Jenifer Street  
Madison, WI 53703

## BACON BITS

THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

A **very special thank you** to all those people listed in the Handy Hog Contact List. Many of them have been Hog volunteers for 15 years or longer. They work hard to keep the organization going and deserve special praise. If it weren't for their hard work and dedication, the Hog would no longer exist. These are the special people who have a deep commitment to the foundations and ideas behind the organization.

To keep an all volunteer run organization going requires many more people than we currently have in our contact list. Please help us keep the Hog alive and well by volunteering in any capacity that you are able.

The following is a list of the very wonderful people who gave us a hand in the months of September and October:

Ron Dennis, Tom Gross, David Eagan, Ruth Ellickson, Lillian Tong, Ben Doran, Lisa Johnson, Ramona Johannes, Ramona Makos, Johanna Fabke, Jamie Poindexter, Michelle Jacques, Christina Rose and Kim Genich. (Our apologies to anyone who we may have missed.)

Thanks also go to all the performers that played at our concerts.

*"THANK YOU ALL!*

*We couldn't have done it without you."*

## HANDY HOG CONTACT LIST

### Musician/Performer Booking:

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### Concert Coordinators: [info@wildhoginthewoods.org](mailto:info@wildhoginthewoods.org)

Kim Genich: 608-233-5687

Tom Gross: 608-798-4999

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Ron Dennis, Tom Dettinger, Kim Genich, Tom Gross,

Ron McCabe, Joanne Seckman, Jamie Poindexter

### Officers:

High Hog: empty

Treasurer: Tom Gross, 608-798-4999

Secretary: Kim Genich, 608-233-5687

Additional contacts at [www.wildhoginthewoods.org](http://www.wildhoginthewoods.org)

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Metro Bus routes 3 and 4

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