

SIXTH ANNUAL “CONCERTS ON THE CORNER” MUSIC SERIES IN DOWNTOWN MECHANICSBURG

MECHANICSBURG, Pa. –The sixth annual “Concerts on the Corner” music series is set to kick off June 4, featuring free performances by local and regional musicians every Thursday from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. on the corner of Market and Main Streets in downtown Mechanicsburg.

Concerts on the Corner is the weekly music series that takes place during the months of June, July, August and September. The series features musicians, singers and songwriters performing original and popular music to bring family, friends and neighbors together for a toe-tapping good time.

The Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce and Main Street Mechanicsburg sponsor the sixth annual Concerts on the Corner music series. The Foot Traffic Partnership, a group of downtown Mechanicsburg merchants, organizes the music series.

Bring your kids, bring your friends, bring a lawn chair, and be sure to bring yourself to the Mechanicsburg’s square at Market and Main Streets. Even during those summer thunderstorms, musicians will still be singin’ in the rain at the rain location: Gallerie 13, 13 East Main Street, Mechanicsburg.

2009 Concerts on the Corner Schedule of Performances

June 4 – **Jazz Me** -- The trio of Mitch Graeff, Doug Brenner, and Kirk Wise combines vocals, harmonicas, guitar, and upright bass to produce a variety of jazz and blues sounds. Jazz Me performs throughout central Pennsylvania at numerous restaurants, private events, and elegant affairs.

June 11 – **We3** -- This trio of entertainers from central Pennsylvania, We3 presents musical styles from roots, folk, country, blues, along with 1950s, ‘60s and ‘70s favorites. We3 – music in the people’s key.

June 18 – Jubilee Day! (musicians will be performing throughout the day)

June 25 – **Yesterday’s Vibe** will entertain audiences with oldies but goodies from the 1950s to the 1980s. Go back in time with Yesterday’s Vibe.

July 2 – **Andrew Bellanca** and his friends treat audiences to a mix of Jazz, Brazilian, Latin and Blues music. Every evening with Andrew Bellanca is a new experience with new musicians joining him to entertain audiences with their sophisticated jazz creations.

July 9 – **Jonathan Frazier** -- After studying at Harrisburg Art’s Magnet School, Maryland Institute College of Art, and Kutztown University, Frazier is known throughout the Harrisburg region for his talents with oils. Not only an artist, Frazier is also a performing musician featured at many locales in the surrounding Harrisburg Area.

July 16 – **Seasons** -- Join the regionally renowned musical Lee family for an evening of classic and popular music.

July 23 – **High Tops** -- Let the High Tops take you on a musical journey that spans the 1950s, '60s, '70s and '80s with traditional “rock ‘n’ roll” music. With the belief that good swinging dance tunes never go out of style, this trio of “30 somethings” will bring out the jitterbug in everyone.

July 30 – **Hemlock Hollow** -- Roger Wilkinson established Hemlock Hollow over three years ago. The band includes Don Judy, lead guitar and vocals, Mike Miller, bass and vocals, Chris Wilkinson, mandolin, and Roger Wilkinson, lead vocals and guitar. Hemlock Hollow’s music ranges from their own interpretations of sixties rock such as the Beatles, the Rolling Stones, the Grateful Dead, as well as traditional folk, blue grass, and classic country music.

August 6 – **Kevin Neidig** -- Mechanicsburg native son Kevin Neidig has been described as a singer-songwriter and maestro of guitar, banjo, and mandolin, influenced by Darrell Scott, Tim O’Brien, Sam Bush, Bela Fleck and Tony Rice. After studying under Grammy-nominated Sound Master Jonathan Goldman, Kevin has discovered a whole new way of working with music and sound, to the point where he is working with sound in a healing capacity. An award winning musician and vocalist, Kevin is the owner of the Neidig Guitar Studio, established 15 years ago in Mechanicsburg, where he teaches guitar and mandolin to a roster of talented and inspiring students.

August 13 – **Paul Zavinsky** is a singer-songwriter who performs simply because he enjoys entertaining. Along with folk and rock classics, Paul presents his original tunes. He has appeared on stage with artists including John Prine, Steve Goodman, Asleep at the Wheel and Tammy Wynette. Locally, Paul is familiar to WITF listeners as a member of the radio and television sponsorship team.

August 20 – **Jamie O’Brien** -- Since he was 13-years-old, O’Brien has performed in 10 bands. In addition to accompanied work, O’Brien recently has opted for solo performance with an accompaniment by John Winship, Henry Koretzky, Bruce Young, or Ryck Kaiser. Not a stranger to music, O’Brien has dabbled in numerous genres including rock, folk, country, jazz, and classical, and also performing music from various countries from Ireland, England, America, France, Italy, and Germany. O’Brien specializes in guitar, although he is also talented on the piano, mandolin, banjo, hammered dulcimer, as well as the harmonica and whistle.

August 27 – The **Ridgeway Brass**, a quintet of four guys and a gal, have been entertaining crowds with the beauty and variety of brass instruments. Two trumpets, a French horn, trombone and tuba create a symphony of selections - from Broadway to classical to Dixieland to jazz and marches, this quintet will have people engaged and toe-tapping.

September 3 – **The Stringtown Skyscrapers** sing and play acoustic string music that

speaks to the minds and hearts of their audiences. The music may be gospel, country, old time, or nostalgic, and sometimes earthy and direct. It is always done in the special Appalachian string music style of The Stringtown Skyscrapers.

September 10 – **Voxology** -- Kevin Neidig and Les Vonderlin make up this award-winning duo based here in Central Pennsylvania. They have produced three recordings, a self-titled debut CD *Voxology*, under the covers and their most recent release, *Someday Soon*.

September 17 – **MuZette** is the collaboration of husband-and-wife team Tom and Laurie Reese. Their eclectic style combines elements of classical, jazz, Celtic and folk music to create a new sound. This combination of an award-winning composer and a classically trained cellist engages audiences of all ages.

September 24 – **Louis Lynch & Friends** -- It's always a pleasant surprise when Louis Lynch invites a few of his friends to join him and jam with his pedal harp, guitars, percussion, and winds. Louis entertains with a variety of music types from traditional Irish and folk music to rock 'n roll. Come be surprised.

For more information about the Concerts on the Corner music series, call the Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce (717-796-0811), Jeffrey Van Boskirk at the 2nd Floor Gallery (717-697-0502), or visit the Web site at www.MechanicsburgChamber.org <<http://www.MechanicsburgChamber.org>> .

The Mechanicsburg Chamber of Commerce represents the business interests of Mechanicsburg and promotes commercial and community interests of Mechanicsburg, Pennsylvania and its environs.

Main Street Mechanicsburg's mission is to revitalize downtown Mechanicsburg to be a magnet of opportunity for culture and innovation; to bring together diverse interests to create a unified vision of a vibrant town-center; to enhance our quality-of-life by preserving and promoting our heritage and unique sense of place.