



# NJ Friends of Clearwater Newsletter

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Upcoming NJFC Events and  
Meetings

Clearwater Festival Meeting:  
Tuesday, August 3, 7pm  
At Site Chairman's House  
25 Peters Pl, Red Bank  
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For more info on NJFC  
meetings go to:  
[http://www.mcclearwater.org/  
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New Members, try:  
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ter-of-New-Jersey-Meetup-  
Group/](http://www.meetup.com/Clearwater-of-New-Jersey-Meetup-Group/)

A Day of Music, Food & Environmental  
Awareness!

## 35th Annual CLEARWATER FESTIVAL



# New Jersey Friends of CLEARWATER

**Knock Out Pollution: Protect Our Watersheds!**

Saturday, August 21, 2010

11:00am - 7:00 pm

**FREE! ONE DAY ONLY! FREE!**

Sunset Park, Asbury Park, NJ

DIRECTIONS: <http://www.google.com/maps?q=Main+St+%26+Sunset+Ave.+Asbury+Park,+NJ+07712,+USA&sa=X&oi=map&ct=title>

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Article Deadline for the  
May issue of NJFC  
Newsletter is Monday,  
August 25

E-mail your articles to  
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## **3<sup>rd</sup> ANNUAL NJ ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE ROUNDTABLE** **2:00pm, Site Location To Be Announced in Program**

Urban and Workplace Leaders Discuss Environmental Issues Disproportionately Affecting the Young and Poor, in NJ. Host: President Ed Dlugosz, Moderator: Kerry Butch, ANJEC; Invited EJ Leaders: Roy Jones, Camden; Ana Baptista, Newark Ironbound Assn; Kim Gaddy, NJEF/UEI.

### **Top Name Adult & Childrens Performers**

#### **Circle of Song Stage**

Thomas Wesley Stern; Mike Meade, Emily Grove; Ingrid Heldt, Michael Scolnick; Eric & Hillary, Tom Picard; Sharleen Leahey, Joe Petraitis; Sharleen Leahey, Joe Petraitis; Kacie Baker, Carl Croce; Spook Handy

#### **Main Stage**

Planet Zemo Band—Spook Handy—O'Neill & Martin  
and many more

#### **Children Performers**

EcoMan; Danny Alderman, EcoMan

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### **NEWS!!!**

**COME TO REMAINING WEEKLY FESTIVAL MEETINGS!! - JOIN A COMMITTEE. CHECK OUR WEBSITE EVENTS & CALENDAR PAGES**  
**VOLUNTEERS ARE STILL NEEDED!!**

Volunteers can sign up for as little as 2 hours or for the whole day or anywhere in between. We need volunteers to support all aspects of the Festival to include:

- Stage Hands (2 Stages)
- Concession Stand
- Recycling
- Peace Keepers
- Hospitality
- Membership

We need roadies to set up and breakdown the site on Friday prior to the Festival and on Sunday morning after the festival. We also need volunteers to help us plan and carry out all the preparations that make our Festival the biggest Environmental- Music Festival in NJ

Please contact us by calling or writing us at: • 732-872-9644 • PO Box 303, Red Bank, NJ 07701

Attn: Volunteer Chairperson  
Lynn Humphrey  
Email: [lynn22353@yahoo.com](mailto:lynn22353@yahoo.com)

For further information:

<http://www.mcclearwater.org/festival.php>

## **Introducing the Festival Circle of Song Performers:**

### **Ingrid Heldt**



Ingrid Heldt began performing long before she could read. Her father, a sound engineer, took her along to sporting, political and social events, where she would usually end up in front of the microphone, singing. She wrote her first song in Bob Gibson's first songwriting workshop. Since then, she has written and translated several hundred songs for herself and other singers. She has also written commercials for companies including Volkswagen. Her passions are Peace and the Environment, and her voice has been described as "somewhere between Joan Baez, Judy Collins and Enya." Ingrid is organizing and leading the Circle of Song. Her Website is [www.ingridmusic.com](http://www.ingridmusic.com).

### **Spook Handy** □



Spook has been called "a real troubadour in the style of Pete Seeger and Phil Ochs" whose songs "embody the same intellectual rattle and simple honesty." The spirit of American folk music, its passion and sense of purpose ring loud and clear in his performance. His songs have been used in theater and film, have been covered by the likes of Pete Seeger and have charted as high as #10 on the Folk Radio charts.



### **Kacie Baker** □



Kacie Baker is a young (18 year old) Singer/Songwriter from Central New Jersey. Her music stretches across the guitar, piano, harmonica and banjo and utilizes the ripe sounds of the traditional Folk era. Some of her greatest influences and friends are Singer/Songwriter Joan Baez and Folk Legend Pete Seeger. Kacie is frequently found sharing her songs at local venues in New Jersey and New York City, including The Bitter End. She is presently planning the release of her first album with the working title "Honest and Free." — "I want to change someone's life with my music, and I love it," she says. "That's why I do it." — Kacie Baker.

### **Emily Grove**



Emily Grove sings without artifice, without affectation and without pitch correction. Her songs have relatable lyrics which connect with the human heart in in the great tradition of folk music throughout the world. These aren't dreamy love songs or self-indulgent gazing; they are simply songs about real human beings. She is as genuine as they come, with a glorious voice which resonates with pure emotion. She's a true Jersey Shore girl, but without a tan or big hair. She has been performing over the past few years in local NJ venues, in NYC and in Boston, where she is currently a student at Berklee College of Music. She has been nominated for both an Asbury Park Music Award and Jersey Acoustic Music Awards, and has won several NJ singing contests.

### Sharleen Leahey ☐



Sharleen has been writing and performing topical folk music for the past 30 years. From 1993 to 1999 she was the founding editor of Songs for Peace Magazine, publishing over 100 songs advocating peace, human rights and ecological responsibility. Sharleen was strongly influenced by the great topical songwriters of the 1960s, including Bob Dylan, Phil Ochs and Buffy Sainte-Marie. Her debut CD “So Frail” challenges us to question our leaders and ourselves on the issues of war and peace. Sharleen’s songs are a bridge from outrage and despair to heightened awareness and active resistance. Her music echoes a growing movement for peace and justice now rising from every corner of the Earth.

### Michael Meade ☐



Michael Meade is a singer/songwriter with the band Lackawanna Rail. He is also a member of the Hudson River Sloop Singers, and a long time member of Clearwater . He has a contagious enthusiasm that frequently earns him the title of “Life of the Party.” He is still trying to figure out if that is a good thing or not! Find out more at [www.lackawannarail.com](http://www.lackawannarail.com).

### Michael Scolnick ☐☐

I’m the fella Pete Seeger asked to be in charge of the monthly Circle of Song at his Beacon Sloop Club. I sing, play guitar and tell stories, and I’d love to do that for you and your children. My repertoire includes all kinds of traditional folk music. I’ve been singing “If I had a Hammer” and “Michael Row the Boat Ashore” since I was 9, but I perform Jewish music too, that you don’t have to be Jewish to really enjoy. I teach music at two schools and a nursery school, and this past year I’ve MC’ed the music and did a set at the Beacon Sloop Club Alternative Energy Festival, “Down By the Riverside” in Beacon, NY. I specialize in spirit.

### Thomas Wesley Stern ☐



Formed in March of 2010, at the end of a long and harsh winter, Thomas Wesley Stern began when life-long friends (and Godbrothers) Gary and Bob drove across the country and back, ending up in Manhattan with new songs to show Joe. They began playing Union Square, Washington Square and any corner where the young and old and in-between would

stop for a song. After a few weeks, a bulk of original material, traditional spirituals and work songs became prevalent, and the boys started taking their show on the road. They’re now playing their first major gigs, recording their first home made demo CD, and they shall write and perform for the s. Come join the sing-along!



Carl Croce (guitar) is a singer-songwriter who has

performed as a regular on WDVR's Heartlands Hayride live radio program, the Folk Project's Minstrel Concert series, as well with SIAMS and at many other NJ and NY venues. Carl can be reached at [cmcroce@msn.com](mailto:cmcroce@msn.com).

#### Joe Petraitis □



Joe Petraitis (guitar & accordion/keyboards) is a songwriter who has performed on Princeton NJ's Cafe Improv, televised on cable and YouTube. Joe has played at Pete Seeger's Beacon Festivals. He teaches children how to write songs and has co-written a few songs with them. Joe's associations include the Nashville Songwriters Association, the Folk Project, and the Philadelphia Alliance of Songwriters Assoc. (PASA). He can be reached at [misterp946@aol.com](mailto:misterp946@aol.com).

#### Tom Picard



#### Jay Wilensky



#### Circle of Song Crew

We're having a round robin song circle hootenanny for the day and you can join in. Ask us about Clearwater, become a member, and learn about the environmental action program. The Circle of Song is organized in the tradition of Clearwater's Pumpkin Sail crew, with volunteer performers and support crew. Each hour there is a new theme led by our talented singers/leaders.

Ingrid Heldt is the organizer this year. Ingrid is a local member of NJFC and upriver HRSC. She can often be found, when not participating in NJFC activities, at the monthly Beacon Sloop Club singing with Pete and the usual suspects.

Special thanks go to Sky Solar and Mark Lamhut for providing the the *green energy* and the sound, respectively. Some of our travelling troubadours need need housing. Please contact us if you know of a suitable room in the Asbury Park area.

Look for these news articles and topics in the mid-month NJFC Newsletter and online on our website

[www.mcclearwater.org/news.php](http://www.mcclearwater.org/news.php):

- EPA Environmental Justice Conference, June 29
- Judith Enck Meeting on FM, (EPA Regional 2 Administrator,)
- HRSC BOD mtg, June 29
- RAB Meeting, July 8,
- FMERPA EAC Meeting, July 12
- Meeting with Executive Director, Center for Public Environmental Oversight, July 15
- Coastal Ocean Summit, July 26
- Meeting with Sen Jennifer Beck re: major Environmental presence in the FERA follow-on legislation
- Eatontown's Wampum Lake Cleanup Effort

*NJFC Mission Statement:*

It is the aim of New Jersey Friends of Clearwater, that each member in his or her own way touch the people in our community and by word or deed convey the importance of conservation and reparation of the earth.

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