

The Warwick Arts Council and Warwick Cultural Council present:

Old Home Days Concert, Saturday August 28th at 7:00 pm on the beautiful Warwick Town Common, 12 Athol Road/Rt. 78, Warwick, MA, featuring **The Farley String Band**. This free concert is made possible with a grant from the **Warwick Cultural Council**, a local chapter of the Massachusetts Cultural Council. The concert will be given rain or shine.

The Farley String Band consists of up to 11 local musicians playing traditional folk and fiddle tunes with many tunes originally coming from Ireland and Scotland. The principal instruments are violin, guitar, banjo, hammered dulcimer, accordion, mandolin, recorder, and bodhran. Some of the members play multiple instruments including harmonica, penny whistle, and bones.

The group began about seven years ago when Harry Sharbaugh and Wes Green got together regularly to play old time music, with Wes on banjo and Harry on hammered dulcimer. Later, Harry's wife Sue joined in with her accordion, as did their friend Steve Winters on guitar. The group began performing publicly after Shirley Tripp (violin) and Alfred Barten (mandolin, tenor banjo) joined the group. Since then, several other members have been added.

The group's repertoire includes about 80 tunes and continues to grow. These include rousing old time fiddle tunes, jigs, reels, airs, and beautiful slow waltzes. You can count on the band to play their signature tune, ***Cold Frosty Morning***.

Warwick's Old Home Days has been a tradition of fun and gathering for many, many years. It includes Historical Society Open House and table, Giant Tag Sale, Open Mike, Firemen's Outdoor Lunch, crafts, games, Hubbard Family horse drawn carriage rides, Historic Cemetery Walk, Metcalf Chapel BBQ Chicken Supper, Tom Ricardi and *Live Birds of Prey* at the Warwick Free Public Library, and Corregatta cardboard boat race at Moore's Pond. All of this will be happening in beautiful Warwick on **Saturday August 28th and Sunday August 29th**. Organizations involved include: The Warwick Historical Society, Women's Guild, Metcalf Chapel, Animal Control, Fireman's Association, Arts Council, Recreation Commission, Cultural Council and Public Library. The Metcalf Chapel's BBQ Chicken Supper will be held outside on the Common at the Warwick Town Hall at 6:00 pm on Saturday.

This performance is sponsored by the **Warwick Arts Council**, an organization that has sponsored art and cultural programs and events in the town of Warwick for over 25 years. Other programs it has hosted include Annual Art Shows, Blues Nights, Concerts (from Jazz to Classical to Jug Band), Theater Performances, Beatnik coffeehouses, narrative poetry evenings, Soup and Song gatherings, writing programs, slide shows, and school programs and scholarship support.

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