

TWO IMPORTANT HALL OF FAME PROJECTS

A Save Our History – Hall of Famer, **Nigel Mullin**, is in the process of collecting memorabilia from members of the Hall of Fame. This will be catalogued and preserved as a start to developing a history of country music in New Brunswick. If you have newspaper clippings, photos, recordings, clothing, instruments, awards, biographies, etc., etc., contact Nigel at 836-1908, address 1366, Hwy 420, Cassillis, E9E 2A6.

B DVD Project - Another historical project is collecting videos of our Hall of Famers in action over the years and placing this material on DVD. Much has been collected already. If you have any videos (in any format) contact **Gary Morris**, at 433-5556, address 590 Main Street, Sussex E4E 7H8.

MORE NEWS

The **Don Messer** 100th Anniversary Celebration held in Harvey, NB in August was most successful with a number of the Hall of Famers taking part. There is thought to carry on with this event next year. The book "Don Messer: The Man Behind the Music" by Johanna Bertin can be purchased at most book stores. Also, honorary Hall of Famer, **Ken Reynolds**, Nepean, ON, along with his wife Dottie, were at the event. Ken organized tours across Canada for Don, as well as Wilf Carter and others. His book "Ken Reynolds Presents Sixty Years in Canadian Country Music" was released this summer. For copies contact Gerry Taylor or Ivan Hicks.

An email was received recently from **Rick Russell** and he and wife, Shirley, have been busy submitting many photos and write-ups that will make great additions to our history.

Congratulations to Garold Hanscom for being chosen to the Perth-Andover Wall of Fame in July. Garold leads the Wednesday Evening Fiddlers and does many fiddling events for the communities in Northwestern NB.

Many of our Hall of Famers are kept busy playing for various events and concerts. An email from **Bubs Brown**, Fredericton, informs us that besides doing back-up work in the Hall of Fame concerts, he does country and gospel shows with another Hall of Famer, **Joey Knight**, some work with Hall of Famer, **Al Sherwood**, as well as other groups, and working on a number of recording projects at Outreach Studios. Great work Bubs.

Congratulations to Roger Lanteigne - a guest performer for the world **Acadian Congress** closing, with an audience of 5000. Roger was very pleased with the results.

NEW RECORDINGS

A number of the Hall of Famers have or will have new recordings released including **Al Hooper, Randy Vail, Ivan Hicks, Reg Gallant** (2009 Inductee). There may be others.

IF YOU HAVE A NEW RECORDING, PERFORMANCE DATES, NEWS FROM YOUR AREA OR JUST UPDATES, PLEASE LET US KNOW AND WE WILL INCLUDE IN THE NEWSLETTER

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**GALA EVENT 2009
OCTOBER 17TH**

FREDERICTON

Our Founder's Purpose and Personal Vision of the



- * **The sole purpose of recording, for history's sake, a photo and printed display of any artist from New Brunswick who has made a significant contribution to country music**
- * **To preserve and promote Old Time Country Music**
- * **To induct country music artists into the Hall of Fame at a yearly banquet**

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GALA EVENT 2009

Saturday October 17th, FREDERICTON

Official Host - Frank Hartt

Reception: 3:30 pm ~ Banquet: 4:30 pm

Fredericton Inn,
1315 Regent St, Fredericton, NB
1 800 447-4136

Rooms \$99 – let them know you are with NBCMHF

Concert

Fredericton High School Theatre
300 Priestman St., Fredericton NB ~ 8:00 pm

FOR TICKET AVAILABILITY CALL

BONNIE MESSER, TICKET COMMITTEE CHAIR – 459-5306

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CONGRATULATIONS TO THE 2009 INDUCTEES

Johnny Comfort

Reg Gallant

Hughie Yorke (posthumously) 1953 – 2002

Al Dupuis

Stan Taylor

GALA EVENT CONCERT MUSIC DIRECTOR, GARY MORRIS

All Hall of Fall members are invited to perform at the Gala Concert. Because of time constraints we are looking for a **5 minute performance** from each member.

Exception - 2009 new Inductees - an 8 min. performance. Please send name of tunes/song, keys and copy of selections to Gary Ph: 433-5556; fax: 433-5599; 590 Main St., Sussex, NB E4E 7H8 gary@morrismusicltd.com well in advance.

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE
www.nbcmhf.com

- * We would like to see as many Hall of Fame Members as possible at this year's Gala and Concert. The success of each year's annual event rests on your support and generosity

NEWS AND THANK YOU'S

- * Another successful Hall of Fame concert was held at the Atlantic National Exhibition, Saint John on Tuesday, September 1st. Many thanks to the Hall of Famers who performed - **Gary Morris**, band leader, **Bob Henry**, MC, **Gerry Taylor** for his assistance, **ANE Board of Directors** and committees for hosting this concert, as well as your generous support of the Hall of Fame booth. Again this year, **Bill and Hazel Marie Robertson** along with their helpers (especially **Hope & Garth Jones & Joyce Ross**) were responsible for the H of F booth and looking after it all week. Special thanks for your time and efforts.
- * Again, a big thank you to **Al Sherwood** and **Mavis O'Donnell** for your contributions with the Hall of Fame concert and the booth at the Fredericton Exhibition, Saturday, September 12th featuring many of our Hall of Famers. Special thanks to all on a job well done and to **Everett Porter** and organizers of the Fredericton Exhibition for the invite.
- * Great to see and hear Hall of Famer, **Joan Kennedy** along with the **Dick Stacey Entertainers** at the ANE on Wednesday, September 2nd.
- * Hall of Famer, **Bill Mullin**, features many of our Hall of Famers on his Country Music Opry, 1720 Rte 420, Red Bank, Miramichi. This Opry operates from April to September. Keep up the good work, Bill.
- * Another great folksong festival on the Miramichi this year featuring many of our Hall of Famers. Hats off to **Susan Butler**

CONDOLENCES - to **Ned Landry**, family and friends of **Mildred Gowan Landry**, who passed away in June

WIN A YAMAHA GUITAR

The Gala Planning Committee, chaired by Hall of Famer, **Frank Hartt**, has been working hard on this year's Gala. Two projects to help defray costs have been chocolate bar sales and a new Yamaha acoustic/electric guitar (FGX7205C) with hard shell case, sponsored by Tony's Music Box Ltd., Fredericton. The total package is valued at \$1000. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5 and can be purchased at Tony's Music Box (458-8286) through Frank Hartt (455-1260). Draw to take place October 17, 2009 at the Gala Concert, Fredericton High