

# **PRESS RELEASE**

# Three County Fair Announces Music Tent Line Up

Eclectic Mix Country, Oldies & Jazz Highlight the Free Concerts During the 2019 Three County Fair

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**Northampton, MA** – The Three County Fair is announcing their concert schedule for the Three County Fair Music Tent during the 202<sup>nd</sup> edition of The Great Late Summer Fair, Labor Day Weekend, Friday, August 30 – Monday, September 2. The line-up features an eclectic mix of country artists, oldies and jazz performers. Concerts in the Three County Fair Music Tent are free with your admission ticket to the Fair.

The schedule begins with King Kountry on opening night of the Fair, Friday, August 30. King Kountry is led by local legend and A-Ray of Elvis impersonator, Ray Guillemette Jr, whose band is known for playing the reining chart toppers in country music.

Saturday, August 31 features the return of New England's favorite oldies band, The Reminisants who have been entertaining audiences since 1973.

Announced earlier this spring, the powerhouse all-female country music group, Farewell Angelina featuring Western Massachusetts native, Ashley Gearing, will take the stage on Sunday, September 1 after returning from Europe this summer while promoting their Women & Wine EP.

The Fair concludes on Labor Day with a one-two punch that includes Nashville recording artist, Charlie Marie, whose self-titled EP was released earlier this year to rave reviews, followed by local jazz quartet, FlavaEvolution to help wrap up America's longest running Fair on Monday night.

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KING KOUNTRY	FRIDAY, AUGUST 30 AT 7PM
THE REMINISANTS	SATURDAY, AUGUST 31 AT 3PM
FAREWELL ANGELINA	SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 1 AT 3PM
CHARILE MARIE	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 AT 11AM
FLAVAEVOLUTION	MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 2 AT 5PM

The 2019 Three County Fair will also feature an array of entertainment and competitions including daily lumberjack and trick horse shows, cattle, dog, horse, goat, ox, poultry, rabbit and sheep competitions; animal interactions and education in the Baby Barnyard; agriculture, horticulture and handicraft exhibits and contests; carnival rides & games; additional free concerts in the Clubhouse; motorsports events including drag races (Saturday), truck pull (Sunday), daily demolition derbies, with the widely popular school bus demolition derbies on Saturday evening and Monday afternoon. A full schedule of events is available at: <a href="https://www.3countyfair.com/p/the-fair/2019-schedule-of-events">https://www.3countyfair.com/p/the-fair/2019-schedule-of-events</a>

## About the Hampshire, Franklin & Hampden County Agricultural Society:

Located in Northampton, Massachusetts and incorporated in 1818, the Hampshire Franklin & Hampden County Agricultural Society promotes agriculture, agricultural education, agricultural science and sustainability for the region through exhibitions, displays, competitions and demonstrations and operates The Three County Fair, "America's Oldest Fair" annually over Labor Day weekend.

#### About King Kountry:

Formed by Ray Guillemette Jr in 2011, King Kountry features the hits of Brad Paisley, Trace Adkins, Billy Currington, Easton Corbin, George Straight, Kenny Chesney, Josh Turner, Tim McGraw, Chris Young, Zac Brown Band, Toby Keith, Eric Church, Blake Shelton, Jason Aldean, Luke Bryan and many more! Band Members include: Lead Vocals - Ray Guillemette Jr.; Keyboard and Vocals - Joe Pereira; Bass - Mike Sedani; Drums and Vocals - Rod Squier; Electric Guitar and Vocals - John Miller. <u>http://www.kingkountryband.com/home.html</u>

#### About The Reminisants:

Formed in 1973 by three Waltham High School friends, Dom Viscione, Mike Joyal and Fran Doorakian and has since expanded to the current six man group, The Reminisants have performed for just about every type of event imaginable from concerts, parades and festivals, to weddings, birthdays, anniversaries and ocean cruises. For thirteen years they entertained on weeklong cruises to Bermuda on Norwegian Cruise Lines, performing on board the ship and on the island. During the Summer, the band performs at more than 50 outdoor concerts and festivals. <u>http://www.reminisants.com/</u>

#### About Farewell Angelina:

A band of longtime friends, Nicole Witt, Andrea Young, Lisa Torres & Ashley Gearing all met pursuing their dreams in Nashville, TN. Each deeply respected and admired one another while they were building successful solo careers, touring and recording with top artists, and writing songs for some of Country Music's biggest hitmakers. When they heard the undeniable magic of their voices together for the first time, they couldn't wait to take their show on the road. Major opportunities soon followed including singing the National Anthem for Thursday Night Football, The Unbridled Eve Gala for the Kentucky Derby, the ACM All-Star Jam, and the Albisguetli Schutzenhaus Festival in Switzerland. <u>http://www.farewellangelinamusic.com/</u>

# About Charlie Marie:

Charlie Marie, like so many songwriters, was first introduced to country music by her grandmother. At the age of ten, she was already hooked on Patsy Cline and Loretta Lynn. Her

admiration for their artistry has only grown stronger since and shines through in her own repertoire. With current influences like genre-breaking Margo Price, Charlie is fusing the history of the trailblazers of country music together with a modern-day flair. https://www.charliemariemusic.com/

#### About FlavaEvolution:

FlavaEvolution is a truly unique jazz quartet. With just three horns and bass (no piano or drums) they are playing something altogether fresh in the Pioneer Valley, creating a sound that crosses a chamber string ensemble with modern jazz, 1970's soul, and beautiful balladry. Arrangers Frank Newton (saxophones/woodwinds) and David Picchi (double bass) founded in FlavaEvolution in 2008, and have since penned over 100 pieces of music for the group to perform, including several original compositions. The other two original Flava members Paul Olesuk (trombone), and Mat Schumer (saxophones/woodwinds) left the group in 2012 to pursue personal endeavors. Current members Dan Hendrix (trombone) and Jake Weiner (saxes/woodwinds) have completed the line-up since, and keep the group swinging strong into the future. <u>https://www.flavaevolution.com/</u>

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