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1ST SATURDAY CONCERTS

MUSIC CONCERT ANNOUNCEMENT

Saturday, May 1, 2010 - 7:30 pm

The *Folk Music Society of Huntington's* **FIRST SATURDAY CONCERTS** will present:

BUDDY MERRIAM and Back Roads



Howdy Friends! - it's Blue Grass Time

For three decades Buddy Merriam & Back Roads have been bringing hard driving bluegrass music to Long Island, the northeast and beyond. After being struck by lightning in 1976 at his first bluegrass festival in upstate New York — and living to tell about it — Buddy Merriam made a special connection with the mandolin and the man who is called “the father of bluegrass”, Bill Monroe. He mentored Buddy for many years until his passing in 1996. Buddy Merriam and Back

Roads perform in concert his brand of hard core, traditional high energy bluegrass entertainment with lots of original mandolin music, including some from his new CD, *Back Roads Mandolin* — hard driving banjo and some of the finest bluegrass singing you'll ever hear.

The group has played at most of the Northeast Bluegrass Festivals (including Grey Fox and Podunk) and at Long Island venues like Hecksher Park in Huntington, Bald Hill Cultural Center, Agawam Park in Southampton, and concerts for LITMA, Huntington Folk Music Society, Nassau County Folk Festival, and the Museums at Stony Brook Folk and Fiddle Festival. Buddy is proud that the year 2010 marks his 30th year heading his band.

This promises to be an exciting and unforgettable evening!



ABOUT THE CONCERT AND VENUE:

High resolution digital photos available on request to webmaster@fmszny.org

Concert at 7:30 pm, at the Congregational Church of Huntington, 30 Washington Drive, Centerport (just off 25A).

An invitational scheduled “open mike” segment precedes this special concert.

Refreshments will be available during the intermission.

General admission for this event is \$20 advance or at door, and \$15 for members. For more information regarding this event please call (631) 425-2925 or email to info@fmszny.org

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