

PRESS RELEASE

Gays Mills Folk Festival of Music and Dance

Coming right up May 6th, 7th, and 8th in beautiful Gays Mills, Wisconsin is the 19th annual Gays Mills Folk Festival. The Folk Fest is a favorite yearly event of many in the Kickapoo Valley and beyond. Featured this year is folk and blues legend Spider John Koerner, a denizen of the Twin Cities music scene for over 50 years and, as legend has it, the guy that taught Bob Dylan how to play the guitar. From Madison we have one of the greatest Cajun bands outside of Louisiana, the Cajun Strangers. And we are excited to have as our opening act Ethel Lerum and Don Anderson. Ethel, from Ferryville, has been delighting listeners with her accordion and piano since the early 1930s.

The festival starts off with an old time square dance Friday, May 6th at 7:00 pm in the Gays Mills Community Building. You can look forward to workshops, children's activities, dancing, an open stage and many more activities Saturday afternoon in the park by the Kickapoo River. Saturday night at 7:30 is the big concert, and Sunday morning we wind down with a gospel sing down by the river.

A weekend pass is \$20 for adults, \$5 for children or \$45 for a family pass. Admission to the concert only is \$15 for adults. For more information call (608)735-4740 or 735-4546 or check online at [www.gaysmillsfolkfest.org](http://www.gaysmillsfolkfest.org). The Gays Mills Folk Festival is a project of the Kickapoo Cultural Exchange.