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### FOUR SHILLINGS SHORT - February 2023 NEWSLETTER

## **Greeting from Christy & Aodh Og of Four Shillings Short:**



**Brigid** 

The women join on bonfire hill to mark the coming Spring.
They burn old rags from Winter time and gather river reeds.
To weave the Cross of Brigid, that Goddess and Saint of Old,
Whose sacred fire and healing will bless the hearth and home.



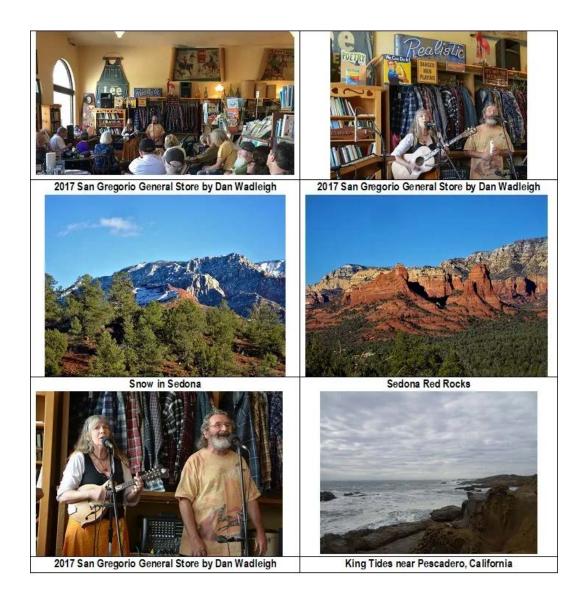
**IMBOLC BLESSINGS:** Brigid's Day (Imbolc/Imbolg) is an ancient Celtic Bonfire Festival celebrated on February 1 and marks the midpoint between the Winter Solstice and the Vernal Equinox.

Brigid is the Celtic Deity of fire, energy, the arts, poetry & midwifery. Naomh Brighid/St. Bridget of Kildare (451 – 525 C.E.) is the Patroness Saint of Ireland. Brigid's Cross is woven from straw or rushes & placed near the chimney or mantle as protection against fire & over doorways and above the cow barn door. Each Brigid's Eve a new Brigid's Cross is customarily woven & the old one burnt on the Imbolc fire.

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A JOYFUL KICK OFF TO 2023: January 2023 was a wonderful month with some fantastic concerts and Unitarian Universalist Services. Our New Years Day service & January concert at the Unitarian Universalist Community of Cambria, California were uplifting and well attended events. Thanks so much to our friends in Cambria for the warm welcome, delicious meals and lovely accommodations. We feel so much a part of your beautiful community.

Christy's home town of San Diego welcomed us with a full house on January 7th for our concert at the Hall of Nations in Balboa Park. We are very grateful to Shanti Hofshi and to the House of Ireland for arranging this event. From San Diego we headed to Sedona, Arizona and enjoyed being the guest musicians and speakers at the Sedona Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (SUUF). Thank you to everyone at SUUF for your loving support.

Most of January we have spent staying in Sedona with Christy's sister Susannah & her wonderful partner Patrick who are both excellent musicians. Thanks so much for giving us a warm and beautiful home in AZ, dear family.



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**FEBRUARY CONCERTS in ARIZONA:** Four Shillings Short are touring in ARIZONA in February with concerts in the White Mountains (Feb 11 in Lakeside), Phoenix (Feb 17 @ Fiddler's Dream Coffeehouse), Tucson (Feb 24 & 25) & Patagonia (Feb 26). Please invite your friends and family who live in Arizona to these concerts.

#### **SATURDAY: FEBRUARY 11, 2023**

4:00 - 6:00 pm

Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

UNITY OF THE WHITE MOUNTAINS

257 N. Woodland Rd., Lakeside, AZ 85929

(928) 368-5002 https://www.unitywm.org

Suggested Donation: \$10 adults/\$5 low income/kids free

#### FRIDAY: FEBRUARY 17, 2023

8:00 - 10:30 pm

Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short

FIDDLER'S DREAM COFFEEHOUSE

1720 E. Glendale Ave, Rear Bldg, Phoenix, AZ 85020

(650) 274-1100 for info

https://www.fiddlersdream.org/

Tickets: \$15.00 available at the door or online at: https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/5717616

#### **SATURDAY: FEBRUARY 18, 2023**

7:00 - 9:00pm

Four Shillings Short Benefit Concert for Soba Mesa

Apache Wells - Maricopa Room: 2223 N 56th St., Mesa, AZ

For more info: 913/787-1814

**Private Event** 

#### FRIDAY: FEBRUARY 24, 2023

7:00pm - 9:00pm

Celtic, Folk & World Music Concert with Four Shillings Short

TEMPO MUSIC & ARTS ACADEMY

8555 N. Silverbell Rd., Suite 101, Tucson, AZ 85743

(520) 268-8590 https://tempomusicandarts.com/

\$15 or \$25 for both Concert & Workshop



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SATURDAY: FEBRARY 25, 2023

2:00 – 3:00 pm Around the World in 30 Instruments Workshop with Four Shillings Short TEMPO MUSIC & ARTS ACADEMY 8555 N. Silverbell Rd., Suite 101, Tucson, AZ 85743 (520) 268-8590 https://tempomusicandarts.com/ \$15 or \$25 for both Concert & Workshop/ kids 6 and under free

#### SUNDAY: FEBRUARY 26, 2023

3:00 – 5:00 pm Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short THE TIN SHED THEATER 304 Naugle Ave., Patagonia, AZ 85624 (520) 394-9369 http://patagoniacreativearts.org/tin-shed-theater/ https://www.facebook.com/Patagoniaart/events \$10 general admission

#### MARCH CONCERTS in NEBRASKA, IOWA & ILLINOIS:

#### **FRIDAY: MARCH 10, 2023**

7:00 – 9:00 pm

A Celebration of Ireland: Music, poetry & stories from the Emerald Isle

THE ESPRESSO SHOPPE

408 N. Chestnut, North Platte, NE 69101

(308) 534-9550 http://www.theespressoshopbycaravan.com/

Suggested Donation: \$10

#### SATURDAY: MARCH 11, 2023

3:00 - 4:00 pm

A Celebration of Ireland – Music, poetry & stories from the Emerald Isle & more HASTINGS PUBLIC LIBRARY 314 N. Denver Ave., Hastings, NE 68901 (402) 461-2346 https://www.hastingslibrary.us

Free Family Concert



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**SUNDAY: MARCH 12, 2023** 

10am - 11am Service – Four Shillings Short will play music for the service Unitarian Universalist Church of Lincoln: 6300 A Street, Lincoln, NE

**SUNDAY: MARCH 12, 2023** 

2:00 – 4:00pm
WAY STATION CONCERTS
Unitarian Universalist Church of Lincoln
6300 A Street, Lincoln, NE
For info contact Roger @ rlgeery@gmail.com
www.Facebook.com/waystationconcerts
\$15 cover/discount for students, kids 12 & under free

**SUNDAY: MARCH 12, 2023** 

7:00 – 7:30pm THUNDER ON THE PLAINS RADIO SHOW KZUM RADIO 893fm 3534 S. 48th St. #6, Lincoln, NE 68506 https://www.kzum.org

#### **TUESDAY: MARCH 14, 2023**

12:00 - 1:00PM

"A Celebration of Ireland Concert" with Four Shillings Short ROCK ISLAND DOWNTOWN LIBRARY – TUNEFUL TUESDAY CONCERTS Watts-Midtown Branch of Rock Island Public Library 2715 30th Street, Rock Island, IL 61201 (309) 732-7323 www.rockislandlibrary.org Free Family Concert

#### **WEDNESDAY: MARCH 15, 2023**

12pm Lunch & 1pm Concert Lunch & Learn presents: "A Celebration of Ireland Concert" with Four Shillings Short CORDOVA DISTRICT LIBRARY 402 Main Ave., Cordova, IL 61242 (309) 654-2330 https://www.cordovalibrary.com Free Family Concert



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THURSDAY: MARCH 16, 2023

8:00 – 10:00 pm Celtic and Folk music concert with Four Shillings Short CAFÉ PARADISO 101 N. Main St., Fairfield, IA 52556 https://cafeparadiso.net/ \$12 advance/\$15 door

#### **FRIDAY: MARCH 17, 2023**

7:00 - 9:30 pm

ST. PATRICK'S DAY CONCERT with Four Shillings Short Warm up band: Clear Joy – Elaina & Anna Steenson Windsor Heights Presbyterian Church – Community Room 6301 University Ave. (NW corner of University & 63rd St.) Windsor Heights, Iowa 50324

(515) 277-8379 www.windsorpc.org

Benefit for Divine Intervention Foundation – an NGO, charity and caregiver for widows, widowers, aged, orphans, less privileged and the needy in Africa

http://www.diifoundation.org

\$20 donation & Refreshments served at the intermission

#### SATURDAY: MARCH 18, 2023

3pm – 5:30 pm
"A Celebration of Ireland – music, poetry and stories from the Emerald Isle"
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Ames
1015 Hyland Ave., Ames, IA 50014
515/292-5960 https://www.uufames.org
Suggested donation: \$10 – 15

#### **SUNDAY: MARCH 19, 2023**

10am – 11am
Service on "Celtic Spirituality"
guest speakers & musicians Aodh Og & Christy of Four Shillings Short
Unitarian Universalist Fellowship of Ames
1015 Hyland Ave., Ames, IA 50014
515/292-5960 https://www.uufames.org



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TUESDAY: MARCH 21, 2023

8 to 11 pm
FOLK FESTIVAL RADIO SHOW with Lilli Kuzma
90.9fm WDCB Public Radio
College of DuPage
425 Fawell Blvd., Glen Ellyn, IL 60137
(630) 942-4300 studio
Streaming live at: https://www.wdcb.org

#### **FRIDAY: MARCH 24, 2023**

8:00 – 10:00 pm (doors @ 7:15 pm)
Celtic, Folk & World Music concert with Four Shillings Short
TWO WAY STREET COFFEE HOUSE
1047 Curtiss St., Downers Grove, IL 60515
https://www.twowaystreet.org
\$10 donation
Refreshments available

#### **SUNDAY: MARCH 26, 2023**

3:00 – 5:00 pm
Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short
COUNTRYSIDE CHURCH UNITARIAN UNIVERSALIST
1025 N. Smith St., Palatine, IL 60067
(847) 359-8440 www.ccuu.org
\$20 advance tickets online at: https://4shillingsshort.com/uu\_concert
\$20 – 40 suggested donation at the door

March 2023 Tentative Illinois bookings in the works: Champaign/Urbana area & Carbondale/Murphysboro

#### **APRIL - KENTUCKY, OHIO**

**SUNDAY: APRIL 16, 2023** 

Time: TBA

KENTUCKY HOMEFRONT

All People's Unitarian Universalist Church 4936 Brownsboro Rd., Louisville, KY 40222 For info: (502) 777-8065 or john@gagetunes.com

https://www.allpeoplesuu.com Suggested Donation: \$20



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SATURDAY: APRIL 22, 2023

3:00 – 5:00 pm Around the World in 30 Instruments Concert with Four Shillings Short MADISON COUNTY PUBLIC LIBRARY 507 W. Main Street, Richmond, KY 40475 (895) 623-6704 https://www.madisonlibrary.org/locations/richmond Free Family Concert

#### **SUNDAY: APRIL 23, 2023**

7:00 – 9:00 pm
Celtic, Folk & World music concert with Four Shillings Short RUSSEL ACTON FOLK CENTER
212 W. Jefferson St., Berea, KY 40403
859-248-0690
www.berea-folk-circle.org www.hands4-berea.com
Donation

#### THURSDAY: APRIL 27, 2023

7:00 - 9:00 pm

League of Women Voters of the Akron Area Education Fund Benefit Concert with the Celtic, Folk & World music duo Four Shillings Short Jenks Building, 1884 Front St. Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44221 https://jenks1929.com/ https://my.lwv.org/ohio/akron-area (234) 312-9103
Suggested donation \$20 or whatever you can afford

#### **SATURDAY APRIL 29, 2023**

2:00-4:00 pm
DULCI-MORE CONCERT SERIES
Meeting Room of the Dale Shaffer Research Library
Of the Salem Historical Society
239 South Lundy, Salem, Ohio 44460
Admission at Door – \$10 per Person per Concert
Additional \$5 Total for All Children in a Family
No Advance Reservations Needed
Check Link from www.dulcimore.org or
Contact Bill Schilling at bill@dulcimore.org or
234-564-3852



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#### MAY - MARYLAND & IRELAND

FRIDAY: MAY 5, 2023

Outdoor pot luck dinner 5 – 6pm & Outdoor Concert 6:00 – 8:00PM Celtic and Folk Music with Four Shillings Short HOUSE CONCERTS ON LONGDALE 101 Longdale Road, Timonium, MD 21093 RSVP Brenda at (410) 560-4953 or email brendamcogley@gmail.com \$20 suggested donation Please bring lawn chairs, a dish to share and warm clothing

**SUNDAY: MAY 7, 2023** 

6:00 – 8:00pm NEW DEAL CAFÉ 113 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301/474-5642 www.newdealcafe.com Donation

#### SATURDAY & SUNDAY: MAY 13th & 14th, 2023

GREENBELT GREEN MAN FESTIVAL Roosevelt Center, 113 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD 20770 https://www.greenmanfestival.org/ Free Family Festival

WEST COAST TOUR: MAY 29 – JUNE 11, 2023

JUNE - IRELAND

IRELAND'S HIDDEN TREASURES TOUR: JUNE 24 - JULY 11, 2023

JULY - IRELAND

**AUGUST – NORTHEAST** 

SEPTEMBER - NORTHEAST

OCTOBER - NEW HAMPSHIRE, VERMONT & MAINE



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**SUNDAY: OCTOBER 1, 2023** 

2:30 – 3:30 pm Celtic & World music concert with Four Shillings Short RiverMead Retirement Community 150 RiverMead Rd., Peterborough, NH 03458-1744 (603) 924-1744 main number https://www.rivermead.org PRIVATE CONCERT

#### SATURDAY: OCTOBER 21, 2023

7:00 - 9:00 pm Benefit Concert @ HALCYON GRANGE 1157 Pleasant St. Blue Hill, ME 04614 Suggested Donation: \$10 - 20 https://www.halcyongrange.org

#### **NOVEMBER - EAST COAST & MARYLAND**

SUNDAY: NOVEMBER 26, 2023 6:00 – 8:00 pm NEW DEAL CAFÉ 113 Centerway, Greenbelt, MD 20770 301/474-5642 www.newdealcafe.com Donation

DECEMBER -THE CAROLINAS, GEORGIA, FLORIDA