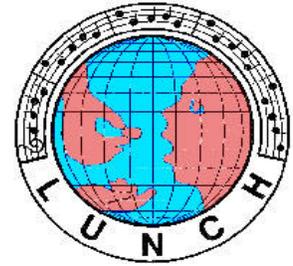


# The L.U.N.C.H. MENU

LOCAL  
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NETWORK to  
COMBAT  
HUNGER



Founded 1989 by Bill Pere  
continuing the legacy of Harry Chapin

Since 1989

Using the power of popular music to produce positive social action

Spring 2013 -- Issue #25

There Are More  
Than 100,000  
Hungry  
Children Under  
the Age of 12 In  
Connecticut

## You Can Be Your Own Hero

Here in our little corner of New England, we are emerging from a fall and winter of hard storms, with lots of trees down. In the days following the blizzard that left 2-3 feet of snow, we saw a fox walking across the whiteness, and a herd of 15 deer prancing across the field. Through the downed limbs, the early flowers are now in bloom, a reminder that there is always hope, and that the beautiful things in life always endure.

Music is another of those things, that can reach out and remind us of the things that really matter. We are looking forward to LUNCH's upcoming Harry Chapin Tribute Concert on April 27, to raise support for local social services. Several young vocalists will be joining us for the annual Voices For Hope vocal competition and Service-Learning scholarship.. The theme for this is year is "Be Your Own Hero", a song produced by Bill and Kay and written by fellow songwriters Bob and Carol Dowgiallo.

In addition to our work in the local community, we have presented workshops at music conferences coast-to-coast. By interacting with hundreds of young artists and music professionals from all across the country, through workshops and individual mentoring, we are planting the seeds of new community outreach efforts through the arts, in local communities across the US.

We sincerely thank all of you who have supported our events and programs with your attendance, your contributions, and your kind words. We hope you'll be able to make a contribution this year. It is very important -- any amount, no matter how small, makes a difference.

Please continue to tell your friends about us and help expand the circle of caring.

### LUNCH's MISSION:

(1) To show kids that they can make a difference in the lives of others; (2) To raise money for fighting hunger and poverty in our region (3) To provide fun-filled family entertainment events for the community

### WORKING IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES AND TOUCHING LIVES NEAR and FAR.

The 16th LUNCH Holiday Show in December was another great success, as a great cast of kids and adults presented the original stage production



"Diana Jones: Reindeer of the Lost Arc"



In the Fall, world-renown creativity guru and author of 35 books, Dr. Eric Maisel came to Mystic to give a presentation on creative process. He kindly donated his fees to LUNCH.



The Grammy-winning anti-bullying CD "All About Bullies Big and Small", which includes one of Bill's songs, has had a good year, generating thousands of dollars for the PACER Foundation against bullying. We continue to work with

the same production team on a new CD project with one of Kay's songs, for for another well known charity. Stay tuned for all the exciting details later this summer..

# RECENT ACTIVITIES

From November 2012 through March 2013, Bill and Kay brought the message and music of LUNCH from coast to coast, in many educational programs.



<--- At the songwriters' conference in Cape May, NJ, the LUNCH table had a waiting line all day as folks lined up to speak with Bill and Kay about how to make their music have the greatest impact. --->



<--- Bill and Kay's workshops from coast to coast teach artists how to make the best music they can, and how to use it to have the most impact in the communities where they perform and on the people they reach



Bill was a featured presenter and mentor at the Revolution Music Conference, produced entirely by students from the music program at Lebanon Valley College near Harrisburg, PA, --->



<--- Kay's vocal workshop teaches artists how to best give voice to their songs and to the causes they believe in



LUNCH has always worked with local schools to present programs for students. In February, Bill and Kay were at Groton's Northeast Academy to present a program for the 4th and 5th grade students as part of a comprehensive arts-in-education day.



# UPCOMING EVENTS



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&



Voices For Hope

present

## A TRIBUTE TO HARRY CHAPIN

A Hunger Awareness Concert  
to benefit local social service programs

*Proceeds to benefit social services through LUNCH - [www.lunchensemble.com](http://www.lunchensemble.com)*

Saturday April 17, 7:00pm

East Hartford Community Cultural Center, 50 Chapman Place, E.Hartford  
Tickets in Advance \$11 - At the door \$15  
Available at: [www.lunchensemble.com](http://www.lunchensemble.com) or 860-572-9285

New England's #1  
Chapin Tribute  
Show Since 1989!

with Bill Pere, Kay Pere,  
Larry Batter, and The  
LUNCH Ensemble  
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Special thanks to:



If you can't attend, help out by sponsoring seats to provide tickets for those who otherwise could not afford to attend. You may use the form in this newsletter, or donate securely online at [www.lunchensemble.com](http://www.lunchensemble.com).

Saturday, Dec 7 2013 -

The 17th Annual LUNCH HOLIDAY SHOW:

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle Meets Star Trek in

"I'll Be Holmes for Christmas"

7pm - Stonington Community Center

Tickets: \$12 Live pre-show music beginning 6:15.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO BE  
PART OF THE CAST CALL US  
NOW TO SET UP AN AUDITION!  
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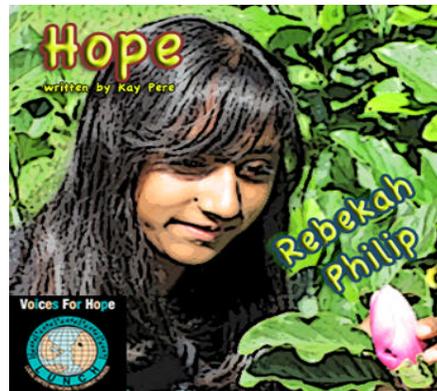
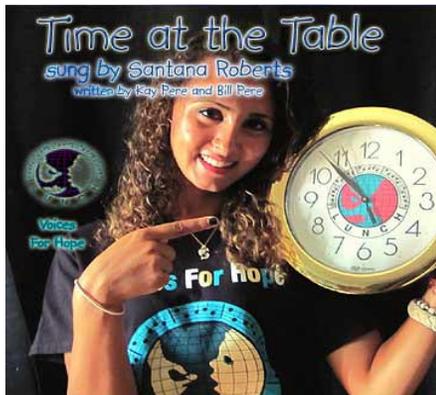
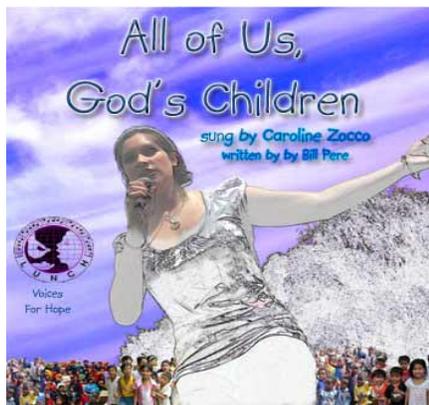
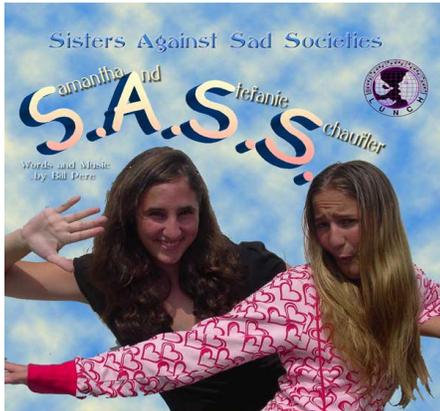
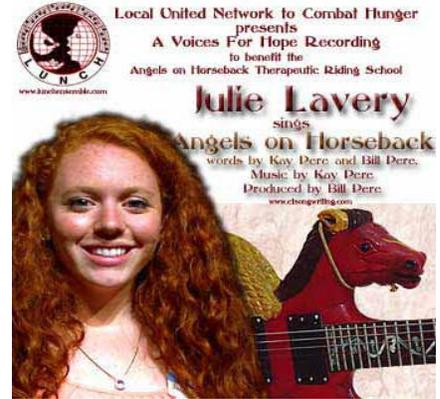
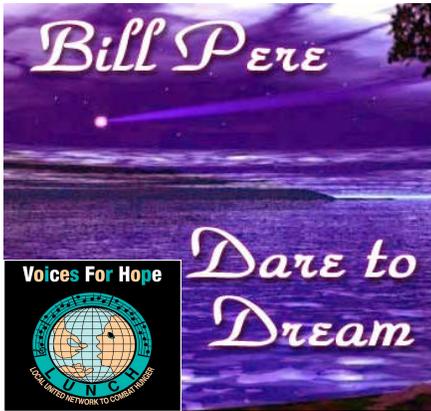
**BACKSTAGE HELP ALSO  
NEEDED! GET INVOLVED!**

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# VOICES FOR HOPE 2006-2012

**VISIT AND LISTEN**  
at [www.lunchensemble.com](http://www.lunchensemble.com) or on YouTube



## SO HOW CAN YOU HELP ?

There are many things you can do to help out. Of course if you are able to make any donation at all, that would be tremendously appreciated, and it is fully tax-deductible. You can donate by mail, or securely from the LUNCH website via PayPal ([www.lunchensemble.com](http://www.lunchensemble.com)). LUNCH only exists through your generous support.

**But there are many other ways to help as well:**

### **BECOME A SEAT SPONSOR:**

If you can't attend any of our shows but would like to sponsor tickets for those who otherwise could not afford to attend, you may use the form in this newsletter or just write in a comment if you use our online PayPal link .

### **PLAY FREE MUSIC ON YOUR COMPUTER !**

LUNCH receives payments anytime one of our songs is played (legally) on a computer or any time one of our YouTube videos is played. This is a big help to us, and is free for you. Stream any of our songs on iTunes, Rhapsody, Spotify, Amazon, MSN, etc, or play our videos on YouTube (we get more of you click on the ad that appears with the YouTube video - you can ignore it after you click it.) You can do this anytime, and LUNCH is paid for each of our songs that is played. It adds up over the course of a year. Tell your friends to do this as well. Thanks for helping out in this unique way. Keep reading -- there's more.....

### **BRING US OR SEND US YOUR USED INK or TONER CARTRIDGES FROM ANY PRINTER!**

LUNCH participates in a recycling program that enables us to cash in old printer cartridges (ink jet or laser). Help us and recycle at the same time!

### **HELP US MEET THE FEINSTEIN CHALLENGE**

The Feinstein Foundation of Providence RI is offering a challenge to organizations like LUNCH which help fight hunger and poverty. For all donations that we receive between March 1 and April 30 of this year, the Feinstein Foundation will add a proportional share of a 1 million dollar pool that it has designated for this purpose.

What this means to you is that your donation made between now and April 30 is going to be made larger -- we don't know exactly how much, but the more we raise, the larger our share of the million dollar pie will be. If you usually make a donation to us in the Fall, consider making it now instead, so that we can raise the largest possible amount before the end of April. Our teamwork will help make a difference in the lives of those who need a hand to help steady their course.. Please give generously and let's make the most of the Feinstein Challenge,

### **HELP LUNCH WHEN YOU SEARCH THE INTERNET with GOODSEARCH**

1. Anytime you need to search for something go to <http://www.goodsearch.com>
2. In the box where it asks which organization you want to support, type LUNCH (you just have to do this once).. When the choices come up, select our organization.
3. Search away -- we get a penny every time you do a search. Please tell your friends to use Goodsearch and to specify LUNCH as the beneficiary.

**EVEN BETTER** -- Use the **GoodSearch Toolbar** and shop at places like Amazon, Staples, E-bay, and more -- AND LUNCH GETS A DONATION !

To do this, go to:

[www.goodsearch.com/toolbar/local-united-network-to-combat-hunger-lunch](http://www.goodsearch.com/toolbar/local-united-network-to-combat-hunger-lunch)

and click the button to download our toolbar to your browser. It's a great way for you to get discounts and to help us as well, just doing what you probably already do!

### **TELL FOLKS ABOUT OUR NEWSLETTER**

We have always mailed paper copies of our newsletter to more than 3,000 folks, but we can't afford to do that any longer. So we have to do everything online by e-mail and through the website.

Please let your friends know about us and encourage them to look at our website and read our newsletters. Please keep your e-mail address up to date.

### **OTHER THINGS YOU CAN DO:**

- Give one of our CD's as a gift for the holidays or a birthday
- Ask your church or school to host us for a concert to benefit local social service agencies
- Ask a local business to put an ad in our program book (use the Sponsor Form in this newsletter).

Be creative -- anything helps. We greatly appreciate your support, and we look forward to an improving economy in the time ahead.

**PLEASE HELP IF YOU CAN**

**When in doubt, do something -- Harry Chapin**

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## Local United Network to Combat Hunger

Become a Program Sponsor of our community programs to benefit local social services and give kids a chance to use their talents in music and drama to help others.

**You can use this form, or you can donate securely right from the website.**

Support community outreach through the arts. Proceeds from our shows benefit outreach programs locally and nationally, and provide community outreach opportunities for kids through music and theater. One dollar can provide several good meals! LUNCH is a 501(c)(3) tax-exempt charitable organization. All donations are fully tax-deductible.

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### OUR PROGRAMS

The Harry Chapin Legacy Concerts

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The Holiday Shows

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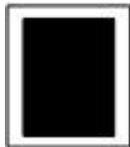
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Community Partnerships

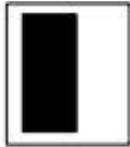
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### SPONSORSHIP REGISTRATION FOR INDIVIDUALS, BUSINESSES, and INSTITUTIONS

(sponsor ads appear in all Fall /Winter 2009 and Spring 2010 program books)



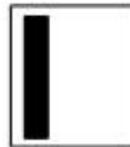
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business card)

\_\_\_ Full Size Display plus website banners -- \$500 [Platinum Sponsor ]

\_\_\_ Half-Size Display plus Web Site Banner - \$350 [ Gold Sponsor ]

\_\_\_ Quarter Size Display - \$250 [Silver Sponsor ]

\_\_\_ Showcase Display (1/6) - \$ 100 [Benefactor]

\_\_\_ Business Card Display - \$50 [Patron[]

\_\_\_ SEAT SPONSOR I would like to sponsor \_\_\_ tickets at \$10 each for families who otherwise could not afford to attend. Total \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_ Other Amount: \_\_\_\_\_



Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

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Send your sponsorship along with your graphics to LUNCH, PO Box 511, Mystic CT 06355. Or e-mail your graphics (jpg) to info@lunchensemble.com

Enclosed is my check or money order to LUNCH for \$ \_\_\_\_\_. -OR -

You may donate safely online via PayPal at www.lunchensemble.com

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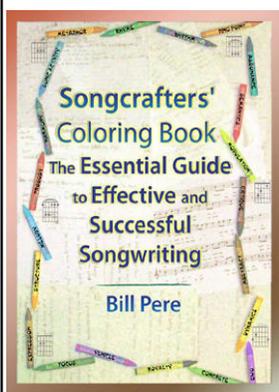
## NEWS BITS!

### OTHER ACTIVITIES:

We are currently having discussions with some local agencies like Community Health Resources to form new partnerships -- stay tuned.

In the coming months, Bill and Kay will be traveling to several music conferences across the U.S. to teach and perform, encouraging other artists to use their talents in conjunction with helping charitable organizations.

They will again be judges in national and international songwriting and performance events during the year.



Bill's songwriting book "Songcrafters' Coloring Book" continues to gain a wide audience and great reviews, and is being used across six continents! It is now presented in two formats, plus a Kindle edition!

## Voices For Hope

Now accepting entries for Voices For Hope  
[www.lunchensemble.com](http://www.lunchensemble.com)

## NEWS BITS!

There are many new videos of Bill, Kay, and the Ensemble at our YouTube channel, [www.youtube.com/CTSongwritingAcademy](http://www.youtube.com/CTSongwritingAcademy). We recently posted some vintage concert footage from the very early days of the LUNCH Ensemble. Check it out.

*Latest info always at the website, on Facebook, and Twitter!*

*Please give LUNCH a "Like" on Facebook. Check out the new LUNCH music store on Facebook*

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E\_MAIL: [info@lunchensemble.com](mailto:info@lunchensemble.com)

Check the Website Calender for the most current information about upcoming performances

## LUNCH SHIRT DAYS

**Friday April 26** is the next official LUNCH Shirt Day. If you have a LUNCH shirt, wear it on that day. The more people that see the logo and ask about it, the more the word gets out about our community service outreach. Do you have a friend or know anyone who might like to participate in our activities? Let them know about us. Wearing your LUNCH shirt helps people learn about who we are and what we do. Please help.

*If a man tried to take his time on earth and prove before he died what one man's life could be worth, I wonder what would happen to this world? -- Harry Chapin*

## MARK THAT CALENDAR --- !

<-> **APR 27, 2013 -- A TRIBUTE TO HARRY CHAPIN: Union Baptist Church, Mystic CT.** The concert follows the Voices For Hope finalist auditions

