

Classic Country Concert hits Grace Tipling Hall on October 30

By Marni Walsh

Primrose United Church is sponsoring "A Sunday Afternoon of Country Classics" with musician Bruce Ley and friends at Grace Tipling Hall on Sunday, October 30, at 3 p.m.

Bruce Ley, the Musical Director for the event, decided on a theme of Country Classics after attending a blue grass concert last year in the Blue Ridge Mountains," say organizers, where for ten days Mr. Ley "watched as family members from tots to octogenarians gathered to play and sing songs that were common to all generations."

The two-hour October 30th gathering promises to "have you tapping your toes and humming along to familiar melodies by your favourite Country performers and writers" with songs like I Walk the Line, I Can't Help It If I'm Still in Love with You, Momma Tried, Is Anyone Going to San Antone, and the Wild Side of Life to name a few.

"Bruce is hoping that the material he and the band have chosen will be equally appealing to all ages," say congregation members.

This concert is not just for Country music fans, "but for anyone who loves good quality music with great lyrics and strong melodies" as well as some good old Shelburne style fiddle playing.

A professional musician for over fifty years, Bruce Ley has composed for live theatre, film and television. He has played with some of the Country greats as a pianist for The Tommy Hunter Show and Grand Old Country in the 1970s.

Joining Mr. Ley on stage at Grace Tipling Hall will be Ryan Hancock an instrumentalist from The Campfire Poets; Nathan Smith from the bluegrass band The Barrel Boys; Tom Griffith who has played bass for greats like Dan Hill; and Scott Bruyey drummer for The Campfire Poets.

This is a unique opportunity to see highly skilled, career musicians performing in Shelburne's Grace Tipling Hall. Between sets, enjoy homemade cookies, fresh picked local apples and warm apple cider provided by the congregation of Primrose United Church. Grace Tipling only seats 200 and tickets will go fast.

The October 30 tickets for the 3 p.m. concert can be purchased for only \$12 "to give everyone a chance to be part of a lovely autumn afternoon," say organizers.

Tickets are available from Holmes Music and Appliances, Shelburne; Caravaggio IDA Drugs, Shelburne, or members of Primrose United Church, Primrose.

For further information phone 519-925-2397.