

'Songs of Scituate' CD to Raise Funds for Historical Society

Singer-songwriter Greg Cherone and the Scituate Historical Society release a fund-raising CD.

June 14, 2008 (FPRC) -- Anyone who has ever heard "A Humarock Song" knows of singer-songwriter Greg Cherone's affinity for Scituate, Massachusetts. So, it was no surprise when the "Songs of Scituate" CD arrived. This time the vocalist takes us a little ways north of the Humarock peninsula to one of the oldest lighthouses in the United States - Scituate Light. There is a bit of time travel involved too as the listener is transported to the year 1814. "Army of Two" retells the fascinating story of how the two young daughters of the lighthouse keeper, armed with only a fife and drum, prevent the British from sacking the town. "Their bravery really does inspire." Cherone says. "The challenge was translating it into a song."

"Old Oaken Bucket" is a contemporary version of Samuel Woodworth's famous poem that in 1935 was voted official song of Scituate by the town council. Now a whole new audience can experience this home-spun simple pleasure of a cool drink of water on a summer's day. "The song has a lot of substance." Cherone insists. "For me anyway, the bucket is a symbol. The name of the town derives from 'satuit,' the Wampanoag term which means 'cold brook,' the source of the water the poet is celebrating."

What also makes this CD so unique is how it is being utilized as a vehicle to raise funds. All profit from sales are donated to the Scituate Historical Society, the non-profit organization who are sponsoring the release. Their mission to promote the study of local history and preserve the antiquities and those municipalities that were anciently a part of the town has found new life in the form of popular song. Reasonably priced at \$5 each, we can all feel good about spreading the word.

CD's now available at these Scituate locations:

Front Street Book Shop
165 Front Street
Scituate Harbor
Mon - Sat, 9:30 - 5:30 p.m.
Thurs: 9:30 - 8 p.m.
Sun: Noon - 5 p.m.
(781) 545-5011

Humming Rock Gifts
11 Marshfield Avenue
Humarock
Open seven days
10 - 5 p.m.
(781) 834-4969

The Little Red School House
43 Cudworth Road
Mon-Fri. 10 - 4 p.m.

(781) 545-1083

The Maritime and Irish Mossing Museum
301 Driftway
1 - 4 p.m.
Saturdays and Sundays
1 - 4 p.m. (July and August)

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