

GENE WATSON FAN CLUB

NEWSLETTER

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Dear Friends,

I know being busy is good but I feel like I've been busier than a long-tailed cat in a room full of rocking chairs. I just finished up my part of recording the new Gospel CD and now the rest of the work for the CD cover, etc has to be done. I really enjoyed recording these special songs because it brought back memories of singing in church with my family. My Mom and Dad led the singing at our church and often my brother, Eddie, and me would sing a duet. I also sang a lot with my sister, Virginia (Gina) and my sister, Mary Lois. I hope you'll love these songs as much as I do and I can't wait for you to hear it. I'll let you know just as soon as we know a release date.

We'd love to see you at one of our shows so have a look in this newsletter at all the tour dates and maybe you can come see us soon. You can always find out more about a show on our website also.

Take care and see you on the road!



A stylized signature logo for Gene Watson, featuring a large 'G' and 'W' with 'Gene' written in cursive across the middle.

Backstage at the Grand Ole Opry



Tracy Lawrence, who has notched 8 #1's and 22 Top Ten hits, enjoyed talking to Gene backstage. Tracy invited Gene to be his guest on his syndicated radio show "Honky-Tonkin' with Tracy Lawrence".



The lovely and talented Jeannie Seely hosted the Opry but took time to visit with Gene. Jeannie's latest CD, "Written In Song", includes 14 original songs all written or co-written by Jeannie and is available on I Tunes and Amazon.



John Berry, shown here with Gene, is launching a national TV show "Songs and Stories" in July. It features classic country singers and can be seen on Heartland TV, The Family Channel and other outlets.



Gene enjoyed meeting fellow Texan, Cody Johnson at the Opry. Cody's latest CD "Gotta Be Me" debuted at #2 on Billboard's Country Album charts. Cody is from Huntsville, TX.



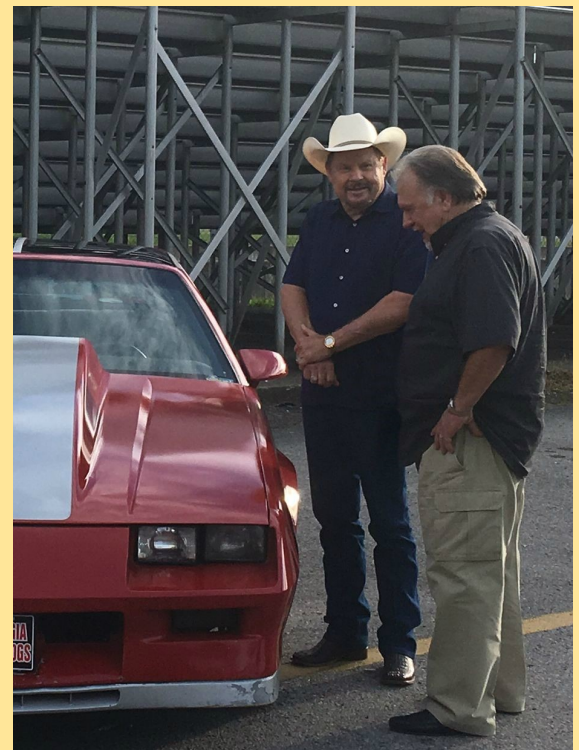
Gene and Moe are seen taping “The Gene & Moe Show” at the Music City Raceway, a local drag strip near Nashville. As much as Gene enjoys NASCAR, his all-time favorite is drag racing so he was having a lot of fun on this day.



Gene and Moe snapped this photo with 19-year old PBR phenom, Jess Lockwood. Lockwood was PBR’s 2016 Rookie of the Year and then #1 in the world until suffering an injury earlier this year. Currently he is #5 and climbing fast back to the top. Many insiders believe he will go on to be one of the greatest riders ever in PBR history.



Gene and Moe were delighted to interview the most famous rodeo clown in the world, PBR’s Flint Rasmussen. Flint worked as a high school math and history teacher before deciding on a career in rodeo. After winning PRCA Clown of the Year for 8 years in a row, he is now exclusive to the Professional Bull Rider’s association.



Gene is inspecting one of the cars racing later that night while Moe is asking Gene if he can keep his cowboy hat on if they take the car for a spin down the track.



Webster Public Relations hosted a Legends Dinner May 24th at the home of owner, Kirt Webster. Pictured here left to right are: Sherrod Robertson, Owner of Music Row magazine, John Anderson, Gene Watson, Mark Wills, Linda Davis, Jeremy Westby of Webster PR and Moe Bandy.



Gene and old friend, John Anderson, talked about their new music projects. Anderson's 2015 release "Goldmine" received critical acclaim for the 13 song collection. A member of the Songwriters Hall of Fame, John Anderson has 5 #1 hits including his signature song, "Swingin".



John Conlee and Gene chatted about their Gospel projects and their summer tour schedules. Conlee has 32 career singles including 7 #1 hits and is a member of the Grand Ole Opry.



Mark Wills and Gene met long before Mark had his first record deal, back when Mark was the "house" act at a local club in Georgia. Since then Mark has charted huge hits including "Wish You Were Here", "Don't Laugh At Me", "Back At One" and "19 Something" among others.

Country's Family Reunion - "Kickin' Back" taping!



Joe Nichols and Gene have their own Mutual Admiration Society going. Gene is a big fan of Joe's talent and appreciates that Joe still sings real country music. Joe is such a fan of Gene's that when asked to bring a "hero" to a national magazine photo shoot, Joe invited Gene! So when Larry Black asked Gene to bring a younger star he admired to the TV taping for the "Kickin' Back" taping, his first call was Joe Nichols!



Gene poses by part of the décor for the "Kickin' Back" taping. Don't you just want to pull up a chair and "set a spell."



John Rich, one half of the duo known as Big & Rich, Gene, and Jimmy Fortune posed for this photo as they waited for the taping to begin.



Randy Travis and Gene are longtime friends. At one time they were label mates on Warner Bros. records, they toured together and shared the same manager. Now they are both Country Legends and happy to re-connect at this Country's Family Reunion TV taping.



Left to right: Becky Isaacs, Dirk Johnson, Sonya Isaacs and Anthony Johnson. This super talented bunch snapped this photo at the studio when Becky and Sonya recorded background harmonies for Gene's upcoming Gospel CD. Dirk is Gene's producer and his brother, Anthony, is an engineer and owns a mastering plant (when not on the road as a musician with Bill Anderson).



Cajun Country! Grammy Award winner Jo-El Sonnier and Gene performed to a sell-out crowd at the Golden Nugget Casino and Resort in Lake Charles, Louisiana.



The Farewell Party Band enjoyed backing up their friend, Grammy winner, Jeannie Seely, at the Country Tonite Theater in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee.



Before their show in Pigeon Forge, Tennessee, Gene and Jeannie are deep in conversation about songwriting and particular songs of Jeannie's that Gene hopes to record one day. There are no bigger fans of Jeannie Seely than Gene and his Farewell Party Band.

Gene Watson 2017 Tour Schedule

Date	Venue	City and State
June 9th	Cherokee Bluegrass Festival	Cherokee, North Carolina
June 10th - 3pm	Opry Country Classics at the Ryman Auditorium	Nashville, Tennessee
June 10th - 7pm	Grand Ole Opry at the Opry House	Nashville, Tennessee
July 1st	Main Street Crossing	Tomball, Texas
July 14th	Montgomery Performing Arts Center	Montgomery, Alabama
July 15th	Milltown Music Hall	Bremen, Georgia
July 27th	Birdsong Amphitheatre in city park	Stephenville, Texas
July 29th	Stagecoach Ballroom	Ft. Worth, Texas
August 5th	Milan Bluegrass Festival	Milan, Michigan
August 17th	North Carolina Bluegrass Festival	Marion, North Carolina
August 19th	The Red Barn Convention Center	Winchester, Ohio
August 26th	Lake Striker Marina - Concert Field	Reklaw, Texas
September 1st & 2nd	Blue Gate Theater	Shipshewana, Indiana
September 8th	New Granbury Live Theater	Granbury, Texas
September 9th	Redneck Country Club	Stafford, Texas
September 16th & 17th	Midwest Country Theater	Sandstone, Minnesota
September 20th	Starlite Theatre w/Larry's Country Diner	Branson, Missouri
September 23rd	Margaritaville Casino	Bossier City, Louisiana
September 29th & 30th	Kentucky Opry	Benton, Kentucky
October 8th	American Music Theatre	Lancaster, Pennsylvania
October 10th	Cumming County Fair	Cumming, Georgia
October 12th & 13th	Starlite Theatre	Branson, Missouri
October 14th	Palace Theater	Corsicana, Texas
October 20th	Riverwind Casino	Norman, Oklahoma
October 21st	Nelson's Music City	Knob Lick, Missouri
October 22nd	Winstar Casino	Thackerville, Oklahoma
October 27th	Anderson Civic Center	Anderson, South Carolina
October 28th	Liberty Showcase	Liberty, North Carolina
November 1st & 2nd	Starlite Theatre	Branson, Missouri
November 4th	Dosey Doe	The Woodlands, Texas

Gene Watson Tour Schedule continued....

Date	Venue	City and State
November 11th	Texas Opry Theater	Weatherford, Texas
November 17th	Penn's Peak	Jim Thorpe, Pennsylvania
November 18th	Harvester Performing Arts Center	Rocky Mount, Virginia
2018 Tour Dates		
January 6th	Sugar Creek Casino	Hinton, Oklahoma
January 20th	Lovelady Old Gym	Lovelady, Texas
January 28 - February 4th	CFR/LCD Cruise	Caribbean
February 10th	Palms RV Resort	Yuma, Arizona
February 17th & 18th	Orange Blossom Opry	Wiersdale, Florida
March 16th & 17th	Ross Country Jamboree	Scottsburg, Indiana
March 24th	Freeland Performing Arts Center	Bristow, Oklahoma

Congratulations to Robert Tudor of Brownwood, TX, who submitted the winning entry for our last trivia contest question: "Name two songs written by Larry Gatlin that Gene has recorded." The answer is "Help Me" and "Bitter They Are". For your chance to win an autographed tee shirt, just answer the trivia question sent to Fan Club Members only and send the correct answer to: GeneWatsonMusic@hotmail.com.

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