

# **Gene Watson Fan Club Newsletter**

Hi Friends,

In this time of sheltering at home we hope you will take a moment to sit back and enjoy our newsletter. Most of the photos are from our January cruise since we didn't get to share them earlier. As you know we have re-scheduled March and April concerts as well as some in May. None of us knows when we'll be back to the normal work flow so for any concerts still showing in our May schedule, be sure to check at each venue as we get closer to the day. Be assured if the government allows us to get together, we will most certainly be there. Our concern is to keep you healthy and safe so we can all get together and share the music for many more years to come.

For the moment, I'm staying home and watching a lot of the old Westerns. I'm sure I've seen 90% of them already and some I've seen enough that I could quote all the lines but I still enjoy them and still watch. My favorites are Gunsmoke and The Virginian. Of course with so much down time lately, I've had time to check out many channels and some that I enjoy are the military and science channels and of course the Motor Trend channel. I've watched a whole lot of "Street Outlaws" about street drag racing and the Barrett Jackson show where they auction off cars. Just to rebuff any rumors, I have not learned French or studied calculus.

The band and I look forward to seeing you soon . Take care and stay safe,



Gene performs one of his classic hits with Mark Wills, Wilson Fairchild and Rhonda Vincent seated behind him.



# Country's Family Reunion Cruise - Jan. 26th-Feb. 2nd



Gene hangs backstage with Bill Anderson. Bill has been an Opry member since 1961 and is one of the most successful songwriters in country music history.



Gene and Chris Malpass of The Malpass Brothers thought this old car backstage was too cool to pass by and not snap their photo with it. Gene and Chris both enjoy working on cars when they're not touring.



Good friends, Mo Pitney, Mark Wills, Gene and Jimmy Fortune took a moment to visit after one of the big CFR shows on the cruise.



Nadine of Larry's Country Diner fame loves to sneak up on Gene anytime she can. Here she caught him during the autograph session!



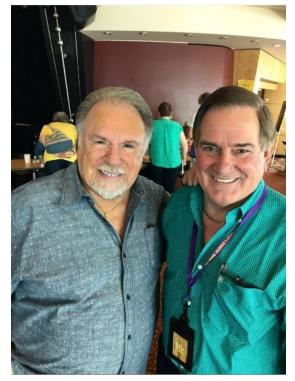
## **Country's Family Reunion Cruise - continued**



Joshua Hedley and Gene are both huge fans of real traditional country music. Check out Joshua's music on his website <u>www.JoshuaHedley.com</u>



Here's Gene showing he can still sing on key while the ship is rocking and the ship's engines are churning.



Gene always enjoys a chat with Boot Daddy (Randy Little of PFI Western Wear). They are taking a short break here from the autograph sessions on the cruise.



Rhonda Vincent, Gene, Teea Goans and Joshua Hedley open the show singing the familiar theme song "Family Reunion".



#### 2020 Tour Schedule

Date	Venue	City, State
May 16th & 17th	Old Dominion Barn Dance	Hopewell, VA
May 23rd Will Be Resched	luled Riverwind Casino	Norman, OK
May 29th	<b>Country Tonite Theater</b>	Pigeon Forge, TN
May 31st	Newberry Opera House	Newberry, SC
June 4th	Edna Boykin Cultural Center	Wilson, NC
June 5th	Walhalla Civic Center	Walhalla, SC
June 6th	Hank Williams Festival	Georgiana, AL
June 13th	Old Town Theater	Huntsville, TX
June 18th, 19th, 20th	Cactus Pete's Casino & Resort	Jackpot, NV
June 26th	Harvester Performance Center	Rocky Mount, VA
June 27th	The Park Theater	McMinnville, TN
July 10th	The Nashville Palace	Nashville, TN
July 12th	American Music Theater	Lancaster, PA
July 17th	Dublin Theater	Dublin, GA
July 18th	IP Casino, Resortm & Spa	Biloxi, MS
July 24th	Dolthan Opera House	Dolthan, AL
July 31st	The Paramount	Abilene, TX
August 1st	Greenville Municipal Auditorium	Greenville, TX
August 7th	Main Street Crossing	Tomball, TX
August 8th	Arlington Music Hall	Arlington, TX
August 9th	Melba Theater	Batesville, AR
August 14th	Wild Rose Casino	Emmetsburg, IA
August 15th	Sisseton Performing Arts Center	Sisseton, SD
August 19th	Larry's Country Diner Taping	Nashville, TN



#### 2020 Tour Schedule - continued

Capitol Theater	Bowling Green, KY
Heart of Texas Music Festival	Brady, TX
The Coyote Store	Gail, TX
Georgia Mountain Fairgrounds	Hiawassee, GA
Social Circle Theater	Social Circle, GA
<b>Red Barn Convention Center</b>	Winchester, OH
Hardy Murphy Coliseum	Ardmore, OK
Sugar Creek Casino	Hinton, OK
Red River Valley Fair-Main Stage	Paris, TX
The Mill Music Hall	Bremen, GA
Clay Cooper Theater-w/LCD	Branson, MO
Renfro Valley Entertainment Center	Renfro Valley, KY
Palace Theater	Crossville, TN
Kentucky Opry	Benton, KY
The Mansion Theater	Branson, MO
Music City Texas Theater	Linden, TX
Blue Gate Theater	Shipshewana, IN
Marion Cultural Civic Center	Marion, IL
The Mansion Theater	Branson, MO
Liberty Showcase Theater	Liberty, NC
Main Street Theater	Tomball, TX
Honky Tonk Texas Dancehall	Silsbee, TX
Arena Theater	Houston, TX
Margaritaville Casino	Bossier City, LA
WinStar Casino	Thackerville, OK
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#### Ask the band.....

Other than Gene, who is your #1 musical hero?

Glenn (piano man): Michael McDonald

Staley (bass guitar): Clint Black

Todd (drums): Vince Gill

Robbie (pedal steel): Buddy Emmons

Chad (lead guitar): Merle Haggard

Who is the funniest one on the bus?

Glenn: Staley

Staley: Todd

Todd: Staley

Robbie: Todd

Chad: Todd

What's the thing you buy most often at a truck stop?

Glenn: FOOD

Staley: Pretzels

Todd: Trail Mix

Robbie: Beef Jerky



Left to right: Glenn, Chad, Gene, Robbie, Staley, and Todd.

Chad: Diet Dr Pepper

What instrument do you want to learn ( or maybe get better at playing)?

Glenn: Guitar

Staley: Piano

Todd: Guitar

Robbie: Dobro

Chad: Drums

What's one Gene Watson song you'd like to see added to your set list ( can be a deep album track or past hit )?

Glenn: "I Think I'm Gonna Kill You"

Staley: "No Goodbyes"

Todd: "Change Her Mind"

Robbie: "Cowboys Don't Get Lucky All The Time"

Chad: "This Dream's On Me"



# **TRIVIA CONTEST WINNER!**

Congratulations to David Burgess, who submitted the winning entry for our last trivia contest question: The question : . Name the artist who INVITED Gene to be an Opry member. The answer: Vince Gill. 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: <u>GeneWatsonMusic@hotmail.com</u>.

If you are reading this and not a registered member of Gene Watson's Fan Club, just sign up at www.GeneWatsonMusic.com. Only Fan Club members get the Trivia Question!



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