

Press Release
Carter Family Memorial Music Center, Inc.

HILTONS – On Saturday, July 31st, 2021, at 7:30 p.m., the Carter Family Fold will present a special re-opening event featuring the Brother Boys and Friends. Doors open at 6:00 p.m. Admission to the concert is \$10, children 6-11 \$2, under age 6 free. Tickets will be sold at the door. This concert will be our first since closing due to Covid in early March of 2020. At present, we plan to continue weekly concerts through November 20. We will then close for the winter until March 2022 in case of a Covid resurgence. We ask that our audience be mindful of Covid and respectful of Covid concerns.

The Brother Boys have reunited to bring their tongue and groove and infectious rhythm to the Carter Fold stage once again. Ed Snodderly and Eugene Wolf began their brother-duet singing back in the 90s, releasing three critically acclaimed recordings – two for Sugar Hill – *Plow* produced by Jerry Douglas, the self-produced *Presley's Grocery* and one for England's Zu-Zazz Records titled *Mulehead*. Years before the term Americana was born, they called their music New Hillbilly, which sounded good at the time – a way to distinguish the blending of country, bluegrass, and rockabilly. The Brother Boys have a knack for this old sound. The emotions and country heartache tones match the landscape of East Tennessee, where they both grew up.



The lyrics of Ed Snodderly's *Diamond Stream* are featured on the walls of the Country Music Hall of Fame. His latest CD is titled *Record Shop*. Eugene Wolf has been a member of the acting company of the historic Barter Theatre since 1977. His award-winning show, *The Book of Mamaw* played the Carter Fold in 2019 and hits the road again this summer.

Carter Fold audiences are familiar with Eugene Wolf from his numerous performances in Barter Theatre's production of *Keep on the Sunny Side* as A.P.

Carter. Everyone in this area is familiar with Ed Snodderly through his many years of performing, producing, and running the Down Home in Johnson City, Tennessee. Accompanying the Brother Boys will be some of their musician friends – including fiddler Lisa Pattison and bassist, Brandon Story. Like Texas, the Fold has to have a fiddle in the band. We have some special dancers lined up to entertain everyone, and it will be good to see the dance floor full once again and to see friends we have missed during the time we have been closed.

Please come out and join us for this long-awaited re-opening of the Carter Family Fold.

Bring along your family and friends - & don't forget your dancing shoes. We would love to have you join us.

Carter Family Memorial Music Center, Inc., is a nonprofit, rural arts organization established to preserve traditional, acoustic, mountain music. The center is family-friendly, and we are a drug and alcohol-free venue. In addition to the performance area, we maintain the Carter Family Museum and the A.P. Carter birthplace cabin. Both the cabin and the museum are historic landmarks. For more information on the center, go to our site on the internet – www.carterfamilyfold.org/. Partial funding for programs at the center is provided by the *Virginia Commission for the Arts* and the *National Endowment for the Arts*. Promotional and other assistance for shows is provided by the *Virginia Tourism Corporation*. To access recorded information on shows coming up at the Fold, call 276-386-6054. We can be found on Facebook – page Carter Fold – and Twitter – @carterfoldinfo. To speak to a Fold volunteer staff member, call 276-594-0676. If we don't answer you right away, we'll get back to you in 24 hours. The Center is only open Saturday nights, and we are run by volunteer staff.