

"The first polka band to perform at a Woodstock Festival!"

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

FRITZ'S POLKA BAND RETURNS TO UTICA MAENNERCHOR FOR FASCHING NIGHT!!

Jagermeister-sponsored, Fritz's Polka Band (FPB) from Verona, NY will return to the Utica Maennerchor (5535 Flanagan Road) in Marcy, NY on Saturday, March 1st from 7pm to 10pm. This will be part of the annual "Fasching Night" celebration, which has a Mardi Gras theme and is open to both adults and children. An optional dinner starts at 6pm.

"My band has been playing at this event for many years now, and it's fun seeing people of all ages dress up in their Mardi Gras costumes, compete for costume prizes, and dance along to our tunes," said Fritz Scherz, bandleader of FPB. "We always have a great time playing for this family-oriented event!"

Fritz's Polka Band has been performing for over 35 years, and made history in 1999, when they became the first polka band to perform at a Woodstock Festival in Rome, NY. FPB has made 18 recordings and even appears on *"The Manchurian Candidate"* DVD which was released in 2004. FPB won a Just Plain Folks Music Award for *Bialczak's Polka* on November 4, 2008. FPB won an Upper State Independent (USI) Award in Syracuse, NY, in 2008 and 2009. In June 2009, FPB won their first ever Syracuse Area Music Award (SAMMY) for their *"Reflections"* recording. In 2010, FPB was inducted into the Syracuse Area Music Hall of Fame. In 2011, FPB had two songs ('Grandparent's Polka' and 'Here Is Fritz's Polka Band') included in two different episodes of the hit cable TV show, 'Breaking Bad'. FPB was also nominated for two USI Awards in 2012.

For more information on this event, call Leo Schwenzfeier at: (315) 736-7014. For more info on FPB, visit the band's website: www.fritzpolkaband.com, their Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/fritzpolkaband, their Twitter feed at: www.twitter.com/fritzpolkaband or call: (315) 363-3509.

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