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**FOLK NIGHT AT THE REGISTRY Presents THE DIXIE FLYERS
with an opening set by Nonie Crete**

"The Dixie Flyers play good bluegrass, they play it the right way." ~ Bill Monroe
"These guys play bluegrass like they invented it." ~ Artistic Director, Mariposa Festival

Since 1974, the **Dixie Flyers** have been entertaining audiences coast to coast in Canada and the U.S. with their original Canadian bluegrass. With their new album "*Right On Track*" – their ninth recording of original tunes and bluegrass classics - the fun continues.

By their longevity, versatility, and an evolutionary approach to the music, the Flyers remain Canada's most prominent bluegrass band, performing at folk festivals (like Mariposa and Winnipeg), fairs, nightclubs, and universities across the country – even The National Gallery of Canada. They were the host band for TV's 'Bluegrass Express', had their own radio show for 5 years, and appeared on 'The Tommy Hunter Show' and many other Canadian TV series.

Gospel, blues, country, folk – many styles come into the Dixie Flyers, but it all comes out bluegrass. The only predictable thing about them is that they are unpredictable, always looking for something fresh and different. Putting their spin on the music that they love...

The Dixie Flyers are **Burt Baumbach** (guitar, vocals), **Ken Palmer** (mandolin, vocals), **Paul Hurdle** (banjo, vocals), **Blair Heddle** (dobro, fiddle, vocals) and **Chris Ingram** (bass).

Nonie Crete will perform an opening set. With five recordings to her credit, the Fergus singer/songwriter/multi-instrumentalist is a rising musical force. She has toured folk festivals and house concerts across Canada and the U.S, and in Ireland Nonie was featured on BBC and opened a concert for Clannad and Altan, where the response to her music was overwhelming.

This concert, the final one in the 2007-2008 Folk Night at the Registry series, is also the **2008 Merrick Jarrett Concert** in memory of the beloved Kitchener folk music pioneer who passed away in December 2005. Mr. Jarrett appeared at the very first Mariposa Folk Festival, and later taught folk music courses for seventeen years at the University of Waterloo.

Folk Night at the Registry resumes October 16/09 with Scotland's **Archie Fisher**.

FOLK NIGHT at The Registry presents **The Dixie Flyers** with guest **Nonie Crete**.
Saturday, May 10, 2008. \$16 Advance, \$18 at the door
The Registry Theatre. 122 Frederick St. Kitchener.

For tickets: The Centre In The Square Box Office, 1.800.265.8977, 519.578.1570
Twelfth Night Music, Erb St. W, Waterloo, or from Jack Cole at 519.578.6298.
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