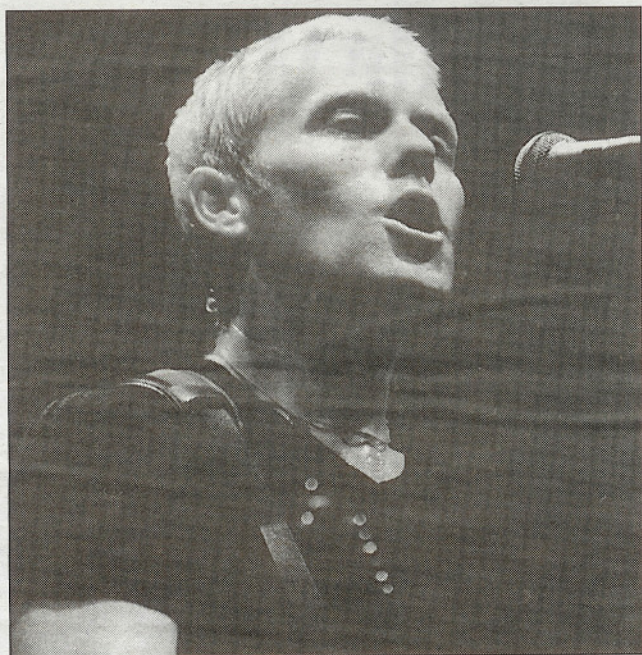


BEST BETS

FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 28, 2006 - JAN. 3, 2007



'The Beat' goes on

19 Broadway has a special holiday show, "The Return of Dave Wakeling and the English Beat," lined up for Dec. 29.

The band was formed in industrial Birmingham, England, in 1979 and has recorded top tunes like Smokey Robinson's "Tears of a Clown," "Can't Get Used to Losing You," "Mirror in the Bathroom" and "Save it for Later."

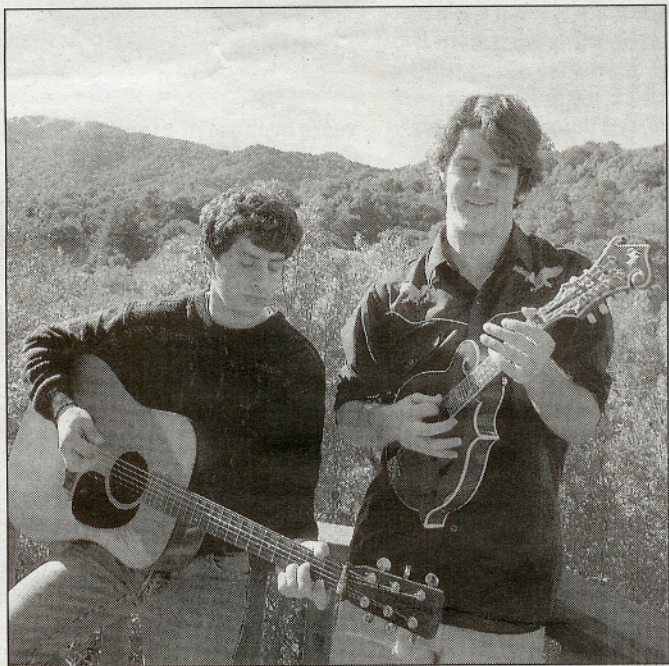
Showtime is 9:30 p.m. with tickets \$25 in advance, \$27 at the door, at 19 Broadway in Fairfax. To learn more, call 459-1091 or visit www.19broadway.com.

Acoustic merrymaking

Help kick up a "Wintry Ruckus" on Dec. 28 at 142 Throckmorton Theatre with an all-acoustic show.

Performing are Extra Biscuits (at right), the bluegrass-inspired, old-time and folk-music duo of locals Sam Schow and Daniel Sheron; Oddfellow; and the Scandinavian Half Breeds with Jordan Hyde on acoustic guitar and Doc Davidson on mandolin, accordion, ukulele and clarinet.

The show starts at 8 p.m. at 142 Throckmorton Ave., Mill Valley. Tickets are \$10 to \$15. Visit www.142throckmortontheatre.com or call 383-9600.



Celebrate Vegas style



Get a jump on the new year — start the conviviality a day early at Peri's Silver Dollar with the Dec. 30 New Year's Eve party, featuring Johnny Vegas and the High Rollers.

The gang will lay down some classic rock and classic soul, and there will be party hats and poppers, noisemakers and the traditional midnight count-down. The cover is \$5.

Peri's is at 29 Broadway in Fairfax. Call 459-9910.