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**PRESS RELEASE**

A new coffee house is coming to Salisbury! Featuring live music, poetry readings, coffee by Joe Jaklitsch , tea, cider, snacks, social time with friends & more, the Twelve Moons Coffee House will be held on the first Saturday of each month, from 7:00 to 10:00 pm at St. John's church (back door entrance) 12 Main St. A free-will donation is requested to help cover costs.

The opening night is Saturday, February 4th, featuring the music of "Hummingbird", a local band, playing an eclectic blend of blues, jazz, country, originals, native chants, healing sounds and experimental compositions. The band consists of vocalist Bobbi Soares, guitarist Jim Stasiak, drummer Bruce Osborne, and bassist Andy Hicks.

Hummingbird plays "music from the heart, for the soul". "Music has been a healing force in each of our lives, and we like to share that powerful experience with everyone. We especially like to include chants and percussion as a way for both us and the audience to connect with and send healing energies to Mother Earth."

Others interested in playing music or reading poems, are welcome to sign up that night. The format for the evening is to offer a featured performer for a 60 - 75 minute set, with the remaining time as 'open mic' and 'song swap'. Those interested in becoming a featured performer please contact:

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'Equal Exchange' products and 'Ten Thousand Villages' items will be sold during the coffee house. Proceeds from the sales on February 4<sup>th</sup> will benefit the Northwest Corner Fuel Bank, helping low-income families pay for winter heating fuel.

Creating the coffee house is a collaborative effort of folks who love music and the arts and wish to honor friends with a nice place to go, locally, to enjoy each

other's company. Twelve Moons Coffee House organizers are John Carter, Peter & Jane Fitting, Rita Delgado, Kiau Loi, Paul DePaulo, Joe Jaklitsch, Joe Meehan, Ed Thorney, and Jill Gibbons. Those interested in volunteering to help with the coffee house, are encouraged to contact any of the organizers.