

# *The Bergerfolk*

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## *Sing of Sunshine and Rainbows*





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With: Phoebe, Steve, Jennifer Anne, Margaret Louise,  
Jonathan Glenn, Emily-Kaye Berger, and Glenn Eberhardt,  
Kip Sullivan, Doris, Jenny & Elizabeth Meadows,  
Nancy, Alison & Sheri Beckerman  
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The Bergerfolk are Phoebe and Steve Berger with  
their children: Jennifer Anne, Margaret Louise,  
Jonathan Glenn, and Emily-Kate

Also: Glenn Eberhardt, Kip Sullivan, Doris, Jenny  
and Elizabeth Meadows, Nancy, Alison and Sheryl  
Beckerman

All arrangements by The Bergerfolk

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The world is an ever changing place...the sun and  
the stars above us seem constant...We saw a big  
beautiful rainbow and lots of sunshine during our  
last cross-country trip...We all have changed a  
bit...but the joy we always feel when we sing the  
songs we sing to the people who listen, you,  
makes us feel like Sunshine and Rainbows...Listen,  
sing along with us and when we find the rainbow's  
end...what joy will be awaiting!

Phoebe Lou Berger

Feb. 1974



The Berger Folk

Photo Al Meadows

## Side One

Darlin' Pal of Mine-Carter Family

Hobo's Lullaby-G. Reeves

One, Two, Three-Traditional

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## Darling Pal O' Mine

Carter Family

Sung by Jennifer and Margaret

Guitar-Jennifer Second guitar: Glenn Eberhardt

Mandolin-Margaret

Banjo-Steve

Family on chorus

Chorus:

My little darling, oh how I love you

How I love you none can tell

But in your heart you love another

Little darling pal of mine

Many a day that I have rambled...countless hours  
with you I've spent

I thought I had your heart forever...but I found  
it was only lent

Many a night while you lie sleeping...dreaming of  
your loved ones eyes

I'm just a poor girl, broken hearted, listening  
to the wind outside

There's only three things that I wish for...that's  
my casket, chroud and grave

And when I die don't grieve for me love...just  
kiss these lips that you betrayed

## Hobo's Lullaby

G. Reeves

Last verse by our friend Joe Broadman of Carmel,  
Calif.

Guitar-Phoebe Lou Berger

Banjo-Steve Berger

Sung by the family; and Alison, Sheryl and Nancy  
Beckerman

(This song is said to have been one of Woody  
Guthrie's favorites)

Go to sleep you weary hobo...let the towns drift  
slowly by

Can't you hear the steel rails humming? That's  
a hobo's lullaby.

Don't you worry 'bout tomorrow...let tomorrow  
come and go

Tonight you're in a nice warm box car...safe from  
all that wind and snow.

I know your clothes are torn and ragged...and your  
hair is turning grey

Lift your head and smile at trouble...you'll find  
peace and rest someday.

I know the police cause you trouble...they cause  
trouble everywhere

But when you die and go to heaven...there'll be  
no policemen there.

(Joe's verse)

Though you've travelled broke and hungry...down  
those endless lonely miles...

Soon you'll be home with your sweetheart...safe  
in the sunlight of her smile.



One, Two, Three

We learned this one from the Winslows at the  
Festival of the Smokies in the Tennessee Mountains.  
Sung by Emily-Kate  
Banjo-Steve

One, two, three...The devil's after me  
Four, five, six...He's always throwing bricks  
Seven, eight, nine...He missed me every time  
Hallalujah, hallalujah, amen.  
Nine, eight, seven...I'm on my way to heaven  
Six, five, four...There's room for many more  
Three, two, one...The devil's on the run  
Hallalujah, hallalujah, amen.

What Did You Learn In School Today

(1962 Teens Music Corp.) Tom Paxton

This song seems more appropriate today than when  
it was written...sadly enough!

Banjo-Steve

Questions part-Steve and Phoebe

Answer-The children

What did you learn in school today?...dear little  
child of mine

What did you learn in school today?...dear little  
child of mine.

I learned that Washington never told a lie...I  
learned that soldiers seldom die...I learned that  
everybody's free...That's what the teacher said to  
me... 'n that's what I learned in school today...

That's what I learned in school.

I learned that policemen are my friends...I  
learned that justice never ends...I learned that  
murderers die for their crimes...Even if we make  
a mistake sometimes... 'n that's what I learned in  
school today...that's what I learned in school.

I learned that our government must be strong...

It's always right and never wrong...Our leaders  
are the finest men and we elect them again and  
again... 'n that's what I learned in school today..  
That's what I learned in school...

I learned that war is not so bad...I learned about  
the great ones we have had...We fought in Germany  
and in France and someday I might get my chance...

'n that's what I learned in school today...that's  
what I learned in school.

Buffalo Boy

Traditional mountain tune

Banjo-Steve

Sung by Phoebe and Steve

When we gonna get married...married...married...  
When we gonna get married...dear old Buffalo Boy?  
I guess we'll marry next Sunday...next Sunday...  
Next Sunday...I'll guess we'll marry next Sunday  
That is if the weather be good.  
How you gonna get to the wed'ning...the wed'ning..  
The wed'ning...How you gonna get to the wed'ning..  
Dear old Buffalo Boy?

I guess I'll come in my Ox cart...my Ox cart...  
my Ox cart...I guess I'll come in my Ox cart...  
That is if the weather be good.

Why don't you go in your buggy...your buggy...

Your buggy...Why don't you go in your buggy...

Dear old Buffalo Boy?

My ox won't fit in my buggy...my buggy...my buggy..  
My ox won't fit in my buggy...not even if the  
weather be good.

Who ya gonna take to the wed'ning...the wed'ning..  
The wed'ning...Who ya gonna take to the wed'ning..  
Dear old Buffalo Boy?

I guess I'll bring my children...my children...  
My children...I guess I'll bring my children...  
That is if the weather be good.

I didn't know you had no children...no children..  
No children...I didn't know you had no children..  
Dear old Buffalo Boy.

Oh, yes I have five children...five children...  
Five children...Oh, yes, I have five children...  
Six if the weather be good.

There ain't gonna be no wed'ning...no wed'ning...  
No wed'ning...There ain't gonna be no wed'ning...  
Not even if the weather be good!

Crow's Creek

A fiddle tune

Fiddle-Margaret

Banjo-Steve

Guitar-Jennifer

Sticks on piano bench-Phoebe



La Volette cont.

To the woods they wandered singing merrily  
To the woods they wandered singing merrily  
Merrily a la volette, merrily a la volette  
Singing merrily.  
A hungry fox was waiting and he gobbled them up  
A hungry fox was waiting and he gobbled them up  
Gobbled them up a la volette, gobbled them up  
a la volette, And he gobbled them up.  
Said the angry mother, "I told you so."  
Said the angry mother, "I told you so."  
"Told you so a la volette  
Told you so a la volette  
And I told you so."  
It's a very sad story and I think I'll cry  
It's a very sad story and I think I'll cry  
Think I'll cry a la volette  
Think I'll cry a la volette  
And I think I'll cry.

#### Holy Ra Cuckoo

Austrian Traditional

Last verse by Phoebe Lou Berger

This is an old Austrian "drinking" song. We have  
lots of fun with it at our concerts.

Banjo-Steve

Family singing with Alison and Sheryl Beckerman

Oh, I went to Peter's flowing stream where the  
water's so good

And I heard there a cuckoo as he sang in the woods

Chorus:

Oh lay ah holy ra kikiya holy ra cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya holy ra cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya holy ra cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya oh...

After Easter comes sunny days that will melt all  
the snow

And I'll marry my maiden fair, we'll be happy

I know

Oh lay ah holy ra kikiya holy ra cuckoo cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya holy ra cuckoo cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya holy ra cuckoo cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya oh...

When I marry my maiden fair, what thing can I  
desire?

Oh, a home for her tending and some wood for the  
fire.

Oh lay ah holy ra kikiya holy ra cuckoo cuckoo  
cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya holy ra cuckoo cuckoo cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya holy ra cuckoo cuckoo cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya oh...

And perhaps in a little while maybe then there  
will be

A babe with a little smile, maybe two, maybe three.

Oh lay ah holy ra kikiya, holy ra cuckoo cuckoo  
cuckoo cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya holy ra cuckoo cuckoo cuckoo cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya ra cuckoo cuckoo cuckoo cuckoo

Holy ra kikiya oh...

#### Sourwood Mountain

Traditional Appalachian

Mountain tune

Banjo-Jennifer

Sung by Jennifer

Chicken's a 'crowin' on Sourwood Mountain

Hey dang diddle all the day

So many pretty girls I can't count 'em

Hey dang diddle all the day.

My true love is a sunburned daisy

Hey dang diddle all the day

If I can't get her I'll go crazy

Hey dang diddle all the day.

My true love's at the head of the holler

Hey dang diddle all the day

She won't come and I won't foller

Hey dang diddle all the day.

Duck's in the mill pond, geese in the ocean

Hey dang diddle all the day

Devil's in the woman when she takes a notion

Hey dang diddle all the day.

Chicken's a 'crowin' on Sourwood Mountain

Hey dang diddle all the day

So many pretty girls I can't count 'em

Hey dang diddle all the day.



## Side Two

### Get Together-Chet Powers

This Old World-Shape note hymn with words written by "unknown"

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### Get Together

Chet Powers

This was a "big hit" when recorded by Jesse Colin Young and the Youngbloods several years ago and the words will always be a "big hit"...

Guitar and vocal-Phoebe

Second Guitar-Glenn Eberhardt

Drums-Jonathan

Love is but a song we sing, fear's the way we die.  
You can make the mountains ring or hear the angels

cry

Though the bird is on the wing and you may not

know why

Come on people now, smile on your brother  
Everybody get together try to love one another

right now.

If you hear the song I sing, you will understand

You hold the key to love and fear all in your

trembling hand

Just one key unlocks them both, it's there at your

command.

Come on people now, smile on your brother  
Everybody get together try to love one another

right now.

Some may come and some may go, it will surely pass

When the one who left us here returns to us at

last

We are but a moment's sunlight, fading in the

grass.

Come on people now, smile on your brother

Everybody get together, try to love one another

right now!

### This Old World

Originally a shape note hymn with words written by "unknown"

The message tells it all!

Sung by Margaret

This old world is full of sorrow

Full of sickness, weak and sore

If you love your neighbor truly

Love will come to you the more.

We're all children of one father

We're all brothers and sisters, too

If you cherish one another,

Love and pity will come to you.

### La Volette (The Swallow)

French Canadian Traditional

This is a song sung by the Beers family and when we sang it at a festival in New Brunswick, Canada, we met a lovely French speaking lady who told us she had learned that song in school and gave us the french words. I think the moral is..."Listen to your mother."

Autoharp-Jennifer

Sung by Jennifer and Margaret

Family and Alison and Sheryl Beckerman on chorus

Oh, there was a swallow and her birdies three

Oh, there was a swallow and her birdies three

Birdies three a la volette, birdies three a la volette, and her birdies three.

They were all so eager to be on their way

They were all so eager to be on their way

On their way a la volette

On their way a la volette

To be on their way.

Said the anxious mother, "you can barely fly."

Said the anxious mother, "you car barely fly."

"Barely fly" a la volette

"Barely fly" a la volette

"You can barely fly."

But they would not listen and they flew away

But they would not listen and they flew away

Flew away a la volette, flew away a la volette

And they flew away.



## Rainbow Race

Pete Seeger

Pete's music speaks for itself...a joy of a man...  
one of our strongest influences and one of our  
most favorite people...

Guitars-Phoebe Lou Berger and Glenn Eberhardt

Sung by Phoebe

One blue sky above us...one ocean lapping all our  
shores

One earth so green and round...who could ask for  
more?

And because I love you...I'll give it one more  
try

To show my Rainbow Race...It's too soon to die.

Some people want to be like an ostrich...

Bury their heads in sand

Some hope their plastic dreams

Will unclench all those greedy hands.

Some wanna take the easy way...

Poisons and bombs they think we need 'm

Don't you know you can't kill all the unbelievers

There's no short cuts to freedom.

One blue sky above us...

One ocean lapping all our shores

One earth so green and round...who could ask for  
more?

And because I love you...I'll give it one more try

To show my Rainbow Race...It's too soon to die.

Go tell all the little children...

Go tell the mothers and fathers too...

Now is the last chance to learn to share

What's been given to me and you.

One blue sky above us...One ocean lapping all our  
shores

One earth so green and round...who could ask for  
more?

And because I love you...I'll give it one more  
try

To show my rainbow race...It's too soon to die.

## Roseanna

A negro work song

We learned this from Pete Seeger

Banjo-Steve Lead sing-Steve

Mandolin-Margaret

Autoharp-Phoebe

Oh, Roseanne, sweet Roseanne, bye bye my Roseanna

I'm going away but not to stay and I won't be home  
tomorrow

Bye bye bye bye bye bye bye bye bye my Roseanna

Bye bye bye bye bye bye bye and I won't be  
home tomorrow.

Steamboat's coming round the bend

Bye bye my Roseanna

All loaded down with sailormen

And I won't be home tomorrow..

Bye bye bye bye bye bye (etc.)

I thought I heard the captain say

Bye bye my Roseanna

Don't you want to go home on your next pay day

And I won't be home tomorrow

Bye bye bye bye bye bye (etc.)

A dollar a day is a sailor's pay

Bye bye my Roseanna

It's easy come, easy go away

And I won't be home tomorrow

Bye bye bye bye bye bye (etc.)

## Sail Away Ladies

Traditional

Autoharp-Jennifer

Guitar-Margaret

Sung by Jennifer and Margaret

Family on chorus; with Allison and Sheryl Beckerman

Ain't no use to sit and cry...sail away ladies

sail away

You'll be an angel by and by...sail away ladies

sail away.

Don't you rock 'em daddy-o...don't you rock 'em

daddy-o

Don't you rock 'em daddy-o, sail away ladies sail

away.

I've got a home in Tennessee...sail away ladies

sail away

That's the place I want to be...sail away ladies

sail away.

Don't you rock 'em daddy-o (etc.)

If ever I get my new house done...sail away ladies

sail away

I'll give the old one to my son...sail away ladies

sail away.

Don't you rock 'em daddy-o (etc.)

Come on boys and go with me..sail away ladies..

sail away

We'll go down to Tennessee...sail away ladies

sail away.

Don't you rock 'em daddy-o (etc.)...



You Are My Sunshine

Jimmy Davis and  
Charles Mitchell

(Southern Publishing Co.)

Here's a song I used to sing as a child.

Banjo-Steve

Sung by Emily-Kate

You are my sunshine, my only sunshine

You make me happy when skies are grey

You'll never know dear, how much I love you

Please don't take my sunshine away.

The other night dear when I lay sleeping

I dreamed I held you in my arms

When I awoke dear, I was mistaken

So I hung my head and cried.

You are my sunshine, my only sunshine

You make me happy when skies are grey

You'll never know dear, how much I love you

Please don't take my sunshine away.

Sunshine

John Denver, Dick  
Kniss, Mike Taylor

I fell in love with this song when I heard it as

background music on a t.v. show about a young

mother dying of cancer. I had to sing it.

Guitar-Phoebe

Vocal-Phoebe

Second Guitar-Glen Eberhardt

Sunshine on my shoulders makes me happy

Sunshine in my eyes can make me cry

Sunshine in the water looks so lovely

Sunshine almost always makes me high.

If I had a day that I could give to you

I'd give to you a day just like today

If I had a song that I could sing for you

I'd sing a song to make you feel this way.

Sunshine on my shoulders makes me happy (etc.)

If I had a tale that I could tell to you

I'd tell a tale sure to make you smile

If I had a wish that I could wish for you

I'd make a wish for sunshine all the while.

I'm Thinking Tonight of my Blue Eyes

Carter Family

Guitar-Jennifer

Dulcimer-Margaret

Singing-Jennifer and Margaret with the family

Would've been better for us both had we never

In this wide wicked world ever met

For the pleasures we've both seen together

I am sure love I never will forget.

Chorus:

Oh, I'm thinking tonight of my blue eyes

Who is sailing far over the sea

Yes, I'm thinking tonight of him only

And I wonder if he ever thinks of me.

Well you told me once dear that you loved me

And you said that we never would part

But a link on the chain has been broken

Leaving me with a sad and aching heart.

Chorus

When this cold, cold grave shall enclose me

Won't you come here and shed just one tear

Won't you say to the strangers around me

This poor heart you have broken lies here.

Chorus

Michael Row the Boat Ashore

Pre-Civil War Slave Song

I sing different words each time we do this so

don't complain...just join in...

Guitar-Phoebe

Banjo-Steve

Second Guitar-Kip Sullivan

Family singing; with Jenny, Liz and Doris Meadows

Michael row the boat ashore hallalujah

Michael row the boat ashore hallalujah.

Sister help to trim the sail hallalujah

Sister help to trim the sail hallalujah.

Michael's boat is a music boat hallalujah

Michael's boat is a music boat hallalujah.

River Jordan is chilly and wide hallalujah

Milk and honey on the other side hallalujah.

River Jordan is chilly and cold hallalujah

Chills the body but not the soul hallalujah.

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