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Log Cabin Cooking
Pioneer Recipes & Food Lore

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Weird & Wonderful Home Cooking 1900-1950
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Save room for dessert!

The Lost Art of Pie Making
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Nostalgic America

Those were the days...
Make yourself at home on the front porch and listen to some tales and songs of days gone by.

OUR BEST SELLING SONGBOOK:

Front Porch Songs, Jokes & Stories
48 Great Sing-Along Favorites

by Wayne Erbsen
This book is our all-time best selling songbook! It contains a treasure trove of popular 19th century American campfire songs, hilarious jokes, wild stories, vintage photos, and even a recipe for cooking a groundhog.

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16 Great Old Time Instrumentals
by Wayne Erbsen

"It stands up to the best of the best" - Bluegrass Unlimited Magazine

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The Outhouse Papers
Country Humor & Trivia
by Wayne Erbsen
The Outhouse Papers is a hoot! Absolutely funny and absorbing, this hilarious book includes wacky stories, strange historical facts, jokes, and folklore on a wide range of topics. Lose yourself in moonshine tales, old-fashioned marriage advice, and even the Duct Tape Diet. Learn the lost art of hurling insults and making jerk coffee. Master the secret siang of Civil War soldiers, railroaders, hobos, and cowboys... and much more! This book belongs in every outhouse in America. 4" x 9", 192 pages.

"Wayne! Your Outhouse Papers has been well read by all the family." - Pete Seeger

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19th Century American Classics
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One of our best-selling recordings, this CD captures some favorite melodies of the 19th century. Expertly played on banjo, fiddle, guitar, mandolin, washboard, harmonica, spoons, jews harp, ham-bone and feet. 17 tracks, all instrumental. 55 minutes.

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"Wayne's banjo and fiddle playing are first rate." - Dirty Linen
Rural Roots of Bluegrass
Songs, Stories & History

by Wayne Erbsen

Music historian Wayne Erbsen digs deep into the history of bluegrass music to uncover its true roots. Richly illustrated with over 100 vintage photos, the book has bluegrass history, lyrics and musical notation of 94 songs, chords, playing tips and historic sources for each song. 6½" x 9", 180 pages.

"This book is a lot of fun and I would recommend it for anyone's library or music stand" - Central Texas Bluegrass Bulletin

"I recommend this book to anyone getting into the genre as a player or just a fan." - CBMS

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Log Cabin Pioneers
Stories, Songs & Sayings

by Wayne Erbsen

Step inside as Wayne Erbsen takes you on a fascinating journey of finding and restoring a rare historic log cabin. By a crackling fire, you'll hear authentic pioneers sing ancient ballads, spin yarns, tell tales, swap superstitions and beauty secrets and cook hearty pioneer recipes. Includes over 150 vintage photos, words & music to 10 ballads and songs, over 100 pioneer sayings, 6½" x 9', 184 pages.

"There is not a dull moment to be found as stories of famous Americans of yore abound throughout these pages" - Blue Ridge & Great Smoky Mountains Digest

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Rural Roots of Bluegrass

This recording features the crystal clear voice of Laura Boosinger alongside the banjo, fiddle and mandolin wizardry of Wayne Erbsen. Like the book, this recording draws from many of the styles that are the very roots of bluegrass music: 13 vocals, 2 instrumentals, 54 minutes.

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Log Cabin Songs

Kick up your heels with spunky old-time dance tunes, historic songs and ballads of log cabin pioneers. This recording features the vocals of Laura Boosinger & Wayne Erbsen, who create magic with their old-time harmonies. 10 vocals, 6 instrumentals, 48 minutes.

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Manners & Morals of Victorian America

Victorian Life, Proper Conduct & Duties

by Wayne Erbsen

This highly entertaining and often hilarious book is your window into the fashions & world of yesteryear! Drawing on the wealth of late 19th and early 20th century etiquette books, it has almost 500 historic illustrations and engravings. The book details virtually every aspect of Victorian life, including the proper conduct for courtship and wooing, spinsters, duchies, brothers and sisters, husbands and wives, how to deal with a rejected suitor, manners when as a passenger on coaches, carriages, motor cars, steamships and street cars, woman suffrage, and much more.

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Back Pocket Old Time Songbook

by Wayne Erbsen

Since it came out in 1981, thousands of people have enjoyed and learned from the pages of The Backpocket Bluegrass Songbook. In addition to the lyrics and musical notation, the book also includes guitar chords, tips on choosing the right key, using the capo, bluegrass music history, information on each song, and vintage photos.

Includes 40 songs, and fits in your back pocket.

4¼" x 12" x 57 pages.

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Old Time Songbook

The Backpocket Old Time Songbook is considered a classic. In addition to song lyrics, musical notation and guitar chords, it is packed with hints on playing in the right key, singing with an instrument, transposing your chords, using a capo, a short history of old-time songs, music history, dance tunes, knockdown tunes, dirges, parlor songs and gospel songs. Includes numerous vintage photos.

4½" x 12", 57 pages.

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Travel the Rails in Words & Song...
“A colorful mixture to listen to over and over.” - Railfan & Railroad

Singing Rails
Railroadin’ Songs, Jokes & Stories
by Wayne Erbsen
All aboard! Feel transported back in time to the days when railroad was king, and sing a song or two. This book is absolutely packed with songs and lore of the railroads!
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*The contents of this little book will delight fans with its songs, stories, anecdotes and obscure facts...well worth the price* - The Riding Railway Newsletter
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Railroad Fever
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*This package will appeal to railroading enthusiasts* - Bluegrass Unlimited

Singing Rails
Railroadin’ Songs
by Wayne Erbsen
If you like ‘Singing Rails’ the book, you’ll love the CD. A talented lineup of traditional musicians play 14 of the well-loved songs included in the songbook. 12 vocals, 2 instrumentals, 40 minutes.
“This music is a rare treat and not easily found. When you listen to it, it’s like stepping into the past” – North Texas Garden Railway Consortium

Railroad Fever
Songs of America’s Railroads
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Railroadin’ Classics
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All instrumentals, 45 minutes.
Old-Time Inspirationals...

“These melodies move, flow, and intertwine with brightness and elegance” - Dirty Linen

Hymns of the Old Camp Ground
Old Time Gospel Songs with Words, Music & History

by Wayne Erbsen

This handy songbook is filled with the words, music history and chords of your favorite camp meeting hymns, spirituals and gospel songs. It includes such classics as “Amazing Grace,” “Are You Washed in the Blood?” “Church in the Wildwood,” “If I Could Hear My Mother Pray Again,” “Keep on the Sunny Side,” “Precious Memories,” and “Shall We Gather at the River.”

5 ½ x 8 ½”, 72 pages.

“Highly recommended for personal and professional reference and performance collections as well.” - Midwest Book Review

$6.95

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ISBN: 9781883206597

Old-Time Gospel Favorites
13 Gospel Classics with Harmony & Old-Time Instruments

by Wayne Erbsen

This recording has 13 of your favorite old-time gospel solos, trios and quartets played on banjo, fiddle, guitar, mandolin, autoharp and bass. All vocals. An excellent companion CD to the Bluegrass Gospel Songbook. 41 minutes.

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12 Gospel Tunes Played on Old-Time Instruments

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This all instrumental recording captures the spirit of old-time gospel and hymn music with haunting and lively renditions of many of the classic pieces of gospel music. All of the tunes are played on historic instruments, including clawhammer banjo, fiddle, mandolin and guitar.

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by Wayne Erbsen

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There is an optional music CD (Old-Time Gospel Favorites) available with the book which contains 13 of the songs from the book, sung as solos, trios and quartets on banjo, fiddle, guitar, autoharp and bass.

*“A real treasure.” - Bluegrass Music Profiles

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12 instrumentals, 4 vocals. 45 minutes.

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Better than a faded diary or a tattered photo, this fine collection captures the spirit of those who stayed at home. Included are both Union and Confederate patriotic tunes, sentimental pieces, minstrel songs, popular tunes of the day, songs of returning soldiers and runaway slaves.

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Battlefield Ballads of the Civil War

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Frontier Trailblazers

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"This is a must-have book." - Bluegrass Unlimited Magazine
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