

BUTTERFIELD MERCANTILE*Marideth Sisco's Little Country Store**Featuring the newest and best from Juneapple Records and Yarnspinner Press*

MARIDETH SISCO is a veteran journalist, teacher, author, musician and student of folklore who operates Yarnspinner Press as a venue for publishing stories relevant to Ozarks culture and history. She holds a BFA degree from Missouri State University and an MA from Antioch University. She currently is host of the public radio show, "These Ozarks Hills" on KSMU-FM in Springfield, Mo. and is revising a trilogy of novels in which the Ozarks is featured prominently. Sisco spent 20 years as a staff writer for the West Plains Daily Quill, where she received several awards and was well known for her gardening column, "Crosspatch."

Her most recent accomplishment was as music consultant and featured singer in the award-winning feature film "Winter's Bone." She is lead singer in the Blackberry Winter Band, which describes itself as "those amazing geriatric hillbillies" and is much in demand as a storyteller and public speaker. She resides in the Ozarks highlands of southern Missouri. For more information, go to www.maridethsisco.com or contact her at marideth_sisco@yahoo.com

Close Enough to HOME

Ozark stories, tales, episodes & oddities

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NEW, FROM YARNSPINNER PRESS

MARIDETH SISCO'S NEWEST

ESSAYS FROM A CHILDHOOD HOME

In this book, the noted storyteller talks about her early days in a tiny Ozarks hamlet, and the strange and wonderful characters in her neighborhood

DECEMBER NEWSLETTER 2012**NEWS & EVENTS****Dec. 8**

Grand Opening
at Carl
Colasanti's
Photo and
Video shop on



Court Square. Blackberry Winter Band plays at 3 p.m. followed by The Baker Family and Ozark Mountain Grass. Food, fun and great hillbilly music. Don't miss it.

HOT NEW TUNES FROM A COOL SINGER

No longer taking second place behind Blackberry Winter Band lead singer Marideth Sisco, this vocalist has come into her own, as songstress Linda Stoffel steps out in her debut album release, aptly titled "Songbird."



After a season of touring with BBWB that included a nationwide sweep of both coasts, Stoffel wondered if maybe she could cut a couple of tracks on her own. She gave it a go, using her Zoom H-2 audio recorder tapped into Garage Band on her Mac laptop. Interesting and educational endeavor, she decided, but with less than stellar results.

"I just didn't have the control I needed to create the sound I was after."

She asked for assistance from Sisco, the band's leader. Continued on Page 2

**Dec. 14**

CD Party and Christmas Jam, celebrating the release of a new Juneapple album, "SONGBIRD" by Linda Stoffel. Sweet. Chili, snacks and caroling in the holiday season. How can you resist? Yellow House Community Arts Center, 209 W. Cleveland (Now Trish Knight Street)

Dec. 28

Columbia??? (stay tuned)

Dec. 31

Blackberry Winter Band performs at First Night, Springfield, MO

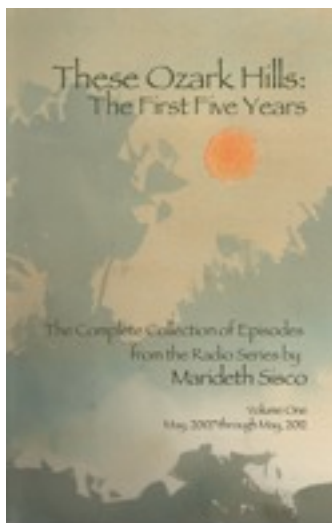
5 Yearsof Radio Essays

—from the long-running “These Ozarks Hills” series by Marideth Sisco are now collected, in print, in one volume, appropriately subtitled “The First Five Years.” The work has already received high praise from a former editor, an Oscar-nominated film director and both of the show’s producers. The essays, many familiar to those who have followed the radio series on KSMU-Public Radio in the Ozarks, are sure to be a sweet surprise to readers who haven’t encountered them in broadcast.

KSMU senior producer Missy Shelton said of the radio series, “The first time I heard Marideth Sisco’s voice, it sounded like home.”

Frank L. Martin III, West Plains Quill publisher and a former employer, said, “...her eyes and ears are those of a native. Her gardener’s hands are covered in Ozarks earth...”

And Winter’s Bone director Debra Granik says of this volume, “Real wisdom, the kind that helps us to live better lives, can’t be Googled, but it can be learned, and it can be found right here.” Order using the form on page 3.



From Page One

“Let’s go back into the studio” Sisco said, “and do this right.”

And that’s what happened. Linda quickly assembled a group of songs she liked singing, band members rallied round, and Sisco brought in super side man David Wilson to sweeten the brew. The result: a 13-tune array that gives Linda’s soaring soprano free rein and frames her vocal performances in very tasty as well as carefully crafted instrumentalism. The sound for which the term ‘ear candy’ was created. Order using the form on Page 3.

Sarah’s Corner

I spent a chilly Tuesday evening with Marideth, Dave Wilson and Jeff Smith of Studio 2100 in Springfield, MO immediately after returning from a grueling trip to Utah. Almost didn’t go to Springfield but so glad I did. The musical work of Marideth and Dave is beyond imagination. A heavenly combo for sure and just in time for the holidays. I’ve ordered my copies - have you?

— Sarah



Marideth waxing melodic
(Photo by S. Denton)

Juneapple News

Hot off the Press:

A New Take on Old Carols

Blackberry Winter band vocalist Marideth Sisco has just completed a 5-song EP of traditional carols for Christmas, with a decidedly untraditional presentation – and a surprise commentary on the nature of miracles. Marideth Sisco has teamed with extraordinary multi-instrumentalist David Wilson to deliver a haunting group of lesser known carols you may have heard – or maybe not. Early reviewers say it’s Sisco’s best work so far. For your own autographed copy, order using the form on Page 3.



Van Colbert
(Photo by S. Denton)

BULLETIN – Banjoist Van Colbert begins a new volume of his collection of the old tunes Dec. 6 when he lays down the first solo tracks for his new album, working titled: “Yesteryear.” For this work, Colbert plans to enlist his brothers, fellow members of a family band whose musical gatherings are the product of generations of classic Ozarks tunes. We can’t wait to hear it.

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