



PEAS PAMPHLET...whirling writings
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PEAS PERFORM AT PUB
CATHERINE ROONEY'S

The *Peas* will perform at Catherine Rooney's 1616 Delaware Avenue in Trolley Square this Wednesday, June 22, 2011. Start time is 7:30 and will be ending about 10. Check out Catherine Rooney's website for directions, menu selections and so on.

www.catherinerooneys.com

OTHER PEAS GIGS

Mark your calendars for the following *Whirled Peas* road trips. Details will be forthcoming.

Killens Pond - July 15th

Twin Lakes Benefit for TriState Bird – July 23rd

Trap Pond - August 5th

Queen-World Café - August 6th

Delaware City - August 13th

Lums Pond - August 16th

Fine Arts & Crafts Festival - September 10th

CD'S AND T-SHIRTS

Check out the *Peas'* website: www.whirledpeasband.com for purchase of this merchandise. And, the *Peas*, are working on 2 more CD's. Delivery date TBA.

MUSIC OF INTEREST

John Frink will be performing at ETG Café (EveryThing Goes) in Staten Island, June 10th at 7:30. And, on July 19th at 7 he'll be at Lums Pond.

THE (IN)FAMOUS RED PHONE

The Harris Corporation designed the "red telephone" linking the United States and the Soviet Union. The "hot line", as it would come to be known, was established at the signing of the *Memorandum of Understanding Regarding the Establishment*

of a Direct Communications Line in Geneva June 20, 1963.



What precipitated this "media link" was the Cuban Missile Crisis. It took nearly 12 hours to receive and decode Khrushchev's 3000 word settlement offer. By the time the US replied a

second message was received demanding that the US pull their missiles from Turkey. White House advisors felt that a resolution could have been expedited faster had there been quicker communications.

The first generation had no voice element at all based on the theory that verbal communications could lead to miscommunications or misperception. Leaders could state their message in their native language and it would be translated.

The first use of the hot line was used in 1967 during the Egypt-Israel War when both superpowers informed each other of military moves which might have been perceived provocative or ambiguous. It was again used during the following: 1971 Indo-Pakistani War; 1973 Arab-Israeli War; 1974 when Turkey invaded Cyprus; 1979 when the Soviet invaded Afghanistan. Reagan used it several times regarding Poland and Lebanon.

In 1971, the system was upgraded and the countries agreed when the lines should be used. Specifically, they agreed to notify each other immediately in the event of an accidental, unauthorized or unexplained incident involving a nuclear weapon that could increase the risk of war.

PEAS PONDERING

Today I can declare my hope and declare it from the bottom of my heart that we will eventually see the time when that number of nuclear weapons is down to zero and the world is a much better place. ***Colin Powell***