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“My Decatur, My Hometown” Songwriter Returns to Decatur Celebration

Decatur, Illinois – July 18, 2011 – Decatur native, Dave Colvin, is returning for the 5th time to perform at the Decatur Celebration. He will be performing on the Street Jam Stage at the Decatur Celebration on Saturday, August 6, 2011 at 7:00pm. His 30 minute set will include his own compositions as well as cover songs by James Taylor and The Beatles. Of course he will be singing the song that prompted his initial invitation to the Celebration in 2007, “My Decatur My Hometown”. The Youtube video of the Decatur homage has recently surpassed 14,500 views! Link: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ahV1YIS6I2U>

Dave began writing songs at the age of 10 and taught himself to play guitar and piano. His musical style is a reflection of his love for such songwriters/performers as James Taylor, John Denver and Paul McCartney.

Dave is an alumnus of MacArthur High School and Illinois State University. He married his childhood sweetheart, Debbie Butts, in 1978 and they moved to Champaign in 1979. Dave began working for the Illinois State Board of Education as a field auditor. Their daughter, Meredith, was born in 1981 and in 1988 they all moved to the Los Angeles area of California. After the 1994 Northridge earthquake, Dave moved his family to “more stable ground” in Nashville, Tennessee. While Dave has spent most of his career working in various accounting positions, songwriting is and has always been his true passion.

Over the past 5 years he has written numerous songs, such as “My Decatur My Hometown”, “Celebration”, and “You Are Living On”, a tribute to loved ones he has lost. Dave continues to pursue his dream – to have someone “cut” his songs, so he can share his music with the world. Recently Dave’s song, Gently Falls, was licensed as background music in a CBS TV series. Songwriting is his “full time job” now and that suits him just fine.

Performing for his hometown again is something Dave looks forward to. He is grateful for the opportunity as well as the support of family and friends.

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