



STAN MORRIS & THE MELODY CORNER

It's almost midnight Saturday night in Kerrville and we're playing a gig at the Inn of the Hills lounge. In the middle of a tune, my guitar amp quits working. It is totally fried and I still have a set to go. At the time I'm living in Austin and can't just run home and grab another amp.

I called Stan Morris from the Melody Corner and told him what happened. Fifteen minutes later, after being pulled from his bed, he is plugging in his amp on the stage to get me through the rest of the night. I didn't even buy the amp from him. That's the kind of guy Stan Morris is. He made a believer of me.

The Melody Corner has been serving musicians in the Hill Country since 1947. Stan bought the Melody Corner in 1980 after the McCormick family had been the proprietors since the sixties. With 38 years and counting, Stan and the Melody Corner have been the foundation of the local community of musicians

Stan, being a musician himself, brought a personal touch to everything in the store. It was the one-stop for just about everything musical from instruments to repairs and great advice. The Melody Corner became a hang out for local musicians who would trade licks and war stories with Stan.



Stan is also a gifted luthier and does expert repairs - especially on vintage instruments and amps.

When it comes to accessories, there are plenty to choose from from strings, picks, straps, stands, reeds for woodwinds - you name it. I have an old double neck lap steel and it took Stan measuring strings with his caliper to get the gauges just right. The puppy sings now.

This holiday season head down to Melody Corner to find that special instrument or accessory that the musician in your life would love for Christmas.

Sure you might save a few bucks buying online but watcha gonna do when your spanky new gear needs fixin' fast? You can bet Amazon won't be giving superior service or after sales advice. Not before the gig is over.

