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## CD reviews

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Three stars

"Dear John," Loney Dear (Polyvinyl Record Co.)

Normally, thoughts of Sweden turn to such things as meatballs, the lovable chef from "The Muppets" or, here in the Central Valley, the city of Kingsburg. And when it comes to music, Abba, the Cardigans and Ace of Base are the most widely known artists.

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But there is quite an underground that includes punk stalwarts Millencolin and The Peepshows, so Swedish ex-pro cyclist Emil Svanängen's Loney Dear has good company. Yet "Dear John" is quite different than those contemporaries. While there is infectious pop/synth in such songs as "Airport Surroundings," "Everything Turns to You" and "Violent," there's also the quiet, moody "I Got Lost." Svanängen shows depth on "Distant" and a soft, beauty on "Harsh Words."

Be sure to check out Loney Dear's show 9:30 p.m. Tuesday at The Cellar Door, 101

W. Main St. in Visalia.

Three and a half stars

"The Flowing," Randy Klein (Jazzheads Records)

Pianist Randy Klein has had an enviable career by any standard. He has won four Southern Regional Emmy Awards and is the president of the improvised jazz label Jazzheads Records. Even the innovative rap group Black Sheep have featured Klein's music in some of their songs.

Although being well-schooled in jazz, "The Flowing" is a bit of a departure because it has more of a classical sound to it but it could just be that the tracks are piano solos without accompaniment. "Can't Get You Out of My Mind" showcases his masterful skill in a quiet way, while "Awake to The Sun" has quick improvisations throughout.

There's also the creative "Find Your Space" that uses slight pauses to great effect and the majestic "Always Grateful." If you like reflective music with interesting improvisation, "The Flowing" is a welcome addition to any collection.

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