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V.P. Business

Bob Niemczewski

PRESIDENTS RAMBLINGS Hi Folks.

Well we just got home from Evart yesterday and what a week we had. Aside from the fact that the heat was intense, the fellowship and music kept us a little cooler. We had a good representation of Silver Stringers at the festival, and nightly jams under our new canopies. Our Thursday night stage show was perfect and our club was outstanding. I am so proud of our performers who showed up and played. The audience loved it, and we had fun. Thanks to all who practiced the tunes. You deserve a pat on the back (if you can reach do so now)...

The next area festival will be in Midland, Mi. August 22nd to 25th, 2013. This is also a fun time with lots of fellowship and jamming. We will set up a SSDS area with the canopies for our nightly jam sessions.

I am also looking forward to our SSDS Variety Night the 5th Thursday in August. Be sure and get your acts together for an evening of entertainment and music by our own members. Remember, try to limit your stage time to 10 minutes and let's be courteous to our members when they are on stage by being attentive to them and not talking and visiting during the performances.

Peace Through Music Bob

NOTABLE NOTES There was no board meeting in July

Secretary

MUSIC COORDINATOR

Sharon

I want to thank all of the Silver Strings members who participated in the stage show at the Evart Dulcimer Funfest. We did a fabulous job. My husband, John, said that everyone sitting around him loved our program. I received many compliments after the show. Thanks to all of for your hard work.

NOTE ifications Hi Folks.

Just returned from Evart a few days ago and I have to say that I had enough summer to last me till next year. Egads it was a hot one! Even though, we still managed to jam and get an opportunity to catch up with old friends as we do each year. The stage shows were amazing as always. Our group that played on stage Thursday night represented SSDS proudly!

We had many jams under our newly acquired easy-up tents and they really were true to their name, "Easy to put Up". I have so many new tunes running around in my head, and of course want to learn them all NOW! For those of you who have not been to Evart before, I really recommend a trip there. It is unlike any gathering you have seen. Just ask anyone who has gone and we will be more than happy to share stories!

We have two play dates for August (6th and 13th) I need players for the 13th. Look over the information provided in our bulletin and email me if you can be a part of this fun NEW gig.

The annual Osgood Jam is being held on Sept. 14th at 2pm till ???. Campfire to follow the jam. Bring a dish to pass and your instrument and be ready for a fun day!! We provide Sloppy Joes, beverages and place settings.

Summer is rapidly going by so enjoy it and play lots of

SAVE THE DATE

SSDS 30th Banguet will be held at Park Place in Dearborn Thursday, October 10, 2013

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

AUGUST

6Playdate
SEFTEMDER
14OSGOOD JAM 2:00-??? 10424 Geddes Rd Superior Twp 18Playdate BC 1:30-2:30 Heartland Health Care Dearborn Hgts. 29Playdate V 1:00-1:45 Clinton Fall Festival Clinton
OCTOBER
10 SSDS 30th ANNUAL BANQUET Park Place Dearborn
BC=Business Casual, C=Casual, V=Victorian

The first meeting of August will be on the 8th instead of the 1st because the church needs the room.

PURSE STRINGS_____Treasurer

Hello Everyone,

Finally, I have cooled off from Evart. We had a wonderful time with music, friends and food.

Rick Thum Workshops and Concert

November 9th, 2013, Calvary United Methodist Church, 1415 Miller Ave., Ann-Arbor **Concert at 7 pm** Jam session after the concert Workshop \$30 each or \$50.00 for both Concert \$10.00 There will be an all-day running jam session for those not choosing the workshops.

Contact Information for Rick Thum (314) 406-0690 Email: rthum@rthum.com Website: www.rthum.com

Workshop #1: 10am-l2pm: Beginners and past beginners - We will explore the basics and beyond, depending on the level of participants.

Workshop #2: 2 pm-4 pm: All Levels

We'll examine what your specific concerns are, and as a group, create a workshop that targets these concerns. We'll take the class wherever you want it to go! All levels will find a challenge to incorporate into your practice and playing.

IT'S AUGUST ... LET'S CELEBRATE !

BIRTHDAYS

- 3....George Gonyo
- 8....Carole Mueller
- 9....Freeman Gilmore
- 21...Michael Hurt
- 23...Linda Osgood
- 28...Christopher Larue 30...Bob Hlavacek
- 30...Frank Duffey
- 31...Mary Edgerton

ANNIVERSARIES

- 1....Dave & Carol Ann Matthews...50th !!
- 5....Frank Surhigh
- 30...Terry & Marsha Kozlowski.....45th
- 25...Lynn & Tom Hartwig......34th

VP PROGRAMS_

George Gonyo

Here we are in August already. Special happenings this month include the Midland Dulcimer Festival at the fairgrounds in Midland, and another scheduled Variety Night on the fifth Thursday of this month.

Coming up in September is the Alcona Arts Retreat to be held September 5-8, 2013. Player and teacher Judi Morningstar will teach the music traditionally played on the hammered dulcimer at Lincoln and Harrisville, in Northeast Michigan. I will have the flyers available at the meetings if you would like to see them.

Also, as this is the last year for the 2013 term for the current board, please think about running for one of the upcoming board positions to be available for the 2014 calendar year. The current board will be around now and in the future to help with any questions you may have about these positions.

OSGOOD JAM and BONFIRE

Sept 14 Saturday @ 2pm till?? 10424 Geddes Rd Superior Twp. MI. 48198 Bring a dish to pass.... Sloppy Joes, beverages, and place settings provided Call or email Linda Osgood with any questions 734-487-4543 losgood10424@comcast.net



To print the August play list,

please click on our website or this link : http://www.silverstrings.org/sections/tunes/pdf/2013/aug13.pdf

July, August & September Play List

Key	Tune	Play
D	Whiskey Before Breakfast	3
D	John Ryan's Polka	3
D	Coleman's March	3
G	Westphalia Waltz	
D	Festival Rag	3 3
Em	Dancing Bear	3
G	Maggie	3
С	Tennessee Waltz	
D	Flight Of The Haggis	3
Em	Road To Lisdoonvarna/	3/
	Riding On A Load Of Hay	2
D	Hey Polka	2 3 3
G	Red Wing	3
С	Black Velvet Waltz	3
D	Soldier's Joy/Golden Slippers	2/2
G	Tick Tock Polka	3
D	Possum Up A Gum Stump	3
G	Red Apple Rag	3
G	Hundred Pipers	3
D	Chinese Breakdown/Nelly Bly	2/3
G	Rosin The Beau	3
G	Down Yonder	4
	* Check with Linda or on sign-up sheets for dress code & if chairs are needed.	

Silver Strings Dulcimer Society Music:

We have been given permission, by several composers, to play their music in our club. We also pay for a license that allows us to play some of our favorite tunes. We want to protect our Silver Strings members and respect the composers who have generously shared their music with us. In consideration of the composers and SSDS, do not sell, copy, give away or share any of our Silver Strings music.



FESTIVALS-WORKSHOPS-JAMS

NETTLE LAKE MUSIC JAM

First Saturday of Month – 6pm (next is Aug 3rd) For info contact Jack & Marilyn Mullins 517-270-2870

SUGAR (Saginaw Ukulele Gurus and Rookies)

First Saturday of the month 10:30-Noon (Aug 3rd) Now at Sullivan's Restaurant on Gratiot in Saginaw, MI Songs are posted beforehand on the internet For info email: muzyka2007@yahoo.com

MT. HALEY JAMBOREE

Last Friday of every month (Aug 23rd) Mt. Haley Township Hall, Midland County For Info contact Alice Perry at: mthaleyfmsm@gmail.com 1:00-4:00-Folk and Traditional Music Jam Clubs and individuals are welcome. Come to play or listen. Admission is free but donations to the Metamora Historical Society are appreciated. Metamora's 1888 Old Town Hall is part of an historic community.

For info. Call Alice Gajewski at 248-628-5287 or go to FolkJam.com

GREAT LAKES **U**KULELE **G**ATHERING

First Wednesday of the month 7:00 (Aug 7th) Good Hope Lutheran Church, 28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City Ukulele players of all abilities can strum and sing. A donation of \$3.00 is requested for the church. Contact: Bob at bsnemo@yahoo.com or David at musicalcraft@yahoo.com

PITTSFIELD OPEN BAND

Pittsfield Grange 3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Road, Ann Arbor, First and third Saturday from 3-6pm.

Our jam sessions are free and open to all interested musicians. We play jigs, reels, and waltzes as played for contra dancing. The goals are to have fun, learn more tunes, and develop our contra dance musician skills. http://www.aactmad.org/sa/pob.html

LAMS - Livingston Acoustic Musical Society

3rd Saturday of the month (Aug 16th) Fowlerville Church of the Nazarene 8040 Country Corner Drive, Fowlerville Share musical talents and appreciation for music, song and other forms of joyful noise on the 7:00-11:00 Contact: Tony Miceli 517-223-9590

O.D.P.C. ALL DAY JAM

2nd Thurs. of the month. 10:00am-9:00pm Currently scheduled for: Aug. 8th, and Sept 12th Any questions, please feel free to contact: Freeman Gilmore at (517) 410-9224 or Kathy Rayman at (586) 709-6180. Hope we see you there! Fowlerville Church of the Nazarene 8040 Country Corner Drive

Fowlerville, MI 48836 http://www.fowlervillenazarene.org/

EVART FUNFEST 2013



There was jamming day and night under our brand new canopies (shoes optional).







David Smith might have been a little concerned about the looks of that sky but it didn't amount to much after all. You just can't dampen the mood at Evart.



The Pinckney Palooza was a great gig. We had a great audience and even got an encore!

Silver Strings Dulcimer Society Meetings on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays every month **Everyone is welcome !** Come to listen, or come to play. 7-9p.m with jamming till ...? Meeting at Good Hope Lutheran Church In Garden City, Michigan Featuring the hammered dulcimer, mountain dulcimer, and other acoustic band instruments : banjo, guitar, autoharp, fiddle, string bass, washtub bass, mandolin, folk harp, recorder, tin penny whistle, and harmonica. Learn new tunes and techniques, jam together with other players, receive new music and a monthly newsletter. Participate in workshops, festivals, performances, picnics, fun and fellowship. **VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT :** http://www.silverstrings.org

Start thinking about getting articles for the newsletter to me by the 20th. Articles or pictures from any member are always welcome.

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