



Silver Strings Dulcimer Society Soundboard

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PRESIDENTS RAMBLINGS _____ Bob Niemczewski
Hi Folks,

Well, when you are reading this article we will be gearing up for our Christmas practices and the upcoming holiday season. I know, I can't believe it either. The world is just flying by me so fast. Be sure to mark the dates below on your calendar for our Christmas practices, and remember they fall on Tuesdays and Wednesdays at 7pm. Everybody in this club is welcome to join in on our Christmas play dates as long as you know the playlist songs.

October 8th (Tuesday) and 23rd (Wednesday)
November 5th (Tuesday) and 20th (Wednesday)

I'm looking forward to our 30th anniversary banquet, and again a big thank you goes out to our ladies on the committee for organizing this event. I've been hearing that this is going to be one of the best yet.

As I have attended our club meeting tonight I feel a little worried about our Board for 2014. There have been repeated requests from the election committee for our members to step up and volunteer some time to become a Board member and support your club. Everyone enjoys what we have; a club, a beautiful facility for practice and jamming, banquets, variety nights, snacks and dinners provided by our club, and most of all our fellowship, friends and music. This does not just happen by accident but by time volunteered by our members. If you feel you would like to serve on our Board please contact Peggy, Megan, or George. My thanks to anyone who cares enough to serve.

On another note, another big thank you to those who served on the by-laws committee for their hard work. The new by-laws were presented to the membership at our club meeting (Sept 19th) and passed by a vote of the majority. The new by-laws will be adopted and distributed to the membership via Dropbox.

Peace Through Music Bob

NOTEifications _____ V.P. Business
Hi Folks,

Here we are getting ready for Fall.....Seems summers get shorter all the time doesn't it?

The end of Summer Osgood Jam was a huge success! Great food, music and fellowship. On top of that, we managed to have beautiful weather and it was perfect for the campfire that evening. Thank you all for making it special!!

We have a light month in October for play dates as we only have one on Oct. 8th. Actually, it's a blessing as we have our Christmas practices starting this month.

We had another new member at our Sept 18th playdate. Congratulations and thanks go to Don Phelps for playing with us!!!

As always, I extend an invitation to be a part of our Variety Night entertainment by signing up. It is very rewarding to share our talents and music with others!!

Remember JAM JAM JAM !!! Linda Osgood

NOTABLE NOTES _____ Secretary
Board Meeting September 5th

By-law corrections:

* Page 2, section 4: change "any shade of green" to green, silver and white

* Page 3, section 5: change "subscriber" to supporter

* New member wording: New members will be approved by the board.

* By-law revisions will be voted on at the September 19th meeting.

Election nomination committee: Peggy Kustra, Megan Callaghan and George Gonyo.

Respectfully Submitted by Sharon McAuliffe

This is a synopsis. Full board minutes are available from Sec.

Welcome new members:

Megan Callaghan from Bloomfield Hills plays Hammered Dulcimer

John Pollock from Northville plays guitar

MUSIC COORDINATOR _____ Sharon McAuliffe

"Kentucky Waltz", "Midnight on the Water" and "The Hundred Pipers" have been revised. Karen has put them in the Dropbox.

The 2013 Christmas, Holiday and Winter playlists and 2013 holiday repertoire have been sent to the Dropbox. Holiday music practices will be held at 7:00 PM on October 8th and 23rd and on November 5th and 20th.

PURSE STRINGS _____ Treasurer

Hello Everyone,

With the passing of the new by-laws, your dues for 2014 will be due by Dec. 31, 2013. If your dues are not paid your access to Dropbox will be terminated. So, to all our snow birds, please pay your dues before leaving Michigan or mail them to our PO Box: 1116, Garden City, MI 48136 before the end of the year.

Our bank account is balanced and in good standing.

..... Sally

IT'S OCTOBER...LET'S CELEBRATE !

BIRTHDAYS

1....Ernie Stewart
12...Nancy Straky
17...Carol Anne Matthews
24...Don Weymouth
26...Ann Wassell
26...Pat Jurasek
28...Valerie Karhu
30...Bev Scott



ANNIVERSARIES

18...Harold Crane 38th
19...Bob & Sally Niemczewski . . . 39th
29...Walt & Pat Jablonski 64th
22...David & Theresa Smith 20th

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

OCTOBER

8....**PLAYDATE*** **BC** 3:00-4:00
8....**SSDS Christmas Practice** 7:00
Heartland Health Care Canton
10....**SSDS 30th ANNUAL BANQUET**
Park Place Dearborn
23...**SSDS Christmas Practice** 7:00
24...**SSDS Meeting and Jam** 7:00-??
Workshop with Marsha Koslowski on new
tune "Mr. Gubbins Bicycle". 6:00
31...**VARIETY NIGHT** 7:00-??

NOVEMBER

5.....**SSDS Christmas Practice** 7:00
20...**SSDS Christmas Practice** 7:00

BC=Business Casual, V=Victorian

*Since there is only one playdate in October use the September playlist for that one.



VP PROGRAMS _____ George Gonyo

This month is shaping up to be a very busy one. We have the SSDS banquet coming up on October 10th at Park Place.

Marsha Koslowski is going to have a workshop on the 3rd Thursday of the month beginning at 6pm. The workshop song is "Mr. Gubbins Bicycle". A big thank you to Marsha for taking the time out of her busy schedule to teach this piece.

Don't forget the two scheduled Christmas practice's on the 8th & 23rd of October beginning at 7pm right here at Good Hope. And finally, Variety Night is scheduled for the 5th Thursday of the month. So, you participants get your acts together as this is the last one this year. Wade, who was our MC for our last variety night, has graciously volunteered to be our MC for this event.

This month is pre-election month for Silver Strings. So, if you are interested in one of these dynamic board positions, please see your one of your favorite members on the nominating committee to get your name on the ballot. Don't forget, we're all here to help each one of you throughout the year.

ANN'S GROUP

All beginner hammered dulcimer players are invited to participate in a group slow jam and learning session twice a month at my house.

We usually meet on the second and fourth Wednesday each month.

There is no fee. Please email or call me if you can come and I will give you directions to my house. I live in Livonia near 8 Mile and Newburgh.

Phone: 734-744-4255

Email: ann.wassell@yahoo.com

To print the October play list,

please click on our website or this link :

<http://www.silverstrings.org/sections/tunes/pdf/2013/oct13.pdf>

Winter Play List

Key	Tune	Play
G	Jingle Bells	3
D	Festival Rag	3
G	Larry's Waltz	2
D	Possum Up A Gum Stump	3
G	Red Apple Rag	3
D	Maple Sugar	3 1/2
G	Let it Snow! Let it Snow! Let it Snow!	3
D	Whiskey Before Breakfast	4
G	January Waltz	3
Em	Road To Lisdoonvarna	3
G	Silver and Gold Two Step	3
C	Winter Wonderland	2
D	Sandy River Belle	3
D	Hey Polka	4
Am	Cold Frosty Morn'	3
D	Frosty The Snowman	2
D	Painter's Polka	3
Em	Tamlin	3
G	Westphalia Waltz	2
Em	Dancing Bear	3
G	Red Wing	3
G	Down Yonder	4
	Extra music if needed	
D	Coleman's March	
D	Ragtime Annie	
	* Check with Linda or on sign-up sheets for dress code and 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.

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
Concert \$10.00, Workshop \$30 each or \$50.00 for both
There will be an all-day running jam session

Contact Rick Thum: (314) 406-0690

Email: rthum@rthum.com

Website: www.rthum.com

Workshop #1: 10am-12pm: Beginners and past beginners - Basics and beyond.

Workshop #2: 2-4 pm: Targets your specific concerns.

FESTIVALS-WORKSHOPS-JAMS

UNCLE CARL'S DULCIMER CLUB

2nd Saturday of month 12:30-4:30pm (next is Oct 12th)

For info. call Pennye 517-547-7448

NETTLE LAKE MUSIC JAM

First Saturday of Month – 6pm (next is Oct 5th)

For info contact Jack & Marilyn Mullins 517-270-2870

MAUMEE STREET MUSIC JAM

(formerly called West Adrian Jam)

Fourth Saturday of the month – 6pm (next is Oct 26th)

For info. contact

Jack & Marilyn Mullins 517-270-2870

Or Larry Roper 248-437-5403

SUGAR (Saginaw Ukulele Gurus and Rookies)

First Saturday of the month 10:30-Noon (Oct 5th)

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 (Oct 25th)

Mt. Haley Township Hall, Midland County

For Info contact Alice Perry at: mthaleymfmsm@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 UKULELE GATHERING

First Wednesday of the month 7:00 (Oct 2nd)

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 (Oct 19th)

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 (Oct 10th)

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/>

Holiday Playlist

Key	Tune	Play
G	Jingle Bells	4
D	Festival Rag	3
G	Larry's Waltz	2
D	Possum Up A Gum Stump	3
G	Red Apple Rag	4
D	Maple Sugar	3 ½
G	Let it Snow! Let it Snow! Let it Snow!	3
D	Whiskey Before Breakfast	4
G	January Waltz	3
Em	Road To Lisdoonvarna	4
G	Silver and Gold Two Step	4
C	Winter Wonderland	3
D	Sandy River Belle	3
D	Hey Polka	4
Am	Cold Frosty Morn'	3
D	Frosty The Snowman	2
G	Down Yonder	4
Em	Tamlin	3
G	Westphalia Waltz	2
Em	Dancing Bear	4
G	Red Wing	3
D	Over The Waterfall	4
D	Mississippi Sawyer	3
D/D D/G	Endless Medley: Ragtime Annie, Soldier's Joy and Golden Slippers	
	Extra music if needed	
D	Coleman's March	3
D	Ragtime Annie	3
	* Check with Linda or on sign-up sheets for dress code and if chairs are needed	



Christmas Playlist

Key	Tune	Play
G	Deck The Hall	3
G	Angels We Have Heard On High	3
D	Festival Rag	3
G	Hark! The Herald Angels Sing	3
D/G	Silent Night	2/2
G	Westphalia Waltz	2
D	Simple Gifts	3
C	Silver Bells	3
G	Joy To The World	3
Am	Cold Frosty Morn'	4
D	Frosty The Snowman	2
G	Jingle Bells (start with chorus)	3 ½
G	Red Apple Rag	3
C	Winter Wonderland	3
C	January Waltz	3
G	Let it Snow! Let it Snow! Let it Snow!	3
D	Rudolph The Red - Nosed Reindeer	3
G	Silver and Gold Two Step	4
G	Away In The Manger	3
G	Up On The Housetop	4
G	We Wish You A Merry Christmas	2 ½
	Extra music if needed:	
D	Whiskey Before Breakfast	4
G	Columbus Stockade Blues	3
	* Holiday dress. Check on sign-up sheet or with Linda to see if chairs are needed	



**October
20**
5pm - 8pm

**Adults \$10
Children \$5**
Kids 2 & under free

NEWBURG UMC 36500 ANN ARBOR TRAIL

Join us for an evening in Appalachia! Live bluegrass and string music provided by **Picks 'n Sticks String Band** from Northville and a delicious menu of fried chicken, cornbread, collard greens, cream potatoes, mac 'n cheese and cobbler.

For more info contact
Phyllis Tillapaugh:

ptillapaugh@sbcglobal.net



The annual late summer Osgood Jam was a great success. Good food and lots of jamming were graced with wonderful weather.



Recipe for: *Pumpkin Crunch*

From the kitchen of: Linda Osgood

1 yellow cake mix	1 tsp. cinnamon
1 15 oz. can pumpkin	½ tsp. salt
1 12 oz. can evaporated milk	½ c. chopped pecans
3 lg. eggs	1 c. oleo
1 ½ c. sugar	

Combine pumpkin, milk, eggs, sugar, cinnamon and salt. Pour into greased 9x13" pan. Sprinkle dry cake mix over pumpkin mixture. Top with nuts. Drizzle melted oleo over. Bake at 350 for 1 hour. Can be made a day before.

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This recipe went over so well at the last Silver Strings meeting that there were some requests for it so here it is. Enjoy!

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MEDIC - ALERT CARDS

If you have not filled out an emergency information card yet, **PLEASE DO**. They are the green cards in the brown recipe box at the business table at all meetings. These go with us to all SSDS activities (social or business). They are kept for family contact in case you have a medical emergency when you are with us. If you have new medical info since you filled yours out, please update it with a new card.

Silver Strings Dulcimer Society

Meetings on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays every month
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>

Everyone is welcome !

Come to listen, or come to play.



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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**IT'S OCTOBER...!
HAPPY HALLOWEEN**

If you were on the mailing list
your name would be here.