

Silver Strings Dulcimer Society Soundboard

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER _____ Terry Kozlowski

Well at this writing, the amount of daylight is becoming shorter with each day. Where is the summer going!

Myers Lake Campout was a huge success. Many thanks go out to everyone who participated in leading workshops, cooking Saturday breakfast, leading the jams, Saturday night dinner, participating in Church Service, and to all the non-club members who attended this weekend event. It was nice to see friends and renew old acquaintances. A special thanks to Gloria Tapper and husband, Greg, for their tireless effort in all the preparations required to pull off this successful event.

There are events coming up this summer, but I'll let my board and music coordinator outline the programs. Speaking about the board, my job is easy when I have a great board to take care of all the details. Thanks, gang.

I believe Carol Ann has a few remaining jackets. Please see or contact her to so she can close out this project.

Thanks Carol Ann for your efforts.

See you at the club, July 6, 7 o'clock.....Terry

V.P. BUSINESS NOTES _____ Harold Crane

Hello and happy summer, Silver Strings had a great start to kick off warm weather with our annual Myers Lake Campout and music jam in June. Lots of workshops, jamming, socializing with old and new friends, Bob's famous pancake breakfast, our potluck dinner on Saturday and our Sunday performance by the lake. Thanks to everyone that contributed to make Meyers Lake a BIG success.

This month the fun continues with the ODPC Evart Music Festival in northern Michigan. What a good time to enjoy being outdoors relaxing and playing music. Don't forget our Silver Strings stage show and our hit tune "Bucket Man Blues"

I hope everyone has a safe and enjoyable Independence Day with friends and family.
See ya' soon.....Harold

From the VP PROGRAMS _____ Gloria Tapper

Hello everyone, I hope you are enjoying the day, with our Michigan weather, who knows what tomorrow will bring. I have several things to bring up. First, of course is Evart, get ready for some educational, fun filled days, be sure to practice the tunes to be played. I have been learning the tunes, however I will not be able to attend.

Next up will be the SSDS annual picnic, Thursday, August 3, at Garden City Park, on the corner of Merriman and Cherry Hill, in the large pavilion. There are a couple changes, we will be starting later, I will begin setting up around 1:30, any help will be greatly appreciated. Jamming will begin about 2:30. Dinner is pot luck, at 5:30, The club will provide chicken and beverages. If your last name begins with the letters A-K how about bringing a dessert, if your last name begins with the letters L-Z how about something non dessert. As always, if you have something in particular in mind, please feel free to bring that. Jamming will resume after dinner. We have the pavilion until 10pm. I hope to see you there.

There will also be a Variety Night on August 31.

So far I don't have anything for September, something should pop up soon.

On to October....SSDS Annual Banquet October 5, (another change) O'Kelly's Banquet Hall, in Dearborn, (changes,changes) I think you will like them. Doors will be open at 5:30, dinner will be at 6:00, awards at 7:00, entertainment THE CHELSEA HOUSE ORCHESTRA will perform from 7:30-8:30. Jamming will begin immediately after. Tickets will be available in the near future,

That's enough for now, I will be keeping you informed of upcoming events as they come along.

.....Gloria



MUSIC COORDINATOR NOTES_ Marsha Kozlowski

The big event in July is the Evert Dulcimer Festival. Many of us will be there for some length of time. Silver Strings is playing part of the pre-show at 6:40 p.m. on Thurs. Dress will be white "shirts", dark bottoms. The theme is the Blue's Brothers so wearing a fedora and adding a black tie and dark sunglasses at the end will add visual fun. We will practice Wednesday at 5:30 and Thursday at 5:30 under the canopy behind the ODPC office. If you are performing, please be there ready to practice.



Silver Strings performance at the Funfest in 2016

These are the tunes (unless we make last minute changes):

Tune	# of times
Hangman's Reel	3
Livet I Finnskogarna (Mockingbird Hill)	2
Jig for a Sunny Day	3
Bucket Man Blues	2 regular and 2 "swing" rhythm
Sweet Georgia Brown	2



The Classical Group on stage in 2016

Also, the classical group will play at open mike on Saturday, and the tentative time is 1:30 p.m. If you are not in the group or in a class, come and listen.

Piece	Composer
Hewlett	O'Carolan, arr. Mears
Minuet I	J.S. Bach, arr. Mears
Minuet II	J.S. Bach, arr. mears
Rondeau from "Masterpiece Theater"	Ean Joseph Mouret. Adapted for dulcimers by Steve Eulberg

Thank you, everyone, for sharing your talent, being willing to try something new, offering to do a workshop and keeping me on track (with music suggestions, finding things that need correction, sharing new tunes). The energy, enthusiasm and fun we have playing together is uplifting.Marsha

IT'S JULY...LET'S CELEBRATE !

Birthdays

4....Regis Proulx
5....Karen Turner
9....Janelle Pacic
10...Frank Surhigh
14...Sally Niemczewski
14...Richard Rowe
17...John McAuliffe
22...Margie Meinzing
29...Linda Lloyd



Anniversary

11...Roger & Barb Davis.....58th
8....Dave and Margie Meinzing ..50th
18...Rich & Kay Rowe...53rd

If you don't see your name here for your birthday or anniversary please let me know David dtsmithnet@yahoo.com

SECRETARY'S NOTES _____ Chris Hurt

The Myers Lake campout was discussed and those there felt it went well. Next year less chicken will be ordered and less desserts requested. \$165 was taken in for food donations.

John told us there is \$5,300 in our account.

Variety night is June 29th and an MC is needed, and we discussed ordering less pizzas and salad as there was too much left over last time.

The club picnic will be on Thursday August 3 with a later starting time this year of 2:30 and dinner at 5:30.

Gloria has booked the Chelsea Strings for entertainment at the club banquet on October 5th.

Harold found a box of older style club shirts, and license plate covers, and they will be offered for sale at the club jam.

A copy of the full minutes can be obtained from me upon request.....Chris

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

JULY

6.....SSDS MEETING AND JAM.....7:00 - ???

13 - 16...**ODPC Funfest - Evert, MI**

20.....SSDS MEETING AND JAM.....7:00 - ???

Board Meeting6:00

AUGUST

3.....SSDS Picnic at Garden City Park.....1:30 - ???



Music by Linda

Dulcimer Music For Special Occasions
Dulcimer Lessons

Linda Osgood

734-649-3843

losgood10424@comcast.net

NEW... Open Acoustic Jam

There is a new Open Jam starting at
the Flying Otter Winery.

All musicians and acoustic instruments are welcome.

Where: Flying Otter Winery
3402 Chase Road, Adrian, MI 49221

When: Sunday from 2 - 4 pm
July 9th
August 13th
Sep. 10th
Oct. 8th

facebook.com/FlyingOtterWine www.flyingotter.com



12th Annual Evart, MI 2017

A to Z's of Hammered Dulcimer with Rick Thum

*Intensive training workshop on all levels for
beginning, intermediate and advanced students.*

Location: Evart United Methodist Church, corner of
First & Cherry, Evart, MI

Three day workshop to be held in the air- conditioned
Church Hall in downtown Evart, MI

Date: (Mon - Wed) July 10th - 12th, 2017
9:00 to 11:30 A.M. and 12:30 to 4:00 P.M.

For 3 consecutive days.

Cost: \$175 for three days of air conditioned workshop
including a learning jam on

Monday and Tuesday night, open jam session on
Wednesday night to close out the class.

Alumni Price: \$165

Contact Rick Thum

Phone: 314-406-0690

Email: rthum@rthum.com Website: www.rthum.com
6710 twin River Rd., Eureka, MO 63025

LIMITED SEATING

PRE-REGISTRATION NECESSARY

Bring your tape recorder for future reference.

CUT AND RETURN BOTTOM

PORTION WITH PAYMENT

MAKE CHECK PAYABLE TO: RICK THUM

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY

Date: _____ Amount Paid _____

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Zip: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

28th Annual Fiddlers' Convention & Traditional Music Festival

Workshops on Fiddle, Hammered Dulcimer, Mandolin,
Guitar, Banjo & Acoustic Bass
Jamming, Open Entertainment
Square Dance (Friday at 7 pm).

Camping \$20 Festival Admission \$10

Where: Hillsdale County Fairgrounds
115 South Broad Street (M-99), Hillsdale, MI

When: Friday & Saturday, August 11 & 12, 2017

www.michiganfiddlers.com

www.hillsdalecountyfair.org



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TRIVIA BITS

Tambourines originated in the ancient Middle East,
played mainly by women, especially when they were
dancing at religious ceremonies. In Ottoman Turkey,
the tambourine was so beloved, its perfect circle
shape became associated with the sun. In medieval
Europe, angels playing tambourines were depicted in
paintings. Yet even an object so seemingly flawless
can be improved. In the 1970s, percussionist Richard
Taninbaum devised a headless, crescent-shaped
tambourine with an ergonomic grip to prevent muscle
fatigue. His design for the Rhythm Tech tambourine
is now in the collection of New York's Museum of
Modern Art.

MUSIC JAMS

UNCLE CARL'S DULCIMER CLUB

2nd Saturday of month, Sept thru May, 12:30-4:30pm

For information visit <http://www.unclecarls.org>

NETTLE LAKE MUSIC JAM

1st Saturday of Month, Sept thru May, 6pm

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

MAUMEE STREET MUSIC JAM

4th Saturday of the month Sept thru May, 6pm

For info. Contact:

Jack & Marilyn Mullins: 517-270-2870

Or Larry Roper: 248-437-5403

SUGAR (Saginaw Ukulele Gurus and Rookies)

1st Saturday of the month 10:30am-Noon

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, 1:00 - 4:00pm

Mt. Haley Township Hall, Midland County

Admission is free but donations to the Metamora Historical Society are appreciated. For info. Call Alice Gajewski: 248-628-5287 mthaleymfsm@gmail.com

GREAT LAKES UKULELE GATHERING

1st Wednesday of each month, 7:00 - 9:00pm

Good Hope Lutheran Church,

28680 Cherry Hill, Garden City

A donation of \$3.00 is requested for the church.

Contact David: musicalcraft@yahoo.com

Pittsfield Open Band - POB

1st and 3rd Saturday from 3:00 - 6:00pm

3337 Ann Arbor-Saline Rd, Ann Arbor,

<http://www.aactmad.org/sa/pob.html>

LAMS - Livingston Acoustic Musical Society

3rd Saturday of the month 7:00 - 11:00pm

Fowlerville Church of the Nazarene

8040 Country Corner Drive, Fowlerville

Contact: Tony Miceli: 517-223-9590

FARMINGTON JAM

2nd Tuesday of each month from Sept-June, 7:00pm

Universalist Unitarian Church

25301 Halsted Rd. Farmington Hills 48335

Many players come to play dulcimers, fiddles, guitars...

If you are a beginner, this is a good place to meet people and get involved.

Contact: HolmesSid@aol.com

If anyone knows of a good jam that should be on this list, please let me know. David Smith



April-July 2017 Playlist (Rev. 3-20)

Key	Tune	Play
D	Over the Waterfall/ Mississippi Sawyer	3/3
D	Sandy River Belle	3
G	America the Beautiful	3**
G	Westphalia Waltz	2*
Em	Road to Lisdoonvarna/ Riding on Load of Hay	3/3
G	Down Yonder	3
D	Maple Sugar	3
D	Festival Rag	3
G	South Wind	3*
G	Yellow Bird	3
G	Red Apple Rag	3
A	Hangman's Reel	3*
D	Whiskey Before Breakfast	3
D	John Ryan's Polka	5*
Em	Dancing Bear/Missouri	2/2
D	Ashokan Farewell	3*
D	Armed Services Salute	1
D	Liberty	3
G	God Bless America	3**
G	You're A Grand Old Flag	3**
	Extras	
D	Hey Polka	3
Em	Tamlin	4
<p>* 2nd time: If instruments are available--Fiddles, Harmonicas, MD or Whistle take it with backup; HD's softly</p> <p>** Tempo should be singable – not too fast.</p>		

MYERS LAKE CAMPOUT



Julie Mester taught "La Cumparsita" at the Hammered Dulcimer Workshop

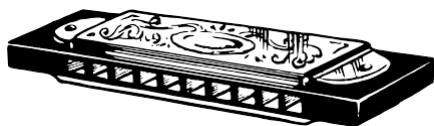
HARMONICA HAPPENINGS

by Karen Turner

Bob Hlavacek and I presented a Harmonica Workshop at this year's Campout which covered topics of interest to the rank beginner and the advanced player. The workshop was well received as 12 people attended. We all ended up playing C diatonic harmonics (versus C chromatic). A few of the players had many years of playing under their belts and one player bought a harmonica on her way to the Campout! Topics covered were: How to Hold the Harmonica, How to Get a Single Note out of the Harmonica, How to Read Tablature, How to Chord, How to Play Hand Vibrato and How to Play Octaves. After the technique was introduced, it was applied to a tune that we played together. If you are interested in the workshop handout, it is called Harmonica Workshop.pdf and can be found in Dropbox in the Silver Strings Sheet Music folder.

Bob and I hope to follow up with another workshop this coming fall before a regular club meeting.

All club members are invited to attend!



Linda Osgood led the well attended Mountain Dulcimer class

MYERS LAKE CAMPOUT



A fun Ukulele strum and sing was led by Theresa Smith



Ernie & Friends were a hit with an easy all instrument jam & sing along



We all looked forward to the potluck dinner, after a full day of beautiful weather, workshops, jams, visiting with friends and enjoying the fresh air.



Marsha led the well attended evening jam in the barn.
The "pick a tune that starts with the first letter of your name" was a hit!



Marsha was our MC



Harold & Edie perform



A well attended and entertaining evening



David on Hurdy Gurdy



The "Turtle Jam" had everyone on a new instrument



Bob sang "Old Shep"



The mountaineers entertained with toe tapping tunes



Edie, one handed whistle and bowed drone



Mark built and played his gourd banjo

JUNE VARIETY NIGHT

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Silver Strings Dulcimer Society

Meetings on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays every month
7:00 - 9:00 p.m.... with jamming till ...?

Meeting at **Good Hope Lutheran Church**
In Garden City, Michigan

Featuring the hammered dulcimer,
and other acoustic instruments :
mountain dulcimer, banjo, guitar, autoharp, fiddle,
string bass, washtub bass, mandolin, folk harp,
recorder, tin penny whistle, and harmonica.

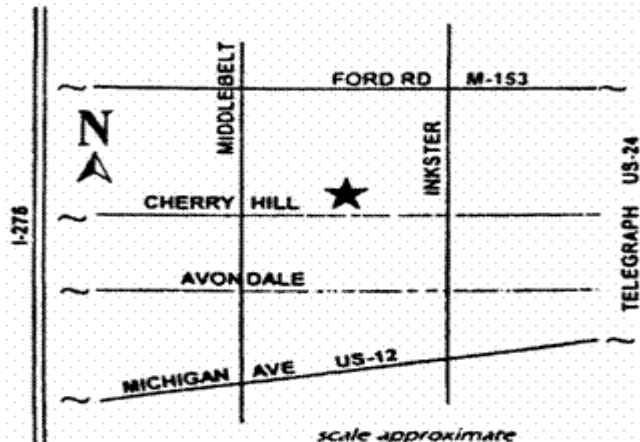
Learn new tunes and techniques, jam together
with other players, receive new music
and a monthly newsletter.

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 25th.

Articles or pictures from any member are always welcome, contact David at dtsmithnet@yahoo.com

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