

Heartland Dulcimer Club Newsletter

April 22, 2009

The club met last on April 20, 2009

Rich is still working on plans for the Christmas CD.

Martha brought up a request for mountain dulcimers from Pilot View Elementary. This was tabled until more information can be obtained.

This is the URL to visit the modified HDC's website. Melva would appreciate any suggestions/modifications from the members. She is working on the photos page so it does not take so long to download.

Not all the PCs display the info correctly, so if someone sees something distorted please let her know. Her email is melvaratchford@cs.com

<http://www.heartlanddulcimerclub.org/new/>

Eloise's father-in-law passed away this weekend, but she will be at Conerstone as planned. This is the information that Eloise has sent to the club for those attending the Conerstone Christian Academy. The song list is in a separate email. If you have last minute questions, you may contact Eloise at meloise@comcast.net.

Please click on the site below for directions from E'Town to Undulata Farm. It is 65 miles and will take about an hour.

<http://www.mapquest.com/maps?1c=Elizabethtown&1s=KY&2c=Shelbyville&2s=KY&2a=1600+Zaring+Mill+Rd.&2z=40065>

Since the event is casual and our decorations will be red and white I thought it would be nice if you wore your red club shirts and jeans.

Bring your own stools for playing. You will begin playing at 6:00. Please let me know what time you think you should arrive to set up. Also, I thought you might want to tour the house before the guests start to arrive. I will be there as early as 5:00. If you would like to tour the house, you should plan to be there by 5:00.

Play Dates

Thursday, April 23 – Atria Assisted Living Volunteer Dinner, 6:30. Be ready to play at 6:15. Will be using the list for the “barn part” of the Cornerstone performance.

Saturday, April 25 – Cornerstone Christian Academy Spring Dinner and Auction, 6:00

Friday, June 5 – Relay for Life. 7:00 p.m. Play background music for announcement of survivors. To be held at North Hardin High School track. Chairs are provided.

Saturday, July 4 – Campbellsville July 4th Celebration. Playtime is 2:00.

Saturday, July 18 – Old Time Fiddle Contest at Rough River State Park. More information will come later.

Saturday, August 8 – Cecilia Days. 2:00 ‘till 2:45.

Other Items of Interest

Blue River Folk Music Festival, May 16 from 9 a.m. - 9 p.m.

Town and Country Christian Church, 2133 South Tucker Road, Shelbyville IN

Check out the website: www.blueriverfolkfest.com

Our own Martha Richard will be one of the instructors.

5th Annual Hill Country Acoustic Music Camp - June 3 - 7, 2009 - Kerrville, TX www.hcamp.org Hammer and Mountain Dulcimers will be featured at HCAMP again this year. Karen Ashbrook and Sue Carpenter will both be returning for their 4th year at the camp. In addition to instrument classes, the Dulcimers play in social orchestras and structured jams with fiddles, banjos, mandolins, dobros, and guitars learning leads, breaks and how dulcimers fit into groups. Evenings are filled with informal playing, faculty concert and lots of fun. HCAMP will be held again at Schreiner University in Kerrville , Texas .

Kerrville is 60 miles NW of San Antonio and 70 East of Austin , Texas .

Airport shuttle service from San Antonio is available.

Cost: Tuition \$325 Private rooms and meals available on campus. See Web site for lodging and meals details.

Website contains teacher lineup and bios, camp schedule, lodging and meal info, maps, and registration materials. Additional information

830-459-2120

or

830-896-5711

Yellowbanks Dulcimer Festival - June 5 and 6.

The eighteenth annual Yellowbanks Dulcimer Festival will be held "On the Banks of the Ohio" at English Park, 25 Hanning Lane, Owensboro, KY 42301. The event consists of FREE concerts on Friday & Saturday evenings and FREE workshops Friday afternoon and all day Saturday. Concert performers and workshop instructors are: Kara Barnard, Dave Haas, Stephen Humphries, Ken Kolodner, Fred Meyer, Jim Miller and Les Gustafson-Zook. Instruction on various instruments from beginners to advanced, children to adults will be available. Clogging demonstration and workshop on Saturday. Hand made crafts, music vendors and food in a park setting add to the festival atmosphere (bring your lawn chair). We have limited R. V. space (self contained-reservation required). For overnight lodging call Sleep Inn 270-691-6200, a block of rooms is reserved for our guests, mention Yellowbanks, Call Early. Visit www.yellowbanksdulcimer.org for more information and event and workshop schedule.

The Coshocton Dulcimer Days cordially invites you to our 35th celebration festival! This year's event will take place June 19-21 in downtown Coshocton, Ohio and our headliners will be Susan Trump and the David Lindsey Family. We also have many other wonderful workshop leaders who will be participating.

As you may know, this dulcimer festival is the second oldest continuously running dulcimer festival in the United States. We almost lost this festival but a group of us, all musicians, decided it was worth saving. We have the blessing of Roscoe Village and the help of the City of Coshocton and with their help the festival will be bigger and better than ever before! We are offering 35 workshops for hammered dulcimer, mountain dulcimer, psaltery, fiddle, harmonica, and banjo. We have a new location at the Presbyterian Church in downtown Coshocton, www.presbyteriancoshocton.org, for the workshops, concert, and contests. Vendors will be set up around the courthouse square with continuous music all day at the courthouse gazebo. There are too many positive changes to mention! The festival is **free** to the public, and workshops are **\$15.00 per person, per workshop**. The contest is free to enter and to watch and we expect quality entries this year. The first place prize is \$200.00, a trophy, and entry into the national championship contest at the Walnut Valley Festival in Winfield, Kansas (a \$90 value). The runner-up receives \$75.00 plus a plaque, and the third place finisher will win \$50.00 and a plaque. Check out www.dulcimerdays.com for more information. We are currently adding to the site every few days, so check back on a regular basis to stay up-to-date!

More information: Kendra Ward, kward@zoomnet.net, Brett Ridgeway, vendors, fbridgeway@juno.com, Belinda Williamson, Coshocton Visitors Bureau, coshcvb@coshocton.com

Western Carolina University - Mountain Dulcimer Week

June 21-26, 2009 (always the 'last full week of June')

Cullowhee, North Carolina

Melodies and Musings – Our Appalachian Legacy

Come Join the Fun on Beautiful Lake Guntersville

4-day Mountain Dulcimer, Writing and Storytelling Workshops

With a Saturday Mountain Festival, September 23-26, 2009

Please open the link with the workshop/festival brochure,

<http://www.mcrcsvp.org/M&M%20flyer%20pdf.pdf>

print it out, save the date, then email us mcrcsvp@mcrcsvp.org to add your name to our list to be notified when registration materials are available on-line about June 1st.

Maybe spring is finally here!! Suzette