# THORNAPPLE VALLEY DULCIMER SOCIETY NEWS



November 2010

From the President . . .

Happy Autumn,

October's meeting was a busy one.. The beginning class worked on Soldiers Joy, and the tune of the month was "Saturday Night Waltz", We would like to play Sat. Night Waltz for playdates so we will keep playing it every month. If you didn't absorb it all in one try, don't feel bad, we all need practice at it!

This month the tune of the month is Efterkaelken. This plays real nice on a dulcimer. The pattern is fun to play. It is pronounced "after shelken" which means after sleigh—a tune played after a sleigh ride. Look for the sheet music on the website under Tune of the Month, or come to the workshop at noon and we will have copies for you. It is also in the Les Raber book, and more to follow in the newsletter on the book.

Although I mentioned last month playing Xmas tunes in November during workshops, I would like for you to pick some during the jam instead if you will. I will provide a list in this newsletter of the tunes we usually play for Charlton Park. It is coming up quicker than we think. The weather has us all fooled into thinking the holidays are a long ways off, but they are not!

We had a motion/vote that passed at the October meeting regarding the dues structure for 2011. The membership voted to increase dues to \$1.50 per month, vs the current \$1.00 a month. This is to cover rising costs of rent and supplies for the meeting. The club started at \$1/mth over 26 years ago!! Thanks to everyone for supporting the Club with the increase.

The Birthday and Anniversary list is going to be put on hold for now. It is difficult to keep track of it accurately and so we will look for other ways to celebrate them at the meetings.

That's all for now. See you all on November 27, Saturday, at the Maple Leaf Grange.

All the best to you, Paula Brawdy TVDS DATES TO REMEMBER

Next Meeting:
November 27, 2010
TVDS Regular
Meeting & Jam
1 = 4 pm

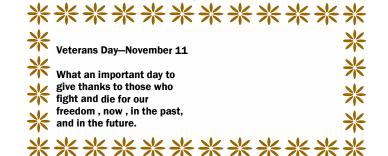
Beginners Class 11 am—11:45 pm Review Soldiers Joy & Joy to the World

Tune of the month class 12–12:45 pm "Efterkaelken"

Bring snacks to share We like our Vittles

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#### NOTE:

**Don't miss an issue of the TVDS News.** You will if your mailing label date is more than **one** month prior to the date of this issue. Check it out.

Dues are \$18 per year per family.



#### Items for sale:

Email Paula, or call with items for sale and they will be placed in the newsletter for you. **Every month is a garage sale!** Bring your musical items to the jam. Clean out those closets and find hammers, musical books, and other goodies related to music or just homespun types of things....they are okay too.

#### **ITEMS for SALE:**

David Lindsey Dulcimer for sale, full size, chromatic, bubinga rails, and mahogany soundboard, with nice case, tuner and hammers, \$550 Call Paula at 616 240 0445

Jim Key Dulcimer for sale/ full size, chromatic, 17/16, spruce floating soundboard, nice case, tuner and hammers \$650 = 616 240 0445

**Sweatshirts & T Shirts**— We have nice hooded sweatshirts, non hooded sweatshirts, and T shirts for sale with the club logo on it. Prices are reasonable. Check them out at the club meeting.

**Need a Hammered Dulcimer Instructor?** We have two folks who would love to teach you to play or improve your playing::

Thelma Fassett, Nashville, MI 517 852 1869 Deane Bellah, Lowell, MI 616 897 0845

#### "Come Dance With Me" - by Judy Raber Burns

It has been my pleasure to share my Dad's tunes with so many people. The process began when I was approached with the idea of getting Dad's music written so it could be shared with music friends.

As you read through the pages of "Come Dance With Me" and listen to the CD's you will see that the book contains a combination of tunes and family history.

It is a story of my parent's life through music. We are in the 4th Edition of the book and a wonderful journey it has been. We've gone from 122 tunes to 215, and all because of people who were willing to share their recordings and their memories with me. Let me personally thank you.

This month you will have the opportunity to learn the wonderful tune
That my Dad played "Efterkaelken". I hope to encourage you to search for other
Tunes from the book that you enjoy. Let's learn them together and keep his
Legacy and great tunes alive. JRB

Les Raber "Come Dance with Me" books and CD's Book—Vol 1—\$15 CD—Vol 1—\$20 Book—4th Edition—\$20 CD—Vol 2 -\$20

CD-Come Dance with Me Again-\$20

Books and CD's will be available at the Meeting

#### Playdates:

Anniversary—Nancy & Dick Nordhoff—60th anniversary— Sunday, November 21st, 1:30—4:30pm at Cunningham Acres Hall, Lake Odessa, 3 miles west of Lake Odessa on M-50. It is on the north side of the road and has a sign out front. We have been asked to play at 1:30 — 2:00, and then at 2:30 again. There will be cloggers, and then a couple of singers, and a lot of fun. Plan to be there at 1 pm to set up. Food and goodies will be provided.

Charlton Park Church—Christmas Village—December 12th, 1 pm—4 pm

We have been asked to play at the Charlton Park Historic Village, 2545 S. Charlton Park Road, Hastings, MI for their Christmas Past event. It's one of my favorite places to play. We are in the old country church, no electricity, they do have heat!, and we will play from 1—4 pm.

#### Tune List for Charlton Park:

Jingle Bells—G

Redwing—G

Westphalia Waltz—G

Chinese Breakdown—D

Joy to the World—D

Festival Rag—D

It's a Small World—G

Manitoba Golden Boy G

Silent Night

Tick Tock Polka—G

White Christmas—C

Away in a Manger—G

Soldiers Joy—D

Over the Waterfall– D

We Three Kings G

Simple Gifts—G

Flop Eared Mule—D

Deck the Halls—G

Columbus Stockade Blues—G

Tennessee Waltz—C

Rudolph—C

Maple Sugar—D

Down Yonder—G

Silver Bells—D

First Noel—D

Amazing Grace—G

I saw the Light—G

We Wish you a Merry Christmas—G

Southwind—G

Midnight on the Water—D

Golden Slippers—G

Just Because—D & A

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