

# THORNAPPLE VALLEY DULCIMER SOCIETY NEWS



## From the President . . .

September 2012

### Noteworthy information:

Fall is upon us and a beautiful time of year it is. I Am glad for the cooler weather, about 70 degrees suits me just fine!

We will be back at the Maple Leaf Grange on September 22, the 4th Saturday in the month! Be careful as there are 5 Saturdays this month, and if you come on the 5th Saturday you will have a solo !

Michigan is beginning to attract more and more Professional musicians after coming to Evart and seeing how many interested musicians there are in this state. We are so fortunate to live in Michigan!

Stephen Seifert and Dan Landrum will be teaching In Lansing, Michigan , on October 20th at the 3rd annual East Lansing dulcimer festival. I will have information on the workshops and the concert which is Friday night the 19th, later in the newsletter.

Rick Thum is coming to Michigan November 17th for his annual workshop day, and a concert following in the evening. This year it is being held in Ann Arbor to draw folks from the East side of the state as well as the west! It's always a fun day of jamming, workshops, potluck, and lots of fun. Support these musicians who travel far to come and teach. They make a living teaching and playing for us, and I hope they can continue for many years to come.

September is our first official meeting after the summertime. I would love to have some new ideas for this year. Workshops you would like to see, songs you would like to learn.

Suggestions for the jam itself—what you like and what you would like to see different. Please send me a note, email, or call me with ideas. This is your club and all of us make it a fun place to be.

### Workshop For September:

**Cold Frosty Morning**—This is a tune composed in 1746 and is about a battle between the English and the Scottish. It seems there are a lot of tunes written over battles. It was called the Battle of Culloden Moor, and the battle ended the Jacobite Rebellion in Scotland. All that aside, it is a great tune and widely played in Michigan jams! It is in A minor and you will find it on the website. Come at noon for a teach of this song by Kathy Cook!!

Also, come with suggestions on tunes to teach as we want to teach common tunes that folks will play in jams.

That's all for now! See you on the 22nd of September!

### TVDS DATES TO REMEMBER

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### Next Meetings:

#### September 22

**Workshop  
12 pm—12:45  
Cold Frosty Morning**

**Jam Always:  
1-4 pm**

**Snacks and Vittles are  
Welcome—we like to  
eat!**

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**Coffee, and tea are  
furnished**

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**Website:  
[www.thornapplevalley  
dulcimer.org](http://www.thornapplevalleydulcimer.org)**

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**THORNAPPLE VALLEY  
DULCIMER SOCIETY**

**Meets monthly at:**

**Maple Leaf Grange,  
Address: 7490 S M66,  
Nashville, MI 49073**

**www.thornapplevalley  
dulcimer.org**

**Dues \$18 per year,  
send to Treasurer  
above!**

**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:**

**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 and at our cost. Check them out at the club meeting.

**Need a Hammered Dulcimer Instructor? We have three 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  
Aloe Guiles, Sparta MI 616 887 9436**

**Instruments for Sale:**

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**Looking for a nice Used Hammered Dulcimer? Call Paula Brawdy at 616 240 0445. I have the following right now:**

**Lost Valley hammered dulcimer with case 13/13, Birdseye Maple Excellent condition, spruce soundboard, and oak sides—\$1500 new, and will sell for \$500**

**David Lindsey “Bill Spence” model 16/15, with case—\$800**

**Webster dulcimer—\$800 with case—tuned as normal fifth tuned -excellent sound (2) Lost Valley 16/16, and 16/15 hammered dulcimers, both in excellent condition with cases \$800 each**

**Rick Thum—traveler with cedar soundboard, with case. Lots of sound! Small 13/12 and easy to taken in motor home ... \$325**

**Also have several mountain dulcimers for sale, McSpadden's - \$325**

**Bowed psaltery -very nice with case, bow, rosin—\$150**

**Call Paula Brawdy on instruments above for more information 616 240 0445**

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**Bob's & Lynda's Music and Clogging Barn, 1417 Johnson St., Lake Odessa, MI—**

**Jam “every “ Sunday from 4—7 pm - Dulcimer friendly jam!**

**For more information call Lynda or Bob at 616 374 8205, or email at [tfclloggers@att.net](mailto:tfclloggers@att.net)**

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**Old Time Mountain Dulcimer Society— Bob & Lynda's Music Barn, location and contact info —1417 Johnson St., Lake Odessa, MI 616 374 8205**

**Date—1st Saturday of every month, bring your mtn dulcimer and be ready to have fun. We will have an extra dulcimer if you want to give it a try. We are using Tab and DAD tuning which makes it super easy to learn. All levels are welcome.**

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**Uncle Carls Dulcimer Club—held on 2nd Saturday of the month, at Senior Center in Spring Arbor Michigan. 12:30—4:30. Teach workshop, have slow jam, and then a regular jam each month... [www.unclecarls.org](http://www.unclecarls.org)**

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**Dan Landrum, hammered dulcimer & Stephen Seifert, Mountain workshops and concert:**

10/20/2012 Unitarian Universalist Church, 855 Grove Street East Lansing  
10:00-11:15 Beginner Workshops  
11:30-12:45 Beginner/Intermediate Workshops  
1:45-3:00 Intermediate Workshops  
3:15-4:30 Intermediate/Advanced Workshops  
(\$20 for 1 workshop, \$10 for each additional workshop)  
Workshop registration: contact Wanda Degen at [517.337.2264](tel:517.337.2264) or [wanda.degen@att.net](mailto:wanda.degen@att.net)

10/19/2012 Dan Landrum and Stephen Seifert concert at  
Unitarian Universalist Church,  
855 Grove Street  
East Lansing MI

**East Lansing Dulcimer Festival**

Concert sponsored by the Ten Pound Fiddle Concert info: [www.tenpoundfiddle.org](http://www.tenpoundfiddle.org); online tickets available starting Sept. 1

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**Rick Thum featured in workshops and concert—**

**November 17, 2012 - at Calvary United Methodist Church, 1415 Miller Ave, Ann Arbor, MI 48103**

**Workshop—10—12 noon, beginner and past beginners \$25 each or \$45 for both sessions  
2- 4 pm, All Levels**

**Concert at 7 pm—\$10**

**Running jam session all day long, and potluck at 5 pm.**

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