

THORNAPPLE VALLEY DULCIMER SOCIETY NEWS



From the President . . .

October 2013

Hello!

Okay, how can it be coming to the end of October Already!! The colors are beautiful and it's really a nice season.

The September jam was well attended. The vittles Were especially good with all our great cooks bringing in their specialties. We are fortunate to have so many good cooks who are generous with their talent.

The October meeting is Saturday the 26th. We worked on "Cold Frosty Morning" last month. We will work on this tune again with the revised music in Hand. Bring your revised copy if you have email as I sent it out. We revised Part B with permission of the Composer, Judi Morningstar. She wanted to be sure everyone also had the original version which we shared last month. If we have time left, we will review other songs you would like to review. Think of a song and let us know what you would like for November workshop please. We want to teach what you really want to learn. We will start at noon sharp, so come early to set up and have a cup of coffee. Jim and Pauline Reed always have the coffee pots going early for us! Don't forget to thank them!

Rick Thum is coming to Michigan in November for a day of workshops and jamming. Hold the date of November 9th, workshops starting at 10 am - Noon, and again from 2—4 pm. All Levels There will be a concert by Rick at 7 pm. It's a fun day, and Rick is a great teacher so you will surely enjoy. It is being held at the Calvary United Methodist Church, 1415 Miller Ave, Ann Arbor Michigan . Concert Cost \$10, and workshops are \$30 each session, or \$50 for both sessions.

We approved buying some additional T shirts with the large logo. I am ordering them now, and we may have them in November. Call if you have a special size and color request.

We have several members who could use your prayers and cards who are dealing with illness, Lloyd Peck, Sidney Crooks, and Roger Mix. I may have missed someone so forgive me if I have.

Feel free to bring musical items, or home-crafted items for sale. We all like to find a treasure to buy.

NEWS; Christmas meeting this year—We decided it will totally be a potluck this year. So if you want to bring a meat dish that will be good. The club will not buy gifts for the drawing. Instead, anyone who would like to bring a homecrafterd item, an elephant gift, a regifted item, a musical item. etc, may do so and we will draw as we always do.

We want to keep our costs in line so we can maintain the \$15 a year rate. We did vote to keep dues at \$15 for 2014. Please plan to pay your dues in advance of 1/1/14 .

We have a playdate at St. Cecelia Music Society, Grand Rapids MI on Friday, December 20, at 4:15—4:45 pm.

Secondly, another playdate at KCC, Hastings, Dec 6th, at noon. More details to follow.

Keep hammering, Paula Brawdy

TVDS DATES TO REMEMBER

Next Meetings:
Saturday
October 26
4th Saturday

Continue Workshop:
Cold Frosty Morning
12: 00—12:45

Regular jam:
1—4 pm

Bring goodies for the snack table
We like our vittles!

Coffee, and tea are furnished, along with a lot of smiles and laughs



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**THORNAPPLE VALLEY
DULCIMER SOCIETY**

Meets monthly at:

**Maple Leaf Grange,
Address: 7490 S M66,
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**www.thornapplevalley
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**Dues \$15 per year,
send to Treasurer**

NOTE:
Don't miss an issue of the TVDS
News. Dues are \$15 per year per
family and are due January 1.

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

Aloe Guiles, Sparta MI 616 887 9436

Instruments for Sale:

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, a bargain at \$500 ;

Bob Tack Lightweight —\$650 with case—tuned as normal fifth tuned -

Lost Valley 16/16, and 16/15 hammered dulcimers, both in excellent condition with cases \$800 each

Also have several mountain dulcimers for sale, McSpadden's , Warren May, and —\$300- \$325

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

Rick Thum Hammered Dulcimer Workshop! Rick is teaching a one day hammered dulcimer class in Ann Arbor , Michigan, on November 9th, 2013. He is also performing and doing a concert that day at 7 pm. 10—12 pm is Beginner and past Beginner workshop. 2-4pm is All Levels workshop. Cost for workshops is \$30 each or \$50 for both sessions. The concert is \$10. Rick also brings instruments and supplies to sell. If you are looking for a dulcimer or any supplies or books, let Rick know in advance and he will bring them to Michigan for you. Location is Calvary United Methodist Church, 1415 Miller Ave, Ann Arbor, MI ... There is also an all day jam session in the basement for those not choosing a workshop . I have a flyer on the event and will bring to the club meeting.

Email Rick at rthum@rthum.com, or call him at 314 406 0690

I highly recommend this class for anyone at all levels. Rick is an excellent teacher, and this is a great opportunity! I know people who have taken his classes over and over and there is always something new to learn.

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. Call if you have questions!!!!

Ukelele Jam— Bobs Barn on the 3rd Friday night of each month at 6:30 pm—9 pm.

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