

# THORNAPPLE VALLEY DULCIMER SOCIETY NEWS



March 2015

From the President . . .

## Greetings!!

In January we learned a new song, Kiowa Special. In February, we learned Schottische du Stockfish, another great tune. We will call for these in the jam.

This month we have a great jig, and a good one to play on dulcimer. "Dusty Bob's Jig" . Although the "Dusty Bob's" title is American, the tune was first published in England under the alternate title "Jack's Alive," by Rutherford in the mid-18th century "Dusty Bob's" melody appears in several 18th and early 19th century publications in Ireland, England and Scotland. You have to wonder who Dusty Bob really was? It does give a person a pause to wonder....

Elections are in April for the officers of the club. If you would like To run for office, please contact Judy Raber as she is handling the Nominations.

## Member news:

Lloyd Peck has been in the hospital with pneumonia. He and Doris both had bronchitis when They came back from Florida, and Lloyd's went into pneumonia. Lloyd in now in Thornapple Manor recovering further.

I am expecting to see some Snowbirds return soon! But maybe not this meeting.

That's all for now. Hope to see you this Saturday, the 28th of March!!!

Happy Tuning!

Paula Brawdy

## TVDS DATES TO REMEMBER

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**Next Meeting:  
Saturday  
March 28th**

**Workshop at  
12 pm  
Dusty Bob's Jig**

**Regular Jam  
1-4 pm**

**Feel free to bring  
snacks! We like to  
eat!**

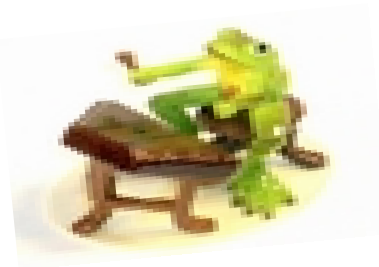
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**Coffee, and tea are  
furnished, along with a  
lot of smiles and  
laughs**

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DULCIMER SOCIETY**  
  
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**Dues \$18 per year,  
send to Treasurer,  
address above.**

**NOTE:**  
Don't miss an issue of the TVDS  
News.

**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 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:**

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

**Webster Extended range dulcimer, with dampers, and Coon Hollow case.** This is a 5th tuned dulcimer (not octave) . It has wood insets all around soundboard. Excellent sound, floating spruce soundboard, and walnut rails. Has extra bridges on the left with all the chromatic notes. \$1850

**Webster**—Regular sized—regular 5th tuning, excellent shape, and good piano sound— Comes with case—\$800

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

**Lay away available—!!**

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

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**Have something to sell? You can list here if you are a member !**  
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**PLAYDATE:** July 1, 2015, Wednesday, 7:30 pm. Plainwell Music Society, downtown in the bandshell on the river. We play for 45 minutes. It draws a big crowd and is a nice place to play. More details to follow

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**Buttermilk Jamboree** - this is music, storytelling, vendors, stage show with lots of different acts, from Old time music, folk, dance, bluegrass, etc. It's at a campground and you can camp there as well. Early bird tickets for the weekend are available now. It's close to home and it draws about 1200 people. Two campfires stay going until 3 in the morning. It is the second weekend in June 12, 13, 14th.

[www.buttermilkjamboree.org](http://www.buttermilkjamboree.org)

**Circle Pines Center**  
8650 Mullen Road  
Delton, MI 49046  
269-623-5555

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**Evert Funfest**—The largest hammered dulcimer festival in the country, and for only \$5 for the entire festival !! July 16-19th, 2015. More info at [www.dulcimers.com](http://www.dulcimers.com)

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**Midland Folk Festival**— August 27-30th, Midland County Fairgrounds

<http://www.folkmusicsociety.org/p/folk-festival.html>

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**Old Time Mountain Dulcimer Society**, - 1st Saturday of every month— Bob's Barn, 1417 Johnson St., Lake Odessa, MI... 10—1 pm. (time changed for April ) Call Bob for more info at 616 374 8205

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