THORNAPPLE VALLEY DULCIMER SOCIETY NEWS



From the President . . .

April 2019

Greetings!

We have another fun jam and workshop coming up this month!!!

The Mark Wade workshop was very Fun and very good! We had 14 people plus some who came for 1 or 2 days. Mark really is a fine teacher. And while we were there we talked to him about the hand pattern for "Drowsy Maggie" I have always loved this tune, and the hand pattern was hard to figure out how to make it flow smoothly. Kathy Cook and I had Mark show up how he does it and Kathy is going to teach the tune!! Yay! So don't miss this one! Workshop at noon!

We will have our regular jam at 1 pm to 4 pm. And as usual, have great food and snacks at 2 pm..

Hoping our snowbirds are back soon as we miss them!

May 23, Larry Conger is coming To teach Mountain Dulcimers! It will not specifically be for beginners, however beginners can learn a lot by attending. He will be at Bob's Barn in Lake Odessa MI... Larry has been playing and doing workshops for 30 years! Watch him on youtube. Very excited about this. If you play mountain dulcimer, sign up!!! We need to get a good showing to make this possible to bring good teaching talent to Michigan. He will also do a concert! It is on a weekday, Thursday. A link to registration is on the 3rd page of newsletter!

We will have the club meetings over the summer, and dates will soon be forthcoming. They will be set so as not to coincide with Evart funfest, and Midland Folk festival as many attend those events.

Hope to see you at workshop/ jam! That's all for now!

Paula Brawdy

TVDS DATES TO REMEMBER ********

Meeting Dates Schedule:

April 27, 2019 May 18, 2019

Workshop "Drowsy Maggie" 12–12:45 pm

> Regular Jam 1-4 pm

Feel free to bring snacks! We like to eat!

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

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Dues \$18 per year, send to Treasurer,

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

Paula Brawdy , Hastings, MI 616 240 0445 Mtn and Hammered lessons

Instruments for Sale:

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

Lost Valley 13/13 cherry hammered dulcimer , with nice case—\$400

Webster "Extended range" dulcimer, with dampers, and Coon Hollow case. This is a 5th tuned dulcimer (not Webster 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. \$1550

Nice 16/15 dulcimer with case. \$450

Various Hammered Duicimer Stands—both adjustable and stand up scissor stands and sit down scissor stands

Bobs Barn, 1417 Johnson St., Lake Odessa, Bob has a band/group play every Sunday from 3—4 pm at the Barn. Then at 4pm, we have an open stage and jam Bring your instruments and come on over! Better than sitting home!!!.

Old Time Mountain Dulcimer Society, - 1st Saturday of every month— Bob's Barn, 1417 Johnson St., Lake Odessa, Ml 10am —1 pm. Call Bob for more info at 616 374 8205 or Paula at 616 240 0445

Mountain Dulcimer Jam— Hastings, MI Every Tuesday night,
1716 N. Broadway, Hastings, MI—Church of the Nazarene, Front door!
Check us out on Facebook under Mountain Dulcimer Jam—Hastings, MI
We meet from 6:30 pm to 8:30 pm every Tuesday.
We use Join the Jam 1 and 2 —by Stephen Seifert, and "Let's Jam" by David Haas
Call Paula Brawdy, 616.240.0445 or Call Sonnya Clinton 269 838 7100

Larry Conger—Mountain Dulcimer Jam and Workshop!!!! - May 23 10—4 pm
Register now!!! -
https://larryconger.com/workshops-performances
Click on this link and then click on the May 23 date at Lake Odessa and it will take you to the registration.
10—12 pm - Come and have some fun jamming!!!
12—1 pm Lunch on your own, or visit the "Station Deli" 4 blocks away! Excellent homemade specialty soups and sandwiches!
1—4 pm Workshop with Larry Conger— Learn new tunes while improving Skills and Techniques. Several arrangements will be taught to reinforce skills and techniques that have been taught.
4 pm - Mini Concert by Larry!