

# THORNAPPLE VALLEY DULCIMER SOCIETY NEWS



April 2017

From the President . . .

**Greetings!**

**We have an exciting workshop planned for you this month!**

**“The Minstrel Boy” will be taught. I hope you can attend. The sheet music and the midi file are on the Website :**

**thornapplevalleydulcimer.org**

**We will also play Spider on the Bedpost slowly, and Angleworm Wiggle.**

**Learning new tunes- How do you retain a new tune after a workshop? Play it everyday after you learn it. Run through it 2 or 3 times a day for a period of a week and or two and then continue to play it. Ask for it in jams.**

**On page 3, I have posted summer festivals for hammered dulcimers & mountain dulcimers.**

**In addition there are two campouts, Silver Strings dulcimer club, and Uncle Carls dulcimer club. You are invited to attend! They are both fun. You can also drive in for the day and jam.**

**Rick Thum will have a 3 day Intensive Hammered Dulcimer workshop at Evert the 3 days before the Evert funfest begins! Fabulous workshop! Page 3**

**Stephen Seifert and Bing Futch Will host a 3 day intensive Mountain Dulcimer workshop at Evert the 3 days preceding the Evert funfest. Page 3**

**We will be setting up summer Dates for the club to meet. They won't necessarily be on the 4th Saturdays. I will post in the May newsletter once verified. Tentative: 6/17, 7/22, 8/19.**

**The fun days of summer are about to begin! It's time to seriously practice up for the festivals!**

**Hope to see you at the jam!  
Paula Brawdy  
616 240 0445**

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**TVDS DATES TO REMEMBER**

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**Meeting Dates:**

**April 22  
May 20**

**Workshop  
12:00–12:45  
Learn  
'The Minstrel Boy'**

**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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**THORNAPPLE VALLEY  
DULCIMER SOCIETY**

**Meets monthly at:**

**Maple Leaf Grange,  
Address: 7490 S M66,  
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**www.thornapplevalley  
dulcimer.org**

**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.

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**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**

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**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 Dulcimer 16/16, Nice walnut with spruce soundboard and carved sound holes., with case, almost new! I have two Lost Valley 16/16's!!! call Paula at 616 240 0445**

**Bob Tack Dulcimers— I have 2 fully chromatic Tack Dulcimers with cases for sale. Tacks have great sound! I also have a 12/11 Bob Tack dulcimer with case. Call for more info... Paula 616 240 0445**

**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. \$1550 Call Paula at 616 240 0445.**

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

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**Mountain Dulcimer Jam— Hastings, MI**

**Every Tuesday night, 1716 N. Broadway, Hastings, MI—Church of the Nazarene, North 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, —by Stephen Seifert, and Let's Jam by David Haas**

**Call Paula Brawdy, 616.240.0445 or Call Sonnya Clinton 269 838 7100**

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**FESTIVALS:**

**Silver Strings campout— 6/9—6/11 campground info at <http://umcamping.org/camps/myers-lake/>**

**Uncle carls campout—June 23-25 campground Waffle <http://wafflefarm.com/>**

**Stephen Seifert and Bing Futch—7/10—7/12 3 day intensive Mountain Dulcimer workshops at Evert Bowling Alley. Advance registration is helpful!! More info at <http://www.stephenseifert.com/> or [bingfutch.com](http://bingfutch.com)**

**Rick Thum— 7/10 - 7/12 3 day intensive hammered dulcimer workshop at Evert Michigan—great workshop and then you can stay for the Evert Funfest afterwards. Advance registration required! Contact Rick Thum Phone:314-406-0690 Email: [rthum@rthum.com](mailto:rthum@rthum.com) Website: [www.rthum.com](http://www.rthum.com)**

**Evert funfest - July 13—15 complete info at <http://originaldulcimerplayers.org/>**

**Michigan Fiddlers Convention 8/11—8/12, Hillsdale County Fairgrounds**

**Midland Folkfest— Aug 24-27 complete info at <http://www.folkmusicsociety.org/p/folk-festival.html>**