

PRAIRIE DULCIMER CLUB

Newsletter January, 2018

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NEXT MEETING: Saturday, January 20, 2018

(always the third Saturday of the month)

Westminster Hall, [417 West Lexington, Independence, Missouri 64050](#)

PROGRAM:

Month	Hammer / Activity	Mountain / Activity	Club Activity
Jan.	Ed Barlett	Dana and Jerry / Deanna	Chili cook-off
Feb.	Linda Thomas	Allen Macfarlane	Potluck
Mar.	Linda Thomas workshop	Conger workshop	(workshop)

Hammered Dulcimers - Ed Barlett will teach. Bring club music for jamming after lunch.

Mountain Dulcimers - Bring club music.

Directory Updates: Please send any corrections, additions, etc. to Deb Leavitt. Her email is Dleavitt08@gmail.com.

Business Meeting Minutes:

The meeting was called to order by President Otis Watson. He welcomed returning visitors Vicki and Mike and others who had not attended in a long time. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the minutes of the last meeting as printed in the December Newsletter.

Treasurer's Report - Mary Richardson gave the treasurer's report. A motion was made, seconded and approved to accept the treasurer's report.

Old Business - Discussion was held about potlucks versus sack lunches for upcoming meetings. Jim Davison made a motion that we have potlucks for meetings through July. Motion was seconded by Mary Richardson. Motion approved.

A motion was made by Diana to have our annual Chili Cook-off in January. Motion seconded by Rita, approved.

Pam Haskell asked everyone to continue to be on the lookout for a good deal on a tent to be used at Missouri Town.

Penny Lewis reported regarding phone calls and listing club officers on our website.

New Business - None reported.

Lisa Ibarra made a motion that the meeting be adjourned. Seconded by Penny Lewis, approved. Meeting adjourned.

Upcoming Events: 15th Annual Colorado Dulcimer Festival - February 2-3, 2018 - Registration begins Sept. 1, 2017. "Early Bird" registration rate is \$110 (after December 15, 2017, it goes up to \$130). For more information about the Festival, visit the website <http://www.coloradodulcimerfestival.com/> Guest instructors this year are Ted Yoder/Hammered Dulcimer and Kim McKee/Mountain Dulcimer. Of course, this is in addition to our amazing local instructors and performers: Tina Gugeler, Malacha Hall, and Judy Jones, Dianne Jeffries, Heidi McClure, and we welcome Paul Weidig. This year we welcome back two honorary Coloradans Steve Eulberg and Erin Mae. And don't forget: several of our local instructors are National Dulcimer Champions!

Chocolate Festival - February 10, 2018 - Here is a great opportunity to share your talent. This event is at Westminster Hall (same location as the Prairie Dulcimer Club) from 1:00-4:00 p.m. Groups of 2-5 people would play music of their choice for 30 - 60 minutes. Dana Taylor is the coordinator for this event and will have a sign up sheet at the January club meeting. See Dana if you have questions.

Linda Thomas/Larry & Elaine Conger Workshop - March 17, 2018

21st Annual Dulcimer Workshop Weekend

John Knox Presbyterian Church

[11430 Wornall Road](#)

Kansas City, MO

Workshops 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

Instructors' Concert 7:00 pm

HD - Linda Thomas, MD 1 - Elaine Conger, MD 2 - Larry Conger

Info/Reg: lindadan@primary.net or 941.7834

Be aware that this workshop takes the place of the regular Prairie Dulcimer Club meeting in March. Also, if you are a paid up member of PDC, the club will pay half of the registration cost.

This 'n That: Penny Lewis is our webmaster. If you have anything you would like posted on our website, contact Penny. Her contact information is in the club directory. Be aware that Penny does not include addresses on the web site. Don't forget to check out the Prairie Dulcimer Page on Facebook. It is a great way to stay in touch with your dulcimer-playing friends. If you have pictures or other things of interest to other dulcimer players, please post it so we can all enjoy it.

An update on Cathy Barton-Para - She is doing well and continues treatments for her cancer. Continued prayers are appreciated.

Happy New Year to everyone. Let's plan for a great year of playing music together.