

PRAIRIE DULCIMER CLUB

Newsletter May, 2018

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NEXT MEETING: Saturday, May 19, 2018

(always the third Saturday of the month)

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

PROGRAM:

Month	Hammer / Activity	Mountain / Activity	Club Activity
May	Katie Waters	Open	Potluck
June	Open	Otis	Potluck
July	Open	Open	Potluck

Hammered Dulcimers - Hammered dulcimers will be working on embellishments by shape instead of music notation using the song Southwind. Katy will bring the music. Bring your club music in case we have time to jam.

Mountain Dulcimers - Bring club music.

Directory Updates: Please send any corrections, additions, etc. to Deb Leavitt. Her email is Dleavitt08@gmail.com. A revised directory is being compiled and will be mailed out soon.

Business Meeting Minutes: President Otis Watson was home ill. Ed Barlett filled in and led the business meeting. Ed greeted guests David Tate and Jodi, Christi and Bonnie Bowers.

Treasurer's Report - Treasurer Mary Richardson was not able to attend the meeting. No treasurer's report was given.

Secretary's Report - Deb Leavitt reported that Otis and Mary were both gone. Nothing new to report.

Committee Reports - Education Report - Dave Courtney indicated that a representative from mountain dulcimers is needed on the committee. A motion was made by Ed Barlett to add Deb Leavitt to the education committee. Motion seconded by Mary Ann Fenstermacher, motion passed.

Old Business - Pam Haskell reminded everyone to be thinking about Missouri Town, October 6 and 7. She has a possibility for a tent.

New Business - Cheryl Godsey gave information about an event called "Make Music Liberty" to be held on June 21st. They are looking for musicians. Cheryl will provide more information for the next Newsletter.

Rita Young suggested adding some new tunes to our list of tunes for jamming. The hammered and mountain groups will each discuss adding 2 songs.

“Everything Dulcimer” is closing. You can go to their website and print what you want.

Dana Taylor made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Pam Haskell seconded, motion passed.

Make Music Liberty - Thursday, June 21 -

<http://www.makemusicliberty.org/about/> The event Make Music Liberty is Thursday, June 21. There are many places all around Liberty where we can choose to play. Cheryl Godsey has submitted basic information about the club and that we would like to perform. The place she would like for us to perform is the Rotary plaza. There are shaded spots there - times available at this time are between 11 -4 and 5-8 PM . There are other spots we could play at as well.

We will ask at the May meeting who is interested in playing and what time they would prefer. If someone is interested in playing and cannot be at the May meeting, they can contact Cheryl. We could perhaps use the playlist that will be used for Missouri town. Cheryl needs our response by May 19.

Upcoming Events:

Hammered Dulcimer Week with Linda Thomas - Perelandra Dulcimer Center - June 3-9, 2018

This is a wonderful opportunity for hands on learning/playing in a relaxed atmosphere! The venue is so worth it and the teacher for the week is Linda Thomas! Contact Linda Thomas for information at lindadan@primary.net. Cheryl New is looking for a driving mate to and from Asheville, N.C. for this event. She has reserved a hotel room just minutes away and is looking for someone to share. If you are interested contact Cheryl.

Ozark Roots Dulcimer Festival - Hammered Dulcimer -July 17-21, 2018 - Mountain View Meeting Place, Mountain View, Arkansas.

Linda Thomas will provide instruction and various workshops for this event. Contact Linda Thomas at lindadan@primary.net for more information.

Gateway Dulcimer Society Music Festival – Aug. 10-12, 2018 - Belleville, IL. Workshops for both hammered and mountain dulcimer are provided as well as autoharp, ukulele and other instruments. Always a great time! For more information and registration forms, please visit the website: www.gatewaydulcimer.org.

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.

The Prairie Dulcimer Club was well represented at the Mountain View Dulcimer Festival held the end of April. Everyone had a great time. Thanks to Deb Leavitt, we had a great place to stay and she is an awesome navigator. The “PDC Players” consisting of Deb Leavitt, Norma Frazier and Rita Young made their debut in the ensemble competition. They did not place but had a great time trying. Better luck next year!