

Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club

Website: <http://www.unclecarls.org>



June 2015

"This and That" from Julie

Summertime is almost here and it looks as though it will be a good one. Lots of things to do. There are some real good opportunities for music throughout the entire summer. Silver Strings campout is coming up first in Byron June 12-14. Then it's our campout at Waffle Farm June 26-28. Evert Fun Fest is July 16-18 and Midland is August 27-30. Those are just a few. There are plenty more, just look.

TIME TO PRACTICE! It doesn't have to be an event to play. Take the time and just have fun. Practice the tunes you're not so accomplished at. Get better at the tunes you like and can play. Learn some "flourishes", get fancy with a phrase or two. Have you ever heard someone play a tune and you thought "WOW, that sounded good". Now's the time for YOU to be the WOW factor for someone else:) Start simple then build it up.

Tired of your list of songs you really know well? Want to play more songs, different tunes? Make a small list, come to our campout, get a buddy and find a spot where you can learn a tune or two. Ask for help. If you have troubles, just break down the song measure by measure. Play it over and over till you "get it in your head". I forgot to say "tune up first" because if you're out of tune it makes playing less enjoyable for you and others around you. Keep it simple, make it fun, set a goal and stick to it. If in the end all you did was learn 1/2 a song, well, that's 1/2 more than you knew before. **YOU CAN DO IT!** Be positive:)

See you at the campout!

PS. Do you have a griddle? Bring it for us to use at the Sunday breakfast!



Workshop Corner by Christine Stewart

This month our illustrious president, Julie will be teaching us TWO songs at the camp out! The first one is named, "Viola's Schottische". Best I can determine with my slow internet connection, is this was played at the 2011 ODPC Funfest in tribute to founders and presidents that had passed, Viola Cox being one who played it while wearing her very pretty straw hat.

Per my favorite information provider, Wikipedia, "The **schottische** is a partnered country dance, that apparently originated in Bohemia. It was popular in Victorian era ballrooms as a part of the Bohemian folk-dance craze and left its traces in folk music of several countries". The meter for this song is 110 quarter notes (beats) per minute, just in case you are wondering how fast to play this song.

The other song Julie will be work shopping is "Washington Square"***, a bluesy song Monday Knights plays. It is a fun song about going to play at a hoot n nanny in Washington Square in New York, and the people picked up along the way. Made famous by the Ames brothers back in 1963 or so, this should be fun!

Look forward to seeing you all at the camp out!

***The sheet music for this tune will be on our website under Tune of the Month for only a few weeks due to copyright. Midi will continue to be available though.

JUNE BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARYS

Happy Birthday

9th. Mary Colgan 26th. Marcia Fort
22nd Ed Conklin 30th. Roger Davis
23rd. Donna Playford 30th. Steve Hadley
26th. Bob Clemet



Happy Anniversary

10th. Bob & Audrey Ackley 28th. George & Pat Dornton
15th. Don & Kathy Falls 29th. Bill & Barb Pohanka
24th. Don & Ann Johnson

If you have never seen your name listed here,
we may not have the information. See Wendy.

UCDC Membership Dues: \$15/family. Please make checks out to UCDC and mail to Wendy Conklin, 7186 W. Sterling Rd., Litchfield, MI 49252. Covers January thru December 2015.

UCDC Name Tag: to order, contact Wendy Conklin 517-542-2291 or wconklin22@gmail.com

Hammered and Mountain Dulcimers for sale: Call Paula Brawdy at 616 240 0445 .

Practice with Pennye: 3 CD set of UCDC repertoire to practice with, or choose which tunes you want on one CD. Christmas tunes also available. Call Pennye Scheiber at 517-547-7448 or pennyescheiber70@gmail.com

Evart News

Rick Thum is doing his A to Z class again and still has room for you. Monday July 13 thru Wed. July 15. Over 20 hours of class time. \$175. Contact Rick at rthum@rthum.com or 314-406-0690 or go to his website www.rthum.com to sign up.



FUNFEST
ORIGINAL DULCIMER PLAYERS CLUB

JULY 16-19, 2015



Check out their new website

<http://evartdulcimerfest.org/>

Upcoming Events

UCDC Future Play Dates

July 9 & 10, Thursday 12-7:00 & Friday 10-5:00, Learning Fair, Ella Sharp Park, 3325 4th St., Jackson, MI, Sign up for an hour or two
Contact Barb Borton 517-783-2670

July 23, Thursday, 7:00 pm Jackson Medical Lansing Ave., Jackson

July 30, Thursday, 12 noon for 1 hr, 1 hr break and play again, Lenawee County Fair Grounds Adrian, Mi,

August Quincy Music in the Park—Cancelled

Monday Knights—June 1 was the last session. If you would like to host Monday Knights during the summer, just let us know and Wendy will send out the information or contact Barb Borton.

Board Members—2015/2016

President, Julie Mester

jandsenterprises@comcast.net

Vice President, Pennye Scheiber

pennyescheiber70@gmail.com

Secretary, Ramona Hadley

mundagal@att.net

Treasurer/Membership/ Sunshine Coordinator

Wendy Conklin
wconklin22@gmail.com

Trustees:

Marcia Fort

fort1958@att.net

Scott Mester

jandsenterprises@comcast.net

Resident Agent, Ann Johnson

johnsondone@yahoo.com

Workshop Leader

Christine Stewart

mommastewart49@yahoo.com

Newsletter Editor/Music Books

Pennye Scheiber

pennyescheiber70@gmail.com

Web Site Manager

Karen Turner

karenturner@comcast.net

THE CAMP PAGE

UNCLE CARL'S DULCIMER CLUB CAMPOUT SCHEDULE

FRIDAY

JAM during the day...pick a spot and start playing.
If you start we will come. :>)

7:00- 11:00 JAM in the big pavilion



SATURDAY

10:30 WORKSHOP - Two new tunes.....Viola's Schottische and Washington Square
Julie will teach & bring plenty of copies

1:30 JAM on the grass or in the pavilion.....Weather will be in charge!

5:00 POTLUCK (coffee provided) Remember to bring a dish to pass and your own dishes.

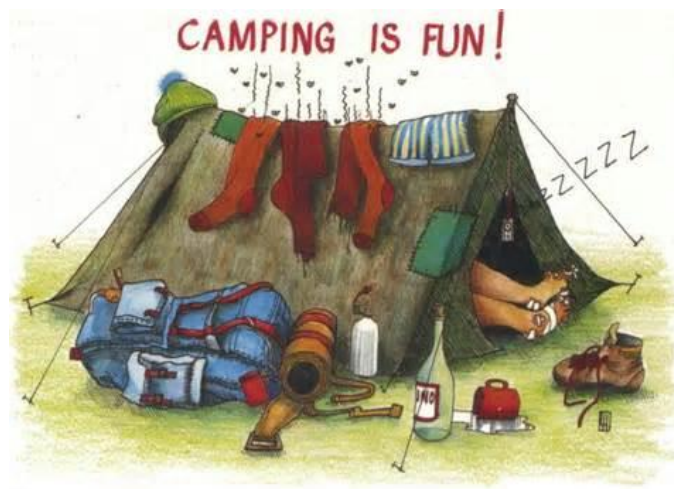
7:00-11:00 JAM in the big pavilion

SUNDAY

*8:30 BREAKFAST, coffee/juice/pancakes/sausage/fruit

SPIRIT JAM directly after clean up

***WE ARE IN NEED OF GRIDDLES IN ORDER TO HAVE OUR BREAKFAST.
PLEASE BRING THEM WITH YOU TO THE CAMPOUT!**



**Submission deadline for the next
newsletter is June 20, 2015
Articles or pictures from any
member are always welcome!**

Viola's Schottische

Viola Cox

The musical score for "Viola's Schottische" is written in D major (one sharp) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a treble clef and a 4/4 time signature. The melody is composed of eighth and quarter notes. The second staff continues the melody and includes a triplet of eighth notes in the final measure. The third and fourth staves complete the piece, ending with a double bar line. Chords are indicated above the notes: D, G, A7, D, A7 in the first staff; D, G, Em, A7, D in the second staff; G, A7, D, A7 in the third staff; and D, G, Em, A7, D in the fourth staff.

Washington Square

Kenny Ball
© 1963

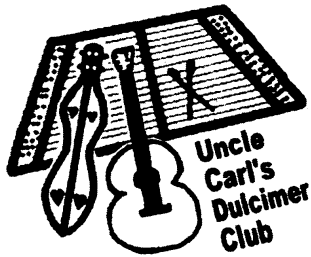
The musical score for "Washington Square" is written in 4/4 time with a key signature of one sharp (F#). It consists of four staves of music. The first staff begins with a repeat sign and a double bar line, followed by a measure with an Em chord. The second staff continues the melody and includes a Bm chord and a first/second ending section. The third and fourth staves complete the piece with various chords including G, Em, and B7.

Chords: Em, B7, Em, Bm, 1. Em, 2. Em, G, Em, B7, G, Em, Bm, Em.

For workshop purposes only
UCDC 2015



Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club
Penny Scheiber, Editor
15851 Griswold Rd.
Manitou Beach, MI 49253



June 2015

