

Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club

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

October 2017



Next Meeting—October 14, 2017

"This and That" from Julie



Get your tune list ready! Halloween is just around the corner and it's the perfect time to play all those minor tunes. I put in a request at the last meeting to have everyone think of "alternate" names to their chosen tune(s). Give them a spooky, scary/Halloween name. We did this last year for both Halloween and Christmas and it was exciting to hear all the crafty new names. Put your thinking hat on. Remember, choose more than one tune; Murphy's Law says someone will pick your tune! As with every meeting, it's best to have a "list" of tunes you want to play ready, that way we move through the tunes more smoothly and not stop to wait (and wait and wait) for people to pick a tune.

.....and now that we're on the subject.....there's something scary in our list of tunes.....ALL THOSE TUNES WE DON'T PLAY!! I happen to really like Dill Pickles Rag and apparently it's SO scary, no one asks for it. And how about Mountain Bell Schottische? How about that all too scary Arizona Waltz? They don't bite! We just have to practice at home and bring our positive attitudes to club and ask for them!! Can you list some of the tunes YOU like but we never play?

Another good idea is to practice "starts" for the tunes you like to play. Sharon M. taught us the steps to start tunes last year. Get out your guide she passed out, practice and be ready!

The slow jam was small for our first meeting of the year but that's ok. I figure once the weather breaks and turns cold more will show up. It's a perfect time to bring out those tunes that you want played slow. Again, bring your list!



We Were a Hit at Blair Farm

A BIG thank you to those (15) who showed up on that blistering hot day! It's nice to have a full group for our play dates. This one was a little different in that they now have a tractor/wagon that takes people for the tour RIGHT near the play tent where we were. Also, there's a mini train that takes riders around where we are.....all very noisy which made it hard to hear for both US and the crowd! But, it was still a very nice but HOT day! We must have looked hot because someone in the crowd sent out Ice cold water and pop for us players! What a nice surprise! It's always nice to be appreciated. Cudo's to Jack for serenading us all. "Great Job" everyone!!



Who's Who



We are going to update this section of our website. Jim Brown will bring his camera to the next meeting to take pictures of those who are not featured there. If you would like to put in a little bio about yourself, please send it to Karen Turner at ka-renturner@comcast.net.



OCTOBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Happy Birthday

6 Don Woodard 23 Pat Dornton
20 Duain Lockwood 24 Joan Weaver
22 Linda Brown



Happy Anniversary

3 Marc & Ellen Pember



If you have never seen your name listed here, we may not have your 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 2017.

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Tune of the Month

LaCumparsita was taught at the campout and since there were quite a few that were not able to attend the workshop, we thought it would be a good idea to introduce this again. Please find this tune on the website and listen to the midi version. It will help you to learn it. Julie will teach this fun tune.

Pick a Tune

Are you ready with your tune? Please bring a list to the meeting of a few tunes you would like to play. It's so important to be ready so we don't waste time searching while others are anxious to play. Also, remember the closer together we are the better we play as a group.

Upcoming Events

Jan Woodard—517-782-4396

Oct 23—Arbor North, 2:00 pm (tentative)

Future Play Dates

Nov 14—Gene Davis Banquet Hall, South Francis Jackson, 12:30—1:30 for senior luncheon



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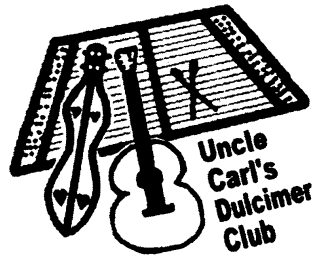
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