

Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club

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

APR 2013

“This and That” from Julie

Well, it's getting closer to that long awaited season camping season! Isn't that a season? Well, if it isn't, it should be:) We'll be at that Waffle Farm soon. Just think, warm sunshine, the smell of fresh cut grass, that rush of excitement wondering what everyone else will bring to the pot luck! Then there's all that music....yippee!!!!

*Speaking of pot lucks.....we've got one coming up at our next meeting for the 31st Anniversary of UC. Don't forget to bring the recipe card. We didn't get a sign up list for entertainment out, so we'll just have to “wing it”. I will have one ready when you get there. Look for the party information below.

I was so excited about playing all the new/old music at our last slow jam I completely lost track of a few things.

#1 item I did was to forget that it was a slow jam. Sorry about that. Too many unfamiliar tunes clogged up the works. So, let's gear it down to 3. Here are 3 songs that I'd like us to play for our slow jam and get them back in our list of “chosen” songs. Try and practice these before our April jam. We will play them VERY, VERY SLOW. No worries :)

ANGEL DANCE
NISKAYUNA RAMBLE
ROAD TO BOSTON

When you're faced with the task of learning something new, take it one step at a time. One measure at a time. Take it easy, BREATHE, don't stress out. And most of all, remember to smile. It's all fun :)



Workshop Corner by Paula Brawdy

In March, we learned Peter's Kick. This is an interesting tune using a damping method for the emphasis of a couple of notes. It takes some practicing to integrate damping into your playing! It is a preshow tune for Evert so we all need to practice this one at home, and at next months jam. No workshop tune for April due to the anniversary dinner.

Looking forward to the snowbirds returning too!!! Bring us back a tune! We need a tune for May to teach. If there is a particular tune you love, teach it to the group!

We will have club member performances at the April meeting, so if you have a tune to practice up and play for us, dust it off!!

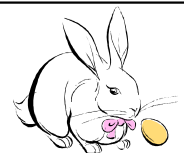


31st Anniversary Party—April 13, 2013

Can you believe how many years the club has been getting together? This year we will again have our famous pot luck “lunch” so be sure to bring that favorite dish, table service, and beverage (coffee will be provided). Since we have so many delicious items, we have decided not to have a main meat. A-F desert, G-Z meat, salad, or vegetable dish. Doors open at 12:30 pm to set up, 1:00 pm lunch followed by club entertainment and jamming. 4:30 pm closing.

We Need You to Play for Us.

Work on your favorite tune and sign up. It will be like “open stage” and you have to get your feet wet sometime. Nothing like playing in front your peers. You will be surprised how well you can do. We might all be in for a great surprise!



APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Larry Roper, 1st	Barb Borton, 15th
Jim Brown, 2nd	Sharon Mead, 15th
Iris Richardson, 5th	Julie Mester, 23rd
Dolores Dodes, 7th	Cheryl Smith, 26th
Jack Mullins, 7th	Bill Pohanka, 27th

HAPPY ANNIVERSERY

Sharon and Chuck Mead, 4th



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

Practice with Pennye Christmas CD now available.

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Hammered Dulcimer Lessons Accepting new students. Contact Pennye at 517-547-7448 or pennyes@comcast.net.

UCDC Name Tag: to order, contact Wendy Conklin 517-542-2291 or weconklin@dmcibb.net

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 2013.

Hammered and Mountain Dulcimers for sale - Great collection of used hammered dulcimers for sale - Lost Valleys' 16/15 with cases, 2 Websters with regular tuning and cases, and several mountain dulcimers, McSpaddens, Folkcraft, and a few others. Call Paula Brawdy at 616 240 0445 .

Monday Knights 6-8:00 pm

April 15, 22, and 29

Bean Elementary School, Music Room. 3201 Noble Road (off King Road) Spring Arbor, Mi. 49283

Upcoming Events

Arrive 1/2 hour before performance to set up, blue vests.

Apr 6 Nettle Lake Jam, Montpelier, OH, Contact Terry Steinke for information 419-459-4436

Apr 13 UCDC meeting, Spring Arbor, MI. Starting 12:30 pm

Apr 27 Maumee St. Jam, Adrian, MI, Contact Pennye Scheiber for information 517-547-7448

Pre Funfest Workshops for Hammered and Mountain Dulcimers

Rick Thum (hammered dulcimer) and Stephen Seifert (mountain dulcimer) are giving a three day workshop prior to the Evart Funfest.

See your February newsletter for details.



Time to update our Performance List. If you have any ideas of tunes you would like to play or not play when we entertain others, please let Pennye Scheiber know. Next month there will be a few adjustments to the list, so that we can be ready for our summer performances. The list will be available in the newsletter and on our website.

Happy Easter

UCDC 2013 Campout
June 21, 22 and 23
Waffle Farms
Coldwater, Michigan



Time to start thinking about summer and getting your registration in for our campout. We will be located in the same area we have been in for the last several years across from the big pavilion . This is where our workshop, jamming and pot luck supper will be. You should plan on getting your reservation to Kathy Culy no later than May 1. We have just so many sights reserved and want to make sure you get your spot. If you plan to camp longer than Friday and Saturday night, you will have to make those plans with Waffle Farm at 517-278-4315. Check out their website at www.wafflefarm.com

Please fill in the form below and send in with a \$25.00 deposit to Kathy. When you arrive at the campground you will pay for the full weekend and Kathy will reimburse your deposit on Sunday morning.

We will plan on a jam Friday evening at 7:00 pm, workshop Saturday morning at 10:30 am, afternoon jam about 1 or 2:00 pm, pot luck supper at 5:00 pm, Saturday evening jam at 7:00 pm. Sunday morning we could have a breakfast if we find enough cooks as Bob and Sandi Hlavacek may not be available. Please contact Julie and let her know you could help. If enough folks stay after breakfast, we can have a gospel sing. That has been really fun for the last 2 years.

We will have a firm schedule by next month.



UCDC Campout Registration (\$25.00 deposit)

Send to : Kathy Culy, 625 N. Union City Rd., Coldwater, MI 49036 (517-278-4853)

Name: _____

Address _____

No. of Days of Camping _____



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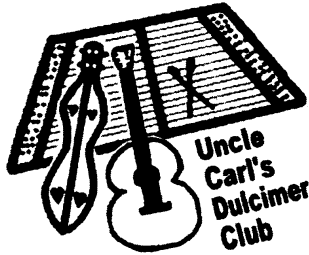
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