

Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club

<http://www.unclecarls.org>

APR 2014

THIS AND THAT from Julie- I don't know about you all but I've about had it with all this snow! I'm hoping (fingers crossed) that by the time we all meet again that snow will be a part of the past! I can't remember a winter that dragged on this long! It's been the stopper to many things this season for me: wedding, baby shower, 2 club meetings, ODPC jam and countless other fun things! It's time to go winter! What got me thinking so hard about this was when I started looking at our club web site and seeing all the faces of friends in the "who's who" page. It got me thinking about how I missed all our friends and family who have traveled to get away for the winter. Hurry back, all of you, so we can get caught up on lifes events and play all that wonderful music. Safe travels.

Remember: We are sponsoring ODPC meeting/jam at Spring Arbor May 3rd. Doors open at 10.00. Potluck at Noon. Same as always, bring your own tableware and a dish to pass. Coffee provided. clean up by 5:30.

Waffle Farm campout. We have plenty of spots saved by Kathy but it's a good idea to let her know if you're planning on camping. June 27/28. Of course we'll have a pot luck! We always have a new song lesson AND if we can get enough volunteers there'll be a breakfast too! Check this month's letter for camping form. I'll have all the nitty gritty on the timeline for everything else soon.

Our April meeting we're celebrating UCDC Anniversary party! 32 years and counting! It will be a potluck. Doors open at 11:30, eat at noon. Clean up by 5. A-O Meat dish P-Z Desert.

It was requested that we look into T-shirts for the club. IF this is something we decide to do it will be on an order basis only. If we can get enough people who want a shirt then an order will be placed on a pre-paid basis. That way the club doesn't hold a balance of shirts in inventory. A sign up sheet will be at the next club meeting. An order will be placed ONLY if we get enough interested. See you soon. Keep your smiles on :)

Workshop Corner by Paula Brawdy

We had a good workshop last month taught by Tom Whitehead. Tom comes up with the best tunes! "Single Footin' Horse/Sarah Armstrong" This month is a "new tune review" session. It's time to practice all those great tunes so we can retain them. Here is our list for review:

Single Footin' Horse/Sarah Armstrong
Captain O'Kane
Karjalan Polka
Reunion
Mr. Gubbins Bicycle
Darktown Strutters Ball

Don't forget to bring your music with you! And it never hurts to review them before you come, then you can really get a lot out of the practice session. Since a couple of them are not on the web, you can call me if you need a copy of any of them.

APRIL BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARYS

Birthdays

2nd Jim Brown
5th Iris Richardson
7th Jack Mullins
15th Barb Borton
15th Sharon Mead
23rd Julie Mester
27th Bill Pohanka
30th Kathy Culy

Anniversaries

4th Chuck & Sharon
Mead
9th Marlin & Carol
Harmon

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

NOTICE: I now have UCDC member e-mail's set up in my Gmail account due to a sending limit with DMCI. Please make sure you have wconklin22@gmail.com on your "safe" send & receive list. I'll be using both e-mails, so let me know if there are issues. If you don't have e-mail, please call us anytime, esp if the weather turns bad.

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 2014.)

Hammered and Mtn Dulcimers for sale - Great collection of used hammered dulcimers for sale - **Tack Dulcimer** - Lightweight - With case, good condition - \$650 **Lost Valley** - I have two gorgeous Lost valleys, all with hand carvings, one with swans, 16/16, and a 16/15. one has a plug in for mic... \$800 **Mountain Dulcimers** - McSpadden, Warren May, Banjo/mtn dulcimers - sound like banjo but tuned like a mountain dulcimer, TK Obrien, Call Paula Brawdy at 616 240 0445 .

Monday Knights, meet every Monday at Bean Elementary school off King Road, Until school closes in May. Or if school is closed for bad weather or the like. Questions, Barb Borton, deba2729@aol.com, or 517-783-2670 . Hope to see a nice turn out!!!!

Upcoming Events

- Apr 5** Nettle Lake Jam -18560 County Rd 5-75 Montpelier, OH 43543 - at 6pm
- Apr 12** UCDC Anniversary Party, Doors open 11:30, noon potluck.
- Apr 20** Queen's Community Easter dinner. Corner of Morrill & Wisner (Jackson) Dinner @ 11:45 Play about 12:45 Contact Barb Borton
- Apr 25** Spring Arbor Senior Center 12:00 to 1:00 Seniors Lunch Wear Blue vests, White shirts, dark slacks. Sign up sheet and song list at April meeting. Contact Person: Barb Borton 783.-2670
- Apr 26** Maumee Street jam, Adrian, MI
- May 13** Davis Conference for Jackson Seniors 12 noon to 1:00 Wear Blue Vests, White Shirts, Dark Slacks. Sign up sheet at April meeting. Will play the performance list Contact Person Barb Borton 783-2670

The UCDC campout will be the weekend of **June 27-28**. We have 18 campsites reserved and the large pavilion. It could be a very busy week since its so close to the 4th of July, so reservations should be made a little sooner this year! See P.3 for sing up form.

Evart News

Rick Thum is teaching his A to Z three-day pre Evart workshop again this year on July 14-16 at a nearby church on First and Cherry St. Rick was voted in 2009 by DPN readers as the most influential dulcimer player of the past decade. His class is fun and packed with useful information. The cost is \$175 and \$165 for alumni and includes the learning jams each evening. What a great opportunity to build a strong foundation prior to the world's largest hammered dulcimer festival. Sign up now at www.rthum.com or email rthum@rthum.com or call (Skype) 314-406-0690 .

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Campout for June 27-28, 2014
Waffle Farms Campground
Coldwater, Michigan

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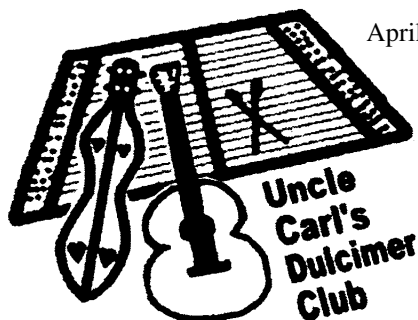
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Everyone is welcome

Submission deadline for the next newsletter is April 18, 2014



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