

Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club

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November 2007

Notes from the Prez:

From the Vice Prez:

I have been amazed every day that the weather is still nice! Hope it continues for a while.

During our last meeting Marcia Fort and I started an inventory of our club CD's and audio tapes. We have a lot of them! I think I will purchase a couple to give as Christmas gifts this year - don't know why I didn't think of it before. Consider doing the same - family and friends will enjoy the music.

I want to thank all of you that volunteered for the many Play-dates that we had this past month. They were a lot of fun. I especially enjoyed Albion since I had never been there before.

Some of you are planning to be gone for the winter (don't know why you would want to leave Michigan in winter) - so I hope you have a safe and healthy time away from us and return in the spring with renewed enthusiasm! We will miss you.

Watch the Newsletter for the 2008 play list, which we will use for Play-dates next year. You may need to brush up on a few tunes.
See you in Nov - Ann

Tune of the Month

As our list continues to grow we have to keep working on what we have learned. For this month's workshop, we will continue to work on our last four tunes: Hey Polka, Doodler's Reel, Ragtime Annie and Turkey in the Straw. If anyone is having trouble, I will be glad to help you with your pattern after we have reviewed the tunes. Don't forget to start practicing your Christmas tunes. Even though we don't have a specific holiday play list other than the one used for Grosvenor House, it's a good idea to brush up on the ones you know. Family and friends will be glad that you share your music with them.

Albion's Autumn Cornfest

Wow! What a turnout we had on October 6 in Albion. It was one of the hottest October days that I can remember in a long time. Victory Park was absolutely beautiful. We played for an hour and then watched the cloggers hoop and holler while dancing. During our next set when we were playing March of St. Tim's, one of the guys dropped a tin lid right when we were at the hold. It was so hilarious that we were all laughing and couldn't even play. We had to start all over again. After that set was over, many of us stayed on to enjoy all of the arts and crafts displayed along the river. We also enjoyed the food that was offered. Some of us went all the way to the end to the BBQ area - nothing like good ol' Southern BBQ. It was said that we will be invited again next year. I sure hope that it won't be snowing, as last October 10th we had 1 inch of snow. We will definitely remember this play date as we all had so much fun!

Raggedy Anne: AKA "Ragtime Annie." The title appears in a list of traditional Ozark Mountain fiddle tunes compiled by musicologist/folklorist Vance Randolph, published in 1954. A familiar term for "Ragtime Annie," perhaps based on association with the popular American rag-doll of the mid- 20th century. (Rag Time Annie): "Ragtime Annie is almost certainly a native American dance tune, possibly less than 100 years old", in fact, rumors persist that it first was heard played by Texas fiddlers around 1900-1910. Guthrie Meade has a similar point of view regarding the tune's antiquity, noting that this very popular piece appears in many relatively modern collections, but not in early ones. Reiner & Anick (1989) suggest the tune is derived from a piano piece called "Raggedy Ann Rag," and categorize it as a 'Midwest' and 'Southwest' tune. A real toe tapper, (hoedown) and a favorite for fiddlers.
From: http://www.roycrawford.netraggedy_anne.htm
.....Penny

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NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARYS

HAPPY BIRTHDAY HAPPY ANNIVERSRY

Bob Ackley-9th	Jim&Linda Brown- 12th
George Dornton- 19th	Chuck&Cindy Feigel- 5th
Marlin Harmon-16th	John&Sharon McAuliffe- 9th
Nancy Lockwood- 19th	Joe&Joan Weaver- 23rd
Brenda Naylor- 23rd	I missed:
	Marc&Ellen Pember –Oct 3rd

Monday Night at Woodville

SUMMER 2007 SCHEDULE

AUGUST- Every Tues. night during Aug.

All level of Players welcome

COME JOIN THE FUN



If you don't see your birthday & anniversary dates in the UCDC newsletters and you would like that information printed, please send your info to Wendy Conklin (weconklin@core.com) or 517-542-2291 for record updating

Grosvenor House Museum

Play List

Uncle Carl's Club has been invited again to play Christmas Music— December 1, 2007 - 2:00-3:00 PM (SET UP AT 1:45 PM)

Angels We Have Heard on High	G
Away in A Manger	G
Deck the Halls	G
Frosty The Snowman	C
God Rest Ye Merry Gentleman	Em
Go Tell It On A Mountain	G
Hark, The Herald Angels Sing	G
Jolly Old St. Nicholas	G
Jingle Bells	G
Jingle Bell Rock	C
Joy to the World	D
Oh Christmas Tree	G
O' Come All Ye Faithful	G
Rudolf	C
Silver Bells	D
Silent Night	G
We Wish You a Merry Christmas	G
We Three Kings	G
White Christmas	C

Directions: US 12 to Jonesville. First light from the east, turn south (left) onto Maumee, go three blocks to Liberty, the House is on the east side of Maumee. Use side (Kitchen entrance) Dressy attire requested

Contact: Ann Johnson at 517-849-9182 or johnson-done@yahoo.com or Wendy Conklin at 517-542-2291 or weconklin@core.com for more information

Upcoming Events

Please mark your calendar!!

- Nov. 2** Rick Thum Concert - 7 pm Sandstone Congregational Church, 250 South Sandstone RD. Jackson (donations) -Jim or Pat Hesselgrave 517-750-3472 for info.
- Nov. 10** UCDC Regular Club Meeting at Spring Arbor Senior Center. Doors Open 12:30 PM
- Nov. 24** West Adrian Music Jam 6:30 PM at West Adrian United Church of Christ
For more info call;
Marilyn at (517) 254-4828 or
Pennye at (517) 547-7448
- Nov. 24** Thornapple Valley Dulcimer Society Regular meeting 1- 4:30 pm
- Nov. 1, 15& 29** Silver Strings Dulcimer Society Good Hope Lutheran Church Garden City, Mi 7-9 pm
- Dec. 1** (Play date) Grosvenor House Museum See article at left (SET UP AT 1:45 PM)



3 Bob Tack dulcimers for sale. I have been collecting Bob Tack dulcimers and now have 3 for sale. They are 11/12, and 12/12 dulcimers. Two are walnut, and one is light wood with a black soundboard. All are excellent quality and excellent sound. Bob Tacks tend to be loud and you can hear them in a jam.

One belonged to Corky who now plays professionally. All come with a case and a stand. Two are priced at \$475, and one is priced at \$650. Please call Paula Brawdy at 269 948 3099. I can email a picture to anyone who is seriously looking.

17-16 Happy Notes, (made by Joe W.) for sale. It is maple with a floating sound board, with stand, case, t-wrench, (and hammers if someone needs those too) for \$800. It has a beautiful sound and there is nothing wrong with it! I have back problems and have to face that it has become too heavy for me to carry around. Call me (517-547-3577) or e-mail (inthewoods@tc3net.com) if anyone is interested. Thanks.... Sandy J.



Albion Autumn Cornfest

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Meetings on the 2nd Saturday of each month, except June July and August from 12:30 to 4:30 at the Spring Arbor Senior Center, Spring Arbor, MI (behind McDonalds).

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Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club was formed in 1982 to promote dulcimer music. Today the club features the hammered dulcimer and the mountain dulcimer with a variety of other instruments including guitar, bass, mandolin, autoharp and the penny whistle. Members have the opportunity to learn new tunes, jam together, perform in public, attend meetings, receive the monthly newsletter and take part in festivals, workshops, potlucks and fun!



Membership dues are \$15.00 per year.

Everyone is welcome

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