

# Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club

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July 2008

## Notes from the Prez:

This month I have a personal note - My husband, Willard, and I had our 50th Wedding Anniversary on May 28. On July 12 we will have a celebration party for the family and a few close friends. Our music trio, Ann, Alice and Joan - "The Jammin' Grammas" - will play a couple of tunes after the cake is cut.

"The Jams" (for short) first performed in December, 2003 at Hidden Lake Gardens with just me and Alice Podczervinski. Within six months there were six - we added Penny Scheiber, Sandy Johnson, Joan Weaver and Suzie Whitehead (on guitar). Over the past few years we played many venues: assisted living/nursing homes; Catholic Common Conference; Irish Hills Festivals; Manitou Beach car show; coffee houses in Hillsdale and Chelsea; street entertainment for various celebrations in Adrian, Brooklyn and Tecumseh; home tours in Tecumseh; Walker Tavern Fall Festival and after dinner and at teas for various churches in the area. Suzie, Sandy and Penny have been such great musicians and we miss them. They have all contributed so much to the group but had other concerns and needed to move on. Music has drawn us closer together and formed a bond that would never have existed without it.

"The Jams" will play August 7 at 7:30 p.m., for the Manchester Gazebo Concerts, as 1/2 of the evenings' entertainment. Also, we will be at the Walker Tavern Fall Fest which is usually Labor Day weekend. Hope to see some of you there.

Back to the anniversary party - Alice has written and will sing three new verses (a love song)

set to the tune of "The Water is Wide" (originally a Scottish air).

If you have a music group that plays for events, please write a column about the group and send it in to the newsletter. We'd love to hear about your group!!!!!!!!!!!!!!  
Ann

SUNSHINE COMMITTEE - We are currently looking for someone to fill this position, please volunteer. Thanks, Ann Wassell

## From the Vice Prez:

### Tune of the Month

Hello everyone, just in time for camping too. Our tune this month is Pays de Haut (means high country). This tune was suggested at one of our meetings. I am workshopping it at our campout at 10:30 am on Saturday in the pavilion. It's a lively tune and a quick learn. Don't want to work too hard, especially if it is a nice day.  
Take care.....Penny

PLEASE NOTE: Send all newsletter items and e-mails to:  
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**JULY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARYS**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY**

Roberta Bartlett- 7th  
Dean Borton- 27th  
Kathy Culy- 26th  
Chuck Feigel- 18th  
Ramona Hadley- 20th  
Vickie Halsey – 2nd  
Jean Hudnut- 17th  
Ann Johnson- 11th

Jerry Kloock- 9th  
John McAuliffe -17th  
Janelle Pacic- 9th  
Karen Turner -5th

**HAPPY ANNIVERSRY**

Dean&Barb Borton- 22nd  
Frank&Clara Foote- 1st  
Roger&Jeanine Houk- 5th

**Monday Night at Woodville School**

**2008 SCHEDULE**

*All level of Players welcome  
COME JOIN THE FUN*

**MONDAY NIGHT JAM AT WOODVILLE ----SUMMER HOURS (6:30 TO 9:00 JAM --NO BEGINNER CLASS)**

THE MONTH OF JULY -- NO JAM AND NO CLASSES.... ENJOY ALL THE FESTIVALS!!!

AUGUST 5 TUESDAY, AUGUST 12 TUESDAY , AUGUST 19 TUESDAY, AUGUST 26 TUESDAY

**NEW FALL CLASSES START SEPTEMBER 8, 2008 MONDAY**

6:30- 7:30 BEGINNING CLASS IN ROOM # 9  
6:30 -7:30 JAM FOR ROOM # 10  
7:30- 9:00 BRING ONE PIECE OF NEW MUSIC WITH ENOUGH COPIES TO PASS AROUND. (15-20)

**IF YOU ARE NEW CHECK WITH BARB BORTON FOR TIMES. 517- 783-2670**

**SPRING ARBOR LEARNING FAIR**

JULY 10, 2008 THURSDAY (4:00 PM to 7:00 PM) and JULY 11, 2008 FRIDAY (2:00 PM TO 5:00 PM ) I AM TRYING TO SCHEDULE A GROUP FOR THESE TIME PERIODs (If you are interested in filling this spot with your group please contact me, Barb Borton, 517-783-2670) Thanks

**Practice with Pennye**

3 CD set of UCDC repertoire to practice with, or choose which tunes you want on one CD. Played slowly and then up to tempo. Contact Pennye at 517-547-7448 for more information.

**Upcoming Events**

- July 4** Hillsdale Fairgrounds 4th of July Celebration - 12 noon (1 hour) (rain day, July 5)
- July 10** Spring Arbor Learning Fair - 12 - 7 p.m.
- July 11** Spring Arbor Learning Fair - 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Music played will be decided by open jam.
- July 17-20** ODPC Funfest Ewart, MI
- Aug. 8 & 9** North Central Regional Fiddler's Convention - Hillsdale County Fairgrounds
- Sept. 13** Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club, Spring Arbor Senior Center - 2:30 p.m.
- Aug. 21-24** Midland Dulcimer Festival, Midland, MI
- Sept. 27** Blair Farm, Homer - 1 to 2:30 p.m. West on M60, 1 mile east of Homer.
- Oct. 4** Albion's A-Maizing Corn Harvest Victory Park on the Kalamazoo River, Albion

2 performances, times to be announced later

**UCDC Attire**

Available one small vest, one large blue sweatshirt, one XL ladies blue shirt. If you need to order anything else, I am placing a small order to have ready for the campout. Call Pennye at 517-547-7448 or write [penny@comcast.net](mailto:penny@comcast.net).

**Attention UCDC members**...If you want to order a UCDC name tag contact Wendy Conklin 517-542-2291 or [weconklin@dmcibb.net](mailto:weconklin@dmcibb.net).

Thanks Ted.....Wendy

WILL CARLTON'S POOR HOUSE -CIVIL WAR DAYS RE-ENACTMENT

There were eleven of us playing our music under one very small tent on Saturday, June 14, in Hillsdale. It was a beautiful day and we needed to be out of the sunshine. Some of us were almost in the shade. Many people listening to us remarked that they really enjoyed hearing the dulcimers.

If you haven't been to the "Poor House", it is a very interesting farm property next to the Bob Evans factory in Hillsdale. There were re-enactors performing, Abraham Lincoln spoke, there were dances, medical scenarios, blacksmith, food concessions and much more. It was a fun place to be.



## Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club

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).

President	Ann Wassell abwassell@frontiernet.net
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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!



**Everyone is welcome**

Membership dues are \$15.00 per year.  
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