

# Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club

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November 2008

## Notes from the Prez:

Continuing with the subject of "thanks" from last month, I would like to share two thank-you notes we received this month.

First, from JoAnne Miller, Homer Historical Society. It reads: "Dear Ann and Members of Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club, Thank you so much for continuing to play at the Homer Historical Society's Annual Fall Festival (Blair Farm). Your music sets the tone for the event and is something everyone looks forward to. We feel very fortunate to have had you as part of the festival all these years. Our date next year is September 26. We hope you will play for us then, too. Many Thanks!"

Next - "Dear Ann and Uncle Carl's Dulcimer Club Musicians, Thank you for coming to the Golden Nugget to entertain the members of the General Federation Women's Club, Southeastern District Women's Club. The selection of music and songs really was perfect for this group. I do believe we all learned something about this wonderful instrument. Of course, we thought Diane Stevens played beautifully on the violin and thank her for suggesting your group. Thank you again. May you always make sweet music for all you meet." Jane, Waldo, Convention Chairperson

What a joy to receive these notes and share them with you! What a joy to play music with you all. For those of you that want to start participating in our "gigs", get busy and learn the play list! We need you!!!!!! Ann

REMINDER: Those of you that have been taking pictures of UCDC members at outings and meetings - please select your best pics and send a copy

to Pennye so that we can compose a set of pictures to add to the "Memory Book" for the year 2008. We will need the pictures by the February meeting so that the pages can be set up and printed in time to be available at the Anniversary party in April.

Don't forget to buy an Anniversary Book so you can add the latest pics!

## From the Vice Prez:

**Tune of the Month** We certainly worked really hard last month with our new tune "Caribbean". Since the timing is so important, we are going to continue working on it this month along with Flight of the Haggis and Rush and the Pepper. Christmas is just around the corner and we are signed up to play at the Grosvenor House once again. A Holly, Jolly Christmas has been added to the list. Please ask for this tune during our meeting so that folks can begin to hear and practice it. We will also try to have the rest of the Christmas music available in a packet for those who don't have it. We just might have more than one place to play our Christmas music this year.

Take care.....Pennye

### Christmas Party

Entertainment this year will be by our members. This is just a reminder that "We Need You" to be part of our show. Find a friend, put together a group, or get brave and share your latest accomplishments. There is still plenty of time for you to get your act together. Looking forward to some great music from our wonderful members!

Take care.....Pennye

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**NEW MEMBER HIGHLIGHT**

Our new member this month is Jack Elwood. He has lived on Kibbee Road in Jackson for the past 13 years with his second wife, Jeannie. They also have a home in Florida where they stay from December to May. Jack has a vacation cottage on the Ausable River where he likes to get away from it all.

Jack is a graduate of Spring Arbor College. He is a retired home builder - has built several homes in Spring Arbor.

One of Jack's hobbies is caring for and showing his 1927 Model T Ford car. He drives it to church on Sunday and also has driven it in many parades.

His mother was the musical person in the family. She played piano. Jack got his first harmonica when he was 7 years old and his dad bought his first guitar when he was 12 years old. The instruments that he plays are the harmonica, steel guitar and rhythm guitar.

Jack found Uncle Carl's Club through Ruth Sweet. During that time he met Jim Brown, a fellow guitar player. He attended meetings years ago and then lost touch with the club. Jim met him a few weeks ago and invited Jack to come back to the club.

Welcome to the club, Jack!



Victory Park—Albion

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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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