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Spring Thing in Winder Was A Wonder

by Kat Vallish, Spring Thing Director

We had a great time at Spring Thing this year. We met on Friday afternoon under the pines at Ft. Yargo State Park. We jammed, grilled out and jammed some more. It was a very low drama relaxing and much needed stress reliever. We also got to see just what all Barbara Joe's 4-wheel drive scooter could do. I want one.

I was very impressed with the number of new players who showed up for this event. There seems to be a growing number of people who are interested in learning to play the mountain dulcimer.

Gwen Caeli's class was full of excited participants and I have heard nothing but rave reviews from the people who took Gwen's class. Bing Futch provided quite the challenge to intermediate and advanced level players. We had a great deal of fun in Bing's class. It was also a good challenge to the grey matter at the same time.

We are thankful to the nice folks at the Winder First United Methodist Church who allowed us to use their beautiful Fellowship Hall. We had plenty of room and very comfortable chairs.

If you have never attended Spring Thing, please plan to attend next year. This is a great opportunity to make new friends within the NGFDA and to learn some new skills and songs as well.

Special thanks to all who volunteered and helped with set up and clean up. Your help was so very much appreciated.

Look for posting of Spring Thing dates and location in the September newsletter.

Open Invitation From Gwinnoters

Are you curious about the heritage, history and earlier traditions of the Appalachian Mountain Dulcimer? Gwinnoters is sponsoring a "living museum" experience on Sunday, August 16 from 1:30 to 4:30 for a special presentation workshop on noter/drone-style playing featuring historic old dulcimers, noters, turkey quills and DAA tuning. Everyone is invited to this hands-on cultural experience. Historic dulcimers made by luthiers Leonard Glenn of Sugar Grove, NC, Edd Presnell of Banner Elk, NC, Bill Smith of Bluff Mountain, NC, Roy Russell of Galax, VA and Audrey Hash Miller of Mouth of Wilson, VA will be demonstrated by the workshop presenters. The workshop panel of presenters includes NGFDA members Lou Ellen Gibson of Big Canoe, GA, Carol Downs, of Athens, GA, Anne Martin of Norcross, GA and panel coordinator Gwen Caeli of Lawrenceville, GA. The gathering will be in the Fellowship Hall of Fairview Presbyterian Church, 857 Duluth Hwy., Lawrenceville, GA. For additional information, email: gwinnotersdulcimer@gmail.com.

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Upcoming Events

July 11, 2015

On July 11, Butch Ross will be performing at the Chatsworth, Georgia Train Depot. It's a fundraiser for their building. https://www.facebook.com/ChatsworthDepot. Also, that morning he will be teaching a workshop for all levels, and probably Civil War themed (that day is also Civil War day at the depot). The workshop will start at 10am and be $20 per person, admission to the show is included in that fee.

The concert will start at 2:00 pm. All the proceeds from the concert go to the restoration of the depot. So everybody wins on this one.

September 23-25, 2015

As part of Marshall County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program's celebration and preservation of Appalachian music, RSVP will be bringing four nationally know instructors to teach mountain dulcimer classes September 23 -25, 2015 at the Guntersville Recreation Center. This is the seventh year for RSVP to host this southeastern regional dulcimer festival, Melodies and Musings – Our Appalachian Legacy. Registration forms and information can be found on the festival website www.melodies-and-musings.com. Call RSVP, 256-571-7734 or email: mcrsvp@mcrsvp.org for more information.

The festival will offer Mountain Dulcimer Tracks at the Beginner/Novice, Intermediate and Advanced skill levels. Each level will receive 15 hours of mountain dulcimer instruction over the three days working with each of the four nationally known instructors each day. This year's instructors will be Paul Andry, Highlands, North Carolina; Tull Glazener, Indianapolis, Indiana; Anne Lough, Waynesville, North Carolina and Susan Trump, Schenectady, New York. Sessions will focus on playing technique, repertoire building and ensemble playing.

Participants can choose an additional four hours of Appalachian music heritage and culture classes from 15 offerings. Evening Activities will include: Wednesday free night to enjoy a local restaurant with jamming at the Hampton Inn after dinner; Thursday Night BBQ and Open Stage and Friday Night Mountain Dulcimer Instructors' Concert will be open to the public. Jamming, vendors, Contra Dance, singing and more!

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About The Tablature . . .

Here is Steve Eulberg's tablature for the traditional tune, "Spider Bit The Baby."

Steve Says: "I learned it from the banjo playing of Cathy Barton Para in mid-Missouri and have played it with her, too! This one has chords for backup with a nice quick change in the A part. The melody also makes use of the slide articulation which has a scooping sound which adds to the fun!

"This tablature comes from the playing (and the tunes) on my duo CD with fiddler, Vi Wickam. "Old School Old-Time" is the name of the CD and the accompanying book (which has arrangements for each tune for fiddle, mountain and hammered dulcimers).
cd:http://www.vithefiddler.com/product/fiddle-whamdiddle-old-school-old-time/
book: http://www.vithefiddler.com/old-school-old-time-book/

Steve Eulberg stands within the tradition of handmade, acoustic, home-grown music, giving life to old songs and tunes and songs by passing them on. He also stretches the boundaries of musical instrumentation by playing jazz, blues and bossa nova on traditional instruments. He brings virtuosity and surprise to performance and thoughtful songwriting which utilize humor, bringing new perspectives to embrace the broken lives and tattered fringes of life and re-weave them into strands of hope.

The warm vibrations and resonance of wood & strings inspire a hope he is compelled to share with audiences. The hammered dulcimer is present in cultures across the globe, the mountain dulcimer has crossed cultural boundaries to be adopted by people outside of its origins.

There is an ancestral resonance that people feel when hearing these instruments which brings a human tribal unity to those in the audience.

Mountain Dulcimer Melody

Spider Bit the Baby

Arranged for Dulcimer by Steve Eulberg

THE DOGWOOD DULCIMER ASSOCIATION
PENSACOLA, FLORIDA

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OCTOBER 23 - 25, 2015

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801 W. HWY 4, CENTURY, FL 32535
CONTACT PARK MANAGER FOR CAMPING RESERVATIONS
PHONE: (850) 256-5555; (NO EMAIL)

EVENTS OCTOBER 18 - 25, 2015

10/18-10/24 JAMMING DAILY AT 2 PM & 6 PM *(AND AS DESIRED)*
10/21 WEDNESDAY 11:30 AM DAVE'S CATFISH HOUSE – LUNCH OUTING *(1504 S MAIN ST, ATMORE AL)*
10/23 FRIDAY 2 PM HOMEMADE JAMMING *(5 PM SUPPER ON YOUR OWN)*
6 PM SWEET HOMEMADE JAMMING + BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE

10/24 SATURDAY 12 PM COVERED DISH LUNCH *(ALL PARTICIPANTS BRING A DISH)*
1 PM OPEN STAGE *(DULCIMER CLUBS ONLY)*
2 PM & 6 PM HOMEMADE JAMMING

10/25 SUNDAY 9 AM MUSIC SERVICE

(CAMPERS GIG @ CENTURY CARE CENTER AT 1 PM ON 10/20 TUESDAY & 10/22 THURSDAY)

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(3 Hours)
~
LARRY CONGER

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- Strengthen & enhance your Satellite playing with focus on ensemble approach to tunes and the individual techniques to help you smooth out your playing
- New ideas and pieces for your Satellite group to work on

Dulcimer Fellowship, Workshops, Jams, Satellite Open-Stage Sharing, and Concerts

COST Friday Eve & Saturday All Day Participants: **$30.00** includes Jams, 3 Hours of Workshops, Lunch-Pot Luck, and Mini-Concert.
Additional Saturday Concert Tickets for Non-participants - $5.00

SCHEDULE	**Friday**	**4:00pm -- 9:00pm**	Relaxed Evening **JAM & COFFEE SOCIAL** (All Acoustic Instruments Welcome)
	Saturday	**9:00am – -9:00pm**	
		9:00am-10am	**Registration & Coffee**
		10:00am-12Noon	**WORKSHOP**
		12:30-1:30pm	**LUNCH; POT-LUCK**
		1:30-2:30pm	**WORKSHOP S**
		3:00-6:30pm	**SATELLLITE GROUP (2 or more players) OPEN-STAGE and POT-LUCK LEFTOVERS**
		6:30-7:30	**CONCERT with LARRY CONGER**
		7:30-9:00pm	**JAM** (All Acoustic Instruments Welcome)

EASY DAYTRIP LOCATION FROM METRO AND NORTH GEORGIA

LODGING **HAMPTON INN of Cornelia • 161 Market Corners Drive, Cornelia, GA 30531**
Main Phone 706-778-0040 www.cornelia.hamptoninn.com
- Motel is 2.8 miles from the Church event location
- $102 plus tax (negotiated). Rates are normally $119 for 1 adult or $124 for 2 adults
- 10 rooms are blocked – ask for "Dulcimer Event" reduced rate
- All rooms have microwave, refrigerator, wireless internet
- A complimentary hot/cold breakfast is offered every morning in the Atrium
- Outside salt water pool and 24hr fitness room

Additional motels in the area.

- Cornelia is a great little northeast Georgia town and area to explore! "Food, Falls, Forests, and Fun" http://explorecornelia.com/
- From Atlanta: I-85 N to I-985 to Cornelia Exit.
- From Hampton Inn or other motel, drive to Cornelia Main Street (aka Historic 441) Turn onto Pine Street; church is on the right - red brick, great parking lot w/portico.

For Additional Information: Peggy Martin (678)478-2456 Lynn McCollum (706)499-3212

2015 Fall Festival Update!!

By President/Festival Director,
Mike Van Demark

Here's hoping that all of you have marked November 19-22 on your calendar to attend the 27th Annual NGFDA Fall Festival at Unicoi State Park which is beautifully nestled in the North Georgia Mountains in Helen, Georgia. This year we have a great lineup of faculty and workshop leaders. We have a few new faculty names that have either never attended or it's been a while since they attended as follows:

- Jess Dickenson *(Ham'd Dulcimer)*
- Jeff Hames *(Mt. Dulcimer)*
- Lorinda Jones *(Mt. Dulcimer & Harp)*
- Jim Miller *(Mt. Dulcimer & Ham'd))*
- Michael Shull *(Mt. Dulcimer)*
- Linda Thomas *(Ham'd Dulcimer)*
- Bob Thomason *(Mt. Dulcimer Building Workshop)*

Returning to the 2015 Fall Festival are several other special faculty members who have been so appreciated in the past as follows:

- Ken Bloom *(bowed dulcimer)*
- Gwen Caeli (*Mt. Dulcimer)*
- Larry Conger *(Mt. Dulcimer)*
- Elaine Conger *(Mt. Dulcimer)*
- Jeff Furman *(Mt. Dulcimer)*
- Guy George (*Ham'd Dulcimer. Steel Drums & Pennywhistle*)
- Sharrie George (*Ukelele)*
- Tull Glazener (*Mt. Dulcimer*)
- Marsha Harris (*Mt. Dulcimer & Native American Flute*)
- Anne Lough (*Mt, Ham'd, Autoharp*)

The Sunday morning gathering program has not been finalized totally as of this date; however, Larry and Elaine Conger will be part of the program as well as one other faculty member to be announced in the June newsletter. We have heard you loud and clear through last year's festival evaluations!! We will be going back to a more traditional Sunday morning gathering as we have had in years past with holiday and traditional dulcimer music that can be enjoyed by everyone.

Please share these exciting plans with your dulcimer playing groups and friends and encourage them to join the NGFDA so they will be on our list for registration information.

(As a reminder, if someone joins the club now, their membership is only good through December 31, 2015).

Dues are annual and members pay their dues on a calendar year basis for 2016 beginning with the Fall Festival Registration process. Dues for 2016 must be paid at the time of registration in order to attend. Members who do not attend the festival can begin paying January 2016 via US Postal Service.

Festival registration fees will remain at $105.00 again this year. Registration for this event will begin on Tuesday, September 1st and close on October 11th.

This just about covers everything for this year's Festival with music from traditional Appalachian, Galax style to Celtic and Contemporary.

I have heard from Unicoi that the lodge rooms are already filling fast so don't be left out!! Please refer to newsletter insert for lodging information and prices. Once again this year your lodge room will include Breakfast (including gratuity and taxes)

2015 Unicoi State Park Lodge Rates for Fall Festival

It's not too early to start thinking about the 2015 Fall Festival at Unicoi November 19-22. Once again NGFDA has negotiated great prices this year when staying in the Lodge, Cabins or Campsites which will include a breakfast for a single/double occupancy room (2 people). Each additional person (over 2) staying in the room will be charged only $11.56 per person per day but that will also include a breakfast for them. Please make sure you tell Unicoi how many people are going to be in your room, cabin or campsite. This will make it much easier at check-in time so that everyone receives a breakfast ticket! Last year there was a problem with people not receiving a breakfast ticket when they checked in because the number of people changed from the time they made the reservation to the time they arrived to check in.

You can always change your reservation to go up or down but Unicoi must know the # of people staying in each type of room.

Below is a schedule of prices published for Unicoi. When making your reservation (telephone at 1-706-878-2201) you must include **Event #006123** to receive these special rates. Unicoi has already received several calls for this popular event so doesn't be left out this year and get your reservations made today!

Event #06123 (Unicoi Lodge Reservations #1-706-878-2201)

Type of Room	Single Occupancy (1 person) Per Night	Double Occupancy (2 people) Per Night	3+Persons in Room Per Night
Less Than 3 Nights-Lodge	$127.71	$139.27	$11.56 per person extra
3 Nights-Lodge	$111.61	$123.17	$11.56 per person extra
4 Nights-Lodge	$104.71	$116.27	$11.56 per person extra
1-Bedroom Cabin	$148.41	$159.97	$11.56 per person extra
2- Bedroom Cabin	$159.91	$171.47	$11.56 per person extra
3-Bedroom Cabin	$182.91	$194.47	$11.56 per person extra
RV-Site 40' Full Hookup	$ 41.56	$ 53.12	$11.56 per person extra
All Lodging includes taxes, gratuity and daily buffet breakfast for each person in the room			

Please include this event on your calendar for November so you don't miss out on this great festival. Registration for this event will begin on Tuesday, September 1st and close on October 11th.

Dulcimer 101
Part 4 - Strumming Pattern Exercises (Continued)
By John Shawhan, Vice President

In this month's article I am expanding the strumming patterns to more complex strums. Also I have added a link to a YouTube video that expands the utility of these exercises. Thanks again to Paul Sykes for allowing the use of his material.

STRUMMING PATTERN EXERCISES

(_ = one quarter note; .. = two eighth notes; * = "*air strum*"[1])

Measure Count Time Signature = 4/4 time

#6	— * . — * .	— * . — * .	— * . — * .
#7	— — * . * .	— — * . * .	— — * . * .
#8	— . . * . —	— . . * . —	— . . * . —
#9	. . * . . . * .	. . * . . . * .	. . * . . . * .
#10	. . . . * . * .	. . . . * . * .	. . . . * . * .

To use this handout with the YouTube video, go to the following link:
http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wb0toI2i9_I

[1] Arrows show direction of strum. An "*air strum"* is when you make the "motion" to strum but the pick does NOT make "contact" with the strings; thus, no sound is produced. In examples 6-10 above, only the "back strum" makes contact with the strings on the respective beats using the " * . " annotation; the forward strum is silent or "*air strummed*"

Spotlight on Satellites

Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club

Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club enjoyed sharing sweet dulcimer sounds with two older adult church groups recently. Members also made the annual trek to Knoxville, Georgia to play at the Jug Fest. Money from the festival is used to restore the old Crawford County Courthouse. The group was joined by several members from the Middle Georgia Dulcimer Club. Festival goers enjoyed dulcimer music while they ate their barbecue lunches in the shade of a large tree.

Three ladies who are natives of Korea have joined Sonic Sounds this year. At a church picnic these ladies and another member who is a native of the Philippines donned Korean dress and sang a Korean folk song while accompanying themselves on their dulcimers.

Mountain Sounds

The Mountain Sounds Dulcimer club began 15 years ago and for the past 12 years, LaDale Trimble and husband Ray have contributed much of their time and resources to keep the club actively involved in the Blairsville community.

Under their leadership, the club has played many festivals as well as the historic courthouse in Blairsville. The club also sponsored the Shamrock festival for several years and hosted some of the country's top dulcimer players who gave instructional workshops.

Ray does not play the dulcimer but faithfully kept the music library up to date and took care of all the orders such as tee shirts and all items needed by the club.

LaDale has also been a volunteer teacher of dulcimer at the local Methodist Church OASIS program for several years. She has been instrumental in introducing many people to the dulcimer.

Ray and LaDale will be taking some time off to travel but will remain a part of Mountain Sounds when they are in town.

The club wanted to thank them for their service. The delicious cake was made by club member Carolyn Wade.

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Yonah Pickers

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What a productive and fun month the Yonah Pickers have had! In addition to their regularly scheduled events, they participated in two school events. The first was the Arts in Appalachia Day at a local intermediate school and the other was a careers day at a local elementary school. In each case, the group was able to introduce the Mountain Dulcimer and their other instruments to children some of whom had never seen them, let alone played them! Each child's face brightened as they had hands on experiences. At both events, the students also got to see how the mountain dulcimer is constructed thanks to one of the builders in the group, Charlie Potter, who brought instruments in various states of the building process. Also in both events the children heard about the origins of the mountain dulcimer. All the groups of students were very well behaved and asked meaningful questions. In fact, one student from the intermediate group is now taking mountain dulcimer lessons from the leader of the Yonah Pickers, Lynn McCollum! This delightful little girl was one of those people who just picks the instrument up and starts to play. Might she be another Nathaniel Samsel? Time will tell. Nathaniel was a little younger than this young lady when he started taking lessons from Lynn!

Even with all the special events of this month, the group continued their community service. Most of the respite care program participants were charmed by the "Limber Jill." They smiled and giggled right along with the music! Some of the senior center participants have started to join the group up front on a regular basis for one or more songs! Everyone is enjoying their participation.

With other special events on the horizon, the group is energetically practicing and developing their skills. They are particularly enjoying finding harmonies and flourishes for their music. Several members went to Spring Thing and returned with glowing reports of the event. If you find yourself in the White and/or Habersham County areas on a weekly practice day, you are invited to come by and join in. All ability levels and all instruments are welcome. For more information about this article, please contact bswhitmire@windstream.net.

Gainesville Strummers

As well as jamming every week with the group, members of the Gainesville Strummers joined in the fun at Spring Fling in Winder and reported that this event was well worth the trip, even for our newest member who joined this month. One member even crept over the border to spread the word at the SADA Dulcimer Festival in Tannehill State Park, Alabama.

The group focus has been to develop a series of music medleys including, waltz, gospel and traditional folk music. It has been a lot of fun and a challenge to smooth out the timing and transitions! Dulcimer playing is all about sharing the joy of music and stretching ourselves ever further. Come join the fun each Thursday at 12:30 pm for beginners and from 1-3 for all levels. Visitors are always welcome. The group will not meet for the month of July.

For more information contact: claudine.nickens@gmail.com.

On May 23rd, Annette Garver wrote on Annie Pal's Facebook Timeline:

Our beloved Annie --

Now her soul soars and surrounds us. She spread beauty and love everywhere she ventured. When dealt a difficult hand by life, her spirit shone through with love. She loved the earth, justice, beauty, and all her many, many friends. Even when she was in pain, she had a smile, a cheery word, a hug for all. If you see a rainbow or anything that looks like a halo above the earth, look closely, for our dear Annie is there.

Blessed be as you journey the heavens, our dear Annie.

Annie was a long time NGFDA member. She started with the Macon/Milledgeville Satellites, then moved and came to the Allatooners Satellite; then moved to South Carolina.

Upcoming Events

September 23-25, 2015

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Registration is $125; after September 1, $135. Space is limited. Cost includes fifteen hours of dulcimer instruction working with nationally known instructors, three afternoon fun "Pick n' Choose" classes (see website for details), and one entrance to evening activities. Meal plan available, see website.

Festival workshops made possible in part by the following partners: National Endowment for the Arts grant, Alabama State Council on the Arts grant, City of Guntersville and RSVP.

Come join the fun this year at the same great location on Beautiful Lake Guntersville, 1500 Sunset Drive, Guntersville, Alabama.

September 24-27, 2015

SATELLITE	AREA	FREQUENCY	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT
Allatooners	Kennesaw, GA	Monthly, 2nd Sun.	1:30-4:00	First United Lutheran Church of Kennesaw 3481 Campus Loop Rd (formerly Frey Lake Rd.)	Peggy Martin 678-478-2456 martin.pb@comcast.net www.allatooners.org Satellite Scribe: Diana (DeeDee) Nash muffyqnash@yahoo.com
AlphaFretters					Not Currently Meeting
Bent Tree Strings	Jasper, GA	Monthly, 4th Thurs.	2:30-4:30	Club Tamarack Dining Room in Bent Tree. Bent Tree is 6 miles east of Jasper off Cove Road.	Carol Lesley 770-893-2019 Carol.Lesley@tds.net
Blue Ridge	Blue Ridge, GA	Bimonthly 1st & 3rd Mondays	1:00-3:00	Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church Hwy. 515 at Forge Mill Road	Anne Bailey 706-632-3854 Teri Godfirnon terig@windstream.net
Currahee Dulcimer Club	Toccoa, GA	Weekly-Thursdays Beginners Group	 6:30-7:00 7:00-8:30	Stephens County Senior Center 55 Roselane	Joe and Jan Sibley 706-886-7407 jinja717@yahoo.com
Dalton Dulcimers	Dalton, GA	Weekly Wednesdays	2:30	First United Methodist Church 500 S. Thornton Ave.	Sherry Patterson 706-278-7256 jspatts@windstream.net
Dixieland Dulcimers	Griffin, GA	Weekly-Mondays	10:00	Crestview Baptist Church fellowship hall, Griffin, GA	Donna Harpe 770-228-5597 phillip_harpe@bellsouth.net Jphn Garret 770-223-8405 jgsped@yahoo.com Dave Graves 770-227-4890 drg636@gmail.com
Frettin' On Faith	Ringgold, GA	Weekly Sundays	4:00	First Baptist Church downtown Ringgold on U.S. Highway 41 (Nashville St.) in the choir/music room	Michael Whitfield 706-673-6730 mewhitfield@optilink.us Website: www.tiptopwebsite.com/frettin
Gainesville Strummers	Gainesville, GA	Weekly – Thurs. Beginners Everyone	 12:30 1:00-3:00	First Baptist Church Room 208, 751 Green Street, N.W.	Bob Weaver 770-540-5278 bobweaver6@gmail.com.
Garden City Strummers	Evans, GA	Monthly, 3rd Mon.	6:00-8:00	4537 Glenda Lane Evans, GA 30809	Pat & Bill Colbert 706-860-3437 pogosbill@aol.com
Gwinnoters	Lawrenceville, GA	Monthly, 3rd Sun.	1:30-4:30	Fairview Presbyterian 857 Duluth Hwy. (Hwy. 120)	Gwen Caeli 678-863-4342 gwencaeli@gmail.com Linda Depkin suzie.d@mindspring.com
Hart String-Strummers	Hartwell, GA	Monthly – 1st Mon. Monthly – 3rd Sat.	12:30 12:30	Member's Home Hartwell Art Center	Call Mary Alice Ray at 706-371-0176 for directions to the Monday meeting or for more information
Hilltop Strummers	Woodstock-Canton, GA	Weekly – Tues.	1:30-3:30	Canton First UMC 930 Lower Scott Mill Road, Canton, GA Exit 16 at I-575	Bob & Sandra Hange 770-265-5308 bhange65@gmail.com
In Town Down Home	Atlanta, GA	Monthly, 3rd Sat.	2:00	Tenth Street United Methodist Church 425 Tenth Street, NW	Cathy Watts 770-393-3454 chwatts@mindspring.com
LaGrange Dulcimer Troupers	LaGrange, GA	Weekly, Thurs. mornings Weekly, Tues.	10:45-12:15 11:30	First United Methodist Church for jamming & prac. Beginning classes	Ann and Perry Wilder 706-882-5027 perrylwilder@bellsouth.net
Land of Waterfalls Dulcimer Players	Brevard & vicinity, NC	1st, 2nd & 3rd Wed.-Practice 4th Wed.-Playouts	1:00-2:30	St Philip's Episcopal Church 256 East Main St Brevard, NC	Mary Sherwood 828-966-9628 sherwood@comporium.net Ann Brown 828-877-5506
Middle Georgia Dulcimer Club	Macon, GA	Monthly, 2nd Sat.	1:00 Lesson 2:00-4:00 Jam	Young America School of Music 6361 Zebulon Road	Barbara Stevens 478-457-6539 gbs468@aol.com Karen Stewart 478-954-6759 galadybug53@gmail.com
Mountain Sounds	Blairsville, GA	Bimonthly 2nd & 4th Tues.	1:30-3:30	Senior Center	Roxanne Gill roxannegill47@gmail.com
Oconee Belles & Beaus	Salem, SC	Bimonthly, 2nd Thurs. 4th Tues.	2:00-4:00 1:00-3:00	Keowee Key (Routes 130 & 183 So. of Salem, SC) Activity Center, Whitewater Room	Joan Krech 864-944-7094 joankrech@bellsouth.net Bonnie Lamarand 864-888-3328 lmrnd@att.net
Peach Pickers	Peachtree City, GA	Monthly, 2nd. Sun.	3:00-5:00	1st Presbyterian Church Fellowship Hall 208 Willowbend Road	Pat Hobson 770-461-2522 pohobson@gmail.com Wanda Dawkins 678-899-0453 hrwmdawk@yahoo.com
Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club (EDIMGIAFAD)	Centerville, GA	Weekly, Thurs.	6:00-6:30 Lesson 7:15-Jam	1st United Methodist Church 600 N. Houston Lake Rd.	Laneah Maddox 478-971-8223 912-687-3621 laneahmaddox@yahoo.com http://wrmusic.tripod.com/sonicsoundsdulcimerclub
Whistle Stop Pickers	East Alabama/ West Georgia (Auburn-Opelika area)	Weekly, Sat.	1:00-3:00	Lee County Historical Society Museum 6500 Stage Road (Hwy 14) Loachapoka, AL	Allen & Deborah McCord 334-821-1301 334-703-3646 (cell) mccord0304@gmail.com
Yonah Pickers	Cleveland, GA Clarkesville, GA	Bimonthly 2nd & 4th Sun. Bimonthly-Beginners 1st & 3rd Mon. Bimonthly-Everyone 1st & 3rd Mon.	2:00-4:00 11:45-12:45 1:00-3:00	First Presbyterian Church of Cleveland Bethlehem Baptist Church in Clarkesville	Lynn McCollum 706-499-3212 Lynnmccollum50@gmail.com Email lynnmccollum50@gmail.com for details.

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