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Middle Georgia Dulcimer Club

The Middle Georgia Dulcimer Club was well represented at this year's Fall Festival at Unicoi State Park. Club members enjoyed classes presented by instructors we have had before as well as classes presented by Matthew Dickerson, Nancy Galambush and Judy House who have not been at the Fall Festival before. Club members participated in jams and open stage, and at least one member played in the band during the contra dancing. Members also had fun participating in the contra dance itself. The live band and Anne Lough, the caller, made the last night at Unicoi a memorable one.

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About The Tablature . .

This month's tab "Huron Carol" by Shelley Stevens.

The "Huron Carol" (or "Twas in the Moon of Wintertime") is a Canadian Christmas hymn (Canada's oldest Christmas song), written probably in 1642 by Jean de Brébeuf, a Jesuit missionary at Sainte-Marie among the Hurons in Canada. Brébeuf wrote the lyrics in the native language of the Huron / Wendat people; the song's original Huron title is "Jesous Ahatonhia" ("Jesus, he is born"). The song's melody is based on a traditional French folk song, "Une Jeune Pucelle" ("A Young Maid"). The well-known English lyrics were written in 1926 by Jesse Edgar Middleton, and the copyright to these lyrics was held by The Frederick Harris Music Co., Limited, but entered the public domain in 2011. The English version of the hymn uses imagery familiar in the early 20th century, in place of the traditional Nativity story. This version is derived from Brébeuf's original song and Huron religious concepts.

Allatooners

The Allatooners Satellite Group had a busy fall. On September 7 they presented an educational program for the Cobb Senior Center in Marietta GA, starting with a PowerPoint slide show that told the story of the origin of the instruments that became the mountain and hammered dulcimers, and ending with a short concert demonstrating different styles of playing.

Members attending the annual NGFDA Fall Festival at Unicoi State Park, Helen GA met several times over the next month to come up with a song to play at Open Stage. They settled on a medley of two songs tabbed by Terry Lewis: Campbell's Farewell to Redcastle (also known as Red Gap), a late 19th Century Scottish pipe tune; and Bear Dance, a 16th century Eastern European folk song. Pictured left to right on stage are Marianne Wurtele, Peggy Martin, Dee Dee Nash and Judy Griffith. Donna Reyes practiced with them but had a last-minute conflict and could not perform. If you were unable to attend the convention and/or missed the show, you can still watch the video of the performance on You Tube: https://youtu.be/P8bBwt2Lsbk

Saturday, January 26 the Allatooners will be sponsoring an all-day gathering featuring workshops with Tull Glazener, and all NGFDA members and friends are encouraged to join this event, so mark your calendar and save the date. A flyer with details will be posted in the NGFDA newsletter and on the NGFDA facebook page. This will add a new twist to an old tradition for the Allatooners, who seldom find the time in their busy lives to actually get together for a Christmas party, and instead tend to meet in January for a potluck celebration to bring cheer to each other in the midst of cold dreary days.

The Allatooners welcome all levels of players and meet at 6:30pm the 2nd Monday of the month at the First United Lutheran Church of Kennesaw 3481 Campus Loop Rd (formerly Frey Lake Rd.)

2018 Fall Festival Photos

If anyone has pictures (or videos) taken of the performers or activities at the 2018 Fall Festival please email them to ngfdaclub@gmail.com.

We would like to post pictures on the NGFDA website so our membership can see what a great festival NGFDA had this year.

NGFDA Dues

It is that time of year when we need to collect the annual dues from our membership. As a reminder our dues cover the period of January through December.

Many people paid their dues with their 2018 Fall Festival registration however many did not.

You can either pay your dues on the website with a credit card by going to www.NGFDA.org and going to the tab "Membership Renewal" and then click on the credit card option to pay immediately.
Alternatively, you can send a check to the following:

NGFDA
c/o Barbara Stevens
114 Oak Leaf Circle
Eatonton, Ga. 31024

Membership dues are as follows:
Single Membership $20.00
Family Membership is $30.00

If you have any question regarding your dues, please email Mike Van Demark (membership coordinator) at: ngfdaclub@gmail.com Emails are answered within 24 hours.

Dues not paid by 01/01/19 may run the risk of not being able to access the members only section of the webpage.

Mistletoe Jam

MISTLETOE JAM is right around the corner....January 18, 19 and 20. The Garden City Strummers of Augusta, GA put this free event on each year. It is all about jamming...with maybe a special guest or two to play for us around the 1:00 hour on Saturday. Come bring your instruments, some food to share with everyone and expect a full filled weekend just strumming and enjoying being with others who love it like you do. Some cannot stay the entire weekend, and just come on Saturday, for others there is information below to help you reserve a place at the park. We meet in the Beach House so are in a nice warm, protected area. Just follow the signs to take you there once in the park.

There are 10 cabins Mon -Thurs they rent for $150 a night. The weekend and holiday rate is $165 per night. Every car must pay the $5 state park entrance fee...unless you have the yearly pass. Campers are from $32 to $35 a night depending on the site. You may call the park at 706-541-0321 to make your reservation.

Friday night jamming will begin around 7:00 and go until about 9:00. Saturday we will open the beach house by 9:00. There will be some goodies and hot coffee for the early birds. We will go until about 8 or 9 that evening. We will also share lunch and dinner together...so bring food to add to the mix. If you are still around on Sunday, we meet about 10:00 and usually play hymns for a couple of hours before closing up the house.

Please notice the beautiful painting. This was created by Linda Maphet from Canton, GA. She came to the January 2018 Mistletoe Jam and took some pictures of players. In this painting are, Don Fisher (mandolin player in the Garden City Strummers) and Dale and Betsy Anthony (long time NGFDA'ers).

Linda Maphet is an artist whose art often focuses on musicians. She came to the Mistletoe Jam in January of 2018 and while there took a lot of photos. From those she did this painting. In the painting is Don Fisher, a mandolin player in our Garden City Strummers, as well as long time NGFDA'ers Dale and Betsy Anthony

You Are Invited! Please Come Join Us!

A DULCIMER GATHERING DAY
SATURDAY, JANUARY 26

FIRST UNITED LUTHERAN CHURCH OF KENNESAW
3481 CAMPUS LOOP ROAD
Kennesaw, GA 30144

Sponsored by the Allatooners Playing Satellite of NGFDA

WORKSHOP INSTRUCTION
(3 Hours)
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www.tullglazener.com

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RSVP REQUESTED – WALK INs OK

For RSVP and Additional Information: Peggy Martin (678)478-2456)
martin.pb101@gmail.com

COST **$35.00 for 3 hours of workshops and concert**. (Cash, or make check out to Tull Glazener)
$5.00 concert for non-participants

SATURDAY SCHEDULE

9:30am-10:30 REGISTRATION & Coffee Social & Casual Jamming.
10:30am-12Noon **WORKSHOP**
"Improve your Flat-Picking" (good for beginners to intermediate)
12:00-1:30pm **LUNCH**; **POT-LUCK**
1:30-3:00pm **WORKSHOP**
"Multi-part ensemble arrangements – with focus on chord embellishments" (for a wide range of skill/experience levels)
3:30-4:30pm **CONCERT with TULL GLAZENER (no charge to participants, $5 for others)**

DIRECTIONS

ROM SOUTH OF KENNESAW	FROM NORTH OF KENNESAW	FROM I-575
Take I-75 NORTH Exit CHASTAIN ROAD (exit 271) Turn LEFT on to CHASTAIN ROAD Cross over I-75 Turn RIGHT on BIG SHANTY ROAD Turn RIGHT IMMEDIATELY on to CAMPUS LOOP ROAD FULC is about a half a mile down on the left	Take I-75 SOUTH Exit CHASTAIN ROAD (exit number 271) Turn RIGHT on to CHASTAIN ROAD Turn RIGHT on BIG SHANTY ROAD Turn RIGHT IMMEDIATELY on to CAMPUS LOOP ROAD FULC is about a half a mile down on the left.	Take 575 SOUTH Exit CHASTAIN ROAD Follow Chastain Turn RIGHT on BIG SHANTY ROAD Turn RIGHT IMMEDIATELY on to CAMPUS LOOP ROAD FULC is about a half a mile down on the left.

The Huron Christmas Carol

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Fr. Jean de Brebeuf 1641
Dulcimer Arr. S. Stevens '04

Within a lodge of broken bark the tender Babe was found
A ragged robe of rabbit skin enwrapped His beauty round
And as the hunter braves drew nigh, the angel song rang loud and high.
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born! In Excelsis Gloria!

O children of the forest free, O sons of Manitou
The Holy Child of earth and heav'n is born today for you.
Come kneel before the radiant Boy who brings you beauty peace and joy
Jesus your King is born, Jesus is born! In Excelsis Gloria!

Verse 1 in Huron

Estennialon de tsonoue
Jesous ahatonhia
Onnaouateoua d'oki
N'onouandas kouaentak
Ennonchien skouatrihotat
N'onouandilonrachatha
Jesous ahatonhia

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SATELLITE	AREA	FREQUENCY	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT
Allatooners	Kennesaw, GA	Monthly, 2nd Mon.	6:30-9:00	First United Lutheran Church of Kennesaw 3481 Campus Loop Rd (formerly Frey Lake Rd.)	Peggy Martin 678-478-2456 martin.pb101@gmail.com www.allatooners.org Satellite Scribe: Marianne Wurtele bluegrass_m@hotmail.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.	Jim Jackson 678-447-6730 Jackson9786@gmail.com
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 terigodfirnon@gmail.com
Dalton Dulcimers	Dalton, GA	Weekly Wednesdays	2:30	First United Methodist Church 500 S. Thornton Ave.	Sherry Patterson 706-278-7256 Sspatts6@gmail.com
Dixieland Dulcimers	Griffin, GA	Weekly-Mondays	10:00	Crestview Baptist Church fellowship hall, Griffin, GA	Donna Harpe 770-228-5597 phillip_harpe@bellsouth.net Dave Graves 770-227-4890 drg636@gmail.com
Dusty Dulcimers	Madison County	Monthly – 4th Monday	6:30	Danielsville Public Library 1315 Hwy 98 Danielsville, GA 30633	Marty Philips 678-863-7191 Mark Stricklett email: mstricklett@windstream.net
Garden City Strummers	Evans, GA	Monthly – 2nd Monday Monthly – 3rd Thursday Beginner Slow Jam	7:00-9:00 7:00-9:00	4537 Glenda Lane Evans, GA 30809	Pat & Bill Colbert 706-860-3437 pogosbill@aol.com
Gold Country Players	Gainesville, GA	Weekly – Thurs. Main Session Basic Session	 2:00-4:00 4:15-5:00	First Baptist Church Room 235, 751 Green Street, N.W.	Ro Johnson goldcountryplayers@gmail.com
Gwinnoters	Lawrenceville, GA	Monthly, 3rd Mon.	4:30-7:30	Bethesda Park Senior Center 225 Bethesda Church Road, Lawrenceville	Peggy Carrano 937-901-6417 peggycarrano@gmail.com Linda Depkin suzie.d@mindspring.com
Hammered Dulcimer	Support Group for Hammered Dulcimer Inquiries				None at this time
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	Martha Raby 770-893-3453 Mraby@tds.net
In Town Down Home	Atlanta, GA	Monthly, 3rd Sat.	2:00	Tenth Street United Methodist Church 425 Tenth Street, NW	Rudine Davis H 404-250-0605; C 404-790-7179 davises@bellsouth.net
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 Monday - Practice 3rd Monday & 4th Wed.- Playouts	9:45-10:45	St Philip's Episcopal Church (in the basement) 256 East Main St Brevard, NC	Leader: Linda Schieve 828-885-2328
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 Laurie Wilson 229-389-9611 Laurell.Wilson@hotmail.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	January-October 4th Wednesday November-December 2nd Wednesday	1:00-3:00	Senior Solutions 101 Perry At. Seneca, SC	Joan Krech 864-944-7094 joankrech@bellsouth.net Bonnie Lamarand 864-888-3328 lmrnd@att.net
Peach Pickers Satellite Peach Pickers INSTRUCTION	Sharpsburg, GA 1)Fayette Senior Ctr 2)Bridge Community Ctr	Monthly, 2nd Sunday Wednesdays Tuesdays	3:00-5:00 11:00 6:00-8:00	Trinity Church 8817 Highway 54 W Sharpsburg, GA 4 Center Drive, Fayetteville Bridge Community Ctr. 225 Willowbend Rd Peachtree City	Pat Hobson 770-461-2522 pohobson@ gmail.com Wanda Dawkins 678-899-0453 hrwmdawk@yahoo.com Call Pat Call Wanda
Roman Sunshine	Rome, GA	Weekly, Monday	10:00	Charles Parker Senior Center Kingston Rd	JT Bishop 706-234-0477 Jtbljb@bellsouth.net
Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club (EDIMGIAFAD)	Centerville, GA	Weekly, Thurs.	6:30-7:15 Lesson 7:15-8:30 Jam	1st United Methodist Church 600 N. Houston Lake Rd.	Laneah Maddox 912-687-3621 laneahmaddox@yahoo.com http://wrmusic.tripod.com/sonicsoundsdulcimerclub
Tugalo Valley Strummers	Toccoa, GA	2nd & 4th Monday evenings Beginners All Levels	 5:30-6:30 6:30-8:00	Ebenezer Baptist Church Family Life Center 49 Rose Lane Toccoa, GA 30577	Margo Taylor 706-297-9509 Margotaylor808@gmail.com
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	Clarkesville, GA	Bimonthly-Beginners 1st & 3rd Fri. Bimonthly-Everyone 1st & 3rd Fri.	1:00-1:45 2:00-4:00	Bethlehem Baptist Church in Clarkesville	Lynn McCollum 706-499-3212 Lynnmccollum50@gmail.com Email lynnmccollum50@gmail.com for details.

NGFDA sanctions these groups as satellites, but each one sets its own agenda, meeting place and procedures.

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Playing Level (check one): ☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced

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