North Georgia Foothills Dulcimer Association, Inc.

Foothills Footnotes

October 2018 ISSN 1559-1441 Volume 30, No. 10

Hilltop Strummers

The Hilltop Strummers have been meeting every other Tuesday over the summer, but are now back in full swing. In the meantime, playouts continued.

On June 20th, the Hilltop Strummers played for Bascomb United Methodist Church in Woodstock, Georgia; on July 18th, Cameron Hall Assisted Living in Canton, Georgia; and on August 4th, for Holly Springs United Methodist Church in Holly Springs, Georgia.

In the Sunday, July 29th, edition of the Cherokee Tribune, an article was published about the Holly Springs United Methodist Church. Summer concert called "Serenade and Lemonade". This event was a fundraiser for a new organ for the church. Soprano, Ora Poole, wife of Hilltop Strummers member, Jerome Poole, was featured as were the Hilltop Strummers. The latest playout was for Waterford at Hidden Lake Assisted Living in Canton, Georgia on September 20th, 2018

For further information or questions, text David Hobson at 404-218-2522 or at cdavidhobson@gmail.com.

2018 NGFDA, Inc.
Board of Directors

PRESIDENT
JOHN SHAWHAN
126 SOUTH TAMIE CIRCLE
KATHLEEN, GEORGIA 31047
jshawhan@windstream.net
478-542-0495

VICE PRESIDENT
JOE COLLINS
1010 CASTLEWOOD DRIVE
SHELBY, NC 28150
dulciman@bellsouth.net
980-404-0804

SECRETARY/TREASURER
BARBARA STEVENS
114 OAK LEAF CIRCLE
EATONTON, GEORGIA 31024
gbs468@aol.com
478-457-6539

FALL FESTIVAL DIRECTOR
PAMELA DEEMER
Pdeemer@gmail.com
404-550-0699

SPRING THING DIRECTOR
KAT VALLISH
kvallish@gmail.com
678-468-7561

LIAISON TO NGFDA SATELLITE GROUPS
LYNN MCCOLLUM
Lynnmccollum50@gmail.com
706-499-3212

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN
MIKE VAN DEMARK
Mvandem@gmail.com
404-822-3666

NEWSLETTER EDITOR
CAROLYN WELSCH
ngfda_footnotes@aol.com
904-626-2765

WEBMASTER
MIKE VAN DEMARK
mvandem@gmail.com
404-338-2307 (Home)

Foothills Footnotes
(ISSN 1559-1441)

POSTMASTER: Send any address changes to **Mike Van Demark**, NGFDA, Inc., 10721 US 98, Dade City, FL 33525. You may also contact **Mike** by e-mail at mvandem@gmail.com.
All other newsletter-related matters, including material intended for publication, should be directed to **Carolyn Welsch** at the email address listed in the above column. The deadline for publication submissions for the November issue is **October 22, 2018 at 6:00 p.m**. *Foothills Footnotes* is published monthly by the North Georgia Foothills Dulcimer Association, Incorporated.

About The Tablature . .

This month's tab "Unicoi Shuffle" by Susan Trump.

NGFDA Fall Festival has a theme song! Eighteen years ago (November 2000) Susan Trump so enjoyed teaching and staying at the NGFDA Fall Festival at Unicoi, that she wrote "The Unicoi Shuffle" before she left. She gave the tab for it to then Fall Festival Director Cathy Watts. Under the title on the tab she wrote and also told Cathy that it was "to be played, shared and enjoyed" by NGFDA members.

In honor of the NGFDA Fall Festival's 30th anniversary and former Fall Festival Director and former NGFDA Past President, Cathy Watts, who died this year, "The Unicoi Shuffle" makes its reappearance in this edition of *Footnotes.*

This is from her book, Music from the Muse, a book / CD set of 21 original tunes for Intermediate Mountain Dulcimer and is available at www.susantrump.com.

Please enjoy it and may it be played often during the festival!

Land of Waterfalls Dulcimer

This past weekend we enjoyed a BBQ social with our dulcimer family. Lots of good music with a visiting daughters adding to the fun with a banjo and ukulele.

Tugalo Valley Strummers

As Charles Dickens said, "It was the best of times, it was the worst of times..." The Tugalo Valley Strummers were saddened by the sudden passing of one of our talented and faithful members. At the same time the group persevered in bringing joy to others through outreach to the residents of the Wilkinson Center in Toccoa. In addition, the group had a wonderful potluck picnic and jam at the Lake Rabun home of one of the members. One boat even stopped on the lake to listen for a bit. Some folks were lucky enough to get a boat ride on the lake after the jam. The group has begun to work on Christmas music and will be adding a few new songs this year. Preparations are being made to play for Pioneer Days at Travelers Rest State Historic Site, the Toccoa Christmas Festival and other holiday events.

The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Monday evenings at Ebenezer Baptist Church in Toccoa, beginners at 5:30 and all levels at 6:30. If you find yourself in the area, please feel free to drop in and play a while. Visitor books are available for use. Keep on strummin'.

The Unicoi Shuffle

Written for the NGFDA by Susan Trump in 2000

DAD Tuning

©2014 Susan Trump Music, LLC BMI

©2014 Susan Trump Music, LLC BMI

2018 Unicoi State Park Lodge Rates for Fall Festival, 2018

It is not too early to think about making reservations for the NGFDA Fall Festival, Nov. 15-18, 2018. Once again NGFDA has negotiated rates for staying in the Lodge, which will include a breakfast for one. **Each additional person staying in the room will be charged $10.00 per person per day** to include a breakfast for them. Please make sure you tell Unicoi how many people are going to be in your room, so that they can include the breakfast tickets. This will make it much easier at check-in time so that everyone receives the ticket.

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 per night charges published for Unicoi. When making your reservation (telephone at 1-706-878-2201) you must refer to promo code **06126** to receive these special rates.

Event #06125 (Unicoi Lodge Reservation # 1-706-878-2201)

Type of Room	1 person	2	3	4	5	6
Less Than 3-Nights Lodge	$149.00	$159.00	$169.00	$179.00	$189.00	$199.00
3-Nights Lodge	$137.50	$147.50	$157.50	$167.50	$177.50	$187.50
4-Nights Lodge	$126.00	$136.00	$146.00	$156.00	$166.00	$176.00

All lodging includes taxes, fees, and breakfast buffet for each person in the room. (Additional parking permit fees for more than one vehicle per room are not included.) One parking permit per room is included in the room fee. **Each additional vehicle per room needing a parking permit will be charged $5.00.**

Cabins and camping spots are NOT included in the promo code. NGFDA could not afford to guarantee they would be rented.

Meals (Taxes and gratuities NOT included):

Breakfast (for those not staying at the Lodge): $11.95

Lunch: $15.95

Dinner: $19.95

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.

Last Updated 08/26/18

NGFDA Membership Form

Please start/renew my membership in NGFDA, including a subscription to the monthly *Foothills Footnotes* newsletter. Tab books available to members only, one copy per member at a cost of $10 (if mailed, add $2 mailing fee). Individual membership: $20. Family membership: $30. Please make checks payable to NGFDA. Dues, according to NGFDA bylaws, are renewable each November regardless of when you join.

Name_____

Address_____

City_____ State_____ Zip_____

Home Phone_____ E-mail address*:_____

Membership Status (check one): ☐ New ☐ Renewing

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

***Members can automatically access our monthly newsletter at www.ngfda.org by clicking "newsletter" and entering your email address as *listed above*. The newsletter is posted around the 25th of each month.**

I wish to get my newsletter ☐ on the NGFDA website ☐ by email ☐ by mail

Do you want to order a Tab Book? (check one) ☐ Yes / ☐ No

Please add $12.00 for Tab Book and postage

Tab Book $_____

Membership Fee $_____

Total Enclosed $_____

Mail membership form and payment to: **NGFDA 114 Oakleaf Circle Eatonton, GA 31024**

North Georgia Foothills Dulcimer Association
www.NGFDA.org
114 Oakleaf Circle
Eatonton, GA 31024
United States of America