

Central Indiana Folk Music & Mountain Dulcimer Society

News and Notes for Society Folks

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August 2010 Meeting

Sunday August 8th, 2010

1:00 – 5:00 PM

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

526 E 52nd St. (52nd & Central), Indianapolis

1:00 – 2:00	Board Meeting
	Slow Jam
2:00-3:00	Performance Hour
3:00-4:00	Big Band practice
4:00-5:00	Sharing Circle



This Month's Message from the President

By Chuck Morgan

Hello Everyone!

I continue to encourage our members who might be "missing in action"; those we don't see often at the meetings and practice sessions each month and those who we don't see at our Big Band performances that we are fortunate to have been invited to play. Our musical mission grows with each performance invitation and the fun increases exponentially with the more members that participate in our performances – you know, "the more the merrier"!

This month we have weekly performances at the Crestwood Villages and at the Indiana State Fair. And, no doubt we will have some fall festivals. Our Music Coordinator Mike Raab will have more on these. As I've said before, it's important that we have great representation at performances to demonstrate the society's long history and dedication to our music and mission.

So, I hope to see more of you in the next few months. Come and have fun with us!

August Musical Theme



Spirituals

Crestwood Gigs, every weekend in August!

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Happy Harper's Happenings

By Christine Reneau

Although many of the Happy Harpers will be very "autoharpingly" and musically active in August, there will be NO Happy Harpers meeting in August. We are taking a little break. The next Happy Harpers meeting will be on Sunday, September 26.

Treasurer's Report

By George McCord

Account status ending June 2010 (prior to reconciliation): The checking balance, as of this writing, is \$1781.60 (decreased from last month) and our savings balance is \$2678.46 (essentially the same as last month). For this year-to-date, we have had a net operating loss of about \$1972.40; we have \$674.43 less in the treasury than last year at the same time. The preliminary cost estimate of this year's Eagle Creek Festival is \$1844.78. I have not received bills for all expected expenses for June as of this writing.

Membership Status: We had 6 membership renewals, 1 reinstatement, and 2 placed on inactive status in June. Family memberships are at 97 compared with 102 a year ago.

Membership Dues: Annual household membership dues remain at just \$20/year. If your membership is due or past due please send a check to CIFM&MDS, P.O. Box 1503, Indianapolis, IN 46206-1503, or catch me at the next meeting. I'm always happy to take your money.

Songbooks: The Main Songbook is available to all members in good standing for \$25 each. Copies of the Main Songbook with Mountain Dulcimer Tabbing by Lew Mastin are available for \$35 each. Fiddle tunes are included in the Main Songbook, but a special "Fiddlers Edition" is also available as a separate supplement for \$5 each. See me at the meeting if you are in need of either of these songbooks.

It is my privilege and pleasure to serve you and promote our musical fellowship.

Dulcimer News from Lew

Normally the Dulcimer Only Group Meets the 2nd 4th Wednesday of each month. In August the schedule will change. On Monday night Aug 9, there will be the Joe Collins workshop to attend (info elsewhere in newsletter). We also will be practicing for Dulcimer Only songs for the State Fair gig. Watch your email for practice schedule changes. All skill levels are encouraged to attend our meetings. Come enjoy the wonderful song arrangements of Tull Glazener.

Joe Collins Workshop

Tull Glazener has made arrangements for a concert/workshop by Joe Collins. Joe is the 2007 national Mountain Dulcimer champion. The concert will be Monday August 9th at 7 PM. The Workshop will follow at 7:30 PM. The Concert is free. There is a \$20.00 fee for the workshop.

The concert/workshop will be at Robin Run Village, 5354 W 62nd Street, Indianapolis, IN 46268. It will be in the community room. More info about Joe can be had at jedulcimer.com. Hope to see you there.

Old Band Reunites

Once again, Stan Smith is in town from Austin, Texas, so that means The Strugglers reunite! Happily for all of us Strugglers aficionados, the reunion is Saturday, August 14th, 8:00pm-ish at the same location as last year, Barringer's Tavern, 2535 S. Meridian St, (317) 783-3663. The Strugglers read like a page out of the hip Indianapolis music scene of the 70's and early 80's, back in the days of the Talbot Street, 71st Street Hummingbird, Crazy Al's and the Patio: Scott Ballanite, Jack Clarke, Stan Smith, Dave Langfitt, Joe Langfitt and Kevin Hughey reprise the infamous lineup!

So, if you missed it last year, please don't miss it this year!! AND, if you came last year, please don't miss it this year!!

"Remember folks.....good taste is timeless..." Jack Clarke

Mike's Musical Musings

By Mike Raab

Since the last meeting we played at the **Speedway Library**. Our contact and Speedway librarian, Antonia Sekula, does an amazing job advertising the concerts there. This one was very well attended by the community and videotaped for Speedway Cable, and the weather was great. Thanks to the following players: Bill Kissling, Lew Mastin, Cathy & John Platt, Dan & Christine Reneau, David Roberts, Sam Ross, Dave & Ruth Slates, Phil & Carla Slates, and George & Betsy Wilson.

We also helped Addie Yoder, the organist at **Christ Lutheran Church**, by playing traditional/folk/gospel tunes at the July 25th morning worship hour. Thanks to Sharon Day, George McCord, Dan & Christine Reneau, and Amy, Nathaniel, & Jonas Raab.

The upcoming performances at **Crestwood Villages** are on each August Saturday at noon. North on the 7th, then South, West, and East. Be a part of as many as you can.

Our **State Fair** gig is 2 hours of ice cream cranking, folk music playing fun on Sunday the 22nd, the last day of the fair! We are only being provided 25 fair tickets. The information packet hasn't arrived yet from our contact, so I will pass on more specifics when I receive them. I hope to see all our nimble-fingered and golden-tongued musicians there!

Indy Folk Series resumes in Septemer

The long-running Indy Folk Series resumes it's season beginning Saturday, September 11th, with a new band with deep roots in the Indy folk music scene; IOTA. That's the Indiana Old Time Ambassadors, lead by JohnAndrew Bellner, formerly with Hogeys Navy and Highland Reign.

Find out all about this year's artists at www.indyfolkseries.org

CIFM&MDS at the State Fair, August 22nd

BLUE STONE UKULELE SOCIETY MEETING

August 12 · 7:00pm - 9:00pm

The Judge Stone House: 107 South 8th Street
Noblesville

Presented by the Blue Stone Folk School Ukulele Society

More Info; Bring a uke, a friend and a song for our next meet-up!

Hello Central Indiana Folk Music and Mountain Dulcimer Society!

The Mansion is hosting The New Christy Minstrels this fall at The Mansion for dinner and show. I thought that this concert could possible be of interest to your organization and members. See below for the information about the concert! As many of you are no doubt aware, CIFM&MDS member Greg O'Haver has been a recent addition to the band.

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decompressor
are needed to see this picture.

We would be willing to talk with your members about doing a group discount for parties of 20 or more, so I don't know if that is something you would be interested in. Please let me know if you have any questions at all!

Jennifer A. Zehr

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