

Central Indiana Folk Music & Mountain Dulcimer Society

News and Notes for Society Folks

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January 2010 Meeting

Sunday January 10th, 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
	Mt. Dulcimer workshop
4:00-5:00	Sharing Circle



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This Month's Message from the President

By Chuck Morgan

Welcome everyone into our new year! I am proud to have been selected as your president for 2010 and I will do my best to further the mission of the Society. Steve Kessinger is our past president and served us admirably – those will be some large shoes for me to fill. Thank you, Steve, for your excellent leadership.

We have an excellent board this year that will provide quality leadership for our Society:

- Amy Raab – Secretary
- Mike Raab – Music Coordinator
- Gary Rogers – Vice President
- George McCord – Treasurer
- Open – Member at Large
- Steve Kessinger – Past President

I will be accessible to everyone to listen to your ideas that will contribute to the growth of our Society, and constructive recommendations that will make our music experience even more enjoyable for us and our audiences.

I do have some early views I can share with you now. I have always believed that our Society is really like an orchestra that should perform strongly with as many as our members as possible. This is especially important to present an entertaining performance that is truly representative of our Society's mission. If you have been absent from meetings and performances please come back - our Society needs you.

I would also like to see our music repertoire

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Happy Harper's Happenings

By Christine Reneau

It may be a NEW year, but the Happy Harpers will be revisiting OLD favorites at our January meeting as we play and sing the songs that are Happy Harpers Hits. We will meet at the home of Cathy and John Platt at 2:00 PM on Sunday, January 24. John and Cathy live at 13132 Cresswell Place in Fishers, and they can be reached at (317) 485-5010 or cpplatt@comcast.net for directions. Anyone who has already discovered a love of autoharps, or anyone thinking they may be sort of interested in learning to play an autoharp, or anyone who just wants to sit and listen to a bunch of autoharps being played in unison (at least part of the time) is always welcome.

Treasurer's Report

As we transition from the old Board to the new, a brief financial review is being published. Mike Brinkman will be taking on the Treasurer's duties, and will provide us with future updates;

Chase Savings: \$2671.94 (minor increase from last month)

Old National Checking: \$3848.54 (up \$558 from last month)

We took in \$254.70 from the auction

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 Mike at the next meeting. He will always be happy to take your money.

Songbooks: The Main Songbook is available to all members in good standing for \$25 each.

Fiddle tunes are included in the Main Songbook, but a special "Fiddlers Edition" is also available as a separate supplement for \$15 each. See Mike at the meeting if you are in need of either of these songbooks.

Dulcimer News from Lew

The Dulcimer Only Group (DOGS) continue their meetings in 2010. Meetings are at Robin Run Village on W. 62nd street on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays. Meetings are for all mountain dulcimer players. All skill levels are welcome. We are led by Tull Glazener. Tull is very skilled at teaching and playing the mountain dulcimer. Come join us each 2nd and 4th Wednesday night in 2010. Let's share our Dulcimers in the new Decade.

Mt. Dulcimer Workshop at Jan. Meeting

Sharon Day will be holding a mountain dulcimer workshop during our January meeting. She has received permission from Bill Staines to teach his song "River" for mountain dulcimer. This will be a beginner to advanced beginner class. Bring your dulcimer, or if you don't have one, the Society has some beginner models you can use for the workshop.

"Flying Cat" House Concerts
proudly present

Greg Ziesemer and Kriss Luckett

Saturday, January 16, 6:00 p.m.

Indianapolis / Broad Ripple area

Greg and Kriss are acoustic singer/songwriters whose Indiana roots grow deep. Their voices and guitars blend beautifully to express genuine emotion and interpret each song in a unique fashion. Their lyrics and harmonies intermingle to draw the listener in for an intimate musical experience. In the course of an evening they move fluidly from their many original works, often reflecting on relationships and social awareness; to classic folk covers, usually dusting off and rendering a new shine to a classic gem. To hear some of their songs, check out the website: www.myspace.com/gregandkriss
Suggested Donation: \$10 per person; all proceeds go to the artists. Please RSVP to jsmiddiebrush@comcast.net or 317-466-7953. You'll receive a confirmation and directions.

Writer Requests Help with Dulcimer-related Article

Hello my name is Carolyn Boyles and I am a Freelance Writer. I've been asked to write an article for Dulcimer Players News on dulcimers and disability. I also have another article I'm doing research for on hammered dulcimer players with a Traumatic Brain Injury that I want to pitch to a different magazine. I am supposed to have an article draft to DPN by mid-January. □

I have multiple disabilities myself. I am a spinal cord injury survivor and a Traumatic Brain Injury survivor.

I am looking for individuals to interview primarily by e-mail, but also by phone. Anyone who is interested in being interviewed can contact me. I cannot guarantee that each individual I interview will be featured in any given article. □

I am listing my websites below my name so that anyone with doubts as to my legitimacy can look at them. □

Thank you for your time and Happy New Year. □
Carolyn Boyles □ authorboyles@swbell.net
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Northminster Present "Blue Highway"

Blue Highway □ Sunday, February 14 | 4:00 p.m. □ One of today's most esteemed and influential bluegrass bands is celebrating their 15th anniversary.

The Sound & Spirit series strives to provide the experience of great music, art and drama for all in the Broad Ripple community and beyond. Admission is free and childcare is provided at all events. It is customary to bring items for the churches canned food drive as a way to show your appreciation.

Northminster Presbyterian Church
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expand to include more of the music that we don't play as regularly. We have a large library of songs that could become a significant part of our set lists.

I will need your support to establish and achieve the goals that we set for 2010. I will do my best to serve beyond your expectations.

And finally, let's have fun and enjoy everyone's talents and love of the music. That fun will show in our faces and performances.

And, Happy New Year!

January's Theme



Performer's Choice

Dust off your favorite old tune, or share something new you have been working on. This is your time to pick the musical theme. See you there!

**The Louisville Dulcimer Society invites you to
attend the 24th Ohio Valley Gathering**
<http://louisvilledulcimers.org>

February 26-28, 2010 — Hilton Lexington
Downtown Hotel 369 W. Vine St., Lexington, KY
40507859-231-9000; Toll Free 877-539-1648

A Gathering of old and new friends who love
acoustic, old-time and traditional music. Come
join us!

Tentative Schedule of Events

Friday– February 26

Check-in after Noon -LDS welcomes all guests

7:00 PM Concert – Ballroom

Saturday – February 27

8:45 - 5:15 PM Workshops

7:00 – Concert – Ballroom

Sunday– February 28

10:00 AM– Hymn Sing- Ballroom

Hospitality Room, Vendors, Fiddle Walk, Concert
Performances, special room rates, and more.

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