

Central Indiana Folk Music & Mountain Dulcimer Society

News and Notes for Society Folks

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June 2008 Meeting

Sunday, June 8th, 2008

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	Big Band practice



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A Message from our President

By Phil Slates

This month, I'd like to share with you some words from our very active and much-appreciated Vice-President, Lew Mastin. Lew oversees getting us a slow-jam leader, and leads the sharing circle. He is also very vigilant regarding the Society's by-laws, and keeps us out of trouble. Here's what Lew has to say:

"The Eagle Creek Committee has worked very hard to prepare for this year's festival and I am sure it will be a great time for everyone. As you enjoy the fellowship of CIFM&MDS members throughout the day, why not take a little bit of time to consider who you want to represent you on the society's board of directors for 2009. It's not too early for you to think about being a part of that yourself. I am sure that any current board member would answer any questions you might have about any of the positions. I have really enjoyed my time on the board and believe it to be something that you would enjoy also. The Society does not just drift along. It is guided along by caring members who believe in the Society's challenge to keep our kind of music alive and well while sharing it with others."

Great words from a great member of the Board of Directors team! Of course, our Society is as great as the people who step forward and offer their support, whether it is in a leadership role, assisting with the many tasks associated with our annual Folk Festival, or performing in programs that reach out to the community. I want to thank each and every member for participating in our Society, and spreading the joy of folk music.

Copyright Guidelines for Society Performances
(for the Eagle Creek Festival)

The Society is a state chartered organization with responsibility to carry out its primary purpose of perpetuating traditional American music. Fulfilling our corporate mission requires our continued and unhampered operation. Consequently, in our public programs we choose to adopt conservative copyright compliance standards that afford a high degree of protection to our officers and members. Under this general policy, your board requests that Society members participating in the Eagle Creek Festival perform only music that meets one of the following criteria:

1. You believe the song is in the public domain (vis., before 1924)
2. You are performing your own music
3. You are performing copyrighted music, but have privately obtained permission of the copyright owner.
4. You are performing copyrighted music listed in the ASCAP database (the Society has an ASCAP license agreement). Questions about a specific work can be answered by accessing the ASCAP CLEARANCE EXPRESS on its Web Site – <http://www.ascap.com/ace> or by placing a call to ASCAP at 1 (800) 95-ASCAP.

Be aware that for conditions 3 and 4, a right to perform generally does not include the separate right to make recordings (e.g., audio/visual tapes). In addition, the Society no longer has a music performance agreement with BMI (Broadcast Music, Inc.).

CIFM&MDS Board of Directors

June's Musical Theme

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EAGLE CREEK 2008 FESTIVAL
UPDATE

The Society's Annual Eagle Creek Festival will be held on Saturday June 21st at the Marina stage. Practice sessions for the Big Band performances will be conducted at the June meeting.

We need volunteers for set up, tear down, work the info booth and the food tent. Sign up sheets will again be available at the June meeting.

Since we changed venues last year, our festival experienced more attendees due to the multiple uses of the Marina area. This more visible venue also means that we'll have to be very vigilant in following all park rules. This means that we won't be setting up tables to sell any items. The Board has also published the Society's copyright guidelines for the festival in this newsletter. All performers will receive a copy of the guidelines and they will be posted at the festival.

The set leaders have been selected and they are preparing their set lists for their practice session, so please try to attend this all important meeting to become familiar with and rehearse the music sets.

Golf shirts, t-shirts and a few other items are available via a web site, and you can order those at any time during the year. BUT please show those in attendance that you proudly support the Society by purchasing an item that you can wear all year long! The link to the web page is: <http://www.cafepress.com/cifmmds>

We have a great lineup in store, and hope you look forward to telling everyone you know about this great day in Eagle Creek Park. We hope you'll enjoy the workshops and performances planned...and a few surprises along the way.

This is the premier event to showcase Society talent, to promote the mission of the Society, and to encourage new membership, so your commitment and participation is very important. We look forward to seeing you all there!

Dave's Doodlings

By Dave Slates
Music Coordinator

Well, June, that long awaited month is finally here. It brings us our performance at the 4th Annual Midwest Mandolin Festival and our own 34th Annual Eagle Creek Folk Festival.

The Mandolin Festival is Saturday June 7th. I will be leading the Big Band set. We play at 4:30 so please be there no later than 3:45 as we will have to figure out our seating. There are not many players signed up for the Mandolin Festival, so please contact me if you plan to play at 317-259-0772. Since the Dulcimer Society is a co-sponsor of the event, we need a good showing. I will post the set list on the chat group, and on Page 4.

Our festival is on June 21st. The Big Band will start the festival with a set led by Dan Reneau, and close the festival with a set led by me.

Please be sure Cathy Platt has your information if you plan to play, either in the Big Band, as a solo or group, or both.

Let's have a great month!

News from Lew

By Lew Mastin

No workshop this month. The time will be used to practice the Eagle Creek Sets. Sharing circle time will also be used for practice.

The Dulcimer Only Group meets at Robin Run Village on 62nd street in Indianapolis on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each Month. June meetings will be working on the songs to be performed in "the dogs" set at the Eagle Creek Festival. The set list has been selected and it is a great one. So, dulcimer players, if you plan on being at the festival on the 21st, come to the meetings and play with the Dogs at the festival.

The Treasurer's Report

By Sanda Gruber

As we prep for Fathers Day, let's celebrate all the fun and talent our group has to share. I hope Father Time will send us wonderful days for our annual festivals at Eagle Creek and other gigs.

As our membership holds steady at 107 households (same as last year), we now have about \$2726 in checking, and \$2650 in savings.

Annual household membership remains at \$20 renewal. You may pay at the meeting from 2-230pm or send payments to the P.O. Box if you prefer. Songbook main packs are \$20, and other packs available for fiddlers. Remember, if your dues are beyond 3 months overdue, you will be dropped from the current roster and not get the newsletter. Please remit your dues promptly to continue receiving the full benefits of our group!

Any questions? Need to update name badge or roster? Just email Sandra at sgruber@mw.net

DRUM CIRCLES: Just to keep in rhythm with fun events, for those who are interested in drumming or percussion gatherings, there are at least 3 local drum circles: Bongo Boy Music School on Thursday nights, UII Drum Circle twice a month near Butler, and the Downtown Drummer and Firespinners group near the NCAA Hall of Fame by the river. Contact me for more information.

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Lack of Snacks

We currently do not have anyone signed up to bring refreshments to future meetings. Up to two snack providers are needed each month to supply those delicious treats. Be sure to sign up at the meetings or let John Seest know directly. We'd like to thank Nathaniel Raab for signing up for June's meeting!

Gary Kiser Performance Schedule

Mooreville Library,
Saturday October 25th, 1pm.
Speedway Library, TBA
(Call 243-8959 for information)



Tim Grimm Performances

COLUMBUS, IN Saturday, June 14
A lakeside Concert near [Columbus, IN](#). An evening shared with Jason Wilber, in a house concert experience. Will perform on a lovely patio off of [Harrison Lake](#). Please contact host Keith Bauer for reservations/directions: kl.bauer@comcast.net. In July, I'm happy to announce we'll be having a cd release concert, for my latest, "Holding Up The World".

Date/location is:
July 18- BLOOMINGTON- Monroe County Historical Society.

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**Big Band set list for
Mandolin Festival**

- New River Train D
- Redwing G
- Worried Man Blues G
- Jesse James G
- Soldier's Joy D
- Will the Circle be Unbroken D

Set list for the Eagle Creek Festival will be available at the meeting.



