

# Central Indiana Folk Music & Mountain Dulcimer Society

News and Notes for Society Folks

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## November 2010 Meeting

Sunday November 7th, 2010

1:00 – 5:00 PM

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

526 E 52<sup>nd</sup> St. (52nd & Central), Indianapolis

1:00 – 2:00	Annual Business 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!

Fast approaching is the election of officers for 2011. Our election committee is approaching members to come forward and become leaders of the Society for 2011. C'mon – don't be apprehensive about the responsibilities of being an officer. As we all know, and as I have personally experienced, the Society is greatly supported by your officers to take care of necessary business, finances, reporting to regulatory agencies and membership enrollments.

Please consider volunteering for a board position. It's nothing to be fearful of; the board members really help each other and it really is a smooth running governance unit. The Society needs you to volunteer for officer positions. Elections will take place at the November meeting.

Thanksgiving and Christmas are fast approaching – you can already tell by the decorations in the department stores! In your own special way be thankful for the gift of music and your families. I am blessed that my love of music has influenced my son and grandsons

For me it started with my grandfather and his "fascinating" new stereo record player, which we didn't have – back in the day, of course. Christmas is a time of remembering your faith and for sharing that gift of music.

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## Happy Harper's Happenings

By Christine Reneau

Over the river and through the woods to the Platt's house we go. The Happy Harpers will be meeting at the home of Cathy and John Platt at 2:00 PM on Sunday, November 21. Cathy and John live at 13132 Cresswell Place in Fishers. They can be reached at [cpplatt@comcast.net](mailto:cpplatt@comcast.net) or (317) 485-5010 for directions.

As we sing songs of harvest and thanksgiving, our hearts are grateful for all of our musical family. As always, any and all who have an interest in autoharps are welcome.

## Treasurer's Report

By George McCord

Please welcome new members John Anderson and Michael, Chery, Ross, and Jack McBride.

Account status for October 2010 (prior to reconciliation): The checking balance, as of this writing, is \$3009.54 (essentially unchanged from last month) and our savings balance is \$2682.89 (essentially the same as last month). For this year-to-date, we have had a net operating loss of about \$758.95 (a little better than last month); we have \$444.63 less in the treasury than last year at the same time exclusive of the songbook inventory.

Membership Status: We had 2 new memberships, 6 renewals, and lost 1 member in October. Family memberships are at 102 compared with 108 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 any of these songbooks.

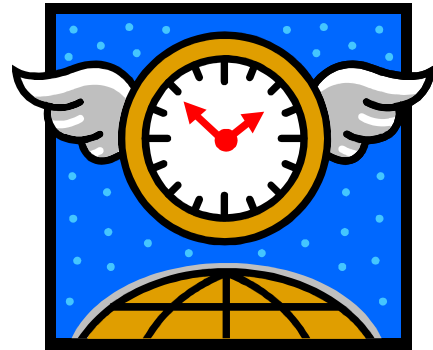
It is a privilege and pleasure to serve you and our Central Indiana Folk Music & Mountain Dulcimer Society.

## Dulcimer News from Lew

The Dulcimer Only group meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month at Robin Run Village on West 62nd Street in Indianapolis.

These sessions are open to all Mountain Dulcimer players regardless of skill level. Come and enjoy playing wonderful music arranged and taught by Tull Glazener. Tull is with us on the 2nd Wednesday of each month. The 4th Wednesday is for playing Tull's music and the music from the Society's songbook.

## November Musical Theme



## Memories

Got any memorable old songs just laying around? Brush them off, and bring them to the meeting, and share them with your

## Mike's Musical Musings

By Mike Raab

On the morning of our November meeting (November 14th), we will play a gospel set for the veterans at the Roudebush VA Medical Center (Indianapolis, on 10th Street) at 9am. Ask the front desk attendant for directions to the chapel and show up 15-30 min. early to iron-out our set list.

There are two Christmastime Society Big Band gigs scheduled for December:  
 Mooresville Library Dec. 4th, at noon; and Ahepa 232 apartments (7355 Shadeland Station Way) Dec. 11th, at noon.

I'll be adding to the list, at our meeting, of those who want to play. Our practice will include some of the Christmas songs of our repertoire.

'See you soon!

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### **Annual Business Meeting Sunday, Nov. 14th, 1 pm**

As sure as the leaves will fall, November is the time for your Society's Annual Business Meeting. Besides the usual financial reports, there will be the election of officers for the 2010 Board of Directors.

As of this writing, the Nominating Committee offers the following slate of candidates:

President;  
Vice President; Rocco Brunnelle  
Member at Large;  
Secretary; Linda Hensen  
Music Coordinator; Mike Raab  
Treasurer; Dr. George McCord

As you no doubt have deduced, we are still seeking interested members for the positions of President and Member-at-large. Feel free to make your interest known to the Committee; Phil and Carla 255-8415, or Dave 259-0772.

These are important and worthwhile positions, and your service to the Society will be rewarding.

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Come to the meetings and revitalize your talent, and share the gift with the Society.

See you all in November!

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### **"Flying Cat" House Concert Series proudly present Cara Jean Wahlers**

Saturday, November 20, 6:00 p.m.  
Indianapolis / Broad Ripple area

Talented Indy singer-songwriter Cara Jean Wahlers reveals a balance of personal experience and human truth in each of her songs. Her lyrics and music draw the listener in for an intimate musical experience.

Nuvo Newsweekly calls her recent CD, Goodnight Charlotte, a "stunningly beautiful set of quiet-yet-engaging songs." Along with cellist Grover Parido, Cara wrote and performed the musical score for the movie Paradise Recovered, which was recently shown at the Heartland Film Festival.

☐ For more info on Cara Jean Wahlers, and to hear a few songs, visit: [carajejanwahlers.com](http://carajejanwahlers.com)

Suggested Donation: \$10 per person; all proceeds go to the artist. Seating is limited, and reservations are required. Please RSVP to

[FlyingCatHouseConcerts@comcast.net](mailto:FlyingCatHouseConcerts@comcast.net) or 317-466-7953. You'll receive a confirmation and directions. Guests are invited to bring a dish for a casual, "cocktail party" style buffet of light snacks, finger food, and sweets. Bottled water will be provided, and you may bring wine, beer, etc. No small children please

P.S. Join us on Facebook to see pictures of past concerts and get updates about upcoming shows -- just enter "Flying Cat House Concerts" into the search box. If you're not "on Facebook" yourself, you can still view the page by clicking on the link: [www.facebook.com/group.php?v=wall&gid=281761044434](http://www.facebook.com/group.php?v=wall&gid=281761044434)

Bill Price & Gordon Bonham's, Bi-Annual, Pre-Holiday Concert  
Original & Traditional Folk & Blues

Bill Price and Gordon Bonham are pleased to announce their Bi-Annual, Pre-Holiday Concert at the Historic Benton House in Irvington (Indianapolis' east side). Seating is limited, so please plan ahead and RSVP to reserve your seat.

Sunday, November 21st • 7:00 pm  
The Historic Benton House  
312 South Downey Avenue  
Indianapolis, IN 46219  
\$10 at the door or \$8 RSVP  
to [bbp@billprice.info](mailto:bbp@billprice.info)

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The Board is **still** looking for an individual to fill the post of Member-at-Large. Please consider offering your services.

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