

# Central Indiana Folk Music & Mountain Dulcimer Society

News and Notes for Society Folks

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## October 2008 Meeting

Sunday October 12th, 2008

1:00 – 5:00 PM.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

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

1:00 – 2:00	Board Meeting
	Slow Jam
2:00 – 3:00	<b>Performance Hour</b>
3:00 – 4:00	Big Band Practice
4:00 – 5:00	Sharing Circle



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## . A Message from the President

by Phil Slates

We have already "sprung forward", now we prepare to "Fall back", but don't fall too far, as there are still gigs to be played, music to be made, and camaraderie to be had. Fall is one of my favorite times of year, and I can't wait to share it with all the good people in the Folk Music Society.

A number of folks stepped forward to meet the need of additional set leaders by attending Dan Reneau's Set Leader Workshop last month. I understand that some have gone as far as signing up to lead a few of our upcoming gigs. My hat is off to all of you that lead or play at our Big Band gigs.

Are you a member, but haven't been to a meeting lately? I sure hope we get to see you during the holidays. The festive nature of the Oct-Dec. months seems to rejuvenate our membership, as long-time friends are reunited, and new friendships begin. Our performance hours have been a source of delight, as new (and sometimes younger) performers are finding their way to our stage. I feel truly blessed to be apart of this fine organization.

November's meeting is our traditional business meeting, where we elect a Board of Directors for the year 2009. This year's Nominating Committee (Dan Reneau, Carla Slates, and John Platt) is currently seeking members interested in steering the Society, and helping to continue our programs and mission. Let them know if you are interested, or if they should happen to inquire, give it some

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The Happy Harpers

By Christine Reneau

In October the Happy Harpers will be entertaining ourselves with ditties about posies and critters. You can come over and join in the autoharp fun too. We will meet at the home of Debbie and Joe Hanson at 2:00 PM on Sunday, October 26. Debbie and Joe live at 140 S. Boehning St. in Indianapolis. They can be reached at 317-897-1021 or [willow249@comcast.net](mailto:willow249@comcast.net) for directions.

Know any good songs about wildlife and vegetation?

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October's Musical Theme

***Fruits and Vegetables***



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**News from Lew**  
**By Lew Mastin**

The Dulcimer Only Group meets at Robin Run Village on West 62nd Street in Indianapolis each 2nd and 4th Wednesday night at 7 PM. The group primarily plays musical arrangements by Tull Glazener. This is more ensemble playing than you normally see with Mountain Dulcimers involved in . All skill levels will enjoy!

Ron & Hattie Hunt host a dulcimer jam on the 4th Monday of each month at their home. Their address is 8403 Parish Lane, Indianapolis. If you need directions, or want to let Hattie know that you will be there, call Hattie at 888- 9561.

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**Invitation to a Workshop/Concert**

A very special invitation to our CIFM&MDS friends:

You are invited to an evening with Neal and Coleen Walters, sponsored by the Happy Harpers. (Many of you probably know Neal and Coleen as 1/2 of Doofus. Check them out at [www.doofusmusic.com](http://www.doofusmusic.com) for more information.)

John and Cathy Platt are hosting the workshop and house concert on Tuesday, October 28. They live at 13132 Creswell Place in Fishers, IN. (Contact them at [cpplatt@comcast.net](mailto:cpplatt@comcast.net) or 317-484-5010 for directions.

Neal will be conducting a workshop on autoharp duets at 6:30 PM. Cost for the workshop is \$15 per person. The workshop will be followed by Neal and Coleen's house concert at 8:00 PM. Cost for the concert is \$12 per person. But should you wish to attend both the workshop and the concert the cost is reduced to \$25 per person.

Since these events are taking place in a home setting there will be a limited number of seats. We are asking that you register and prepay. That way you will be sure to reserve a spot, and we will not need to waste any precious music time that evening chasing down money. Send your payment to Christine Reneau at 11233 Garrick Ct., Fishers, IN 46038

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**October Snacks**

The Society would like to thank Marilyn Hertzner for this month's snacks during our meeting. It's just another way members make our meetings more enjoyable. We are still looking for a person or persons to provide munchies for November, and then it's the big pitch-in for December.



## **Dave's Doodlings**

By Dave Slates  
Music Coordinator

Well, we made it through all the Crestwood gigs and Plainfield Library. Thanks to all who played, we had a lot of fun and the audiences were appreciative.

Now we have another gig, on October 11<sup>th</sup>, the Spotlight on Nursing gig. We played there last year and have been asked back. It takes place at 9:15 am at Buggs Temple on 11<sup>th</sup> St. You can park under I-65 nearby.

On October 18<sup>th</sup> we are playing for the Juvenile Diabetes walk at Military Park, downtown near the UIPUI campus. Time and details will be posted as soon as they are finalized.

CIFM&MDS member Erick Fricke has arranged for a folk music service at the VA hospital on November 9<sup>th</sup>. We will have music posted on the Yahoo group and at the meeting. Eric has agreed to lead us through the songs at the October meeting. This would be a very nice way for us to give something back to the men and women who have given a lot for our country.

Let's be looking at our Christmas music, since we play at the Mooresville Library in December. More on that is coming!

See you at the meeting

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### **Irish Session Wednesday Evenings**

Every Wed. 7:30-10:30pm Irish Session at the Claddagh Irish Pub on 96th St., Indianapolis. Come to join in or just be entertained in an evening of traditional Irish music and dance. The Claddagh is a family friendly, smoke-free restaurant, but the area in the back of the pub where the musicians will play is 21 and older. Hosted by EmilyAnn Thompson (fiddle) and Dave Bagdade (guitar, mando), many Folk Society members have joined in. For directions, visit <http://www.claddaghirishpubs.com/>

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careful consideration. I have found my time on the Board to be an honor, and quite rewarding.

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### **The Treasurer\$ Report**

By Sanda Gruber

Hello everyone! I'd like to indulge this October with a few fruitful thoughts if you will (taste the puns?). As some folks partake in the Jewish New Year (Rosh Hashanah) by eating apples and honey to ensure a good sweet year, and the kids eat candied apples on Halloween, let's not be frightened about the apple of some of our eyes, money.

Board members volunteer their time and talent to keep this club running on a good note. We look forward to a new crop of talented volunteers (elected in November) in January to continue harvesting the works we do. Hungry to be the new Treasurer? Talk to the election committee (Dan or his group) to put your name in the hat.

Speaking of fruitful, here are our current bank account balances (sweet amounts): Savings is at \$2656, checking is at \$3277, and our membership is now at 103, compared to 108 last year. Membership is still only \$20 for renewal (which helps defray costs for mailing and meeting) and songbooks only \$20.

Let's welcome Louise Smith and Rebecca Gunn, new members of Aug and Sept. If you have issues with your name badge, roster info, or songbook, ask your treasurer to help resolve it. If you have issue with your newsletter arrival, ask Ruth to assist with this item. Please also let us know if you want the newsletter via USPS or email.

If you have a bad taste in your mouth from this column, just realize it's October and think about the good food for thought. Thanks!

Are you a percussionist/drummer? Want to know where the drum circles are? Contact me for information on local groups. Have a good one, and see you at the meeting!

## *Gary Kiser Performance Schedule*

Mooresville Library,  
220 W. Harrison  
317-831-7323  
Saturday October 25th, 1pm.  
Free and open to the public.



### **Indiana Singer/songwriter Tim Grimm**

Sunday Oct. 12, Home Fields House Concerts  
(Nora area) Indianapolis. For reservations e-mail:  
[cyndiwagner10@yahoo.com](mailto:cyndiwagner10@yahoo.com) .

Several of you have attended House Concerts.  
Tim plays about a dozen or so of these shows each  
year. It is a simple, intimate experience. He'll be  
joined by his wife, Jan Lucas. Contact Cyndi at  
the e-address above. A living room concert  
experience awaits.

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