

Central Indiana Folk Music & Mountain Dulcimer Society

News and Notes for Society Folks

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September 2011 Meeting

Sunday, September 11, 2011

1:00 – 5:00 PM.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

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

1:00 – 2:00	Board Meeting
	Slow Jam Session
	ECFF Brainstorm
2:00 – 3:00	Kevin Donnelly performs
3:00 – 4:00	Big Band Practice
	Banjo Workshop
4:00 – 5:00	Sharing Circle



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A Message from our President

By Ruth Slates

Congratulations to the Big Band members who played the Crestwood gigs each Saturday in August. I appreciate you giving up your Saturday mornings to participate and make these performances so enjoyable for the residents.

We had a very successful performance at the Indiana State Fair Ice Cream Churn-Off the last day of the fair. There were a few tense moments during a thunderstorm, but we were in a barn, which was great protection from the elements. It was interesting to try to be heard over a deluge while in a metal building, but it definitely increased our audience for a while. We learned that the barn leaks at the skylight panels over the stage, and there was some chair shuffling and movement of microphones to keep everyone safe. I believe that the biggest issue was John Platt getting dripped on, but he's a fast mover and may not have missed a note!

We've had some good times this year, and accomplished a lot...but there's always more to do. We need your assistance in getting sponsors to underwrite the cost of the newsletter and our radio show each month. It costs about \$40 per month to produce the newsletter, and \$60 per month to air the radio show. Please let someone on the Board of Directors know if you have any leads or ideas for anyone who might be interested in being an underwriter and getting credit for that in the newsletter and on the radio show.

As we move toward the end of the year, please also think about making yourself available to be a

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Mike's Musical Musings

By Mike Raab
Music Coordinator

Howdy again folks!!

What a great August we had! Old Fashioned Days at Crestwood Village(s) was a success! Thanks again to all who participated, with a special thanks to Sam Ross for leading the East gig! Thanks also for those who played at the Bethlehem Lutheran Picnic and the State Fair gigs. I am especially grateful to Dave and Phil Slates for organizing our part at the State Fair and to Dave and Dan Reneau for leading the group on stage!

Welcome to Kevin Donnelly and Dave Schroeder for a special performance and workshop at our September meeting, beginning at 2pm.

There are two September performances scheduled, both outdoors. Hopefully we'll have seen the last of the 90-degree temperatures. The Benton House Tour performance will take place on the 18th at 2pm, on the lawn of that historic 19th century house in Irvington. Visit www.thebentonhouse.org online for a map and directions. On the 24th of September, we will play for the Allisonville Meadows Alzheimer's Benefit at 2pm. We expect an audience of up to 200 people. Please let me know if you plan to attend either.

Malcom Dalglish Concert

The Central Indiana Folk Music and Mountain Dulcimer Society are invited to hear Malcolm Dalglish on the Hammered Dulcimer performing Wendell Berry's descriptive words in Hymnody of Earth with Encore Vocal Arts on Sunday, Oct. 2, at St. Peters UCC at 4pm St. Peters United Church of Christ □ 3106 E. Carmel Dr, Carmel, IN. Tickets are \$18 and can be ordered at Encore Vocal Arts' box office, 317.576.7676, or at www.EncoreVocalArts.org We are happy to offer discounted tickets for your group at the price of \$14 for groups over 10! If you'd like to arrange a group discount, please call the box office in advance. □ □

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Board member for next year. If you're interested in any of the positions, we'll be talking about a Nominating Committee for a few minutes at the September meeting, so please let me (or anyone on the Board) know if you're interested in a spot on the Board or a spot on the nominating committee.

We are lucky to have guest performers at the September meeting, as you can see in this edition of the newsletter. Please help get the word out and bring your friends, neighbors, relatives and interested parties to the meeting to enjoy the show! See you all there!

Guest Performance and Workshop at the September Meeting

This month, Vice President Rocco Brunnelle has arranged for a banjo performance and workshop presented by Kevin Donnelly with Dave Schroeder.

Kevin (aka Delmar Lincoln) was born in Cincinnati, Ohio and raised in Indianapolis, IN. He's a graduate of Brebeuf High School and Butler University. Kevin began playing guitar and banjo while a student at Indiana University in early 1970's. He taught banjo at 3 Indy music stores in the 1980's; now he gives private lessons from his home. He's a member of several local bands: High Ground (1980's), Circle City Bluegrass Band (1990's-present), The Spud Puppies (2003-present), Fair and Square Band (2007-present). Kevin not only plays music, but also has been the coordinator and chief judge for Indiana State Fair Music Contests from 1987-1991, as well as being a Young Audiences of Indiana artist with the Circle City BG Band.

Dave Schroeder, who will back up Kevin on guitar, has performed around Indy in the Circle City Bluegrass band, as well as other musical projects. This performance is free and open to the public so invite your friends and neighbors

Gary Kiser Gig

Gary's not a man to let a little surgery get in the way of his making good folk music. He wants you all to know he will be performing at the Speedway Library on Saturday, October 8th. The fun starts at 2pm, and is free to the public. The library is located at 5633 W. 25th in Speedway, IN, and can be reached at 243-8959.

Eagle Creek Folk Fest Brainstorming

If you are not in the Board Meeting, or not playing in the Slow Jam, perhaps you'd like to join me for a few minutes of "brainstorming" for the 2012 Eagle Creek Folk Festival. I am trying to get things started much sooner than we have in the past. Bring your ideas (all will be heard) based on these questions; who, what, when, how and why.

So join me, Phil Slates, somewhere in the church at 1 PM, and we'll talk about our next big opportunity to engage Indianapolis in Folk Music. See you there, who knows, you might join the committee!

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