## Lone Star State Dulcimer Society

November 8, 2025

**November 8th Meeting of the LSSDS:** We will meet at our regular digs in Arlington. Time is 1-5. Karl says the MD folks are just planning to do Christmas tunes with the mountain dulcimers at the meeting. Everyone bring a tune or two or three to play and share. HD folks will have something fun to do. I will only be at the meeting for a short time. We had a calendar glitch when the Old Mill Festival in Kennard was moved back from Halloween. See you there for a short time.

**No LSSDS Meeting in December:** Due to the difficulty in finding a location and the busyness that happens during the Christmas season we decided to not try to fit everything in during the month. Enjoy the season.

**LSSDS meeting Schedule for 2026:** January 10, February 13-14 in Glen Rose @ Oakdale Park for our winter jam, March 14, April 11, May 8-10 @ Glen Rose for the 44<sup>th</sup> Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival, June 13, July 11, August 8, September 12, October @ the new streamlined Winter Creek Reunion, November 14, No December meeting.

**Meeting location for LSSDS:** The International Baptist Church of Arlington has graciously offered us their facility (when available) for our meetings. Their address is 1013 West Park Row, Arlington, 76013.

**October Meeting:** The Winter Creek Reunion Festival was a huge success. So much music. So many notes. We played them all.

## Calendar at a glance:

**Old Mill Music Festival** held at Lloyd and April's sawmill in Kennard, Texas on November 7-8. Go to oldmillmusicfestival.com to get some basic information. The schedule and headliners are all listed there.

**Vanderveer Brothers Christmas Program:** A Vanderveer Brothers Christmas Concert, December 12, 2025 | 6:30pm. The Hills Church, 6300 NE Loop 820. Free admission. Families welcome! (If I do this correctly there might be a colorful flyer attached. Tell your friends.

Lee Spears Dulcimer For Sale: Janis Deane, a friend of Mark Shelton, has a Lee Spears extended range dulcimer for sale. It is an 18/17 with additional 6/6 bass range. She's like get 750.00 with case, hammers, tuning hammer and stand. You can contact Janis at: janisdeaneslp@gmail.com

The 44<sup>th</sup> Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival: Things are in the works. We have Randall McKinnon joining us with his newest recording in tow, Bing Futch, mountain dulcimer player extraordinaire, and Steve Eulberg on hammer and mountain dulcimer. Now we need to start work on the schedule. I will be contacting some of you about stage time in May. The schedule

gets filled quickly and I always look for ways to include everyone. We are still looking for a few club members to help in the door prize booth, the contests, and stage hands to help get folks on and off the stage and setting microphones, and the club booth. We have also discovered yet another group of young folks to perform Friday Night in Glen Rose. The Jonathan Pettijohn family completely blew everyone away at the Winter Creek Reunion. Everything came to a complete standstill as these young ladies sang praises to their Lord. DO NOT MISS FRIDAY NIGHT IN GLEN ROSE.

**Note About A Dulcimer:** At our August meeting we had a dulcimer that Glenda gave to Mary Ellen who gave it to me to pass it on to someone else. Elody showed up and we passed it on to her. Here is her response. "I just wanted to tell you that being able to share your dulcimer with

my student is a surprise and miracle to me

I had been praying that God would help
me know how to give my student more opportunities to develop her gift in percussion because I
see so much potential inside her but as a singer I have felt inadequate to give her exactly what

she needs. This is the most incredible gift, thank you

That ought to put a smile on your face. Just passing the music on...