

# The Lone Star State Dulcimer Society Newsletter

January 10, 2015 @ 1:00 p.m.

**December Meeting: Make note of the time change for this meeting. Start time is 1:00 p.m.** The January meeting of the Lone Star State Dulcimer Society will be on January 10th at the First Christian Church, 114 W. Grauwlyer Road, in Irving, Texas. Beginning at 1:00, Pot Luck 2:00, and Advanced 3:00.

**MD Workshops:** From Karl: I'm planning on bringing a few more jam tunes to teach at the January meeting, as well as reviewing some of the ones we've already learned. Hope you guys had a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

**HD Workshops:** Reviewing all the tunes currently on our website. 1 PM Easy tunes in the key of D: See LSSDS.com for the tunes we've already put "on the list." 2PM Potluck/Visit/Meeting 3 PM More Advanced Tunes from the website. Let's see if any one of us remembers them all (me included). I'll try to work on them, this week.

**A note from Linda Lowe Thompson about the meetings:** When we first started LSSDS, the meetings were always in the afternoons. Much later, they switched to Saturday evenings. Usually, we can make it. But, if there ever comes a time when Wesley can't drive, I'll have to stop going because I really don't feel safe driving on highways at night. When I'm telling students about the meetings, I'm told that they don't like having to go on Saturday nights. BUT, when we have it in the afternoon, the attendance is lower. Vote with your actions. If you want us to continue to have these meetings one Saturday afternoon every 2 months, let us know by coming next weekend.

**The Last Annual Winter Festival, February 20 & 21, 2015:** Yes, you read it right. This will be our last Annual Winter Festival of Acoustic Music. Let's try to make the "Last" festival a humdinger. Invite anyone and everyone you can. It would be awesome to end on the "best ever". Mark your calendars right now. February 20-21, 2015. Headliners for this year's festival are: ANDY YOUNG & AI TAUBER, LARRY CONGER, AARON O'ROURKE, STEPHEN HUMPHRIES & JESSE ISLEY. Other featured performers include: John Cardascia, Sue Carpenter, Russell Cook, Chuck & Karen Daniels, Gary Gallier, Dana Hamilton, Princess Harris, David & Annette Lindsey, Bob McClure, Carolyn Marlette & Van (Doc) Gardner, Joe Morgan & David Moran, Fred Moss, Karl Neumann, Scott Odena, Betty Odum, Deb Porter, Nancy Price, Irma Reeder Lucille Reilly, Mary Ellen Robertson, Mark Shelton, Wendy Songe, Noel Tardy & Kate McLennan, Wesley & Linda Lowe Thompson, Cheryl & David Turner, and Charles Whitmer. Now that's quite a line up. Bring everyone and enjoy a great festival, great music, and great fun. For more information: LSSDS.com Winter Festival Linda Lowe Thompson, 309 Pennsylvania Drive Denton TX 76205 Linda@LindaLoweThompson

**Glen Rose:** We have started on The Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival. Featured performers are: No Strings Attached, the Gary Gallier Band. More as it becomes available. We had donation from an anonymous donor to enable us to hire another headliner for the festival. Thanks for the donation.

**Jamming at Coffee Creek:** We are less than three weeks away until we head to Coffee Creek RV Park to play music. Coffee Creek RV Park is located off I-20 about 45 miles west of Fort Worth on hwy 281, Exit 386, then one-half mile west on the Mineral Wells highway. The dates are Wednesday, January 21, through Sunday morning, January 25, 2015. This is an acoustic, ---all instruments are welcome---, music jam. THANKS to all of you who have made your reservation. We have 16 RV sites and 9 cabins. For those of you who are thinking about a reservation, we suggest going ahead and making the reservation now and, if necessary, canceling during the week before you head out. And, if thoughts about the weather are holding things up, just remember - we are all watching the weather. The reservations will help our group in the planning of the schedule, purchasing supplies and planning the food menu. (And the reservations will help the staff at the RV park to accomodate our group.) After Christmas, we will begin getting people signed up on the "how can I help" committees, and will also, with your help, get the food menu planned in detail. Here is the link to Coffee Creek RV Park. <http://www.coffeecreek-rvresort.com/> Please share this email and information with your music friends, jamming group, and anyone who enjoys music. Thanks again, Eunice and Ray McLain, 936-544-0613 Eunice cell, 936-204-3730 Ray cell

**The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Palestine Old Time Music and Dulcimer Festival:** Old Pal will be held on March 26-28, 2015 in Palestine, Texas. This festival features lots of ol' timey musicians and dulcimer players. Watch their website for the most up to date information. That website is: [oldpalmusic.com](http://oldpalmusic.com)

That's about it for now. See you in January.