

The Lone Star State Dulcimer Society Newsletter

April 14, 2018

PLEASE NOTE LATE START TIME FOR THE IRVING MEETING: 2PM

A Regular LSSDS Meeting On April 14: The last newsletter stated that we were meeting in Van Alstyne with the Red River Valley Dulcimer Club. At our February meeting, it was decided that we needed to have a regular meeting at our normal, Irving location. It is the last meeting before Glen Rose and there are always some loose ends that need to be tied up. If you are planning to attend the workshops and concert by Erin Mae and Dan Landrum please do so. We will be sending a newsletter early for Glen Rose. If you have questions about the festival and can't attend the meeting on April 14 you can email me at mrbanjoist@gmail.com and I will try to answer those questions that have answers, promise to research those that don't have answers and lie about the rest.

LSSDS Meeting for April 14: The April meeting of the LSSDS will be held on April 14th at First Christian Church in Irving. (see address below) The mountain dulcimer and hammered dulcimer players will be practicing our tunes to open Saturday's concert. We are set to perform at 10:00 a.m. Please bring your tabs for the Glen Rose tunes if you have them from past meetings. We will start separate for the first workshop and join forces during the second. I promise the hammered folks will be kind and understanding to those of you that play the "larval" version. Start time is 2:00.

LSSDS MEETINGS

All meetings will be held at the First Christian Church (FCC) of Irving, located at 114 W. Grauwlyer Road. Grauwlyer is just south of Airport Freeway and the church is just east of O'Connor Road.

MEETING DATES, AND TIMES:

April 14 – Regular meeting, **2:00 pm start time!**

May 11-13 - Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival, Glen Rose, Texas

July 14 – Regular meeting

September 8 – Regular meeting

November 10 – Regular meeting

Pre Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival Workshops: We are making plans for the 37th Annual Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival. Stephen Seifert is one of our featured performers for the festival May 11-13, 2018. Stephen and Lloyd Wright are offering an intensive mountain dulcimer workshop on Tuesday-Thursday before the festival starts. Here are the details for those interested:

05-08-18 Glen Rose, TX, Mountain Dulcimer Three-Day Intensive with Lloyd Wright and Stephen Seifert
Join Lloyd Wright and Stephen Seifert for a three day mountain dulcimer intensive for all levels. Lloyd and Steve will take turns working with each level. They'll sometimes work with everyone as a group. Together and separately, they're going to share their favorite techniques, tunes, and philosophies. You will get tablature and video of each tune and technique. Some time is built into the schedule for assisted group practice. This is laid back time for everyone to let their mind and fingers review and process everything covered during the day. Rather than just throw a bunch of content at you, we want you to go home confident you can be the kind of musician you want to be. To sign up go to: stephenseifert.com and click on the three day workshop icon. Look for the Glen Rose workshops and sign up.

Erin Mae and Dan Landrum Workshops and Concert, April 14: We co-sponsoring these workshops with the Red River Valley Dulcimer Club in Van Alstyne, Texas. It's the half way point between the two clubs. The workshops will be held at First United Methodists Church, 301 S Preston Street, Van Alstyne TX, (Basement). Two workshops for mountain dulcimer will be taught by Erin (formerly Erin Rogers) and two hammered dulcimer workshops will be taught by Dan. After the workshops they will perform a concert.) The workshop

times are 1:00—2:30 and 3:15-4:45. A concert will follow that evening from 6:00-8:00. Workshops are \$15 each or both workshops for \$25. The concert is \$10. Space may be limited so it is suggested that you reserve a space early. Cheryl Turner volunteered to take the reservations for the workshops. You can reserve by emailing her at: davidcherylturner@sbcglobal.net.

Glen Rose, May, 2018: This year's event will feature the amazing mountain dulcimer work of Stephen Seifert. Stephen is no stranger to the LSSDS having performed for us several times in the past. We are having Cheap Adobes from New Mexico. This band consists of Peter Esherick, hammered dulcimer, mandolin, Bruce Thomson, fiddle, Jimmy Abraham, guitar, vocals, songwriter, and Erika Gerety, bass, vocals. You will find these folks in Winfield every year playing music in their camp "Pico De Gallo". (It's the camp Cathy Barton and Dave Para stay and pick in while sharing time with "Carp Camp". They are all very talented on their instruments and love to jam, jam, jam. They have attended the Red River Dulcimer Festival in New Mexico each year and always bring a plethora of tunes and fun. And for you ukulele fans Michael Anderson has agreed to come and bring his brand of ukeness to the festival. I hope to have the entire schedule ready soon and we will send out a newsletter with the "tentative" schedule on it. The LaQuinta Inn in Glen Rose is offering a discount for the dulcimer festival so make reservations early. Their number is (258) 898-0679. I hope to have the schedule by club meeting time. I will email it as soon as I square up the times, workshops, etc.

Autoharp Wanted: Carol Henry is looking for an autoharp to purchase. If you one laying around that you don't use or have an extra one you'd like to sell please contact Carol at 316 Willow, Crowley, Texas 76036 or by phone at (817) 271-6959 or even with that new technological method, E-mail at ChenryS250@yahoo.com.

Hammered Dulcimer Lessons Wanted (or just someone to jam with): Debbie Rosser lives in Athens, Texas and is looking for a teacher or someone that would like to get together and play some hammered dulcimer. If you live in that area or sknow someone that does you can contact Debbie at 6485 County Road 4507, Athens, Texas 75752, by calling (325) 260-2212 or by email at debbierosser1957@gmail.com.

Hammered Dulcimer For Sale: I received this note from Richard Campbell. Dusty Strings Overture 16/15 hammered dulcimer with black finish. Like new, only one month old and only played three or four times. I hate to sell this but my wrist and fingers will not cooperate with my desire to play this gorgeous and gorgeous-sounding instrument. Standard package was \$850 and included: Sit-down stand, Dusty Strings C45 case with outside pocket and space for stand, T-handle tuning wrench, and regular hammers (#1). I added about \$300 of upgraded items and additional accessories to the standard package. My price gives you all of these for free. Accessories upgraded from those in standard package: Gooseneck tuning wrench, double-sided hammers (#6). Additional items include: Dulci-Tune electronic tuner, Oasis digital thermometer and hygrometer, delrin bridge cap pack, spare string kit, "Beginning Hammered Dulcimer" by Thompson (book and CD), "The Essential Hammered Dulcimer" instruction manual by Jess Dickinson, and a Proline GMS80A Conductor Sheet Music Stand. Total original cost was over \$1200. \$750 cash only local only, please. Richard Campbell rich.cam@icloud.com (512) 981-8363