

The Lone Star State Dulcimer Society Newsletter

November 12, 2016

LSSDS Meeting for November 12th: The Lone Star State Dulcimer Society will meet on November 12th at the First Christian Church, 114 Grauwlyer Road in Irving, Texas. Start time will be 1:00 for beginning workshops. Donna Shelton will be leading the mountain dulcimer folks. She plans to go over a few Christmas songs, among other things. Please bring any Christmas tune tab you may have on hand for sharing and playing with the group. HD people will do our usual tune share/learn and then get folks together for jamming, playing, having fun in general. Pot Luck and business meeting will be sandwiched in the middle sometime.

LSSDS MEETINGS -JANUARY 2016 - DECEMBER 2016

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. This is a schedule that lists the tentative dates and times of the monthly LSSDS meetings through December 2015. They are listed as tentative because we may need to be flexible should a church activity conflict with our meeting. This schedule/map will be posted at www.lssds.com. Any changes in meeting times or dates will be posted on lssds.com asap. Any questions, give me (Joe) a call at 972-986-6371 or send me an e-mail at jmm55@verizon.net .

MEETING DATES, AND TIMES:

November 12, 2016: FCC 1:00 PM

Officer Elections Were Held: Mostly the same officers were sentenced to another year without parole with the exception of Linda Thompson. Her sentence was commuted and Mary Ellen was press ganged into serving this year as vice president of hammer dulcimer.

Mountain Dulcimer Teacher Still Needed ASAP: Laura Cotton recently moved here and is still looking for a mountain dulcimer teacher who can come to her home in Irving for a lesson once a week. She cannot drive due to health conditions so needs someone who can come to her. She said she would be happy to pay you for the lesson and for the gas and drive time. She is a serious intermediate level student so please only apply if you are at an advanced playing level. Her number is [\(901\) 832-3129](tel:9018323129) and you can also text her.

Possible Butch Ross Concert and Workshop: Just got a note from mountain dulcimer player/teacher extraordinaire, Butch Ross, who he will be passing through our area on Monday, November 14th, and was wondering if anyone would be interested in hosting a workshop or house concert that evening. Butch says he's not looking for anything big or fancy, but something with a few people that would help him offset some of his travel expenses. Sounds like a great opportunity to spend time with a great guy who also happens to be a great player. If you are not familiar with Butch, you can check him out with this youtube link: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OFORgzLyL4U> So, if you would be interested in hosting or attending a workshop or house concert with Butch, please reply to him directly at butchross@gmail.com If you do set something up with Butch, let us know as soon as possible and we will forward the information to our LSSDS members.

Concert and Workshops with Ted Yoder: The Red River Valley Dulcimer Club and Masterworks are hosting a free workshop Nov 12 at 1pm for hammer dulcimer with Ted Yoder. Annette Lindsey will be doing a mountain dulcimer workshop at her residence at the same time. There will be a pizza dinner afterwards at 5:30 pm at Master Works then a concert with several players leading up to Ted for most of the night. Will be fun! Camping is available. Donations for pizza expected and donations to Ted much appreciated.

16th ANNUAL LAGNIAPPE DULCIMER SOCIETY FÊTE MARCH 9, 10, 11, & 12, 2017: We received information about this festival from Regina Payne, the Publicity Chairperson for the 2107 Lagniappe Dulcimer Society Fête. You may be familiar with their club and may have attended the Fête in past years. They are reaching out to dulcimer clubs in the south and in other nearby states to advertise their great 16th Annual Fête with the theme, "Yankee Doodle Dulcimer". The Fête will be held March 9 through 12, 2017 in Port Allen, Louisiana at the Community Center and Museum as years past. For a whole lot more information you can visit their website at: <http://www.lagniappedulcimerbr.org/>

Glen Rose: We still don't know about Glen Rose. I sent the park manager our proposal and am waiting to hear from him. He has to run it by the city manager first and will get back to me. Hopefully we'll have something by meeting time.