North Georgia Foothills Dulcimer Association, Inc.

Foothills Footnotes

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24th Annual NGFDA Fall Festival

Please join the North Georgia Foothills Dulcimer Association November 15-18, 2012 for a three and a half day festival of learning, playing, performing, kinship and listening entertainment focused on the mountain dulcimer, hammered dulcimer, and autoharp. It's all happening in an energetic and supportive atmosphere at the Unicoi State Park and Lodge in Helen, Georgia.

MEMBERSHIP

The Fall Festival is an NGFDA function and therefore offered to membership. Please help interested folks understand that NGFDA membership is necessary in order to receive the monthly *Foothills Footnotes* newsletter, the Unicoi lodging reservation form, and access to the online registration process. The $20 single membership and $30 family membership is well worth the assurance that members receive timely information about the Fall Festival and other NGFDA events. NGFDA is requesting that all members pay the 2013 membership dues with their fall festival registration process. This will eliminate any unnecessary reminders having to be sent to members at a later date. Persons interested in joining NGFDA can print the membership application form from the www.ngfda.org site and mail it in, or the membership form on the back of the newsletter can be passed on to interested folks.

REGISTRATION

All of the information for the Fall Festival will be posted onto the NGFDA website (www.ngfda.org) (workshops, leaders, schedules) in August. Members will be able to print this information if they wish. Once you have selected workshops, merchandise, etc., you will be able to create a log-in name and password so that you can enter your personal information into the registration tool. The form will be saved automatically, and you will be able to go back and make changes until we have received payment for your registration. Once your payment has been posted by Mike Van Demark you cannot make any change to your registration.

The registration process will begin on September 1, and go until September 30. Once you have registered online you will send the fees as directed on the form. Alternatively you will be able to pay with a credit card on the website through PayPal when you register. All registration fees must be received by NGFDA by October 10. **If total fees are not received by that time, your online registration will be cancelled and the slot will be opened up to anyone else who might want to come to the fall festival.** The festival cancellation policy as follows:

Full registration fees refunded if cancellation is received by October 31. One-half of fees refunded if cancellation is received by November 9. No refund of fees if cancellation is received after November 9. Membership Dues will not be refunded due to a cancellation of a registration.

For those members that do not have a computer or internet access, please contact Mike Van Demark (423-338-2307, leave message if necessary) so that all festival information and materials can be sent to you via US Mail as done in the past. Spaces fill up fast and remember just because you have a hotel room reserved it does not guarantee a space at the festival.

COST FOR REGISTRATION

Member registration by September 30 ..... $105
Saturday only registration by September 30 ..... $55
Children's all day Saturday (ages 6-11) $50

UNICOI LODGING INFORMATION

Unicoi has provided a Unicoi Room Reservation form which appears in this newsletter. Members are asked to fax or call the lodge before the lodge cut-off date of October 14, 2012, when available rooms will be released. These rooms are reserved very quickly so don't wait to make your reservation.

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Membership News

by Lynn McCollum
Membership Chairman

I would like to welcome the following new members to the NGFDA:

- **Robert Hardin & family**
  Murphy, NC
- **Barbara Heartz**
  Gainesville, GA
- **Phil & Ann Houghton**
  Maryville, TN
- **Betty & Alvin Jordan**
  Corbin, KY
- **Julia Jorns**
  Jasper, GA
- **Virginia Leasure**
  Blairsville, GA
- **William Orr**
  Fayetteville, NC
- **Jan Sexton**
  Easley, SC
- **John Stimel**
  Tallahassee, FL
- **Don & Beverly Stupak**
  Maryville, TN
- **Barbara Walker**
  Pine Mountain, GA
- **Lydia Weathersby**
  Mills River, NC
- **Jane Wilson**
  Asheville, NC
- **Arlene Varner**
  Dalton, GA

Summer Satellite Gathering August 3 & 4, 2012

It's not too late to come to the Summer Satellite Gathering in Perry, Georgia. The cost is only $35.00 and includes workshops, lunch and concert.

Instruction for all playing levels: 3 ½ hours of instruction with Steve Seifert:

- Effective fingering strategies for clean playing at various speeds; (10am-noon)
  - How to train yourself to play fast, even really fast! How, exactly, to play really slow!
  - How to decide which chords to choose - up and down the neck
- Fun application of things just learned – "El Paso" dulcimer orchestra style (1:30-3:00pm)

Hope to see you there.

About The Tablature . . .

The music of Sarah Morgan embodies her respect and joy of folk music and her creative approach to arranging. Backing traditional Appalachian melodies and haunting old time tunes with fresh harmonies and a progressive drive, she lends a new feel to seemingly "old" tunes, while accompanying pure and heartfelt vocals with the unpretentious sound of the Appalachian dulcimer.

Sarah Morgan started her musical journey when she was seven and has fallen in love with traditional and folk music over the years. Sarah has performed and taught dulcimer throughout the Southeast. In July 2010 she released her self-published, debut album, *Simply Sarah*, and is currently recording her second album, working with Andy LeGrand of Red Door Studio. At 16, Sarah placed 3rd at the 2010 National Mountain Dulcimer Championships held in Winfield, KS. She has since won multiple titles including Mid-Eastern Region Mountain Dulcimer Champion, Kentucky State, and Southern Region Champion.

"Wild Mountain Thyme" is a traditional Irish folk song written by Francis McPeakem, from Northern Ireland. It also goes by the titles "Purple Heather", and "Will Ye Go Lassie Go."

Playing Notes: This simple arrangement sounds especially nice when fingerpicked. The "pinch" technique can be played by plucking the two outside strings using your thumb (middle string) and your middle finger (bass string) of your picking hand. The "rit." near the end of the song is short for "retard", which tells you to gradually slow down the tempo until the end. Email me if you have any questions! sarahmorganmusic @gmail.com

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Wild Mountain Thyme

Traditional Scottish

Arrangement and dulcimer notation by Sarah Morgan

www.sarahmorganmusic.webs.com

DULCIMER WORKSHOPS. JAMs. CONCERT

NGFDA SUMMER SATELLITE DULCIMER GATHERING

Friday-Saturday, August 3 & 4
First Christian Church of Perry, GA
2100 US Highway North

Sponsored by North Georgia Foothills Dulcimer Association (NGFDA)
in Collaboration with Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club Satellite of Centerville, GA

WORKSHOP INSTRUCTION
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STEVE SEIFERT

COST **Saturday All Day Participants: $35.00** includes workshops, lunch, and concert
Saturday Concert Only: $5

SCHEDULE

Friday	6:00 -- 9:00PM	Relaxed Evening JAM and COFFEE SOCIAL (All Acoustic Instruments Welcome)
Saturday	9:00 – 9:00PM	
	9:00AM	Registration & Coffee
	10AM-Noon	WORKSHOPS
	12-1:30PM	Lunch; prepared by Church Youth Group
	1:30-3:00PM	WORKSHOPS
	6:00-7:15PM	CONCERT Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club & STEVE SEIFERT
	7:30-9:00PM	JAM (All Acoustic Instruments Welcome)

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For Additional Information John Shawhan (478-542-0495) Peggy Martin (678-478-2456)

The Tab Dude

By President Tom Womack

The heat of the summer does funny things to the mind. Sometimes my head starts bobbing when I am playing "Mississippi Sawyer" for the fifteenth time under the ceiling fans on the front porch of my home. Reality and fantasy begin to blur. I am about to enter the twilight zone.

I have come across a fascinating fellow who does not want his name released to the general public. So I will simply refer to him as "the tab dude."

He is supposedly able to present dulcimer tab for a vast collection of songs at a moment's notice. This remarkable specimen of the human race has put himself at the disposal of the club to map out tab on demand or die trying.

If you have a tune for which you cannot find tab, then just send an email to me (tomwomack@yahoo.com) and I will challenge my little man to see if he knows his stuff.

Just be reasonable, some Beethoven, Tex-Mex or Hindi tunes might be outside his orbit. Also, first check with world renowned dulcimer websites to see if the tab is already available. Two really good resources are the phenomenally popular ngfda.org and everythingdulcimer.com.

I will faithfully put the particulars of all requested music on our club website with the tab, as soon as my special friend presents it to me.

Hurrah for the tab dude.

Spotlight on Satellites

Dalton Dulcimers

Dalton Dulcimers had the honor and privilege to play all of the music for the worship service at Dalton First United Methodist Church on Sunday, June 26. Since this is the group's 'home' church, all players agreed this was a special and meaningful musical opportunity. A prelude, call to prayer, Doxology, several hymns for congregational singing and a lively postlude of "I'll Fly Away" were a part of the program.

Middle Georgia Dulcimer Club

The Middle Georgia Dulcimer Club met at The Young America School of Music for the regular monthly meeting Saturday July 7. Everyone enjoyed lesson time learning some new music and later participated in an open jam time. The club had a record number first time players attending.

The Middle Georgia Dulcimer club will *NOT* have its regular meeting in August on Saturday August 4. Instead all Club participants are encouraged to attend the NGFDA Summer Satellite Gathering being held August 3 thru 4 in Perry GA. Stephen Seifert will be the festival's special guest instructor and the sponsoring Satellite Group, Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club in Centerville, has many activities planned.

The Middle Georgia Dulcimer Club will to meet for its regular monthly meeting in September on Saturday, September 8, at The Young America School of Music from 1 - 4 pm. *The Club is changing its meeting date from the 1st Saturday of the month to the second Saturday of each month.* The first hour is designated for mountain dulcimer class – all levels are welcomed. After lesson time the group will have an "any instrument welcome" jam session that will contain practice for the Mossy Creek music set as well as fun playing for the rest of the meeting time. Everyone is welcome to come and play with the club on 2nd Saturday at Young America Music School.

Allatooners Go To College

Who knew three years ago when The Allatooners Ensemble Group began practicing ensemble arrangements that they would become time travelers? As you can tell by the dress in the photo here, the group transported back to the 1860's when the country was in conflict between the North and the South.

The Ensemble has performed twice for audiences at Kennesaw State University.

The Ensemble Group has quite a musical repertoire from the 1860's now. The latest performance was for the Lincoln Exhibit in the KSU library. Already scheduled are two more Civil

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War Era Music concerts coming up in September and December.

The Allatooners currently meet the second Sunday of each month at Town View Baptist Church Modular Bldg. C 1115 Shiloh Road. Beginners play from 1:30-2:30 with instruction, then all levels join together from 2:30-3:30. Our beginners' group is growing and the more advanced players have been a big help in bringing them along.

Sad news, the Allatooners are about to be homeless. The group has just been informed that the meeting property has been sold. The Allatooners are looking for a new home to meet in the Kennesaw/Acworth area. Anyone with information on a new location for our meetings please contact Peggy at martin.pb@comcast.net.

If you want more information on what the Allatooners are up to these days go to website www.allatooners.org. There you can find a large range of information from determining your playing level, to locations, dates and times of meetings. If you are interested in more information on the Ensemble Group there is a link to the happenings and schedule of practices on the Ensemble tab at the top of the page. You will also find information on how to purchase our CD, "Morphing with Grace."
We look forward to having visitors and playing beautiful music together. Come one come all!

Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club

The Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club along with several players from the Macon Dulcimer Club played at Baldwin State Prison in July. The group has revised the Beginner Lesson & Basic Jam book and will begin using it in the Fall. The first week in August the group will help host Stephen Seifert at the Summer Gathering in Perry, Georgia. The regular schedule resumes this August with lessons at 6:30 and the JAM starting at 7:15 on Thursdays at Centerville United Methodist Church. Join us if you are in the area!

Blue Ridge

The Blue Ridge Dulcimer Players will perform once again at Blairsville's Butternut Creek Festival on Sat., July 21. The festival is held every July next to the creek in Meeks Park. It's a beautiful setting, and the creek helps keep it a little cooler on a hot July weekend. The dulcimer players will play on Saturday from 10:00 until about 2:00, with breaks for lunch and cooling drinks. Look for them next to the creek near one of the bridges. There will be lots of talented artists and vendors and musicians.

Upcoming Events

September 21-22, 2012

Eighth Annual Memphis Dulcimer Gathering. Two days of workshops, jams, demonstrations, midday concerts, open stage, vendors.

Registration begins at 8:30 a.m. each day. Workshops are held from 9:00 a.m. until about 4:30 p.m. both days. Lunch is available from the church (must be reserved and paid in advance) or you may bring your own lunch. Concerts and vendor times are held during the lunch break. There will be an evening instructor-led jam and an instructor concert.

Detailed schedules with class topics can be accessed on the link below.

Instructors include: Rick Thum, Ken Kolodner, Lee Cagle, Ilace Mears, Agene Parsons, Guy and Sharrie George, Bing Futch, Anne Lough.

Cost of all events (workshops, vendor area, jams, midday concerts, Friday night concert) (excluding lunch) is $95 per person. If paid by September 10, cost is $85 per person (lunch is an additional $8 per day).

A one day pass is $50 per person. Advanced registration for one day is helpful but not necessary.

Concert tickets are $10 per person.

Lunch is available with advance registration and payment by 9/10 at a cost of $8 per day. No lunches will be available on site without prior reservation. Lunch includes hot entree, salad, dessert, drink and gratuity.

THE TOTAL COST OF ALL EVENTS PLUS LUNCH BOTH DAYS IF PAID BY September 10 is $101. To receive the discount price, all pre-registrations must be postmarked by September10 *** NO EXCEPTIONS!!!! ***

If you do not order lunch, you may still bring a sack lunch to join us for music and fellowship during the midday events.

Hotel Information: This year, we will be recommending that participants stay at Hampton Inn Walnut Grove, 33 Humphries Center Dr., Memphis, Tennessee, USA 38120, 901-747-3700
$85 plus tax, includes full breakfast buffet
Open for reservation: Currently deadline to reserve: August 20, 2012. Make the reservation for the

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group rate for Memphis Dulcimer Gathering. Hampton Inn is located at the corner of Walnut Grove and Humphries Blvd. just east of the Walnut Grove exit from I-240. From the Inn, festival participants will travel west on Walnut Grove Road and the church is located on the north side of Walnut Grove just a few miles from the hotel.

Additional information available at leecagledulcimers.com.

September 26-28, 2012

Melodies and Musings Festival 2012. As part of Marshall County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program's celebration and preservation of Appalachian music, RSVP Recreation Center and one hammered dulcimer instructor. This is the fourth year for RSVP to host this southeastern regional dulcimer festival, Melodies and Musings – Our Appalachian Legacy. Registration forms and information can be found on the festival website www.melodies-and-musings.com. Call RSVP, 256-571-7734 or email: mcrsvp@mcrsvp.org for more information.

The festival will offer Mountain Dulcimer Tracks at the Beginner/Novice, Intermediate and Advanced skill levels. Each level will receive 15 hours of mountain dulcimer instruction over the three days working with each of the four nationally known instructors each day. This year's instructors will be Bill Collins, Delaware; Steve Eulberg, Colorado; Heidi Muller, Washington and West Virginia; and Butch Ross, Tennessee. Sessions will focus on playing technique, repertoire building and ensemble playing.

Anne Lough will instruct the intensive three day hammered dulcimer track at the intermediate level.

Participants can choose an additional four hours of Appalachian music heritage and culture classes from 15 offerings. Evening activities will include: Wednesday free night to enjoy a local restaurant with jamming at the Hampton Inn after dinner; Thursday Night BBQ, Open Stage and hammered dulcimer instructor's concert and Friday night mountain dulcimer instructor's concert will be open to the public. Jamming, vendors, contra dance, singing and more!

Registration is $125, after September 1, $135. Space is limited. Cost includes 15 hours of dulcimer instruction working with nationally known instructors, three afternoon fun "Pick n' Choose" classes (see website for details), and one entrance to evening activities. Meal plan available, see website.

Festival workshops made possible in part by the following partners: National Endowment for the Arts grant, Alabama State Council on the Arts grant, City of Guntersville and RSVP.

Come join the fun this year at the same great location on Beautiful Lake Guntersville, 1500 Sunset Drive, Guntersville, Alabama.

October 26-27, 2012

Nutmeg Dulcimer Festival. Now in our ninth year, with three extraordinary feature acts, workshop leaders from all over the Northeastern U.S., and 55 workshops for hammered dulcimer, mountain dulcimer, and more. This year, we'll be featuring NO STRINGS ATTACHED -- Probably America's most popular hammered dulcimer band for nearly all of the past 30 years. Still featuring Randy Marchany and Wes Chappell on dulcimers, and back in New England for the first time in years. SCENIC ROOTS -- Erin Rogers is a past National Champion on mountain dulcimer. Her sister, Amber Rogers, plays fiddle, hammered dulcimer, and more. They hail from Kansas, and this will be their first time ever performing in the Northeast. ANDY YOUNG -- Gypsy swing, Irish, and French Canadian music on hammered dulcimer. Andy drove out from Illinois last year to lead workshops for us, and everybody loved him so much that we had to bring him back this year as a featured artist. Seven periods of workshops for all levels, from total beginner to totally advanced. Two evening concerts. Vendors. Meals available on premises, plus plenty of restaurants within easy walking and driving distance.

Times/hours/schedule: seven periods of workshops for all levels, from total beginner to totally advanced. Two evening concerts.

Cost: Full festival: $65 in advance, $72 at the door. Students (K-12): $30. Concert tickets available for $10-$15 for adults, $5-$7 for students.

Getting more information:
Website: http://www.nutmegdulcimer.com/
Email: info@NutmegDulcimer.com

Wanted

Lynn McCollum is looking for a double dulcimer case. If anyone has one to spare, please contact Lynn at lynnmccollum@windstream.net.

Special Rates at Best Western and Super 8 Motel

The Best Western Hotel and the Super 8 Motel in Helen have rooms available for the Fall Festival. In order to make registration easier, a block of rooms has been set aside for the NGFDA. To make a reservation, just call the Best Western at 706-878-2111 or the Super 8 Motel at 706-878-2191and tell them you are part of the "Dulcimer Group" and that you would like the special rate of $45.00 per night plus tax for the days of the Unicoi festival. Both facilities offer a continental breakfast; the Super 8 Motel has an indoor pool; and the Best Western rooms are suites. This is the fifth year the Best Western has offered this rate.

Unicoi State Park & Lodge

GROUP INDIVIDUAL RESERVATION FORM

POLICIES

Additional discounts are not valid in conjunction with any special promotion, discount rate or group rate.

5% occupancy tax and 7% sales tax added to all rooms, unless an INDIVIDUAL tax-exempt certificate is furnished in advance. Please note that individuals are not covered by a state tax-exempt certificate for master billing purposes. Payment for guestroom charges must be paid by agency check and a copy of the exemption certificate must be presented in advance or at check in to receive individual tax-exempt status.

A $5.00 Georgia State Park Pass valid for the duration of your stay will be assessed on all vehicles.

Reservations must be made by October 14, 2012

Reservations received after cut off date will be subject to prevailing rates and availability. There is a 2-night minimum for groups booked over weekend dates. Special requests are honored where possible but **ARE NOT GUARANTEED**.

Please note that your room(s) and rates are reserved within a negotiated block of rooms. Your credit card will be charged one night stay at the time the reservation is received and **refunds will not be issued if cancellation is received less than 30 days prior to your arrival.**

We love pets, but they are not permitted in guest rooms. We do have a limited number of dog friendly cabins. Please call for more information. Additional fees do apply.

Fax Completed Form to: **706-878-1897**

Mail Checks and Completed Form to

Unicoi State Park & Lodge
P O Box 849
Helen, GA 30545

Check-in Time: 4 p.m.
Check-out Time: 11 a.m.

Lodge rooms contain two double beds (max occupancy 4), some rooms also have a carpeted sleeping loft with twin mattresses (reached by climbing a ladder, the room with loft accommodates 6).
While at Unicoi, you may be reached at 706-878-2201.

Visit us at www.unicoilodge.com

Name of Group North GA Foothills Dulcimer Association

Event #03396 (Required when making telephone reservations 800-573-9659 ext. 560 or #560 with automated attendant)

Dates November 14-18, 2012

Per Night	Weekday	Weekend
One Bedroom Cabin	$110.00	$120.00
Two Bedroom Cabin, Lakeview	$130.00	$140.00
Two Bedroom Cabin, Smith Creek	$135.00	$145.00
Three Bedroom Cabin	$140.00	$150.00
Lodge Room Rates Double Occupancy	$110.00	$110.00
Additional per Adult Charge Lodge Rooms	$10.00	

Arrival Date _____

Departure Date _____

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ **State** _____ **Zip** _____

Daytime Phone No. _____

Evening Phone No. _____

E-mail Addresses _____
(optional)

Accommodation Requirements _____

No. of Adults _____ **No. of Children** _____

Special Requests _____

All rooms are nonsmoking **ADA Compliant**

Every effort will be made to honor special requests; however, due to fluctuating counts, they are not guaranteed.

Sharing room with _____
(all share with guests must register at front desk in order to provide proper tel forwarding and for security purposes).

Please indicate your preferred method of payment.

_____

CONFIRMATION WILL BE SENT UPON REQUEST AND RECEIPT OF PREPAYMENT.

SATELLITE	AREA	FREQUENCY	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT
AlphaFretters	Alpharetta, GA	Bimonthly 2nd & 4th Sat.	10:00- 12:00	Senior Activity Center 13450 Cogburn Road	Dell Makuch 770-667-0620 makuchd@bellsouth.net NOT CURRENTLY MEETING
Blue Ridge	Blue Ridge, GA	Bimonthly 1st & 3rd Mondays	1:00- 3:00	Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church Hwy. 515 at Forge Mill Road	Anne Bailey 706-632-3854 Suzanne Carter suzanne1951@windstream.net
Dalton Dulcimers	Dalton, GA	Weekly Wednesdays	2:30	First United Methodist Church 500 S. Thornton Ave.	Sherry Patterson 706-278-7256 jspatts@windstream.net
Frettin' On Faith	Ringgold, GA	Weekly, Sundays	4:00	First Baptist Church downtown Ringgold on U.S. Highway 41 (Nashville St.) in the choir/music room	Michael Whitfield 706-673-6730 mewhitfield@windstream.net Website: www.tiptopwebsite.com/frettin
Gainesville Strummers	Gainesville, GA	Weekly – Thurs.	1:30- 3:30	First Baptist Church Room 208, 751 Green Street, N.W.	Louise Gunnin 770-983-9893 rgunnin@bellsouth.net
Garden City Strummers	Augusta, GA	Monthly, 3rd Mon.	5:30- 7:30	Marks Baptist Church 1405 Marks Church Rd.	Betty Fleming 706-541-2146 bfleming7823@comcast.net
Gwinnoters	Lawrenceville, GA	Monthly, 4th Sun.	2:00- 4:00	Lawrenceville Female Seminary 455 South Perry Street	Nora Roy 770-963-2541 nsr45@charter.net
Hart String-Strummers	Hartwell, GA	Bimonthly 2nd Tues. & 4th Sat.	Tues.- 6:30 Sat.-1:30	Hart Regional Arts Council Art Center 338 E. Howell St.	Mary Alice Ray 706-376-6591 706-371-0176 mary.alice.ray@gmail.com
Hilltop Strummers	Woodstock- Canton, GA	Weekly – Tues.	1:30- 3:30	Canton First UMC 930 Lower Scott Mill Road, Canton, GA Exit 16 at I-575	Dan or Barbara Asperger 678-493-6970 (H); 770-633-1987 (C) daasp@windstream.net
In Town Down Home	Atlanta, GA	Monthly, 3rd Sat.	2:00	Tenth Street United Methodist Church 425 Tenth Street, NW	Cathy Watts 770-393-3454 chwatts@mindspring.com
LaGrange Dulcimer Troupers	LaGrange, GA	Weekly, Thurs. mornings Weekly, Tues.	10:45- 12:15 11:30	First United Methodist Church for jamming & prac. Beginning classes	Ann and Perry Wilder 706-882-5027 perrylwilder@bellsouth.net
Land of Waterfalls Dulcimer Players	Brevard & vicinity, NC	Weekly, Wed.	1:00- 3:00	Silvermont Opportunity Ctr. 364 East Main St. Brevard, NC	Mary Sherwood 828-966-9628 sherwood@comporium.net Ann Brown 828-877-5506 grumps@comporium.net
Middle Georgia Dulcimer Club	Macon, GA	Monthly, 2nd Sat.	1:00 Lesson 2:00 Jam	Young America School of Music 6361 Zebulon Road	Ron Rowland 478-968-0684 ronrowland@windstream.net Karen Stewart 478-954-6759 galadybug53@gmail.com
Mountain Sounds	Blairsville, GA	Bimonthly 2nd & 4th Tues.	1:30- 3:30	Senior Center	LaDale Trimble 706-835-1688 raydale@windstream.net
N.W. Allatooners	Kennesaw, GA	Monthly, 2nd Sun.	1:30- 4:00	Towne View Baptist Church Modular Bldg. C 1115 Shiloh Road	Peggy Martin 678-478-2456 martin.pb@comcast.net www.allatooners.org Satellite Scribe: Diana (DeeDee) Nash muffyqnash@yahoo.com
Oconee Belles & Beaus	Salem, SC	Bimonthly, 2nd Thurs. 4th Tues.	2:00- 4:00 1:00- 3:00	Keowee Key (Routes 130 & 183 So. of Salem, SC) Activity Center, Whitewater Room	Joan Krech 864-944-7094 joankrech@bellsouth.net Bonnie Lamarand 864-888-3328 lmrnd@att.net
Peach Pickers	Peachtree City, GA	Monthly, 2nd. Sun.	3:00- 5:00	The Bridge Community Center 208 Willowbend Road	Pat Hobson 770-461-2522 phobson@mindspring.com Sam and Rhoda Greene 678-833-5995 (Home) Sam@greenemountaindulcimer.com Rhoda@greenemountainembroidery.com
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Towaliga Toe Tappers	Jackson, GA	Monthly, 3rd Sun.	2:00- 3:30	Towaliga Baptist Church Kinnard's Mill Road	Karla Redman 678-447-5063 Redmans5@mindspring.com David Ridgeway, Jr. 770-775-3120 770-294-1151
Whistle Stop Pickers	East Alabama/ West Georgia (Auburn-Opelika area)	Weekly, Sat.	1:00- 3:00	Lee County Historical Society Museum 6500 Stage Road (Hwy 14) Loachapoka, AL	Allen & Deborah McCord 334-821-1301 334-703-3646 (cell) bigalmccord@bellsouth.net
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