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Youth Scholarships For The 2010 Fall Festival

by President David Hobson

In the last issue of Foothills Footnotes, as NGFDA President, I expressed hope that the Board of Directors could settle upon a method for awarding scholarships to deserving youths to attend the Fall Festival in 2010. In good fashion the board came up with its own plan for doing so. I find it simple, direct, and satisfactory.

On February 6 at its winter meeting the NGFDA Board of Directors decided on a policy and, in general, a procedure for awarding youth scholarships to the annual Fall Festival. The board members voted to award up to two scholarships based, not on financial need, and not on merit, but on need for instruction as explained in an application form. The board decided to continue awarding the scholarships in future years as funds are available. Funds are now on hand for two years of scholarships. Donations from the membership and support from the board will be needed to continue the scholarships after that.

The board also voted on what the scholarships will cover. Each scholarship will provide for a room for one student and a chaperone for Friday and Saturday nights and two sets of four meals at the Unicoi Lodge restaurant (all day Saturday and either Friday night or Sunday morning) so that basic lodging and meals will be provided. The scholarships will also include concert tickets for the youth and chaperone and registration for the student. Youths from the ages of 10 to 16 are eligible to apply for the awards.

An application form, which will be published in the next newsletter as well as posted on NGFDA websites, must be completed and turned in by a deadline to be announced. Each form submitted must be in the student's own voice and words. One topic to be covered will be why the student wants either to learn to play the dulcimer or how the student hopes to improve his/her playing from festival workshops. The board decided that it wants to encourage winners to become active members of the dulcimer world. Another topic will therefore be how the student will give back to the dulcimer community during or after the Fall Festival.

The board outlined of how the applications will be evaluated. By assigning a number to each applicant and removing a cover page with the applicant's information, the judges will rate the applications without knowing who the applicants are, and the judges will have numbers assigned to them. Each judge will turn in his/her rating sheets without the other judges seeing them. The scholarships will be awarded after the judges have rated all the papers.

A scoring rubric based on rubrics already developed as items for discussion at the February meeting will be used. Before the ratings, the judges will have training on several practice applications to reach some consistency of rating. The judges will consist of the Board of Directors.

Spring Thing Festival - 2010

Please join the North Georgia Foothills Dulcimer Association membership on May 14, 15, 16, 2010 for a three-day festival of learning, playing, performing, kinship and listening entertainment focused on the Mountain Dulcimer, Hammered Dulcimer and Autoharp in an energetic and supportive atmosphere at the Red Top Mountain State Park & Lodge complex. Many lodge rooms and cabins are still available.

Registration for the festival..... $25.00
Registration for Saturday Only $15.00

Please send your check, payable to NGFDA, to Tom Womack, 4050 Oak Forest Circle, Marietta, GA 30062 .

Include in your letter your email address, to receive confirmation of your registration.

For extensive information, go to the club website: www.ngfda.com or email tomwomack@yahoo.com.

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Key West Dulcimer Fest

by Bing Futch

The weather was just beginning to warm back up as the first folks arrived in Key West. I picked Robert Force up from the airport and we traveled the island, sightseeing and celebrating the beginning of the 1st Annual Key West Dulcimer Fest. One by one, staff and guests arrived and found each other, getting together to dine, jam, smile, relax and sink into the tropical spirit. By Thursday, there wasn't a cloud in the sky; the weather would be picture-perfect for the remainder of the four days. Master Classes took place at our two venues, the Hurricane Hole Marina and the American Legion. Watching Guy George conduct his steel drum class under swaying palm trees with the sun glinting off of the shiny metal counts as a highlight of Day One. It became clear that our numbers were going to be a lot more than we had expected as folks lined up early to register for Friday and Saturday workshops. All told, some 130 people registered with many of them hearing about the festival through the local media.

The memories come quickly, frontloaded with smiles: Stephen Seifert at the waterfront and Lois Hornbostel working the Legion's classroom space; Butch Ross teaching harmonics; David Beede leading a group successfully through a tune; Rick Thum getting a group of hammered dulcimer players together in rhythm; Butch Ross and Karen Mueller leading a powerful jam. Friday and Saturday evening concerts were standing room only with many locals in attendance and many turned away at the door (some 400 people caught the music!) Who *was* that mysterious dulcimer player in the scuba diving mask and wetsuit? What was all that Speedo drama about during Guy and Tull Glazener's set? How much talent was there up on-stage? By the time it all roared to a close with the rockin' reggae tune, "Three Little Birds", it was clear that the festival had turned into exactly what we had hoped: a big easy-going celebration of life, music, love, joy and great company.

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About the Tablature . . .

Tom Womack submitted the following tablature, "Off To California." It is also known as Bound For California, Fireman's, Fireman's Reel, The Fireman's Reel, The Fireman's, Going To California, Humours Of California, The Humours Of California, Imtigte Go California, The Juggler, Whiskey, The Whiskey. "Off To California" is a traditional Irish tune so appropriate for our March issue with St. Patrick's Day.

Off to California
(Mountain Dulcimer DGD)

Tabbed by Tom Womack

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Spotlight on Satellites

Dalton Dulcimers

Dalton Dulcimers entertained a delightful audience on February 10 at Ross Woods Adult Day Services in their beautiful new facility. In addition to dulcimer selections, bowed psaltery and mandolin choices were added to the mix. Perhaps we will have a fiddle player join us in the near future.

The club is looking forward to hosting Joe Collins and Paul Byrum for workshops on March 20. See "Upcoming Events" for details including registration information.

Hilltop Strummers

The above three photos are from the Hilltop Strummers recent performance at the Terrace Assisted Living facility in Canton, Georgia. Tow of the photos show half of those who participated from the satellite club and the third shows some of the residents using the club's Dancing Dans to keep time with "Mississippi Sawyer" and "Farther Along."

The membership of the Hilltop Strummers continues to increase. The most recent practice had 30 participants. The club continues to offer a Wednesday evening practice for those who are unable to make our mid-day practices. Members are still finding people who have a dulcimer on the wall or under the bed and choose to use the satellite club as their vehicle to practice and play with others. We thank the NGFDA for the creation of the satellite network and the publicity. Our satellite has been found by some using the internet and the NGFDA website.

Frettin' On Faith

February found two of the Fretters', Michael and Jean Whitfield, battling storms and rain at the Central Florida Dulcimer & Autoharp Festival in Mt. Dora, Florida on February 12 and 13. However, Sunday was beautiful and area "antiquing" was the agenda for the day. Our group didn't have practice on the 14th for so many were out of town on a three- day weekend. We did play at Hixson Presbyterian on the 9th, on the north side of Chattanooga, Tennessee; and we had good audience participation. The folks there sang and even laughed at our old jokes. It was a wonderful time and they even fed us lunch to boot!

We will back into the routine on Sunday, February 21, and gearing up for a few play dates in March. Jean and I are taking back a lot of music and new techniques we learned in the workshops at the Dulcimer festival.

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If anyone in the NGFDA can make it to Mt. Dora next February I suggest you put it in early; it's a growing festival just as good Fall Festival at Unicoi !! Keep On Frettin'.

Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club

The Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club is looking forward to hosting Joe Collins for an all day workshop event on Monday, March 15, from 9:45 – 4:45 with a concert to follow at 7:00 p.m. To reserve your spot or for more information, contact Laneah Maddox at 912-687-3621 or laneahmaddox@yahoo,com. See the Upcoming Events section for more information.

Peach Pickers

Peach Pickers will meet the first Sunday in March at the Bridge. Be sure to practice your new music.

Mountain Sounds

Mountain Sounds Dulcimer Group meets twice a month at the Senior Center in Blairsville, Georgia. Join us from 1:30 to 3:30 every second and fourth Tuesday for fun and practice.

Upcoming Events

March 5-7, 2010

Hammered Dulcimer Retreat with Anne Lough for Intermediate-Advanced players at the beautiful Lambuth Inn at Lake Junaluska, North Carolina.

For more information, contact Anne at: annelough.com. annelough@bellsouth.net, 828-627-2704

Schedule:

Friday: Workshop: 3-5:00; Dinner; Evening Jam

Saturday: Workshop: 9-12:00; Lunch; Workshop: 2-4:00; Dinner; Evening Jam

Sunday: Workshop 9-11:30, Lunch

Cost Per Person including all meals: Single Room: $282, Double: $234, Triple: $220. For non-participants, deduct $100

Register for room and meals at: 1-800-222-4930 - individual reservations.

Register for workshops at annelough@bellsouth.net or 828-627-2704.

Directions: lakejunaluska.com.

March 7, 2010

Join us on Sunday, March 7, for the Old Time Dulcimer Concert and Workshop with Don Pedi at the Mt. Dora Community Church, 650 North Donnelly Avenue, Mt. Dora, Florida.

1:30-3:00 – Dulcimer Workshop for Beginners: Playing Techniques; Simple Songs, Tunes and Hymns.

3:30-5:00 – Dulcimer Workshop for Intermediate and Advanced: Traditional Old Time Songs, Tunes and Hymns.

7:00 – Concert

Cost: one workshop, $15; both workshops $20; one workshop and concert, $20; both workshops and concert, $25; concert only, $10.

For further information, please contact John Hawk at 352-552-8190, hawkmann51 @netscape.net; or Don Pedi at www.donpedi.com or email Don at DonPedi@hotmail.com.

March 11-14, 2010

Lagniappe Dulcimer Society invites you to our "Swinging in the Swamp" 9th Annual Lagniappe Dulcimer Fête at the Community Center/West Baton Rouge Museum, 749 North Jefferson Avenue, Port Allen, Louisiana.

Classes, Performances and Instruction on Mountain Dulcimer, Bowed Dulcimer, Hammered Dulcimer, Banjo, Sacred Harp, Ukulele, Mandolin, Guitar, Autoharp, Harmonica, Fiddle and more!

Outstanding instructors from Arkansas, Alabama, Illinois, Louisiana, Missouri, North Carolina, Tennessee, Texas & Virginia.

Whoa!! Look who's coming!

Ken Bloom, Bob Frazier, Steve Bing, Denise Guillory, Craig Harrel, Anne Lough, Debbie Porter, Steve Seifert, Jak Stallings, Bill Taylor, and Lloyd & Margaret Wright!

We'll feature many classes for the beginner, intermediate and advanced levels with workshops, jamming, and concerts on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday including a Gospel Jam and Sing on Sunday morning, and tons of vendors!

Folks come and enjoy the food, hospitality and music of Southern Louisiana.

Please contact Pete Payne - pdpayne@att.net or call 225-223-2361

March 15, 2010

The Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club will be hosting Joe Collins in an all day workshop on Monday, March 15 at Centerville United Methodist Church. There will be an evening concert at 7:00 p.m. The church is located in the Warner Robins area in Middle Georgia.

Workshops are: Funny Songs for Your Repertoire; Hot Licks & Cool Sounds – a workshop on how to do those cool things that make people say, "Wow! How did he/she do that?" Covers ornamentation techniques like hammer-ons, pull-offs, slides, grace notes, trills, bends, harmonics, and muting. Gives simple songs in which these techniques can be applied and practiced; Folk and/or Classic Hymns; and Civil War Songs.

Cost: $15 for one workshop; $10 for two; third for $5; and 4th workshop is free. The concert is free for workshop attendees and $5 for non-attendees.

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March 20, 2010

A Delightful Dulcimer Day with Joe Collins and Paul Byrum sponsored by Dalton Dulcimers of Dalton First United Methodist Church.

Joe Collins (Shelby NC) began playing the dulcimer in the late 70s and has been a popular instructor/performer in festivals around the country for over a decade. He has five recordings and eight popular tab books to his credit as well as a number of championships, including the 2007 National Mountain Dulcimer Championship. Joe loves teaching and has a doctorate in Adult Education. In addition to teaching dulcimer, he teaches Sunday School and Religious Education at Gardner-Webb University. Thus he has plenty of opportunity to share the two greatest passions in his life: his music and his faith in Christ.

Paul Byrum (Dalton, Georgia) is a multi-instrumentalist playing the mountain dulcimer, autoharp, bass guitar, hammered dulcimer and acoustic upright bass. As a dulcimer player, Paul performs Celtic, old-time, and gospel hymns on both the Appalachian (mountain or lap) dulcimer and the hammered dulcimer. His 2008 recording Bound for the Promised Land has sold nearly 6,000 copies with distribution nationally in Hobby Lobby stores.

9:00 Registration and check in

9:30-10:45 Session I

11:00 – 12:15 Session II

12:15- 1:30 Concert and lunch. Bring a sandwich; drinks/desserts provided by Dalton Dulcimers

1:30 – 2:45 Session III

3:00 – 4:15 Session IV

Class descriptions:

Paul's all day beginner class: For folks who have a dulcimer but haven't done anything or much with it. The four sessions will cover dulcimer basics including tuning, strumming, playing the melody and some simple chords, and developing good technique. You will learn a few tunes and have the resources you need to embark on the wonderful adventure of playing the mountain dulcimer.

Joe's classes (novice/intermediate and up):

Session I - Patterns and Rhythms: a workshop on strumming and picking patterns. Focuses on strumming-hand techniques, helping the player to create rhythms, broken chords, and arpeggios that will give the instrument a fuller sound.

Session II - Repertoire workshop: Celtic Harp Songs

Session III - Repertoire workshop: Appalachian Mountain Songs

Session IV - Playing well with others: The Mountain Dulcimer in an ensemble. This workshop will help participants play effectively in an ensemble, whether it is an ensemble of several different instruments or an ensemble of mountain dulcimers. We'll share knowledge and work on skills that will help players fit in and make unique contributions to the musical group.

Cost: Joe's classes: $15 for first class, $10 for second, $5 for third, fourth class free

Paul's all day beginner class: $30

Payment in cash or by check made to Joe or Paul

Directions: From Atlanta: Take I-75 north to Dalton exit 333 (Walnut Ave) Turn right onto Walnut Ave, Go to the fifth traffic light turn left on Thornton Ave. Turn left at first light onto Emery. At the four way stop take right onto Valley Drive. Turn right into parking lot. From Chattanooga: Take I-75 south, exit Walnut Ave and turn left and follow above directions.

To register: Contact Sherry Patterson by March 6 at jspatts@windstream.net or 706-278-7256
so Joe and Paul will know how many to prepare for in the workshops.

March 27, 2010

Anne Lough brings to the stage the finest of traditional music and culture. Her beautiful clear voice thrills listeners as she brings to life the ballads and folk songs of the Appalachians, American frontier and British Isles. Folk dance, storytelling and shaped-note traditions come alive through her skillful presentations and artistry.

Excellence as a performer, teacher and demonstrator, combined with dedication to the preserving and sharing of our wonderful heritage of traditional music bring a rare and unique quality to every presentation.

Call for reservations to be a part of this wonderful performance on Saturday, March 27th, at 7:00 pm in the Club Tamarack Dining Room. Seats are $7.00 per person and reservations can be made by calling Carol Lesley at 770-893-2019, email: carol.lesley@tds.net. Workshops are available during that day for all levels of playing the Mountain Dulcimer or Hammered Dulcimer at $30.00 full day, $20.00 half day. This fee includes the concert ticket. Sponsored by The Bent Tree Strings and the BTAC.

Directions: Bent Tree Community is off of Cove Road, east of Jasper. From Jasper Main Street, continue East on Highway 53. Turn left on Burnt Mountain Road at the light. Turn Right on Cove Road at the 3 way stop. Continue on Cove Road less than 3 miles to turn left on Bent Tree Drive just past the fire station. At the Bent Tree Gate, check in and you will be directed to Club Tamarack, which is straight ahead on Little Pine Mountain Road (same road as Bent Tree Drive, just new name). At the fork, take the left branch to Club Tamarack. Follow the signs. The concert is on the upper level.

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April 17, 2010

The Blue Ridge Dulcimer Players have invited Larry Conger to teach a one-day workshop for mountain dulcimer players in the north Georgia mountains on April 17, 2010. He will offer three sessions (90 minutes each) and will include such topics as duets, ensemble playing, and twisted tunes. There will be something of interest for all levels of players. The cost is $20.00 per session; $50.00 for all three sessions. Preregistration and prepayment are requested by April 1. The workshop will be held at the Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church east of Blue Ridge at Hwy. 515 and Forge Mill Road. Please contact Suzanne Carte at Suzanne1951@windstream.net, 706-379-2144 for additional information. Join us for a wonderful day filled with Larry Conger's beautiful dulcimer music.

April 22-25, 2010

2nd Annual Lee County Gathering. . . Down From The Mountains "Old-Time Music Festival"

The festival is held on the grounds of the historic Lee County Museum located on Highway 14 in Loachapoka, Alabama. This year's festival is expected to bigger and better than before with great nationally known dulcimer instructors such as: Joe Collins, Terry and Pam Lewis, Denise Guillory, and TNT. Local instructors include: Dr. Gwen Taunton (fiddle), Fred Lord (mandolin and guitar), Wayne Foote (contra dance), Bill Hogan (Sacred Harp), Dr. Bill King (storytelling), Bob and Rose Taunton (bass dulcimer and banjo) and Deborah McCord (autoharp and children's beginning dulcimer). The festival will kick-off with an ice cream social and instructor's concert at the bandstand Thursday evening. Friday and Saturday will be two full days of instruction, continuous jams, concerts, and lots of fun. A Saturday evening dance will be held with all participants joining in the dancing or the "house band." Sunday morning will end with a hymn sing and jam. Food will be available on site. Limited campground sites are available on site. Information concerning other campgrounds lodging is available on our website. The festival is hosted by Allen and Deborah McCord (bigalmccord@bellsouth.net 334-821-1301) and Bob and Rose Taunton (banjobob@charter.net 334-283-3045). The host dulcimer satellite group is the Whistle Stop Pickers. For more information and to download an application, go to: www.leecountygathering.com.

July 16 – 17, 2010

Summer Strummin' with Joe Collins at Unicoi State Park. The Nacoochee Strummers and Yonah Pickers Satellite groups, in cooperation with the Friends of Unicoi, are sponsoring workshops and concerts with Joe Collins at Unicoi Lodge near Helen. All NGFDA members are invited, but sign up early – space is limited!

Workshops start at 9 a.m. on Friday July 16, and include "Capos & Alternate Tunings", "Crossing Over to the Fun Side", "Funny Songs on the Dulcimer", "Getting Jiggy", "Hot Licks and Cool Sounds", "Patterns and Rhythms", "Playing Well with Others", and "Introduction to Celtic Songs." Check out www.jcdulcimer.com for more information.

There'll be four different workshops EACH DAY. The first is $15, second is an additional $10, the third is $5 more, and THE FOURTH IS FREE! Come on just Friday, just Saturday, or both.

PLUS there'll be FREE concerts! Friday evening features Joe Collins, with opening by Nathaniel Samsel. Saturday night we'll have another FREE concert with local artists.

To sign up, contact Gwen Aumann at 706-219-4344 or gwen.aumann@yahoo.com. For overnight accommodations, call Unicoi Lodge at 706-878-2201.

Key West Dulcimer Fest

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The jams were plentiful and unconventional, the dining was superb (anyone who went to the Shrimp Shack, a local favorite, were especially fortunate) and as it all wound down on Sunday with some more Master Classes and folks began to head out, it became clear that the memories from this festival would be treasured for years to come. I stood on the dock of Key West Harbor and watched all of the folks who had elected to go on the Sunday Sunset Sail, thankful for such a great turn-out and that everybody was having such a brilliant time. Out into the Gulf of Mexico, the weather graying but holding off from rain, great sailing wind, we had come from near and far to gather in study and song. And we'll do it again next year, January 27 - 30, 2011. KeyWestDulcimerFest.com.

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
Bent Tree Strings	Jasper, GA	4th Thurs	2:30- 4:30	Club Tamarack Dining Room in Bent Tree. Bent Tree is 6 miles East of Jasper off of Cove Road	Carol Lesley 770-893-2019 Carol.Lesley@tds.net
Blue Ridge	Blue Ridge, GA	Weekly, Mondays	1:00- 3:00	Shepherd of the Hills Lutheran Church Hwy. 515 at Forge Mill Road	Anne Bailey 706-632-3854 Mary A. Davis 706-492-5759 irish2@etcmail.com
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 Sun.- 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	Monthly, 3rd Sun. Weekly, Thurs. mornings	2:00- 4:00	First United Methodist Church For jamming & prac.	Ann and Perry Wilder 706-882-5027 perrylwilder@bellsouth.net
Middle Georgia Dulcimer Club	Macon, GA	Monthly, 1st Sat.	1:00 Lesson 2:00 Jam	Georgia Music Hall of Fame 200 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd.	Kathy Smith 770-775-1346 Mashanic@gmail.com Barbara Stevens 706-484-8044 Gbs468@aol.com
Mountain Sounds	Blairsville, GA	Bimonthly 2nd & 4th Tues.	1:30- 3:30	Senior Center	LaDale Trimble 706-835-1688 raydale@windstream.net Nell Boone 706-745-8064 bnb615@brmemc.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
Nacoochee Strummers	Sautee, Ga and Clarkesville, GA	1st, 3rd & 5th (if any) Mondays	3:00- 5:00	1749 Hwy 17, Sautee on 1st Mon. Bethlehem Baptist Church, Rt. 197, Clarkesville on 3rd & 5th Mon.	Ted Doll 706-878-2526 706-892-9207 (cell) theodore.doll@gmail.com
Peach Pickers	Peachtree City, GA	Monthly, 1st 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
SEHDP (Southeastern Hammered Dulcimer Players)	Support Group for Local HD Satellites	www.SEHDP.com for Individual Satellite Info.			www.SEHDP.com Patsy Jordan sehdpmail@gmail.com
Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club (EDIMAGIAFAD)	Centerville, GA	Weekly, Thurs.	6:00- Lesson 6:45-Jam	1st United Methodist Church 600 N. Houston Lake Rd.	Laneah Maddox 478-971-8223 912-687-3621 laneahmaddox@yahoo.com http://wrmusic.tripod.com/sonicsoundsdulcimerclub
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
Yonah Pickers	Helen, GA	Bimonthly 2nd & 4th Sun.	2:00- 4:00	Mountain Lakes Resort Members Lodge Highway Alt. 75 between Cleveland and Helen, GA	Lynn McCollum 706-499-3212 lynnmccollum@windstream.net Linda Clarke 706-865-3089 lindaclarke@windstream.net

NGFDA sanctions these groups as satellites, but each one sets its own agenda, meeting place and procedures.

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NGFDA Membership Form

Please start/renew my membership in NGFDA, including a subscription to the monthly *Foothills Footnotes* newsletter. Tab books available to members only, one copy per member at a cost of $7 (if mailed, add $4 mailing fee). Individual membership: $20. Family membership: $30. Please make checks payable to NGFDA. Dues, according to NGFDA bylaws, are renewable each November regardless of when you join.

Name_____

Address_____

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