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Land of Waterfalls Dulcimer Players

Some of the club's players spent a day at the Cradle of Forestry in the Pisgah National Forest on Heritage Day in July. The musicians were dressed in period costume as much as possible. An unexpected visitor appeared when Mary Cox arrived with her banjo on her back. She joined in on a few pieces and a fun time was had for both the players and the audience. Her niece had a good time playing Dancing Dan.

Our beginner class of four students is almost ready to join the larger group that plays out each month at numerous senior care facilities. Our first practice in September will introduce them to the larger playout group at a fun Labor Day practice and lunch being held out in the country at the beautiful home of one of our players, Marsha Harris, a former member of one of the clubs in Georgia.

Plans are underway for the Sept 21 Workshop with Carol Walker, here in Brevard, N.C. Many out of town players are already signed up. If you need a registration form or have any questions please email Mary Sherwood at maryc@comporium.net.

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About The Tablature. . .

This month's tablature is "Kind Sir, I See You've Come Again" by Don Pedi.

This is his tnterpretation of a song from an a cappella version, by the wonderful Smyth County, Virginia, ballad singer, Texas Gladden (1894-1967). She was from a musical family. Her brother, Hobart Smith, was a well-known multi-instrumentalist and singer. To him the song celebrates the independent aspect of the human spirit, through the example of a strong willed woman. It is presented here in the melody-drone style of playing the dulcimer.

Don Pedi started played the dulcimer in 1968. He has been recognized and honored for collecting, preserving and performing traditional Appalachian songs and tunes. He has developed a style of playing the dulcimer that can match the fiddles note for note while maintaining the rhythmic and stylistic sensibilities of traditional Southern music.

Don teaches at dulcimer camps, festivals, workshops and clubs all over the United States. Twice a year Don offers his "Way of the Dulcimer" retreats at Wildacres Retreat Center just off the Blue Ridge Parkway near Little Switzerland, NC. These retreats combine all aspects of playing traditional dulcimer with easy, gentle relaxation exercise. They are limited to fifteen participants to insure a relaxing and rewarding experience.

Don has recorded over a dozen CDs of his music. He has published four dulcimer books with companion CDs and an instructional DVD.

Don has appeared in two motion pictures: "The Songcatcher" and "The Journey of August King"

For a complete biography, schedule and catalog, please visit: www.donpedi.com.

Hilltop Strummers

On Tuesday, August 20th, 2019, the Hilltop Strummers String Band played at the Manor Lake Assisted Living in Canton, Georgia. A variety of music was included and song lyrics to many of the tunes were provided to the residents for all to sing along. Following the playout, many of the players remained and visited with the residents.

Gwinnoters

The Gwinnoters are taking a temporary hiatus. They are in the Lawrenceville area. Hopefully we will be able to get some interest back and get this group going again. If you are interested in committing to lead, please contact me and I will get you headed in the right direction…Lynn McCollum Lynnmccollum50@gmail.com.

Volunteer Needed

NGFDA is currently looking for someone to take over assembling the NGFDA Footnotes newsletter. If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Carolyn Welsch at 904-626-2765 or email NGFDA_Footnotes@aol.com.

NGFDA Fall Festival

If you have any questions or trouble with the online NGFDA Nov. 21-24 Fall Festival registration at ngfda.com or a membership question, please contact webmaster / internet guru Mike Van Demark at ngfdaclub@gmail.com or call (404)-822-3666. Questions concerning the instructors, classes, or schedule or to get a manual copy of the registration form, please contact Pam Deemer, NGFDA Fall Festival Director, at pdeemer@gmail.com or call (404)-550-0699 and leave a voicemail. (Because of too many spammers, she only directly answers the phone for numbers she knows. She will call you back.)

Save your money for CDs, books, instruments and dulcimer related goodies! There are usually 15-20 vendors at the festival as well as swap tables where you can put used personal instruments and gently used books for sale--so you can buy new ones! Because the tables can get too crowded, please, only two personal instruments at a time. People with large, personal collections to sell can contact John Shawhan, jshawhan@windstream.net about renting a table.

Unicoi State Park and Helen, GA, have plenty to offer the non-dulcimer players who may accompany you. Go to http://www.helenga.org/ or https://www.unicoilodge.com/ On the former's website, you will also see restaurants, hotels/motels, shops, and attractions, other than those offered by Unicoi State Park.

Hammered Dulcimer For Sale

I have a Master Works Ultralight 16/15C Hammered Dulcimer and I am interested in selling it. The instrument is in excellent condition, but will need to be re-strung. I am a musician (guitar, mandolin, bass and percussion), but do not have the time that I need to devote to learning this instrument.

I am located in Cedartown, GA (south of Rome). Also, I'd be glad to send any pictures; I also have a nice wooden adjustable stand, one set of mallets, a book, paperwork, etc., but no case. Please contact Bret Mulcay, byellerjacket@gmail.com.

Kind Sir, I See You've Come Again

Source: Texas Gladden, Arrangement: Don Pedi (www.donpedi.com)

Kind miss I have a very fine house
and also a very fine yard
And it should be at your command,
if you would be my bride, bride,
if you would be my bride

I know you have a very fine house
and also a very fine yard
But who would stay with me of a night,
while you was a playin' your cards, cards,
while you was a playin' your cards

Kind miss I have a very fine horse
that stands in yonder's barn
And it should be at your command,
whenever you wish to ride, ride,
whenever you wish to ride

I know you have a have a very fine horse
that stands in yonder's barn
I'm afraid his master would get drunk,
and sell his horse for rum, rum,
and sell his horse for rum

Kind miss you are a hard old case
and most too hard to please
Some cold night when your alone,
I hope to the lord you'll freeze, freeze,
I hope to the lord you'll freeze

I know I am a hard old case
and most too hard for you
I'd rather live single and die an old maid
as to marry a drunkard like you, you
as to marry a drunkard like you

SATELLITE	AREA	FREQUENCY	TIME	LOCATION	CONTACT
Allatooners	Kennesaw, GA	Monthly, 2nd Mon.	6:30-9:00	First United Lutheran Church of Kennesaw 3481 Campus Loop Rd (formerly Frey Lake Rd.)	Peggy Martin 678-478-2456 martin.pb101@gmail.com www.allatooners.org Satellite Scribe: Marianne Wurtele bluegrass_m@hotmail.com
Bent Tree Strings	Jasper, GA	Monthly, 4th Thurs.	2:30-4:30	Club Tamarack Dining Room in Bent Tree. Bent Tree is 6 miles east of Jasper off Cove Road.	Jim Jackson 678-447-6730 Jackson9786@gmail.com
Dalton Dulcimers	Dalton, GA	Weekly Wednesdays	2:30	First United Methodist Church 500 S. Thornton Ave.	Sherry Patterson 706-278-7256 Sspatts6@gmail.com
Dixieland Dulcimers	Griffin, GA	Weekly-Mondays	10:00	Crestview Baptist Church fellowship hall, Griffin, GA	Donna Harpe 770-228-5597 phillip_harpe@bellsouth.net Dave Graves 770-227-4890 drg636@gmail.com
Dusty Dulcimers	Danielsville, GA	Monthly – 3rd Monday	6:30	Danielsville Public Library 1315 Hwy 98 Danielsville, GA 30633	Marty Philips 678-863-7191 Mark Stricklett email: mstricklett@windstream.net
Garden City Strummers	Evans, GA	Monthly – 2nd Monday Monthly – 3rd Thursday Beginner Slow Jam	7:00-9:00 7:00-9:00	4537 Glenda Lane Evans, GA 30809	Pat & Bill Colbert 706-860-3437 pogosbill@aol.com
Gold Country Players	Gainesville, GA	Weekly – Thurs. Main Session Basic Session	 2:00-4:00 4:15-5:00	First Baptist Church Room 235, 751 Green Street, N.W.	Sandy Lesli goldcountryplayers@gmail.com
HAMMERED DULCIMER CONTACT					Julia McDermott 706-207-5685 HammerPlaying@aol.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	Martha Raby 770-893-3453 Mraby@tds.net
In Town Down Home	Atlanta, GA	Monthly, 3rd Sat.	11:00	St. Luke's Lutheran Church 3264 Northside Parkway Atlanta, GA 30327	Rudine Davis H 404-250-0605; C 404-790-7179 davises@bellsouth.net
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	1st & 2nd Monday - Practice 3rd Monday & 4th Wed.- Playouts	9:45-10:45	St Philip's Episcopal Church (in the basement) 256 East Main St Brevard, NC	Leader: Linda Schieve 828-885-2328
Middle Georgia Dulcimer Club	Macon, GA	Monthly, 2nd Sat.	1:00 Lesson 2:00-4:00 Jam	Young America School of Music 6361 Zebulon Road	Barbara Stevens 478-457-6539 gbs468@aol.com Laurie Wilson 229-389-9611 Laurell.Wilson@hotmail.com
Mountain Sounds	Blairsville, GA	Bimonthly 2nd & 4th Tues.	1:30-3:30	Senior Center	Beverly Stevens Philstevens1947@yahoo.com
Peach Pickers Satellite Peach Pickers INSTRUCTION	Sharpsburg, GA 1)Fayette Senior Ctr 2)Bridge Community Ctr	Monthly, 2nd Sunday Wednesdays Tuesdays	3:00-5:00 11:00 6:00-8:00	Trinity Church 8817 Highway 54 W Sharpsburg, GA 4 Center Drive, Fayetteville Bridge Community Ctr. 225 Willowbend Rd Peachtree City	Pat Hobson 770-461-2522 pohobson@ gmail.com Wanda Dawkins 678-899-0453 hrwmdawk@yahoo.com Call Pat Call Wanda
Roman Sunshine	Rome, GA	Weekly, Monday	10:00	Charles Parker Senior Center Kingston Rd	JT Bishop 706-234-0477 Jtbljb@bellsouth.net
Sonic Sounds Dulcimer Club (EDIMGIAFAD)	Centerville, GA	Weekly, Thurs.	6:30-7:15 Lesson 7:15-8:30 Jam	1st United Methodist Church 600 N. Houston Lake Rd.	Elizabeth Garrett, 478-225-8071 elizabeth@comsouth.net Jean Noble, 478-971-1782 jeannoble@cox.net
Tugalo Valley Strummers	Toccoa, GA	2nd & 4th Monday evenings Beginners Novice Intermediate	 5:00-5:45 5:45-:6:30 6:30-8:00	Ebenezer Baptist Church Family Life Center 49 Rose Lane Toccoa, GA 30577	Margo Taylor 706-297-9509 Margotaylor808@gmail.com
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) mccord0304@gmail.com
Yonah Pickers	Clarkesville, GA	Bimonthly-Beginners 1st & 3rd Fri. Bimonthly-Everyone 1st & 3rd Fri.	1:00-1:45 2:00-4:00	Bethlehem Baptist Church in Clarkesville	Lynn McCollum 706-499-3212 Lynnmccollum50@gmail.com Email lynnmccollum50@gmail.com for details.

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

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Playing Level (check one): ☐ Beginner ☐ Intermediate ☐ Advanced

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