



# Southern Appalachian Dulcimer Association

## NEWSLETTER

### July 2009

(2<sup>nd</sup> of 2009)

Hello Dulcimer Family –

Hoping everyone is having a great time playing their dulcimers and attending festivals this summer. Speaking of festivals, our SADA 36<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival was WONDERFUL! We had great jamming and fellowship all week long. The Friday Gazebo and Saturday Open Stage performances were OUTSTANDING!

We were happy to see our vendors and would love to have you come back next year. (If you would like to be a vendor at our festival, please contact me, Joyce Clark.)

I know everyone will agree the oil painting by Verlie McBrayer of Springville, AL was absolutely beautiful. Thank you Verlie!! The recipient for the framed oil painting donations was Laura Dooley of Vestavia, AL and the recipient for the dulcimer donations was Karen Nance of Gadsden, AL. Other donation recipients were: Dauphine Hunley-Dulcimer Players News; Anita Barlow-Sock Monkey; Sallie Sutton-Soap & Bucket Set; Ray Hunley and Rachel Kirkpatrick-Knitted Pads. We thank everyone who gave donations!! We are looking forward to seeing everyone at SADA's 37<sup>th</sup> Annual Festival in May 2010.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

#### **August 1, 2009 - Southern Appalachian Dulcimer Annual Picnic**

Tannehill Ironworks Historical State Park, McCalla, AL (205) 477-7707

*Saturday (10AM) - Kiwanis Pavilion –*

*Jamming begins at 10 AM until lunch then after lunch until.....*

**BYOPLwSTS** – What does that mean? .... **Bring Your Own Picnic Lunch with Some To Share**  
Homemade Ice Cream provided by hosting SADA members – Hummm...Hummm...

### **OTHER NEWS**

**Reminder #1** - The club voted to continue the monthly meetings at the Bethlehem Methodist Church in Hueytown for all months except for May and August. May will be the festival and August will be the picnic with both being at Tannehill Historical State Park.

**Reminder #2 – Officer election is in September.** With that reminder, our current club President, Johnny Masters, has given his resignation. Johnny asked me to say “Thank You” from him and Paula. But we are sending the “THANK YOU” to Johnny and Paula for all their years of dedication to being SADA's Club President.

We are extending a **GET WELL and Hope you are feeling better!** to all those who have been not been feeling well, sick, or who have been in the hospital.

***DUES NEWS*** – Dues are **\$10.00** per family per year, please make your check payable to SADA and mail to me (Joyce Clark) at 5956 Creekwood Road, Birmingham, AL 35210.

**Free DAA Dulcimer Lessons:** Classes are held the fourth Thursday of each month, 6:00 PM at Bethlehem Methodist Church, Hueytown. Current teachers are only teaching DAA, but if you are interested in learning DAD, there will be someone to help you.

### ***Practice/Learning Sessions***

The 2<sup>nd</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of each month, 7:00 PM at Trussville Baptist Church, Rm 206, Trussville. Bobbie Payne and Bill Alexander provide helpful guidance.

For more information, contact one of the officers:

**President:** Johnny Masters (205) 744-0189

**Vice President:** Bobbie Payne (205) 655-2386 [rpayne003@centurytel.net](mailto:rpayne003@centurytel.net)

**Secretary/Treasurer:** Joyce Clark (205) 957-5485 [clark2420@charter.net](mailto:clark2420@charter.net)

## **DON'T FORGET**

Don't forget to pay your dues - \$10.00 per family per year

Don't forget our web page at <http://www.southernappalachiandulcimerassociation.org>

Don't forget to play your dulcimer.

Don't forget to have fun playing your dulcimer.

Don't forget to **SMILE** today! ☺

## **FESTIVALS**

### ***August 7-9, 2009 – Dulcimer Rendezvous***

**Sponsored by the Wendy River Dulcimer Society**

Blue Bluff Campground (COE), Near Aberdeen, MS

Windy River Site #23

Contact: Forrest Smith (662) 728-5448 [forsmith@bellsouth.net](mailto:forsmith@bellsouth.net)

### ***August 13-15, 2009 – Magnolia Dulcimer Fall Festival***

JP Coleman State Park, Iuka, MS

Thursday (6PM) Early Jam and Ice Cream Social

Friday (6:30PM) Potluck with jamming afterwards

Saturday (8:30AM) Breakfast – (9:00AM) Classes – (11:30) BBQ Lunch (Nominal fee for plates/sandwiches)

(1:00PM) On-Stage Performances – Salad & leftovers following end of performances – then more jamming

Festival Contact: Ruby Strickland (662) 286-0197 [sunnie903@att.net](mailto:sunnie903@att.net) or Jan Pike (662) 287-9783

Campground Office (662) 423-6515 [jpcoleman@wdwfp.state.ms.us](mailto:jpcoleman@wdwfp.state.ms.us)

***September 11-12, 2009 – (\*\*TENTATIVE\*\*) Roosevelt State Park & Campgrounds***

Highway 13, Morton, MS

Friday (6PM) Pot-luck Supper

Saturday - (Lunch) - Pot-luck Crock-pot Chili & Soup

On Stage Performances and Lots of Jamming

Festival Contact:: Carl Woolery (601) 732-8238 [wooleryc@bellsouth.net](mailto:wooleryc@bellsouth.net)

Camp Reservations (601) 732-6316 or [roosevelt@mdwfp.state.ms.us](mailto:roosevelt@mdwfp.state.ms.us) or [www.reserveamerica.com](http://www.reserveamerica.com)

***September 18-19, 2009 – North Mississippi Dulcimer Association 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Mountain View Trip***

Friday Morning - Buffet Breakfast at Kelly's in Wynne, AR -

\*\* Kelly's is a welcomed break in the trip - quick breakfast, restrooms, stretch break and great fellowship!

Contact Forrest if you plan to make this stop so they can work with the folks at Kelly's.

25 Rooms have been set aside at the Dogwood Motel - **Make your reservations prior to 09/01/09.**

Dogwood Hotel (870) 269-3847 - Tell Sam you are with the North Mississippi Dulcimer Association

Friday Night Group Dinner (4:30PM) - Country Time (formerly Josuha's)

Saturday Night Group Dinner (4:30PM) - Jo-Jo's on the River

Contact: Forrest Smith (662) 728-5448 [forsmith@bellsouth.net](mailto:forsmith@bellsouth.net)

***September 18-20, 2009 – Double Dulcimer Gathering/Fall Festival***

Sponsored by the Mountain Dulcimer Association of Huntsville and

Sponsored by the Morgan County Fretted Friends

Featuring Don Pedi as the Instructor this Year - Don will be participating in all festival activities

Saturday will be at Jon and Clara Harris' - Cookout and Jam [Jon and Clara Harris (256) 837-6218]

Sunday will be at Burritt Museum on the Mountain

Registration Contact: Ron Zuckerman (256) 830-4830 [hsvmda@gmail.com](mailto:hsvmda@gmail.com)

Festival Contact: Janet Henderson (256) 353-4239 [jhendersonal@bellsouth.net](mailto:jhendersonal@bellsouth.net)

Vendors Contact: Pat Scroggins (256) 881-9228 [patscroggins@knology.net](mailto:patscroggins@knology.net)

***September 23-26, 2009 - Music and Musings***

**Sponsored by the Guntersville RSVP**

1500 Sunset Drive, Guntersville, AL 35976 (On the Tranquil Shores of Lake Guntersville)

Three or Two Day Workshops and Festival Day

Instructors are: Linda Brockinton, Larry Conger, Don Pedi, Maureen Sellers and Local Instructors

Classes will include beginner, novice, basic and advanced intermediate levels for technique, ensemble playing and repertoire with focus on tunes, ballads and hymns along with writing and story telling sessions.

Demos of Appalachian Crafts; Concerts by the Instructors and Clubs; Fa So La Singing;

Cost for Full Event (3 Day Workshops and Festival) is \$125

Cost for Two Day Workshops and Festival is \$95

Blocks of Campsites at two Campgrounds and Hotel Rooms at five Hotels have been reserved

Festival Contact: Susy Quiggle (205) 571-7734 [susy@mcrsvp.org](mailto:susy@mcrsvp.org)

***October 2-4, 2009 – Dulcimer Rendezvous***

**Sponsored by the Wendy River Dulcimer Society**

Wall Doxey State Park, Highway 7 South of Holly Springs - Picnic Hill Pavilion

Windy River Camp Site #27

Furnished Cabins for Non-campers

Contact: Forrest Smith (662) 728-5448 [forsmith@bellsouth.net](mailto:forsmith@bellsouth.net)

Campground Office (662) 252-4231/5536; Reservations [www.reserveamerica.com](http://www.reserveamerica.com)

***October 2-3, 2009 - Old Time Fiddler's Convention, Athens, AL***

***Athens State College Campus -***

Known as the "Granddaddy of Midsouth Fiddlers Conventions"

There are 18 different categories, including several fiddle and guitar categories, harmonica, mandolin, bluegrass banjo, dulcimer, old time singing, banjo, and buck dancing.

Convention proceeds support student scholarships to University projects

<http://www.athens.edu/fiddlers/mainview.htm>

***October 2-3, 2009 – Three Rivers Dulcimer Club Fall Festival***

IBEW Union Hall, 102 Richland Avenue, Waverly, TN

Friday (5:30PM) Pot-luck Supper - Jamming afterwards

Saturday - Jam and Open Stage

Beginner Classes Available

Contact: (931) 582-8675 [kwfarm@aol.com](mailto:kwfarm@aol.com)

***October 9-10, 2009 – Heart of Dixie Dulcimer Festival***

Frank Jackson State Park, Opp, AL

Contact: Loretta Piland 1-800-239-8023 or (334) 493-7972

***October 16-17, 2009 – Archie Lee Memorial Dulcimer Festival***

**Sponsored by the Ala-sippi Dulcimer Association**

Tishomingo State Park, P O Box 880, Tishomingo, MS 38873 (662) 438-6914

Friday - (6PM) Pot-luck Supper - Jamming afterwards

Saturday - (??PM) Open Stage Performances

Contact: Floyd Cook (850) 635-0550

***October 23-25, 2009 – Dogwood Dulcimer Association Festival***

**Sponsored by the Dogwood Dulcimer Association**

Lake Stone, State Highway 4, Century, FL

Friday (6PM) Pot-luck Supper - (7PM) Homemade Jam

Saturday (1PM) Open Stage; (6PM) Soup & Salad w/Dessert Pot-luck - (7PM) Homemade Jam

Sunday (9AM) Music Service

Contact: Yvonne (850) 626-9981; [dogwooddulcimers@yahoo.com](mailto:dogwooddulcimers@yahoo.com) or

<http://rlwalker.gulfweb.net/dogwood/dogwood.html>

Camping Reservations: (850) 256-5555-Connie Lewis or Merv Simmons – CALL ASAP!!!!

***October 29-31, 2009 – Arkansas Bean Fest, Mountain View, AR***

Bean Competition, World Championship Outhouse

[http://www.ozarkgetaways.com/beanfest\\_outhouse.html](http://www.ozarkgetaways.com/beanfest_outhouse.html)

For more information call the Mountain View Chamber toll-free at 888-679-2859

***October 30-31, 2009 – Dulcimer Rendezvous***

**Sponsored by the Wendy River Dulcimer Society**

Chickasaboque Park, Mobile, AL - Windy River Camp Site #35 (the right one)

Friday (6PM) Pot-luck Supper

No Stage Performances and No Classes

Contact: Forrest Smith (662) 728-5448 [forsmith@bellsouth.net](mailto:forsmith@bellsouth.net)

Campground Office (251) 574-2267

**KEEP ON STRUMMING AND HAVING FUN PLAYING YOUR DULCIMER!!**

