

Lone Star State Dulcimer Society

April 13, 2024

The April Meeting of the LSSDS and DANCE: The April 13th meeting of the LSSDS will take place at the International Baptist Church of Arlington. All instruments are welcome. LSSDS club meeting April 13. We will go over our list of tunes for our Glen Rose performance. Tunes are: MD only tunes: Polka 2 1/2 and Rosewood Casket, HD only tunes: Haste to the Wedding In D, and a variation of Soldiers Joy in D. Together tunes: Loggieville 2 Step, Key of D, Skye Boat Song, Key of D, Caleche Creek Key of Dm or (In DAC), Seneca Square Dance (Waiting for the Federals) Key of G or (Capo 3), Old Horse and Buggy Key of A or (Capo 4), Hangman's Reel Key of A or (Capo 4). We'll play Saturday morning at 9:00. First hour or so we will split and practice our tunes and after meeting time we will practice together. **After the entire meeting?** We are having a dance for the IBCA members and anyone else that wants to come, beginning at 6:30. John Sun, the pastor, says his folks are very excited about the dance. Our meeting time is 1-5 and the thought is we could order a pizza or two after the meeting then play for the dance. John said they will have snacks for the dance. He's the deal folks, we hope everyone will stay for the dance, but I would really like to know if you'd be willing to play for the dance. It's a great time to practice the tunes and greatly improves your playing. Any instrument is welcome except bagpipes. They play and Bb and no one else can. If you could be a part of the dance band, would you please reply to me at mrbanjoist@gmail.com or reply to the newsletter. I'd like to be sure we have enough people to play. If not, I will have to search the highways and byways to find some musicians. Please, please, please let me know.

LSSDS meeting Schedule for 2024: April 13, May 10-12 in Glen Rose the Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival, June 8, July 13, August 10, September 14, October 12, November 9.

Meeting location for LSSDS: The International Baptist Church of Arlington has graciously offered us their facility (when available) for our meetings. Their address is 1013 West Park Row, Arlington, 76013.

Calendar at a glance:

Fort Washita, Oklahoma. Rendezvous with crafts and demonstrations. The Red River club will be playing and jamming. April 6th

Doc Holidays In Denison, Texas on April 27. Jam with RRVDC.

Glen Rose: May 10-12.

The Browder Springs String Band meets the First and Third Saturdays from 10:00 -1:00. At Old City Park in Dallas. Everyone is welcome to come and join the Jam.

Dulcimers for Sale: I still have the Dusty Strings Dulcimer and the Lee Spears available. Also, Several adjustable stands too. These were all owned by Linda and Wesley Thompson.

Fifty-two Year Quilt: I will update this when I get the time...

Glen Rose Update: We have contacted our headliners for the 2024 festival in May. Randy Marchany and Wes Chappell are coming from the eastern side of the country to handle our hammer dulcimer, mandolin, and whatever else they bring, and we have Mark Tindle coming from Oklahoma for the mountain dulcimer enthusiast. I am working on a schedule for the event. If you performed previously contact me at mrbanjoist@gmail.com so I can be certain to include you on the schedule. I will try to contact you each individually, but it would save time if I could hear from you early. Our Friday evening concert will be quite an extravaganza. We will be featuring the young people that are carrying on the tradition of the music and instruments we love so much. Elijah Wright, Sarah Miner, The Houston Family, The Fiddes Family and the Vanderveer Brothers will all be on stage with an all-youth extravaganza at the end. Should be very entertaining and fulfilling.

Square Dances: We have a few square dances that might be of interest to club members. We could use a band on April 18 for a dance at First Baptist Church in Arlington. I've never charged a church for anything so it's a freebee but also a great chance to play for live dancers. It's amazing how much it improves your playing.

Performing At Glen Rose: I'm still hearing from folks that would like to perform at Glen Rose. If you'd like to share your talents with our crowd please let me know A.S.A.P. I'm trying to square away the schedule and need the yes and nos.

That's all for now. Hope to see you and all the upcoming events...