

Lone Star State Dulcimer Society

November 9, 2024

The November 9th Meeting of the LSSDS: The November 9th meeting of the LSSDS will take place at the International Baptist Church of Arlington. Time is 1-5. We will meet in the activity room and the hall as usual. Karl said the mountain dulcimer folks will be doing their usual November tradition of playing Christmas. Everyone please bring some tab of your favorites to share, and will try to play Deck the Halls. I will miss this meeting. I will be at the Beaver Bend Festival in Oklahoma. I thought about delaying the meeting until next week, but I know plans and been made. Remember, we will NOT have a December meeting. It's too busy and hard to get a location. Our next meeting will be January 11.

LSSDS meeting Schedule for 2025: January 11, February 7-9 is our mid-winter meeting at Oakdale Park in Glen Rose, March 8, April 12, May 9-11 in Glen Rose for our 43rd Annual Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival, June 14, July 12, August 9, September 13, October 11, November 8.

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:

Christmas At The Fort, San Angelo, Texas. December 6-8.

January 3-4, North Harris County Dulcimer Retreat in Sugarland, Texas (see attachment)

February 7-9, Mid-Winter Jam at Oakdale Park in Glen Rose, TX

New Dulcimer Group: (I thought I'd run this announcement one more time.) There is a new dulcimer group in the Tyler area, The Rose City Dulcimer Society. <https://m.facebook.com/groups/777870511056836/?ref=share>. Hazel Hall (SE Texas Dulcimer Friends) is their mentor. They trying to grow their membership and hopefully get a little more "public" with some workshops or playing in the park type stuff. Any suggestions for how to best encourage and promote MD's in the Tyler area are appreciated.

Carol Brady Needs Information: I've attached a photo of in instrument that I have no idea about. Carol asked: "Do you know what this instrument is? Could you e-blast it to the group and see if you can find out? Thank you, Carol Brady" If you have any idea about this or even a suggestion you can help her out by emailing her at: carolbrady27@yahoo.com

The Winter Creek Reunion: If you missed it you missed a really good one. Lots of jamming, performances, crafts, and good ol' all American fun! Lots of dancing too! We usually only have a Thursday night dance at the WCR but this year we wound up dancing all three nights. A foot stomping good time was had by all. Put it on your calendar for next year. Columbus Day weekend.

The Old Mill Music Festival: Another amazing festival. An all star cast of performers did a great job of keeping people hanging on the edge of their chairs. A new act of younger performers played this year, The Feddes Family! They were wonderful! It was a great way to start the Saturday evening program. We also danced a LOT! I think we broke the dance band both nights. Hopefully they will heal and forget how much we overworked them. (overworked to the tune of about 3 hours each night.) Put that one down too.

Winter Creek Reunion and the Old Mill Music Festival. What a great way to end the festival season around here. So now it's time to get in gear for Thanksgiving. I just want to let everyone know how thankful I am for all the members of the dulcimer clubs. May each and every one of you have a joyous, happy, safe, and memorable Thanksgiving and Christmas.