

Lone Star State Dulcimer Society

February, 2019

There Is No February Meeting of the LSSDS, but keep practicing...

LSSDS meeting Schedule for 2019: January 12, March 9, May 10-12 in Glen Rose, Texas, July 13, September 14, and November 9.

Meeting location for LSSDS meetings is 114 W Grauwlyer Rd, Irving, TX 75061

Glen Rose Workshop: Stephen Seifert would like to do another 3 day workshop before the May festival. If you would like to participate in this workshop you can contact Stephen at stephen@stephenseifert.com

Red River Valley Dulcimer Club Invite: The RRVDC has invited LSSDS members to a joint meeting on February 16th. They are planning some workshops and just good ol' fashioned fun. If you were there last year then you know what a great time we had. The location is the Chitwood Center in Bennington, OK. We will try to publish more information when it becomes available.

Mountain Dulcimer Building Workshop: David Lindsey and Dana Hamilton will be holding their mid-winter mountain dulcimer building workshop February 14-16 at David's Farm in Bennington, OK. (Same site as the Winter Creek Reunion except we'll be inside the warm, dry shop.) We will be assembling a McSpadden mountain dulcimer kit. All supplies are provided. We still have a few openings left. If you'd like to reserve a spot contact David Lindsey at (580) 847-2822 or Annette Lindsey at (580) 916-0441. They are getting ready to order ALL the supplies so if you want to come and build your own mountain dulcimer contact them A.S.A.P. Spectators are allowed in case you'd like to watch the process and build one next year. We really have a good time so come enjoy the fellowship. The campground will be available but not the water.

Upcoming Old Time Dulcimer Jam dates are: January 19, 2019, Sat 1:30-4:30, February 9, 2019, Sat 1:30-4:30, March 16, 2019, Sat 1:30-4:30. Location: Farmers Branch - Branch Connection a.k.a. The Senior Center. Open to the public, Free event, free access to building. All ages welcome, all acoustic instruments welcome. For more information contact Donna Shelton at 469-644-1226.

Calendar at a glance:

1/19/19 - Dulcimer Jam, Sat 1:30-4:30

1/23-1/27, 2019- Perrin TX jam hosted by Eunice and Ray McLean

2/9/19 - Dulcimer Jam, Sat 1:30-4:30

2/14-2/16, 2019 - Build your own dulcimer workshop, Bennington OK, at David's Dulcimers

2/16/19 - RRVDC/LSSDS joint meeting, Bennington, OK, at Chitwood Center, Bennington School.

3/16/19 - Dulcimer Jam, Sat 1:30-4:30

3/28-3/30, 2019 Old Pal Dulcimer Festival, Palestine, TX

August 2 – 4, 2019: Red River Dulcimer Festival in Red River, NM.

The 38th Annual Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival: The festival will be held on May10-12, 2019 at Oakdale Park in Glen Rose, Texas. Make plans to attend. Featured performers are Cath Barton and Dave Para, Aubrey Atwater and Elwood Donnelly, and many more. A schedule of events should be ready by the March newsletter. We are still filling time slots. The March meeting is also when we collect money to provide for the entertainer's food area. Ann Browning has been doing a wonderful job of that so show up with a kind heart.

Glen Rose Arts and Crafts: If all went well there is an application attached to be a vendor at the 2019 Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival. If you or someone you know would like to vend please have them fill out the form and return it. It should be on the website also too. If you are going to festival where there are vendors you might tell them about it. We don't allow food vendors, that's the park's job and they don't want us doing it.

Bill Spence Passes: It is with a heavy heart that I announce that Bill Spence passed away on February 7, 2019 after a lengthy illness. Bill's recordings led to the revival of the hammer dulcimer. He is considered by many to be the finest hammer dulcimer player of all time. We will miss his humor, friendship, mentorship and most of all his wonderful music. Nobody could play it like Spence. I had the opportunity to play on stage with him at the Old Songs Festival that he and his wife Andy started in 1981. It was definitely one of the highlight of my dulcimer career. Please keep Andy in your prayers as she deals with this great loss. The dulcimer world has lost another great player and entertainer.