



PRAIRIE DULCIMER CLUB

SEPTEMBER 2025

Website: www.PrairieDulcimerClub.com
 Facebook: Prairie Dulcimer Club Networking
 Prairie Dulcimer Club Group
 (Members Private Group)

NEXT Meeting: September 20th, 2025
(Always the 3rd Saturday of the Month)
 Westminster Hall, 417 West Lexington,
 Independence, MO 64050

MONTH	Hammer Activity 1st Session 9:00am - 10:15am	Hammer Activity 2nd Session 10:45am - 12:00pm	Mountain Activity 1st Session 9:00am - 10:15am	Mountain Activity 2nd Session 11:00am - 12:00pm	Club Activity
SEP 20th	Missouri Town Songs	Group Jam	Missouri Town Songs	Group Jam	Potluck Lunch
OCT 18th	TBA	TBA	Transitioning to "Big Group. From being a "Newbie" to Moving Forward- Lead: Easel Roberts	TBA	Potluck Lunch
NOV 15th	TBA	TBA	Christmas/Seasonal Music - Lead: TBA	TBA	Potluck Lunch

This Month's Workshop Sessions

For Session #1 this month, both Hammers and Mountains will be working songs for Missouri Town. The playlist is listed below under the Missouri Town upcoming event.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Membership Renewal for 2025: \$25 for individual; \$40 for family. If you're not yet a member, you may join at any time during the year. Memberships paid in 2025 will cover the year 2025. The 2026 membership dues will renew in January 2026. If you have any questions, please contact Ken Werne.

Esther Kreek, an early and important leader in our Prairie Dulcimer Club, still lives in the Kansas City area and has moved to assisted living. Esther loves receiving cards, and her 95th birthday is Sept 26, so we encourage you to send some joy her way with a birthday card. Her address is:

Esther Kreek
 Brookfield Assisted Living
 12000 Lamar Apt 204
 Overland Park, KS 66209

UPCOMING EVENTS 2025

Parkview Nursing Home Thursday, September 18th, 2025, 10:00 am at 128 North Hardesty Avenue, KC, MO. Playlist will be forthcoming and we hope you can join us this month. If you would like to play a solo, please contact Rita at youngrita500@gmail.com

Walnut Valley Festival 53rd Annual Mountain and Hammered Dulcimer Championship in Winfield KS. September 17-21, 2025. For details and registration, visit wvfest.com

Liberty Fall Festival September 27: The PDC players will not be performing this year due to Festival scheduling problems.

Missouri Town 1855 Fall Festival October 4 & 5, be sure to sign up for your time slot at the September Club meeting. The playlist is as follows:

1. Fly Around, My Pretty Little Miss – AABB, June Apple – AABB; 2. Farther Along; 3. Black Mt. Rag; 4. Lady Mary; 5. Folk Medley (Oh, Susannah – AAB, Camptown Races – AAB, Liza Jane – AAB, Oh, Susannah – AAB); 6. Angelina Baker; 7. Shall We Gather; 8. Amazing Grace; 9. Ash Grove – AAB (3 times) – last time AABA; 10. By the Side of the Road; 11. Over the Waterfall; 12. Sandy River Belle; 13. Liberty; 14. I'll Fly Away; 15. Oh! Susanna – PDC 2024; 16. Ragtime Annie (AABB – no C part); 17. Old Rosin, the Beau; 18. Simple Gifts; 19. Boil Them Cabbage Down; 20. South Wind; 21. Angel Band; 22. Arkansas Traveler; 23. This Is My Father's World; 24. Happy Land, Unclouded Day – each song twice; 25. Clinch Mt. Backstep – AABB, Cherokee Shuffle – AABB; 26. Saint Anne's Reel; 27. Jessica's Waltz; 28. Red River Valley; 29. Whiskey Before Breakfast; 30. Old Joe Clark; 31. Soldier's Joy; 32. Sweet Hour of Prayer

QuaranTune Virtual Dulcimer Fest Fall Fest: October 2 - 5, Online Workshops and Concerts.

Registration is now open. Please note our Missouri Town performance falls on the same Saturday and Sunday. Most classes are recorded if you have a conflict in scheduling. For more information and to register, visit <https://www.virtualdulcimerfest.com/>

Linda Thomas Workshop Christmas for Hammered Dulcimer 2025 October 11, 2025. Attached is the downloadable flyer for Linda's upcoming workshop. Her Christmas workshops include traditional as well as contemporary and old English carols. The workshop is well worth attending. Spots fill up fast, so if you are planning to go, please register as soon as possible. For more information, contact Linda at lindadan@primary.net. Phone numbers are listed on the flyer on page 4.

MINUTES FROM OUR LAST BUSINESS MEETING: August 16th, 2025

Vice- President Easel Roberts called the meeting to order at 10:40 am on Saturday, August 16 2025. Easel recognized visitors and members with August birthdays.

Minutes:

The minutes from the July 19, 2025 meeting were read by Secretary Diane Crouch. Rita Young moved to approve the minutes; Julie Goodman seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report:

Treasurer Ken Werne gave the treasurer's report with a balance of \$5,119.26 with \$466.15 of this amount in the mentoring fund. Income was from membership fees and expenses were the web page and food supplies.

New Business:

Easel discussed the three proposals which were received for the updated website design. Karron Smith moved to spend up to \$2,000 with Look Media in Lee's Summit for

the updated website. Ramona Crawford seconded. Motion carried.

Easel passed out the sign up sheets for the Missouri Town 1855 Fall Festival on October 4 and 5. We need to performers from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. both days.

Easel recognized Jim and Brenda Smith for teaching the beginner mountain dulcimer students and their work at John Knox Village. Their work is much appreciated by the club.

Ramona discussed the dulcimers in schools program and to let her know if we know of any schools or teachers that might be interested.

Rita announced the next performance at Parkview Nursing home is on Thursday, August 21, 2025 at 10:00 a.m.

Karron Smith moved to adjourn and David Tate seconded. Motion carried.
Submitted by Diane Crouch, Secretary

AROUND TOWN JAMS TO JOIN

Kansas City - West MONTHLY JAM meets at the Johnson County Central Resource Library (Conference Room #4) at 9875 West 87th Street, Overland Park, KS 66212. Contact Ann Hauser at hausera58@gmail.com

* WED September 10th - 1:30 - 3:30 PM

* WED October 8th - 1:30 - 3:30 PM

TUNE LIST FOR KC - WEST JAM

Whiskey Before Breakfast; Grandfather's Clock; Bile Dem Cabbage; Hard Times; Old Joe Clark; Midnight on the Water; Southwind; The Leaving of Liverpool; Ash Grove; Skye Boat Song; Soldier's Joy; Simple Gifts; Amazing Grace; Flop Eared Mule; John Ryan's Polka; Scotland the Brave; Fly Around My Pretty Little Miss; Old Rosin the Beau; Angelina Baker; St. Ann's Reel; Shepherd's Wife Waltz; Red River Valley; You Are My Sunshine; Home on the Range

MEADOWBROOK PARK OUTDOOR SUMMER JAM is cancelled for the remainder of 2025. They will resume in the spring of 2026.

INSTRUMENTS FOR SALE

Mountain Dulcimer McSpadden dulcimer, \$300, tear drop style, Model T-34S, made by George Looney, #20,108. Located in Moberly, MO - Beth is willing to meet closer to KC. Contact Beth at oakhavenfarms@hotmail.com or 660-998-9662

Mountain Dulcimer 2000 McSpadden hour-glass mountain dulcimer FM12W in excellent condition. Comes with hard-shell case, built-in bridge pickup, butternut stand, and Dudley brass capo. Also extra strings, picks, noters. \$300. Contact Terry Baldrige at tbaldrige@mnu.edu

Hammered Dulcimer Mary Richardson is selling her MasterWorks Voyager Hammered Dulcimer for \$1500. It is a compact, super lightweight 16/15 chromatic hammered dulcimer. It comes with a case.

Christmas for Hammered Dulcimer

October 11, 2025
9:00am - 4:30pm



John Knox Presbyterian Kirk
11430 Wornall Road
Kansas City, Missouri

*Prepare your music for the holiday season.
Traditional Carols, Contemporary, Old English
Carols*

CLASS SIZE LIMITED - REGISTER EARLY

Information/Registration

lindadan@primary.net

816.941.7834

816.519.3840

REGISTRATION FEE (\$50) INCLUDES ALL HANDOUTS
LUNCH ON YOUR OWN

REGISTRATION FORM

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL _____

PHONE _____

RETURN REGISTRATION FORM / FEE TO:

LINDA G. THOMAS / 406 W. 109th TERRACE / KANSAS CITY, MO 64114