

# Prairie Dulcimer Club

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## Newsletter March 2019

**NEXT MEETING:** Saturday, March 16, 2019, (always the third Saturday of the

Westminster Hall, 417 West Lexington, Independence, Missouri 64050

**Please note we will not have a regular meeting in March. Everyone is encouraged to attend the Linda Thomas/Larry Conger Workshop.**

**WINTER WEATHER ADVISORY** - In case of bad weather, check your emails. If the club meeting is canceled, Dana Taylor will notify Rita who will send out an email to all club members.

### PROGRAM:

Month	Hammer / Activity	Mountain / Activity	Club Activity
Mar. 16	Thomas workshop	Conger workshop	Workshops
April	Open	Open	Potluck
May	Open	Open	Potluck

**Note to Hammered & Mountain Players** – Everyone is encouraged to attend the Thomas/Conger Workshop. If you have not registered and still wish to attend, contact Linda Thomas.

We will try again in April to begin our new meeting format. Let's all be working on the 9 songs for 2019. Let's focus on Southwind, Liberty, Rakes of Mallow and Arkansas Traveler for April. Music for all 9 songs is available on our website.

**Directory updates:** Please correct David Tate's email address. [intentionally omitted from online copy]

**Business Meeting:** The February meeting was canceled because of bad weather, so no business meeting was held.

Our next business meeting will be in April. Please be aware that our President, Otis Watson, has resigned for personal reasons. We need to elect a new President. Please consider accepting this important position and help provide leadership for our club.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:** – **22<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL DULCIMER WORKSHOPS – March 16, 2019**

Linda Thomas will present her annual workshop in March. Linda's class will be for advanced beginner to advanced hammered dulcimer players and will focus on the ability/enjoyment of playing with others. Larry and Elaine Conger will teach advancing beginner to intermediate mountain dulcimer players and will present numerous duet arrangements.

Workshops will be held at the John Knox Presbyterian Kirk located at 11430 Wornall Road, Kansas City, Mo. For more information call Linda at 816-941-7834 or email at [lindadan@primary.net](mailto:lindadan@primary.net).

### **MOUNTAIN VIEW DULCIMER FESTIVAL – April 25, 26, 27, 2019**

This is a great festival held at the Ozark Folk Center in Mountain View, Arkansas. It is for both Mountain and Hammered dulcimer players. Classes are held during the day on Thursday, Friday and Saturday morning. Concerts are held each evening at the Folk Center and are followed by a jam. Saturday afternoon is reserved for district contests for hammered and mountain players. First place winners are eligible to compete at Winfield in September. There are also ensemble contests with great prizes for the winners. For information or to register, put Mt. View Dulcimer Festival in your search engine. Click on 2019 Dulcimer Festival and all the information should come up.

### **OZARK ROOTS DULCIMER FESTIVAL – July 16-20, 2019**

Linda Thomas will teach Hammered Dulcimer Special Classes/Workshops July 16-20 in Mt. View, Ark. A great line-up of Mt. Dulcimer Instructors will provide workshops July 18-20.

Evening Concerts at: The Caverns / Ozark Folk Center / Mountain View Meeting Place.

Space is limited for this one and registration is open now so plan to sign up EARLY!!!

### **GATEWAY DULCIMER MUSIC FESTIVAL – August 2, 3, 4, 2019**

The festival will be at the Four Points by Sheraton/Fountain Conference Center located at 319 Fountains Pkwy, Fairview Heights, IL 62208. Make room reservations as soon as possible if you plan to attend. Call 618-622-9500 and ask for Gateway dulcimer Music Festival – block #GA1013 or GAAGAAD. This is always a great festival for both hammered and mountain dulcimers as well as autoharp, ukulele and other assorted acoustic instruments.

**THIS 'N THAT:** Our website is back up and running. It is now [Prairedulcimerclub.com](http://Prairedulcimerclub.com). Check it out.

Looking for music frequently played in jam sessions - a helpful web site available is Jam Tunes & Resources – Colorado Dulcimer Festival. Sheet music is available to be printed off. Thank you to Katy Waters for providing this information.

Dulcimer Players News – The magazine has a new owner/editor, Ashley Ernst. Ashley is taking over the magazine from Dan and Angie Landrum. This resource for dulcimer players is filled with much good information about upcoming festivals, tips for playing tunes, etc. If you are interested in subscribing, the contact information is:

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Jam at Ed Barlett's House – The jam has resumed and meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursdays of each month from 1:00p.m. - 2:30p.m. Ed's phone number is 660-525-0091.

Thank you to everyone who helped provide music for the "Chocolate Festival" in February.