



PRAIRIE DULCIMER CLUB

MARCH 2025

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

NEXT Meeting: April 19th, 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 11:00am - 12:00pm	Mountain Activity 1st Session 9:00am - 10:15am	Mountain Activity 2nd Session 11:00am - 12:00pm	Club Activity
MAR 15th	Linda Thomas Workshop, Held Elsewhere	Linda Thomas Workshop, Held Elsewhere	Linda Thomas Workshop, Held Elsewhere	Linda Thomas Workshop, Held Elsewhere	N/A
APR 19th	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	Potluck Lunch
MAY 17th	TBA	TBA	TBA	TBA	Potluck Lunch

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Membership Renewal for 2025: \$25 for individual; \$40 for family. If you have not yet paid, please bring your renewal check (made payable to Prairie Dulcimer Club) to the April club meeting. You may mail your checks to Ken Werne if you choose so. Thank you!

Reminder: The Linda Thomas and Duane Porterfield Workshops will be held offsite in lieu of the March PDC meeting. If you have not yet registered, please do so as soon as possible.

Reminder: Our March Meeting is cancelled so that Musicians can attend the Dulcimer Workshop by Linda Thomas (please see page 5). Any current club member attending either the Linda Thomas or Duane Porterfield March workshops are eligible for the membership discount. If you take advantage of this discount, please email Ken Werne at ken.werne@gmail.com and notify him that you have registered at the discounted rate. We will all be back together for our April 19th Club meeting. See you soon!

BUSINESS MEETING: February 15, 2025

President Ken Shoemaker called the meeting to order at 10:30 am on Saturday, February 15, 2025.

President Ken recognized the visitors and members with February birthdays.

Minutes:

The minutes from the January 18, 2025 meeting were read by Secretary Diane Crouch. Karron Smith moved to approve the minutes, and Allen Macfarlane seconded. Motion carried.

Treasurer:

Treasurer Ken Werne gave the treasurer's report with a total balance of \$5,847.28. Annual memberships are due now for 2025 - individual is \$25 and family is \$40.

Updates and New Business:

Thank you to all the performers for the great turn out at the Chocolate Festival. Special thanks to Barry for playing backup on the guitar.

We have the opportunity to play at all of Missouri Town 1855 festivals in 2025: May 3 - Sheep Shindig; 4th of July; October 4 & 5 -Fall Festival; December 6 - Christmas Celebration.

Several members gave reports on the latest Quarantune classes.

Linda Thomas spoke about the upcoming workshop on March 15 and thanked the club for the support. Duane Porterfield will be teaching the mountain dulcimers. The cost of the workshop is \$50 for club members and \$75 for non-members. The club reimburses the workshop teachers \$25 per club member in attendance. Club members need to let Ken Werne know if they will be attending the March workshop.

Linda will also be teaching a workshop at the Ozark Roots Festival, July 10-12 in Mountain View, Arkansas.

President Ken submitted the revised by-laws to the Executive Committee for review.

Make plans to attend the June 3 workshop with area music educators to demonstrate using dulcimers to teach music. The location and time is to be determined.

Upcoming Events:

Thursday, March 20, 10:00 a.m.: Performance at Parkview Nursing Home, organized by Rita Young.

Saturday, March 15, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. 26th Annual Dulcimer Workshop, hosted by Linda Thomas, 11430 Wornall Road, Kansas City, MO. (The regular club meeting is cancelled.)

Allen Macfarlane moved to adjourn the meeting at 11:25 a.m. Karron Smith seconded; motion carried.

Submitted by Diane Crouch, Secretary

2025 UPCOMING EVENTS

March 20th, 2025 (Thursday) at 10:00 am at Parkview Nursing Home 128 North Hardesty Avenue, KC, MO Please join us for the March Program for the residents.

We will be playing the following Irish tunes:

Danny Boy – D, Rakes of Mallow – D, The Leaving of Liverpool – D, Shenandoah Falls – A, Old Rosin the Beau – D, ***Sing a-long Songs = When Irish Eyes are Smiling – C, Too-Ra-Loo-Ra-Loo-Ra – C, My Wild Irish Rose – G***, John Ryan's Polka – D, Road to Lisdoonvarna – D, Whiskey Before Breakfast – D

If there are songs on the list that you don't know, that's okay. Come and play chords or just sing along. Also, solos are always welcome. Just let me know what you would like to do. Contact Rita at youngrita500@gmail.com if you would like to add a solo to the playlist.

March 15th, 2025 Ilace Mears and David Wilson Concert

David and I would LOVE to see you on March 15, 2025, when we present a concert as part of the series at Pine Ridge Presbyterian Church, 7:00 p.m. It is free. The address is 7600 NW Barry Rd, KC, near the airport. It's a lovely setting for hammered dulcimer, mountain dulcimer, fiddle, and mandolin. It's (accidentally) the same day as Linda Thomas and Duane Porterfield's event, but there should be time in between to grab dinner and stretch the dulcimer day joy even further! Hope to see you there!

Saturday, March 15th: 2025 26th Annual Dulcimer Workshops, Linda Thomas for Hammered Dulcimer and Duane Porterfield for Mountain Dulcimer 9:00 am - 4:30 pm at John Knox Presbyterian Kirk 114030 Wornall Road, Kansas City, MO

Please contact Linda to register at lindadan@primary.net or call 816-941-7834 or 816-519-3840. Registration fee is \$75, to include all handouts. Lunch is on your own. There are a few restaurants close by, or you may bring your lunch.

Registration fee is \$75, which includes all handouts. (See the full-page poster in this Newsletter.) NOTE: PDC members who have paid their 2025 membership dues are eligible for a \$25 discount for this workshop, but you must follow these guidelines:

1. You need to formally register (lindadan@primary.net) and include a \$50 check to Linda Thomas (HDulcimer) or Duane Porterfield (MDulcimer). (See their instructions on the enclosed poster.)
2. Inform PDC Treasurer Ken Werne (ken.werne@gmail.com) that you have registered for the workshop, and which instructor you have signed up for. Ken will verify your PDC active membership and will pay your \$25 discount to your instructor.

****See printable flyer for the March Workshop on last page for sign up information.****

Saturday, May 17th 2025: Hammered Dulcimer Workshops with Ilace Mears and Mountain Dulcimer Workshops with Joe Collins. 9:00am to 4:00pm with instructor concert to follow. Cost for the all day event is \$60.00. Ilace and Joe are both former National Dulcimer Champions. Workshops will be held at the Maranatha Village Community Center at 304 W. Bethany Street, Springfield, MO 64803.

For registration and more details, contact June Day at 417-207-4766, dogwoodmountaindulcimers@gmail.com or FB DogwoodMountainDulcimers.

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 March 12th 1:30 - 3:30 PM
- * WED April 9th 1:30 - 3:30 PM
- * WED May 14th 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	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

The outdoor park jams will resume in the Spring. Stay tuned for more information.

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 and tuner. Contact Mary at mrrichardson322@gmail.com

Guitar *PRICE LOWERED* Like New 6 String Acoustic Oscar Schmidt with floor guitar stand. Model OD45CTSPAK-W Serial Number L21030138, no case. Asking \$150.00 OBO. Contact Karron Smith at kaktuskid11@gmail.com

Mandolin *PRICE LOWERED* Kay 8 String Acoustic hard case. Good condition, previously played. Asking \$50.00 OBO. Contact Karron Smith at kaktuskid11@gmail.com

26th Annual Dulcimer Workshops

March 15, 2025 - Kansas City, MO

#1 John Knox Presbyterian Kirk
11430 Wornall Road (see map)

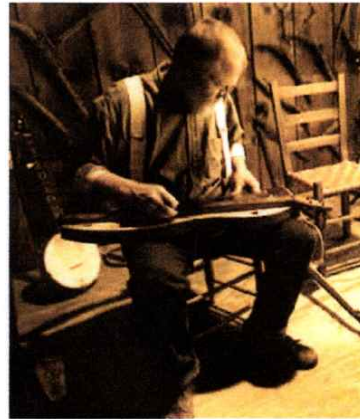
**Workshops - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

**On Your Own Lunch - 11:00 - 1:00

**45-minute Instructors' concert - immediately following classes



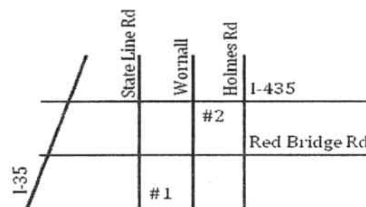
Linda G. Thomas, Hammered Dulcimer



Duane Porterfield, Mountain Dulcimer
2014 National Champion

Area room accommodations:

#2 Courtyard by Marriott
Kansas City South - 500 E. 105th St.
Tel: 816-941-3333



Name/s _____
Address _____
City/State/ZIP _____
Phone _____
Email _____

Make checks payable to Instructor's Name - \$75 Tuition Includes All Handouts

Mail Registration/Check to: Thomas/DeLancey, 406 W. 109th Terrace, Kansas City, MO 64114

Questions? Call Linda 816-941-7834 or 816-519-3840.

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