

November 2014 News & Calendar

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See our list of instructors and variety of musical styles taught at the center. Private lessons, classes, jam schedules and other details. Sign up to be a member and get this monthly news letter and calendar so you will be the first to know of performances, special class series, workshops, Pickin' parties and jam schedules!

Attention: Be sure to open “attachments” in this letter to learn about the details. Please pass on the info to like minded friends and family.

October Reflections:

The last of the Full Moon pickin parties; It was really fun partnering with our “Friends of Warner Parks” Thanks for including the MHC “Inclusive Jamming Tent” It was a big hit! We were very popular when it rained! Thanks for pickin' with us and please come to our pickin' parties to stay in touch with all of your new pickin' buddies! Next one is Nov 1st THIS SATURDAY at Fiddle & Pick 7-11pm FYI:Irish session is 4-6:30.

Note: we decided to try Sat pickin parties instead of Fridays because there were lots of Friday pickins that are popping up in the greater Nashville area; so why not Saturdays?

The 7th annual Hoe Down Show Down students were tremendous! Packed the house and what a wonderful time... concert, food, family and friends. It won't be long before we have our Christmas Holiday Concert... where does the time go?

Special Thanks to Alan O'Bryant, Phil Sparks, and Stan Lawrence who helped Gretchen with a MHC presentation at Wiillam James Middle School in White Bluff. They were a very polite bunch of listeners with great questions. 6th, 7th & 8th grades (80 kids watching in each presentation). Thanks to Principal Miss Ford and music teacher Miss Shepherd.

November announcements:

The next pickin' Party at the MHC (Fiddle & Pick) will be on SAT Nov 1st!

The outreach fund is dry once again. The proceeds go to the Charles E Stuart Memorial Fund that pays for kids music lessons that need our help. Suggested Donation is \$5 Make note that there might be a Sat pickin Party on Dec 6 but we have a special New Years Party that will for sure be entertainment, food and Pickin' to ring in the new year!

VERY IMPORTANT DATE!

On Sat November 22, the Tennessee Mafia Jug Band “donated themselves” a year ago to

be the entertainment for the annual fundraiser benefitting the Musical Heritage Center. We really want continue our mission and keep our many free programs for our community.

The event is \$20 ;Wine & Hors'doeuvres included in the price of admission. The Silent auction is starts at 6:00 and also a special short act right at 7:00 (20 minutes) and then the TNMB concert.

You might have another obligation that you can not come on that date, but there are other ways folks can help: For the Silent Auction; donated items are much needed; think Christmas...)

Another way to help: Donate a bottle of wine or offer to make some hors d'oeuvres. We already have a couple pretty awesome auction items; thats a start! THANK YOU!

Sneak Peaks December and Beyond...

Dec 14 Christmas Holiday Concert Sunday at 4:00 (students of Alan, Stan & Gretchen)

Dec 23 EG Smith & The Spontaneous Mountain Boyz “The Eve of the EVE” Show!

Dec 28 Fiddle & Pick hosts the NOTSBA Old Time 4th Sunday Jam 2:00-6:00
Nashville Old Time String Band Association.
Open to the public. Bring a goody to share on the half time break!

Dec 31 RADIOLA New Years Eve (Concert & Open Jam; Lots of Foodies!)
David Harvey & Tim May and surprise features.

Save the dates... Plan ahead... sponsor a Kid to one of these events:

Jan 8, 9, 10 The 3rd annual “Eighth of January” Old Time Music Weekend!

April 9, 10 ,11 The 7th annual “Irish Music Weekend”

November day by day calendar:

Nov 1 Sat Adult “cubs”fiddle class “near beginner rising to intermediate level” with Gretchen (call 615-812-2192)
(meeting 2 Saturdays a month year round from 10:30-12:30)

Sat Irish Session hosted by Gretchen (open & spectators welcome) 4:00- 6:30
(meets on the 1st & 3rd Sat each month)

Sat Pickin' Party Night. Open jamming; Open to the public 7-11:00pm or later
Proceeds go to the Charles E. Stuart Memorial Fund which pays for music lessons for kids that need our help. You can donate to this fund anytime at the Community Bank & Trust in Pegram.

- Nov 3 Mon Adult “U”team intermediate to advanced fiddle class w Gretchen
(meets on the 1st & 3rd Mon or each month) 7:30-9:30 pm
- Nov 4 Tues Jazz Class with Paul Abrams (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30 pm
- Tues Old Time Jam Night (group hosted open jam) 7:00-9:30 pm
(meets on the 1st & 3rd Tues each month; open & spectators welcome)
- Nov 6 Thurs Jazz Night (hosted by Stan Lawrence & Tim May) 7:30-10:00pm
(meets on the 1st & 3rd Thurs each month; open & spectators welcome)
Please contact Stan 668-2426 or Tim 812-2193 (before driving out), to make sure there is a hosted jazz jam. Spontaneous gig opportunities come up....but this jam is a year round learning forum that you will have a whole lot of fun participating. We have in house books with chords & melodies. Please text Gretchen 615-812-2192 to be added to the Jazz night Alert list; put your contact info and put “jazz” on the memo.
- Nov 7-9 Acoustic Music Pro weekend in Kansas City (see flyer ad)
- Nov 10 Mon “Wacky Toons” music readers jam (chords available for rhythm players)
Some Old time, Irish & wacky Neo Trad tunes that will inspire you!
Hosted by Gretchen & Tim Spectators are welcome.
(Meeting on the 2nd & 4th Mon each month) Not a slow jam.
- Nov 11 Tues Jazz Class with Paul Abrams (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30 pm
- Nov 13 Thurs Slow Jammer's night hosted by Gretchen & Stan 6:00-8:30 pm
“not always slow” you will have fun on this inclusive multi-level all ages jam.
Bluegrass Rookies Class with Stan Lawrence (multi-level) meets 7:30-9:30 ;
come warm up first w the Slow Jammers!
(both groups meet on the 2nd & 4th Thurs of each month)
- Nov 15 Sat Adult “cubs”fiddle class near beginner rising to intermediate level with
Gretchen (call 615-812-2192)
(meeting 2 Saturdays a month year round from 10:30-12:30)
- Sat Irish Session hosted by Gretchen (open & spectators welcome) 4:00- 6:30
(meets on the 1st & 3rd Sat each month)
- Nov 16 Sun performance by the Students of Stephan Dudash Recital
(dress rehearsal before; reception after) recital is at 4:00 pm open to public.

Nov 17 Mon Adult "U" team intermediate to advanced fiddle class w Gretchen
(meets on the 1st & 3rd Mon of each month) 7:30-9:30 pm

Nov 18 Tues Jazz Class (multi- Level) with Paul Abrams 7:00-8:30pm
call Paul 615- 952-4641 (meets weekly)

Tues Old Time Jam Night (group hosted open jam) 7:00-9:30 pm
(meets on the 1st & 3rd Tues each month; open & spectators welcome

Nov 20 Thurs Jazz Night "Gypsy & Jazz" jam. 7:30-10:30
This jam is an inclusive open forum with "in house" books provided.
Intermediate to advanced level. Regularly Hosted by Tim May or Stan Lawrence.
Spectators are welcome & its Free! Please make note that the Jazz night usually
meets on the 1st & 3rd Thurs each month/call Stan 615-668-2426 before you drive out.
Please text Gretchen 615-812-2192 if you would like to be on the Jazz night group mail.
Say "Jazz" so I know why you are texting.

Nov 21 Friday *closed for preparation "set up" for MHC silent auction & concert*

Nov 22 SAT SPECIAL EVENT ...*featuring* The Tennessee Mafia Jug Band *in concert!*
Leroy Troy.
Benefit for the Musical Heritage Center. Silent auction starts at 6:00 Concert at 7:00
(special opening act surprise)

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This Jam might be for you if you still like to play music for fun event tho you live in or
around the Nashville area :-)

note: call Gret to confirm, its getting close to Thanksgiving. 615-812-2192

Nov 25 Tues Jazz Class with Paul Abrams (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30 pm

Nov 27 Thurs *closed today; HAPPY THANKSGIVING!*

December & January important goings on ...lots of goodins'

Dec 2 Tues Christmas at the Library, tree lighting and cookie contest and other frivolty
Kingston Springs Library's (Janet & Richard) annual Tradition.

Dec 6 Sat possible pickin' party (very likely)

Dec 13 Sat “Drive Thru Bethlehem” First Baptist Church of Pegram
canned and non perishable food drive with a real Bethlehem scene with live camels!
Mary Ella's wonderful creation and now it is annual Pegram Christmas Tradition.

Dec 13 Christmas at the Park in Pegram (open home town celebration)

Dec 14 Student Holiday Christmas Concert Sunday 4:00 (open to the public)

Dec 23 EG Smith & the Spontaneous Mountain Boyz (with Gret & Tim too!)
Live at the Fiddle & Pick!
“The Eve of the EVE” Show; Home Town Christmas warmth for all!

Dec 28 The Musical Heritage Center (aka Fiddle & Pick) Hosts the NOTSBA 4th
Sunday Jam (Nashville Old Time String Band Association) Open Old Time Jam.
Spectators are very welcome. Bring a “Goodie” to share at the halftime break. Jam is 2-
6:00 on Sunday

*Dec 31 Wed New Years special music and festivities.... Tim May, David Harvey
RADIOLA in Concert. Concert/Potluck OPEN Jamming pickin' party Newyear's bash!*

The “Eighth of January” Old Time Music Weekend 2015 is coming together nicely!

Jan 8, 9 , 10 concerts, workshops, jams, history **SAVE THE DATES!**
Who's some of the folks.....
Stuart Brothers. Trevor and Travis : Fiddle, Clawhammer Banjo, Mandolin, Guitar

Jay Bland : Flat Footing National Champion

Alan O'Bryant: Old time Mandolin and a special class on old time tunes on the 5 string!

Tim May : Guitar & Mandolin

Kelsey Wells: Fiddle

Lee Cagle: Mountain Dulcimer

John Hatton: The Clef'd Ear vintage music store on wheels is coming to our event and
John will also host some Ukulele workshops and talk about the Ukulele history.

More to be announced...Special guests will make some cameo appearances....

Musically yours, Miss Gretchen

