October 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.

September reflections: Most of the praises and thanks were in the Aug News; the Aug 14- Sept 14 "Shakes in the Park" pre show music by MHC was a worthy cross promotional project! See the great pics on the site and FB by Trisha Kaberly! Thanks again to the Shakes Folks, Denice H, Rickey Chick, Stan L, and David O! Top notch job. Tim & Gretchen enjoyed our "Musical Heritage on location" Aug tours in WY, OR, and KS. Sisters Folk Festival and Winfield Festival were incredible experiences. Thompson Guitars shop is a way cool hang! WY and KS friends always bring special memories. Pics on FB to see some of the journey. Huge Thanks to our friends that hosted the jams at the center while we were out. Also thanks for all the prayers for Tim's Dad, "Doc" who is recovering nicely. Walking! He's a trooper.

October announcements: We will have our inclusive jamming tent at the last Full Moon pickin' Party on Friday Oct 3. Stop by an pick with us. We could use some help with the set up. Text Gret 615-812-2192 if you would like to volunteer.

There is a survey out. Do you want pickin' parties at the Fiddle & Pick on Saturdays instead of the Fridays?

We are going to have a pickin' party fundrasier either on Sat Oct 25 or Sat Nov 1st What would you choose? Could also have some pumpkin carving fun too.

October day by day calendar:

- Oct 2 Thurs Jazz Night (hosted by Stan Lawrence & Tim May) 7:30-10:00pm (meets on the 1st & 3rd Thurs each month; open & spectators welcome)
- Oct 3 Fri Full Moon Pickin' Party at the Warner Park 7:00-11:00 pm we will have our inclusive pickin' tent up. Stop by and pick with us! (need some volunteers to help set up around 5:30; please call Gret)

- Oct 4 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)
 - Note: Art in the Park in Kingston Springs; lots of Art to see and Music to hear.
 - Sat Irish Session hosted by Gretchen (open & spectators welcome) 4:00- 6:30 (meets on the 1st & 3rd Sat each month)
 - Note: Free movie and popcorn "Heaven is Real" Pegram First Baptist Church (just behind the Fiddle & Pick at 7:00)
- Oct 6 Mon Adult "U" team intermediate to advanced fiddle class w Gretchen (meets on the 1st 7 3rd Mon each month) 7:30-9:30 pm
- Oct 7 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
- Oct 9 Thurs Slow Jammer's night hosted by Gretchen & Stan 6:00-8:30 pm "not always slow" come join the 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)
- Oct 10 Fri Tim & Gretchen play their brand of PLAIDGRASS at the Nashville Contra Dance held at the 2nd Presbyterian Church located on Belmont Blvd (near intersection of Woodmont) Fun exercise!

 The dance starts at 8:00 but it is highly recommended to go early (7:15 or 7:30) for the tutorial. It makes the dance so much more enjoyable for the newbies and also for the regulars. Don't be afraid to try it. If you can hold hands and walk, you can do this.

 Tip: participate in the first dance, DO NOT Watch it; just do it.
- Oct 11 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)
- Oct 12 Sun The 7th annual HOE DOWN, SHOWDOWN! 4:00 pm show time Student performance; students of Alan O'Bryant, Stan Lawrence, & Gretchen Priest-May. The concert is Free and open to the public.

 * Join in on the country Hoe Down attire theme. There will be a prize for the best!

Any donations are much appreciated to help with expenses.

NOTE: students arrive 1:30 to tune and be ready for dress rehearsal at 2:00 sharp. Eat before you come. *Bring a music stand if you have one. We are low on stands.* There is a potluck reception after the show. "Bring a thing" if you can. Wear your Hoe Down attire.

- Oct 13 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.
- Oct 13 Tues Jazz Class (multi- Level) with Paul Abrams 7:00-8:30pm call Paul 615- 952-4641 (meets weekly)
- Oct 16 Thurs Jazz Night "Gypsy & Jazz" jam.

 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 not 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.
- Oct 18 Sat No Cubs adult fiddle class meeting today

Sat Irish session. We need a volunteer to host the Irish jam today. 4-6:30

- Oct 20 Mon Adult "U" team intermediate to advanced fiddle class w Gretchen (meets on the 1st 7 3rd Mon each month) 7:30-9:30 pm
- Oct 21 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
- Oct 23 Thurs Slow Jammer's night hosted by Gretchen & Stan 6:00-8:30 pm "not always slow" come join the 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)
- Oct 25 Sat TBA There is a survey about whether we should host a pickin' party on this night or if it should be on Sat Nov 1

 It could be a pumpkin carving/Birthday party and pickin' party night.

Our pickin' parties are mostly Bluegrass jamming, but sometime an Old time jam or a Jazz jam form a pickin circle. They are also a fundraiser for the Charles E Stuart memorial Fund (Community Bank in Pegram) that pays for kids music lessons that need our help.

November sneak peaks and beyond,,,

Nov 1 Sat possible pickin' party (TBA after survey)

Nov 16 Sun Students of Stephan Dudash performance

Nov 22 Sat annual fundraiser benefit for MHC. Mark your calendar for this very important event! Silent auction, hors devors. Wine and other refreshments included in the ticket. Special performance of the Tennessee Mafia Jug Band starring Leroy Troy. Also students opening act. Please support this event by attending, or by donating silent auction item (think Christmas presents), food or beverages.

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

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 14 students of the MHC perform their annual Christmas Holiday Concert 4:00

Dec 23 Wed we have heard rumors that EG Smith and the Spontaneous Mountain Boyz might play "The Eve of the Eve show" Home town Christmas.

Dec 31 Wed New Years special music and festivities.... Tim May, David Harvey and.... Details to unfold!

The "Eighth of January" Old Time Music Weekend 2015 is coming together nicely! Jan 8, 9, 10 concerts, workshops, jams, historySAVE THE DATE!

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