

May 2016 Newsletter & Calendar

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Reflections : Our first ever Traditional Song Weekend with instructors, Julee Glaub & Mark Weems, and Tim May was a success. Two days of an incredible variety of Song workshops & concerts. In the evenings a hosted open song circle was so fun. The feedback says that everyone wants us to do it again next year. I would like to say we will; but, we really needed about 10-15 more sign ups to say we are safe to schedule one next year. Soon we will send out a survey to the folks that attended and perhaps we can!

Reminder: Kids camp Ages 12-17 deadline for registration is May 21; we must have enough students for us to break down into small ensembles; if not we will return the tuition and try again next year. Note: We have made an exception for an 11 year old to attend (that has been playing awhile), so we are open to other 11 year olds attending that already are playing an instrument. Folks are asking about a younger kids camp. We can't add it this year, but next year hopefully. It would be nice to hear from anyone that would like us to have one for the younger age group next year (ages 7-9 or 10 possibly).

The Brock McGuire Band from Ireland just recently performed at the center. We want to continue these quality performances, but we were disappointed and perplexed that for whatever reasons; only 13 people supported this event. **We hope to see a better turnout for these GREAT upcoming shows...**

Just around the corner: *Mark your calendars!*

Two concerts May 13 & 14 weekend ; bring Mom!

May 13 Friday **RADIOLA** in concert! Fine Nostalgic Pickin' and Singin' with David, Jan & Emma Harvey, Tim May, Brian & Nicole Christianson, and Jon Weisberger.

May 14 Saturday **Rafe & Clelia Stefanini** Old Time concert and Hosted open Jam!

June 20-24 Kids SUMMER MUSIC DAY CAMP!

June 25 Saturday **Steve Smith & Tim May** in concert; great songs & superb pickin'!

July 8 Fri Show; **EG Smith & the Spontaneous Mountain Boyz**; Bluegrass/Comedy

Aug ? David Olney? Pending?

Day by Day Calendar:

May 3 Tue Jazz class with Paul Abrams 615-310-7275 (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30pm

Tue **Old-Time Jam night (meets on 1st & 3rd Tues each month) 7:00-9:30pm**
open & inclusive multi-level jam; group hosted & spectators welcome!

May 5 Thur “Cubs” Adult fiddle class w Gretchen (meets 1st & 3rd Thurs) 7:00-9:00pm

Thur **Jazz Jam night** Hosted by Tim May & Stan Lawrence **7:30-10:30pm**
Open jam; spectators welcome! (Meets on 1st & 3rd Thurs)

May 7 Sat “Bears” Adult intermediate fiddle class w Gretchen 10:30am-12:30pm
(usually meets on the 1st & 3rd Sat each month)

Sat **Irish session** hosted by Gretchen & friends 2:30-5:00pm
Meets on the 1st & 3rd Sat each month
Inclusive multi-level, but not a slow jam/ Spectators always welcome

May 8 Sunday *Happy Mothers Day!*

May 9 Mon **“Wacky Toons” Jam**; second to last meeting before the seasonal break.
Hosted by Gretchen & Tim (meets 2nd & 4th Mon.) 7:30-9:30pm

“Wacky Toons” Jam (something very different) You might ask; What is that jam anyway? Its a cool mix of Irish, Old time and “neo trad” tunes written by live people. If you can read music, this is easy; and it is especially for you if you like to play music for fun, even though you live in or near Nashville! This jam is for you if: you like to play back up rhythm; you can sight read and or want to get better at sight reading; or build your speed proficiency. Last time meeting on May 23 until returning in October.

May 10 Tue Jazz class with Paul Abrams 615-310-7275 (meets weekly 7:00-8:30pm)

May 12 Thur **Slowjammers night** (meets on the 2nd & 4th Thurs) 6:00-8:30pm
“Not always slow” The Main rule is to have fun (multi level from ground up)
Inclusive instructor led jam; come on out, don’t be shy!

May 13 Fri RADIOLA (they only play once a year! See them while you can!)
David Harvey on Mandolin (head of Gibson Mandolin division), **Tim May** (voted best instrumentalist of Nashville), **Brian Christianson** (Opry fiddler & mandolin) Also featuring the Beautiful voices of Jan & Emma Harvey and Nicole Christianson.

RADIOLA: A GREAT MIX OF GYPSY JAZZ, SWING ERA AND BLUEGRASS

Olympic pickers and beautiful singers. RADIOLA is always a top class act! And if that wasn't enough, look what's shakin' on SAT the same weekend!

May 14 Sat Old Time Concert with Rafe & Clelia Stefanini 7:00 show

Rafe & Clelia will be hosting an inclusive Old Time Jam after the show so
Be sure to bring your instrument and join in on the fun!

May 17 Tue Jazz class with Paul Abrams 615-310-7275 (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30pm

Tue **Old-Time Jam night (meets on 1st & 3rd Tues each month) 7:00-9:30pm**
Open & inclusive multi-level jam; group hosted & spectators welcome!

May 19 Thur "Cubs" adult fiddle class (near beginner with Gretchen) 7:00-9:00pm

Thur **Gypsy Jazz Night** Hosted by Tim May & Stan Lawrence 7:30-10:30pm
This jam usually meets on the 1st & 3rd Thurs each month; Text Gret 615-812-2192 to get on the group e mail so you are "in the know" (*before you drive out.*) This jam is an inclusive open forum with "in house" books provided. Intermediate and up level.

Spectators are very welcome & it's Free!

May 21 SAT *If you have been wanting to enroll in kids summer music day camp, this is the deadline to see if we have enough sign ups for hosting kids Summer Music camp !*

May 21 Sat "Bears" Adult intermediate fiddle class w Gretchen 10:30am-12:30pm
(usually meets on the 1st & 3rd Sat each month)

Sat **Irish session** hosted by Gretchen & friends 2:30-5:00pm
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May 22 Sun *Teen Guitar Ministry plays special music feature for the first time for service at the First Baptist Church of Pegram (behind Fiddle & Pick)*

Led by Gretchen 10:30 am

May 23 Mon **Wacky Toons Jam;** meeting for last time. Hosted by Gretchen & Tim
Seasonal break until resuming in October 7:30-9:30pm

May 24 Tue Jazz Class with Paul Abrams (meets weekly) 7:00-9:00pm

May 26 Thur **Slowjammers night** (meets on the 2nd & 4th Thurs) 6:00-8:30pm
"Not always slow" The Main rule is to have fun! (multi level from ground up)

If you play just a wee bit or a whole lot; you will fit in! Instructor hosted.

May 30 Mon *Memorial Day; It is not just a picnic.*

While enjoying time with friends and family; remember those that have paid a price for our country's freedom. Please take a moment to honor your veterans. Give thanks to those who have served and please pray for those who are serving our country.

May 31 Tue Jazz class with Paul Abrams 615-310-7275 (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30pm

June Sneak Peaks and beyond...

**June 20-24 Kids Music Day Camp (for kids already playing an instrument)
see detailed schedule & registration (Sending out first week April)
please sign up by May 21!**

**June 25 Sat TIM MAY & STEVE SMITH in concert at the Fiddle & Pick!
*Mark your calendar***

July 8 Fri EG Smith & the Spontaneous Mountain Boyz (SMBz)

Aug ? David Olney (pending)

David and Stan are in the Shakes at the Park again!

Musically yours,
Miss Gretchen