August 2016 Newsletter & Calendar

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Visit www.fiddleandpick.com for information on jams and special events. Our staff of Nashville professionals teach a variety of musical styles at the center; a comfortable place for all ages and levels to get private lessons, classes, and come to participate in jams. Call Gretchen 615-812-2192 to inquire and find the right instructor. Go to the home page and sign up to get this free monthly news letter and calendar so you can be the first to know of performances, class series, workshops, pickin' parties, and be informed of any adjustments to the regularly scheduled jams. You can unsubscribe at anytime. Be sure to open the attachments in this letter to learn about details. We appreciate your support and hope you would share the flyer ads containing essential info; so your like-minded friends and family could attend unique Musical Heritage Events! This letter, the website, and Face Book are the only means we have to get the word out to the folks that are interested in traditional music and beyond!

Summer is winding up. School starts earlier every year. Folks are busier all the time. So *please read these <u>Essential announcements:PAY ATTENTION</u> this is detail that can be very beneficial:*

IRISH! Sessions are back at the F & P; note the date and times adjusted. Nov 10-12 is the annual Irish Music Weekend. See the IMW flyer listing incredible staff of talent! More details on registration and schedule coming soon. The staff is growing! Gretchen came up with a plan for folks to get ready for this special IMW event. Our regular Irish session has been on a seasonal break.

*We start back up Sat Oct 1 (1st Sat) and Oct 22 (4th Sat). We had to postpone the usual 3rd sat to the 4th Sat because a local Traditional Music festival that weekend. The festival called "Hoe Down on the Harpeth" that is held all weekend at the Hay Shed Farms in Kingston Springs. On Sat Oct 15 The Fiddle & Pick was asked to participate. Gretchen will host a tune ws and an inclusive multi-level jam for all ages. *See festival flyer*

Mid Tempo IRISH Sessions (that you fine folks have requested). Hosted on Sat days and Mon nights. See the attachment flyer on the specific series of Irish sessions fast and mid tempo.

JAZZ NIGHT!

Jazz night will on a seasonal break with meeting a few spotty dates. Re: our dear hosts, Stan Lawrence and Tim May are in big demand this season. So unfortunately there is only a hand full of Thurs nights that these busy men can host Jazz Night. If you are someone that is a Jazz spectator or who participates in the Gypsy Jazz Night Jam (held on the 1 st & 3rd Thurs each month), then you need to be sure to write down these dates so we can have a big time jamming together when there are hosts available!

Jazz night will be hosted on these dates:

Aug 18, Nov 3, Nov 17, and Dec 1st. That's it! But Jazz night will resume regularly once again on Jan19 and throughout the season at the usual time 1st & 3rd Tues eve. Essential Announcements continued...

A REALLY GREAT SINGING OPPORTUNITY!

Coming to the Fiddle & Pick Monday Aug 8 through the month of Sept on Monday nights. Meeting 7:00pm-8:30pm A very special opportunity to learn how to sing shape notes! Taught by an experienced Sacred Harp singer and leader. Contact Justin Bowen jbowen012@yahoo.com or call Justin 615-962-4539. All Ages, no experience needed, Families welcome, and its FREE! See the flyer ad attachment.

Slowjammers night will NOT be meeting on Aug 11; Sorry, it just happens that all the regular hosts have obligations that evening. This very popular jam will resume with Gretchen hosting on August 25. Looking ahead, we may need some hosts on Sept 8th!

Other announcements:

Aug 20 Yard Sale fund raiser for youth sponsorship for music camps. Donated items can be dropped off Tues, Wed, Thurs. Heavy items dropped off outside on Sat am. Volunteers are needed to help price Thur &Fri and also to set up sale Sat am/ pack down in eve. Pickers are welcome to come hang out. Call or text Gret to help 615-812-2192

Aug 27 Fundraiser at the Filling Station for Marilee Chipoletti. There is a go fund me address we will post on our FB .

Oct 1 "Room at the Inn" fundraiser Oct 1 at the Fiddle & Pick. Variety Show 7:00

Oct 9 Sunday, The 9th Annual Hoe-Down, Showdown students performance! see flyer

5th Annual "Eighth of January" Old Time Music Weekend "Save the dates" see flyer *Its* earlier this time because the 8th falls on a Sunday! Jan 5-7 2017

Day by Day Calendar:

Aug 2 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!

Aug 4 Thurs "Cubs" adult fiddle class w Gretchen is cancelled this evening *

Thurs Gypsy Jazz Night Hosted by Tim & Stan is cancelled this evening *

Aug 6 Sat "Bears" fiddle class w Gretchen cancelled today *

- Sat Irish session on a seasonal break; see attachment on Irish session dates.
- Aug 8 Mon Sacred Harp "shape note singing" series w Justin! 7:00-8:30pm
 All ages; no experience needed. Free! See flyer attachment
 Come on out! Don't be shy! Leader: Justin Bowen 615-962-4539
 jbowen012@yahoo.com
- Aug 9 Tue Jazz class with Paul Abrams 615-310-7275 (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30pm
- Aug 11 Thur Slowjammers is cancelled today * resumes on Aug 25
- Aug 15 Mon Sacred Harp "shape note singing" with Justin 7:00-8:30pm
- Aug 16 Tue Jazz class with Paul Abrams 615-310-7275 (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30pm
 - Tue Old-Time Jam night (meets on 1st & 3rd Tue each month) 7:00-9:30pm Open & inclusive multi-level jam / group hosted & spectators welcome!
- Aug 18 Thur "Cubs" near beginner adult fiddle class w Gretchen (1st & 3rd Tues) 7-9pm

 Thur Gypsy Jazz Night Hosted by Tim May this evening 7:30-9:30pm
- Aug 19 **Fri FULL MOON Pickin' Party at Warner Park**; Friends of Warner Park.org has full information. The party starts at 6:30 or 7:00 and ends 11:00. Update: The stage has moved further out so the pickers can hear to pick again.
- Aug 20 Fiddle & Pick Yard Sale for Youth sponsorship fundraiser. Pickers welcome to come and pick. Volunteers needed. Donated items appreciated. 9am-4:00pm Call Gretchen 615-812-2192
- Aug 22 Mon Sacred Harp Shape Note Singing with Justin 7:00-8:30pm
- Aug 23 Tue Jazz class with Paul Abrams 615-310-7275 (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30pm
- Aug 25 **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. **Gretchen hosts slowjammers this evening**
- Aug 27 Sat "Bears" Adult intermediate fiddle class w Gretchen (usually meets on the 1st & 3rd Sat each month)
 - Sat Mid Tempo Irish Session; brush up on those Irish tunes! 1:00-2:30pm

Aug 27 (continued) Sat See you at the Filling Station Fundraiser for Marilee Chipoletti Starts around dinner time and goes into the evening. We will have more info posted.

Aug 29 Mon Sacred Harp "shape note singing" with Justin 7:00-8:30pm

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

Note: it's a 5th Tuesday, not Old Time Jam night!

September Sneak Peaks and beyond...

Sept Monday nights continues Shape Note Singing Series every Monday night. Then in October it will meet on the 2nd & 4th Monday (Wacky toons on break)

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Oct 1 Sat The Room at the Inn Fundraiser at the Fiddle & Pick hosted by Pegram Church of Christ . Fun evening of music to help folks on the street find a new path. Variety Show!

Oct 9 Sunday The 9th annual Student Hoedown Showdown! Sunday rehearsal 2:00 /concert 4:00/potluck 5:00 Free concert, bring a treat!

Oct 15 weekend Robert Dunn, David Grier and Friends Trad music festival at Hayshed Farms in Kingston Springs. Gretchen hosting jam and a tune workshop.

Nov 10,11, 12 (Th, Fri, Sat) 8th annual IRISH MUSIC WEEKEND Staff concert Thur night w open session & two days of workshops on Fri & Sat. History, mini-concerts, sessions! See the flyer of the in credible staff! SAVE THE DATES!

Dec 4 Sunday..... Student Christmas Holiday Concert

Dec 23 FridaySpontaneous Mountain Boyz Christmas Spectacular

SAVE THE DATES: Jan 5, 6, 7, 2017 The "Eighth of January" Old Time Music Weekend (5th annual is early this year!)

SAVE THE DATES: April 6,7,8 2017 2nd annual Traditional Music & Song weekend

Musically yours, Miss Gretchen