

September 2016 Newsletter & Calendar

“Fiddle & Pick”; Home of the Musical Heritage Center of Middle Tennessee

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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!

IRISH EVENT Coming!

Sessions are back at the Fiddle & Pick; note the date and times adjusted.

Nov 10-12 is the annual Irish Music Weekend. This is a very inspiring annual event with a stellar bunch of instructors. Big huge Thank you to Mary Alice Bernal for such a fantastic job on the graphic design! She rules! *See the Irish Music Weekend brochure attachment (4 parts).

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 Hoe Down on the Harpeth*)

Mid Tempo IRISH Sessions (by requested; the first one was great!).

Hosted on Sat days and Mon nights. **See the attachment flyer on the specific series of Irish sessions** fast and mid tempo.

KIDS SPONSORSHIPS TO MUSIC CAMPS:

The Aug YARD SALE raised some money that goes towards sponsoring kids to music camp. We made enough to send one student desiring to attend Irish Music Weekend with a little money left over to send the next. There are several kids (teens) that play an instrument that would love the chance attend a one day or two of the Nov IRISH Music Weekend. If you would like to pitch into make this happen, any donations can help.

We just received a two day sponsorship for IMW! So thankfully, that is two kids covered! Checks can be made to MHC and put “Kids music camp sponsor” on the memo.

(announcements continued on next page)

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 jazzy guys 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 1st & 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.

A REALLY GREAT SINGING OPPORTUNITY!

Fiddle & Pick Monday nights continuing 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. We hope to continue singing regularly after the initial series is over. Likely meeting in Oct on the 2nd & 4th Monday each month.

Slowjammers night on Sept 8th: Gretchen can not host this eventing and needs to find a host to help. Has to be someone that is regular on this jam to make sure *everyone is included with a comfortable jamming experience for all levels and ages. Call Gretchen.* We will announce on FB if we have to cancel, but most likely someone can host the jam.

Other announcements:

New date is Sept 19 for the rescheduled Fundraiser at the Filling Station for our friend and neighbor Marilee Chipoletti. There is a go fund me address on 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

Dec 4 Sunday: Student Christmas Holiday Concert

Dec 22 or 23 ? EG Smith Spontaneous Mountain Boyz

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

2nd Annual Traditional Song Weekend ... “Save the dates” ... April 6,7,8, 2017

Day by Day Calendar:

Sept 1 Thurs No Jazz jam tonight (see opening announcements on specific dates)

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

Sept 2-5 *Closed for Labor Day Weekend*

Sept 6 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!

Sept 8 Thur Slowjammers night will be hosted by? TBA meets 2nd & 4th 6:00-8:30pm

Sept 12 Mon **Sacred Harp “shape note singing” series w Justin!** 7:00-8:30pm

All ages; no experience needed. Free!

Come on out! Don’t be shy! Leader: Justin Bowen 615-962-4539

jbowen012@yahoo.com

Sept 13 Tue Jazz class with Paul Abrams 615-310-7275 (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30

Sept 15 Thurs No “Cubs” fiddle class/ No Jazz this evening

Sept 16 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.

Sept 17 Sat No Bears fiddle class today/ No Irish today

Sept 19 Mon Sacred Harp Shape Note Singing with Justin 7:00-8:30pm

Sept 20 Tue *Happy Birthday Larry Priest!*

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Sept 22 Thur **Slowjammers night;** all ages & levels inclusive jam hosted by Gretchen

Come on out, don't be shy (meets on 2nd & 4th Thurs each month) 6-8:30pm

Sept 26 Mon Sacred Harp "shape note singing" with Justin 7:00-8:30pm

Sept 27 Tue Jazz class with Paul Abrams 615-310-7275 (meets weekly) 7:00-8:30pm

Sept 29 "Cubs" Fiddle class w Gretchen (meets on 2nd & 4th Thur each month) 7-9:00pm

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 14 & 15 weekend Robert Dunn, David Grier and Friends Trad music festival at Hayshed Farms in Kingston Springs. Gretchen hosting jam and a tune workshop Oct 15

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 incredible staff! SAVE THE DATES!

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

Dec 22 or 23Spontaneous 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