

## October 2017 Newsletter & Calendar

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### September Reflections:

I would like to say a special THANK YOU so many folks for helping with essential details that made the Memorial Service at Fiddle & Pick for Erin Kathleen Harris a very special gathering in celebration of her life. Thank you to the Mountain Dulcimer Group that played the heavenly prelude music. Thanks to Tom for fixing the parking lot, and helping Gretchen getting the place cleaned and room set up. Thank you to Sharon for her song and the video of Erin’s opening monologue, Christine for photos of Erin, to Denise for making the photos into a slide show, and to Greg for manning the laptop of the video and slide show! Thanks to Bobby for sound, lights and tear down. Thanks to Tim and Robbie for technical help with things “beyond our control” ; Who knows why the internet goes down at the worst possible time? Thank you to Erin’s family who came from far away, Erin’s co workers and friends who all brought food, beverages and stories to come celebrate her life with us. Thanks to many musicians & actor friends that shared in the service and who attended. I think Erin was looking over us smiling. I miss her.

Upcoming events: “Room In the Inn”, A Talent Show sponsored by the Pegram Church of Christ on Saturday, Sept 30 at 7:00 at the Fiddle & Pick!

Suggested Donation \$20 (\$10 for seniors and under 18, family max \$50)

A very fun night for all ages and for a very worthy cause!

Hoe-Down, Show-Down Student Concert Sunday Oct 8, 4:00pm

Irish Music Weekend Nov 9-11, 2017 (Oct 2 is last day for early bird registration deals)

Student Christmas Holiday Concert Sunday Dec 10, 4:00 pm (rehearsal w band 2:00)

Save the dates for Old Time Music Weekend Jan 4-6, 2018

Traditional Music and Song Weekend TBA

Announcements: DO NOT DILLY DALLY! SAVE MONEY!

OCT 2 is last day of the Early Bird Registration deal for IRISH music Weekend.

We are so pleased to have extraordinary fiddlers: Liz Carroll , Brian Conway and Rose Flanagan, and Katie Riker returning! We also have Marla Fibish & Tim May Mandolin, Pauline Conneely Tenor banjo, Eamonn Dillon Pipes and Whistle, Andy Kruspe and Suzy Perri Bodhran, more to announce! Chef Bill and Quince will be cookin' up their healthy cuisine at the Pegram Station so don't forget to preorder your meals.

Note: Classes do get full (especially fiddle) so please keep in mind the last day of the early bird registration will be OCT 2 to get the best deal to attend "IMW"!

See the attached brochure that tells all about our 9<sup>th</sup> annual Irish Music Weekend!

### **OCT Irish sessions:**

Oct 7 fast session only 2:15-4:15 (Irish Trio has to leave in a hurry to play fundraiser)

Oct 21 mid tempo session 12:30-2:00 and fast session 2:15-4:15

NOTE: Slowjammers meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday and the way the calendar falls it turns out. Be sure to attend on Oct 12 and 26 because that is the last times until DECEMBER 14! (because of Irish Weekend Event and Thanks Giving).

**PICKIN' Parties will be back; just got to see what dates work for everyone that wants them! More TBA. We have a legendary Bluegrass Artist coming!**

Oct 3 Tues Jazz Class "Unreal Book" series is going to start a new "Latin Jazz Class"  
Instructor Paul Abrams teaches "Latin Jazz" in the style of Antonio Carlo Jobim.  
(meets weekly 7-8:30) This series is for all instruments! Call Paul 615-310-7275

Tues **Old-Time Jam night (meets on 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Tues each month) 7:00-9:30pm**

Open & inclusive multi-level jam; group hosted & spectators welcome

Oct 5 Thurs **Jazz Night:** Check with Tim May or Stan Lawrence to see if meeting before you drive out ; there is a group e mail to connect with.

Oct 6 Friday after school Teen guitar ministry at the First Baptist Church of Pegram

Oct 7 Sat **Bears Adult fiddle class Concert RUN THRU! 10:00-12:00**

Sat IRISH Fast Session 2:15-4:15...Then Nashville IRISH Trio runs to Play by 5:00 in for Animal Fundraiser at South Harpeth Organic Farm 5289 Old Harding Rd, in Franklin "Paws on South Harpeth".

**Oct 8 Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> annual HOEDOWN SHOWDOWN** student performance **4:00pm**

**Pot luck reception to follow. Join in on the fun and wear your Hoe Down clothes!**

Note: Students arrive 1:30 to rehearse with back up band by 2:00 (visitors please be quiet during the rehearsal; Thank you in advance) bring your music stand if you need one.

Oct 10 Tues Jazz Class Latin Jazz series with Paul Abrams (meets weekly 7-8:30)  
This series is for all instruments; Call Paul 615-310-7275

Oct 12 Thurs **Slowjammers**; inclusive multi level & ages! **Not meeting in November**  
Don't be shy! We meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs year round! 6:00-8:30pm

Oct 13-14 Festival at Hay Shed Farm called "Hoedown on the Harpeth" or "HOTH". It will be a lovely fall setting for all ages and lots of picking and performances. Fiddle & Pick will be out there to support this 2<sup>nd</sup> annual local festival and I hope you can support it too! Gretchen will host an inclusive jam and/or host a tune workshop. Something for everyone! Ya'll come & Camp out!

Oct 17 Tues Jazz Class "Latin Jazz" series with Paul Abrams (meets weekly 7-8:30)  
This series is for all instruments and singers too! Call Paul 615-310-7275

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Open & inclusive multi-level jam; group hosted & spectators welcome  
Hosted by Alan O'Bryant & Gretchen

Oct 20 Teen Guitar Ministry after school First Baptist Church of Pegram

Oct 21 Sat Bears adult fiddle class w Gretchen (Intermediate) 10:00 am-12:00pm

Sat **Mid-tempo Irish Session** ..... 12:30-2:00pm

Sat **Fast-tempo Irish Session** ..... 2:15-4:15pm

Oct 22 Sunday *Congratulations to Aram and Johanna on your wedding day!*

Oct 24 Tues Jazz Class "Latin Jazz" series with Paul Abrams (meets weekly 7-8:30)  
This series is for all instruments! Call Paul 615-310-7275

Oct 26 Thurs **Slowjammers**; inclusive multi level & ages, Hosted by Gretchen  
Don't be shy! We usually meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Thurs year round 6:00-8:30pm  
**NOTE: This is the last one until December due to IRISH Music weekend Thurs night Instructors NOV 9 concert,(which is open to the public) and also Thanks Giving Holiday.**

*October 31 Tuesday Happy Halloween*

November sneak peaks and beyond:

Teen Guitar Ministry w Gretchen Nov 3 & 17 Fridays after school First Bapt Church of Pegram . We are preparing to play music at FBCP 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration weekend Nov 18 & 19. God is GREAT!

Registration for IMW closes on Nov 1 (early bird reg ended Oct 2)

(See the detailed Brochure with Schedule and Registration).

**Irish Music Weekend is the Second weekend of November; this year it falls on Nov 9, 10,11 Thurs night instructor concert and Fri & Sat all day workshops, mini concerts, and lots of playing tunes at the evening sessions.** Great food and fellowship.

Nov 26 Fiddle & Pick hosts NOTSBA 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday Old Time Jam. Everyone is welcome. Jamming starts 2:00 and goes to 5:30 or 6:00 . There is a half time food break. Bring a treat to share.

You asked, and yes it is coming! We have been so busy!

Next News Blast will have the “Eighth of January” Old Time Weekend (Jan 4,5,6. 2018) Instructors, Jams, concerts, history. schedule and registration forthcoming!

Dec 9 “Drive thru Bethlehem” First Baptist Church of Pegram (behind Fiddle & Pick)

Dec 10 Student Christmas Holiday Concert Sunday 4:00pm (rehearsal 2:00)

Dec 22 Spontaneous Mountain Boyz Christmas “Spectacle”

“Eighth of January” Old Time Music Weekend is VERY EARLY THIS YEAR of 2018!  
SAVE The Dates!

Early bird registration will get you the best deal to attend “EOJ”!

**JAN 4, 5, 6 Thurs, Fri, and Sat (the 8<sup>th</sup> of Jan is on a Monday this year!)**

Musically yours,

Miss Gretchen