



May 2025 Newsletter

SPRING GREETINGS TO ALL!

Spring is full of outdoor activities including Gardens and yardwork. Body hurts but worth the labor!

PLAIDGRASS played at the Birmingham Contra Dance. The Trio was Andy Smith, Daniel Charlton and Gretchen. It has been a while since I played a big dance! Very Fun; and I liked Birmingham. Went to a great restaurant called Bamboo. Glad Miss Caroline came to the dance and brought fiddle to jam after. It was quite a treat hanging out with Jim & Joyce Cauthen! Great Old-Time musicians with a love for the history (They are recent recipients of the NOTSBA Heritage Award). Special thanks to Beadle asking PLAIDGRASS to play their dance.

Recitals are teaming at the Fiddle & Pick this Spring!

**Sat May 10 Students of Becca Darling and Students of Erin Peet-Lukes
See attached flyer on the details.**

**Sun May 18 Students of Stephan Dudash (and stellar accompanists) 3:00
The recitals are free and open to the public; Donations accepted.**

**TWO Special KIDS MUSIC DAY KAMPS are coming up! Registration closes soon!
See attached flyers for information**

Two Age Groups and varieties of levels.

**Younger age group will have a variety of Themed dance, songs, music
“Fun”dametals, and everyday has “hands on Instruments” and snack break!
Older Group will get deeper into jamming and learning about reading charts and
the bit hit is always the “Band Scramble” Game!**

**Announcements: Don’t forget MOTHER’S DAY May 11
KIDS KAMPS IN JUNE! Mon-Thurs 9-noon (See flyers)**

KIDS JAM continues selected Mondays. Schedule is on the website.

Bluegrass Jamming Class continues including “FULL MOON PICKIN’ Party field trips

OLDTIME JAM continues 1st & 3rd Tuesdays

JAZZ CLASS on TUES with Paul Abrams

~NOTE: Irish Session is taking a seasonal break, but will resume in Oct.

**~Irish Music Happy Hour Class moves from Fri over to the
2nd & 4th Tues nights 7:15-9:15 for the Season (late Oct returns to Fri)
Other Items of Musical Interest:**

**May 23 Full Moon Pickin' Party "Friends of Warner Parks " 6-10pm
June 13 Full Moon Pickin' Party "Friends of Warner Parks" 6'10pm**

July 4th Pegram 4th July Parade / Fireworks party

July 11 Full Moon Pickin' Party "Friends of Warner Parks 6-10pm

**July 14-18 Texas Bluegrass Camp / Gerald Jones & Alan Munday and all-star
Staff (Including Gretchen & Tim teaching there)**

July (25-29 pre camp) July 30-Aug 3 Cliff Top Festival

Aug 8 Full Moon Pickin' Party "Friends of Warner Parks"

Aug 10-16 CO ROOTS CAMP (Gretchen teaching there) Aug 24-30 Acoustic

ALASKA Camp (Gretchen & Tim teaching there)

Sept 17-21 Winfield Walnut Valley Festival (pre camp Sept 12)

Oct 5 or 12 or 19 are possible dates for Student Hoedown Show

**Nov 8 Gretchen hosts Jam (private event at Country Music Hall of Fame)
Nov 15 Gretchen's "Hands on Instruments" program on location in Arkansas.**

Dec 14 Student Christmas Holiday Concert

**Gretchen continues hosting "Fiddle & Pick Picks" on Thurs Nights at the
Fillin' Station in Kingston Springs; Featuring our Fiddle & Pick Affiliates.**

Ya'll come! Food & Music! It's a good hang. Free Parking.

May 1st Gretchen hosts, featuring Dante Limon (Banjo) and Keller (Mandolin)

May 8 & 15 Gretchen hosts, "PLAIDGRASS" brand, featuring Daniel Charlton

May 22 Gret hosts, Featuring Erinn Peet-Lukes (Artist, writer, singer, picker!)

May 29 Gret hosts, Featuring music by "Homemade Jam",

Darrel & Candy Hooper singing and pickin Great Country Songs & Grass.

Jan 8,9,10, 2025 Eighth of Jan OLDTIME MUSIC Weekend (save the dates)

**MHC/Fiddle & Pick's Annual Chili COOK-OFF & Silent Auction Fundraiser
Sunday Feb 22, 2026 (Plan B if icy is Sunday March 1) save the dates!**

SEE YOU ON THE FUNWAY! Musically yours, Miss Gretchen

Scroll down to see flyers attached ...

TWO KIDS KAMP flyers , Spring Recitals, Summer Piano course, Jam Schedules!

KIDS KAMP 2025

JUNE 16-19 // AGES 7-11
9AM-12PM



LED BY: ERINN PEET-LUKES AND
GRETCHEN PRIEST-MAY
AT FIDDLE & PICK
IN PEGRAM



Tuition- \$275 per camper
\$100 deposit due May 1st // Remaining Tuition Due June 1st
Space is Limited-First Come,First Serve
Email erinn.peetlukes@gmail.com for inquiries and registration

KAMP SCHEDULE!



Monday: Welcome to camp! Guitar and Mandolin demo, contra dancing
Tuesday: Cowboy day! Bass and fiddle demo, line dancing
Wednesday: Irish Day! Bodhran demo, music history, Irish dancing
Thursday: Island Day! Ukulele demo, music reading basics

**“Hands on Instruments”, Kids Jam, and Snack Time Everyday!
Snacks Included!**

ONE MORE

Scroll down!

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9AM-12PM



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GRETCHEN PRIEST-MAY
AT FIDDLE & PICK
IN PEGRAM



Tuition- \$275 per camper
\$100 deposit due May 1st // Remaining Tuition Due June 1st
Space is Limited-First Come,First Serve
Email erinn.peetlukes@gmail.com for inquiries and registration

KAMP ACTIVITES!



Kids Jam Every Day!
Trying New Instruments
Band Scramble Game
Songwriting
Performance at the End of Camp!
Perfect for Kids Who Have Played for 6 Months or More!

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FIDDLE AND PICK SPRING RECITAL 2025

Performances by the Private Students of
Becca Darling and Erinn Peet-Lukes

SATURDAY, MAY 10TH



Featuring solo
and duet
performances
by young musicians
on piano,
ukulele, fiddle,
guitar, mandolin and
voice

MS BECCA'S STUDENTS: 2PM-3PM

MS ERINN'S STUDENTS: 4PM-5PM

Please show up 30 min before your performance time

Snacks and Socializing After Each Show

Friends and Family Welcome

456 US-70, PEGRAM TN

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Summer Piano Course 2025

Learn how to play the chords of your favorite pop or jazz songs this summer!

Get one-on-one coaching on how to play and sing your favorite songs on piano.
Explore common chord progressions and vamping styles.

Basic piano familiarity required

*(can you play a simple song all the way through?
Do you know all the names of the keys? You're ready!)*

Includes:

- Eight 30-minute private lessons by appointment,
- Printed copies of your charts,
- A playlist of the songs we learned,
- An in-lesson audio recording of your favorite song.

Call or text Becca Darling: 307-256-6083

beccadarlingmusic@gmail.com

fiddleandpick.com/instructors

Price

\$300 (cash)

\$320 (Check/venmo/paypal)

Eight 30-minute lessons

at the Fiddle & Pick
456 Highway 70

JUNE - AUGUST
3 - 7

Signup Deadline

JUNE
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Keep scrolling... Bluegrass Jamming class schedule and KIDS JAM Schedule!

Bluegrass Jamming Class Aka...“The fun Club”

Spring 2025 to Fall into Winter

2nd & 4th Mondays 7:15-9:15pm (subject to change)

Instructors Hosting: Gretchen Priest-May & Erinn Peet-Lukes

Suggested Donation \$25 + (sliding scale)

Multi-Level (not for total beginners and not too advanced)

Learn all about Bluegrass with Instrumentals, Songs and Harmony the Fun Way...

New Inquiries Text 615-812-2192 (name, instrument)

Full Moon Pickin' Party BGJ Class Field Trips are coming!

2nd & 4th Monday class meeting on selected dates(subject to change):

Mar 24 (Gretchen) / **April 14 & 28 / May 12**

Full Moon Pickin' Party Friday MAY 23; Class meets there!

~Not meeting on Memorial Day May 26~

June 9/ Full Moon Pickin' Party Friday June 13/June 23

Full Moon Pickin' Party Friday July 11

Full Moon Pickin' Party Friday Aug 8 /Aug11 (Erinn)

Full Moon Pickin' Party Friday Sept 5 (Last one!)

Sept 8 & 22 / Oct 13 / Oct 27 (Gretchen)

Nov 10 & 14 / Dec 8 / Jan 12 & 26, 2026



Fiddleandpick.com

456 HWY 70 Pegram, TN

Kids' Monday JAM Nights 2025 Spring / Summer / Fall to year end!

*Parents are welcome to come jam too! **Tip jar donations appreciated!***

1st & 3rd Mondays 6:15-7:30 pm

(Dates are subject to change)

May 5 & 19 June 2

~ KIDS JAM DAY KAMPS IN JUNE! Two different levels Mon-Thur 9am-noon

Kamp I June 16-19 Kamp II June 23-26

July 7 & 21

Aug 4 & 18

Sept 29 Meeting on a 5th Monday!!! Oct 6 & 20

Nov 3 & 17

Dec 1 (last Kids jam of year 2025) *Inquiries text: 615-812-2192*

Instructor Host: Gretchen Priest-May

456 Hwy 70 Pegram TN 37143 ph 615-812-2192

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Keep scrolling Two more ... Irish Music Class and Old Time Jam schedule



IRISH MUSIC CLASS 2025

(Our Friday Night series last meeting is April 25; the Class moves to Tues on May 13)

2nd & 4th TUESDAYS 7:15-9:15 PM

at The Fiddle & Pick 456 HWY 70 Pegram, TN

Intermediate to advanced level.

Multi instrument class is HOSTED BY GRETCHEN

Suggested Donation sliding scale \$25 +

(Spring/Summer season: pay as you come)

Irish Music Class Inquiries text 615-812-2192

Schedule:

May 13

May 27

June 10

June 24

July 8

July 22

(not meeting in August)

Sept 9

Sept 23 Last time Class meets on Tues;(Irish sessions are back to Tues on Oct 14 & 28)

Oct 24 The Tues class moves to FRIDAYS! A NEW SERIES (tuition TBA)

Irish Music Happy Hour Class! FRIDAYS 6:30-8:30 (new time!)

The Fall / Winter series will be on 2nd & 4th Fridays that are available

OLD-TIME JAM 2025 *Spring til the end of the year*
1st & 3rd Tues Nights 7:15-9:15

This Jam is Free and open to the public

Donations appreciated to help with the electric bill.

Mar 4&18

April 1 & 15

May 6&20

June 3 7&17

July 1 & 15

Aug 5 & 19

Sept 2 & 16

Oct 7 & 21

Nov 4 & 18

Dec 2 & 16



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