



Southeast Texas Dulcimer Friends



Meeting the second Saturday of each month
Rosedale Baptist Church, 7110 Concord Road, Beaumont, Texas
1:30 – until

April 2009

From The Prez:

It was good to be back with you this month. I missed those who couldn't be there on the Easter holiday weekend. I *really* missed Hazel. I taught two new songs, and it only took half an hour. Either I'm a good teacher or those songs were really easy! I gained a new appreciation for what Hazel does for us each month she brings new songs to teach. I think the hardest part is finding a new song that already has the tab for the mountain dulcimer players, chords for the bass & autoharps, and a regular staff for the hammer dulcimers. There are not a lot of songs like that. I eventually typed in the staff with chords and tabs. Hazel makes it look so easy.

In May some of you will go to Glenrose for the Mother's Day weekend. I hope you have a great time there. The rest of you can enjoy the next best thing by joining us at our regular club meeting in May. I'm looking forward to seeing you at Rosedale next time!

Let's jam!

Steve Clark

Darrell's Dulci-News:

New members: **Maudie Lavigne** and returning member **Marna Appleman**. It's so good to see our club growing!

Some of our dulcimer friends from across the state will be making their annual journey to Glen Rose to the Lone Star Dulcimer Festival again this year. The fellowship is great and the jamming is great and the food is great! I know everyone will have a great time!

Darrell Hall



Hazel's Notes:

What is a dulcimer? No matter what type of dulcimer it is, it is a fascinating instrument that seems to have the charisma to attract others to it. It

is sweet, inviting, and has the magic of drawing people together to want to play music and just have fun being together. If some of you are like me, we just are not satisfied with one dulcimer. We just have to have just one more, and one more, and so on.

If it were not for the dulcimer, I would not have met so many wonderful and talented people. I know that some people tend to give up too soon on learning how to play the dulcimer, hammer or lap. Learning to play an instrument allows us to meet others and gain friendships that can last a lifetime. So, learning to play the dulcimer has its benefits: playing tunes and gaining new friends. Continue to learn those tunes, and you will not only please those who hear you, but at the same time you will be touching others with your music and gaining friendships, even some that you are not aware of. Keep strumming, picking, and smiling!

Hazel Hall



Happy May Birthdays

Brenda Perricone	07
Will McLean	11
Juanita Johnson	22
Talon Weaver	23
Butch Suitt	24
Marie Campo	24
Eva Lou Davis	30

ITEMS OF INTEREST: Club Playbook – a collection of tunes - Club T – shirts – See Suellen Weaver for details

Upcoming Festivals:

May – 8 -10 Oakdale Park RV Lone Star State Dulcimer Festival Glen Rose, TX

www.lssds.org/grfest.htm

July – 23 – 25 Bayou City Old time Music and Dulcimer Festival – First Baptist Church 4422

Lauder Road Houston, TX www.geocities.com/bayoucityfestival

Upcoming Plays: Collier Park – 6pm Friday May 22 - Wear your costumes.



South East Texas Dulcimer Friends

4/11/09 Meeting

The meeting was opened by Steve Clark. New members Bobbie Lavigne and Marna Appleman were welcomed. Steve asked for corrections/additions to the minutes of the March meeting. There were none. Houston Weaver moved to accept the minutes and Sue Ellen Weaver seconded the motion. The motion was passed. Will McLean presented the financial report. There was no music report. Steve asked for volunteers to lead and participate in the John J. French play on 4/28/09. There were not enough people who would be available to make the play, so it was cancelled. The Collier Park play on May 22 was discussed, but was tabled until the next meeting. The snack and jam will be on April 23 at 6:00 P.M. at First Presbyterian in Silsbee. There was no other business. A motion to adjourn was made by Mary Beth Hunt and seconded by Will McLean.

Will McLean
Secretary/Treasurer