



Southeast Texas Dulcimer Friends

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



November 2009

From The Prez:

In our November meeting we had a good time brushing up our Christmas music for all the holiday plays coming up. We have a good teacher and a good group of musicians. I know we're getting better every year because this was the fastest review ever. We missed having Denise with us that day, but we were able to play "Star of Bethlehem" without her to sing it for us!

The John Jay French play is coming up soon, and it is one of my favorites. I hope to see you there and at the other plays coming up.

I hope you have wonderful Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays this year.

Let's jam!

Steve Clark

Darrell's Dulci-News:

The Pineforest Baptist Church play went really well with about 12 SETD Friends showing up. The seniors were really friendly, and they sure know how to cook! They treated us to a delicious meal and were very appreciative of our playing!

The Lucas House in Beaumont called and asked if the SETDF could play for their residents, and we set it up for Monday November 23 – 11am. We had a good group show up on such short notice and were about 2/3rds of the way through our program when the fire alarm sounded. The residents and the dulcimer friends had to go to a fireproof room until the "all clear" was sounded. We started from where we left off on our play list and finished our play. The activity director has invited us back to play again soon.

Darrell Hall



Hazel's Notes:

Cool weather is approaching. Heated homes or rooms where we keep our dulcimers can cause our dulcimers to become dry, which can cause damage to the instruments.

Keep your dulcimers in their cases away from direct heat of stoves or heaters. Placing the dulcimers in their cases will help to keep the instruments in a stable temperature. This applies to most instruments made of wood.

If you have to play your dulcimer, or other instruments made of wood, outside when it is cold, and your dulcimer has been stored where it is warm, take the dulcimer and its case outside. Let it sit outside in its closed case for about thirty minutes before you play. Ten minutes before you play, take the dulcimer out of its cases so it can acclimate itself.

Hazel Hall



Happy Birthday:

Jerry Barror	10
Nancy McBean	12
Elaine Allums	20
Dee Saitt	25
Bea Babel	27
Eric Weaver	31

Upcoming Plays:

December 3rd (Thursday)-10 a.m. (arrive 9:45am) Nederland Historical Society. Chamber of Commerce 1515 Boston Avenue (across from windmill)

December 6 (Sunday) – 1:30 to 2:30pm - John J French Museum Candlelight Program. Darrell Hall, Leader.

December 10 (Thursday) – 7-8pm McFaddin Ward Keith Faske – leader (more info later)

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



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11/14/09 Meeting

The meeting was opened by Steve Clark. Steve welcomed the guests. Steve asked for additions or corrections to the October minutes and there were none. The minutes were approved. Will McLean gave the treasurer's report. It was approved as read. Steve brought up the subject of upcoming plays. The plays that were brought up were Nov. 19, Pineforest Baptist Church in Vidor; Dec. 6, John J. French House Candlelight Program; Dec. 10, Nederland Historical Society play; and Dec. 10, McFaddin-Ward House evening play. Steve called on Hazel Hall for the Music Director report. She had no report other than to say that she was excited about the way the club has been sounding. There was no Webmaster report because Keith Faske was not present, however Houston reported that Keith had printed up the business cards for the club. There will be no snack & jam for November or December. Steve asked for any other new business and there was none. The meeting was adjourned.

After the meeting was adjourned, a question was raised concerning the nominating committee for next year's officers. It was determined that the committee had not been appointed so Steve called the business meeting back into order. Darrell Hall, Mary Beth Hunt and Suellen Weaver were named to the committee. The meeting was adjourned.

Will McLean
Secretary/Treasurer