WESTERN NORTH CAROLINA DULCIMER COLLECTIVE



2009 - 3rd Quarter Newsletter

The Western North Carolina Dulcimer Collective is a member-supported group of players of mountain and hammered dulcimers, and those who enjoy listening to dulcimers and/or playing other traditional instruments with them. The group meets once per month to share tunes and information. Dues are \$5.00 per year payable to *WNCDC* – Mail checks to Carl Cochrane, 12 Pheasant Dr, Asheville, NC 28803.

DULCIMER CLUB NEWS

<u>MONTHLY TUNES</u>: For <u>July</u>: Fais Dodo (Go to Sleep). An old French lullaby. "Colas" is a nickname for "Nicolas". For <u>August</u>: Root Hog Or Die. There are several songs with this title, and confusion about who wrote which. This one is from Colorado in 1856 at the time of the "Pike's Peak or Bust" gold rush. For <u>September</u>: The Deacon's Daughter. The story sounds like a Julia Roberts movie or two!

<u>"LEARNING CD's"</u>: Our "Tune Learning" CD series now covers all WNCDC newsletter tunes from 1990-2007 in ten CD's. Nine are audio CD's, and the tenth is a "Tab CD" with tab for all tunes as well as "mp3" and "midi" files of each tune. They're \$3.00 each at our meetings, or \$5.00 shipped. For paid club members, shipped they're \$4.50 for the first CD and \$4.00 for each CD after that in the same batch.

(Let me know what you think about my continuing with a tenth audio CD-2008-09. The one for 2006-07 has only sold $\frac{1}{4}$ as many as the previous one – not enough to pay its production cost. I will continue with the Tab CD, perhaps enhanced, but am trying do decide about the audio ones...)

<u>"MIDI" FILES</u>: See http://www.everythingdulcimer.com/wncdc/Newsletter.htm and click on the "Click here to listen to 'midi' files" link to listen to simple "midi" files of newsletter tunes not yet on CD's. And http://www.everythingdulcimer.com/wncdc/Meetings.htm always has simple "midi" files of the current quarter's review tunes plus links to print them out.

	SONG REVIEW SCH	EDVLE
July:	More Pretty Girls Than One The Old Man and the Door Piri-miri-dictum Domini	(4 th Quarter, 1992) (1 st Quarter, 2004) (4 th Quarter, 1995)
August:	Poor Married Man Putting On The Style Run Mountain	(2 nd Quarter, 1990) (4 th Quarter, 2004) (4 th Quarter, 1990)
September:	Sally Ann Sorghum Syrup Storms Are On The Ocean	(4 th Quarter, 1990) (3 rd Quarter, 1990) (3 rd Quarter, 1993)

Fais Dodo (Go to Sleep)

1. Fais dodo, Colas, mon petit frère, Fais dodo, t'auras du lolo.

Maman est en haut, Qui fait du gâteau; Papa est en bas, Qui fait du chocolat.

Fais dodo, Colas, mon petit frère, Fais dodo, t'auras du lolo.

1. Go to sleep, my sweet little brother, Go to sleep, you will have your milk.

Mama is upstairs Making cakes; Papa's down below And he's making cocoa.

Go to sleep, my sweet little brother, Go to sleep, you will have your milk.

Root Hog Or Die

- 1. Way out upon the Platte
 near Pike's peak we were told
 There by a little digging
 we could get a pile of gold,
 So we bundled up our clothing,
 resolved at least to try
 And tempt old Madam Fortune,
 root hog or die.
- 2. So we traveled across the country, and we got upon the ground, But cold weather was ahead, the first thing we found We built our shanties on the ground, resolved in spring to try To gather up the dust and slugs, root hog or die.
- 3. Speculation is the fashion even at this early stage,
 And corner lots and big hotels appear to be the rage
 The emigration's bound to come, and to greet them we will try,
 Big pig, little pig, root hog, or die.
- 4. Let shouts resound, the cup pass 'round, we all came for gold The politicians are all gas, the speculators sold.

 The "scads" are all we want, and to get them we will try, Big pig, little pig, 'root hog, or die.
- 5. Surveyors now are at their work, laying- off the towns,

- And some will be of low degree, and some of high renown.
- They don't care a jot nor tittle who do buy
- The corner lots, or any lots, root hog, or die.
- 6. The doctors are among us, you can find them where you will, They say their trade it is to cure, I say it is to kill;
- They'll dose you and they'll physic you, until they make you sigh And their powders and their lotions
- And their powders and their lotions make you root hog, or die.
- 7. The next in turn comes lawyers, a precious set are they,
 In the public dairy they drink the milk, their clients drink the whey.
 A cunning set these fellows are, they'll sap you till you're dry,
 And never leave you will they have to root hog, or die.
- 8. A Preacher now is all we want, to make us all do good
 But at present, there's no lack of spiritual food.
 The kind I refer to will make you laugh or cry,
 And its real name is Taos, root hog, or die.
- I have finished now my song, or if you please, my ditty
 And that it was not shorter is about the only pity;
 And now that I have had my say, don't say I've told a lie
 For the subject I have touched is root hog or die.

The Deacon's Daughter

- In Shonnuck there lived
 a lady so bright.
 A Deacon's fair daughter,
 his own heart's delight.
 For oh! she was handsome,
 both charming and neat,
 But her heart, it was treacherous
 and full of deceit.
- 2. A young man he courted her, a gay gallant youth,Who was much respected for fame and for truth.He courted this damsel;'twas known far and wide

- That it was his intentions to make her his bride.
- 3. The day was appointed; each had a new dress,
 And they being published, invited their guests.
 Oh, young man, be careful;
- be courteous and wise,
 For there's sad disappointments
 in many a prize.
- In the middle of the night,
 when her parents were asleep,
 This false-hearted lady
 from the window did creep.
 All things being ready,
 the plot was all laid.
 There stood her young gallant,
 a blacksmith by trade.
- 5. Then into the wagon; away they both flew,
 For the wicked will flee
 when there's none to pursue.
 She left her dear parents,
 their houses and land,
 And on the next day gave
 that blacksmith her hand.
- Her parents being pious, they both loved the Lord.
 They were followers of Jesus, believed in his words.
 Straight 'way to their closets they both did repair
 And poured out their hearts to their Saviour in prayer.
- 7. When Jesus our Saviour the last trum' shall sound, And myriads of angels attending Him down.
 He'll call home his people whom earth now despise And in mercy will wipe all their tears from their eyes.
- 8. And now this young man, being deprived of his bride,
 "Oh, false-hearted lady," in pity he cried.
 "May God grant you pardon for the false oath you swore,
 So farewell, false-hearted Emily,

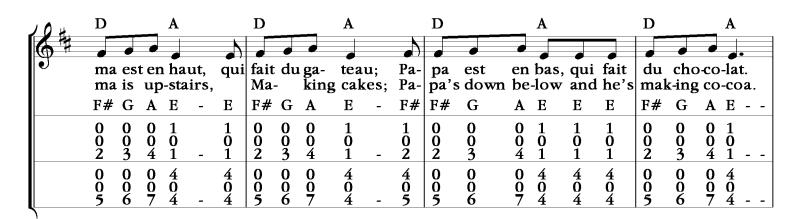
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Mountain Dulcimer: D-A-dd and D-A-AA

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MEETING DATES

July 12, 2009 - Regular Meeting August 9, 2009 - Regular Meeting September 13, 2009 - Regular Meeting

MEETING LOCATION/TIME

Second Sunday of each month from 2:30-5:00 at The Folk Art Center Upstairs Gallery, Blue Ridge Parkway, Asheville

The Folk Art Center is located on the Blue Ridge Parkway at Milepost 382, about 1/2 mile North of US 70, just East of Asheville. Take I-40 Exit 55 to Highway 70, then left to the Parkway, or take I-240 Exit 7 and go East on Highway 70 to the Parkway. The Club meets in the upstairs gallery, across from the top of the ramp as you enter the Folk Art Center.

Handicapped Access is available: From Highway 70, go West from the Parkway just past the VA Medical Center to Riceville Road. Go to the Folk Art Center Service Entrance. A ramp leads to a second floor entrance next to where we set up.

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