

28th Annual "Dulcimer Days" at Roscoe Village

An Eyewitness Account

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On May 17 - 19, 2002 my wife, Theresa and I attended the 28th Annual "Dulcimer Days" at Roscoe Village in Coshocton, Ohio. Dulcimer Days is a nice small festival in an air-conditioned pavilion next to a small lake. There is camping at the site and motels are close by. Then there is Historic canal town of Roscoe Village which makes a very charming visit. There are workshops, music vendors, jam sessions, a Saturday night concert and Sunday morning Gospel sing.

On Sat. and Sunday there is a contest where individuals compete on hammered or mountain dulcimer. For the past 10 years, as a way of providing stage entertainment on Friday evening, Dulcimer Clubs were allowed to compete for a rotating plaque. For three of those years, the club which we belong to, Silver Strings Dulcimer Society, won first place. We were very excited and proud to be involved in a dulcimer club competition. This year the event is trying something new. Instead of a club competition on Friday evening, the event is now a club performance.

Every club which signs up is allowed to perform for about 30 minutes. This makes for more relaxed performances and a fun evening. This year 6 clubs braved the stage and provided a wonderful evening of entertainment:



Tri-State Dulcimer Club from Huntington, WV.

Standing Stones Strings & Things from Lancaster, Ohio



Tri-County Dulcimer Society from Coshocton, Ohio

Hammers & Harmonies from Canton, Ohio





Mixed Up Strings from Farmington, Ohio

Dulci-More from Lisbon, Ohio



If you are interested in Dulcimer Days, considering attending next year. There website is:
<http://www.roscoevillage.com/festivals.cfm>