

Play it lilting & happy!

Ten Thousand Hammers

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A

D D G D D A⁷

1 2 3 4

5 6 7 8

B

D D G D D A⁷

9 10 11 12 13

D D G D G D Em A⁷ D

14 15 16 17

The Original Dulcimer Players Club of Michigan is celebrating its 60th Anniversary this year, 2023. And to commemorate the occasion, I wanted to write a special tune. Schottisches have always been in the early repertoire of Michigan Dulcimer players ie. Viola's Schottische, and it seemed fitting to write one here.

Through the years, the ODPC has nurtured thousands of dulcimer players, meeting 4 times a year around the state. The summer meeting hosts one of the largest dulcimer festivals in the world, the Non-Electrified Musical FunFest which everybody refers to as ... Evart, the town in Michigan where all of the magic happens. Since it's beginning, I imagine that at least Ten Thousand Hammers have coaxed a tune or two out of the Millions of Strings.

The ODPC FunFest starts on the 3rd full weekend in July at the Osceola County Fairgrounds, Evart Michigan. People come weeks ahead of time to jam & jawbone before the official start on Thursday when there's more jamming, tons of workshops, jamming, concerts, jamming, dances and did I mention jamming, all hours of the day & into the night. It's an Acoustical Music-gasm where there's a place for all levels of musicianship. jm

Website: <http://evartdulcimerfest.org/>