



# ***HARMONICA HIGHLIGHTS***

**FEBRUARY 1, 2010**

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## **Mile High Harmonica Club Sunday, January 10, 2010**

The new lease was presented and discussed, by Lee. He mentioned that he had eight provisos which we addressed successfully. He also gave the report on Swallow Hill. He and Dave Demaree have both made contact and discussed mutual options with the leadership there. They want to charge us \$300 a month...six times what we pay now. It seems Swallow Hill isn't really interested in having us meet there any longer.

Lee ran the election of new officers. Sadly we had only one candidate for each office and nobody voted against any of us. We make an earnest commitment to do our level best and welcome the rest of you will take an active part in helping to expand our membership and our opportunities. If you have suggestions, ideas and/or time to spend, please call any of us.

### Election Results -

President is Bill Kawamura  
Vice President is Scott Paulding  
Treasurer is Lloyd Johnson  
Secretary is Dalyce Montgomery.

Ken will begin his lessons for young people from 1:30 to 2:30 the day of our next meeting. He has enlisted the support of the Sunday School teacher, Dawn. The students will be asked for a "free-will donation" of \$1 per lesson. Let him know if you want to help.

We had a good group — missed those who weren't there — and another good open stage:

Elna Cain, Walt Michener and John Murphy played "Aura Lee" in honor of Elvis' 75th birthday...he, of course, called it "Love Me Tender" and the trio also played "Ode to Joy."

Myron played Sukiyaki. He reminded us that it was called something else first and performed by a solo artist (who died in a plane crash), and was brought back by a group as Sukiyaki.

Lynn Massa, Dave Demaree and Bubbles Kresak played



## **FEBRUARY CLUB SCHEDULE**

**February 14, 2010 1:30 p.m. Meeting  
Grant Avenue Community Center  
216 S. Grant Street, Denver**

### **Group Songs:**

**"Oh My Darling Clementine" and "You Are My Sunshine"**

**February 28, 2010 1:30 p.m. Meeting  
Grant Avenue Community Center  
216 S. Grant Street, Denver**

### **Group Songs:**

**"Oh Shenandoah" and "Battle Hymn of the Republic"**



## **2010 Officers**

President.....Bill Kawamura (3/457-1389)  
Vice President .....Scott Paulding (3/237-8774)  
Secretary.....Dalyce Montgomery (720/261-4375)  
Treasurer.....Lloyd Johnson (3/366-2422)  
Member-At-Large...Jim Montgomery (720/261-4375)  
Sargent at Arms  
Newsletter Editor.....Nancy Bale (3/829-6465)

"Have I Told You Lately", then Lynn played "That Little Boy of Mine."

Lloyd played "I Get Ideas."

Nate and Hannah played "Jesus Loves Me."

Roger played "Emily."

Amiel, Jim and Bill played "Springtime in the Rockies" and "Moonlight on the River Colorado."

LeRoy played "He Giveth More Grace" and "Grace Greater Than Our Sin."

Lee played "Stardust" in memory of Stan Pierce.

Walt played "They Call the Wind Mariah."

Frank played "Go Away Little Girl" and "Up On the Roof."

Jim played "Country Road."

Scott played "Independent Something or Other."

Royal played a Scot-Irish medley... "Danny Boy" and "Loch Lomond."

John and Royal played "My Wild Irish Rose."

Liz played "Your Cheatin' Heart."

Bill played "Adios "Marquita" Linda" and discussed the pucker, u block and tongue block techniques.

He challenged the membership to try something new. He suggested taking the mouthpiece off your harp and watching how you play. He reminded us that to improve we must practice.

## Mile High Harmonica Club Meeting Notes January 24, 2010

Bill discussed some issues on which your new board would like to focus. We'd like to start moving quickly and right away. We hope that a slight shift in the status quo will be enough to once again get us all involved to actively support our club and each other. We will reawaken the spirit of "I want to belong to my harmonica club and will do my part to make it fun and rewarding."

We had a small turn out today, but the group was responsive to the discussion and we had a great "open mike".

Attached you will find a questionnaire. Please complete it as soon as possible and return it as requested on the form itself. This questionnaire covers the first four points of today's discussion:

Logo, Name, Suggestion Box and Dues. While being an informal type of "contest", winning entrants will be recognized.

We will create and print new brochures which will be included in Information Packets for New Members.

We will have some or all of the following...patches, luggage tags, bumper stickers, shirts and other items to sell or use as giveaways designed and produced. These could be adapted to recognition awards for 5, 10 (so on) years of faithful membership. We will have calling cards, which can be adapted to each user, designed and printed.

We will seek new venues for "open mike" jam sessions and will ask all members to do the same.

Myron has been asked and has agreed to seek grant money for club projects. Our aim is to provide avenues to preserve and advance the harmonica.

We have asked Darwin to continue to be our web master.

We have asked Nancy to continue to provide our newsletter to include both meetings of the month and to prepare new and more advertisements.

We have asked Roger to weed out our membership/call list.

We have asked Jim to be our Member-at-Large and he has accepted.

We have asked Frank to return as our Sergeant at Arms and he is considering.

Thanks to June and Scott our annual picnic/potluck at Alice will occur in early July. Frank has offered to have us come to his site for another picnic/potluck sometime during the summer.

Annual group pictures will be taken at both the first and second meetings in May.

The first meeting each month will include a business meeting, as short as possible and the last meeting of each month will be primarily devoted to jamming, teaching/learning/sharing techniques and ideas for each member's betterment. Only announcements and/or URGENT business will be conducted.

Ken Southworth held his first harmonica class today. He had 13 participants and had Nate help him get the class "enlisted". In 20 minutes he taught 13 kids of all ages to play the scales, "Camptown Races" and "Come Thou Father."

Great work, Ken!! Ken is having surgery for back issues tomorrow, please be thinking of him.



### Support your Local Band The West Wind Harmonica Band

The Band is available for gigs at church groups, retirement homes, service groups, and other festive occasions. To make reservations call John Murphy at: (303) 671-0123 or [murphy1227@gmail.com](mailto:murphy1227@gmail.com).

The band's CD is available for a cost of \$10. Contact Roger Bale to get a copy.

Open mike was fun:

Myron started us off with "Hello Dolly" and later played "How High The Moon."

Ken Moyer played "Perfidia."

Ken M, Boyd, Walt and new member Jenny McKay played a warm-up tune and "The Glory Of Love."

LeRoy and Jenny played "Ode To Joy."

Roger played "Lollipops And Moonbeams."

Lloyd played "Tennessee Waltz."

Walt played "I've Got You Under My Skin."

Ken S reported on his new class, then he and Nathaniel played "Come Thou Father."

Hannah played "You Are My Sunshine."

Jim played "Your Old Gray Bonnet."

New member, Don Cook, played "My Country 'Tis Of Thee."

Don Cook's son, Caleb, played "Morning Has Broken."

Boyd played a medley including "Malaguena."

Frank played "Rockin' Round The Clock" and "That's All."

Bill played "Adios Marquita Linda" and "Yours."

The group played Happy Birthday for Jim Montgomery who will be 91 on Tuesday. Among others, Jim and Hannah led the group in "You Are My Sunshine" and "Redwing."

Please complete questionnaire as soon as possible.

## HARMONICA CLUB QUESTIONNAIRE

Please submit suggestions and ideas at our next meeting on Sunday 14 February 2010.

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I agree that we need a fresh, new logo \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no.

I would like to submit a suggestion for the new logo \_\_\_yes \_\_\_no.

I agree \_\_\_ or disagree \_\_\_ that we need a new club name because: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_.

I would like to submit the following suggestion for the new club name \_\_\_\_\_

I think our annual dues should be:       \$\_\_\_\_\_ for an individual member, aged 0 to 18 years.

  \$\_\_\_\_\_ for an individual member, aged 19 and more.

  \$\_\_\_\_\_ for a family membership (husband/wife, parent/child, etc).

I agree \_\_\_ or disagree \_\_\_ that we should have a suggestion box where submissions will be addressed immediately and which information will be shared with the membership, per request of suggester.

A suggestion or idea I have is: \_\_\_\_\_

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\_\_\_\_\_.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_



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