



# West Michigan Bluegrass Music Association

*Promoting and preserving bluegrass music in West Michigan*

## President's Corner

Hello WMBMA Members,

Things are gearing up for JuneGrass (June 30 & July 1). We have booked our bands, reserved our tent, hired the sound technician, and started producing promotional materials. Everyone has been busy. Now it's time for you as members to step up and help us promote JuneGrass. We have created an 8½ x 11 promotional flyer that is available to you in whatever quantities you need. Just contact me and I will make sure you get them. We also have opportunities for sponsorships and program ads. If you know of anyone who might want to be a sponsor or take out an ad in the JuneGrass program just have them contact Dave Simmonds or myself. Forms are available on our website. Our festivals depend on your help to make them a success, so please promote them.

Here is great band line-up for JuneGrass. On Friday, June 30<sup>th</sup> we have the **Bert Jones Band** kicking off the festival followed by **Basement Bluegrass, Fauxgrass, and Steam Powered Bluegrass**. This will all be followed by an open mic. On Saturday, July 1<sup>st</sup> afternoon and evening we have the **Williams Family, Johnny Campbell and the Bluegrass Drifters, BlueTown** and the **Trinity River Band**. There should be some great bluegrass music on both days.

Remember, we need volunteers for JuneGrass and if you have any concerns or questions feel free to contact me. I am always open for new ideas on how we can make the WMBMA better!

Have a Bluegrass kind of day and keep on pickin'!

Lee Strassburger  
WMBMA President

## VENDORS NEEDED

*Low Fees and Free camping the days of the festival*

WMBMA is looking for vendors to participate in our festivals for both JuneGrass and Fallfest. If you or someone you know sells handmade crafts, or has some type of business with items to sell and would like to join us, please have them get in contact [president@wmbma.org](mailto:president@wmbma.org)

## Thinking about Volunteering?

Please consider these opportunities for volunteering your time to the association:

- Junegrass Gate shifts
- Bands needed for fundraising shows (Fall through Spring)
- Food for monthly meetings
- Bake sale at our festivals – please consider bagging up your cookies, breads and pies to help the association in their fundraising efforts.
- Distributing Flyers to Local businesses and other music venues
- Setting up fundraiser shows
- Bringing your instruments and making new friends at our jams

We wish to welcome all new members and look forward to knowing you! Please visit us at our next meeting or contact us to see how you can get involved. Thank you!



Mark your Calendars:

## Junegrass

**Our Premier Event  
will be held**

**June 30 – July 1<sup>st</sup>.**

**Flyer enclosed with  
all the details!**

### Business Meeting and Jam

Held the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of the Month, December – May. The meeting for March will be held at the Lowell Fire Station located next to the Fairground at 315 S Hudson St SE, Lowell, MI 49331 Business Meeting at 1:00 P.M. Jamming at 2:00 until we get tired ☺

- March 18<sup>th</sup> (Lowell Fire Barn)
- April 15<sup>th</sup> (King Building at Lowell Youth Fairground)

### Pass it on Jam

We hold our Pass It On Jam at the Caledonia Library on the second Tuesday of every month from 5:00 to 8:00pm. The library is located at 6260 92<sup>nd</sup> Street, just off the Beltline in Caledonia. All are welcome!

There is still an opportunity to hold a jam every month at the library in Comstock Park. If you are interested in running the Jam just give me a call or email me at [president@wmbma.org](mailto:president@wmbma.org)

*Please help us have a great festival by encouraging friends and relatives to attend our festival. Let's show them how exciting the music can be! We appreciate your support and can't wait to see you all soon.*

Your WMBMA Staff