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Left - Ohio Valley Gathering in Carrollton Kentucky, Recognize anyone? Top Right -Kriskindl? Bottom Left - Pioneer Village, Astor Florida.



# **UPCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS**

### APRIL

- 3 Slow Jam 6:00 / Regular Meeting 7:00pm
- 10 Slow Jam 6:00 / Regular Meeting 7:00pm
- 17 Slow Jam 6:00 / Regular Meeting 7:00pm
- 24 Slow Jam 6:00 / Regular Meeting 7:00pm

MAY

- 1 Slow Jam 6:00 / Regular Meeting 7:00pm
- 8 Slow Jam 6:00 / Regular Meeting 7:00pm
- 15 Slow Jam 6:00 / Regular Meeting 7:00pm
- 18 Allen & Ellies' Church 10:00am
- 22 Slow Jam 6:00 / Regular Meeting 7:00pm
- 29 Slow Jam 6:00 / Regular Meeting 7:00pm

## OTHER EVENTS

**IU Center for Rural Engagement Conference** in French Lick - May TBD • **Farmer's Market** - May TBD • **Kentucky Music Week** - June 22-27 in Bardstown, KY • **New Albany Library** - June 6th from 12-12:45 (Community Music Alliance) • For a more complete listing of Dulcimer Festivals check the internet at www.dulcimer.net, www. dpnews.com and dulcimercrossing.com.

# Appalachian Language

Appalachia is a curious place to some people with its own language of sorts. Being somewhat isolated from the rest of the nation mostly because of topography the region's dialect developed somewhat unchanged.

*"Harking back"* or *"Harkin"* means to remember or looking back.

*"Foundering"* would mean to overdo a

food or habit to a point of exhaustion. Eat beans everyday and getting tired of beans was to "founder" on them. The regular definition usually means water overtaking a boat and it sinking slowly.

*"Ponder"* is to think deeply on a subject or wonder, such as, *"I ponder if Cousin Dennis is coming in for the* holidays."

*"Reckon"* means I think so, as in "I reckon the snow is waiting for a patching."

*"Patching"* as in repairing a cloth or clothing, means just that, as in a slight snow stopping with a heavier snow on the way.

*"Narry" or "Nairy"* means none as in "I don't believe narry one of them people."

*"Britches"* means pants, *"Fixin"* is to get ready for, *"Poke"* is a bag or wild salad plant, and *"Pop or Sody* Pop" means a soft drink. Usually "Coke" cover all Sody Pops.

*"Allow"* means to suppose, as in, "I allow the truth will be this holler will disappear into a subdivision."

*"A coon's age"* simply means in a long time, such as, *"We ain't see your sorry uncle in a coon's age." "Sorry"* means something of very little value.

*"Leather Britches"* are dried green beans. *"Mess"* is a batch, as in cooking, like "I'll rustle you up a mess of leather britches," and "rustle up" means to prepare a food.

*"Blue Streak"* means very fast as in talking. *"Green with envy"* means very envious and *"purple passion"* means with a intense emotion. Such as, "He talked in a blue streak and I was green with envy but really I hated him with a purple passion."

*"Festering"* means to become infected or get worse, such as "That argument between them neighbors is festering."

The language and word usage is changing quickly in our region because of new people, television, internet and education.

# **APRIL BIRTHDAYS!!**



Jackie Armstrong 4/21 Michael Harris 4/28 Andrew Knight 4/21 Tom Lee 4/21 Sue Manship 4/14 Jane Meier 4/15 Gerry Neely 4/14



# **THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS**

Prayers for a healthy and successful new year. Prayers for our loved ones and friends. Pray for our Country.

# HAVE A LAUGH

These insults are from an era before the English language got boiled down to 4-letter words. Insults then, had some class!

1. "I am enclosing two tickets to the first night of my new play;

Bring a friend, if you have one."

George Bernard Shaw to Winston Churchill. "Cannot possibly attend first night, I will attend the second...If there is one."

- Winston Churchill, in response. 2. A member of Parliament to Disraeli: "Sir, you will either die on the gallows, or of some unspeakable disease."

· "That depends, Sir," said Disraeli, "whether I embrace your policies or your mistress."

3. "He had delusions of adequacy." - *Walter Kerr* 4. "I have never killed a man, but I have read many obituaries with great pleasure."

#### - Clarence Darrow

5. "He has never been known to use a word that might send a reader to the dictionary."

- William Faulkner (about Ernest Hemingway). 6."Thank you for sending me a copy of your book; I'll waste no time reading it."

#### - Moses Hadas

7. "I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying I approved of it."

#### - Mark Twain

8. "He has no enemies, but is intensely disliked by his friends.."

### - Oscar Wilde

9. "I feel so miserable without you; it's almost like having you here."

### - Stephen Bishop

10."He is a self-made man and worships his creator." - John Bright