

Proclamation



Chuck and Karen Daniels

Whereas: Chuck and Karen Daniels have provided many years of faithful service, steadfast devotion, and enduring contributions to the autoharp community, And;

Whereas: For many years they have been an abiding presence within the community, laboring both together and apart to nurture musicianship and fellowship, And;

Whereas: They did oversee and sustain the encampment known as Autoharp Junction at the Walnut Valley Festival in Winfield, Kansas, from Nineteen Hundred Ninety-Seven to Two Thousand Nineteen, providing a welcoming place for players to meet, to share tunes, and to partake in instruction, And;

Whereas: Individually, Karen Daniels did distinguish herself as writer, teacher, and champion—faithfully contributing to the Autoharp Quarterly® magazine instructing learners both young and old, and achieving high honor as International Autoharp Champion in Nineteen Hundred Ninety-Seven, And;

Whereas: Individually, Chuck Daniels, with ingenuity and skill, did advance the instrument through his knowledge of repair and improvement, the crafting of fine custom autoharps, and the generous sharing of his expertise, continuing even in the face of great physical trial, And;

Whereas: Together, they were known for constancy, generosity, and the joy of their music, especially in their unique duet performances upon a single autoharp.

Therefore, let it be resolved that Chuck and Karen Daniels be inducted with highest commendations as the 2026 Contemporary Members of The Autoharp Hall of Fame.

So it is proclaimed on this, the 4th Day of June in the Year Two Thousand and Twenty-Six.