



**Pickin'  
at the  
Farm**

We meet at the historic  
**Oakley Farm Museum**  
189 Wemrock Rd., West Freehold, NJ  
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm.

# Old Time Music Jams in Freehold, NJ

## Second Tuesdays of every month.

Emphasis is on Old Time and New England contra music, but all genres are welcome—bring on the folk and country. Beginners welcome! Email for more information: [FreeholdOTM@gmail.com](mailto:FreeholdOTM@gmail.com)

A program of the  
Freehold Township Heritage Society

### Remaining Dates in 2019:

April 9	May 14	June 11
July 9	August 13	September 10
October 8	November 12	December 10

# What is Old Time Music?

Old Time music is mountain music, and the roots of Bluegrass. Usually played by acoustic instruments such as fiddles, banjos, mandolins, and guitars, it can be fiddle tunes like Liberty or Soldier's Joy, ballads, and Civil War songs. The music was played throughout American around 1900, but was especially prevalent in the southeast United States and Appalachia. Folks would gather on porches and tunes were passed down through generations as young and old folks enjoyed playing music together. Old Time music is participatory. All are welcome to join in, whether experienced players or new to their instrument. The music generally follows a predicatable pattern and chord progression.

## *What you can expect:*

1. Sitting in a circle with other musicians
2. Most Old Time is in three keys: A, D, and G.
3. Usually a 32 measure song divided into two parts that are repeated twice each (AABB)
4. To be respected for your best attempts!
5. New songs and new friends!

