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PERCUSSIVE ARTS SOCIETY

WORLD PERCUSSION NETWORK

What's New on the World Percussion Network

If you've been keeping up with the latest WPN news, you know that the World Percussion Network is now available to anyone with an Internet connection without having to make a long distance call! You can access the WPN by asking your telnet software to telnet to pas.org.

You may also know that the teleconference features are now working and by the time you read this, the WPN will have the ability to handle thirteen callers at the same time. Some WPN committee members have been playing with the teleconference features and we're ready to have you try some real-time conference sessions.

Anyone can set up a teleconference session. In fact, we encourage you to visit the "chat" forum several times while you're online to see if anyone else is waiting for more people to join in the conversation. If you wish to set up a particular teleconference with a friend or colleague, simply leave them an e-mail message saying when you plan to be online and in the chat room.

In the near future, we are planning some real-time chat sessions on specific topics and/or with special guests! If you have any ideas concerning what topics you would like to discuss or which guests you would like to speak with, drop the SYSOP an e-mail message with your suggestions.

To reach the chat forum:

From the WPN MAIN MENU, enter "F" for Forums (Public Messages and Discussion). Then enter "C" for the Chat Forum. At any time you can type the question mark (?) to receive this help message:

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In teleconference, anything you type goes out over the network to
everyone who happens to be on your teleconference channel at the
time.  In addition, you may use any of the following special com-
mands:


PAGE <User-ID>
        "pages" the user to your teleconference channel.
PAGE ON/OFF/OK
        allows/prevents/encourages others to page you.
WHISPER TO <User-ID>
        sends a private message to another conferee.
/<User-ID>
        (shorthand form of the whisper command).
CHANNEL <#>
        switch to channel <#> of teleconferencing.
CHAT <User-ID>
        join in a "chat" with a user, or request it.
SCAN
        displays all teleconference users on all channels.
UNLIST
        makes your channel number "unlisted" in scans.
LIST
        allows others to see your channel number in scans.
EXIT, or just X
        exits teleconference, takes you back to main menu.
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