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For those of you that missed the festival you missed a good one. Our congratulations go to the winners of all the contests and to the best in the great state of Texas. We are really proud of you.

I'm not going to try to list everyone that helped out with the festival but thank you all for making it the smoothest festival we have ever had.

Thanks to all the bands you all did a great job.

Now let's finish off this year with great shows! This month features Cypress Creek, and opening the show is Southern Style. Following the featured band is Out of the Blue, a new "old" group of gents you will really love.

BABA needs your help. Just like everyone else we are being affected by the hard economic times. It has always been a balancing act to keep BABA going in the black but in recent months the balance hasn't been so good. The shows have been good, the jams have been good but the balance sheet has been out of balance.

Your membership and donations are what keeps BABA going. Help us keep BABA going. If you aren't a member, join. Ask your friends & family who enjoy bluegrass to join. Ask your employers if they have a donations program for non profit groups. Remember,, we are only as strong as our members. Donate what you can when you can. Keep on picking!

Rick Kirkland



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Anne's Notes "I'm the Best Mandolin Player in This Walmart!"

I had the honor and pleasure of being in Joe Carr's intermediate mandolin class for the workshops at Camp Bluegrass 2013. Joe has been in and around the bluegrass profession many years, puts together Camp Bluegrass each year (with a little help from his wife, Paula), and has written and produced instructional books and videos, including more than 30 videos for Mel Bay and Texas Music Video (from Mandolin Magazine).



While in his class that summer, we struggling mandolinists were taught pentatonic scales, fun tunes, and a "Joe Carr Tag" created especially for the mandolin. He was always very aware that we, as intermediates, know just enough to know how very little we know. In the evenings, all campers would be treated to faculty concerts, which included outstanding mandolin faculty members such as Steve Smith and Gerald Jones. During mixed jams in the evenings, we would be awestruck by the more advanced players of the mandolin. When someone in our section commented on our, um, lack of talent or slow progress and exasperation in playing, Joe paused in his teachings to comment on this observation:



After you go home from this camp, I want you to go over to your local Walmart. Go to the main office. Go in and pick up the mike for the store's p.a. system. Stand tall and proud and proclaim in your strongest, most sincere voice, "I am the best mandolin player in this Walmart!"

After a bit of chuckling, we all realized that this was, most likely, going to be a true statement, taking in, of course, that none of us was from Nashville. I'm pretty sure it would even be true for me, in spite of my slow progress on the instrument. In fact, I'm pretty sure than well over

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Let's welcome a re-created 'Bluegrass Etc.' band to the B.A.B.A Stage, this Saturday September 20th. Eat your Wheaties, take a nap in the afternoon, add a multivitamin and plan to stay up late!

They don't start until the 9:00 PM slot at the regular September Show in League City, and you won't want to leave early and THEN find out what you missed!

Out of the Blue - Bluegrass, Gospel and Western Swing Music



The "Out of the Blue" band was originally formed during the summer of 2012 when Greg English, Ed Fryday, Jay Blocker and R. Lynn Holbrook wanted to form a group local to the NASA area. Unfortunately, work and family pressures caused the band to put things on hold during the Fall of 2012 and the group remained dormant until the early summer of 2014. At that point in time, Greg reached out to everyone for a gospel show at his church in Pasadena, TX and the group hit the ground running.

One important addition to the original roster was Randy Jones, a childhood friend of Jay Blocker in Florida, who recently moved to Texas City from Nashville (by way of New Orleans!). Randy brings a wealth of musical experience to the group and is proficient on fiddle, mandolin and guitar.

Today... the group consists of Greg English (banjo/guitar), Jay Blocker (guitar), Ed Fryday (bass), R. Lynn Holbrook (reso) and Randy Jones (fiddle/mando/guitar). On the set list, fans will find a mixture of traditional & modern bluegrass music, gospel, cowboy and western swing tunes ensuring there is something to please everyone in the audience.

Finally, the band name was chosen to imply the performance of music outside the bluegrass genre using instruments within the traditional form. We look forward to performing in and around the greater bay area of Houston!

FIRE ON THE STRINGS BANJO AND GUITAR COMPETITION RESULTS

Thanks to the contestants, to the winners, and to the Directors and Volunteers who put on the Fire on the Strings Bluegrass Festival every year.

Thanks most of all to our generous and committed sponsors, without whom there would be no festival at all, no matter how much talent is available and no matter how hard the Bluegrass Association members are willing to work.

Outstanding sponsors for the talent competition are Mike Fuller of Fuller's Vintage Guitars (www.fullersguitar.com) who donated the prize money for all of the competitions, Mike Fuller and BABA for the Deering Banjo, Jeff Robertson who hand-built and donated the custom Robertson acoustic guitar (http://jeffrobertsonguitars.com), and Ed Fryday of Space City Inspections (www.spacecityinspections.com) who donated the trophies for all of the competitions.

Additional thanks are in order to Lynn Holbrook for organizing and running two welbrganized contests, to the anonymous judges who evaluated the 'arrangement, execution, show value and overall impression of skill' for all of the musicians, and to the auditors who not only had to do the math, they all had to come up with the same numbers in order to finalize the winners lists! (you can tell that math scares me, right?)

The WINNERS: <mental drumroll please>

August 16, 2014 Texas State Banjo Competition

3rd Place: \$50 and a trophy

Garrett Ratliff from Cherokee, Texas

2nd Place: \$150 and a trophy

Hudson Doucette from Waller, Texas

1st **Place**: \$300, a trophy, a Deering banjo, and paid entry to the National Competition at Winfield representing the state of Texas **Jacob Sowell** from Hempstead, Texas

August 16, 2014 Texas State Flat Picking Guitar Competition

3rd Place: \$50 and a trophy

Ryan O'Donnell from Fair Oaks Ranch, Texas

2nd Place: \$150 and a trophy

Garrett Ratliff from Cherokee, Texas

 $\mathbf{1}^{\text{st}}$ Place: \$300, a trophy, a custom Jeff Robertson dreadnaught guitar, and paid entry to the National Competition at Winfield representing the state of Texas

Joshua Bailey from Victoria, Texas

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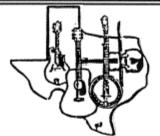
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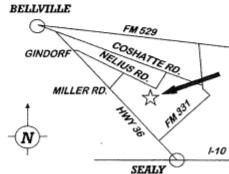
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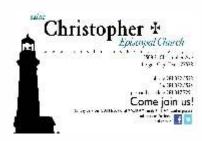


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PHOTOS from the Fire on the Strings Festival



Thanks to Travis Posey and Doc Henley for the great photos!

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No WAY I can get all the photos on here... SEE THE WEBSITE! "LIKE" your favorites!

































See the Spinney Brothers in Dallas - October 9



We are pleased to share a special evening with the internationally-acclaimed and award-winning Spinney
Brothers, and their full band, at the University Park
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Caruth Boulevard in Dallas. This is just off Preston Road, about 1/4 mile south of Northwest Highway. The entrance to the hall is on Caruth across from Smith Park. Come early and jam in the park! Show begins at 7:30 p.m.





HEY MEMBERS!

Be sure to stop at the BABA table, and get a MEMBER door prize ticket.

We've give two great door prizes each month as part of your membership - no extra cost to you. Just get your ticket and cross your fingers!

THANKS!

P.S. You can join there, too.



Stringing You Along

Dictionary for women

Argument (ar*gyou*ment) n. A discussion that occurs when you're right, but he just hasn't realized it yet.

Airhead (er*hed) n. What a woman intentionally becomes when pulled over by a policeman.

Bar-be-que (bar*bi*q) n. You bought the groceries, washed the lettuce, chopped the tomatoes, diced the onions, marinated the meat and cleaned everything up, but, he "made the dinner."

Blonde jokes (blond joks) n. Jokes that are short so men can understand them.

Cantaloupe (kant*e*lope) n. Gotta get married in a church.

Clothes dryer (kloze dri*yer) n. An appliance designed to eat socks.

Diet Soda (dy*it so*da) n. A drink you buy at a convenience store to go with a half pound bag of peanut M&Ms.

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A BIG BLUEGRASS THANKS! to our members

who help keep the music playing every month, and an extra shout out to those who have joined as Gold Club, Lifetime, Endowment and Foundation levels. We couldn't do this without all of you!

Members' names are in alphabetical order

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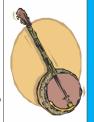
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Ed Fryday













PICK YOUR NEWS

IBMA has announced plans for a streaming video broadcast of the 23rd annual show September 27 at 7:30 p.m. (CST) simultaneously on BluegrassNation.org and BluegrassToday.com, live from the historic stage of the Ryman Auditorium in Nashville, Tennessee.

The program will air once on both websites at no charge to viewers, but visitors to BluegrassNation.org will have the option to make a \$5-10 donation in a virtual PayPal tip jar to help cover expenses. Co-sponsor Bluegrass Today is planning some pre-event programming at 6:45 p.m. (CST) with red-carpet video footage from the BMI Nominees Reception held earlier in the evening. The production team from Music City Roots will film the IBMA Awards for broadcast. The Nashville-based program streams live weekly on Wednesday nights at www.musiccityroots.com.



More about IBMA: All five Entertainer of the Year nominees – The Del McCoury Band, Balsam Range, The Gibson Brothers, Blue Highway, and Dailey & Vincent – as well as Awards Show hosts Lee Ann Womack and Jerry Douglas are among the confirmed performers. Special performances by The Seldom Scene and The Spinney Brothers will give tribute to this year's Hall of Fame Recipients.



A complete list of nominees, this year's Hall of Fame inductees, and the recipients of the Distinguished Achievement Award can be found at www.ibma.org.

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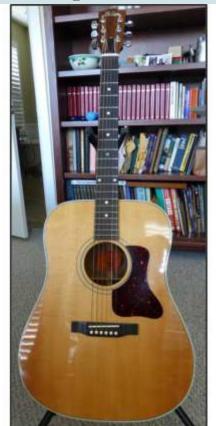
Bloomin' Bluegrass nominated for IBMA Event of the Year!

The FIFTH huge and FREE <u>Bloomin' Bluegrass Festival and Chili Cook-Off</u> music, jamming, and chili-eating weekend at the <u>Farmers Branch Texas Historical Park</u> is only seven weeks away - Friday and Saturday Oct. 17-18! This incredible weekend of music, JAMMING, and fun is FREE and perfect for the whole family - with no ticket required!

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About BABA

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The monthly show is free to the public and features Bluegrass from the local and national scene. The stage show begins at 7:00 PM, but pickers are welcome to bring their instruments and come earlier to jam. Tasty, inexpensive food is available at the show, and there are raffles, door prizes, and Bluegrass merchandise for sale. This is a 'no alcohol' event, but there's plenty of music and great family fun!

Proceeds from donations, sponsors, memberships, sales, and raffles are used to keep the doors open and the regular shows free to the public. They also maintain and replace sound equipment, storage, security, and expense of keeping the music playing. We thank you for your attendance, your generosity, and your love of the music. 16

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Texas Bluegrass Jams & Shows

Combined list from Bay Area Bluegrass Association and Central Texas Bluegrass Association so wherever you are in Southeast to Central Texas, you might just as well bring your instruments because we're going to find you a place to pick and jam.

PLEASE notify us at bayareabluegrass2@aol.com if you find any errors, or have a jam that you'd like changed, added or deleted. We list by day of the week, then by town/city.

Mondays

Bluntzer: 3rd Monday, 2-6 PM, South Texas Bluegrass Gospel Jam, G&H BBQ, 5491 Hwy 624. phone 361-387-4552 Email stx.bluegrass@gmail.com,

Cypress: Every Monday 7-9:30 PM, St. Aidan's Episcopal Chruch, 13131 Fry Road. Email tonynema@earthlink.net, phone 281-373-1777

San Antonio: 2nd & 4th Mondays, 7 PM, "Monday-in-a-Jam" at Grady's BBQ, 327 E. Kakoma Dr., 78216. Phone Peyton Starr 210-870-4321 or Sheryl Sultenfuss (no phone listed)

Llano: 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 7 PM, Beginner/Intermediate, 1st Presbyterian Church. Phone Jeff White 325-248-4114

Medina: 2nd Tuesday, All Gospel Jam, 6 PM, 1st Baptist Church. Phone Linda Barton, 830-589-2486

Nassau Bay: 1st Tuesday, 7-@9 PM at Fuddruckers, 2040 NASA Pkwy, 281-933-1620

Shulenburg: 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 6:30-9:30, Shulenburg RV Park Clubhouse. Phone Loretta Baumgarten 979-743-4388 or Email camp@ShulenburgRVPark.com

Wednesdays

Austin: 1st Wednesday, 7-10 PM, Musician's Woodshed, 3698 RR 620 South, Ste. 107, 78738, themusicianswoodshed.com Houston: each Wednesday, 6-9 PM, at Hickory Hollow, 100 Heights Blvd, Houston (just south of I 10 on Heights Blvd)

Austin: 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 PM, Bruce Manbridge's home. Contact Steve Mangold for all Austin Jam info, 512-345-6155

Georgetown: Every Thursday, 5:30-7:30 PM, Duke's BBQ. Email sigi@sigi.us, phone 512-869-8076

Groves: Every Thursday, 7 PM, Allie Morvent's House, phone 409-962-5236

Manchaca: Every Thursday, 6:30-9 PM, Manchaca Railroad BBQ, FM 1626. Phone Dave 512-680-4433

Fridays

Bandera: 4th Friday, 6:30 PM, Silver Sage Corral, east of Bandera. For info, phone 830-796-4969

Carthage: 1st Friday, 6:30 PM, Town Square. For info, phone 903-678-3857

Dickinson: Every Friday, 7-9 PM, Dickinson BBQ, 2111 FM 517 E. Phone 281-534-2500

Hondo: 1st Friday, begins 11 AM, Hondo Hootenany. Hondo Community Center, 1014 18th St. Phone 830-426-2831

Manchaca: Every Friday, 7 PM show, Fire Hall, FM 1626 (1 mile West of Manchaca Rd.) Phone 512-282-3600

Utopia: 3rd Friday, 7 PM, Senior Citizen's Center. Phone Skip Doerr 830-966-6362

Victoria: 3rd Friday, Slow Jam 5-7 PM, regular jam 7-10 PM, American Legion Post #166, 1402 E. Santa Rosa. Free Admission. Email <u>crossroadsbluegrass@yahoo.com</u> or phone Stan Kendrick 361-935-4413 or Gary Moses 361-550-5466 Saturdays

Alvin: Every Saturday, Texas Opry, no time given, 1720 Sealy, Admission is charged. Phone 281-432-2942

Austin: 2nd & 4th Saturdays, slow jam 2-4 PM, intermediate 4-6 PM, CTBA sponsored. 3801 Berkman Dr., 78723.

Beaumont: 4th Saturday, no time listed, Rosedale Baptist Church, 7110 Concord. S.E. Texas Dulcimer Friends. Phone 409-866-0848

Bellville: 4th Saturday, 4 PM jam & 6 PM show Jan through Sept, Coushatte RV Ranch, Spring Creek Bluegrass Club.

Email <u>bluegrass221@peoplepc.com</u>, phone 979-865-5250, website <u>www.springcreekbluegrass.com</u>

Carrollton: Every Saturday March - Nov, 7:30 PM - 1 AM, between Main & State Sts. @ 6th St.

Phone Jim Miller 972-279-3197 or website www.meetup.com/bluegrass-142

Cypress/Tomball: 4th Saturday, noon - 4PM, Kleb Woods Nature Center, Muschke & Draper Rds.

Email tonynema@earthlink.net or phone 281-373-1777 or 281-910-4396.

Deer Park: 2nd Saturday, 11 AM-3 PM, Troy's Music Shop, 4005 Center St. No contact listed.

Fayetteville: 2nd Saturday, 6 PM April – Nov, Courthouse Square. Email info@texaspickinpark.com or website www.texaspickinpark.com



here's the rest of the jam and show schedule! 'pick' your favorite.....

Saturdays continued

Field Creek: 1st Saturday, 6 PM, Field Creek Music. Field Creek is between Llano and Brady on Hwy 71.

Phone Bill Tuckness 325-247-3223

<u>Glen Rose</u>: 3rd Saturday, no time listed, Oakdale Park, Paluxy River Bluegrass Assoc., free stage show, camping encouraged. Phone John Scott 817-525-0558

Harwood: 3rd Saturday, 2 -9 PM, Jam & Stage Show. 9 mi. E. of Luling, Hwy 90. Phone Tony Conyers 512-601-1510 or 512-940-3731

Henderson: 1st Saturday, 6 PM, Odd Fellows Hall. Phone 903-889-2783 or 903-566-6650

Houston: 2nd Saturday, 7:30 PM, Admission charged and not always bluegrass, Houston Folklore Society,

West University Community Building, 6104 Auden. Phone 281-347-3235

3rd Saturday, 3-6 PM, Woodland Christian Church, 607 Rogers, North Harris County Dulcimer Society. No phone listed.

Huntington: Nothing going on any more. Find a new jam? email the editor at bayareabluegrass2@aol.com

League City: 3rd Saturday, 5-11 PM jam, 7 PM show, 300 W. Walker St @ the Civic Center, Bay Area Bluegrass Assoc.

Phone 281-488-2244

<u>Liberty Hill:</u> 4^{th} Saturday, 1-6 PM, Hwy 29 West. Phone Paula 512-778-5410

Llano: 1st Saturday, 6 PM, Field Creek Music. Field Creek is between Llano and Brady on Hwy 71.

Phone Bill Tuckness 325-247-3223

4th Saturday Jan - Oct, 5:30 - 10:30 PM, Bluegrass in the Hill Country Jam, The Badu House.

Email info@bluegrassinthehillcountry.org

Marshall: 3rd Saturday, 7 PM Show, Lions Community Center, 1201 Louisiana St. Phone 903-935-7023

Minden: 3rd Saturday, 5:30 PM, Community Center. Phone 903-657-3320

Montgomery: 1st Saturday, 10 AM-2 PM, Downtown historical District. Discount coupons at local KOA.

Email mld@consolidated.net or phone 936-597-5002

<u>Needville</u>: 1st Saturday, 6 PM-8 PM concert. Brazos River Pickers perform free at Brazos Bend State Park in the amphitheater. Concert is free but usual State Park Entry fees apply. Phone 281-344-0601 or website www.brazosriverpickers.com

Odessa: 2nd Saturday, Noon to 6 PM, Jam and potluck dinner for pickers and for grinners (guests welcome): Acoustic only with exception for bass; Music is Bluegrass, Old Time Country, Gospel and 'other'. No smoking or alcohol. 4400 Andrews Highway @ Jesus Connection Church, Odessa Contact Pete & Claudette Stull, ph: 432-362-6944,

email: wb7amp@cableone.net

Pearl: 1st Saturday, 1 PM, Pearl Bluegrass Jam & Show. Old School House on FM 183 (not US 183). 7 mi. South of

Purmela. RV hookups available. Phone Ronald Medart 254-865-6013 or website www.pearlbluegrass.com

Round Rock: 3rd Saturday, 2-5 PM, Danny Ray's Music, 12 Chisholm Trail. Phone 512-671-8663 or

website http://dannyraysmusic.com

Sacul: 4th Saturday, 6:30 PM, Opry House, Hwy 204 (25 mi. SE of Jacksonville). Phone 903-586-8484 or 409-326-4544 Sulphur Springs: 3rd Saturday, October through March. No time listed. 400 Como St. Phone 903-885-4078 or 903-885-7063

Tomball: 2nd Saturday, 4PM jam & 6 PM show, Oklahoma Community Ctr., Conroe-Huffsmith Rd. off FM 2978.

Phone 281-850-1413

Walker, LOUISIANA: in case you sneak across the border. 4th Saturday, no time listed, Old South Jamboree, U.S. Hwy 190.

Phone 504-664-3630

Wrightright: 4th Saturday, 7 PM, Opry House. Phone 903-364-2539

Sundays

Austin: every Sunday, 2 PM, Scholz Garten, 1607 San Jacinto, 78701

Corpus Christi: 2nd Sunday, 2 PM, Heritage Park. South Texas Bluegrass Association, Phone Bill Davis 361-387-4552

Grapevine: 3rd Sunday, noon to 6 PM, Holy Trinity School, 3750 William D. Tate Ave. Phone 214-542-4402

OK, folks, that's what we have in our combined list. Remember, that old saying is still true: "garbage in, garbage out"

so if you know of any changes, corrections, deletions or updates, PLEASE notify us at bayareabluegrass2@aol.com

so we can keep the information current and correct. always call before traveling, just in case!





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A minister waited in line to have his car filled with gas just before a long holiday weekend. The attendant worked quickly, but there were many cars ahead of him. Finally, the attendant motioned him toward a vacant pump.

"Reverend," said the young man, "I'm so sorry about the delay. It seems as if everyone waits until the last minute to get ready for a long trip."

The minister chuckled, "I know what you mean. It's the same in my business."

While driving in Pennsylvania, a family caught up to an Amish carriage. The owner of the carriage obviously had a sense of humor, because attached to the back of the carriage was a hand printed sign... "Energy efficient vehicle: Runs on oats and grass. Caution: Do not step in exhaust."

There is the story of a pastor who got up one Sunday and announced to his congregation: "I have good news and bad news. The good news is, we have enough money to pay for our new building program. The bad news is, it's still out there in your pockets."

How come we choose from just two people to run for president, and over fifty for Miss America?

I signed up for an exercise class and was told to wear loose fitting clothing. If I HAD any loose fitting clothing, I wouldn't have had to sign up in the first place.





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