

THE BABA BULLETIN

The Bay Area Bluegrass Association

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25+ Years of Bluegrass

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Howdy bluegrass fans! Welcome to 2013 BABA style. Hope you got some of what you wanted and all of what you needed for the Holidays.

I sure am glad the new bluegrass season is here. We have 10 monthly shows, Fire On The Strings Festival in August this year, Picnic in the Park in the spring, and we are working on making it a great year.

In January we have Sabine River Bend, a new favorite, and the Brazos River Pickers - a long time BABA favorite - and a surprise group to boot. February brings us a special guest with Hard Road Trio, who will be doing a bass and mandolin workshop. Then Alan's Landing Band will be back to play for us.

I'd like to take a moment to thank all the volunteers that have helped keep BABA going this past year. Remember it's your membership and generous donations that keep us going.

Equipment repair and replacement, facility rent, security, storage, the cost of bands, the list goes on and on, just like everything else: they keep going up. We depend on you to keep BABA going, and are asking for your help to keep BABA the best family entertainment at the best price to be found anywhere.

Let's all keep bluegrassing!

-RICK KIRKLAND, President, BABA

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of the writers alone and
do not imply agreement
on the part of the Board
of Directors or the
Members.**

WORKSHOPS WORKSHOPS WORKSHOPS WORKSHOPS

Yes, we are already planning instrument workshops for our musicians. BABA members get in free, otherwise the price of the workshop is \$35.00. Be slick, join BABA if you haven't already, and get this workshop free, the other workshops for free, keep your newsletter coming, join the member picnic, get in on members only raffles at the shows..... What a deal!

BASS and MANDOLIN workshops February 16th at the monthly show, starting at 6 PM. The Hard Road Trio will host the workshops - learn from some of the very best!

Remember, memberships start at only \$35: double up on fun as a member of BABA. Join online or at the show.

ANNE'S NOTES Resolutions?

The holiday season went by with much merriment and mirth at our house, which was filled with grandgirls (and their parents), toys, and games. What didn't get much attention was my mandolin. With everything boxed back up and in the attic once more, my beautiful Breedlove is looking quite abandoned.

I've had to do a little soul-searching lately, as I am close to coming to the realization that I do not have real, inner, musical talent. What I do believe, however, is that I have the ability to memorize tunes and chords and work towards my original goal of being able to jam with the big boys and girls without embarrassing myself or making others feel ill-at-ease. My approach, however, will need to change a little.

My friend Angie Sumpter (of Angie's Banjos) told me some time ago that she learns the chords to a song first, then the melody; I had always, naturally it seemed to me, wanted to get the melody down first, so I could play the darn song, then learn the chords. Now Angie's approach is making more sense to me. The more songs I know (or closely know) the chords to, the more songs I can at least strummy-strum with others. Then maybe learn to do the melody. Then, maybe, maybe, maybe (okay, this is a stretch) be able to play the melody with some non-melody-specific notes in it. But I'll keep with steps one and two for now.

There is a plethora of books, CDs, DVDs, and loose papers all over our house. And, of course, I have another plethora of websites bookmarked as great places to learn stuff. So, I think my resolutions will be:

1. Go through every piece of paper and book around the house and put them in two places. The first place is in a smallish basket that is next to "my" chair; this is for things I want to work on now. The second place is in a box or a drawer in another room; they would be accessible, but not cluttering up the living room. Maybe I'll add a third place: donate to BABA to give away to anybody who wants them.
2. At least get all of the DVDs and CDs in one place so, should I want to view or listen, there wouldn't be a hassle to find the one I want.
3. Go through the bookmarks on my computer. Delete some; organize others.
4. Oh, yeah, go through the files that friends have put in DropBox. I think I need to save them somewhere else, then take them out of DropBox, but I'm not real sure how to manage that. Darn.
5. Oh, yeah, again. Go through the other stuff all over my computer and put it all somewhere that I can find it.

Rats. That's too much. I'm overwhelmed. I'll do the next best thing and just go pick up my Breedlove and play. Happy New Year!

Contributed by Anne Hayden

About BABA

The Bay Area Bluegrass Association (BABA) was organized in 1986 and incorporated in 1987 under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act. The primary purpose of BABA is to preserve, encourage, and promote Bluegrass and Bluegrass gospel music as an American art form. BABA promotes Bluegrass through being active in community events, fund raisers, festivals, and monthly shows. BABA is a 501(c)(3) tax deductible organization; see any Director for information.

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 incidental expenses of keeping the music playing. We thank you for your attendance, your generosity, and your love of the music.

JANUARY at BABA:

Sabine River Bend and The Brazos River Pickers

Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center, 300 West Walker, League City, Tx

Jam Sessions start @ 5:00 p.m., Stage shows @ 7:00 p.m.

Admission is free, but donations are welcomed.

Door prizes and raffles at every show. Food and soft drinks also available.

No alcohol, but great music and family entertainment.

Details available at www.bayareabluegrass.org

COMING TO BABA IN FEBRUARY:

The February 2013 Bay Area Bluegrass Association (BABA) show will feature a new sound from the wide open spaces of New Mexico with Steve Smith and the Hard Road Trio (<http://hardroadtrio.com/>). Their music has been described as an original Southwestern acoustic blend of Americana and Bluegrass music. They produce some unbelievable harmonies which you won't want to miss. A local group with smooth harmony as well, Allens Landing (<http://allenslandingband.com/wp/>), will also appear. Don't miss a great evening at the BABA free Bluegrass show and jam, Saturday February 16th at the Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center. You'll find us at 300 West Walker in League City, Texas. In addition to the music, you can try your luck at the raffles and door prizes, and jam with old friends and new. If you are more of a grinner than a picker, enjoy the stage shows, along with some tasty food and bluegrass merchandise for sale.

Start the evening with jamming in one of three separate jam rooms, open from 5:00 until 11:30 PM (including a slow jam for beginners). The stage show starts at 7:00 PM.

What more could you ask? NO COVER CHARGE! While it's free to get in the doors, KEEPING them open every month isn't free, and we truly appreciate your generous donations so that we can continue offering this wonderful music and jam opportunity. It'll be fun, come and join us! Contact: Rick Kirkland crk5820@msn.com 281-488-2244 www.bayareabluegrass.org



BLUEGRASS INSTRUMENTS FOR SALE

Dear Bluegrass fans: I am willing to meet you and/or interested person at location agreeable to all. Thank you for your help. Here's my contact info:

Rose Bundick Cell phone: 817-304-0450 or call Rick Kirkland 281-488-2244 for more detail on the instruments.

MUSICAL INSTRUMENTS

GUITAR #1 Made by Rose's Dad. Has initials WFM inlaid. Needs some repair. Am willing to consider any offer.

Guitar #2 Made by Rose's Dad. Star inlaid. Same as other, will consider any offer.

Dulcimer Has tag with \$420 and recommends "light" string set-up. Has inlaid single rose stem. Has nice case. Asking \$350 for instrument and case.

Mandolin #1 Made by Rose's Dad. Will consider offer.

Mandolin #4 Kentucky. Asking \$250.

Violin/fiddle Made in China. Asking \$50.00



dulcimer



mandolin 1



guitar 1

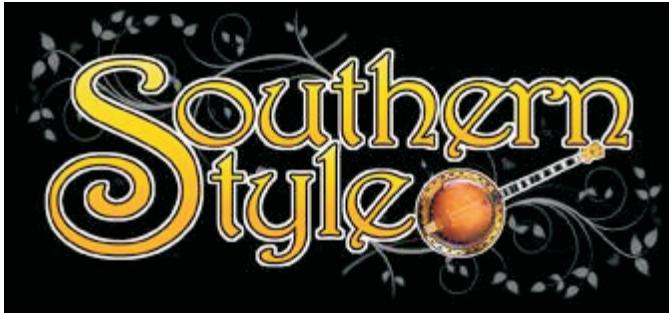


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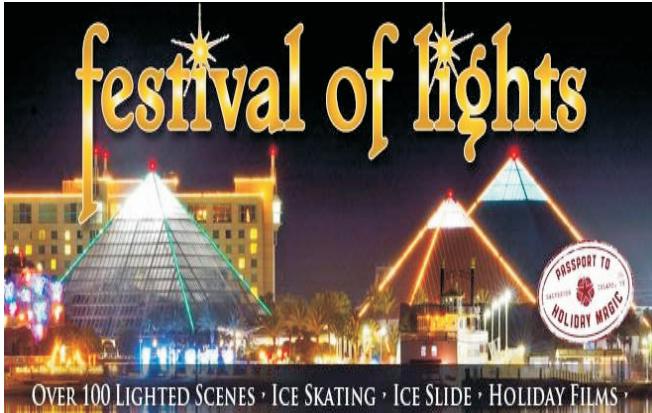


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Played



What did you do over the Christmas Holiday? Did you open gifts, eat lots of goodies, or play bluegrass music at the Festival of Lights in Galveston's Moody Gardens? Yes to all. Southern Style was invited to entertain the festival's guests as a part of the Festival of Lights on December 17 and Nineteenth. As y'all know, playing bluegrass music is what we love to do and beyond that add pretty lights, clapping, smiling, dancing people and we have a recipe for a fantastic time. Of course there was the blood (Rick's fingers), sweat (what was that chord?, me) and tears (of relief when Eric dropped his guitar and it was not broken) that go along with any good performance, but that is what makes it real. We met some bluegrass fans that stayed and sang along, some new fans that loved the sound and enjoyed playin'. There were amazing lights, music, and fun for all who attended. Quite a few people enjoyed the beautiful sights and sounds of Christmas.



by Pauline Eklund

Bluegrass Heritage Festival

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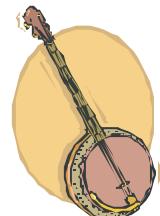
who help keep the music playing every month, and an extra shout out to those who have joined as Gold Club, Lifetime, Endowment and Foundation levels. We couldn't do this without all of you!

Members' names are in alphabetical order

Gold Club Members

Don & Jan Clark, Mike & Pat Conwell, Ed & Ann Fitchard, J.B. & Nancy Graham, Gerry & Kim Herman, Lynn Holbrook, Rick & Shirley Kirkland, Darryl & Tina O'Bryant, Laney & Shannon Sims

Membership in the Gold Club is payable annually. We thank you for your "extra" support.



BABA Lifetime Members: Brad & Dee Alford, Dave Aldrich, Scott & Diana Armstrong, Doris Arnett, Chris Bagley, Hubert & Shirley Brasseaux, Cara Cooke, Eric & Kim Corgey, Lyman & Annis Cox, Paul & Dana Cutts, Robert & Debi Duke, Bill & Joni Dusenbury, Harry Edwards, Ruth Evans, George Franklin, Jason & Alicia Fricke, Ed & Becky Fryday, Mike Fuller, Paul & Lillie Futch, John & Jean Gardner, Bill & Geri Gatlin, J.B. & Nancy Graham, Jim & Sharon Greenlee, Doris Grigg, Chuck & Mary Pat Gunn, Robert & Elizabeth Hasserd, Tom Harrison, Ron & Anne Hayden, Arvin & Sheryl Holland, Sammy & Ottie Holloway, Jan Johnston, Stan Jones, Paul & Linda Kerr, Pat Lomas, Ken & Wanda MacDonnell, Phil & Cecile Mathers, Paul & Madeline McKneely, Faber & Sandy McMullen, Patrick Milligan, Barbara Monroe, Charles & Ellen Orsburn, Mike Petitt, Bill & Glenna Pierpont, Norman Ponder, Billy Potts, Tony & Nema Redding, Karl Reid, Jack & Carol Ritter, Tom & Sandy Roberts, Jonathan & Kristine Samuell, Billy & Terry Schmidt, Jerry & Monica Scribner, Gordon Spaulding, O.K. & Sharon Stafford, Bob & Marilyn Taylor, James & Laura Taylor, Scott Teven, Don & Charlene Threlkeld, David Towery, Helen Vinson, Viola Wakefield, Larry Wenner, Paul Williams.

Endowment Gift Members:

Phil & Fern Deans, Lisa Maranto

Foundation Member:

Ed Fryday



PICK YOUR NEWS

Are you a fan of Claire Lynch? I don't know how you could NOT be a fan, if you've ever heard that voice, or attended a performance! She likes Texas, and we like her - and the twain shall meet on March 16 in Woodville Tx at the Triple Creek RV Park. Call 409-283-3799 or check out their website for more information. www.triplecreekrv.com

Marty Raybon & Full Circle have a new single playing on bluegrass radio. Listen for "*That Janie Baker*" and drop us a line to tell us if you like it. We always like reviews and opinions from our members. For more information on Marty and his band, visit www.martyraybon.com

Nashville, TN (January 7, 2013) Rural Rhythm Records is proud to announce brother/sister Bluegrass duo THE ROYS have received Christian Gospel Music (CGM) Fan Awards Nomination in the Favorite Duo category. Fans can view the complete list of top ten nominees and CAST THEIR VOTE at [Christian Voice Magazine](http://ChristianVoiceMagazine.com).

Travelling in Texas and need a bluegrass connection?
Central Texas Bluegrass Association: <http://centraltexasbluegrass.org>
West Texas Bluegrass/Traditional: <http://www.westtexasbluegrasstraditionalmusicassociation.com>
Texas Bluegrass Jams: <http://www.bluegrassmusicjams.com/jam-texas.html>

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

[JOIN: at the show, or online](#)

Individual Membership: \$35.00 annually

You'll become a member of the BABA family and support the free monthly shows & jams. You'll receive the BABA Bulletin Newsletter monthly, admission to workshops at the monthly shows, admission to Bluegrass in the Park for BABA members & guest, updates about Bluegrass events in the area, discounts on some bluegrass shows in the area – as well as the satisfaction of supporting BABA and Bluegrass Music in Texas.

Family Membership: \$50.00 annually

You'll become a member of the BABA family with all the benefits of the individual membership for you and your immediate family. You'll support the free monthly shows & jams, receive the BABA Bulletin Newsletter monthly, get admission to workshops at the monthly shows and admission to Bluegrass in the Park for BABA members & guest, get updates about Bluegrass events in the area, discounts on some bluegrass shows in the area - and the satisfaction of supporting BABA and Bluegrass Music in Texas.

Gold Club Membership Individual: \$100.00 annually

Get all the benefits of the individual membership, a Gold Club Membership Name Badge, & a BABA shirt for giving that extra support to the BABA family. You'll become a member of the BABA family and support the free monthly shows & jams, receive the BABA Bulletin Newsletter monthly, get admission to workshops at the monthly shows, admission to Bluegrass in the Park for BABA members & guest, updates about Bluegrass events in the area, discounts on some bluegrass shows in the area - and the satisfaction of supporting BABA a little extra.

Lifetime Member Individual: \$350.00

Get all the benefits of BABA membership for life! You'll become a member of the BABA family and support the free monthly shows & jams, and receive the BABA Bulletin Newsletter monthly. You'll get admission to workshops at the monthly shows, admission to Bluegrass in the Park for BABA members & guest, updates about Bluegrass events in the area, discounts on some bluegrass shows in the area - and the satisfaction of supporting BABA for life.

Lifetime Member Family: \$500.00

Get all the benefits of BABA membership for life for you and your immediate family! You'll become a member of the BABA family and support the free monthly shows & jams, and receive the BABA Bulletin Newsletter monthly. You'll get admission to workshops at the monthly shows, admission to Bluegrass in the Park for BABA members & guest, updates about Bluegrass events in the area, discounts on some bluegrass shows in the area - and the satisfaction of supporting BABA for life.

Lifetime Gold Club Membership Individual: \$1000.00

Get all the benefits of the individual membership, A Gold Club Membership Name Badge, A BABA shirt, and knowing that you are giving that extra support to the BABA family. You'll become a member of the BABA family and support the free monthly shows & jams. You'll receive the BABA Bulletin Newsletter monthly, admission to workshops at the monthly shows, admission to Bluegrass in the park for BABA members & guest, updates about Bluegrass events in the area, discounts on some bluegrass shows in the area -and the satisfaction of supporting BABA 'above and beyond' .



Bluegrass Night in League City

Jan. 19, 2013

Featuring: **Sabine River Bend**

Also appearing: **Brazos River Pickers**

Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center at 300 West Walker
in League City, Tx

Jam Sessions start @ 5:00 p.m.,
Stage shows @ 7:00 p.m.

Admission is free, but donations are welcomed.

Door prizes and raffles at every show.

Food and soft drinks also available.

No alcohol, but great music & family entertainment.

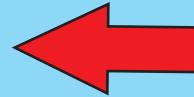
Details available at www.bayareabluegrass.org



BABA
Bay Area Bluegrass Association

LAST MONTH'S SHOW AND JAM...hope you didn't miss it! WE ❤ OUR BANDS AND VOLUNTEERS.

NONE! I'm so sad. I can hardly wait for the January show!!



BANDS

STAGE SET UP:
Abandoned.
Alone.
Until the 19th.....

SLOW JAM:
So slow no one heard it.

PHOTOGRAPHS:
Nobody to photograph.
Everyone was gone.

KITCHEN:
Empty and cold.
No baked goodies.
No sammiches.
No cokes.

THE TROUBLE WITH LIFE IS THAT THERE'S NO BACKGROUND MUSIC.

SOUND:
A distant echo of Christmas carols from our members and friends, enjoying family and the holidays.

RAFFLE DONATIONS:
ZIP. NADA. ZERO.

TABLE VOLUNTEERS:
I think they were the ones singing the Christmas carols....



BABA puts on a stage show on the third Saturday of nearly every month.

Want to get your band on stage? Contact Rick Kirkland at 281-488-2244 and get details!

MEMBERSHIP:
WOW, Anne Hayden was busy! Even the M.C.'s got a break.
We did get some renewals
and some new folks.
THANKS!!!

M.C.:
The editor was bored and wrote poetry. Don't let that happen again.
BABA BULLETIN:

WELCOME!
to our new members
WELCOME BACK!
to our renewing friends, too



PHOTOS from Past Shows! Thanks to *Travis Posey*



for the YEARS of photo service!



Classical Grass at Fire on the Strings



MORE BANJO!!!



Allen Hunt & the Mountain Showmen



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Appointed at Fire on the Strings



The Greer Family Band



Chris Hirsch a.k.a. 'Rappa Jed'



Kenny Snow, 2012 Mandolin



Michael Cleveland & Flamekeeper



Geoff Union, 2012 Flat Pickin' Guitar



Jack Seale, 2012 Banjo (again!)

THANKS! to the bands, the fans,
the musicians and members who
have made BABA possible.

Let's make 2013 EVEN BETTER!

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Claire Lynch has been nominated for two Grammys. She's twice been named the International Bluegrass Music Association (IBMA) Female Vocalist of the Year and she's been nominated on 11 other occasions.

Her songs have been recorded by artists like Patty Loveless, Kathy Mattea, Cherryholmes and The Whites. And she's appeared onstage and in the studio with Linda Ronstadt, Pam Tillis, Emmylou Harris, Ralph Stanley and Dolly Parton.

She was recently recognized as a 2012 USA Fellowship artist — one of 54, and only seven in the music field. She joins the ranks of previous fellows as only the third in the Bluegrass tradition!

You really do not want to miss this opportunity to enjoy a great day in the Piney Woods, with a wonderful Bluegrass Concert!!

HIGHLIGHTS

- Craft/Food Vendors all day
- Lots of "Pickin' Places!"
- Concert begins @ 6:30 p.m. in the Jam Shack!
- Opening act: The Sabine River Band

TRIPLE CREEK RV MUSIC PARK

2850 Private Road 8335
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Map & Directions available at
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E-Mail: info@triplecreekrv.com



Seating in the Jam Shack is limited. Only 200 tickets will be sold! Don't miss this concert!!!



The Ten Commandments of Jam Session Etiquette

R. Lynn Holbrook



Thou shalt...

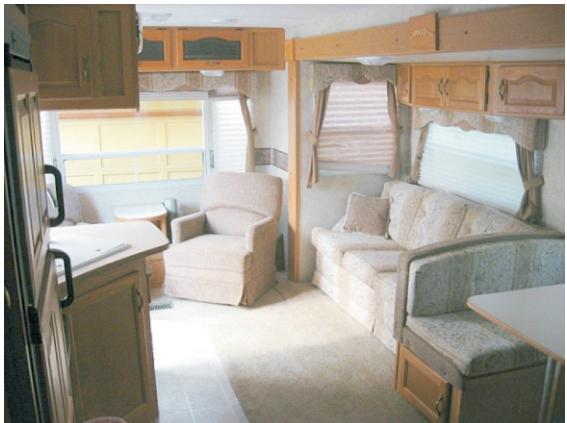
- I. ask prior to joining a jam
- II. play in tune
- II. play in time with the unit
- V. go around the circle giving all a chance to call a tune
- V. play softly unless taking a break
- VI. play very softly while figuring out the chord structure
- II. not play during guitar breaks unless thou art the bass or mandolin (chopping)
- II. sing on pitch... or not at all
- X. know the words to a tune thy calleth
- X. direct the instrument breaks to a tune thy calleth



Swap-n-Shop: a free service to members only - for musical instruments and items related to bluegrass music .

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Don't forget to bring us your receipts from any League City establishment where you shop or eat on the day of the BABA show! If you make your purchase on the way home, bring the receipt to the next show. Put your name and zip code on the back (and the shop name if it's not on the receipt) and drop it into the BABA raffle jar.

Your shopping in League City helps promote BABA, and you could win a raffle prize for your effort!

Stringing You Along..... Did you ever wonder why-

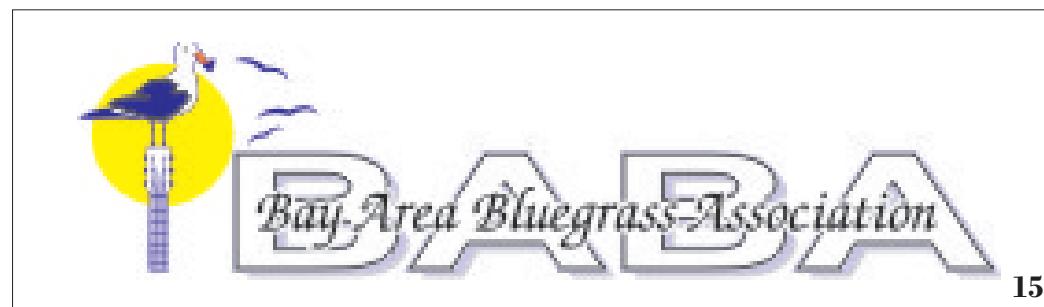
Why do they sterilize the needle for lethal injections?

You know that indestructible black box that is used on airplanes? Why don't they make the whole plane out of that stuff?

Why don't sheep shrink when it rains?

Why are they called apartments when they are all stuck together?

Why do we drive on the parkway and - yep, you guessed it - park in the driveway?



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Cyber Shopper Alert!

Do you have a tough time finding just the right gift for your musician? I found this site when I was looking for sterling silver music charms to add to a bracelet. They have a ton of cool music stuff besides the charms, with apparel, mugs, jewelry, cases, instruments, accessories... on and on.

They have something for everyone who ever cared about music. But be careful, this site can be addictive!

Strum Hollow Acoustic Music
<http://StrumHollow.com>

(There's no "www." in it) Judy

List your band in the BABA talent index. At least one band member must be a BABA member. Your annual \$35 membership includes a subscription to the BABA Bulletin and supports the association and the music! Give us a hand; we'll help find you some fans.

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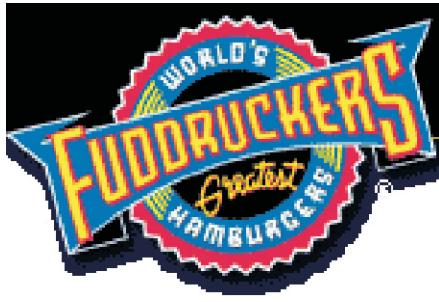


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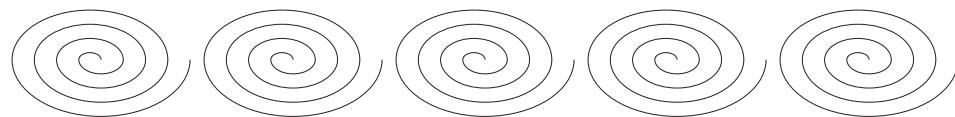
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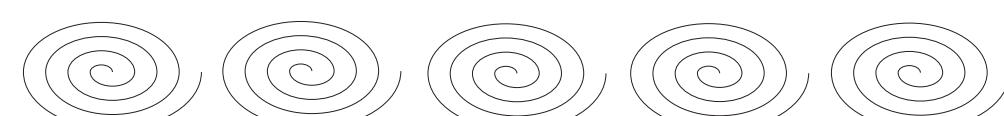
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HOW TO GO TO DINNER WITH FRIENDS:

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A: Reservations.



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Mondays

Cypress, TX - St. Aidan's Episcopal Church, 13131 Fry Road, 7-9:30 PM, tonynema@earthlink.net, 281-373-1777

VACANCY!!! Do you have a jam we can add here? Do you know of any? Or if any of these have quit?

Groves, TX - Allie Morvent's House, 7119 Howe, 7PM, (409) 962-5236

Fridays

Manchaca, TX - Fire Hall, FM 1626 (1 Mi. W. of Manchaca Rd). 7PM Show (512) 282-3600.

Dickinson, TX - Dickinson BBQ, 2111 FM 517 E, 7-9PM, (281) 534-2500

Sundays

Austin, TX - Artz Ribhouse, 2330 S. Lamar 2-5 PM. (512) 442-8283, or 272-9673.

1st Tuesdays

Nassau Bay, TX - Jam at Fuddruckers, 2040 NASA Pkwy. (281) 993-1620

1st Friday

Carthage, TX - Town Square, 6:30PM (903) 678-3857

Saturdays

Alvin, TX - Texas Opry, 1720 Sealy. Admission charged. (281) 432-2942

Mauriceville, TX - Tuffy's, Bayou Country Grass, 6:30 - 8:30PM

1st Saturday

Henderson, TX - Odd Fellows Hall, 6PM (903) 889-2783 or 566-6650

Needville, TX - Brazos River Pickers puts on a free concert from 6:00 – 8:00 PM at Brazos Bend State Park in the amphitheater. Usual State Park entry fees apply. (281) 344-0601, www.brazosriverpickers.com

Pearl, TX — 15 miles west of Gatesville, 7 miles south of US 84 on FM183, pearlbluegrass.com

Montgomery, TX—Downtown Montgomery, 10 AM—2pm, 936-597-5002

2nd Saturday

Tomball, TX - Oklahoma Community Ctr., Conroe-Huffsmith Rd. off FM 2978, 4 PM Jam/6 PM Show, (281) 850-1413

Houston, TX - West University Community Building, 6104 Auden. 7:30 PM Admission, not always bluegrass, Houston Folklore Society (281) 347-3235

Huntington, TX - Volunteer Fire Dept, Main & Pecan. 5 PM Food and Jam & 6 PM Show (409) 422-3562 or 632-5393, or 897-3109.

Deer Park, TX, - Troy's Music Shop, 4005 Center St., 11 AM – 3 PM

Fayetteville, TX—info@texaspickinpark.com, www.texaspickinpark.com, 6PM

3rd Saturday

Harwood, TX - Community Center, 2 PM Jam/5:30 PM Pot Luck Supper (512) 648-4728

Houston, TX - Woodland Christian Church, 607 Rogers, North Harris County Dulcimer Society. 3 – 6 PM.

League City -Civic Center, 300 Walker. **BAY AREA BLUEGRASS ASSOCIATION**. 5 PM Jam/7 PM Show, (713) 249-2986

Marshall, TX - Lions Community Center, Poplar St. 7 PM Show, (903) 935-7023

Minden, TX - Community Center, 5:30 PM, (903) 657-3320

Sulpher Springs, TX. (Oct - March) - 400 Como St. (903) 885-4078 or 885-7063

4th Saturday

Beaumont, TX - Rosedale Baptist Church, 7110 Concord, (409) 866-0848, SE Texas Dulcimer Friends

Sacul, TX - Opry House, Hwy. 204 (25 mi. SE of Jacksonville), 6:30 PM, (903) 586-8484 or (409) 326-4544

Bellville, TX - Coushatta RV Ranch, Spring Creek Bluegrass Club, 4 PM Jam/6 PM Show (Jan. thru Sept. (979) 865-5250

Whitewright, TX - Opry House, 7 PM, (903) 364-2539

Walker, LA - Old South Jamboree, U.S. Hwy. 190, (504) 664-3630

Deer Park, TX - Troy's Music Shop, 4005 Center St., 11 AM – 3 PM

Cypress/Tomball Area - Bluegrass Jam, Kleb Woods Nature Center, Mueschke & Draper Rd., (281) 373-1777, tn.blugrasjam@earthlink.net

5th Saturday

Huntington, TX - Volunteer Fire Dept., Main & Pecan, 6 PM Show (409) 897-3109 or 632-5393 or 422-3562

3rd Sunday

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