

THE BABA BULLETIN

The Bay Area Bluegrass Association

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26+ Years of Bluegrass

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE: March brings along another line up of stars to the BABA stage. We'll have old friends White Dove, Cypress Creek, and a new band made up of old (you can take "old" any way you want) members Almost Heaven some good friends and longtime members of BABA.

As of this moment the bands for next month have not confirmed to me whether they can make it, so we'll have to let you know later who they are. But rest easy we'll have some great bluegrass.

Please remember the only way we can do this is with your support. Without you there would be no BABA. We're all volunteers and every penny you donate goes to keeping the doors open.

The last several months we have been taking in less that it cost to pay the bills. It doesn't take genius to figure out that won't work for long. Help us by joining and supporting BABA. **You** know what a great thing it is. Help us keep it going. Bring a friend to the shows so they can see too.

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

What's goin' on at BABA? We're gearing up for the Fire on the Strings Festival in August. We welcome volunteers; give one of us a call or an email and tell us when you can join the *distinguished* all-volunteer cast of characters. We don't get a paycheck so we make up for it by having lots of F.U.N putting this party together!

Speaking of party.... we can't put on this musical blast without our volunteers AND our sponsors. Do you know anyone who can use the exposure to several hundred music fans? We have lots of sponsor levels for whatever fits their needs and budget. Bluegrass people typically like good value; solid construction; outdoors sports along with camping, travel, & music (obviously!) just for starters. RV businesses, boat sales, truck dealers, sporting goods stores.... you KNOW that you know them! Email Rick for a copy of our sponsor brochure. We'll love you even more if you find us a sponsor or two! crk5820@msn.com



ANNE'S NOTES The Salt Grass Trail (Part I)

"Today's riders hit the trail in an attempt to recreate the Old West, and in doing so, find a common ground that links us all to the show. A sense of history and pride resides in each rider, igniting envy and intrigue in each child as they watch the trail riders and hope to one day join them."

<http://www.rodeohouston.com/Events/TrailRides.aspx>

The Salt Grass Trail is the "granddaddy of 'em all" of the 13 trail rides that clip-clop their way into Houston from all directions to kick off the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo. The trail began when four men got together in 1952 to ride from Brenham to Houston to promote the rodeo and "fat stock" show. Those men were E.H. Marks, Reese Lockett, Pat Flaherty, and John Warnasch. The publicity stunt would be called viral today, as the second year more than 80 men rode. This year more than 20 wagons, each followed by 10-20 or more riders, men and women, wended their way from Brenham to Houston, topping off the ride with their appearance in the Houston Rodeo Parade on Saturday, February 23. For the past two years, I have been one of those riders.

In the 1950's, I was a young girl attending Spring Branch Elementary School, and each year we would take our little chairs out along the side of Campbell Road and wait for the Salt Grass Trail to pass. I vividly remember being in awe of the cowboys – real cowboys – as they rode by, waving and shouting out to us. Now, I was already a fan of Roy Rogers & Dale Evans, and I would don braids and be Annie Oakley myself, so this involvement with the trail truly stuck in my brain. For a few moments each year, I felt a part of the cowboy world, and I liked it. They waved to me. They said Howdy to me. I was a cowgirl.

One particular year, circa 1956, I was at the Dads' Club where the riders stopped for lunch on their way to Memorial Park, and where I saw Roy Rogers AND Trigger. I also shook hands

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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.

(continued.....) with then- Vice-President Richard M. Nixon. I wasn't feeling particularly well, though, and when I came home, my mother established that I had the measles. I remember being concerned about giving the measles to Trigger. While in junior and senior high, we would drive into Memorial Park to mingle with the cowboys who were camped there for the night. Camped, as I recall, not RV'ed.

Fast forward to 2012. After I retired from teaching in 2011, I started looking into things that I wanted to do now that I had the time. (I don't like to call it a Bucket List because I have truly had a list going for all of my adult life. It's a Things to Do list. Period. Not "before I kick the bucket" list.) I went online and poked around here and there and sent an email to the first name I found that looked like somebody who might be able to help me figure out how I might be able to actually ride the Salt Grass Trail. Not for a day, but for the entire trail. I stumbled across a charming woman, Kyra, who was happy to meet with me (to check our compatibility) and ultimately welcomed me to join her wagon on the ride. By dumb luck, I became part of Wagon #1 of the Salt Grass Trail. Kyra's great granddaddy was E.H. Marks, whom you know from my first paragraph as one of those first four men who invented the Salt Grass Trail. I was thrilled and honored to join Wagon #1!!

(Where's the bluegrass connection, Anne? Okay, here it is.) Just before the trail ride last year, Ron and I were at Hickory Hollow listening to The Lonestar Bluegrass Band, our personal favorites. Ron mentioned to Chris Hirsch, the esteemed leader of that band, that I was about to ride the trail. "My great-uncle, E.H. marks, was one of the founders of the Salt Grass Trail!" he boasted. So, Chris and Kyra are some sort of cousins who have not yet met, but I'm working on that. Maybe I can even get him to ride next year. . .

Contributed by Anne Hayden

SENIOR DISCOUNTS: BE SURE TO ASK! THEY WON'T CHASE YOU DOWN TO OFFER IT. MORE NEXT MONTH!

THANKS TO SANDY JONES

Applebee's: 15% off with Golden Apple Card (60+)

Arby's: 10% off (55 +)

Ben & Jerry's: 10% off (60+)

Bennigan's: discount varies by location (60+)

Bob's Big Boy: discount varies by location (60+)

Boston Market: 10% off (65+)

Burger King: 10% off (60+)

Chick-Fil-A: 10% off or free small drink or coffee (55+)

Chili's: 10% off (55+)

CiCi's Pizza: 10% off (60+)

Denny's: 10% off, 20% off for AARP members (55 +)

Dunkin' Donuts: 10% off or free coffee (55+)

Einstein's Bagels: 10% off baker's dozen of bagels (60+)



BLUEGRASS INSTRUMENTS FOR SALE

TACOMA AJF22C Archtop Guitar for sale! A few small pictured dings, otherwise this guitar is in beautiful excellent+ to NM condition! Comes with original Tacoma case. **\$1,800 firm**

Tacoma guitars are constructed of all solid tonewoods, and their archtops soundboards are **CARVED** and **GRADUATED**, not pressed or bent! The features are as follows:

- Satin finish Solid carved Sitka Spruce top
- Solid carved highly figured quilted Maple back (Pictures don't do it justice!)
- Solid highly figured quilted Maple sides
- SET Neck Construction (Rare even for the AJF22's)
- Molded carbon graphite floating pickguard
- Molded carbon graphite tailpiece
- Ebony fingerboard and bridge
- Black Gotoh Tacoma tuners
- EMG passive floating humbucker
- Pickguard mounted volume and tone controls
- Precision string compensation
- Hardshell Arched Tacoma Case
- Body size at lower bout: 17",
- Body Depth: 2 7/8"
- Scale length: 25.5"
- Nut Width: 1 11/16"



From Tacoma:

The solid Spruce top is carved with computer controlled milling machines to such precise dimensions that it would be impossible to produce this consistent a top any other way.

This precision allows us to control the consistency from top to top, overall volume, projection, and the basic tone of the guitar, to a degree only reached in the past by highly skilled artisans charging thousands of dollars per guitar.

Placing Tacoma Guitars' trademarked paisley soundhole in the upper bass bout allows the top carving to be thinner around the edges since we don't need to support the top around the F hole.

With the edges thinned out farther into the top, these guitars produce crisp fullness in the bass range and overall balance of tone other production arched top guitars can't match.

Tacoma no longer produces archtop models, it is **DISCONTINUED**. This one is especially uncommon as an AJF22 model with a SET neck.

ALSO:

National Resophonic at Island Music on 25th Street in Galveston Asking \$2,000 if purchased there. **Will sell privately @ \$1,800** "Vintage Steel Tricon" model, built in 2005, has original National case. It's a 12-fret, slotted head, in like-new condition other than the normal aging associated w/ a steel-bodied guitar. Will fetch if are seriously interested and wish to test play it.



Rodney Wilder 713-898-5399



President's Message: continued from the front page....

We need volunteers to help with the shows and the Fire on The Strings festival. We need help setting up and loading the sound equipment and help with the BABA table. It doesn't take long and the volunteers could use a hand. We have a sign up sheet for the festival at the BABA table and we need to fill 3 days of volunteers for various duties. Please give us a hand to keep BABA going strong.

FIRE ON THE STRINGS TICKETS ON SALE SOON on the BABA website.

This is our one & only fundraiser, so bring the whole family and tell all your friends to come join in on the fun. I know it'll be one of the best we've had.

Rick Kirkland

President, Bay Area Bluegrass Association

FLAME THROWER CASSEROLE

4 chicken breasts, cooked & shredded

1 can RoTel tomatoes & green chiles (if you don't like spicy foods, use diced tomatoes without chiles)

1/2 lb. American or Velveeta Cheese slices

1 can cream of chicken soup

1 can cream of mushroom soup

1 package flour tortillas

1/2 cup milk

In 9X13 inch pan, layer chicken & torn tortillas. Combine rest of ingredients in microwave safe bowl & microwave until cheese is melted. Pour over chicken & tortillas. Bake until golden brown & bubbling. Serves 6.

From The Baytown Sun Food Column

Thanks, Renee!



SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL BLUEGRASS MUSIC ASSOCIATION. MEMBERSHIPS FOR ADULTS START AT \$40 DOLLARS AND THE PROFESSIONAL SINGLE MEMBERSHIP IS \$75.

<http://ibma.org/membership>

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT: GREAT WEBSITE TO FIND BLUEGRASS VIDEOS

I am a member of the South East Bluegrass Association, located in Atlanta, GA.

Four years ago, just for fun, I put together a free web site designed to promote bluegrass music among bluegrass fans and "friends" of bluegrass fans.

Since it began, the web site has grown from about 400 videos to over 2500 in the library, representing a wide variety of artists and styles of bluegrass. New videos are added weekly.

In addition to direct access to the entire library, I incorporated a Subscription Service, also free, which delivers a new video each day. (no spam, easy opt-in, easy opt-out).

The web site has attracted a worldwide fan base. (Bluegrass is truly international.)

www.bluegrassonthetube.com

If the site is new to you, please take a look. Give it a try. Let me know what you think.

If you are familiar with the site, and enjoy the content, please share this information with members of your organization who may not be aware.

Many thanks for your help.

Regards

Carl Carlson, SEBA Member

Please read and attend/donate if you are able. The children are now with their Grandparents: Robert and Debi Duke. If you don't recognize the names, we know you'd recognize the familiar faces and the unending support that they have given to BABA. Let's show that the Bluegrass family can give back to their own.

BBQ Cook-off and Family Day Benefit

Benefitting
the Ricky
Paynkewicz
family

Date: Saturday, 03/23/13
Time: 12:00 pm—5:00 pm
Crosby Fairgrounds
(Parking is free)

Bring the whole family for a day of food, live music and events for kids and adults to support a worthy cause.

Cook-Off Categories are: Brisket, Ribs, Chicken and Open Dish, Team Slots are available for \$50 entry fee.

Events for Adults include a Silent Auction, Horseshoes and Checkers. Face-painting, Bouncy castle, and Carnival-Games for the Kids!

Corn-in-a-cup, tacos, hot dogs, nachos, frito pie, popcorn, cotton-candy and snowcone concessions.

\$10 BBQ Plate includes: Brisket, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Bread, Pickles/Onion/Jalapeno.

Ricky Paynkewicz, age 33, passed away suddenly this February. Ricky lost the mother of his children last year, just weeks after giving birth to their second child. His school-age daughter and infant son are now being cared for by Ricky's Mom. The Paynkewicz family are long-time residents of the Highlands area. Ricky was a treasured friend to many and a valued employee of ZXP Technologies, the host of this event.

**JOIN US FOR SOME
"FUN FOR A GOOD CAUSE!"**

For advance tickets or Team information:
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Have your photo taken with Mickey and Minnie, who will be joining us!



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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

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 & Oattie 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

BENEFIT! Food, music, kids and family! **This benefit is for a back-to-back loss that is way too close to our BABA home.** Debi and Richard Duke are now raising not only their grandchildren Devin and Richard (ages 15 and 14), but also a one-year-old and a six year old. Debi's son died suddenly in February, his wife died in April the year before, and now the Duke family is suddenly expanded by two more lovely children. Son Ricky worked for ZXP Technology for 8 years, and they are sponsoring the benefit in honor of Ricky & the Duke family on **March 23 at Crosby Fairgrounds from noon to 5 pm.**

If you haven't already seen the flyer, go back to page 6 and please see the detail. Try to make the time to go out and enjoy the event. The cause is certainly a good one - we can give a little back to a family that has give so much to BABA for years. Oh, and please pass the word! Remember: March 23rd.

Rural Rhythm Records is proud to announce the upcoming bluegrass album, *THE BACK FORTY* by MARTY RAYBON & FULL CIRCLE releasing Tuesday, March 26. This highly anticipated new album is now available for pre-order at Amazon and Rural Rhythm Records and will also be available at iTunes, GooglePay and many more fine retail outlets.

Travelling in Texas and need a bluegrass connection?
Central Texas Bluegrass Association: <http://www.centraltexasbluegrass.org>
West Texas Bluegrass/Traditional: <http://www.westtexasbluegrasstraditionalmusicassociation.com>
Texas Bluegrass Jams: <http://www.bluegrassmusicjams.com/jam-texas.html>
Permian Basin Bluegrass Association: Small but active. Email wb7amp@cablone.net



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'.



WHITE DOVE



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Bay Area Bluegrass Association

BABA

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

Hard Road Trio
Southern Style
Allen's Landing



STAGE SET UP:

Pat Patterson, Roger Eklund
Mark Kishbaugh

SLOW JAM:

Laney Sims

KITCHEN:

Shirley Kirlland
Sandi Cook
Sheryl Holland

PHOTOGRAPHS: Travis Posey

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

SOUND:

Roger Eklund and
Mark Kishbaugh

RAFFLE DONATIONS:

Remember to leave your name
so we can thank you!

BABA TABLE VOLUNTEERS:

Loretta Davis



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:

Anne Hayden
(be sure to read Anne's Notes on page 2)

M.C.:

Arvin Holland

BABA BULLETIN:

Judy Sturgeon
bayareabluegrass2@AOL.com

WELCOME!

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



PHOTOS from the February Show!

Thanks to *Travis Posey*
for the YEARS of photo service!



<http://baba123.smugmug.com/Music/Monthly-Show-February-2013/>



Hard Road Trio headlines

Ain't we got fun!



Million Dollar Smile



GO DO BRO!

The Next-gen Bluegrass Stars



Multi-tasking at the BABA table



Let's face it, folks.
It's all about the MUSIC.



Speaking of smiles.....

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The Ten Commandments of Jam Session Etiquette R. Lynn Holbrook



Thou shalt...

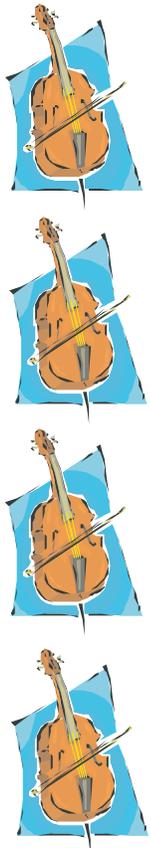
- I. ask prior to joining a jam
- II. play in tune
- II. play in time with the unit
- V. go around the circle giving all a chance to call a tune
- V. play softly unless taking a break
- VI. play very softly while figuring out the chord structure
- II. not play during guitar breaks unless thou art the 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 of the BABA newsletter - for musical instruments and items related to bluegrass music. Contact the editor @ bayareabluegrass2@aol.com

FOR SALE

2005 Keystone Cougar 30 ft. travel trailer. One slide-out; complete kitchen; sleeps 6; queen size bed; like new condition. Asking \$14,000. Bumper pull, can be pulled by 1/2 ton pickup. Call Stan Jones 281-485-4625 and leave message. Perfect for bluegrass festivals.



Stringing You Along.....

A penny saved is a Government oversight.

He who hesitates is probably right.

DID YOU EVER NOTICE: THE ROMAN NUMERALS FOR FORTY (40) ARE 'XL'?

When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to your Youth, think of Algebra.

Did you ever notice that when you put the two words 'THE' and 'IRS' together, they spell 'THEIRS' ?!

Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.

Ah, being Young is beautiful, but being Old is comfortable.

Thanks to Kerry Sturgeon in Tijeras, NM

SAVE YOUR RECEIPTS!

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!



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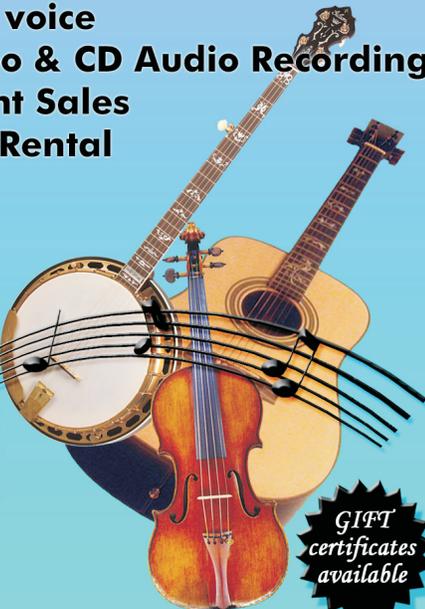
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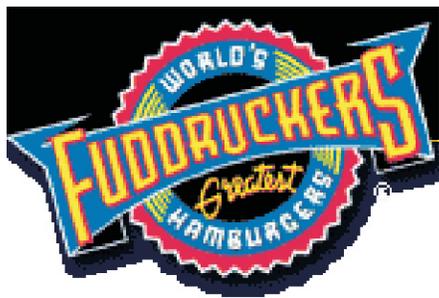


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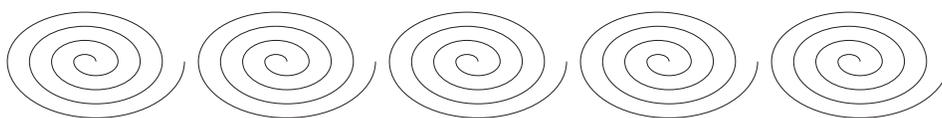
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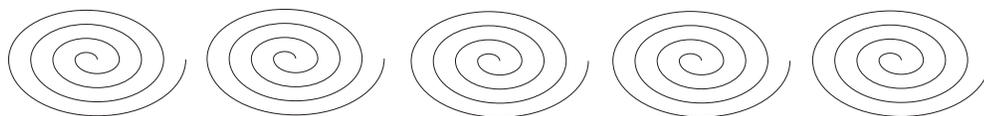
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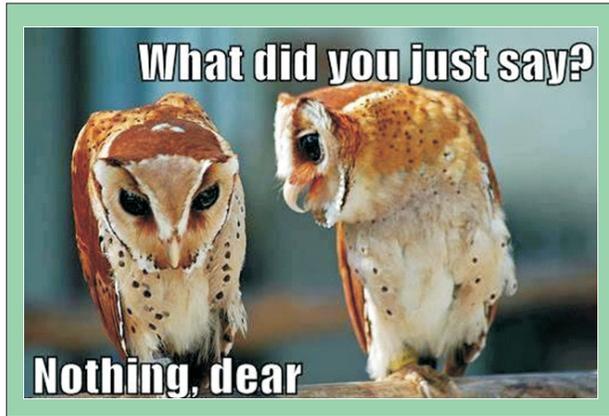
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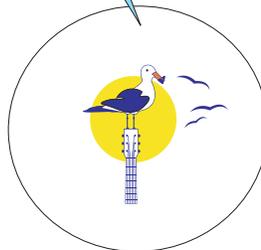


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VACANCY!!! Do you have a jam we can add here? Do you know of any? Or if any of these have quit?

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 Fuddrucker's**, 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

Sulphur 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

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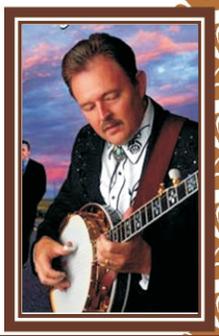
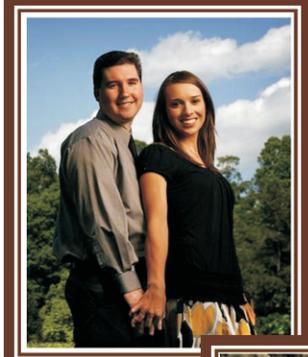
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