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President's Message

Well, here we are at the last show of the year and we're making plans for the future (sounds like a song). We had a fantastic year of shows; thanks, Lynn, for booking a top lineup all year. Thanks to all the fine people that have volunteered to help make BABA the best bluegrass association around. Judy really carries the heavy load doing the work of 3, newsletter, membership, emails, advertising, secretary, and good friend. Arvin is the best ambassador and salesman for BABA and bluegrass *ever*. Laney runs the slow jams every month and what a job he does. I don't ever have to worry about that. Roger has handled set up and breaks down all the BABA sound equipment, loads everything on a trailer including all the BABA table & Kitchen too, and then finds time to run the sound equipment for the show. Pat & OK do a fine job helping too. Travis records all those pics of bluegrass history with his camera posting all the information to the web site that he maintains. You too Doc & Sandy, who fill in sometimes. Darryl has been putting our flyers out and has been my sounding board… there's another thing I don't have to worry about. Lynn coming back to the board has been a blessing. Booking bands and running the contest, volunteering for committees and having the experience of being on the board in the past just makes my job easier. Ron handles the emcee duties at the shows, and Anne who handled the membership for a long time, will both jump in and help anytime. Sharon, Shannon, and Becky are fixtures at the BABA table. The kitchen survived losing a driving force when we lost Shirley but Sandi and Sheryl have taken over and never missed a beat.

I know I have missed someone by name and there are many that help when they can.

And thank you the members for supporting BABA - without you there wouldn't be a BABA.

Pick on.

-Rick

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Anne's Notes Count Your Blessings*

First, I did not write this month's edition of Anne's Notes. I was contemplating my subject matter for Thanksgiving and ran across this lovely article already written by Daniel Mullins. With online permission from the author, and with my abridging for this newsletter, including adding links to the songs on YouTube, I wish you and yours a very Happy and Thankful Thanksgiving.

Count Your Blessings: Bluegrass Songs for Your Thanksgiving Weekend
Daniel MullinsNovember 27, 2014

I don't know about you, but every year, Thanksgiving ranks higher and higher on my list of favorite holidays. And every year, as Christmas seems to come earlier and earlier, it frustrates me more that Thanksgiving continues to be pushed aside.
The sole purpose of Thanksgiving is to reflect and appreciate what we have, rather than focus on getting what we don't have. Spending the day eating great food with family, and maybe even watching a little football, is mighty hard to beat. In order to cultivate an attitude of gratitude, here are some bluegrass songs to help you count your blessings.

Thank You World– Dailey & Vincent – This old Statler Brothers song was included on Dailey & Vincent's Grammy-nominated *Dailey & Vincent Sing The Statler Brothers* album. Giving the song a country-grass treatment makes this old favorite a lot of fun. The extreme vocal talent of the group is in the spotlight, as to be expected from the three-time IBMA Vocal Group of the Year.

Thank You Lord– Larry Sparks - An old gospel song from the early days of Larry Sparks, *Thank You Lord* shows why Sparks is considered the King of Bluegrass Soul. His powerful voice is absolutely c aptivating, and few singers can provide a more emotional delivery than this future hall of famer.

Thanks Again– Ricky Skaggs - Although from his country days, *Thanks Aaain*'s acoustic arrangement makes it loved by country and bluegrass fans alike. With this song, Skaggs thanks his parents for everything from flyin' his kite and tannin' his bottom. You'll want to hug your parents a little tighter after giving this one a listen. *Thanks Again* is easily one of my favorites from Ricky's country heyday.

Thankful For Each Day– Junior Sisk & Rambler's Choice - Clocking in at just under two minutes, this a cappella selection from Junior's award-winning *The Heart Of A Song* album is straightforward gospel song of thanksgiving for not only this earthly life, but for an eternal home in heaven.

Thank You - The Isaacs - The Isaacs have been one of the most successful bluegrass gospel groups of the past twenty years. The beautiful family harmony from Ben, Becky, and Sonya Isaacs can touch even the most callous heart. This early hit of theirs reminds us be "thankful for the things that I never thanked you for" — a message of which we all need to be reminded.

Thank God For Mama– The Lonesome River Band - Who doesn't love a good Mama song? We are all due to show more appreciation for our mothers. As my mother (Love you, Momma Tam!) says, "He's a good boy, but he sure wasn't born that way!" *Thank God For A Mama* helps reminds us of that. Ronnie Bowman sings his heart on this LRB classic.

Hopefully, you'll enjoy a wonderful Thanksgiving, eating your fill and spending time in fellowship with f riends and family.

*** To read Daniel Mullins' full article, go here:**
http://bluegrasstoday.com/count-your-blessings-bluegrass-songs-for-your-thanksgiving-weekend/

Contributed by Anne Hayden

Phil Deans has been a director of the Bay Area Bluegrass Association and a supporter of BABA, bluegrass music, and NASA for many years. He and his wife Fern were regulars at the shows and the festivals, and the news of Fern's passing is sad indeed. Phil has been both a tireless health advocate and caretaker for Fern in the past few years, and they truly remained partners in sickness and in health. Please join us in offering condolences to Phil and his family in their time of sorrow.

In Loving Memory of Fern Louise Powell Deans 6/3/1941 - 9/29/2015

Fern Louise Powell Deans, 74, went to be with her Lord and Savior on Thursday, the 29th of October surrounded by loving family after a courageous and hard fought battle against heart, brain, and pulmonary issues over the last three years and especially the last six months until the Lord called her to her Eternal Home in Heaven.

Fern was born on the 3rd of June in 1941 in Bay City, TX to Marianne Lorenzen Powell and Samuel L. Powell and grew up on her namesake grandmother Fern Lorenzen's family ranch outside Edna, TX. She went to Vanderbilt Elementary School and High School in Edna as a proud cowgirl and played clarinet in the band, along with many other school activities. She graduated in the top 5% of her class in 1959. She later went to Houston Business College and completed her courses in less than 2 years, again with honors. She first went to work as a secretary for a patent lawyer firm in downtown Houston for several years and was then later recruited to NASA in the legal office by their patent attorneys where she began her 25 year career at NASA in 1965. Fern quickly moved from the legal patent office to Apollo Lunar Mission planning office, and later Apollo Lunar Science Experiment office whose staff was responsible for experiments in the CSM/SIM Bay and the Lunar ALSEP experiment stations left on the surface during the six lunar landing missions and the lunar rover vehicle used on the moon for extended exploration away from the lunar lander on the last three Apollo missions, 15, 16, 17 over the time period of July 1969 to December 1972.

It was during this time, Fern met her future husband, Philip M. Deans who was working with the Engineering Directorate support to these same engineers on the Mission Planning and Lunar Science Experiment and Apollo Program Offices. After about a year of courtship they established a wedding date on August 15, 1969 after the successful completion of the Apollo 11 First Lunar Landing on July 20th, 1969 and the safe return of crew back to earth landing on July 24, 1969.

After the Apollo Program ended, Fern's group supported the Skylab 3 Manned Missions of 30, 60, 90 days duration and they performed all kinds of biomedical experimentation on the astronauts for long duration zero gravity effects on crew performance and external science studies of the earth observation with an EREP package similar to the earlier lunar orbiter SIM Bay experiments of the lunar mapping and observation and the Apollo Telescope Mounted Camera for long duration studies of sun, solar activities and space radiation effects. She later worked in the Medical Directorate with the doctors and engineers monitoring the overall crew health, mission monitoring, medical facilities for health monitoring of astronauts, their families, and the NASA workforce for annual monitoring and any space degradation effects of flown astronauts. It was during this time, Fern got to experience one of her most exciting events as a test subject, due to her small size, 5 percentile (Asian female), to test out the lower body negative gravity suit/rubber pants with waste band pressurized to force/redistribute blood back to extremities and head to condition from zero-g back to 1 G during re-entry from spaceflights. Fern was fortunate to work in the most creative and innovative part of NASA's human spaceflight programs with some outstanding people in all the areas of space disciplines, engineering, science, and medical on all the major programs. During this creative time, women made significant strides forward and were really the glue and executive secretarial support arm to their managers, and they were merged into the "60's Chicks Professional Group totally recognized and supported by the JSC top center management as the movers, shakers and expediters to process all their extensive official documentation, directions, and

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administrative functions. While working for NASA, Fern, Phil and son Jeff were able to go to KSC and witness Apollo 15 and 17 launches.They were fortunate to go to the second return flight of Space Shuttle/Orbiter STS-127 which was launched on July 4, 2009 as a family, with son Jeff and two granddaughters participate and witness the last Space Shuttle/Orbiter STS 135 final flight in the program before premature retirement.Fern and Phil celebrated her 74th birthday back on June 3rd, 2015 and their 46th wedding anniversary on August 15, 2015 while in Cornerstone LTAC hospital in Webster, TX.The family would like to thank the doctors, nurses, therapists and staff of Cornerstone LTAC ICU and Memorial Hermann SE ICU for their compassionate care.

Outside of NASA, Fern supported her husband, Phil and their family with her youthful love of ranching, animals, particularly the baby goats, sheep, calves, cow dogs, and horses. Phil and Fern were involved in ranching operations for over 35 years in Houston and Jackson Counties, 35 year members of Farm Bureau, TSCRA, and the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo as lifetime members, enjoying many rodeos and entertainers over those 25 to 35 years. It was during their ranching in Grapeland, Houston County, that they fell in love with Bluegrass and attended the First Salmon Lake Labor Day Festival started by Floyd and Fanny Salmon in 1976 and never missed a Festival until Fern had a fall and brain surgery back in April 2013. Fern and Phil have also been lifetime members of the Bay Area Bluegrass Association (BABA) in League City held at the Civic Center for over 29 years, and have supported monthly shows and FOTS festivals conducted by BABA over the years. When they would visit Phil's family back in his hometown, of Wilson, NC they would always try to make a weekly show at the Bluegrass Barn near New Hope where Phil grew up.

Fern was preceded in death by her grandparents, Fern and Andrew Lorenzen; her parents Sam and Marianne Powell; several great aunts, aunts and uncles; and cousins.
She is survived by her husband, Philip M. Deans; son, Jeffrey L. Deans; two granddaughters, Faith Erin Deans and Emily Grace Deans; their mother, Nadia Loren Deans; sister Lucy Smith and her son, William Smith of Tucson, AZ; special cousins, Mary Bell and June Neal; aunt Dorothy Lorenzen; a number of cousins in the Lorenzen and Powell families; special childhood friend, Kay Jorgensen from Edna and her hairdresser, and life friend, Sandra Cooley of League City, TX; also by many friends in her extended family community in the NASA Clear Lake, Bay Area and hometown Edna from over the years; her family on the East Coast: sister and brother-in-law, Lou Deans Gordon and JR Gordon of Wilson, NC; niece Alice Susan Gordon and husband Witold Tulodziecki of Roswell, GA; niece Barbara Ann Overman and husband Ron Lort; great-niece, Morgan Alicia and husband Art Tollinger and their children of Chesapeke City, MD; great-nephew Andrew Overman Lort, of Wilmington, NC; nephew and niece, Leonard and Terrie Deans; great-nephews, Adam and Jordan Deans, of Timberlake, NC; nephew and niece, Frank and Kathy Overman, of Kenly, NC.

A memorial service and celebration of Fern Louise Deans' life was held on Saturday, November 14, 2015 at 11:00 A.M. at the Jeter Memorial Funeral Home Chapel, 311 N. Friendswood Dr. (FM 518), Friendswood, TX 77546 (281) 992-7200 with Rev. Steve O'Donahoe officiating. Fern's final interment will be in Evergreen Memorial Gardens, in Wilson, NC, on Saturday, November 21, 2015 at 2:00 PM.

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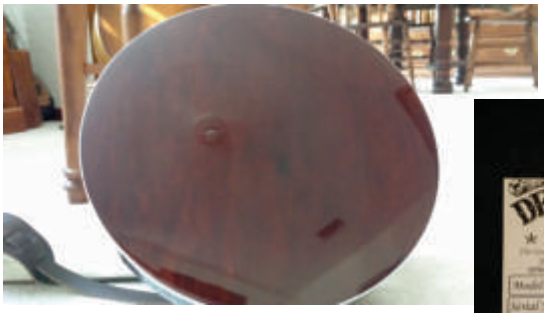

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About BABA

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

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The August show bands are: 7:00 PM Almost Heaven 8:00 PM White Dove 9:00 PM Brazos River Pickers

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Q: What's the difference between a keyboard and a synthesizer?
A: Who cares – neither one's a guitar.

Q: What do you call a successful mandolin player?
A: A guy whose wife has 2 jobs.

Q: Did you hear about the fiddle player who was in tune?
A: Neither have I.

Q: How many guitar players does it take to cover "Wagon Wheel?
A: Evidently all of them.

Q: What's one way to paralyze a musician?
A: Tell him the red light is on.

Q: How can you tell when a banjo is out of tune?
A: The strings are vibrating.

Q: What's black and blue and laying in a ditch?
A: An editor who's told too many musician jokes.

(blame the editor)

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PICK YOUR NEWS

Been waiting for a new Grascals album? You're gonna be happy about 2016. Look for their new release *And Then There's This*, their first new CD since John Bryan, on vocals and guitar, joined the band earlier this year. You can pre-order the album on iTunes right now and get an immediate download of the single *I Know Better*, or you can buy the single separately.

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Susie's Pick: The Howlin' Brothers. Here's a bit from their bio - "The Howlin' Brothers are a Nashville based string band composed of Ian Craft, JT Huskey and Jared Green. Anchored in a bed of old-time blues and bluegrass, their upbeat shows are heavy with original and traditional music, featuring the sounds of slide banjo, harmonica and old-time fiddle. Sounding like what would happen if a bunch of Appalachian punk rockers formed a jug-band, The Howlin' Brothers play with a ferocious energy that drags you in and finds you boogieing along in spite of yourself."
Susie's kind of like that Smith-Barney commercial. When she talks, everybody listens! So I listened. My first impression was "Man, there's some grit in them strings!" Check them out at this website: http://thehowlinbrothers.com/ Their music is available on their website, and in iTunes.

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Christmas Bluegrass Music! Antique Persuasion will release a Christmas album on November 27, title *Christmas Time's a-Comin*. The EP will be offered for sale at popular digital resellers on November 27... you can already pre-order at Amazon and listen to it while eating leftover turkey!

MEMBERSHIP LEVELS

JOIN: at the show, or online

Individual Membership: $35.00 annually

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Gold Club Membership Individual: $100.00 annually

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WHODUNIT AT THE LAST SHOW?

Could we put on ANY shows without our volunteers? NO! Tell them thank you when you pass by one of 'em.

BANDS

OUT OF THE BLUE
SOUTHERN STYLE
THE DREADFUL NAUGHTS

EMCEE

Ron Hayden

MEMBERSHIP

Sharon Stafford

SET UP & TAKE DOWN

Roger Eklund, O. K. Stafford, Izzy , Rick Kirkland, Lynn Holbrook

SOUND

Roger Eklund, Izzy

FOOD

Sandi Cook
Sheryl Holland

TABLE

Shannon Sims, Sharon Stafford

Are you and your bluegrass or bluegrass gospel band interested in playing at one of our regular monthly shows in League City?
We're always happy to have our regular great bands for repeat performances, or new groups to spice things up a bit!
Contact Lynn Holbrook at 832-584-5575 or email him at rlynnholbrook@gmail.com

SLOW JAM

Laney Sims

SPECIALS at the BABA Table

November: we have a selection of Bluegrass CDs that were donated for sale as part of our fund-raising efforts. Come and add to your stash, or donate some more that you can spare.

BE SURE TO THANK THEM!

PHOTOS from the October Show & Jam

THAT'S A LOT OF HAPPY PEOPLE...JOIN 'EM!

See them all at: https://baba123.smugmug.com/Music/BABA-Show-October-17-2015/

Thanks to Doc Henley for the photos while Travis was gone!

OUT OF THE BLUE

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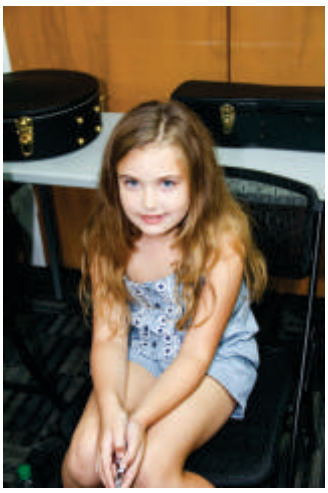

Texas Bluegrass Jams & Shows

Combined list from **Bay Area Bluegrass Association** and **Central Texas Bluegrass Association**: If you're in Southeast to Central Texas, 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)

Tuesdays

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

Sugarland: 6:30 to 9:00 PM, 1st Presbyterian Church, 502 Eldridge Rd, Sugarland. Bluegrass and accoustic instruments only. Contact samgrice@windstream.net or 832-428-3165

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)

Houston: 4th Wednesday7PM to 9PM, Old Time Music jam, Pizza Inn, 1801 Mangum Rd, @W 18th & Mangum Rd just outside the NW Loop. Contact Steve Bing, 225-405-9707

Thursdays

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

Cypress: Every 1st, 3rd & 5th Thursday, 12:30 - 3PM, Weekly Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd, Cypress. Email: tonynema@earthlink.net or phone 281-373-1777

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

Cypress: 2nd Friday, 4 to 8:30PM, show & jam atWeekley Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd. For info: Tony & Nema Redding, 281-373-177, email tonynema@earthlink.net or check the website www.bluegrassrising.net

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 crossroadsbluegrass@yahoo.com 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 Friend - Phone 409-866-0848

Bellville: 4th Saturday, 4 PM jam & 6 PM show Jan through Sept, Coushatte RV Ranch, Email coleebiller@aol.com.com, phone 936-697-5949, website www.TXBluegrassMusic.com

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

DON'T STOP NOW, WE'RE JUST GETTING STARTED! CONTINUED ON NEXT PAGE.....

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

Saturdays continued

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

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

Glen Rose: 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

Liberty Hill: 4th 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

Magnolia: 1st Saturday, Jam @ 4 PM, stage show 6-9 PM featuring 3-4 local bands. Texas Olde Tyme 1st Saturday Bluegrass Show & Jam, West Montgomery County Community Development Center, 31355 Friendship Drive, Magnolia TX 77355-2603. Contact Bobby Stem 281-744-7652 Website: www.totbgb.com

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, The Garrett House. May be cancellations due to weather/scheduling; Contact Lonnie Clover at lrclover@msn.com before travelling. Jam starts @ 10 AM until 2 PM or so.

Needville: 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

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

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TO ALL FUDDRUCKER'S JAMMERS:

If you like the Fudd's jams but haven't been getting your monthly email reminder, shoot us an email request at: bayareabluegrass2@aol.com. If you'd like to be added to the list, just let us know!

Join us at Fuddrucker's, NASA Parkway, on the FIRST TUESDAY of every month for dinner and jamming. Turn in a BABA 'coupon' and we will receive a percentage of your food and drink purchase price as a donation from Fudd's. Great food, great friends, great bluegrass....how good can it get?! See Rick Kirkland for a coupon at the Jam.

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KAMU - FM 90.9 SAT 7-8 PM College Station, Dave Higgs (Nashville)

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FIDDLE WORKSHOP AT THE JANUARY SHOW!

GLORIBELLE KELLY WILL BE INSTRUCTING

Cost is $35, or free to BABA Members. More details in the December Newsletter, but be ready!
6PM at the Civic Center