5820 Misty Meadow, League City, TX 77573

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Our BABA family lost another member this month. On Thursday September 5th, Ondrel King Stafford Jr. (known to all as OK) loving husband and father, passed away at the age of 90.



OK was born on July 26th, 1929 to Ondrel and Ruby Stafford in Hamtramck, Michigan. He was the first member of his family to attend and graduate from college ultimately achieving a Masters degree. OK served in both the US Army and Air Force. As a member of NASA he was heavily involved with our nation's space initiative as it grew from the Mercury program through the space shuttle. OK has been a fixture around BABA as long as I can remember. He was always pitching in to help get the show ready to go on. We'll miss you and your smiling face, OK.

I sure hope you can make it to the show this month. There is construction on 45 again.

If you are coming from the north on 45, get off at NASA parkway and turn onto HWY 3. This will be much easier. Please travel safely.

Thanks to everyone who pitched in and helped with all the work it takes to put on these BABA shows. From booking bands, setting up and taking down the sound equipment, running the slow jam, The BABA table, the food and drinks, and then cleaning up after the show, there is a lot involved. A few more volunteers would sure make it a lot easier on those who work so hard.

We need help in several locations as we're wearing out the members that work so hard.

Pitch in and give us a hand if you can. On the bright side, I am looking forward to this month's show where Southern Style Bluegrass Band will start us off with some great tunes. Then Bluegrass Solutions will entertain the crowd with their cool, favorite songs. And last but never least will be Strings Over Texas with their excellent musicians and all the talents they bring to BABA. We are very blessed to have so much local talent. There will also be snacks and treats at the food table where there is a lot to be thankful for. BABA is only as strong as its members. Your membership and donations are what keeps the doors open. Without your support there won't be any shows.

Keep on picking

Rick

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PATIENCE PLEASE:

New newsletter writers Amy and Pauline

Show Lineup!

Southern Style Bluegrass Solution Strings Over Texas



Johnnie Arolfo Civic Center, 400 West Walker, League City, Texas













HEY MEMBERS!

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

We 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!

P.S. You can join and renew there, too.

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of the writers alone and
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BLUEGRASS IN THE NEWS WHAT HAPPENED?



Everyone had a jammin' good time at Salmon Lake

BLUEGRASS IN THE NEWS WHAT ELSE HAPPENED?

Iconic Wall Street bull attacked by banjo wielding man



A Texas truck driver attacked the "Charging Bull" statue... Tevon Varlack... can be heard calling the iconic bronze bull "the devil" as he hacks away at the statue — with each impact sending out a loud, percussive clang.

"I've seen people kiss the balls of the bull, I've seen them kiss it," said Shandu Marks of Queens, "I've seen them hump it... But I've never seen anyone do anything like that... All he was calling it was 'the devil,' and he was talking a whole bunch of holy stuff.. At first I was going to try to stop him, but I thought differently because of that banjo."

He said Varlack was there preaching gospel for about two hours before the attack. Despite the attack, Marks said the Texan didn't seem like a threat to anyone but the metal bull.

Marks... said the "banjo" appeared to have been reinforced with steel, which left a gash in the bull's right horn.

Https://nypost.com/2019/09/08/watch-texas-man-Source: attacks-charging-bull-statue-with-fortified-banjo/ Video not shown Note-ables
Music Lessons? Pg 1/3
By Chip Bach

I enjoy music! You, too, huh? Playing music increases my enjoyment exponentially. Plus, the music lessons from which I have learned over the years have become an integral part of who I am today!



"Wait," you ask, "you took lessons?" Well actually, yes, I did take lessons. But I haven't had any recurring or regular lessons since I was 13 (I've had a few one-time one-on-one lessons along the way). The lessons I speak of here are not the lessons I took to learn to play music, but rather, the lessons that I have learned through a lifetime of playing music.

Responsibility: I learned early that "it's either in your lap or in the case." This makes a lot of sense. Fortunately, this lesson was learned with only a few instrument dings and bumps and perhaps some frayed nerves. In my college days, a good-natured midnight raid into my dorm room by a fellow student through the unlocked, first-floor window of my dorm room resulted in my guitar performing a rather loud face-plant. It carried bruises from that fall. Within the last couple years, I saw a father and son ALMOST come to blows, when the father hopped up and sat on the open tailgate of his own pickup truck. The son became perturbed when his dobro (which had originally been propped up against the same tailgate) fell to the ground separating the neck from the body. Thankfully, no blows were delivered. After mentoring my grandkids on mandolin and ukulele for a few weeks, it has been a real joy to see the seriousness my 9 year old granddaughter, and my 5 year old grandson, when explaining the "case or lap" rule to others. She is showing responsibility.

Practice Makes Perfect: We all see the improvement that practice makes. Improved playing always means greater enjoyment! Mixed in here is work ethic. I can remember in my teens, playing the banjo, by myself, continuously for periods greater than just a few hours. Sometimes I do think I should introduce myself as, "Hello, my name is Chip. I am a mandoholic." But hard work, dedication and follow through often become ingrained in music students who have taken up the craft. These values quite often transfer to activities outside of music. As teachers and/or parents, it is imperative that we keep the fun-to-work ratio heavily weighted towards the fun aspect of music when we teach our younger kids. So far so good with Piper! Her mama tells me she practices daily. During our last sit down (lesson), Piper showed me some right hand picking exercises that she made up herself! They were spot on! She will be a great one, because practice makes perfect.

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Perfect Practice Makes Perfect: I took a single one-on-one lesson with Jim Hurst a few years back (great guy as well one of the best on the six string). Jim asked me, "How much do you practice?" I answered, "Jim, I'm probably playing the guitar or mandolin for a total of 6-10 hours a day!" Obviously, I had hoped that this would impress Jim, but he replied, "No ... how many hours a day do you practice?" My puzzled look, resulted in a discussion of the differences between playing tunes and practicing. Jim said that he put 3 one-hour sessions on his calendar each week. During these sessions, he would do scales, arpeggios, right-hand exercises, chordal scales, and he would play tunes in non-standard keys (to which he demonstrated a cool version of Wildwood Flower in Eb). Practice efficiently and effectively! Watch your posture! Try to have a purpose or goal each time you pick up your instrument. Set goals for yourself. PRACTICE! In my pre-retirement working role, we used to say, "We work as we train, and we train as we work." Good lesson, and music reinforces it. Make your practice perfect!

The Thinking Musician: Those fog-clearing insight moments which result in (what feels like) a quantum step in my understanding of the mandolin, come when I find a new pattern. The pattern can involve either or both hands. Efficient practice requires a fully engaged brain! Foster and encourage your own "musical curiosity." Explore, in depth, those new accidental licks, that sound really cool. Record them. My granddaughter's development of new right hand exercises was a result of a fully engaged brain processing what her ears and fingers were telling her. Yes, there are times when playing an instrument can seem almost meditative, but most of the time, for most of us, the more thinking the brain, the prettier the music!

Timing, Timing: JD Crowe is known for his amazing timing. Both he and John Hartford said in interviews something to the effect that good music is all about the space between the notes. Hmm. Could he mean timing? Well, JD's timing is impeccable. I think that for many years, I failed to adequately focus on improving my timing. I rarely used and therefore had difficulty playing with a metronome. I didn't place enough emphasis on Timing, Timing. Timing and bluegrass are like, well, to quote Forest Gump, "like peas and carrots!" Spend time with a metronome, metronome-type program, or rhythm producing software (I use Strum Machine every-single-day). It will pay huge dividends for you in the long run. I promise. The ability to hold a tempo (and perhaps the importance of being able to do so) is perhaps best demonstrated by Earl Scruggs and brother Horace starting a tune on the front porch, than each walking opposite ways around the house until they met again at the porch. If, when they re-met back at the porch, their timing was not in sync, they would do it again, and again, until they got it. Timing, Timing, Timing!

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Keep a Life Balance: Perhaps one of the hardest lessons for me to learn. Unfortunately, I seem to have to periodically re-learn this lesson. Also, unfortunately, my body may responds rather negatively if I play too much music. But, Music is fun! Music is rewarding! I gotta pick! We've all heard the quote, "Lord, give me coffee to change the things I can, and music to accept the things I can't." Sometimes I think I need a bit more coffee and a bit less music. As an adult, I should know that if I over-do it, my left wrist will complain for days! Well, I should know that by now. Do other things. Be rounded. Put down the music sometimes. Keeping a life balance is especially important for our kids. If especially driven, they may need our help. It is especially important that we don't over-do the music with our kids. Our part, in my opinion, is to keep it fun! Do stuff! Go play outdoors! Many kids have given up music due to being burned out! Keep a Life Balance!

Be a Team Picker: Music is a team sport, especially our traditional and acoustic bluegrass. It was played by family and friends on the front porch, or in a barn while supplying dance music. The end product is nearly always better if there is a spirit of cooperation. Cooperation is best achieved when each individual in a group of musicians does all they can to make the other musicians as well as the group product sound the very best they can possibly be. Try to be mindful of your fill-ins and doodles. Give others an opportunity to be heard. If you can't hear the lead instrument or the vocalist over your own playing, back down. Maintain a sense of humility, recognizing that everyone can add to the enjoyment of the music. I have always maintained, I'd far rather play music with a beginning player who is pleasant, cooperative, encouraging than with a seasoned, but unpleasant, picker. Be a team picker!

Have Fun!: When I watch a bluegrass band on stage the amount of fun that I experience is directly proportional to the amount of fun the band appears to be having! Promise! It's the same in a jam. "If you're happy and you know it, clap your hands!" As a topper, to really help the whole group have more fun, signal when you like what you hear a fellow picker do during her break. One other thing... If you don't know what I mean when I say "Guitar-Face," you need to do a search for it on YouTube and get familiar with it. Then you need to practice it. Then, during jams, stage shows, etc, you need to put on your greatest Guitar-Face ever! Next time we see each other, let me tell you a story about my 9 year old granddaughter's guitar-face! Have Fun!

Keep Picking! Chip Bach

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Interested in adding your band to this list? Contact Lynn Holbrook at 832-584-5575 or email him at rlynnholbrook@gmail.com

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.

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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

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Lifetime Member Family: \$500.00

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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'.

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

Doug Averitt, Mike & Pat Conwell, Dr. John Doyle, Mack Himel, Rick Kirkland family, Robert Manning, Ronald Moore, Marlene Payne, 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, Roger & Pauline Eklund,
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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 &
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Editor's note:

In case you haven't read Rick's front page note every month, he wasn't kidding.

We're losing worker bees faster than we're getting volunteers.

If you still want the benefit of the monthly shows, we need H. E. L. P.

Membership BABA table Sound

Billing (Ads & Membership) Member drawing Prizes
Pass the Bucket Backup Photographer
Food Table Take-down

SEE: RICK, ROGER, or ARVIN

Stringing You Along



My goal in life? Simple. I just want to be able to play music until I'm





The tale of one eyed Bob











WHAT WILL HAPPEN?



Michael Martin Murphy
Thursday Oct 17th @ 7:30

Multi grammy nominee singer-songwriter Songs include: Wildfire, Carolina n the Pines and A long Line of Love

Bayou Theatre 2700 Bay Area Blvd.





Sam Bush Band added to Bloomin' Bluegrass Lineup

Make plans to attend our big 10th anniversary Bloomin' Bluegrass Festival at Farmers Branch Historical Park on Friday & Saturday October 18-19, 2019!

Bloomin' Bluegrass, nominated for the IBMA Event of the Year Award in 2014 and 2017, is presented by the City of Farmers Branch and Bluegrass Heritage Foundation.



We're excited to announce that the Sam Bush Band is scheduled to appear on the Bloomin' Bluegrass stage on Saturday, Oct. 19!

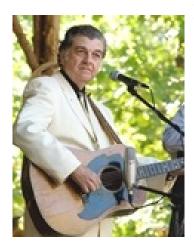
The lineup of artists scheduled to appear includes:

- The Del McCoury Band
- The Sam Bush Band
- Doyle Lawson & Quicksilver
- Travelin' McCourys
- The Purple Hulls

- Larry Sparks & the Lonesome Ramblers
- The Kruger Brothers
- Sierra Hull & Justin Moses
- Chatham County Line
- Texas & Tennessee, featuring John R. Bowman & Steve Huber

WHAT WILL HAPPEN?





If you stay two nights at the Omni Dallas Hotel at Park West, our host hotel, your room package will include two full-weekend passes;

Our special bluegrass weekend has \$99 discounted rates.

The Omni festival package also includes shuttle service to the festival, free parking, and free breakfast!

Book today before all the rooms are full!

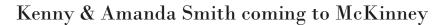
The hotel will provide your festival passes when you check in.

Make your reservation online today!

If you don't plan to stay at Omni, you'll want to get your weekend passes online in advance. Full-weekend passes are **only \$15** if purchase online in advance, and passes are ON SALE NOW!

Passes will also be available at the gate, subject to availability, for \$10/day on Friday and Saturday.

Children 12 and under get in free with a paid adult.



Bluegrass Saturday Night at the

McKinney Performing Arts Center

featuring

Kenny & Amanda Smith Band

Sgt Pepper's Lonely Bluegrass Band

with

special guest **Downtown String Band**

Saturday Nov. 16, 2019





Jams and Shows newly updated August 2019

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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 town/city then days of the week, so check your area for events and please tell us if you know of an open jam to share with other players. Also, Call ahead if possible or check websites to make sure jams are still active.

AUSTIN AREA, CTBA

- EVERY SUNDAY, CTBA, 3-5 PM, at Oskar Blues Brewery,
- 2nd & 4th Saturday, CTBA, Beginner/Intermediate Jam 3-5 PM, at Wildflower Terrace, 3801 Berkman Drive, Info: Steve Mangold, fiddlersam@sbcglobal.net
- Every Tuesday, Texas Old Time Fiddling, 8-10 PM, at Scholz Garten, Info: 1607 San Jacinto, (512) 474-1958
- **Every Wednesday**, Open Jam, 6-10 PM, at the VFW Post 3377, Info: 12921 Lowden Lane, Manchaca, Intermediate all pickers welcome, Dave Stritzinger (512) 689-4433
- **3**rd **Thursday**, 7:15-9:45 pm 9900 west Palmer Lane Musician's Woodshed, 78738, themusicianswoodshed.com
- 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 PM, Bruce Manbridge's home. Contact Steve Mangold for all Austin Jam info, 512-345-6155

BELLVILLE

 4th Saturday (Jan. - Sep.), Spring Creek Club Jam & Show, 4 PM - Jam, 6:30 PM - Show, at Coushatte Recreation Ranch, Info: (979) 865-5250, coleebiller@aol.com

BLANCO

 1st Saturday, 2-5 PM, at the Dosser Residence, 3387 Cox Rd., Info: Deanna Dosser (830) 554-0006

Bluffdale

• Every Thursday Jam and Potluck.

Cedar Point Community Building. 2481 & 205 Bluffdale, TX 76433

BOERNE

• 2nd & 4th Saturday, Boerne Pickers Jam, at THe AgriCultural, Boerne, 1-3 PM, 102 City Park Road, Info: contact Dave Moore (210) 846-9745, dmboerne@gvtc.com

CLEBURNE

 2nd & 4th Friday, NTB Show and Jam, 7 PM, at Senior Citizen Center behind Cleburne Civic Center, Info: 1501 W. Henderson (Hwy 67) Bluegrass, Old Country & Gospel Senior Center. Coffee & refreshment donations welcome. Vestal & Roy Riddle 254-582-2948

Cypress:

- **Every Monday** 6:30-9:00 PM, Weekly Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd (North @ Longenbaugh) Rooms 403 & 404 Email tonynema@earthlink.net, phone 281-373-177
- Every 3rd & 5th Thursday, 12:30 3PM, Weekly Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd, Cypress.
 Email: tonynema@earthlink.net or phone 281-373-1777

Jams and Shows

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FAYETTEVILLE

 2nd Saturday (Jan.-Nov.), Fayetteville Picking Park, Jam, 1-? PM, on the Courthouse Square, Slow Jam - 1 PM, contact: Lou-Lou Barbour (979) 451-0067 or banjobooklady@yahoo.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

Georgetown

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

GLEN ROSE

 3rd Saturday, All Day, Oakdale Park, Info: Paluxy River Bluegrass Assn., free stage show, camping encouraged. Potluck & jam Friday night before. Jim Chapman, (469) 231-6616

2019 Glen Rose Fall Bluegrass Jamboree

October 3, 4 & 5, 2019. Special Consensus.Farm Hands.The Baker Family. Lots More --Gospel Music Day, Thursday, Oct. 3, 2019.

Farm Hands. Robertson County Line. The Baker Family. and Others

Grapevine (NEW ENTRY)

 2nd Saturday Southwest Bluegrass Club Meeting, Show and Jam in Grapevine. 11:00 AM to 3:00 PM at the First Baptist Church, 301 E. Texas St., Grapevine, TX (North West side by the Gym) Debbie Morrow: 817-798-1334. www.southwestbluegrassclub.org

GARLAND

• **Every Saturday** (Mar. - Nov.), Bluegrass on the Square, 7:30PM-1AM, Info: at 6th between Main and State Sts.

Harwood

 3rd Saturday, 5-9 PM, Jam & Stage Show. Also a dinner break/ potluck at 6 pm. 9 mi east of Luling, Hwy 90. Tony Conyers 512-293-9162

HENLY

• **LAST Saturday**, Dally's Down Under: Jam, 2 PM, Info: Between Dripping Springs & Johnson City, contact Cliff by email or phone (701) 770-8962 for more

HONDO

 1st Friday, Hondo Hootenanny, 11 AM, at Hondo Community Center, 1014 E. 18th St., (830) 426-2831

HOUSTON

Old Time Music jam, NW Loop area.

Contact Steve Bing, 225-405-9707 for times and Location

- 2nd Saturday, 7:30 PM Houston Folklore Society, Admission charged and not always bluegrass, West University Community Building, 6104 Auden. Phone 281-347-3235
- 3rd Saturday North Harris County Dulcimer Society. see website. 2:00 PM, Advent Luthern Church 5820 Pinemont Dr
- Wednesdays "Northwest Houston" by the Sam Houston Horse Race Track Bluegrass Jam at Hickory Hollow, 6:30-8:45PM 8038 Fallbrook Drive; All skill levels welcome
- Mondays The Americana, 2957 Bingle Rd. 6:30-9PM; theamericanahouston.com

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JOHNSON CITY

- **3rd Saturday** (Jan. Nov.), Jam, 2-6 PM, at The Dome, Info: 706 W. Main St., Hwy 290 W, Charlene Crump (512) 632-5999
- LAST Saturday, Pedernales Trading Post: Jam, 2 PM, Info: contact Cliff by email or phone (701) 770-8962 for more

LEAGUE CITY

 3rd Saturday (Jan. - Nov.), Bay Area Bluegrass Jam & Free Bluegrass Show, Jam - 5 PM, Show - 6:30 PM, at League City Civic Center, Info: 300 W. Walker St., (281) 636-9419
 Liberty Hill

• 4th Saturday, 1-6 PM, Hwy 29 West. Phone Paula 512-778-5410

LILLIAN

• **2nd Saturday**, 4 PM Jam, 7 PM Show, at First Baptist Church, Info: Dale Brawner - (972) 935-4525

LLANO

 4th Saturday, Open Bluegrass Jam, 2-5 PM, at the Fuel Coffee House, Info: info@BluegrassInTheHillCountry.org

MEDINA

- **2nd Tuesday**, All Gospel Jam, 6 PM, at the First Baptist Church, Info: Linda Barton (830) 589-2486
- **2nd Friday**, Jam Session, 6-? PM, at the Masonic Lodge, Medina, Info: Maude Arnold (830) 796-8422

Montgomery

 1st Saturday, The Garrett House. May be cancellations due to weather/scheduling; Contact Lonnie Clover at Irclover@msn.com before travelling. Jam starts @ 10 AM until 2 PM

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

**Oakdale Park (NEW ENTRY)

- 3rd Weekend Show and Jam
 - --Friday: Jamming.
 - --Saturday: Association meeting 2:00 to 3:00.

Free Stage Show starting at 6:30. At least 3 bands will perform. Jamming throughout the day. Jim Chapman 469-231-6616

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, Pearl Bluegrass Jam & Stage Show, Jam all day/night, Stage show 12:15 - 6:15 PM, food and RV hookups available. Pearl Community Center, on FM 183, 7 mi South of Purmela, info@pearlbluegrass.com; www.pearlbluegrass.com

Jams and Shows

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ROUND ROCK

• **3rd Saturday**, Open Jam, 2-5 PM, at Round Rock Public Library, Info: contact Larry French (512) 632-7250

SAN ANTONIO

• Every Monday, "In-A-Jam" Bluegrass Jam Session, 6:30-8:30 PM, at The BBQ Station, Info: 1610 N. E. Loop 410, (210) 824-9191 HerbKnowlson or Sheryl Sultenfuss

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 1st & 3rd Tuesday, Jam, 6 PM, at Schulenburg RV ParkCommunity Center, 65 N. Kessler Ave.,

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Sugarland

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

TOMBALL

• 4th Saturday, Jam, Noon-4 PM, at Kleb Woods Nature Center, 20301 Mueschke Rd., Info: (281) 373-1777 or (281) 910-4396

ADD-ONS TO THE BLUEGRASS JAMS! AND ADDITIONAL INFORMATION!



Glen Rose, Texas



2019 Fall Bluegrass Jamboree October 3rd, 4th, 5th

Robinson County Line, Thurs
The Baker Family, Thurs, Fri
The Herrins, Fri
The Farm Hands, Thursday
Mark Phillips & III Generation, Fri, Sat
Bluegrass Outlaws, Fri, Sat
Special Consensus, Fri, Sat
The Paluxy Pickers, Sat
Bobby Giles & Texas Gales, Sat
Downtown String Band Sat

Admission
Day Tickets
3 Day \$50
Thursday \$20
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Evening after 6:00
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Friday/Saturday \$15
Kids 16 & under: FREE

Show Times:

Thurs: 2:00 - 9:00

Friday: 12:30 - 11:00

Saturday: 10:00 - 11:00

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Oakdale Park, 1019 N.E. Barnard Street, Glen Rose, Texas

GOSPEL MUSIC DAY-----THURSDAY, OCTOBER 3, 2019 2:00-4:35 P.M. and 6:50-9:15 P.M.

Tickets: \$20 all day or \$10 evening. 16 and under free. Bring chairs.

For Tickets: 254-897-3081

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Southern Style had a great time at Salmon Lake!

Join us next time!











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 6:00 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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There were many donations make to the Floyd Salmon Memorial Scholarship Fund and we thank you. But we need more money donated throughout the year to continue to provide scholarships to these young bluegrass music students for 2020. Anything you can give will help!

Now we have the last festival coming up next month: Pickin' & Grinnin'! Make plans to attend because it will be a blast! Don't forget the **Early Bird Deadline** for tickets is **October 15th** so get them as soon as possible so you won't forget!

We're looking forward to seeing you again at Pickin' & Grinnin' at Coushatte RV Park October 24, 25, and 26th!

Best regards,
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Dueling Hearts, August 2019



Pet Rooster, August 2019





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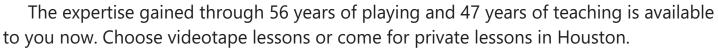
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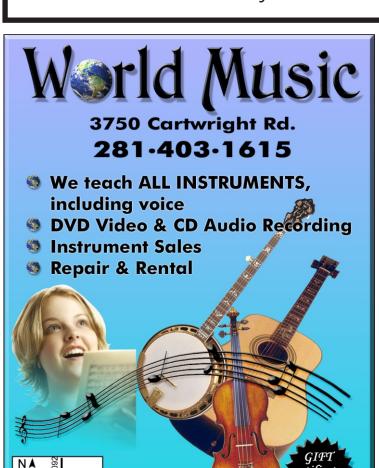
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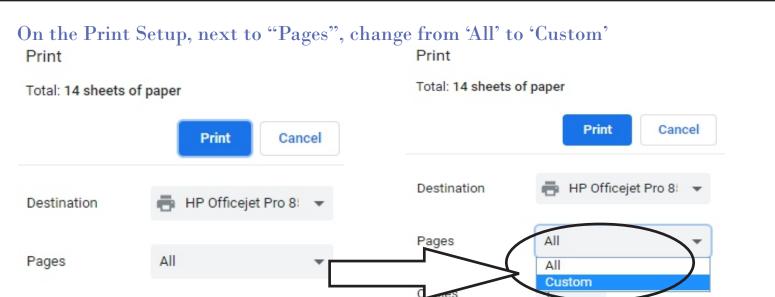
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