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Bluegrassing

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THE BAY AREA BLUEGRASS ASSOCIATION

Don't forget!

May 2022

This month, the May show is on the 2nd Saturday, May 14, 2022

Hey Bluegrass Buddies!

It's time to make plans to be at the BABA show May 14th this month! The state of Texas has the building for elections on the 3rd Saturday.

Southern Style is filling in again this month and then Strings Over Texas swinging it along for us. I know Lynn picked up some new tunes at the Bob Wills festival last week so they will be bringing it.

Don't you just love our new home?

The city of Webster has been a real pleasure to work with and they're all nice people.

From the folks at city hall, and security, to the set up crew. You've made us feel welcome.

Say hi to them when you see them around at the show.

Job well done, Webster.

Thanks to the unpaid volunteers that work to keep the show going! The setup crew, the sound guys, the kitchen ladies and Arvin, the membership people, and the Slow Jam crew. All are the best. Give them a thanks, it goes a long way!

Don't forget BABA is nothing without you. Your membership and donations keep the show going. Thank you!!!! The Bay Area Bluegrass Association is proud to announce our May show for Saturday May 14 , 2022.

Southern Style Bluegrass Band will open the show at 6:30 and Strings Over Texas will be headlining at 7:30. Doors open at 3:30 for folks who want to get there early for the open pick or attend the beginner's pick. The event is free to the public, family friendly, alcohol free and will have lots drinks and snacks available. Hope to see you there.

Southern Style Bluegrass Band 6:30





Strings Over Texas 7:30





Lonestar Bluegrass Band





WHO DUNNIT AT THE LAGT GHOW

Southern Style Bluegrass Band and Lonestar Bluegrass Band

Roger Eklund John Doyle

Sheryl & Arvin Holland Elaine Bergernon



Rick Kirkland Arvin Holland

Roger Eklund John Doyle Doug Lindsay

Ron Moore and Betty Moore

Doug Lindsey



Rick Kirkland Dick Schaffhausen





Bluegrass Isn't Dead

By: Carol E. Vaughn, BABA member

Folks fretting about a future generation of bluegrassers need not worry; Billy Strings is taking care of that.

At a recent String's concert held at new music venue "Music Hall," downtown's converted post office, we saw Millennials in masses.

Strings and other young entertainers like Molly Tuttle are bringing over the coverts. It's only a matter of time.

Of course, Boomers like us were there mostly in the seated areas. But a bulk of the approximate 3,500-plus String's enthusiasts included a mass of 20-40 year olds congregated on the standing-room-only first floor. Many might not even have a knowledge of bluegrass history, but they clearly loved the music.

The guitar-prodigy gave everyone a good dose of fusion jam during the three-plus-hours concert.

He grew up learning bluegrass with his daddy. Along the way he realized a love for 70's rock.

The 29-year-old gave fast evidence of his ability to meld the two music genres, and the crowd clearly ate it up.

His bluegrass hit "Dust in a Baggie" morphed into Pink Floyd's "Brain Damage." Rising improv violinist Alex Hargreaves joined the band of five on the Houston leg and offered heat to the song "The Fire on my Tongue" with mandolinist Jarrod Walker, Texan bassist Royal Masat and banjoist Billy Failing.

After a brief 15-minute intermission, Strings returned with a meld of rock and bluegrass with the Doors' "Hyacinth House" and his own composition "Thunder." Strings didn't neglect his bluegrass roots, and the young crowd was clearly on board, thrilled to hear classics like "Mountain Dew," Doc Watson's "Walk on Boy" and Ralph Stanley's "White Dove."

True to his musical elasticity, Strings included a polka tune "Just Because" before the end of show, subjecting a young crowd to an additional genre.

So be not worried about a future generation of bluegrassers.

With "Renewal," the Michigan native who now lives in Nashville is doing his part to spread the good word.

Billy Strings



"Be a mentor to new and young musicians. They www.musiciansunite.com are the future of music. Let's help ensure that future is a bright one!!"



Bluegrass out in the Community: We are taking Bluegrass music to places where folks have not heard or lately seen our music genre represented in hopes that they will find us and become a part of BABA and other groups across Texas. Keeping Bluegrass Alive: (send in your pictures with explanation of where you were out playing and what response you got) Southern Style Bluegrass Band performed at a prairie in LaPorte for the Native Prairies Association of Texas in April and even played the prairie chicken Dance.





You know you're from Texas when ...





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HOW A CAT SCAN REALLY WORKS Wife: "I have blisters on my hands from the broom."

> Husband: "Next time take the car, silly."

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THE MOMENT YOU REALIZE YOU'

BEEN IN WEST TEXAS TOO LONG.

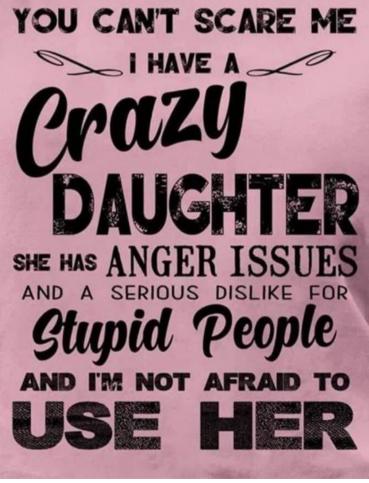
* CUTE AMBASSADORS OF TERROR SQUAD



STRONG COFFEE AND A SHORT FRIDAY

Funny Coffee Memes





Sorry, Amy!

I GAVE HIM A REASON TO BE THERE

SINCE HE INSISTS

ON FOLLOWING ME IN



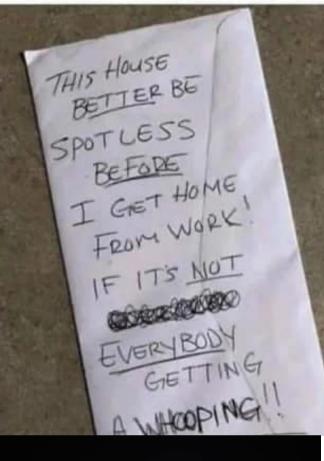


When you return home after a visit with Grandma...





This is how our parents **I DON'T CARE IF YOU'RE A DOCTOR**, used to text back in the day AN ENGINEER OR A ROCKET SCIENTIST





NOBODY GETS THE PRODUCE BAG OPEN ON THE FIRST TRY

My toxic trait is that I think another cup of coffee is the solution to literally any problem.





"Your playing was so-so, but your facial expressions were absolutely phenomenal!"

BABA pics from the April Show





















Membership Levels

JOIN: Online or at the show

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'.

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!

Foundation Members: Endowment Gift Members: Ed Fryday, Mike Fuller, Chris Bagley Phil & Fern Deans, Pat Lomas, Lisa Maranto

Members' names are in alphabetical order

Gold Club Members

Doug Averitt, Mike & Pat Conwell, Dr. John Doyle, Mack Himel, Rick Kirkland family, Robert Manning, Neil Maxson, 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, Harry Edwards, John Ellisor, Ruth Evans, George Franklin, Jason & Alicia Fricke, Ed & Becky Fryday, 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, Lynn Holbrook, Arvin & Sheryl Holland, Sammy & Ottie Holloway, Jan Johnston, Stan Jones, Paul & Linda Kerr, David & Colee Littlefield, 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, Jackson Ray, Tony & Nema Redding, Karl Reid, Jack (R.I.P.) & 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, Charlene Threlkeld, David Towery, Helen Vinson, Viola Wakefield, Larry Wenner, Paul Williams.

Now that the BABA shows are up and running, we still need you to volunteer! Just grab Rick and say, "Hey! I want to help! Please tell me what to do."

Membership BABA table Sound Greeters Set-up **Member drawing Prizes Backup Photographer Take-down Billing (Ads & Membership**) **Pass the Bucket Food Table**



We need YOU

to volunteer for BABA

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.

"Once-A-Week BABA Jam"!

Luka's Barbeque and Steakhouse welcomes us to come jam on Tuesdays... EVERY WEEK!!! We arrive at 6pm, for those who want to eat, and the actual jam starts at 7pm. We love to see you there.











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SUPPORTING BANDS of the BAY AREA BLUEGRASS ASSOCIATION

ALMOST HEAVEN: Tony Redding, 281-373-1777, tonynema@earthlink.net; www.bluegrassrising.net/#!about-our-band/c1mys

THE BLUEGRASS SOLUTION: Mike Fuller, 281-989-8719, mike@fullersguitar.com; www.thebluegrasssolution.com

THE BRAZOS RIVER PICKERS: Bob Young, 713-249-8115, bob.young@spectracf.com ; www.brazosriverpickers.com

THE GREER FAMILY BAND (Brenham): Lawrence Greer, 979-454-1120, lgreer@txsun.net ; www.greerfamilyband.com

THE LAUGHING LIZARDS STRING BAND: Steve Bing, 225-405-9707, stevebingmusic@aol.com; www.laughinglizardsband.com

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STRINGS OVER TEXAS: Lynn Holbrook, 832-584-5575

WHITE DOVE: Glen Beauboeuf, 832-289-7895 glen_angieb@yahoo.com ; Facebook - White Dove

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

Jams and Shows last updated August 2019

AUSTIN AREA, CTBA

- EVERY SUNDAY, CTBA, 3-5 PM, at Oskar Blues Brewery, 10420 Metric Blvd Ste 150, Austin
- (NEW 2022)Every Sunday 12:00-3:00 Suds Monkey Brewery and Pizzeria (12024 US-290, Austin 78737) in the breezy, open-air space of Suds Monkey's new location between Austin and Dripping Springs. For more information, see Suds Monkey's Facebook page or email CTBA board member and secretary, Natalie Turner.
- **3rd Thursday,**, 7:15-9:45 pm 9900 west Palmer Lane Musician's Woodshed, 78738, themusicianswoodshed.com (left a message)

For more information about Central Texas Jamms and shows there is a daily calendar of other events at https://centraltexasbluegrass.org/Bluegrass-Events

Clear Lake

Tuesdays 7 to 9 pm Luka's BBq and Steakhouse 17052 SATURN LN, HOUSTON, TX 77058 (281) 286-8669

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
- 2nd Friday, Show is 6:15 to 8:30 PM and the Jam is 4:00 to 8:45 PM, Auditorium. Weekly Community Center, 8440 Greenhouse Rd,(North @ Longenbaugh) Email tonynema@earthlink.net, phone 281-373-1777 or check the website www.bluegrassrising.net

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FAYETTEVILLE

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

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

GRAPEVINE

 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., (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, 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, 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

- Unknown, Contact Steve Bing, 225-405-9707 for times and Location, Old Time Music jam, NW Loop area.
- **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 Buffalo Grille Bluegrass Jam, 6-8PM, 4080 Bissonet St; All skill levels welcome
- Mondays The Americana, 2957 Bingle Rd. 6:30-9PM; theamericanahouston.com

IRVING

• 2nd & 4th Thursdays, 7 PM, Midcities Jam, in May Hall @ Kirkwood Methodist Church, 2232 West 5th St., Contact Rick (214) 693-2787

JOHNSON CITY

- **3rd Saturday (Jan. Nov.),** Jam, 2-6 PM, at The Dome, Info: 706 W. Main St., Hwy 290 W, 1111 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



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LLANO

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

MEDINA

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

NORTH RICHLAND HILLS

• 1st & 3rd Thursdays, 7 PM, Midcities Jam, 7800 Mockingbird Lane, Contact Morris (817) 994-1056

OAKDALE PARK

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

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

QUITMAN

• **2nd Friday,** Bluegrass Jam 6 - 9 PM, Quitman Public Library; 202 East Goode St, Quitman, Eugene 903-975-5745

ROUND ROCK

• 3rd Saturday, Open Jam, 2-5 PM, at Round Rock Public Library, 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, 1610 N. E. Loop 410, (210) 824-9191 HerbKnowlson or Sheryl Sultenfuss
- Every Tuesday, "Jam Session, 6:30-8:30 PM, Everyone welcome, mostly country, some bluegrass, The BBQ Station, 1610 N. E. Loop 410, (210) 824-9191 JamesMcCalla

SHULENBERG

• **1st & 3rd Tuesday,** Jam, 6 PM, at Schulenburg RV Park Community Center, 65 N. Kessler Ave., Laretta Baumgarten - (979) 743-4388, camp@schulenburgrvpark.com

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, Kleb Woods Nature Center, 20301 Mueschke Rd, Call: 281-373-1777 or 281-910-4396

WEBSTER

• **3rd Saturday (Jan. - Nov.),** Bay Area Bluegrass Jam & Free Bluegrass Show, Jam - 3:30 PM, Show - 6:30 PM, Webster Civic Center,, 311 Pennsylvania Ave., (281) 316-4108, (281) 332-1826

Woodville

• **4th Saturday** Another good picking place to go is Triple Creek RV Park in Woodville, TX where the bluegrass jam is indoors and has food and fellowship galore. You will feel right at home with the fun folks and musicians.

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