



## Membership Application

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☐ CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

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Phone # \_\_\_\_\_ # \_\_\_\_\_ Birthday \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Fiddler - \$30/year

\_\_\_\_\_ Accompanist - \$30/year

\_\_\_\_\_ Out of State Fiddler - \$30/year

\_\_\_\_\_ Associate - \$20/year

TOTAL ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 (Make checks payable to TOTFA)

☐ YES... We are a multi-membership TOTFA family, and we agree to accept a single issue of The Texas Fiddler each month in place of multiple issues.

☐ YES... I would like to start receiving my copy of The Texas Fiddler electronically, rather than by U.S. mail.

Mail application and check to:  
 Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association  
 3209 S. Fredonia  
 Nacogdoches, TX. 75964

NOTICE to TOTFA Members: If this box is checked, ☐ your TOTFA membership will expire at the end of this month. Therefore, please note that this is the last copy of The Texas Fiddler you will receive, until we receive your renewal membership. To avoid disruption to your membership, please fill out the membership form above this notice and send to the address mentioned.



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## Spring Fiddlin' Time Is HERE!!

With the 37th Annual TOTFA Contest and Convention in December, we have officially wrapped up the 2010 contest season. I would like to send out a big "THANK YOU" to everyone who made their way to Nacogdoches for the convention and everyone who participated in the contests and annual business meeting.

Special thanks goes to our host motel, the Comfort Inn & Suites, for allowing us to stay in a great location and host many great jam sessions throughout the week-end. Also special thanks to Kevin White, the owner of the Banita Creek Hall for playing host once again to our Annual Convention and Contest. We had a pretty good crowd show up throughout the week-end and they were entertained by over 35 contestants. The business meeting on Sunday featured a recap of the 2010 season which included several new contests and fundraisers in new locations such as Livingston, Menard, Allen, Wichita Falls, and Alvarado. We will continue to add new events to the TOTFA calendar for 2011 and already have some noteworthy changes this spring. On Sunday, we voted on and handed out some special yearly awards. Look for the winners listed later in this newsletter.



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The first contest of 2011 will be held the first week-end of March in Corpus Christi. The very next week-end, on March 12th, I am very happy to announce that we will once again have a TOTFA Contest in conjunction with the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. Many years ago, TOTFA had a contest there and I am excited that we are back with such a huge venue like the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. I believe this contest has the potential to become a great event for

us in the years to come. Thanks again to all who helped make the 2010 season a success and lots of fun. It's my wish that we can all pull together to make the 2011 Contest Season bigger and better. As always, we'll give you information via this newsletter, our website [www.totfa.org](http://www.totfa.org) or on facebook. I hope to see you all at a contest soon.

Happy Fiddlin'

**Bryan**



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## Upcoming Events

### Houston, TX March 12th



It's been a long time coming, but TOTFA is finally back at the 78th Annual Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo. This is a chance for our style of music to take center stage at one of the largest events in the state. Thousands of people will be there to see YOU! Our contest will be held at the Kid's Country Stage, starting at 3 p.m. Keep an eye on the website for more up-to-date information.

### Wichita Falls, TX March 19th

Once again, we are invited back to Wichita Falls and the Texoma Cowboy Church for a great little spring contest. Last year it snowed on us, but hopefully this year will be much more pleasant. The church is located at 919 Hwy 281 South, just outside of Wichita Falls. The building is on the east side of Hwy 281. There is plenty of parking and great fiddle music. Hope to see you there!



***We'll have much more news about upcoming contests in Llano, Athens, and of course the Texas State Championship Fiddlers' Frolics in Hallettsville in the next newsletter. Until then, Happy Fiddlin'!!***

# Upcoming Events

## Corpus Christi, TX March 5th - 6th

### Contest Divisions and Payouts

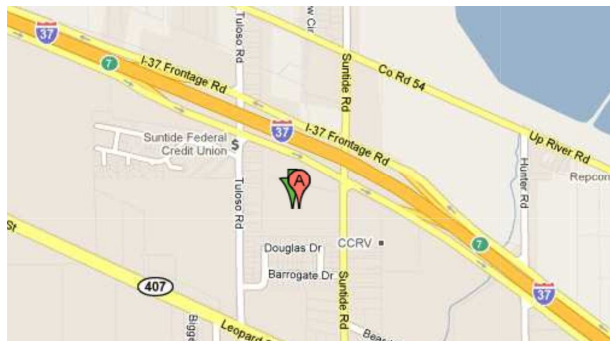
<u>0-9 Age Group</u>	<u>13-18 Age Group</u>	<u>55+ Age Group</u>
1st \$100	1st \$125	1st \$125
2nd \$ 75	2nd \$ 75	2nd \$ 75
3rd \$ 50	3rd \$ 50	3rd \$ 50
4th \$ 25	4th \$ 25	4th \$ 25
<u>10-12 Age Group</u>	<u>19-54 Age Group</u>	<u>Accompanist</u>
1st \$125	1st \$200	1st \$100
2nd \$ 75	2nd \$150	2nd \$ 75
3rd \$ 50	3rd \$100	3rd \$ 50
4th \$ 25	4th \$ 75	4th \$ 25
	5th \$ 50	

### Grand Champion

**1st - \$250    2nd - \$150    3rd - \$100    4th - \$50    5th - \$25**

- Registration will open at 8:30am on Saturday March 5<sup>th</sup>.
- 1<sup>st</sup> competition will be the 55+ age group, starting at 10:00 am, followed by 0-9 age group and progressing from there on (as each age group finishes and is judged, the next age group will begin).
- Hopefully finish all groups on Saturday and hold the open division on Sunday.
- Sunday registration starts at 10am and competition starts at 11:00 am.
- Each fiddler will be allowed one guest free of charge.

Contest located at Al Amine Shrine Temple at 2001 Suntide Rd., off I-37. Plenty of food and drink available and entertainment and dancing, too!! Hope to see everyone there!



# HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

## December

Doug Fleener	5	Caleb McGuire	16
Alex Blackwell	5	Makayla Gaby	17
Geri Franklin	6	Chris Sell	20
Katie Krahn	6	Regina Matthews	20
Ruthie Chancellor	7	Windy Surginer	22
Todd Varble	8	Howard Tweedle	27
Tom Jones	10	Jesse Roy Hart	30
Douglas Goerner	11	Betty Soloman	31
Gary Johnston	13		

## January

Vicki Raines	2	Savannah Knight	20
Bobby Scruggs	3	Morgan Norris	26
Colen Voirin	13	Sheryl Sultenfuss	27
Reagan Newberry	16	Jerry Westmoreland	28
Jessie W. Mears	19	Vernon Riddle	28
Ray Brandin	20	Brad Hawkins	31

## February

Sierra Knight	1	Wade Stockton	25
Dalton Banks	4	Hyatt Hopkins	25
John Rogers	9	Mary Stockton	26
Bobby Christman	14	Evan Meeker	27
Marilyn Anthony	17	A. E. Christopher	27
Annie Reinke	21	Brad Riley	28



# Done Gone...

## 2010 TOTFA State Convention Results

### 2010 TOTFA STATE CHAMPION

**Bubba Hopkins**



2010 TOTFA Out of State CHAMPION  
Bill Jones



2010 TOTFA Accompanist CHAMPION  
Bobby Christman

### Other Special Awards Given at Convention...



Most Improved Fiddler  
Cheyenne Craig



Favorite Accompanist  
Jim Reina



Favorite Associate  
Jennifer Nugent



2010 TOTFA Jr. STATE CHAMPION  
Faith Nugent



2010 TOTFA Sr. STATE CHAMPION  
Jesse Mears



Director's Award  
Dixie Craig



President's Award  
Lisa Hopkins

### Not Pictured

Favorite Fiddler  
Dennis Ludiker

President's Award  
Krikit Rast

**Congratulations  
To All!!!**