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Fiddle Camp Registration Officially Open

The month of May provided us with three quality contests in the cities of Groesbeck, Athens, and Early, respectively. I'm happy to report that each of these contests were very well attended in spite of the brutally hot temperatures. Thanks to everyone who have made the effort to attend all of our contests this year.



This month we have three contests of note nationwide: The 75th World Championship Contest in Crockett, Texas, The Grand Lake National Fiddle Fest in Grove, Oklahoma; and the National Oldtime Fiddler's Contest and Festival in Weiser, Idaho. If you are travelling to one of these, I'd like to wish you the best of luck and safe journeys while attending these contests this month.

In July, we have a couple of noteworthy events with the annual July 4th contest in Belton, Texas as well as a very important benefit being planned in the Ft. Worth area by Director Julie Morris. Our benefit concerts go a long way in aiding the funding of our convention and providing scholarships for fiddle camp and college so please make the effort to support the upcoming benefit in Ft. Worth. More details will be made available in next months newsletter as well as our website and Facebook page.

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In other important news, registration is now open for our 5th Annual TOTFA Fiddle Camp. You can use the registration form found inside this newsletter or download the one off the Camp's website at www.txfiddlecamp.com. The camp has grown every year and that is due mostly to the efforts of great teachers year in and year out.

This year will be no different with instructors like Wes Westmoreland, Jim Chancellor, Danita Gardner, Katie Glassman, Megan Lynch and Anthony Mature on the roster. They are all well known around the country as fantastic teachers and performers and we look forward to another outstanding camp this year. We will once again be hosted by Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches, TX and the check-in date will be Sunday, July 31st.

After many requests to add another day of lessons the past few years, we are going to try it this year and have lessons and performances Monday, August 1st through Thursday, August 4th.

As discussed last December, this year's TOTFA Fiddle Convention will be held the weekend after fiddle camp. That being the weekend of August 6th and 7th, in Nacogdoches.

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For those of you who will be attending both Fiddle Camp and Convention, you can check out of the camp dorm on Friday August 5th, and check into your motel room for the rest of the weekend, enjoying the great jamming and fellowship that our annual convention provides. This is an election year, so please make the effort to attend the convention to voice your opinion. Many more details about this year's convention will be provided in the upcoming newsletters as well as our website and Facebook page so stay tuned.

I hope to see everyone at a contest very soon.

Happy Fiddlin'

Bryan

JUNE



Bobbi Brauner	1	Bob Gardner	17
Kerri Allred	2	Ben McPherson	18
Doc Blakely	2	Billy Hopson	26
Kayla Ackerman	9	Larry Boddie	27
W.E Bill May	10	Ethan Fazier	27
Claude Horan	12	Sonny Hopkins III	28
Hannah Pryor	13	Gene Banks	30
Phyllis Frey	16		

It's That Time of Year Again!

Texas Fiddle Camp!



Fiddle & Guitar!

Fellowship!

Jamming!

Music!

**World Class
Instructors!**

Fun!

July 31 - August 5th, 2011

SFA University - Nacogdoches, Texas

All Levels!!

- Beginner**
- Intermediate**
- Advanced**

Detach the Registration Form & Medical Release from this Newsletter and complete. Mail them, with your full payment to the address indicated on the form

Come Join The Fun!!



Stephen F. Austin State University

Waiver/Medical Release form

This waiver/medical release form is for SFA use. EVERYONE (Adult Students, Non-Student Attendees/Parents/Legal Guardians, Instructors, Staff Members) MUST fill out and sign this waiver in order to attend Texas Fiddle Camp. If "Parent or Legal Guardian" does not apply, just replace with your own name, and ignore the references to "child" in the small print.

I, _____ agree that

(Parent or Legal Guardian's Name)

may participate

(Participant's Name)

in the Texas Fiddle Conference/Camp/Event, scheduled to begin on July 31, 2011, and conclude on August 5, 2011.

In consideration of participation in this conference/camp/event, I agree, on behalf of the above-named child, his/her heirs and representatives, to fully and forever release, discharge and covenant not to sue Stephen F. Austin State University, the Board of Regents, the state of Texas, their officers, servants, agents and employees (Hereinafter referred to as RELEASEES) from any and all liability. Claims, demands, damages, actions, of causes of action, whatsoever arising out of a or related to belonging to me, whether caused by the negligence of the releaseses, or otherwise, while participating in such activity, or while in on or upon the premises where the activity is being conducted or in transportation to and from said premises.

To the best of my knowledge, the above-named child can fully participate in this activity. I am fully aware of risks and hazards connected with the activity, including but not limited to the risks as noted herein, and my child hereby elects to voluntarily participate in said activity and to enter the above-named premises and engage in such activity knowing that the activity may be hazardous to my child. I voluntarily assume full responsibility for any risks of loss, property damage or personal injury, including death, that may be sustained by my child or any loss or damage to property owned by me or my child as a result of being engaged in such an activity whether caused by the negligence of releaseses or releases or otherwise.



TEXAS FIDDLE CAMP REGISTRATION FORM

JULY 31 - AUGUST 5, 2011
NACOGDOCHES, TEXAS

STUDENT:

NAME: _____ AGE: _____ ☐ M ☐ F T-SHIRT SIZE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP _____

PHONE #: _____ ☐ FIDDLE ☐ GUITAR / ☐ BEGINNING ☐ INTERMEDIATE ☐ ADVANCED

EMAIL: _____ FACEBOOK NAME: _____

HOW LONG HAVE YOU PLAYED?: _____ STYLE: _____

CAMP GOALS/REQUESTS/INTERESTS: _____

MEDICAL CONDITIONS THAT WE NEED TO BE AWARE OF: _____

PLEASE LIST ALL MEDICATIONS THAT YOU ARE TAKING AND DOSAGES: _____

DO YOU HAVE ANY DIETARY RESTRICTIONS/VEGETARIAN? _____

REQUESTED DORM MATE: _____ GUARDIAN: _____
students 15 years of age or under are required to be
accompanied by a parent or parent assigned guardian

CHAPERONE:

NAME: _____ RELATIONSHIP TO STUDENT: _____

☐ M ☐ F OVER 21? ☐ Y ☐ N REQUESTED DORM MATE: _____

MEDICAL CONDITIONS THAT WE NEED TO BE AWARE OF: _____

MEDICATIONS AND DOSAGES: _____

ANY DIETARY RESTRICTIONS/VEGETARIAN? _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT NAME/PHONE # _____

*TUITION: Send check or money order payable to TOTFA, c/o Bryan Jimmerson, 3209 S. Fredonia, Nacogdoches TX 75964
Questions? See website at www.txmiddcamp.com or contact us by email at txmiddcamp@gmail.com; or call Bryan 936-553-8180*

Staying on Campus and eating with group: Students - \$500/Chaperones: \$275

Not staying or eating on campus: Students - \$300/Chaperones - \$50

Registration Forms, SFA Medical Waivers and full payment must be postmarked
by July 15th to avoid a \$25 late fee. For fee A la carte menu, see website

STUDENT FEE \$ _____

NON-STUDENT FEE \$ _____

TOTAL AMOUNT \$ _____

It is my express intent that this release and hold harmless agreement shall bind the members of my family and spouse (if any), if I am alive, and my heirs, assigns, and personal representative, if I am not alive. Shall be deemed as a release, waiver, discharge and covenant not to sue the above-named releases. I hereby further agree that this waiver of liability and hold harmless agreement shall be construed in accordance with the laws of the state of Texas.

I understand that the university will not be responsible for any medical costs associated with an injury my child may sustain.

My child and I further agree to become familiar with the rules and regulations of the university concerning student conduct and not to violate said rules of any directive or instruction made by the person or persons in charge of said activity and that I will further assume the complete risk of any activity done in violation of any rule or directive or instruction.

I also understand that I should and am urged by SFA to obtain adequate health and accident insurance to cover any personal injury to my child that may be sustained during the activity or the transportation to and from said activity.

I HEREBY FURTHER AUTHORIZE IN ADVANCE ANY NECESSARY MEDICAL TREATMENT REQUIRED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED CHILD WHILE IN ATTENDANCE OF THIS CAMP. I HEREBY GIVE PERMISSION TO THE MEDICAL PERSONNEL TO ORDER INJECTION AND/OR ANESTHESIA AND/OR SURGERY FOR MY CHILD AS NAMED ABOVE. I FURTHER AGREE TO ASSUME RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE COSTS OF ANY SPECIALIZED EVACUATION AND OF ANY MEDICAL CARE AND ACKNOWLEDGE THAT THESE COSTS ARE THE FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF THE UNDERSIGNED. I ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE/ WILL NOTIFY THE CONFERENCE/CAMP/EVENT PERSONNEL OF ANY SPECIAL MEDICAL NEEDS OR INFORMATION REQUIRED BY THE ABOVE-NAMED CHILD.

I have reviewed the above information and am aware of the risks involved in participating in the summer camp activities and the possible injuries that may occur. My child freely and voluntarily agrees to participate in the activity listed herein. In signing this release, I acknowledge and represent that I have read the foregoing waiver of liability and hold harmless agreement, understand it and sign voluntarily as my own free act and deed; no oral representation, statements or inducements, apart from the foregoing written agreement, understand it and sign voluntarily as my own free act and deed; age and fully competent, and I execute this release for full, adequate, and complete consideration fully intending to be bound by same. Also, I understand that all rules and regulations for the conference/camp/event will be enforced and any violation by my child will result in a collect call to the parent or legal guardian with a possible request to come and pick up my child.

Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian	Date Signed	
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Emergency Contact Telephone Number		TO BE FILLED OUT BY SFA
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Health Insurance Policy		
Name		INITIAL OF USER

Policy Number		INITIAL OF SFA REPRESENTATIVE
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Done Gone

Southwest Fiddle Festival, May 14th

Contest Results

0 - 15 Age Group

- 1st - Harrison Schumann
- 2nd - Faith Nugent
- 3rd - Karissa Nugent
- 4th - James Kurz
- 5th - Regan Newberry

16 -35 Age Group

- 1st - Bubba Hopkins
- 2nd - Mia Orosco
- 3rd - Maleika Nugent
- 4th - Heidi Labensart
- 5th - Cheyenne Craig

36 - 64 Age Group

- 1st - Carl Hopkins
- 2nd - Julie Amundson
- 3rd - Mark Seale
- 4th - Owen James
- 5th - Joey Dvorak

65+ Age Group

- 1st - EJ Hopkins
- 2nd - Jesse Mears
- 3rd - Tom Fonville
- 4th - Stanley McBride
- 5th - John Blevins

Accompanist

- 1st - Anthony Mature
- 2nd - Ray Franklin
- 3rd - Royce Franklin
- 4th - Jim Reina
- 5th - Hyatt Hopkins

Grand Champion

- 1st - Bubba Hopkins
- 2nd - Carl Hopkins
- 3rd - Mia Orosco
- 4th - Harrison Schumann

80th Annual Old Fiddler's Contest & Reunion, May 27th

Courthouse Square, 100 W. Tyler St., Athens, Texas

Contest Results

18 & Under Division

- 1st - Mia Orosco
- 2nd - Paige Park
- 3rd - Maleika Nugent
- 4th - Emily Williams
- 5th - Faith Nugent

19 -30 Division

- 1st - Lydia Elsbeth

31 - 65 Division

- 1st - Wes Westmoreland
- 2nd - Carl Hopkins
- 3rd - Monte Gaylord
- 4th - Gene Banks
- 5th - Cliff McCall

66+ Division

- 1st - EJ Hopkins
- 2nd - Tom Fonville
- 3rd - John Allred
- 4th - Larry Boddie
- 5th - Bill May

Ladies Division

- 1st - Lydia Elsbeth
- 2nd - Mia Orosco
- 3rd - Paige Park
- 4th - Maleika Nugent
- 5th - Katie Crawford

Grand Champion

- 1st - Wes Westmoreland
- 2nd - Mia Orosco
- 3rd - Lydia Elsbeth
- 4th - EJ Hopkins

Done Gone

Early Fiddle Contest, May 28th

Heartland Mall, 300 Early Blvd, Early, Texas

Contest Results

0 - 15 Age Group

1st - Karissa Nugent
2nd - Harrison Schumann
3rd - Faith Nugent
4th - Katie Crawford
5th - Jessica Sell

16 -35 Age Group

1st - Bubba Hopkins
2nd - Mia Orosco
3rd - Maleika Nugent
4th - Cheyenne Craig
5th - Myka Williams

36 - 64 Age Group

1st - Julie Amundson
2nd - Lewis Brandin

65+ Age Group

1st - Jesse Mears
2nd - Bob Davis

Accompanist

1st - Ray Franklin
2nd - Rex Gillentine
3rd - Royce Franklin
4th - Nick Gillentine
5th - Ray Brandin

Grand Champion

1st - Bubba Hopkins
2nd - Mia Orosco

Upcoming Contests

75th Annual World Championship, June 11th

Crockett Civic Center, 1100 Edmiston Dr, Crockett, Texas

Contest Divisions & Payouts

0 - 9 Age Group

1st - \$ 75
2nd - \$ 50
3rd - \$ 25

10 -13 Age Group

1st - \$ 100
2nd - \$ 75
3rd - \$ 50

14 - 16 Age Group

1st - \$ 150
2nd - \$ 125
3rd - \$ 100

60+ Age Group

1st - \$ 225
2nd - \$ 175
3rd - \$ 125

Accompanist

1st - \$ 75

People's Choice

Belt Buckle

Open

1st - \$ 500 2nd - \$ 400 3rd - \$ 300

- Registration begins: 8:00 - 9:00 a.m.; Contest begins at 9:30.

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WHICH MEANS I NEED MORE PHOTOS
FROM THE MEMBERSHIP...

PLEASE EMAIL ANY CONTEST PHOTOS, PRACTICE PHOTOS, OR ANY
OTHER FIDDLE PHOTOS TO:

totfannewsletter@yahoo.com

THANKS A LOT AND KEEP FIDDLIN'!

- ED.



Membership Application

☐ NEW ☐ RENEW
☐ CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ ZIP _____

Email _____

Phone# _____ Birthday(s) _____

_____ Fiddler
 _____ Accompanist
 _____ Out-of-State Fiddle

} \$30/yr. _____ Associate - \$20/yr.

☐ New Member
☐ Renewal

\$ _____ TOTAL ENCLOSED
(make checks payable to "TOTFA")

HELP TOTFA SAVE MONEY FOR CONTESTS (choose one)

☐ We are a multi-membership TOTFA family and agree to receive only one (1) issue of "The Texas Fiddler" each month.
☐ Please save the paper and send me "The Texas Fiddler" via full-color instant email, rather than in black & white via the excruciatingly slow U.S. Mail.

Mail Application and check to:
Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association
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