

# THE TEXAS FIDDLER

## Membership Application

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 CHANGE OF ADDRESS

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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.

# THE TEXAS FIDDLER

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Only a month left to register for TX. Fiddle Camp!

## GROESBECK CONTEST



The month of May was a busy one for TOTFA featuring four association contests in addition to the annual contest in Athens, TX. I'm very proud to announce that each contest was well represented by TOTFA members and my sincere appreciation goes out to each of you who participated in these events. We were even able to pull off two contests, Early and Whitewright, on the same day with about twenty-five fiddle and guitar contestants at each event. When planning your summer vacations please try to schedule them around as many TOTFA events as possible so we can continue to show up with good numbers in the months ahead. The month of June offers two of the more prestigious contests in the country starting with the World Championship Fiddle Contest in Crockett, TX on June 12 as well as the National Old-Time Fiddle Contest in Weiser, Idaho the week of June 21-26. Looking ahead to July we have our annual 4th of July contest in Belton, TX., followed by a new contest in Weatherford, Texas on July 10th. Details are still in the works for this new contest but we are excited to be able to offer another quality contest to our calendar and we hope you will make plans now to attend if at all possible so we can make a good impression for this first year contest. Plans are also in the works for a July Jam on the 24th in Bowie. Please note, that this is not a contest but a jam session which Marty Elmore has been hosting for years in an effort to help raise funds for the Bowie contest in October. We will have more details next month but this event will be a lot of fun and I feel this is something TOTFA should be involved in to support this contest.

We are looking forward to our 4th Annual TX Fiddle Camp which will be held in Nacogdoches, TX on the campus of Stephen F. Austin State University August 1-5. If you have not made arrangements to attend, please do so now because this is quickly becoming one of the very

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best camps in the country, and it offers students a lot of quality instruction from some of the greatest teachers in the country. A lot of work goes into this camp behind the scenes to make it a fun event and we want you to take advantage of the opportunity and make plans now to attend.

I am very happy to announce there is a brand new recording available that is a must have for any fan of Texas fiddling. It is titled "The Texas Fiddle Album" and it features the fine fiddling of one of TOTFA's favorite sons, Larry Franklin. This CD is a collection of ten great tunes featuring the outstanding rythm section of the legendary Royce and Ray Franklin on guitar and Steve Williams on bass. An interesting twist on this CD is that tracks 11-20 are the same ten tunes with no fiddle, just the rhythm tracks. This gives fiddle players who know these tunes the opportunity to play along with one of the very best rhythm sections ever. It is a great addition to the collection of any fan of Texas Fiddling. For more information on how to order your copy, check out Larry's website at [www.larry-franklin.com](http://www.larry-franklin.com).

Happy Fiddlin,

Bryan

For events, maps, more photos, contest results, video and sound clips, etc... visit the new website:  
**WWW.TOTFA.ORG**

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# DONE GONE



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#### 0-15

1. Faith Nugent
2. Karissa Nugent
3. Cheyenne Craig
4. Mariah Hughes
5. Noelle Nugent
6. James Kurz
7. Colette Boyette
8. Myka Williams
9. Annie Reinke
10. Anthony Orosco

#### 16-34

1. Bubba Hopkins
2. Bill Jones
3. Mia Orosco
4. Kerry Varble
5. Maleika Nugent

#### 35-64

1. Ed Carnes
2. Julie Amundson
3. Mark Seale
4. Stacy Dodd
5. Owen James

#### 65 +

1. E.J. Hopkins
2. Benny Bennett
3. Tom Fonville
4. Stanley McBride
5. Clifton Bowren

#### Accompanists

1. Anthony Mature
2. Eric Amundson
3. Todd Varble
4. John Seale
5. Dan Weaver

#### Grand Championship

1. Bubba Hopkins
2. Bill Jones
3. Ed Carnes
4. Julie Amundson

## WHITEWRIGHT

#### 0-15

1. Karissa Nugent
2. Faith Nugent
3. River Lee

#### 16-30

1. Jason Andrews
2. Maleika Nugent

#### 31-59

1. Carl Hopkins
2. Marty Elmore
3. Junior Marriott
4. Brad Hawkins
5. Kevin Freeman
6. Wayne Head
7. Brent Frailicks
5. Clifton Bowren

#### 60 +

1. E.J. Hopkins
2. David Holcomb
3. Tom Fonville
4. Gary Johnston
5. Clifton Bowren

#### Accompanist

1. Ray Franklin
2. Anthony Mature
3. Bobby Christman
4. Royce Franklin
5. Jim Reina
6. Ted Williams

#### Grand Championship

1. Carl Hopkins
2. Jason Andrews
3. Marty Elmore
4. Maleika Nugent

# DONE GONE

0-12

1. Noelle Nugent
2. Jessica Sell
3. Sierra Knight
4. Annie Reinke



13-20

1. Mia Orosco
2. Isaac Stipp
3. Harrison Schumann
4. Cheyenne Craig



21-45

1. Brian Beken
2. Mark Seale
3. Julie Amundson
4. Owen James



46-69

1. Bob Thomas
2. Walt Hardin
3. Mike Hester



## EARLY

70+

1. Bob Davis

### Accompanist

1. Jacob Johnson
2. Rex Gillentine
3. Simon Stipp
4. Devon McCraig



### Championship

1. Brian Beken
2. Mia Orosco



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## ATHENS

### Grand Championship

1. Wes Westmoreland
2. Mia Orosco
3. Brian Beken
4. E.J. Hopkins



# Happy Birthday To You

Kerri Allred - June 2nd

Doc Blakely - June 2nd

Claude Horan - June 12th

Hannah Pryor - June 13th

Phyllis Frey - June 16th

Bob Gardner - June 17th

Stuart Fryer - June 18th

Ben McPherson - June 18th

Dan Heilveil - June 24th

Larry Boddie - June 27th

Joey Dvorak - June 28th

Sonny Hopkins III - 28th

On behalf of the TOTFA Board of Directors, I'd **ATTENTION TOTFA Members** like to make a request to the membership. We are in a position to make a huge change, financially, for the Association. We easily spend thousands of dollars a year on the publication of the newsletter and it's money that we feel could be better spent elsewhere. This money could be used for potential scholarship candidates, Fiddle Camp costs, Convention costs, and perhaps prize money that could help new contest sites which may have trouble raising sufficient funds for a quality contest. This day and age, the newsletter can easily be distributed to the membership much more quickly online via email. This way you wouldn't have to worry about misplacing it because you can always print another copy out from your computer. I realize that perhaps not everyone has computer access or maybe you just prefer to have a hard copy in your hands and for those situations we will gladly continue to have your newsletter delivered to your mailbox. However, if you would prefer to receive your newsletter via email, please send a confirmation email to [TOTFAAssoc@gmail.com](mailto:TOTFAAssoc@gmail.com), as soon as possible. Thanks to everyone for your consideration on this matter.

~ Bryan

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# UPCOMING EVENTS

## CROCKETT CONTEST

WHAT: World Championship Contest  
 WHEN: June 12 at the Crockett Civic Center  
 HOW: Registration begins at 8 am; Sr. Div. begins at 9:30 am; followed by Jr. Div and then the Open Division

### DIVISIONS:

<u>PeeWee 0-9</u>	<u>Jr. Jr. 10-13</u>	<u>Jr. 14-16</u>
1st-\$100	1st-\$125	1st-\$175
2nd-\$75	2nd-\$100	2nd-\$150
3rd-\$50	3rd-\$75	3rd-\$12
4th-\$30	4th-\$50	4th-\$100
	5th-\$40	

  

<u>Senior 60+</u>	<u>Open Division</u>	<u>People's Choice</u>
1st-\$250	1st-\$700	Belt Buckle
2nd-\$200	2nd-\$50	
3rd-\$150	3rd-\$400	<u>Accompanist</u>
4th-\$125	4th-\$300	1st-\$125
	5th-\$200	

## BELTON CONTEST

WHEN: July 4th  
 WHERE: Yettie Polk Park, Belton  
 HOW: Registration begins at 12:30pm,  
 Contest begins at 1:00pm

### DIVISIONS:

0-19, 20-50, 51+, Accompanist  
 1st \$100, 2nd \$75, 3rd \$50, 4th \$35  
 Accompanist 1st \$40, 2nd \$30

## WEATHERFORD CONTEST

WHEN: July 10th

## BOWIE JAM

WHEN: July 24th

## PIONEER DAY

Sponsored by the  
*Temple Daily Telegram*  
 June 26, 2010  
 Temple, Texas

The folks who organize this event are looking for some volunteer fiddle music this year with the hopes that we can begin a new fiddle contest there next year. If you would like more information, please call **Matthew Walters** at **(254) 421-0663** or email him at **mattw.photo@gmail.com**

## TEXAS FIDDLE CAMP

WHAT: Amazing Fiddle Camp  
 WHEN: August 1-5th  
 WHERE: SFA Univ., Nacogdoches TX  
 REGISTRATION: Begins at 3 pm in the Kerr Hall Lobby  
 DIVISIONS: Classes in Beginning, Intermediate and Advanced; Specialty Classes each day for all levels; Dinners together; Concert each night; Jamming till you drop after the Concerts each night; friends; fun!  
 DETAILS: You must send in your registration form, your SFA Medical Waiver and full payment to consider yourself registered for camp. All registrations must be post-marked by midnight July 15th to avoid late fee

# UPCOMING EVENTS



Sponsored by Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association

Come join us for our 4th Annual Texas Fiddle Camp. August 1-5, 2010 in Nacogdoches, TX.

Featuring World and National Champion Instructors: Wes Westmoreland, Justin Branum, Danita Gardner, Roberta Rast, Valerie O'Brien and Anthony Mature

Registration through July 15th is  
 \$400 for students  
 \$200 for Chaperone's (required for children 15 & Under)

After July 15th there will be a \$25 late fee

Hurry and get your registration form, SFA Medical Waiver form and full payment in to reserve your spot.

For more information and for Registration forms, See our website at **www.txfiddlecamp.com**