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### 2012 CONTEST SEASON WRAPS UP WITH ANNUAL CONVENTION

I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and New Year's Holiday! The 2012 TOTFA Annual Convention and Contest brought the 2012 contest season to an end. Thanks to all who came to Hillsboro this year. We had a three-day weekend full of fiddling, fellowship, and fun! A big thanks goes out to Greg Solomon, the City of Hillsboro, and Hill Community College for welcoming us and giving us a great venue to have our convention. Also, thanks goes out to the Days Inn Motel for putting up with our late night jam sessions. They were very accommodating. By the end of the weekend, we had over 40 fiddle and guitar contestants grace the stage and put on some great performances. Thank you to all the great musicians who came out and shared your talents. A congratulation goes out to this year's champions: Jesse Mears (Senior Champion), Karissa Nugent (Junior Champion), Bill Jones (Out-of-State Champion), Ray Franklin (Accompanist Champion), and Bubba Hopkins (TOTFA State Champion).

The 2013 contest season will be starting up soon. Look forward to having another great year of fiddling! We are hopeful of adding new contests and/or jams to the 2013 calendar. At the moment, the first official event of 2013 will be the first weekend of April in the city of Llano. A big thanks to John Caballero and the folks of Llano who make this the great contest it has become. We are always looking into adding new events to our calendar and if something presents itself before April, we will get the word out in plenty of time. This is our January/February issue of the newsletter, so there

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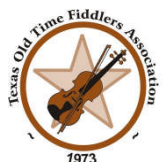
will not be another newsletter until the month of March unless a new event before then makes it necessary. I want to take the opportunity to thank all the folks who help us put on contests across this great State year after year. Thank you for supporting Texas fiddling! Also, thank you to the membership that makes it a priority to attend as many of our events as possible each year. I look forward to seeing and working with each of this year to make 2013 a great fiddle season.

A quick congratulations goes out to Dennis Ludiker and Heidi Labensart of Austin, Texas, on their recent wedding. Your TOTFA family wishes you all the best and a happy, long life together!

Looking forward to seeing everyone soon!

Happy Fiddling,  
Bryan

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Transcribed from the Terry Morris  
Album "For the Record...the  
Legend Continues"

## Gold Rush

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## JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

Jerme Schirmer	January 12
Reagan Newberry	January 16
Karissa Nugent & Sierra Knight	January 18
Jesse Mears & Stanley McBride	January 19
Ray Brandin & Savannah Knight	January 20
Johnny Crisp	January 25
Sheryl Sultenfuss	January 27
Steve Bing	January 29



## ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIALS

- We lost a dear friend of the fiddle family on December 19, 2012, Donna "Nan" Thompson (Bubba Hopkins' grandmother). As some of you may remember, she was always ready for a fiddle party. Services were held December 27, 2012, in Spavinaw, Oklahoma, she was 81-years-old.

## DONE GONE

### 39<sup>th</sup> Annual TOTFA Convention State Championship Hillsboro, TX ~ December 1<sup>st</sup>-2<sup>nd</sup>

<p><u>0-15</u></p> <p>1st – Karissa Nugent 2nd – River Lee 3rd – Noelle Nugent 4th – Elliott Dean 5th – Jessica Sell 6th – Shannon Hunt 7th – Leah Sawyer 8th – Hayden Norton</p> <p><u>Accompanist</u></p> <p>1st – Ray Franklin 2nd – Bobby Christman 3rd – Anthony Mature 4th – Hyatt Hopkins 5th – Royce Franklin 6th – Jacob Johnson 7th – Nick Gillentine 8th – Clayton Bankston 9th – Bart Baker 10th – John Crawford 11<sup>th</sup> – Ian Fletcher</p> <p><u>Favorite Fiddler</u> <u>Favorite Accompanist</u> <u>Favorite Associate</u> <u>Most Improved Fiddler</u></p> <p><u>2012 TOTFA State Champion</u></p>	<p><u>65+</u></p> <p>1st – Jesse Mears 2nd – Tom Fonville 3rd – Tom Lindsey 4th – Larry Boddie</p> <p><u>Out-of-State</u></p> <p>1st – Bill Jones 2nd – Jake Duncan 3rd – Ed Carnes</p>	<p><u>Texas State Championship</u></p> <p>1st – Bubba Hopkins 2nd – Dennis Ludiker 3rd – Carl Hopkins 4th – Wes Westmoreland 5th – Deana Bistodeau 6th – Jason Andrew 7th – Julie Amundson 8th – Michelle Kuhlman 9th – Faith Nugent 10th – Keenean Fletcher 11th – Gene Banks 12th – Heidi Labensart 13th – Mark Seale 14th – Matt Wills 15th – Cliff McCall</p> <p>Marty Elmore John Crawford Harvey &amp; Jacque Norris Jessica Sell</p> <p>Bubba Hopkins</p>
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## ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIALS

- Dennis Ludiker & Heidi Labensart, tied the knot in a private ceremony on November 16, 2012, in Playa Del Carmen, Mexico. We are looking forward to jamming a tune with our fiddle friends in celebration of our wedding!

## HERE & THERE

### 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Colorado Fiddle Championships Denver, CO ~ January 12<sup>th</sup> & 13<sup>th</sup> Western Stock Show ~ Beef Palace

<p><u>Adult Novice</u></p> <p>1st - \$75 2nd - \$50 3rd - \$25</p> <p><u>Accompanist</u></p> <p>1st - \$400 2nd - \$300 3rd - \$200 4th - \$100 5th - \$75</p> <p><u>Junior</u></p> <p>1st - \$300 2nd - \$150 3rd - \$75 4<sup>th</sup> - \$50 5<sup>th</sup> - \$25</p> <p><u>Adult</u></p> <p>1st - \$350 2nd - \$175 3rd - \$100 4<sup>th</sup> - \$75 5<sup>th</sup> - \$50</p>	<p><u>Youth Novice</u></p> <p>1st - \$75 2nd - \$50 3rd - \$25</p> <p><u>Small Fry</u></p> <p>1st - \$250 2nd - \$125 3rd - \$75 4<sup>th</sup> - \$50 5<sup>th</sup> - \$25</p> <p><u>Young Adult</u></p> <p>1st - \$350 2nd - \$175 3rd - \$100 4<sup>th</sup> - \$75 5<sup>th</sup> - \$50</p> <p><u>Grand Senior</u></p> <p>1st - \$350 2nd - \$175 3rd - \$100 4<sup>th</sup> - \$75 5<sup>th</sup> - \$50</p>	<p><u>Twin Fiddle</u></p> <p>1st - \$200 2nd - \$150 3rd - \$100</p> <p><u>Junior-Junior</u></p> <p>1st - \$250 2nd - \$125 3rd - \$75 4<sup>th</sup> - \$50 5<sup>th</sup> - \$25</p> <p><u>Colorado State Championship</u></p> <p>1st - \$1200 2nd - \$600 3rd - \$400 4th - \$300 5th - \$200</p>
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#### Judges Official Hotel

Mention Colorado Fiddle  
Championship for  
\$85/night room rate

#### Contest Schedule

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