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BUBBA HOPKINS WINS THE 2013 STATE CHAMPIONSHIP

The 2013 Texas State Championship Fiddler's Frolics is in the books and what a great weekend it was! Over 80 contestants competed



and jammed all weekend long and when the dust settled Sunday evening, Bubba Hopkins of Fort Worth, Texas, won his first Texas State Championship at the Frolics! Over 30 competitors played Sunday for the Texas State Championship and the fiddling was awesome. Bubba was able to hold off two of the all-time greats in the round robin playoff with

Ricky Turpin of New Braunfels, Texas, coming in second and Carl Hopkins of Porter, Texas, coming in third. Other results included: E.J. Hopkins, Texas State Senior Champion; River Lee, Texas State Junior Champion; Anthony Mature, Texas State Accompanist Champion; and Tom Weisgerber, Gone to Texas Champion. For a complete list of winners, see inside this edition of the newsletter. Congratulations to everyone who competed this year and, as always, a huge thank you goes out to Stuart and Cherri Fryer and all of the good folks of Hallettsville who make this the very best contest in the country year after year.

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A big congratulation goes out to Wade Stockton and his family on his induction into the Texas Fiddler's Hall of Fame. A well deserved honor, my friend!

The annual contest in Groesbeck, Texas, will be held once again at the city park on May 11th. This is one of our longest running contests in the TOTFA and we look forward to having a great turnout once again. Registration will be at 9 a.m. and the contest will begin at 10 a.m. Also, for those of you who plan to attend the annual contest in Athens, Texas, they have moved their date. The contest will now be held on Saturday, June 1st. I hope to see you all at one of these upcoming events.

Happy Fiddlin' Bryan Jimmerson



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HERE & THERE

47th Annual Southwest Fiddle Championship Groesbeck, TX ~ May 11th City Park ~ Groesbeck, TX

<u>0-15</u>	<u>16-35</u>	<u>36-64</u>
1st - \$125	1st - \$125	1st - \$125
2nd - \$100	2nd - \$100	2nd - \$100
3rd - \$75	3rd - \$75	3rd - \$75
4th - \$50	4th - \$50	4th - \$50
5th - \$30	5th - \$30	5th - \$30
<u>65+</u>	<u>Accompanist</u>	<u>Grand Championship</u>
1st - \$125	1st - \$125	1 st - \$250
2nd - \$100	2nd - \$100	2 nd - \$200
3rd - \$75	3rd - \$75	3 rd - \$100
4th - \$50	4th - \$50	4 th - \$50
5th - \$30	5th - \$30	

Registration is at 9:00 A.M. Contest begins at 10:00 A.M.
Order of play will be 65+, 0-15, 16-35, 35-64, accompanist, and Grand Champion (top two from each division)

81st Annual Athens Fiddler's Reunion Athens, TX ~ June 1st Downtown Square ~ Athens, TX

<u>0-18</u>	<u>19-30</u>	<u>30-65</u>
1 st - \$200	1 st - \$200	1 st - \$200
2 nd - \$150	2 nd - \$150	2 nd - \$150
3 rd - \$100	3 rd - \$100	3 rd - \$100
<u>66+</u>	<u>Open</u>	<u>Accompanist</u>
1 st - \$200	1 st - \$200	1 st - \$200
2 nd - \$150	2 nd - \$150	2 nd - \$100
3 rd - \$100	3 rd - \$100	3 rd - \$50
	<u>Championship</u>	
	1 st - \$600	
	2 nd - \$400	

Contest begins at 9:00 A.M. Saturday Morning

MAY BIRTHDAYS

David Sawyer	May 01
Jordan Bankston	May 02
Lincoln Abbott	May 03
Julie Morris	May 08
Gilbert Johnson	May 14
Phil Baker	May 15
Valerie Ryals	May 22
Mia Orosco, Leah Sawyer & Tom Fikes	May 23
Kathy McVicker	May 24
Jacob Johnson & Bryan Jimmerson	May 25
Jennifer Jorns	May 27
Nonie Orosco, Janice Norris & Clifton Bowren	May 28
Harvey Norris	May 29
Jason Andrew	May 31



If you would like your photo in the newsletter during your birthday month, please email a photo to zirl.hopkins@gmail.com before the 20th of the prior month.

HERE & THERE

Llano Fiddle Fest Llano, TX ~ April 6th

LanTex Theatre ~ Llano, TX

0-10

- 1st – David Sawyer
- 2nd – Anthony Orosco
- 3rd – Christiana Nugent
- 4th – Audrey Spurgin

19-45

- 1st – Dennis Ludiker
- 2nd – Bubba Hopkins
- 3rd – Mia Orosco
- 4th – Julie Amundson

70+

- 1st – Hughie Smith
- 2nd – Tom Lindsey
- 3rd – Tom Fonville
- 4th – Bill Cox

11-18

- 1st – River Lee
- 2nd – Katie Crawford
- 3rd – Faith Nugent
- 4th – Karissa Nugent
- 5th – Elliott Dean
- 6th – Jessica Sell
- 7th – David Cole

46-69

- 1st – Wes Westmoreland
- 2nd – Eddie Davis
- 3rd – Sandra Darnell
- 4th – Cliff McCall

Accompanist

- 1st – Ray Franklin
- 2nd – Anthony Mature
- 3rd – Daniel Mature
- 4th – David Sawyer
- 5th – Hannah Kerley

Championship

- 1st – Wes Westmoreland
- 2nd – Bubba Hopkins
- 3rd – Dennis Ludiker
- 4th – River Lee

OUT OF STATE FIDDLING

Gene Banks won the Tennessee State Senior Championship in Clarksville, TN. Congratulations Gene!

ORANGE BLOSSOM SPECIALS

- Hal Amundson (beloved brother to Eric, Leif, Rollie, and Marie) passed away on May 6th 2013. Hal played and taught fiddle for many years in Montana. Our condolences go out to the Amundson family.

HERE & THERE

Texas State Championship Fiddler's Frolics Hallettsville, TX ~ April 25-28th

Gone to Texas

- 1st – Tom Weisgerber
- 2nd – Alita Weisgerber
- 3rd – Luke Price
- 4th – Trustin Baker
- 5th – Katie Glassman
- 6th – Ed Carnes
- 7th – Nancy Dwyer
- 8th – Sydney Green
- 9th – Starr McMullen
- 10th – Perry Gossett

Accompanist

- 1st – Anthony Mature
- 2nd – Hyatt Hopkins
- 3rd – Steve Williams
- 4th – Jacob Johnson
- 5th – Jim Reina
- 6th – Nicholas Gillentine
- 7th – Daniel Mature
- 8th – David Sawyer
- 9th – Larry Rose
- 10th – Benjamin Ferguson

Freshman Division

- 1st – River Lee
- 2nd – Jessica Sell
- 3rd – Noelle Nugent
- 4th – Reagan Newberry
- 5th – Shannon Hunt
- 6th – Ethan Frazier
- 7th – Leah Sawyer
- 8th – Charlotte Dunne
- 9th – David Cole
- 10th – Josie Dunne

Texas State Championship

- 1st – Bubba Hopkins
- 2nd – Ricky Turpin
- 3rd – Carl Hopkins
- 4th – Dennis Ludiker
- 5th – Mia Orosco
- 6th – Brian Beken
- 7th – Eischen Harkins
- 8th – Jason Andrew
- 9th – Faith Nugent
- 10th – Katie Crawford
- 11th – Noah Jeffries
- 12th – Heidi Ludiker
- 13th – Michael Weise
- 14th – Bonnie Riley
- 15th – Jordan Greer
- 15th – Julie Amundson
- 17th – Kevin Freman
- 17th – Eddie Davis
- 17th – Evan Meeker
- 17th – Maleika Nugent

Senior Division

- 1st – E.J. Hopkins
- 2nd – Benny Bennett
- 3rd – Tom Fonville
- 4th – Ed Henson
- 5th – Dan Jasek
- 6th – Bob Davis
- 7th – Skeeter Boyd
- 8th – Jim Barton