

Initial TOTFA Meeting Minutes

Provided by Harvey Norris  
Burnet, Texas - 1973

BURNET, TEXAS  
DATE 1973  
BILL GILBERT AS SPOKESPERSON FOR A GROUP OF TEXAS FIDDLERS REQUESTED OF MR HARVEY R. NORRIS TO CONDUCT AND MEDIATE OR MODERATE A MEETING OF SAID FIDDLERS FOR THE PURPOSE OF ORGANIZING. BY USING "ROBERT'S RULES OF ORDER", I DID AS REQUESTED AND ORGANIZED THE "TEXAS OLD TIME FIDDLERS ASSOCIATION" BETTER KNOWN AS "TOTFA" AND AFTER THE FOLLOWING LIST OF FIDDLERS WERE ELECTED AS OFFICERS I HARVEY R. NORRIS PASSED THE GAVEL TO BILL GILBERT AS PRESIDENT AND RETIRED FROM THE MEETING.  
LIST: BILL GILBERT - E.J. HOPKINS  
LOUIS FRANKLIN - NORMAN SOLOMON  
DICK BARRETT - BARTOW RILEY  
  
BILL I HAD BEEN TRYING FOR 8 OR 9 YEARS TO GET THIS DONE.  
  
HAVING HAD THIS HONOR COULD I BE RECOGNIZED AS THE FATHER OF THE TEXAS OLD TIME FIDDLERS ASSOCIATION - TOTFA?  
  
I ALSO HEARD THE TITLE "VOICE OF THE TEXAS OLD TIME FIDDLERS ASSOCIATION" Spoken by Jimmy Dan Hoff at Burnet, Texas  
By Jimmy Dan Hoff  
Jimmy K. Sprague

Bill Gilbert as spokesperson for a group of Texas Fiddlers requested of me, Harvey R. Norris, to conduct and mediate or moderate a meeting of said fiddlers for the purpose of organizing. By using, "Robert's Rules of Order," I did as requested and organized the, "Texas Old Time Fiddler's Association," better know as, "TOTFA." After the following list of fiddlers were elected as officers. I Harvey R. Norris passed the gavel to Bill Gilbert as president and retired from the meeting.

E.J. Hopkins    Louis Franklin    Norman Solomon  
Dick Barrett    Bartow Riley

Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association  
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The board of directors agreed to add another \$500 to the purse for the Belton contest in an attempt to draw more contestants. This contest is fading in attendance and we felt we should give it a little boost this year. It is the 90<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Belton's 4<sup>th</sup> of July celebration, so please come out and support event.

We should have more info soon concerning the Crockett contest. The new organization that was formed to take it on has been working to hammer out the details. A big thanks to Bryan Jimmerson for offering his time to help with the planning of this contest.

Hope to see many of you in Belton!  
Stay in tune,



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Birthday(s) \_\_\_\_\_

\$30 Musician (A contest fiddler/accompanist)

\$30 Associate (Supporter, Sponsor, Etc.)

New Member

Renewal

Change of Address

### COST-EFFECTIVE ASSOCIATION OPTIONS

We are a multi-membership TOTFA family and agree to receive only (1) issue of "The Texas Fiddler" each month.

Please save paper and postage by sending me "The Texas Fiddler" via full color instant email, rather than in black and white via the USPS.

### MAIL APPLICATION AND CHECK TO:

C/O Julie Morris ~ Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association  
4821 Davy Crockett Trail ~ Fort Worth, TX 76137

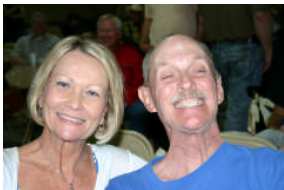
**Keep in mind, you can also renew online at [www.totfa.org](http://www.totfa.org)**

### 2013 Annual Convention ~ Membership Changes

- ★ All fiddler, out-of-state fiddler, and accompanist memberships will be combined to form one type of membership (Musician).
- ★ Associate members will now be the same cost as musician memberships.



David Lamb	July 1
Caason Wallace	July 2
Elliott Dean	July 3
Aubrey Page	July 5
Faith Nugent	July 5
John Greenlee	July 6
Joann Beken	July 9
Marshall Stockton	July 10
Michelle Kuhlman	July 10
Christiana Nugent	July 11
Jay Knight	July 14
Jim Reina	July 15
Victoria Vourganas	July 17
Bill Cox	July 18
Ed Carnes	July 23
Mike Harper	July 24
Bubba Hopkins	July 27
Jessica Sell	July 29
Sandra Darnell	July 29



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# TOTFA UPDATES

## New & Renewing Members

July

Mary Adams  
Bob Davis  
Pauline Guinn

Amy Kitzmiller  
Olaf Riewe  
Robert Stave



- ★ Congratulations to our TOTFA members who competed in the Fiddle & Griddle Festival in Roswell, NM.
  - Open Division – 4<sup>th</sup> Place – River Lee
  - Open Division – 5<sup>th</sup> Place – Marty Elmore
  - Junior Division – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Katie Crawford
  - Junior Division – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Faith Nugent
  - Junior Division – 4<sup>th</sup> Place – Karissa Nugent
  - Junior Division – 5<sup>th</sup> Place – Noelle Nugent
  - Junior Division – 6<sup>th</sup> Place – Jessica Sell
  - Accompanist – Bobby Christman
  - Accompanist – Hyatt Hopkins
  - Accompanist – Anthony Mature
- ★ Congratulations to our TOTFA members who competed in the Grand Lake Festival Fiddle Contest
  - Open Division – 2<sup>nd</sup> Place – Bubba Hopkins
  - Open Division – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Jake Ducan
  - Open Division – 6<sup>th</sup> Place – Isaac Stipp
  - Accompanist – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Simon Stipp
- ★ Congratulations to our TOTFA members who competed in National Old-Time Fiddler's Contest
  - Elliott Dean – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Jr. Jr. Division
  - Harrison Schumann – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Junior Division
  - Star McMullen – 1<sup>st</sup> Place – Senior Division
  - Gene Banks – 3<sup>rd</sup> Place – Senior Division
- ★ Thank you to Olaf Riewe for the \$50 TOTFA donation!

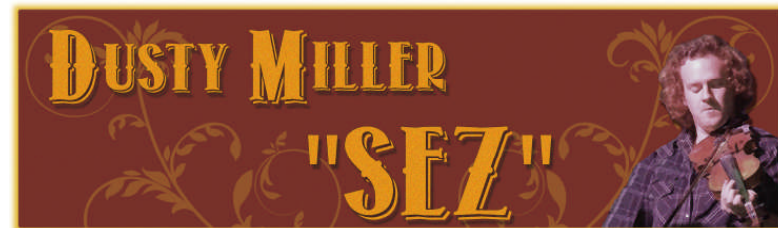
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## 4<sup>th</sup> of July Fiddle Contest Belton, TX ~ July 4<sup>th</sup>

Yettie Polk Park ~ Belton, TX

<u>0-15</u>	<u>16-30</u>	<u>31-50</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> - \$75	1 <sup>st</sup> - \$80	1 <sup>st</sup> - \$80
2 <sup>nd</sup> - \$50	2 <sup>nd</sup> - \$70	2 <sup>nd</sup> - \$70
3 <sup>rd</sup> - \$40	3 <sup>rd</sup> - \$50	3 <sup>rd</sup> - \$50
4 <sup>th</sup> - \$30	4 <sup>th</sup> - \$40	4 <sup>th</sup> - \$40
5 <sup>th</sup> - \$15	<u>Accompanist</u>	<u>51+</u>
6 <sup>th</sup> - \$10	1 <sup>st</sup> - \$80	1 <sup>st</sup> - \$80
7 <sup>th</sup> - \$10	2 <sup>nd</sup> - \$70	2 <sup>nd</sup> - \$70
8 <sup>th</sup> - \$10	3 <sup>rd</sup> - \$50	3 <sup>rd</sup> - \$50
	4 <sup>th</sup> - \$40	4 <sup>th</sup> - \$40
	<u>Championship</u>	
	1 <sup>st</sup> - \$100	

Registration is at 11:30 A.M. Contest begins at 12 p.m.



## TOTFA Balance Sheet

Opening TOTFA Account Balance as of 06/01/2014	<u>\$5331.45</u>
Membership Revenue	\$57.66
Donations	\$50.00
May Newsletter Printing & Mailing	-\$134.38
Belton Contest Addition	-\$500.00
Bank Service Fee	-\$12.00
Ending TOTFA Account Balance as of 06/30/2014	<u><b>\$4792.73</b></u>