

## **Lifetime TOTFA Memberships Awarded to Jim Chancellor & Dale Morris**

The goal of the Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association (TOTFA) is to preserve and perpetuate a style of old time fiddling that developed uniquely in Texas and TOTFA has striven with the help of its members to promote and preserve this Texas fiddling, to educate about and encourage fiddling traditions, and to ensure quality and excellence in Texas fiddle contests. The Board of Directors also believes that TOTFA should recognize and thank the individuals who have played a significant role in this by performing, promoting, teaching, supporting, and popularizing our form of fiddling.

Two of our members have been recognized for their significant contributions and support of Texas Style Fiddling, Mr. Jim “Texas Shorty” Chancellor and Dale Morris Sr. On behalf of its members, the President and Board of Directors of TOTFA has awarded each of these legends with a Lifetime Membership in the Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association.

In the entire genre of fiddling there is probably no name more recognized and more respected than that of Jim “Texas Shorty” Chancellor. From his childhood years learning from the early masters of Texas fiddling, such as Benny Thomasson and Eck Robertson, Shorty is a true Master of Texas Fiddling. Through his travels, competitions, recordings, appearances, and sharing of knowledge, Texas Fiddling has become popularized far beyond the borders of Texas.

In the world of Fiddling, Dale Morris is a legend. His prowess as a fiddler, musician, teacher and ambassador of Texas Fiddling commands the respect and admiration of all devotees and enthusiasts of Texas Fiddling everywhere. He is directly responsible for the taking Texas Fiddling far beyond the borders of Texas and was a pioneer in instructional videos and sharing of knowledge about Texas Fiddling making it the primary contest style of fiddling in the U.S.

Hello Fiddle Fans,

Just a reminder about the upcoming contest in Dallas on Nov. 7th. The amphitheater there is a great facility for a contest, and I hope you are able to attend/compete in this new event. Convention at Glen Rose is the following week, and I urge everyone to attend if possible. This is an election year, and we need nominees for the BOD, as at least three of the six directors will not seek re-election. This is your association, and you need to voice your thoughts and cast your votes as to how TOTFA is going to be run, and who's going to run it. We need involvement from our membership to keep TOTFA viable now and in the future.

Hope to see you at Glen Rose!



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## By-Law Changes for Convention

The Board of TOTFA is reinstating the TOTFA Scholarship that was established several years ago but became dormant. In keeping with the 501 (c)(3) status of TOTFA, the Board of Directors would like to amend the bylaws to re-instate the TOTFA scholarship fund. We have redesigned the scholarship guidelines and criteria and those documents will be published at the Convention this year. The Board will be asking membership to approve these changes to the Bylaws:

Article II AMENDED shall read:

The purpose of the Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association shall be to promote Texas fiddling, improve Texas fiddling contests, sponsor an annual convention and contest, *maintain a scholarship fund*, and publish a monthly newsletter for benefit of the members.

Article VI RENAME as Article VII

Article VII RENAME as Article VIII

Article VIII RENAME as Article IX

Article IX RENAME as Article X

Article VI NEW shall read:

The Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association shall maintain a discretionary Scholarship Fund. The TOTFA Scholarship fund will be comprised of money donated specifically to the Scholarship Fund by members of TOTFA (either as cash donations or through fund raising) or money donated from the general funds of the TOTFA by the Board of Directors. The Scholarship Fund will be controlled separately from the general funds of TOTFA but will be controlled by the President and Board of Directors, who will keep the membership apprised of the amount of money in the Scholarship Fund via the Texas Fiddler. A document outlining the Rules and Eligibility, Selection Process, and General Information will be maintained by the Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association.

## Important Convention Information

A block of hotel rooms has been reserved at the Comfort Inn in Glen Rose at \$90.51 per night. Just mention the Texas Old Time Fiddlers Association.

There will be a silent auction Saturday, November 14 & Sunday, November 15. All are encouraged to bring items to donate and their checkbooks to purchase. The proceeds will go to TOTFA and are tax-deductible for the market value of the item.



**November**

John Alred	November 4
Marty Elmore	November 6
Kevin DeRusha	November 6
Anthony Mature	November 8
Robert Frost	November 11
Marty McPherson	November 18
Tom Fonville	November 19
Mark Seale	November 19
Lisa Hopkins	November 21
Tonya Hopkins	November 21
John Caballero	November 21
Clifford McCall	November 22
E.J. & Vi Hopkins	November 25
Myka Williams	November 29
Cherri Fryer	November 30



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**Bowie Chicken & Bread Days  
October 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ Bowie, TX**

<u>61+</u>	<u>0-18</u>	<u>19-40</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> – Jesse Mears	1 <sup>st</sup> – Ridge Roberts	1 <sup>st</sup> – Jason Andrew
2 <sup>nd</sup> – Gene Brown	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Leah Sawyer	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Faith Nugent
3 <sup>rd</sup> – Cliff McCall	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Elliot Dean	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Jacob Johnson
4 <sup>th</sup> – Ed Henson	4 <sup>th</sup> – Eliza Cain	4 <sup>th</sup> – Matt Wills
5 <sup>th</sup> – Larry Boddie	5 <sup>th</sup> – Karissa Nugent	
<u>41-60</u>	<u>Twin Fiddle</u>	<u>Accompanist</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> – Marty Elmore	1 <sup>st</sup> – Noelle & Karissa Nugent	1 <sup>st</sup> – Ray Franklin
2 <sup>nd</sup> – Kevin DeRusha	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Marty Elmore & David Holcomb	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Hyatt Hopkins
3 <sup>rd</sup> – David Sawyer	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Leah & David Sawyer	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Nick Gillentine
		4 <sup>th</sup> – Kathy McVicker
		5 <sup>th</sup> – John Crawford
	<u>Championship</u>	
	1 <sup>st</sup> – Ridge Roberts	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Leah Sawyer	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Marty Elmore	
	4 <sup>th</sup> – Jason Andrew	
	5 <sup>th</sup> – Faith Nugent	

**Guadalupe County Fair Grounds Dance Pavilion  
October 10<sup>th</sup> ~ Sequin, TX**

<u>0-12</u>	<u>13-18</u>	<u>19-64</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> – Christiana Nugent	1 <sup>st</sup> – Karissa Nugent	1 <sup>st</sup> – Bubba Hopkins
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Eliot Dean	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Evan Meeker
	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Noelle Nugent	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Faith Nugent
	4 <sup>th</sup> – Eliza Cain	4 <sup>th</sup> – Heidi Ludiker
		5 <sup>th</sup> – Elijah Stone
<u>40+</u>	<u>Championship</u>	<u>Favorite Fiddler</u>
1 <sup>st</sup> – Julie Amundson	Bubba Hopkins	Owen James
2 <sup>nd</sup> – Owen James		
3 <sup>rd</sup> – Brad Riley	<u>Accompanist</u>	<u>Oldest Fiddler</u>
4 <sup>th</sup> – Eddie Davis	1 <sup>st</sup> – Ray Franklin	Cliff McCall
5 <sup>th</sup> – Cliff McCall	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Eric Amundson	
		<u>Youngest Fiddler</u>
		Christiana Nugent

**World Championship Fiddler's Festival  
October 24<sup>th</sup> ~ Crockett, TX**

<p><u>Youth</u> 1<sup>st</sup> – Sawyer Porter 2<sup>nd</sup> – Jacob Johnson 3<sup>rd</sup> – Eliza Cain 4<sup>th</sup> – Eliza Baker 5<sup>th</sup> – Carina Baker</p>	<p><u>Senior</u> 1<sup>st</sup> – Michael Weise 2<sup>nd</sup> – Tom Fonville 3<sup>rd</sup> – E.J. Hopkins 4<sup>th</sup> – Jay Knight 5<sup>th</sup> – Sherry Wortham</p>	<p><u>World Champion</u> 1<sup>st</sup> – Carl Hopkins 2<sup>nd</sup> – Bubba Hopkins 3<sup>rd</sup> – Trustin Baker 4<sup>th</sup> – Mia Orosco 5<sup>th</sup> – Jason Andrew 6<sup>th</sup> – River Lee 7<sup>th</sup> – Isaac Stipp 8<sup>th</sup> – Karissa Nugent 9<sup>th</sup> – Faith Nugent 10<sup>th</sup> – Elliott Dean 11<sup>th</sup> – Gene Banks 12<sup>th</sup> – Andi Huff 13<sup>th</sup> – Fred Gebhardt 14<sup>th</sup> – Cliff McCall</p>
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Accompanist  
1<sup>st</sup> – Anthony Mature  
2<sup>nd</sup> – Simon Stipp  
3<sup>rd</sup> – Jim Reina  
4<sup>th</sup> – Daniel King

**1<sup>st</sup> Annual 508 Park Fiddle Contest  
Encore Park Amphitheater ~ 508 Park Ave. Dallas, TX  
November 7<sup>th</sup> ~ Dallas, TX**

<p><u>0-8</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$75 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$60 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$45 4<sup>th</sup> - \$30 5<sup>th</sup> - \$20 6<sup>th</sup> - \$15</p>	<p><u>9-12</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$100 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$80 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$60 4<sup>th</sup> - \$40 5<sup>th</sup> - \$30 6<sup>th</sup> - \$20</p>	<p><u>13-17</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$175 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$125 4<sup>th</sup> - \$100 5<sup>th</sup> - \$75 6<sup>th</sup> - \$50</p>
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<p><u>18-39</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$175 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$125 4<sup>th</sup> - \$100 5<sup>th</sup> - \$75 6<sup>th</sup> - \$50</p>	<p><u>40-64</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$175 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$125 4<sup>th</sup> - \$100 5<sup>th</sup> - \$75 6<sup>th</sup> - \$50</p>	<p><u>65+</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$175 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$125 4<sup>th</sup> - \$100 5<sup>th</sup> - \$75 6<sup>th</sup> - \$50</p>
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Roots of Western Swing  
1<sup>st</sup> - \$175  
2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150  
3<sup>rd</sup> - \$125  
4<sup>th</sup> - \$100  
5<sup>th</sup> - \$75  
6<sup>th</sup> - \$50

Registration: 9:00 a.m.  
Contest: 10:00 a.m.

Accompanist  
1<sup>st</sup> - \$100  
2<sup>nd</sup> - \$80  
3<sup>rd</sup> - \$60  
4<sup>th</sup> - \$40  
5<sup>th</sup> - \$30  
6<sup>th</sup> - \$20

**77th Annual East Texas Yamboree  
October 17<sup>th</sup> ~ Gilmer, TX**

<p><u>12-19</u> 1<sup>st</sup> – Noelle Nugent 2<sup>nd</sup> – Christiana Nugent 3<sup>rd</sup> – Piper Whatsitt</p>	<p><u>20-35</u> 1<sup>st</sup> – Bubba Hopkins 2<sup>nd</sup> – Jason Andrew</p>	<p><u>36-64</u> 1<sup>st</sup> – Jacob Johnson 2<sup>nd</sup> – Charlie Walker</p>
<p><u>65+</u> 1<sup>st</sup> – Jesse Mears 2<sup>nd</sup> – Tom Fonville 3<sup>rd</sup> – Sherry Wortham</p>	<p><u>Accompanist</u> 1<sup>st</sup> – Bobby Christman 2<sup>nd</sup> – Ted Williams 3<sup>rd</sup> – Kathy McVicker</p>	<p><u>Championship</u> Jason Andrew</p>

**42nd Annual TOTFA Championship &  
Dale McPherson Memorial Contest  
November 14-15<sup>th</sup> ~ Glen Rose, TX**

<p><u>0-10</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$100 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$75 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$50 4<sup>th</sup> - \$40 5<sup>th</sup> - \$30 6<sup>th</sup> - \$20 7<sup>th</sup> - \$10 8<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> - \$5</p>	<p><u>11-17</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$200 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$100 4<sup>th</sup> - \$75 5<sup>th</sup> - \$50 6<sup>th</sup> - \$25 7<sup>th</sup> - \$10</p>	<p><u>18-35</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$200 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$100 4<sup>th</sup> - \$75 5<sup>th</sup> - \$50</p>
<p><u>36-59</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$200 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$100 4<sup>th</sup> - \$75 5<sup>th</sup> - \$50</p>	<p><u>60+</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$200 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$100 4<sup>th</sup> - \$75 5<sup>th</sup> - \$50</p>	<p><u>Out of State</u> 1<sup>st</sup> - \$300 2<sup>nd</sup> - \$250 3<sup>rd</sup> - \$200 4<sup>th</sup> - \$150 5<sup>th</sup> - \$100</p>

TOTFA State Championship  
1<sup>st</sup> - \$500  
2<sup>nd</sup> - \$400  
3<sup>rd</sup> - \$300  
4<sup>th</sup> - \$200  
5<sup>th</sup> - \$100  
6<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup> - \$100

Registration: 9:00 a.m.  
Contest: 10:00 a.m.  
(Saturday & Sunday)

Accompanist  
1<sup>st</sup> - \$200  
2<sup>nd</sup> - \$150  
3<sup>rd</sup> - \$100  
4<sup>th</sup> - \$75  
5<sup>th</sup> - \$50