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I hope everyone had a festive and happy Independence Day! As we are all staying out of the heat and being lazy in the dog days of summer, I just wanted to give everyone a few updates.

We had a date change due to conflict with the World Championship Fiddle Contest in Crockett, Texas. The new date has been updated on the calendar and is now on September 23<sup>rd</sup>. If you have already made reservations, please contact them and get your dates changed over.

If you are looking for some fiddling events, I have listed a couple other non-association contests coming up in August. Branson, MO and Fayette, AL are having contests at the end of August and I have listed them in the calendar on Page 2.

The 3<sup>rd</sup> full week of June hosts the National Old Time Fiddlers contest. If you have never made the voyage to Weiser, Idaho, for this week long event, I encourage you to do so. Hundreds of fiddlers come from all over the world and country to compete for the top 5 places in the nation. Two of our very own members made the top 5 in three divisions this year. Mr. Gene Banks of Athens, TX, was the 5<sup>th</sup> place Champion in the Senior division and Miss Karissa Nugent of Burleson, TX, participated in the Young Adult division winning 3<sup>rd</sup> place Champion as well! Karissa and her friend, Shira Elissman from California, also competed together in the Twin Fiddling division and won 3<sup>rd</sup> place. If you see them, please congratulate them on their winnings!!! The full placings for the National Fiddle Contest are listed on Page 3.

The Twin Lakes National Fiddler Championship in Leitchfield, KY was held this month. This contest could not be what it is without Ed Carnes. He has served on the Board of Directors for TOTFA in the past and does a great job coordinating contests. There were 116 contestants this year. A couple of our very own Texas boys made the Top 5 in their divisions. Mr. Brad Riley, was the Senior Division Champion, and Mr. Carl Hopkins took home 3<sup>rd</sup> place in the Adult Division. I'm so very proud to see our members represent our great state of Texas in these contests around the nation. Ya'll keep it up!!!

The Randy Elmore Fiddle Camp was held July 10<sup>th</sup>-14<sup>th</sup>. Fellow TOTFA director Elijah Stone was in attendance along with several other members. The camp is one of the best there is to learn about Texas Fiddling. There were just over 50 students eager to learn from the Top Texas Fiddling instructors in the state. Randy Elmore, Wes Wesmoreland III, Larry Franklin, Rich Schroeder, Valerie Ryals, and Roberta Rast were teaching fiddle. Marty Elmore and Dick Gimble taught the guitar classes. Every evening, there is a little showcase and concert for each instructor and special guests. If you are interested in learning more about the Randy Elmore Fiddle Camp, please contact any director and let us know.

The Bowie Contest Benefit and “July Jam” was held this month as well. There was a packed house! Chicken dinners were served for \$8 each, there was a bake sale, silent auction and best of all, live entertainment and good fiddling from all around. Afterward, the Harris’ held a small get-together and the music continued into the night as always. A great “Thank You” to Marty Elmore and all involved to help this contest stay alive, and to the community of Bowie Texas for their continued support of fiddling.

# Here and There

Here is a listing of contest and event dates, such as they are known, for 2017. This list will be updated as needed as more information is known.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Name / Location</b>
Aug 25-27	Branson Fiddle Festival Branson, MO
Aug 28-29	West Alabama Fiddle Fest Fayette, AL
<b>Sep 8</b>	<b>Johnson Cty Pioneers &amp; Old Settlers Reunion Fiddle Contest Alvarado, TX</b>
Sep 23	Crockett World Championship Fiddlers Festival Crockett, TX
<b>Oct 7</b>	<b>Chicken &amp; Bread Days Fiddle Contest Bowie, TX</b>
<b>Oct 14</b>	<b>J. Box Roberts Memorial Fiddle Contest Seguin, TX</b>
<b>Oct 21</b>	<b>East Texas Yamboree Fiddlers Contest Gilmer, TX</b>
Nov 11	Dale McPherson Memorial Glen Rose, TX

# Done Gone

## National Old Time Fiddle Contest, Weiser, Idaho Third Full Week in June

<b>Small Fry (8 and Under)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lillian Arnold</li> <li>Nike Quale</li> <li>Ranelle Dietrich</li> <li>Jetta Brooks</li> <li>Josephine Arnold Mages</li> </ol>	<b>Junior Junior</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Grace Partridge</li> <li>Julian Oliver</li> <li>Teo Quale</li> <li>Tarquin Bennion</li> <li>Jesse Quintana</li> </ol>
<b>Junior</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Regina Scott</li> <li>Ridge Roberts</li> <li>Vance Voetberg</li> <li>Makenzie Johnston</li> <li>Sawyer Porter</li> </ol>	<b>Young Adult</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Abigail Stepper</li> <li>Ashley Dreyer</li> <li>Karissa Nugent</li> <li>Michael Rolland</li> <li>Mikaela Shippy</li> <li>Alexander Sharps</li> </ol>
<b>Adult</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jacie Sites</li> <li>Cody Stadelmaier</li> <li>Julie Miller</li> <li>Vi Wickam</li> <li>Andy Emert</li> </ol>	<b>Senior Division</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>John Francis</li> <li>Starr McMullen</li> <li>Aaron Lowe</li> <li>Janet Shelby</li> <li>Gene Banks</li> </ol>
<b>Senior Senior</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Vivian Williams</li> <li>Mabel Vogt</li> <li>Akiyasu Sumi</li> <li>Duane Stephens</li> <li>Jim McMillan</li> </ol>	<b>Grand Champion</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Luke Price</li> <li>Tristan Clarridge</li> <li>Tashina Clarridge</li> <li>Katrina Nicolayeff</li> <li>Katie Glassman</li> </ol>
<b>Swing Fiddle (17 and Under)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Makenzie Johnston</li> <li>Miles Quale</li> <li>Sarah Stixrud</li> <li>Kierra Smith</li> <li>Lorelei Hein</li> </ol>	<b>Swing Fiddle (18 and over)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Katie Glassman</li> <li>Maddie Denton</li> <li>Nancy Padilla</li> <li>Jonah Shue</li> <li>Celeste Johnson</li> </ol>
<b>Youngest Fiddler</b> Sorella High-5	<b>Oldest Fiddler</b> Marjorie McFaul-92
<b>Twin Fiddling Winners</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Macy Lynn Keller and Sawyer Porter</li> <li>Janet Shelby and Linda Everts</li> <li>Shira Ellisman and Karissa Nugent</li> <li>Noemi Turner and Ashley Dryer</li> <li>Eliza Beck and Rachel Beck</li> </ol>	<b>Accompanist</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Matt Hartz 97 times</li> <li>Drew Miller 79 times</li> <li>Rod Anderson 75 times</li> <li>Joey McKenzie 74 times</li> <li>Tristan Clarridge 51 times</li> </ol>

# Done Gone

## Twin Lakes National Fiddler Championship, Leitchfield, Kentucky July 15, 2017

<b>Small Fry (8 and Under)</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lillian Arnold Mages</li> <li>Sarah Hathaway</li> <li>Maddie McKinney</li> <li>Hailey Bryant</li> <li>Josephine Arnold Mages</li> </ol>	<b>Junior Junior</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mary Parker</li> <li>Olivia Lee</li> <li>David Lin</li> <li>Leah Bowen</li> <li>Sarah Padgett</li> </ol>
<b>Junior</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Ivy Phillips</li> <li>Matthew Lin</li> <li>Kate Ward</li> <li>Benjamin Lin</li> <li>Emily Arnold Mages</li> </ol>	<b>Young Adult</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maddie Denton</li> <li>Tyler Andal</li> <li>Joey Lautzenheiser</li> <li>Andrew Lin</li> <li>Bailey Yates</li> </ol>
<b>Adult</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Joel Whittinghill</li> <li>Mark Ralph</li> <li>Carl Hopkins</li> <li>Marcia Denton</li> </ol>	<b>Senior Division</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Brad Riley</li> <li>Herbert Clark</li> <li>Rob Percy</li> <li>John Paul Jarboe</li> <li>Kim Embry</li> </ol>
<b>Guitar</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tyler Sellers</li> <li>Joel Whittinghill</li> <li>Tyler Andal</li> <li>Ivy Phillips</li> <li>Rob Percy</li> </ol>	<b>Mandolin</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tyler Andal</li> <li>Joel Whittinghill</li> <li>Ivy Phillips</li> <li>Matt Flake</li> <li>Maddie Denton</li> </ol>
<b>Banjo</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tyler Andal</li> <li>Rob Percy</li> <li>Ivy Phillips</li> <li>Maddie Denton</li> </ol>	<b>Championship Fiddle-Off</b> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Maddie Denton</li> <li>Ivy Phillips</li> <li>Mary Parker</li> <li>Joel Whittinghill</li> <li>Brad Riley</li> </ol>

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# Jul-Aug Birthdays

David Lamb-July 1

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# Little Joe

The image displays a musical score for the piece "Little Joe". It consists of ten staves of guitar tablature, numbered 1 through 45. The music is written in a key signature of one sharp (F#) and a 2/4 time signature. A tempo marking of  $\text{♩} = 110$  is present at the beginning. The score includes various guitar techniques such as triplets, sixteenth-note runs, and slurs. Chord diagrams are provided above the notes, including G, G<sup>7</sup>/B, C, C#o7, G, G<sup>7</sup>/B, Bb<sup>o7</sup>, D<sup>7</sup>/A, D, A<sup>7</sup>, and D<sup>7</sup>. The piece concludes with a double bar line and a final chord.

*Taken from the TOTFA Newsletter Archives*

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\$ _____ Musician \$30/yr. (Contest Fiddler or Accompanist)		
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