

BLUEGRASS BULLETIN

The Willa Beach-Porter Scholarship was awarded to a group of young musicians from Clay County this year. The name of their Band is “Backstage” composed of Riley Mathews, Jill Corley, Tyler Colley and Erika Richardson.

Three of them were thirteen year olds and one was twelve years old. They took classes related to their instruments but also took private lessons in addition to their classes. They sent us two very nice emails thanking us for helping them participate in Camp Bluegrass this year. They were overjoyed at the fact that they were permitted to participate as a band rather than individual. Individually they might not have all been able to attend. Janice Rogers, a friend of Willa Porter also joined the group with their certificates in one of the pictures below



The Board felt this year that since the person we were going to send could not get away from work to go that the next best thing was to allow Camp Bluegrass to suggest a person from their applications. This was also in part to it being so late in the month before we found out that our original pick would not be able to attend. They



suggested the group “Backstage” and it worked out better because it allowed us to sponsor 4 people rather than just one.

The following email was sent in reply to their emails:

The board of the Central Texas Bluegrass Association is pleased to have provided scholarship support for you and your fellow band members as you study and practice bluegrass music. The experience at Levelland is indeed unique, and has helped many individuals and bands perfect their musicianship.

We extend our best wishes for your future as you play and enjoy bluegrass music!

John Hood, President, CTBA

Camp Bluegrass Huge Success by Dave Stritzinger

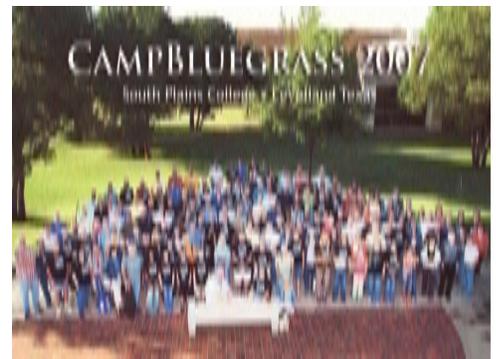
Finally, I was going to attend and experience the most prestigious training camp for bluegrass musicians available. For ten years at least, I've wanted to attend the Levelland, Texas Bluegrass training camp, and this year, I would be able to go.

Well, let me tell you, it sure wasn't a disappointment! Everything about it was worlds better than I had expected. From the first afternoon when we signed up, received our room keys and started listening to those already jamming around the area, to the last afternoon, when I had one of the instructors give me some individual pointers on my instrument, activities and time passed with whirling speed!

The accommodations and the meals were outstanding. Each day consisted of classes all morning and early afternoon in your chosen instrument, a jam session, controlled by an instructor, a spectacular evening program by the staff, and any of a series of jam sessions throughout the campus for the rest of each evening until you dropped!

The instruction was top notch. We learned technique, songs, jam styles, diatonic scales, jokes, and much more concerning our individual instruments. For me, being told that I was on the right track with the dobro was most helpful. Immediately, we were able to put what we had just learned into practice in the afternoon controlled jam sessions.

The apex of each day was the evening program performed by different mixtures of staff members, instructors, and other visitors. The entertainment was world class, on a level with any of the professional groups on the Bluegrass scene. All programs, including the Student programs performed by groups that had formed during the week, were at the auditorium in the Tom T Hall, home of the bluegrass/country music education department.





Wayne Brooks & The Piney Grove Ramblers

ting down with Wayne and Bill Patrick a few minutes prior to their getting started and really enjoyed it. Believe me they have their act together. Several of the guys play multiple instruments but definitely concentrate on their main instruments but when it comes time for the band to perform.

They are from left to right: Jeff Kilgore on guitar, Larry French on Dobro, Wayne on guitar and Vocals, Bill Patrick on Mandolin, Steve Mangol on Bass (can't see him very well...sorry), Chuck Middleton on Banjo and Tom Boes on sound. Great Job guys I had to leave early but I sure enjoyed what I did get to hear.

Wayne and his band came through with flying colors when they were asked to play for the CTBA First Saturday at Artz Ribhouse August 4th. They started off with some familiar songs but then showed their versatility by going to several songs they had written. They started at 7 pm and the crowd was a little sparse at first but that soon changed. These bands seems to have a certain style none of them seem to overlap with the same songs. At least not that I have seen. Wayne and his group Have that old time flavor that you just don't get with the modern groups. I had the pleasure of sit-



Wimberley Jam every Friday night from 8 till ??? At Charlie's Catfish Restaurant in Wimberley. Its out back behind the restaurant and has been active for approx 14 years. Charlie's is well known for the "all you can eat catfish" and other sea food but also for a fantastic T-bone steak. No alcohol is sold but you can bring your own. The jam isn't complete without Rio the singing dog which belonged to a farmer jam member Gary Boggs who passed away and was adopted by another jam member. Gary played with the New Christy Minstrels at one time. Rio seems to look forward to coming every Friday night. One of the group has written several songs for Rio because she really does sing. This is something you just have to see but she doesn't like other dogs in her circle.



As you can see it is a very friendly place and for all levels of pickers. We have children as young as 4 and from that to 94 who play. There is a covered slab to play on but it is best to bring your own chairs just in case there is a big attendance because there is not an abundance of chairs.

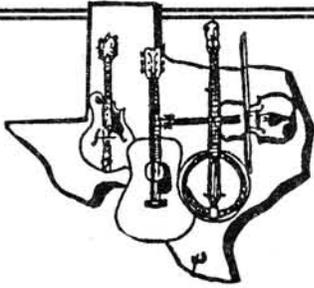
Mike Bond pictured in yellow in the picture to the right is the "Host" of the jam. Mike tries to be there every Friday but as with most jams things do come up but he is there most of the time.



There is plenty of parking behind the restaurant. Mike can be reached by calling 512-847-2238 for directions. The only rule that Mike has is that unless you are the one and only Billy Ray Cyrus himself, you can't play "Achy Breaky Heart". Come one come all it is a hoot!



Photos & Article by Sunny Castille



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Martin Family Band -Versailles, Mo	(Fri-Sat)
White Dove -Houston, TX	(T-F)
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Chinquapin Flat – Bellville, Tx	(T)
Cypress Creek – Houston, Tx	(T)
Gammagrass Ramblers – Bellville, Tx	(T)
Polk Brothers/Lone Man Mountain Boys -Tx	(T)

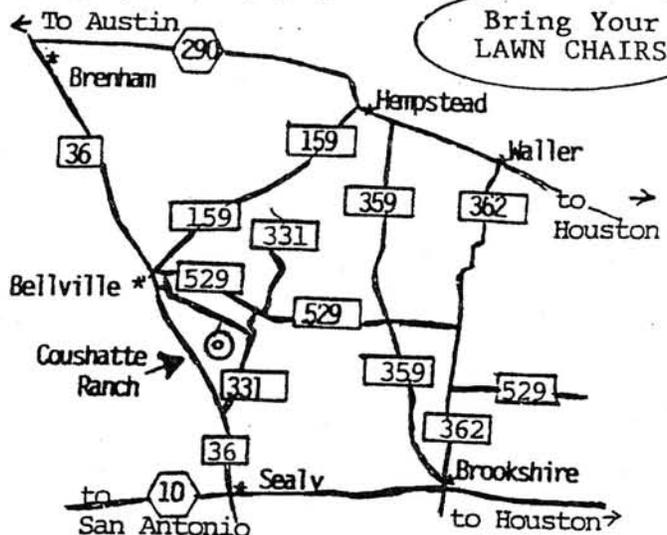
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For Immediate Release

Deering Banjos Makes “Buying Now” Even Easier

“Buy Now” and “Rush” options have been added to the Deering Banjo Company web site to help customers get selected models more quickly in their hands! This improvement to the focus on Customer Service that is a Deering trademark has come about in an effort to speed up the process for every customer in getting a Deering banjo to their doorstep. The selection of models will vary but the customer will receive FREE 3-Day select shipping within 24-48 business days after receipt of order and FREE installation of spikes at frets 7,9,10 so that they can play in the alternate tunings of A, B, and C. This service is only available by ordering through this special page on www.Deeringbanjos.com.

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New *“Advantage”* or all Music Lovers.



The Deering Banjo Company has created a new “Advantage Club “ for all acoustic instruments enthusiasts. Celebrating 32 years of crafting high quality, American-made banjos this 2007, Janet and Greg Deering sought a way to both thank their customers and help everyone who enjoys playing or listening to music! Finding the right resource, staying in touch with advances in industry, finding out about great concerts,...all of these can be difficult to do. Janet and Greg Deering have created a club for world-wide membership to solve this communication flow. Given the wide-spread use of the internet, they felt this was the best Media to launch this exciting new opportunity for everyone involved in music anywhere in the world. All you need to do is log on to

www.deeringadvantageclub.com and you will be presented with a warm welcome and opportunity for membership.

Membership advantages include: A Deering t-shirt, a 5/8” Deering Bridge personally autographed by Greg Deering, access to free concert tickets, subscription to the Deering Gazette both on line and printed versions, access to the World Wide Banjo Directory of innumerable services, ability to order specialty banjos and Deering items on the online Advantage Store, and discounts on specialty items. The monetary value of all of this far exceeds the modest \$45 yearly fee that is required for membership!

To learn more about the Deering Banjo Company log on to their website, www.deeringbanjos.com or call them on their toll free number, 800-845-7791

CTBA Band Shows and Events

September 2007

Sat.	Sept 1st 1:30 pm	Eddie Collins & Friends – Round Rock Premium Outlets at 4401 N IH-35 Round Rock, Tx
Fri	Sept 7th 9 pm	Piney Grove Ramblers – Flipnotics 1603 Barton Springs Rd, Austin, Tx
Sat	Sept 8th 7:30 pm	Sieker Band – Artz Ribhouse, 2330 S. Lamar, Austin, Tx
Thur	Sept 13th 7 pm	Wayward Pony – It’s a Grind Coffeehouse, Braker Ln. & Silver Creek Road, Austin, Tx www.waywardpony.com
Fri	Sept 14th 7:30	Manchaca AllStars – Manchaca Firehall (FM 1626) Manchaca, Tx http://manchacaallstars.tripod.com/index.html
Sat	Sept 15th 7-9 pm	Piney Grove Ramblers – County Line on Bee Cave Rd, Austin, Tx
Sun	Sept 16th TBA	BuffaloGrass – Live Oak First Baptist Church 11560 Toepperwein Rd Live Oak, Tx
Wed	Sept 19th 6 pm	Blacktop Bend – Austin Farmers Market at the Triangle, Austin, Tx
Sat.	Sept 22nd 7 pm	Sieker Band – Northwest Hills United Methodist Church 7050 Village Center Dr. Austin, Tx 512-345-1743
Sun	Sept 23rd 6 pm	Eddie Collins & Friends – Artz Ribhouse 2330 S. Lamar, Austin, Tx
Thur	Sept 27-30th	BuffaloGrass – Nickel Creek Music Festival, Nickel Creek, Tx
Fri	Sept 28th	Sieker Band – Walburg Restaurant, Hwy 972 Walburg, Tx www.walburgrestaurant.com for directions.
Sat.	Sept 29th	Sieker Band – Leander Bluegrass Festival, Leander, Tx www.ci.leander.tx.us/
Sat.	Sept 29th 10:15 pm	Piney Grove Ramblers – Flipnotics, 1603 Barton Springs Rd., Austin, Tx
Sun	Sept 30th 1pm	Seiker Band – St. John Vianney Catholic Church 3201 Sunrise Rd, Round Rock Tx www.sjvroundrock.org
Sun	Sept 30th 7:30 pm	Piney Grove Ramblers – Artz Ribhouse 2330 S. Lamar, Austin, Tx

If you are a member of CTBA, and your band has an upcoming show, please email Dale Albright our contributing Editor at: dale-mandolin@austin.rr.com so you can be listed.

Notice: We will be taking more pictures at bluegrass events and jams. If any member does not want their picture published in the Bulletin please opt out by contacting ... Roy Glover at: rglover2@austin.rr.com

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NOTE:

Please be sure to check the bands website for last minute changes as this does occur from time to time.

All bands listed are members of the CTBA. See the membership form on page 7 for information on band membership.

ATTENTION!!

My name is **Pepper Jackson** and I am working on a project to document all the **Wynn Mandolins** built by John Wynn since 1960. I am contacting as many sources as possible to try and document the 220 plus mandolins built. If you are not familiar with **Winn Mandolins** you can go to the website: Wynnmandolins.com

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Beginner/Intermed. Jam 1st. & 3rd Thu. 7-9 pm,
Steve Mangold 512-345-6155

CTBA 1st & 3rd Saturday show, Artz Ribhouse,
show 4-6

Jam Session: Sunday at Artz Ribhouse, 2-5 pm

Live Bluegrass Show: Artz Ribhouse Sunday 6 pm;
512-442-8283

AAAMS Jam 2nd & 4th Wed. Leander/Cedar Park
Fine Arts Academy, 200 Buttercup Rd, Ste. 104,
Cedar Park, 6:30 to 8:30 pm, 512-401-8863

AFTM Contra Dance: 3rd Sat. 3501 Red River 7:30
to 11 pm, \$7 453-8936

AFTM Jam Session: 2nd Sun at Threadgill's South
Barton Springs & Riverside, 2 to 5 pm 512-789-
4572

BELLVILLE,

Spring Creek Club Jam/Show 4th Sat; 4pm Jam,
6:30 pm show. Coushatte Recreation Ranch 979-
865-5250 bluegrass22@ev1.net Plenty of
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BRYAN/COLLEGE STATION,

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S. College 6-9 pm
www.brazoscountrygrass.com

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1st and 3rd Friday, 6:30 to 8:30 pm. 512-401-8863

CLEBURNE

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www.NTBBluegrass.com

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Bluegrass on the Square: Sat-March thru November
between Main and State Sts. At 6th, 7:30pm to 1
am, Jim Miller 972-276-3197

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Ben Buchanan 512-263-7193

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PEARL

Jam & Stage Show, 1st Sat: Jam 12:00, Show 4:30
pm Hwy 183, 7 mi South of Purlmela contact:
Ronald Medart 254-865-6013

SAN ANTONIO

Open Bluegrass Jam Session 1st & 3rd Tue. , 6-8:30
pm Grady's BBQ Store No 4 6510 San Pedro Ave,
Hosted by: Tom Taylor 210-805-8036

Beginner/Intermediate Bluegrass Jam 2nd Thursday
7-9 pm at 6418 Ridgehurst, San Antonio, Tx
Hosted by: Clifton Bowren 210-602-5544
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SHULENBERG

RV Park community Center
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Laretta Baumgarten 979-743-4388
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WIMBERLEY

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