

BLUEGRASS BULLETIN

CTBA First Saturday Night Aug. 2nd

By Roy Glover



“String Beans”..... you never know what to expect from these guys. Mike Montgomery, fiddle, seems to be the conservative one. Ryan Gould, on bass, is probably the cut up or the showman of the group. He didn’t have a beard the last time they preformed but J. D. Pendley, on guitar, did. Now J. D. shaved his off and Ryan is taking on the bearded look. Maybe Mike will be the one with the beard next time I catch them playing somewhere.

Nevertheless it didn’t affect the music. They were excellent at usual. doing Bluegrass, Swing, and Jazz. This time they had a guest singer Ed Hayes, from the band, “Aunt Ruby’s Sweet Babies Jazz,” with a terrific baritone voice.



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FEATURED JAM SPOTLITE

By Roy Glover

This month I decided to stop by the new Jam hosted by Fiddler's Green Music Shop. They hold it out back in what they call "The Barn" which is a converted garage. I will keep the text short in order to get in more pictures.



I didn't get everyone's name so I won't try to match pictures with names but will mention a few of the ones that I did get. There was Dale Albright, Ken Brown, Chuck Middleton, Ben Hodges to name a few.



Also chiming in was Eddie Schindler, Jami Hampton on banjo and some great harmony by Wayne Brooks, Carrie Thielemann and Eddie on Bass. Also adding to the mix was Dan and Diana Ost again doing a couple of harmony numbers.



Katy Cox, one of Austin's well know fiddle players was there and she could really knocked your sox off with her style of playing. I went planning on staying for an hour but ended staying for two hours.

The music was mostly Bluegrass with a couple of gospel songs and a couple of country songs by Wayne Brooks and Carrie Thielemann. This was a great session. One of the best I have been to in a long time. Everyone from beginners to professionals flocked in which made it a night to remember.

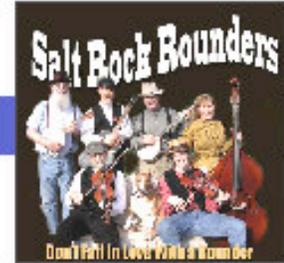
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MR. DON HELMS passes...

I received an e-mail this month that Mr. Don Helms had passed away August 11, 2008 which read: "The last of the original Drifting Cowboys is gone. Don Helms, a renowned steel player and member of Hank Williams' Drifting Cowboys Band, died this morning at age 81 of an apparent heart attack. Mr. Helms was the last remaining link to the Drifting Cowboys. His guitar was heard on more than 100 of Williams' recordings, including "Your Cheatin' Heart," "Cold Cold Heart" and "I Can't Help It If I'm Still In Love With You." His steel playing is an indelible part of those records, and after Williams' death Mr. Helms went on to provide significant parts on recordings such as Patsy Cline's "Walkin' After Midnight," Stonewall Jackson's "Waterloo" and Lefty Frizzell's "Long Black Veil." He played with other greats as well, including Loretta Lynn, Ernest Tub, Ray Price, Jim Reeves and Webb Pierce."

Mr. Helms was also a songwriter whose compositions were recorded by Brenda Lee, Hank Williams Jr. and others. He was inducted into the Steel Guitar Hall of Fame in 1984, and remained an active part of Nashville's music community until his death.

BOARD APPROVES NEW PROPOSAL !!!

The Board unanimously approved a proposal to allow credit toward a member's **renewal** of **\$5 for each new member** he or she brings in during the year. This is a limited time approval to see how well the membership responds.

There is a space for "**Referred by** _____" on the membership application which can be downloaded off the website or use the one on the back of the monthly Bulletin. The applicant ***MUST*** fill in that part of the application in order to give credit to the existing member that referred them. Failure to fill in that space will result in the existing member not receiving their credit. They may **not** call in after the fact and say who referred them. Only **New Membership** applications will be counted starting as of September 1, 2008.

Most members should never have to pay their membership again, unless they choose to, simply by getting 4 or 5 new members each year they will have credit to cover the renewal.

Roy Glover will keep a running total and will advise you on your renewal card as to how much credit you have toward your renewal.

Let's make this work people and increase our membership.....

CTBA Band Shows and Events

NOTE: All listings need to be in no later than the 15th of the month to go into the next month bulletin

September, 2008

Fri	Sept 5	3:30 pm	The Sieker Band – ABIA Hill Country Stage, ABIA Airport, Austin, Tx
Fri	Sept 5	6:30	Teresa Garner Bluegrass Band – County Seat, Georgetown, Tx
Sat	Sept 6	7 pm	The Grass Onions – Artz Ribhouse, 2330 S. Lamar, Austin, Tx
Sat	Sept 6	6 pm	Teresa Garner Bluegrass Band – Fellowship Baptist Church Festival, Liberty Hill, Tx
Sat	Sept 6	7 pm	Austin Lounge Lizards – The Cactus Café, UT Student Union, Austin, Tx
Sat	Sept 6	10 am	Blacktop Bend – Downtown Farmers Market, Austin, Tx Ph: 512-619-8536
Sun	Sept 7	11 am	The Sieker Band – Threadgill's North Bluegrass Brunch, Austin, Tx
Wed	Sept 10	7 pm	Danny Santos – Threadgill's song swap, Austin, Tx
Fri	Sept 12	7 pm	Blacktop Bend – Waterloo Ice House, 9600 Escarpment Blvd, Austin, Tx
Sat	Sept 13	9 pm	Danny Santos – Waterloo Ice House, 9600 Escarpment Blvd, Austin, Tx
Sat	Sept 13	7:30 pm	Teresa Garner Bluegrass Band – Dahlia Café, Liberty Hill, Tx
Sat	Sept 13	7 pm	The Sieker Band – Artz Ribhouse, 2330 S. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Tx
Sun	Sept 14	6 pm	Dear Henry Band – Road House Rags, 1600 Fort View Rd, Austin, Tx
Wed	Sept 17	6:30 pm	Blacktop Bend – Central Market Westgate, 4477 S. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Tx
Fri	Sept 19	9 pm	Danny Santos – Waterloo Ice House, 9600 Escarpment Blvd, Austin, Tx
Fri	Sept 19	7 pm	The Sieker Band – Walburg Restaurant, Walburg, Tx
Fri	Sept 19	7 pm	Wayward Pony – It's A Grind Coffeehouse, 700 E. Whitestone Blvd., Cedar Park, Tx
Sat	Sept 20	tba	Manchaca AllStars – Bay Area Bluegrass Assoc., at League City, Texas www.bayareabluegrass.org
Wed	Sept 24	6 pm	The Sieker Band – Pickin' At the Pavilion, Sun City, Tx
Thu	Sept 25	tba	BuffaloGrass – Nickel Creek Music Festival, Nickel Creek Ranch, Gonzales, Tx
Sat	Sept 27	6 pm	The Sieker Band – Leander Bluegrass Festival, Leander, Tx

Festivals and Workshops

Thu	Sept 4	Wind Energy Capital Bluegrass Festival – McCamey, Tx 432-652-8202
Sat	Sept 6	Chrystal Opry House Bluegrass Show – Tom Bean, Tx 903-546-6893
Sat	Sept 6	Traders Village Bluegrass Festival – Houston, Tx 281-890-5500
Sat	Sept 13	Bluegrass Pickin' Place – Lone Star, Tx 903-656-2358
Sat	Sept 13	Texas Pickin' Park – Fayetteville, Tx 979-378-2753
Fri	Sept 19	Sandyland Bluegrass Reunion – Nacogdoches, Tx 936-569-1179
Sat	Sept 20	Bay Area Bluegrass Assoc. – League City, Tx 713-249-2986
Fri	Sept 26-27	Triple Creek RV Park Bluegrass Weekend – Woodville, Tx 409-283-3642
Fri	Sept 26-28	Big Lake Fall Bluegrass Festival – Big Lake, Tx 325-650-1150
Sat	Sept 27	Quitman Bluegrass Music Show – Quitman, Tx 903-852-6588
Sat	Sept 27	Spring Creek Bluegrass Club Show – Bellville, Tx 979-865-5250

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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.



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CTBA Member Bands CD's

This group composed of Don Inbody on guitar, Scott Byars on mandolin and Howard Surber on bass, all sing both solo and do harmony as well. The CD reflects their own style of music including some songs they have written as well as some of our old time favorites. Contact information provided below for prices and shipping. For Booking info go to :



Artist: BuffaloGrass
Title: Gone to Nickel Creek
Contact : nickelcreek@buffalograssmusic.com
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This group has developed a unique style of their own and given a new sound to the Bluegrass Music. I have this album and thoroughly enjoy it. It is unlike many of the albums you buy these days which when you finish listening to it you almost never put it back in the CD player because you don't have the urge to listen to it again. This entire album will have you wanting to listening time and again.



Artist: Teresa Garner & Bluegrass Express
Title: Cold Cold Ground
Contact: www.mysite.verion.net/res7zkss

The Manchaca All Stars are a lively and Entertaining group who have play various venues around the area for over 20 years. You may have seen and listened to them at the Manchaca Fire Hall in Manchaca, Tx where they were the house band for many years. Their music consist of a wide range from the realm of country to Bluegrass. Contact info provided below:



Artist: Manchaca All Stars
Title: First Attempt
Call: (512) 282 - 2756 or 512 496-3756

This group is showing great promise. They have several CD's out this one being the latest. They have performed at numerous venues all over the state and in New Mexico as well. Their popularity is growing by the day and you can expect to see and hear more about them in the very near future. They have been selected as one of the top 100 Texas Touring Artist appointed by the Texas Commission on The Arts 2006—2008.



Artist: Buddy & Tina Wright Group
Title: First Day of the Week
Contact: www.buddyandtina.com

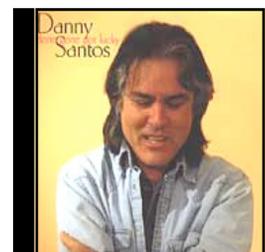
These two albums have been out for a while with "Golden Wings" being the latest release. I have both CD's and enjoy both.... Roy The following is a testimonial listed on Eddie's web site:"unpretentious music that draws the listener in. It reminds me not so much of a fancy banquet as an enjoyable, satisfying breakfast with friends at your favorite local diner."Pete Wernick (Dr. Banjo)



For info on ordering go to:

Artist: Eddie Collins
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Contact: www.eddiecollins.bus/eddie/cd.html

"Singer/songwriter Danny Santos the inspiration of his Tejano heritage, a musical legacy ranging from Hank Williams to the Beatles, and a Texas-sized determination to create a unique mix of country/ folk tinged with Bluegrass and the Blues. His songs illuminate the joys of true love, the woes of love lost and the weary longing of those still searching. It's a style forged from maturity, grit and drive". I took this from his website but I have listened to his music and it truly relates and states it much better than I could. For ordering info go to:



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Title: Done Gone Got Lucky
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CTBA PREPARES FOR 30TH ANNIVERSARY BLOW OUT!



While security still remains tight concerning the 30th Anniversary Celebration coming up this November for the Central Texas Bluegrass Association, some tidbits have leaked.

The Band coming in for this prestigious event at the **Cactus Café** will be none other than **Bearfoot**, a well known native Alaskan band who recently played at the Old Settlers Reunion out at the Salt Lick in Austin. They have been presented with such well known awards as “Telluride Bluegrass Band Champions”, an honor shared with artists like the Dixie Chicks and Nickel Creek. For more information on this band you can log on to www.bearfootbluegrass.com and for the exact times log on to Cactus Café at www.utexas.edu/txunion/ae/cactus/

The Band will be performing on **November 15th**, so mark your calendars. You can also go to the CTBA website www.centraltexasbluegrass.org and go to the current bulletin. Hope to see you there.....

Next month there will be a full detailed article in the CTBA Bulletin about the Band Bearfoot and their rise to fame. Ken Brown promises a full history as well as any other details that are forthcoming regarding the exact times for their performances.

DON'T MISS IT !!!

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STOLEN MUSICAL INSTRUMENT

Description : A.E. Smith open back 5-string banjo in blonde 'Levy' leather gig bag.

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Contact Stewart Rose at 512 744 3815

or Detective Terry Gish at 512 974 5797

Check out pictures:

<http://homepage.mac.com/mo.sho/OTHER/>

