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President's Corner - Joe Steiner



As I write this, I'm getting excited about the Memorial Day festival, coming up in about two weeks. I can't wait! Soon the campers will be rolling into the Noble County Fairgrounds, and we'll hear the sound of bluegrass pickers in their natural habitat, picking outside under awnings and canopies.

We'll be anticipating some great workshops, which are described elsewhere in this newsletter, and some great stage shows by the bands I've written about over the last few months. There are a lot of activities at the festival, so be sure to check the schedule you will receive when you come through the gate.

I'd like to add that, during the festival, the NIBGA board has also made arrangements to take bluegrass to those who aren't able to come to the fairgrounds. As we have many times in previous years, we'll be sending bands to area nursing homes and assisted living facilities. They'll take the spirit of the festival to the residents and entertain them with a bluegrass show. After the festival, we will publicly post and thank the bands that participated in this important task.

Although we haven't even gotten past the Memorial Day festival yet, I'd like to take just a few minutes to get you warmed up for the Labor Day festival and let you know about the bands that will be appearing in September.

Kevin Prater needs no introduction to most folks with a knowledge of bluegrass music, and few can put out traditional bluegrass with the power and drive that he does, so it is only fitting that he will be back at Tri-State in the fall. Stretching things out in the roots direction, we have the Wayfarers, a fine old-timey group from Southeastern Ohio that has shared the stage with many of the greats in bluegrass music.

We will also have Jim and Lynna Woolsey, fine singers/songwriters who also travel with a top-notch bluegrass outfit. Also appearing will be Berachah Valley, who had the privilege of appearing in and promoting the 2021 movie, Mayberry Man, which pays tribute to the Andy Griffith Show.

Also in the lineup are New Augusta Bluegrass, Medicinal Bluegrass, and Tony Hale and Blackwater, as well as festival favorites, Blue Holler, and Fort Wayne's own Debutants.

I'll have more information about all these fine groups in upcoming newsletters over the summer. In the meantime, I'll see you at the Memorial Day Festival!

Joe Steiner



When you aren't watching the amazing stage shows (and I already have my favorite bands' stage times saved to my phone!) or you aren't sitting around your campfire or jamming with friends, check out the special events scheduled for the weekend.

Other events may spontaneously pop up at the last minute, so check the listing on the merchants building for updates.

All locations and times will be posted on bathrooms, merchants building, and log cabin.

Campsite Garage Sales - You cannot sell anything that would be in competition with a current vendor, but everything else is fair game. Please keep items within your campsite.

Thursday Evening Free Concert - open to the community. **NOTE: There will NOT be a dinner or fish fry this festival!**

Saturday Workshops:

10:00-11:30 a.m.

- Kids' Korner - Rachel Lehman (helpers appreciated! Just show up!)
- Beginner Guitar - Debbie DeSteno
- Beginner Fiddle - Gracie Mae Grossman

Noon - 1:30 p.m.

- Beginner Mandolin - Brad and John Bahler
- Intermediate Jamming - Drays & Friends
- "Master" Guitar - Jordan Garrett

2:00 - 3:30 p.m.

- Harmony Singing - with Bahler's Golden Age Band

Jam with the Band - Saturday night after the stage show ends. Hosted by 7 Mile Bluegrass Band.

Gospel Sing - Sunday at 11:00 a.m. at the Stage - Be ready to sing with the Buckeye Road Show (Shari Wolf, Joe and Chris Steiner)

Any NIBGA correspondence received after May 20 will not be acknowledged until after the festival.

Upcoming Events

INDIANA

- 1st Thurs** Wakarusa Bluegrass Jambo-ree, 574-862-2200 6:30-9p
Free Jam location change: Baugo Church of the Brethren, 64051 C.R. 1, Wakarusa, **IN** 46573 6:30-9p
- 2nd & 4th Thurs.** Emery Lee Building, Beulah Park Jam, 400 E. 4th St., Alexandria, **IN** 46001 6-9p
- 3rd Fri** Winamac Bluegrass Jam, American Legion, 110 Franklin St., Winamac, **IN** 46996
Tom 574-205-2274 7-10p
- 3rd Sun** Indiana Friends of Bluegrass, Concord Community Center, (southside of Indy) 1310 S. Meridian St. Indianapolis, **IN** 46225
indianafriendsofbluegrass@yahoo.com
- Last Fri** Boardwalk Jam, Ben's Pretzels, 100 Berkshire Dr, Shippshewana, **IN** 46565-8757 6:30p year around
- Every Sat.** 6090 S. Oakwood St., N Judson, **IN** 46366 219-878-3123 5:30p CDST 5:30P except during Kendallville Festival
- 06/01-04** David Davis, Becky Buller, The Dillards, Henhouse Prowlers, many more, see web for listing; John Hartford Fest, Lawrence County Park, 99 Moore Ln, Springville, **IN** 47462
- 06/02-06/04** Hogslop String Band, Veronica Lewis, The Kody Norris, many more; Bean Jamboree, Bill Monroe Park, 5163 IN135, Morgantown, **IN** 46160
- 06/03-04** Michael Cleveland & Flamekeeper, The Caleb Daugherty Band, Alcohol & Old Lace, My Old Man's Band, Comet Bluegrass Allstars, Blue Moon, Friends of the Valley, Cottonpatch, The Bushwhacker's, Whiskey Bent Valley Boys, Moonshine Drive; Happy Valley Bluegrass Park, 5104 Schwegman Rd, Batesville, **IN** 47006 (765) 647-2298
- 06/04** Backwoods Bluegrass Band; Ole Show Barn, 8272 W Co Rd 25 S, French Lick, **IN** 47432 11-1P
- 06/10-18** Rhonda Vincent, Terry Baucum, The Cleverlys, The Po' Ramblin' Boys, Illrd Tyme Out, many more; Bill Monroe BGF, Bill Mon-

roe Park, 5163 IN135, Morgantown, **IN** 46160

- 06/18** Steve Bonafel & One Iota; Metamora Opry Barn, 19189 Pennington Rd, Metamora, **IN** 47030 MetamoraMusic@gmail.com
- 06/24-26** Dan Gellert, Ruby John, Kountry Kernals, Kathleen Keane, Birch Creek, Mark Lyons; 50th Annual Indiana Fiddlers' Gathering, Tippecanoe Battlefield Park, Battle Ground, **IN** 47920 765-588-1376 all day wknd \$50

MICHIGAN

- every Weds.** jam with Ron Hammon, Moose, 4043 Howe Rd, Grand Blanc, **MI** 48439 6:30-9p
Ron - 810-309-0032
- every Sun.** Bob's Barn Jamborees, 1417 Johnson St., Lake Odesa, **MI** 48849 616-374-8205 3-4p show, 4:30-7p jam
bobwarner40@gmail.com
- 1st Sat** Manton Jamboree, Ranger room, Manton HS, 105 5th St, Manton, **MI** 6-9p
lwestbrook17@hotmail.com
- 1st and 3rd Tues** Presbyterian Village 32001 Cherry Hill Road Westland, **MI** 48135 7-9:30p
Wendy Hause, 313-617-4864, whause@frontier.com
- 2nd Sat** Maumee Street Music Jam, First Presbyterian Church, 156 E. Maumee, Adrian, **MI** 49221 6p, use east side door, snack bar, Mullins 517-607-8085
Church 517-265-2168
- 3rd Tues** Presbyterian Village 32001 Cherry Hill Road Westland, **MI** 7p 313-617-4864
- 3rd Sat** West MI Bluegrass, Aiden's Place, 42 E Lake St, Sand Lake, **MI** 49343 616-419-6713 1p
- 3rd Sat** Michigan Bluegrass Assoc., Armstrong Middle School, 6161 Hopkins Dr., Flint, **MI** 48506 6p 810 736-5332
- 3rd Sun** Woldumar Nature Center, 5739 Old Lansing Rd., Lansing, **MI** 48917 2-5p \$5 donation 517-505-2809
- 06/02** The Steel Wheels; Ark, 316 S Main St, Ann Arbor, **MI** 48104 734-761-1800 8 pm \$25

- 06/03** The Steel Wheels; Less Cancer Bike Ride Kick Off, Mt Holiday, 3100 Holiday Rd, Traverse City, **MI** 49686 7:30p donations
- 06/04** The Steel Wheels; Crooked Tree Arts Center, 461 E Mitchell St, Petoskey, **MI** 49770 8p \$25
- 06/23-25** Sideline, The Kody Norris Show, Harbourtown Bluegrass, Bridge, Authentic Unlimited, Volume Five, Amanda Cook Band, Po' Ramblin' Boys, The Cleverlys, Special Consensus, Schlitz Creek, Kevin Prater Band; Charlotte Bluegrass Festival, Fairgrounds, 1025 Cochran Ave, Charlotte, **MI** 48813 adv. \$80 gate \$90 camping \$18/night 269-832-5519
- 06/25** Calabogie Road; Trail Point Brewhouse, 6035 Lake Michigan Dr, Allendale, **MI** 49401 7-10p

OHIO

- Every Tues** - FOMC jam, 1196 Ross Millville Rd, Millville, **OH** 45013 7-9p 419-568-1220
- Weds.** 06/01, 08, 22, 29 (no 15) Appalachian Grass; Vinoklet Winery, 11069 Colerain Ave, Cincinnati, **OH** 45252 513-832-1422 free, food available 6:30-8:30p
- Every Thurs** Open Bluegrass Jam; Bluegrass Picking Circle, Rambling House, 310 N Hudson St, Columbus **OH** 43202 614-468-3217 6-8p free, acoustic, no mics
- 4th Fri** Appalachian Grass; Vinoklet Winery, 11069 Colerain Ave, Cincinnati, **OH** 45252 513-832-1422 free, food available 7-9p
- Every Sat.** Dry Creek Cafe, 201 Columbus Rd, Mt Vernon, **OH** 43050 8-10p free, food available 740-830-6083
- 06/01** The Mighty Troubadours AND
- 06/02** Sideline; both at Natalie's Coal Fired Pizza, 5601 N. High St, Worthington, **OH** 43085 9:30p 614-436-COAL 8 pm
- 06/04** Slate Ridge; KOA Campground, 8644 Porter Central Rd, Sunbury, **OH** 43074 6-8 pm. Free Event
- 06/04** Vernon McIntyre's Appalachian Grass (2p) several groups & styles; Sawyer Point Summer Concert, 705 E. Pete Rose Way,

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2022 Patron T-Shirts!



Please consider supporting your favorite bluegrass festival by becoming a **2022 Patron**.

For a \$100 donation, you will receive a family membership for the 2022 year (which entitles you to discounted tickets for the festival and newsletters through April 2023), a special edition 2022 Patron T-Shirt, and your name listed on all donor publications and announcements. You can sign up to be a Patron on the regular renewal form published below.

As a "Thank you" to the renewing Patrons from 2021, they will receive their 2nd t-shirt free when they renew. Patrons help keep NIBGA afloat and guarantee the survival of bluegrass in the tri-state area for the future. Thank you for your support!!

These are the two colors available. I hope to have them in time for the Spring Festival. If you don't attend, we will mail them to you... just let me know.

Just a reminder that there will NOT be any club meetings or jams during the festival/summer months. Our next jam and meeting will be October 16! Enjoy the summer

Events, continued

- Cincinnati, **OH** 45202 (513) 357-2604 free concert
- 06/10-11** Joe Mullins & The Radio Ramblers, Coal Cave Hollow Boys; Black Diamond Arts Festival, Hocking College 3301 Hocking Pkwy, Nelsonville, **OH** 45764
- 06/10** Vernon McIntyre's Appalachian Grass; Colerain Park, 4725 Springdale Rd., Cincinnati, **OH** 45251 7-9p
- 06/11** Finish line Bluegrass, New Sound, Three Rivers Bluegrass, Kentucky Just Us; Bluegrass & BBQ, Pilgrim Hills Mentoring, 33833 Township Highway 20, Gann **OH** 43006 234-301-7399 10:30-8:30p donation
- 06/11** Vernon McIntyre's Appalachian Grass; Ottawa Metro Park, 2632 Ada Road, Lima, **OH** 45801 7-8p Free
- 06/15** Vernon McIntyre's Appalachian Grass; Voice of America Park, 785 Voice of America Park Dr, West Chester, **OH** 45069 7p
- 06/18** Slate Ridge KOA Campground, 8644 Porter Central Rd, Sunbury, **OH** 43074 6-8p Free
- 06/23** Joe Mullins & The Radio Ramblers; Summer Arts Festival, Veterans Park, 250 Cliff Park Rd., Springfield, **OH** 45504 8p Free.
- 06/23** The Po' Ramblin' Boys; River Dog, 13818 Gore Orphanage Rd, Wakeman, **OH** 44889 7:30p \$25 7:30p
- 06/24** Kevin Prater Band; Nickle Valley Resort, 33900 TR 68, Frazeysburg, **OH** 43822 7p
- 06/24-25** The Hamiltons, Tony Hale & Blackwater, Larry Sparks, Mora & The Boys, Low Down Revival, Muncy Hixon & Davis; J&M Bluegrass Festival, 6129 Reed Rd. Ansonia, **OH** 45303 \$40
- 06/26** Kevin Prater Band; Christ Church, 15598 McClelland Rd, Fredericktown, **OH** 43019 10:30a



NIBGA 2022-2023 Membership Form a 501(c)(3) Non-Profit www.BluegrassUSA.net

● Due by May 1, 2022* ● NIBGA - 5255 E. 5000 N Rd, Bourbonnais, IL 60914 ● ph: 260-918-4790 ● email: DF22@nibga.com

* Memberships expire April 30, 2023

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: (_____) _____ e-Mail: _____

Yes: e-Mail mine: _____ **No, snail mail it** _____ **Canada: snail mail (1 or 2) \$15, e-Mailed(1) \$10/(2) \$15**

New: _____ **Renewal:** _____ **\$10 Single:** _____ **\$5 ea addl same address 16 & older** _____

OR TO BE A PATRON (includes dues and one T-shirt)

I want to be a 2022 Patron and support the club: \$100 _____ T-Shirt Size? S M L XL XXL

Additional 2022 Patron T-shirt: \$ 20 _____ T-Shirt Size? S M L XL XXL

OR For renewing 2021 Patrons - T-shirt : FREE _____ T-Shirt Size? S M L XL XXL

Patron name(s) as it should appear on recognition board: _____

(Please print clearly)

Thank you to all of the Patrons that have signed up so far for 2022! These are the fine folks that are instrumental (no pun intended) in keeping Bluegrass alive in the Tri-State area. See the previous page for information on how you can support your bluegrass association. If you don't want to "snail mail" in a check, you can use Paypal and send an email to "treas@NIBGA.com". Remember that a portion of your contribution is tax deductible. When you see these folks, please tell them "thank you!".

Ron Armstead

Jim Chilton

Verl & Sue Dasher

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Bob & Carol Mauck

Jerry & Sioux McLane

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**Don't
Forget!**

If you haven't started your grill up for a Memorial Day cook-out yet.... **THERE IS STILL TIME TO JOIN US!** The Memorial Day Festival in Kendallville, IN runs (officially) from May 26-30, but there are campers there already! Camping is only \$15 a night prior to the festival with the purchase of a weekend pass. Camping during the festival is \$45 for Fri/Sat/Sun night (3 night minimum). Top-notch bands, jamming, workshops, kids' activities, gospel sing, vendors.... You don't want to miss it! I hope to see you there!

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