The Arizona Fiddler

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FUN COMING UP!!!

November 6-8 2020

Salome Fiddlefest

Lions Club Salome AZ

Meals offered by the Lions members

Chili Friday lunch--Pancakes etc Sat

breakfast--Spaghetti Sat night

Annual General AOTFA meeting and election of

officers and board members Sat 11:00 am

LOTS OF MUSIC

Ray Blumenstetter passed away September 9 2020 He was one of the strongest supporters of the Tucson chapter of the AOTFA. He will truly be missed.

Kim, Vail,

General Meeting of the AOTFA will be held in Salome AZ at the Salome Camp Out in Nov 2020. We need to elect a president vice president editor and 2 board members. Each chapter needs to elect a representative to attend the state meetings. If you would like to be considered, please contact Noreeen (fiddlerslady@aol.com) or Linda (skeetercat2015).

Howdy howdy from the fiddlers and pickers from the hot southwest, well almost hot southwest we had our first cold spell yesterday with a nasty wind dust and trash blowing every where, Halloween costumes at neighbors homes are all blown away they hung out these decorated sheets supposedly to imitate ghost. I cut three pumpkins to put on my front window inside using Christmas lights to look like candle lights. This Corona virus has sort of put the Hiatus on any activities here in and around Yuma. Several of us get on Zoom in mid week and we some times get a hour to pick and grin on screen some times only 45 minutes sometimes less. Last week only two of us on Zoom I might play a fiddle tune other person the other side plays guitar and fool around playing our favorite tune, some times three or four of us get on the screen one in each corner and perform but sure is not the same as a real face to face event.. been sending out messages to military clubs in this area to see about using their facilty,s to come in once or twice a month to perform. I got a OK and nice letter from Post Commander at the VFW out on highway 95, will try to coordinate with us of a decent time and days. Wrote a letter to the Veterrans of Foreign wars who have a stage and a dance floor are in town, they will coordinate with us but still haven't got a response from the American Legion over on Virginia drive. Both Library,s still closed to us as is old haunts where we used to perform like the seniors home on Catalina drive. Will probably have to meet in some ones garage like just before we broke up in April of this year. Nothing on the fiddle contest but talked with the Rodeo Chairman last week it is still in discussion because they might not have a clubhouse to have it there anymore, might be up for sale, but that isn't set in concrete as of yet.. that is why I have been in contact with the VFW out on highway 95. Only thing as every where else music will be allowed to be played but no dancing allowed according to health departments rules, that is every where even the bars and night clubs have rules now dancing not allowed till further notice. We could have KARAOKE for a few weeks because of strict rules. Arrangements might be set up to allow fiddlers to come to old town play in front of certain establishments as long as social distancing is enforced. Some of our winter visitors players are slowly coming back but understand Canadians not allowed to return what a bummer. Going to see about starting a street contest of fiddlers and pickers if will be allowed, had a nice talk with our president of our chapter, we talk about up coming events and what we could do to enrich it, well better close this is getting too long hope to see some of you in a few weeks days or whatever, keep practicing your fiddle andguitar licks never can tell what might happen.....soon Dennis Russell Editor

GATHERINGS

Nov 6-7- 8 2020
Salome Fiddlefest
Salome AZ
AOTFA General Meeting
Election of Officers
contact Linda ldarland53@gmail.com

Dec 25 2020 Christmas !!!

Jan 8 - 10 2021

JC's Rodeo and Fiddle Contest

Yuma AZ

Contact janet.shelby@gmail.com

Jan 15-16-17 2021
Salome Fiddling Days
Lions Club Salome AZ
Contact Linda at ldarland53@gmail.com
928-671-0474

Feb 4-5-6-7
Ajo Fiddle Contest
Country Club
Ajo AZ
Contact Linda at ldarland53@gmail.com

March 22 - 24
AOTFA Spring Camp Out
Salome AZ
Contact Noreen at fiddlerslady@aol.com
928-853-3577
Linda at ldarland53@gmail.com
928-671-0474

March 13 Casa Grande Fiddle Contest Contact Tiffany at my7gems@cox.net



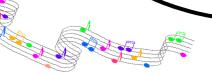
Bill Elsclager passed away Oct 24 2020.

No information at this time.

Our deepest sympathy to Sue and family



Age 80 or more fees are \$10
Pay your chapter treasurer
or mail to
Noreen Johnston
696 S Maricopa St
Chino Valley AZ 86323
Thanks



Attend a Monthly Chapter Meeting

During this time of the corona virus - check with the chapter rep for cancellations and times



Rock of Ages Lutheran Church 204 W Airport Rd Payson AZ 3rd Thursday 6 pm

Mount Cross LutheranChurch
Log cabin building
601 E Hwy 260 Payson AZ
Contact Caitlin Wilson
wilsonsetc@gmail.com

Southern AZ - Tucson area

Unitarian Universalist Church 4831 E 22 Street Tucson AZ 85709 6:30 to 8:30 pm Contact Wilbur Welsh 520-743-7086

Territorial - Yuma areaContact Dan Everts 509-953-0079

Verde Valley - Cottonwood area <u>NEW DAY !!!</u>

Second Sunday 1 - 4 pm
Senior Citizens Hall
500 E Cherry Cottonwood AZ
Contact Fran Judd 928-634-7963



Congratulations Birthdays

December Birthdays

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAYS

Elka Kel	ly	11	1
Taylor	Dietrich	11	3
Wilbur	Welsh	11	6
Roy Irel	and	11	7
Forrest	Wolgamot	11	8
Evelyn	Haase	11	10
Chuck	Johnston	11	11
Anni Bea	ach	11	15
Ann Sha	aw	11	18
Nanie V	Volgamot	11	21
Jeanie	Brown	11	24
Esther	Smith	11	26
Barbara	Gay	11	26
Andria	Welsh	11	28
Val And	dreasen	11	28

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Welcome Welcome New Members

Chad Michal Lawson Payson AZ
William Neal Payson AZ
Kate Fox Mesa AZ
Rick Commo Sun Lakes AZ
Katie & Emmett Holdman Payson AZ
Kim & Vail

& Anniversaries

November Anniversaries

Ken & Wilma Allen	11		1967
Rhodene Schauer	11	15	
Kim & Vail Holdman	11	23	2002
Barbara Giamalvo	11	27	1965

December Anniversaries

Corrine Garey	12	05	2009
Jack & Linda Darland	12	18	1974
Charles & Marti White	12	21	1971
Gary & Sherry Johnson	12	23	1978

Old Time Fiddle & Acoustic Celebration

CONGRATULATES OUR 2020 WINNERS



Maria McArthur

YOUNG ADULT DIVISION & GRAND CHAMPION



SENIOR DIVISION

Dave Bringman



ADULT DIVISION Rick Column



JUNIOR DIVISION Ranefle Dietrich



JUNIOR-JUNIOR DIVISION Brie Dietrich



SMALL FRY DIVISION Aspen Dietrich

Arizona Old Time Fiddlers Association Application for Membership Renewal or Change of Address

Annual Dues \$15 per family Over 80 \$10 includes partner

()New Member ()	() Renewal () Change of Address
Please print	
Name	
Summer Address	
Summer City	StateZip_
Phone	
Email	
If Different	
Winter Address	
Address	
Winter City	State Zip
Man's Birthday	Lady's Birthday
Anniversary	Year_
Children under age 18 living at home	
Chapters	
() Rim Country	Payson area
() SAOTF	Tucson area
() Territorial	Yuma area
() Verde Valley	Cottonwood area
() Valley	Phoenix area
() Independent	Anywhere
Member	Members may join One principal chapter. and one associate chapter
	and one associate chapter Please send state dues to:

AOTFA 696 S Maricopa St Chino Valley AZ 86323 Nov/Dec 2020

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