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# Introduction

**T**he following Calendar of Missouri old time fiddle contests and events has been organized and produced by the Missouri State Old Time Fiddlers Association (MSOTFA). This project has been undertaken to provide contest fiddlers and fans a comprehensive annual listing of contests and events in the State of Missouri.

The Calendar is now, and hopefully will be in the future, offered free to all fiddlers. MSOTFA has provided the necessary planning and labor for the project and each participating contest has contributed \$3.00 to cover expenses.

We do not claim that all Missouri old time fiddle contests for 1982 are included in the Calendar. However, we have not intentionally excluded any contest, and all contests not included this year are invited to write to MSOTFA, 1107 Sunset Lane, Columbia, Mo., 65201, for information on next year's Calendar. Since the success of this project depends on the participation of all, or most, of Missouri's contests, we urge all fiddlers and fans to encourage their local contests to participate in the future.

We have carefully recorded the dates and times of the contests as they have been given to us by the contest sponsors. We have also requested that any contest changing a date, location, or starting time of their contest mail notices of the change to all persons on the mailing list.

Any suggestions regarding next year's Calendar will be gladly received.

Any inquiries concerning membership in MSOTFA should be directed to the above address.



# Contests & Events

(\* For Further Information)

## March


March 20, Boonville, Cooper Co., Elliot Jr. High  
7:30 PM, 1st place \$60, 7 places, reg by 7:00 PM  
\* Clinton McCleary - 816-882-5197

## April

April 3, Slater, Saline Co., Alexander School  
7:30 PM, 1st place \$75, 7 places, ladies & junior  
division also, \* B.H. Kearns - 816-529-3390

## June

June 6, Columbia, Boone Co., Nifong Park, Boone  
County Folk Fest, 2:00 PM, 5 places  
\* Cookie Hagan - 314-874-7473

 June 11, Warsaw, Benton Co., Warsaw Jubilee Days  
7:00 PM, no information on prizes  
\* E.L. "Bill" Whenry - 816-438-6840

## July

July 4, Tebbetts, Callaway Co., Community Picnic  
5:00 PM, no information on prizes  
\* Kenneth Burre - 314-295-4591

July 15, Chillicothe, Livingston Co., McCullough  
Park Campground, 7:00 PM, 1st place \$100, 10 places  
\* Don McCullough - 816-646-0117, bluegrass fest



- July 16, Hunnewell, Shelby Co., Hunnewell Homecoming  
9:00 PM, 1st place \$100, 4 places  
\* Bill McKay - 314-983-2272
- July 17, New Florence, Montgomery Co., Old Settler's  
Picnic Grounds, 1st place \$60, 5 places, 5:30 PM  
\* Annie Tate -314-581-0034, bluegrass fest
- July 24, El Dorado Springs, Cedar Co., City Park  
1:30 PM, 1st place \$75, 3 places  
\* Linda Roseman - 417-876-4154

## August

- August 7, Columbia, Boone Co., Boone County Fair  
8:00 PM, 5 places, county fairgrounds  
\* Glen Whitesides - 314-442-5503
- August 7, Odessa, Lafayette Co., Puddle Jumper Days  
7:00 PM, 1st place \$100, 4 places, ladies &  
junior division also, \* Bill Merkle - 816-633-7020
- August 7, Smithville, Clay Co., Smithville Lake fest  
6:00 PM, Courtyard, no information on prizes  
\* Bum Williams - 816-873-2120
- August 11, Fulton, Callaway Co., Callaway County Fair  
7:00 PM, fairgrounds, no information on prizes  
\* MSOTF sec - Bob Hagan - 314-449-0121
- August 13, Lone Jack, Jackson Co., High School  
9:00 PM, 1st place \$100, 4 places  
\* Dan Coomer - 816-566-2257
- August 20, Monroe City, Monroe Co., Swimming Pool  
Park, 8:30 PM, 1st place \$100, 10 places  
\* Bill McKay - 314- 983-2272



August 28, Golden, Barry Co., Community School House  
7:30 PM, reg by 7:00 PM, 1st place \$100,  
4 places, \* Margaret Fowler \_ 417-271-3352

## September

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### Missouri State Old Time Fiddling Championship

September 4 (tentative), Columbia, Boone Co.,  
Hickman High School, Bus Loop 70  
Missouri State Old Time Fiddler's Championship  
Open Division - 7 places, \$150 1st place  
Senior Division - 4 places  
\* Malcolm Duke - 314- 874-7230

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September 6, Mokane, Callaway Co., Mokane Fall Fest  
2:00 PM, 1st place \$60, 8 places  
\* Jake Hockemeyer - 314-676-5895

September 17, Elsberry, Lincoln Co., Old Threshers  
Grounds, 7:00 PM, 1st place at least \$50,  
all fiddlers at least \$10, \* Ralph Galloway

September 19, Marshall, Saline Co., St. Peters Church  
1:30 PM, no information on prizes  
\* Mike Dillon - 816-886-2107

## October

October 9 & 10, St. James, Phelps Co., Meramec  
Spring Park, finals on Sun., time not yet  
determined, 1st place \$150, 4 places  
\* James Foundation - 314-265-7124



October 9. Clarksville, Pike Co., Applefest  
1:00 PM, no information on prizes  
\* Helaine Mackey - 314-242-3986

October (not yet determined), Nixa, Christian Co.  
7:30 PM, High School, no information on prizes  
\* Holton Powell - 417-725-3615

## November

November 6, Higbee, Randolph Co., Higbee High School  
7:00 PM, 1st place \$100, 5 places, banjo contest  
also, \* Jack Holtzclaw - 816-456-7463

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## MSOTFA membership

The Missouri State Old Time Fiddlers Association is a newly formed organization with several active goals, among which are: encouraging fiddle contests statewide and providing a forum for the expression of views and opinions regarding contest rules, procedures and judging.

Membership is free for the first year to enable each new member to decide if the association will benefit him or her.

Membership may be established by sending a postcard with your name and address, stating your desire to join MSOTFA to:

Bob Hagan, secretary, MSOTFA  
1107 Sunset Lane  
Columbia, Missouri 65201

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## **In Memoriam**

### **Lonnie Robertson, 1908-1980,**



A well known radio fiddler, played for many years on stations throughout the country including: KFEQ, St. Joseph; KWTO, Springfield; WAAW, Omaha; KFAB, Lincoln; KOAM, Pittsburg, Kan.; KMA, Shenandoah, Iowa; and WDZ, Tuscola, Ill.. His widespread broadcasts made him one of the most influential Missouri fiddlers. He also recorded three record albums.



### **Gene Wells, 1918-1981,**

Born and raised in Boonsboro, a lifelong resident of Howard County. Gene began fiddling at an early age

and was playing for dances by his early teens. An auto mechanic by trade, he loved to attend fiddle contests, and won a great number during his long fiddling career. Included among his championships was a National title won at Brownsville, Nebraska.



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