

ACCORDION TALK

Milwaukie Public Safety Bldg. | 3200 SE Harrison St. | Milwaukie, OR

Announcements

- **July 20 -
12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.**
- **Music Circle**
- **The club meets the third
Saturday of each month
unless noted.**

Special Features

***** 2019*****

July - John Martin

Refreshments

• **KIM - THANK YOU – for
the yummy snacks!**

July - Bev S

August - Bev S.

September - Susan S.

October - Sharon Tichenor

November - Marlene M.

December - Party

John Martin

Like many accordionists in our club, John played the accordion as a child/teenager but set it aside during adulthood. He fell in love with the accordion again about 10 years ago after attending an accordion convention in Texas. After a few lessons on a borrowed accordion, John rediscovered his love of this instrument and the joy of making music.



John served as the founding president of the Dallas/Fort Worth Mid-Cities Accordion Association. He has also been a workshop presenter at the National Accordion Convention. His workshop topics have included improvisation, electronic musical tools, and accordion club development.

While John loves the standards, his broad musical tastes include classical, jazz, Latin, and blues. John is a fantastic acoustic accordionist who has mastered incorporating the latest advances in musical/digital electronics and devices into his performance. Basically, he is a “one-man-band”.

Please join us on Saturday, July 20 to hear John perform.

Stirrings of the Heart

Let Freedom Ring



There's nothing I can't conquer
With the accordion by my side.
I'll prove I'm a acoustic
survivor...
that's a promise I will keep.
May the bellows shake for
freedom..
And the wind carry it far.
Let the musical vibes stay in
our hearts.
Let freedom ring.

Accordion Events - 2019

**Cotati Accordion Festival
August 17-18 - Cotati, CA**

**Las Vegas International
Accordion Convention
October 14-19— Las Vegas,
NV**

President's Corner

Hello my fellow accordionists and friends:

Words cannot describe the joy and enthusiasm of the RCAC Accordion Camp accordionists this year at Silver Falls. Many of the participants paid their 2020 deposits before leaving camp.

The one orchestra was a success with Beverley Fess and Gabe Hall-Rodriguez as co-conductors.

Lots of dedicated love and hours of volunteering was involved. Thank you for making this a success, Bobbie Ferrero, Fran Maddox, Marlene Meissner and Delette Huffman.

The next board meeting will be August 26. If you would like to attend please email me for details.

Please consider donating to our adult scholarship or out of town performers fund. The donations will help to offset the costs to offer a camp workshop and promote goodwill to our fellow accordionists.

Please send or email me your suggestions on how to; Promote and improve the Rose City Accordion Club.

Thank you

Bev Spurgeon, RCAC President

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Announcements -

Congrats to Diane Blais from Vacaville, CA our scholarship winner to attend the June 2019 RCAC Accordion Camp. She recently sent a note to the club —“I want to thank all of you who voted for my responses for the campship 2019 accordion camp. The dollars are very much appreciated. I love this camp and the wonderful team that makes this happen. At times I think I won't be able to go but thank God things usually happen. Once again thank you so so much.——Love Diane Blais”



Wanted: Valses with the following states in the titles: Alaska, Connecticut, Delaware, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Maine, Mass., Michigan, N. Hampshire, N. Jersey, N. York, N. Carolina, N. Dakota, PA, S. Carolina, S. Dakota, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, WA, W. Virginia & Wisconsin—Thank you Bev

June Club Meeting

The meeting began with the music circle, with John Martin conducting in Fran Maddox's absence. After the music circle, President Bev Spurgeon made several announcements:

- 1) She reported on her recent trip to Ireland, and mentioned she heard surprisingly little accordion music.
- 2) She welcomed Greg Gordon, who has been unable to attend a club meeting for some time.
- 3) Also welcomed was James, an accordion player from Lake Oswego who was visiting the club for the first time.
- 4) Bev reported that annual accordion camp at Silver Falls was very well received and much positive input has been received. Plans are moving ahead for next year, and pre-registrations have been received for more than half the available spots. The camp committee is meeting next to begin planning the 2020 camp. Reported that Marlene Meissner, RCAC Secretary was the RCAC Accordion Camp quilt raffle winner.
- 5) Bev noted that she is trying to gather waltzes from all 50 states. While she has many of them already, she would like to hear from anyone who has a waltz named after a state.



Bobbie Ferrero gave an informative demonstration on packing an accordion for travel on an airplane.

The theme for June was songs from World War II. Thank you for those that shared their WWII stories and played songs from that era.

We appreciate those that come out every month to support our fellow accordionists and participate in the music circle. Music enriches one's life.

Song List -

Kim Nurmi - Indifference & Godfather Waltz Medley

Lynn Haldeman - Under the Double Eagle & Lili Marleen

Les Szigethy - Medley of Fake Book Tunes

John Mohny - Military Medley

John Martin - Broadway Music Quiz

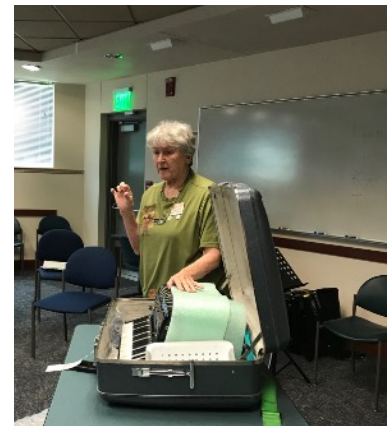
Bob Myers - Grandfather Clock & On the Jericho Road

Kathy Grambsch - Medley of World War I & II Tunes from USA, England & France

Wayne Tiusanen - We'll Meet Again & I'll be Seeing You

Wayne Nelson - Red Wing & Napoleon's Last Charge

Greg Gordon - Tea for Two & (2 other songs not titled here)



ACCORDIONISTS HAVING FUN!



The European Take Out band played at the Springs retirement center in Lake Oswego this month. Lisa Roeder and Bobbie Ferrero, RCAC club members, were joined by Scott Greer, drummer and Roxi Klingler, vocalist. Leader, Terry Rudd was missing. Usually the band plays Oktoberfest music but to be engaged more months of the year they also have a 50s-60s menu of music. The crowd loves this music and can be seen singing along and tapping their toes.



Leavenworth Accordion Festival

Wayne Nelson, Ivy Eyer, our 2018 RCAC Youth Scholarship winner, Marlene Meissner & Karen Cordell attended the Leavenworth Accordion Festival.



IVY EYER – Leavenworth International Accordion Celebration 2019

One of the highlights of the Leavenworth International Accordion Celebration on June 20-23 was meeting Ivy Eyer, the winner of our club's latest youth scholarship award. Ivy, who just turned 8 years old, played with amazing skill and self-confidence, winning her individual category in the competition at Leavenworth. In addition, she plays lead in her family's band. With Ivy anchoring the group on her accordion, the band includes dad Carey on mandolin, mom Lara on bass mandolin, and 10-year-old sister Neilia on washboard, violin and vocals.



The Eyer family won in the band category and were featured at the final night's concert. Ivy is currently studying at Patricia Bartell's accordion studio in Spokane. After hearing Ivy, we all agreed that the future of the accordion is in great hands! - Submitted by Marlene Meissner

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Let's Play

**Songs of Freedom
and/or
Finnish music**

July Meeting

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President - Bev Spurgeon

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Wayne Nelson

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Rose City Accordion Club is open to all accordion players, from beginners to professionals, their friends and families, and the public. Meetings are held monthly on the third Saturday from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. at Milwaukie Public Safety Bldg., SE 32nd and SE Harrison, Milwaukie, OR unless noted otherwise.

Ad Policy: Any current member can place a business card or four-line ad in the newsletter free of charge for three months. After 3 months, the fee is \$5 for two additional months. 2x3.5 ad \$5, 1/4 page ad \$10, 1/2 page ad \$20 and full page ad \$35.

Annual Dues are \$25 - Please send check to the RCAC Treasurer Fran Maddox: Rose City Accordion Club, 3429 SE 162nd Ave. Portland, OR 97236-1912