

HEART OF AMERICA
HABOT
BLUEGRASS & OLDTIME MUSIC



OCTOBER 2014

NORTHCROSS METHODIST CHURCH
1321 N.E. VIVION RD.
KANSAS CITY, MO.
6:00 to 10:30 P.M.

Our meetings are held
the third Friday of each month from
OCTOBER THROUGH APRIL.

MAKE HABOT A HABIT!

<http://habot.org>

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/123195799682>

This summer has been an amazing time for festivals and bluegrass bands in our area. The Boxcars, Rhonda Vincent and the Rage, Doyle Lawson, Russell Moore, Darrell Webb, Special Consensus, Bobby Osbourne, the Spinney Brothers, Ricky Skaggs, Bluegrass Brigade.... And that's just for starters. Midwest festivals near KC were all packed this year including Starvy Creek in Conway, Back 40 in Curryville, Sally Mountain in Queen City, Walnut Valley in Winfield, Bluegrass and BBQ in Branson, Chilicothe, Holton, and Pickin on the Plains in Colby. The bluegrass campout at Pomona Lake was great too.

As we pull together this newsletter, many of our favorite bluegrass bands have been performing at IBMA. Special Consensus (with Rick Faris from Kansas) won Instrumental Recorded Performance and Recorded Event of the Year. Congratulations also to Driven who was featured in IBMA's showcase. Of course, now that summer is gone, we have HABOT to look forward to.

SPECIAL NOTE....

HABOT is going to start a youth band!!! Please see the flyer in this newsletter.

IMPORTANT NOTE...

*Our HABOT meetings are always the third Friday of each month **EXCEPT** for this January. Due to a schedule conflict at Northcross, we will meet on the 4th Friday in January (January 23rd). Please mark your calendars now so you don't miss it.*

A NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT...

I am so excited and ready to start another Habet season. It has been a long summer, and I hope you have had a great one. Mine has been busy. I have made MANY trips to Harrison, Ark to be with my mom. She is doing good; just having a little difficulty with her mind. We have a lot of great, fun shows for you and a special event in March 2015. In January we have to move our show to the 4th Friday evening and it will be for that month ONLY. We will tell you several times between now and then and Sandi will put it in our newsletter each month.

Thank You Eric and Mary Harris for donating 6 guitars to the ladies who need them to teach their classes. We are going to miss you at Habet as you move out of the area. Please come back for a visit!!!

I have been procrastinating about finishing this newsletter. I see now why. This morning a dear, kind friend passed away, Eddie Essig, from Elkhorn, Mo. He and his wife, Dorthy, have been supporters of our club for many years. He was funny - loved to joke and tease. He was a hard working farmer and a man who would help anyone who needed it. I will miss him, but heaven is a better place. It really is true that the "only thing you take is what you left behind". Enjoy Life. It Is Really Short!

Please go check out the other Bluegrass club, KCABMC at 4700 Pittman Rd on the 2nd Friday night of each month.

Love You All, Mary

PRAYERS PLEASE...

We lost a good friend and huge bluegrass supporter, Eddie Essig. Eddie was from Excelsior Springs. Please keep his wife, Dorothy, and his family in prayer. He will be greatly missed by so many.

Also please keep the Vincent family in prayer as Johnny Vincent passed away October 5th.

HABOT LINEUP FOR OCTOBER...



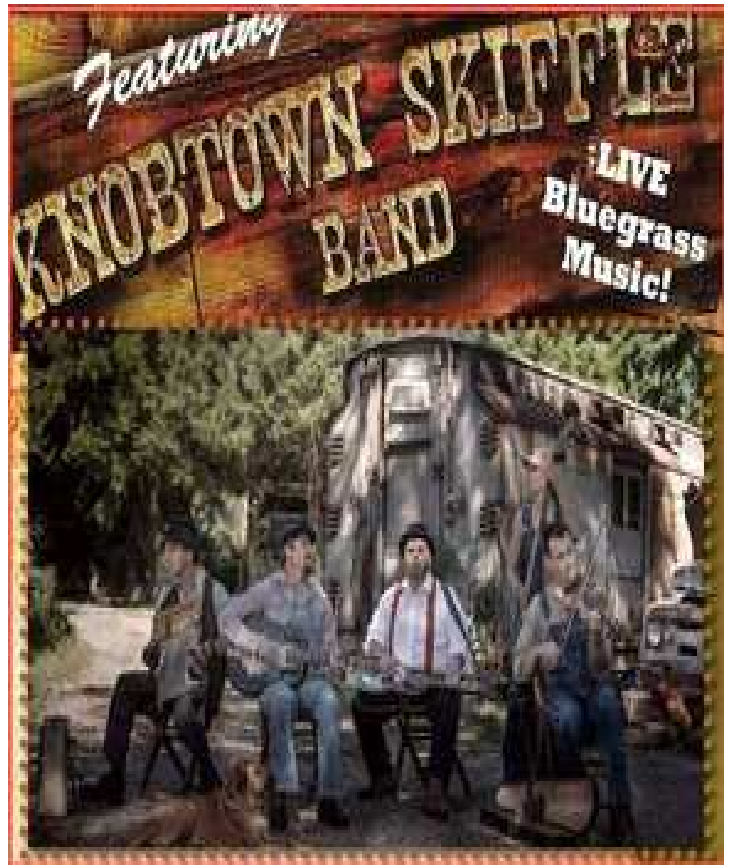
THE RAYMERS

Ron and Arrena Raymer always bring a special smile and lots of laughter to our group. This talented husband and wife duo have been writing songs and playing bluegrass for many a moon. They are also in a band called Rio Valley Bluegrass which we hope to hear this year.

Ron is an artist, worked at Hallmark Cards before retiring, and plays several instruments. Arrena plays bass, sings, sells framed tatting, and just canned 15 pts of pickles, 12 pts of apple sauce, 8 pts of apple butter...and made a fresh apple pie. Don't forget to grab one of their cds with traditional and their own original music.

Our Special Guests for October:

Kristen Thomas,
Duke Creason,
A.J. Windmayer with L.J. Atkison



The Knobtown Skiffle Band formed in 2012, but these talented musicians are no strangers to the music world. Chris Azevedo and Isaac Neal started with a guitar, a washboard, a suitcase drum, and a couple of kazoos at a farmer's market. They were joined by Ron Nold on fiddle, Jeff Elsloo on banjo and dobro, and Jennifer Miller on bass. They recently released their first cd, Knobtown Rag. It includes songs like "What's That Tastes Like Gravy" and "Backwards Blues". Their mix of old time, rag time, jug time, and bluegrass will get your blood pumping and your feet tapping.

<http://knobtownskiffleband.com>



Mary Harris Band

Rd and Mary Harris have been playing autoharp and guitar as a band for 15 years. They hail from Overland Park, Ks and have played for churches, festivals, and private parties in 6 states.

Trivia: The autoharp has been around since the late 1800s, but became more well known when it was played by the Carter family. It was also used by Joni Mitchell, Led Zepplin, Janis Joplin, John Cougar Mellencamp, and the Rolling Stones.

MEMBERSHIP...

The HABOT family includes a membership listing of approximately 330 members. We had 13 renewals for membership and 1 new member last month. Please welcome *Scott Klamm* to our bluegrass family.

Don't forget that members can sign up for free at the front desk for a chance to win in the membership drawing. Membership is only \$7 if you haven't joined us yet! Our annual dues for HABOT are still a bargain. This includes a monthly newsletter, voting privileges, and lots of fun with old and new friends. Please share your newsletter with friends and neighbors and ask them to join us.

WANT TO BE A SPECIAL GUEST?

Our special guests play or sing bluegrass and old time music. We have volunteers who form a house band each month to play backup. They will need you there around 6:00 to learn the 2 or 3 songs that you want to perform. If you are interested in being on stage as a special guest at Habot please contact Jean Bartee at 816-296-3799.

Sunday, November 9, 2014
 Central Church of The Nazarene 5:30pm
 Lenexa, KS
Free Gospel Concert
 www.thepunchesfamily.com

PUNCHES FAMILY

PROWELL FAMILY
 www.sadieandtheprowlers.com

Freewill Love Offering will be taken
 Central Church of the Nazarene
 12600 West 87th Street Parkway
 www.kccentral.org

UPCOMING EVENTS...



ANNUAL CHICKEN DINNER AND BLUEGRASS

October 18
 4pm to 6:30pm
 3rd Street - Gower, MO

Y'all come and get it!! Gower Goodtimers are hosting a Chicken Dinner again followed by Gospel Music.

Pioneer Heritage Days
 October 18th & 19th, 2014
 EXPERIENCE THE SIGHTS AND SOUNDS OF DAYS GONE BY
 in scenic Warsaw, Missouri

Bluegrass bands playing at Drake Harbor including :
 Greenside Up

Please contact Sandi McClary if you have a local event to list in the Habot newsletter.

BLUEGRASS FOR BEGINNERS

Jeff Elsloo will host a bluegrass jam for beginners again this year at Hobot. Just head for the hall with all the pickers about 7:00. Jeff has been a banjo instructor for many years.

LOCAL JAMS/SHOWS...

Thursday

* **COMMUNITY OF CHRIST CHURCH:** Every

Thursday, 6-10. 9801 Blue Ridge Extension

Kansas City, MO Gary Russell-816-761-5848

* **LIFE CHRISTIAN CHURCH:** 2nd Thursday 7pm

1650 E. Langford Rd, Lee's Summit, MO 878-4694

Friday

* **ST. MATTHEWS EVANGELICAL CHURCH:**

First Friday 7:00-10:00. 5047 NW Gateway Ave.,

Riverside, MO. Russell Saltzman 816-741-9210.

* **COMMUNITY OF CHRIST CHURCH:** First

Friday. 9801 Blue Ridge Extension KCMO Gary

Russell-816-761-5848

* **GOWER GOODTIMERS:** Every Friday 7:00

Open stage. – <http://www.goodtimers.esmartmusic.com/>

3rd St. Gower, MO. 816-424-6655

* **KC Area Bluegrass Music Club KCABMC:** 2nd

Friday, 6:00-10:30 pm Oct.-May with concession stand.

Pittman Rd Church of God [4700 Pittman Rd, Kansas](http://www.kcabmc.com/)

[City, MO](http://www.kcabmc.com/)

* **PICKING IN THE HEARTLAND:** 4th Friday

6:30-9:30. 4725 NE Lakewood Way, Lee's Summit

<http://heartlandjam.bgwebconnect.com>

John 916-0427, Carl 525-5689 or Dave 810-5099

Saturday

* **AMERICANA MUSIC ACADEMY:** 3-5 pm

Every Sat. <http://www.americanamusicacademy.org/>

1419 Massachusetts, Lawrence, KS 785-830-9640

* **BENTLEY MUSIC:** Every Saturday 12:00-4:00 PM.

Acoustic jam <http://www.bentleyguitars.com/>

122 S. Main St. Parkville, MO 816-746-9772

* **BUSTER ROPER:** Sat.-11:00 to Noon - 1140AM

KCXL-Liberty; 102.9 FM-Orrick; 1160 AM-Cleveland,

Listener Line: 816-792-1140 or july_roper@kc.rr.com

* **BYRON JONES' NORTHTOWN OPRY:**

Every Saturday 7 pm. – <http://www.byronjones.biz>

1419 Swift, Kansas City, MO - 816-471-6779

* **COUNTRY SHINDIG:** 3rd Sat. 7 to 10 Lawson, MO

Community Bldg. Norman Martin-816-628-0279

* **EAGLETON CENTER:** 4th Saturday 6-10 pm West

Royal St., Richmond, MO. Florence Williams 776-2998

* **HOLT COUNTRY HOEDOWN:** 2nd Sat. 6:30

Paul Allison 816-419-8783; Dave Simmons 630-6156

Am. Legion Hall- 4th & Main, Holt, MO

* **MOSBYCOMMUNITY CENTER:** 1st Saturday

7:00 – David Simmons 419-2389

* **WESTON CAFÉ:** 2nd Sat. jam. 6-9:00 p.m

<http://www.westoncafe.net/> 407 Main St., Weston

* **NEW GROUP!!! KS-MO Autoharp Club:** 4th

Saturday each month 5:00. Trailside Center at 9901

Holmes, KC, MO. Jan Lacey-Hodges 913-825-2540

Sunday

* **NORTHWEST OPRY COUNTRY MUSIC:**

Every Sun. 2-5pm <http://www.northwestopry.com/>

213 W. 3rd St., Maryville, MO Francis 660-783-2886

* **LEAVENWORTH BLUEGRASS CLUB:**

First Sunday each month at Public Library. 1:00.

913-758-1011 Rich Ziga.

More info here.... <http://thejurgensens.com/sessions.php>

FOR SALE....

Northtown Opry is for sale. Please contact Byron Jones for info.

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SEE YOU OCTOBER 17th!!

HABOT

12822 Jesse James Farm Road
Kearney, MO 64060

HABOT MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

NAME _____

NEW ___ RENEWAL ___

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

DATE _____ AMOUNT PAID _____

PLAY? _____ SING? _____

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Send membership dues (\$7.00 per person) with this form to

HABOT MEMBERSHIP, SUE DOWNS
12822 JESSE JAMES FARM RD.
KEARNEY, MO 64060

Check the appropriate line if you would be willing to:

___ Be nominated for office

___ Be nominated for board member

___ Volunteer to assist in club activities

WOULD YOU LIKE TO RECEIVE YOUR

NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL? ___ YES ___ NO

ANNOUNCING.....

BLUEGRASS **YOUTH BAND**

HABOT will be holding tryouts for a youth band soon. The youth band will give our talented youth the chance to learn, grow, have fun, and perform together as a band.



AGE: 21 and under

TRYOUTS: Date and Location to be announced soon.

GUIDELINES:

- Must play an instrument and sing.
- Regular attendance and on time for scheduled practices in the Kansas City area.
- Written guidelines will be provided for all youth that sign up for tryouts.

CONTACT:

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