

Opry Features Fiddlers June 17

The Fayette County Country Music Club will host their monthly Opry on Monday, June 17 at the Knights of Columbus Hall in La Grange at 7:30 p.m. and the doors will open at 5:30 p.m. Admission is \$5.

The opry will be featuring Minnie and Ella Jordan, Paul Schlesinger, and Colby Sheppard.

Minnie and Ella Jordan are 15 and 12 years old, and have been playing fiddle and singing for about nine years. They've recently added guitar and tenor guitar to their repertoire, and love playing Western Swing and Hot Jazz, especially standards from the 20s and 30s.

When they aren't home practicing or riding their ponies, they can be found fiddling for tips in Austin. They save their money so they can go to fiddle camps, where they've had the chance to learn from and play with such greats as Dick Gimble, Buddy Spicher, Carrie Rodriguez, Billy Contreras, and Bobby Hicks.

Paul Schlesinger is a fiddle player and vocalist from Taylor who specializes in the traditional Texas swing music of the dance hall and honky-tonk era.

Paul received his first fiddle lesson at age 23 from Perk Williams, the fiddler and vocalist on Jimmy Heap's 1954 hit recording of Release Me. Paul's musical career began in earnest in 1997 when he began playing with Bill Dowdy, a professional rhythm guitarist from Lexington.

Paul and Bill's first nationally distributed CD, "Our Way," quickly sold out of its initial pressing. Paul plays with several musical groups around the Central Texas area, including his own Knights of Texas Swing, who recently served as Texas

music ambassadors through Austin Community College's Danish cultural exchange program, and Glen Collins and the Alibis, who are featured on the syndicated television program "Songwriters Across Texas."

He works regularly with the Lee and Milam County Cowboy Church Bands, and the Comal County and Thorndale Oprys. This past November Paul was inducted into the Country Music Hall of Fame in Gatesville.

Colby Sheppard is a 11 year old from Madisonville who has been performing Western Swing Music since the age of 3. Colby sings, plays fiddle and guitar with many Western Swing bands around the State of Texas.

Colby has opened up for or performed with Ray Price, Ray Benson and Asleep At The Wheel, Leon Rauche and The Texas Playboys and Little Jimmy Dickens to name a few.

He is a featured artist on "The Shotgun Red Variety Show" Season 1 and Season 2 on RFD TV. He is a member of Dave Alexander's Big Texas Swing All Star Band, The 2012 State of Texas Champion of 4H Has Talent, 2012 Academy Of Western Artists "Young Artist of The Year" and 2013 Cowtown of Western Society "Rising Star of The Year" winner.

He has also performed The National Anthem on his fiddle for Texas A&M Baseball and Softball and Sam Houston State Baseball.

The Opry band, comprising Mark Lehmann on lead guitar, Zane Crockett on bass, Jimmy Rohde on drums, Craig Schmidt on steele and John Dujka on keyboard, will also be on hand to entertain you with some good toe tapping music.

Sacred Heart Honor Roll Announced

Sacred Heart Catholic School announced its Honor Rolls for the Sixth Six Weeks.

A Honor Roll, Grade 3, Grant Adamcik, Brysen Brown, Avery Diggs, Sophie Gardiner, Lance Liccioni, Brynn Mikulenska, Amanda Urban

Grade 4, Natalie Blackwell, Megan Brothers, Katie Gray, Shelby Hofferek, Grant Juno,

Philip Matocha.

Grade 5, Justin Faldyn, Brock Gardiner, Kyle Janak, Mikaylee Supak.

Grade 6, Caitlyn Adamcik, Ryan Becka, Claire Supak, Jenna Wenske.

A/B Honor Roll, Grade 3, Julia Aymond, Hope Kalina, Kambri Mihatsch, Austin Spann.

Grade 4, Kaimbry Deen, Ben Gerik, Garrett Gilmore, Caroline Gordon, Michael Leah Hart, Makenzy Hofferek, Madelyn Karstedt, Madison Kleinwachter, Caty Medici, Lily Nygren, Tyson Roscher, Colby Spann, Braeden Wilder

Grade 5, Blayne Bippert, Kevin Chovanec, Brittany Davis, Lexie Havelka, Noah Keep-

ers, Lauren Kosler, Ricky Schilling, Traeden Supak, Alyson Trliceck

Grade 6, Thomas Borgstedte, Chelsea Brothers, John Cox, Wesley Gilmore, Jordan Gaertner, Mason Juno, Olivia Kielty, Nicholas Matocha, David Matula, Julie Matula, Kasi McCarty, Abigail Roscher, Colton Roscher.

WINCHESTER NEWS

BY BOBBIE HAJEK



Vacation Bible School

St. Michael's Vacation Bible School will be July 15-19 from 5:30 to 8 p.m. with dinner provided each night.

This year's theme is "Tell It on the Mountain!" and all children from 3-11 years old are encouraged to participate in this free and fun event.

Further details to come, but contact Candice Hill at candicemarie624@hotmail.com for more information or to register your children.

Snakes

Billy Hajek killed three Copperheads recently. Be aware of your surroundings and be careful of snakes at your house.

Winchester Civic Association

Dues are \$10 a year per household.

Joyce Herzog is in charge of Zilss Hall and can be reached on (979) 702-0448 for questions.

Little Free Library

A new project, "Little Free Library", is in the works in Winchester. You can read all about this project at www.littlefreelibrary.org. Help is needed with the building of the structure (a carpenter) and with donations of material to build it. Organizers are hoping to go "green" so any donations will be appreciated.

Contact Margaret Atkins, Dorothy Loewe, Robbie Zoch, or Candice Hill if you have questions or want to help or e-mail bbhajek@winchester.liveair.net.

St. Michael's Lutheran

Pastor Nate Hill is the Pastor. St. Michael's meets each Sunday at 9 a.m.

The Quilters meet the first and third Tuesdays of the month.

Young at Heart is the second Tuesday of each month at 2 p.m.

Father's Day Picnic

The annual St. Michael's Lutheran Church Father's Day Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 16 at St. Michael's Park.

The church service will be at 8:30 a.m. on the picnic grounds with free coffee afterwards. Barbecue beef, pork, or chicken will be sold by the pound beginning at 9:30 a.m. The LWML will be selling side dishes to go along with your meat. You can dine in the air-conditioned hall or take home and enjoy.

Children's games will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. Funnel cakes will be served at noon. The washer pitching contest begins at 2 p.m. Register at 1 p.m.

Music will be by Paul Schlesinger and the Alibi's from 2 to 4 p.m. The auction will begin at 4 p.m. Hamburgers and

chips will be available at 3:30 p.m. and will be sold by 4-H youth.

Winchester Methodist

Pastor Dave Dillan is the pastor. Everyone welcome. Services are on the first and third Sundays at 9 a.m.

In Our Prayers

Mavis Bosworth, Debbie McGee, Timmy Franke, Marian Fritsche, Lera Ephraim, Tish Lehmann, John Speck, Larry Herzog, and Misty Miertschin. We would also like everyone to pray for the folks in Oklahoma.

June Birthdays

June birthday celebrants include: June 11-Dustin Miertschin, 12-J.W. Breeden, 14-Lillian Pietsch, 21-Verlene Hobratschk, 22-Jodi Miller, Ryan Wich, 23-Johnny Green, 24-Candice Hill, 25-Paul Schultz, 26-Al Harris, 29-Justin Klehm.

June Anniversaries

June anniversary celebrants include: June 15-Dianne and Garrett Lude, 24-Linda and Ronnie Hart, Mildred and Elgin Kasper, Neal and Marceil Prestridge, 27-Greg and Heather Deters, 28-Dorothy and Roger Loewe.

Thanks To Our Military

Kyle Koenning - US Navy, Oak Harbor, Wash.

Lucas Cavett - US Coast

Guard, Anchorage, Alaska.

Codi Bittner - US Navy, Norfolk, Va.

Weston Miertschin - US Army, Korea.

Sam Herzog - US Air Force, Afghanistan.

Rainfall Report

Billy Hajek reported .9 inch of rain on June 2.

Calendar of Events

June 11 - Young at Heart meets at 2 p.m. in St. Michael's Education Building.

June 12 - Neighbors Night Out at the home of Margaret and Tom Atkins.

June 19 - Father's Day Picnic at St. Michael's Park.

June 26 - Neighbors Night Out at the home of Barbara and Richard Schaefer.

July 26 - Winchester Area Volunteer Fire Department Fish Fry at St. Michael's Park.

July 29 - Worship at the Park at 10:30 a.m. Potluck to follow.

Sept. 15 - Music Night at Zilss Hall featuring "The Shop Dawgs", from 5:30 to 8 p.m.

Have News?

Send any news or notices you wish to have announced in the Winchester News column to Bobbie Hajek at bbhajek@winchester.liveair.net or call (979) 242-5646.

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St. Michael's Lutheran Church

FATHER'S DAY PICNIC

Sunday ★ June 16, 2013

St. Michael's Park, Winchester - 2 blocks N of FM 153 on Frio Street

Church Service @ 8:30 a.m. on Picnic Grounds

Free Coffee after Service 'til Noon • Everyone Welcome!

U.S. Boneless Beef, Choice Pork, and Chicken BBQ

Sold by the Pound • Pick-up Starting @ 9:30 a.m. • Dine-In Air-Conditioned Pavillion
LWML will be selling Potato Salad, Noodles, Beans, Baked Goods and Tea in Park Pavillion Kitchen
Limited Funds matched by Thrivent Financial for Lutherans

Children's Games 1-4 p.m. • Funnel Cakes 12 Noon

Washer Pitching Contest @ 2 p.m. • Register at 1 p.m.

LIVE AUCTION @ 4 P.M.

Hamburgers & Chips @ 3:30 p.m. by 4-H Youth

Music by Paul Schlesinger and the Allibi's
2-4 p.m. & After Auction

