

# SQUEEZINS

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The Oklahoma Accordion Club Newsletter

## Septemberfest

Dick Albreski

We can't forget that this month is *Septemberfest* at the OAC. It will be held September 13, 2015 at the *Messiah Lutheran Church* located at the southeast corner of Northwest Expressway and Portland in Oklahoma City. This annual event precludes the spirit of the German *Oktoberfest* celebrations that are held all over the world. Accordionists are a very important part of the *Oktoberfest* parties, so it is only natural that the OAC celebrates as well.

We start the festivities with German music and German food in a Bavarian setting. On the plate for German music, you will enjoy the "Beer Barrel Polka," the "Liechtensteiner Polka," and the "Schnee Valzer," plus many more traditional German tunes.

On the culinary plate, you will enjoy brats or hotdogs, German potato salad, sauerkraut, red cabbage salad, rolls, and apple kucken. Soft



drinks will also be provided. This German feast will be served at 4:00 pm.

All OAC members are encouraged to attend, and each member can bring one guest. This event is not open to the public. This is our only **CLOSED MEETING** of the year. Reservations are a must for each

member and guest. WHY? We must know who will attend so we can prepare the required amount of food.

Now the rest is up to you. The only way we can make this event a success is to have you participate. That means you will start to practice your German music, and that you will make the necessary reservation. Please contact Barbara Duer at 405/721-9657, or e-mail Barbara at [bduer@sbcglobal.net](mailto:bduer@sbcglobal.net) to make your reservation.



## Septemberfest Meeting

**The September meeting will be held on Sunday, September 13, at 3:30 pm.** As usual, the meeting will be held at the Messiah Lutheran Church. The church is located on the southeast corner of Northwest Expressway and Portland in Oklahoma City.

Everyone is encouraged to come, and everyone is encouraged to perform. If you are

shy about playing alone, some of us will play with you.

After the individual and group performances, we will have a Jam Session.

All are welcome to join in on the fun!



# The Prez Sez

Barbara Duer

Hello Club Members,

I think this issue of the newsletter is going to be about celebrating the success of our concert at *Czech Hall* in August. I arrived an hour early, and the first good sign was people were already coming. We started setting up the chairs, and the audience was filling them as fast as we could put them down. People just kept coming. It was so exciting. Everyone played well, and the audience loved us!! We have the pictures to prove it. Chester Weems of Yukon took some wonderful pictures of the audience, and gave them to us. Thank you, Chester.

A representative of *Czech Hall* said that when all the chairs are full, that's 325 people. We also had standing room only, so there were over 325 people attending. It was so nice not to have to turn people away.

Just a reminder: Now is the time to pick out your music for the concert next August. Pick out four pieces you like, and get started. Recitals, when taking lessons, are often yearly and, in my experience, most of the music took a year to learn to play well. I'm working on music right now that will take me over a year to play well, hopefully.

And remember: CALL ME TO MAKE YOUR RESERVATIONS FOR THE *SEPTEMBERFEST* DINNER ON SEPTEMBER 13 at 3:30. My phone is 405/721-9657

I will skip the third installment of "Rustic Dance" this month, so we'll have more room for photos.



• Barbara Duer, President

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# Mark Your Calendars

Dick Albreski

*Fourth Annual OAC Septemberfest* will be held on September 13, 2015, at the *Messiah Lutheran Church* from 3:30 to 5:50 pm. All members and guests are welcome. For more information, see *Squeezins*, the OAC newsletter, or visit <http://www.OKAccordions.com>.

*Wurstfest, Oktoberfest, Texas-Style*. This year will mark the 55<sup>th</sup> year for this annual event held in New Braunfels, Texas (just north of San Antonio). Opening on Friday, November 6 and lasting until November 15. German-style accordion music with multiple bands on different stages, both indoors and outside. Plenty of food, German beer, and music! Check out the *Wurstfest*, New Braunfels, Texas website for more information, <http://wurstfest.com>.

The *Callithumpian Squeeze* presented by Roland Lohmann and *The Good Things Confectionary* on October 18, 2015 from 2:00 to 4:00 pm at the *Norman Train Station*. Guest artist will be Nick Ballarini from Dallas, and George Secor. Also, you will hear the *Prime Squeeze Trio*, consisting of Bob Mansfield, Roland Lohmann, and Rod Murrow, plus many additional OAC members who will perform. For more information contact Roland Lohmann at 405/819-3521 or visit [Rolandshimr@aol.com](mailto:Rolandshimr@aol.com).

The *Linde Oktoberfest* in Tulsa will celebrate its 37<sup>th</sup> year from October 22 to October 25, celebrating an authentic

Bavarian culture that closely aligns with Munchen Oktoberfest, presenting nationally known German bands, European foods, arts and crafts, and fun activities for the entire family. This Oklahoma tradition is in its 37<sup>th</sup> year along the Arkansas River, with große (huge) quantities of bratwurst, German beers, Bavarian cheesecake, great music, and thousands of your friends, all together at one place. *River West Festival Park* has been completely renovated, with new tents, stages, and more. Willkommen bei Oktoberfest in Tulsa! See their website: <http://tulsaoktoberfest.org>.

The *OAC Christmas Party* is currently scheduled for December 13, 2015, at the *Messiah Lutheran Church* located at the corner of Portland and Northwest Expressway in Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, from 3:30 to 5:30 pm. This annual event will have a silent auction, with the proceeds going to the *Youth Band*, and the collection of hats, scarves, socks, and gloves for the homeless. It is our time for giving, but also receiving. There will be a cookie and candy exchange that will tempt the appetites of all. Imagine eating all the treats as you listen to Christmas music played on the accordion.

*Look for more accordion events in future issues of Squeezins.*



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A stylized illustration of a person sitting on a stool and playing an accordion. The person is wearing a dark jacket and light-colored pants. The background is a mix of blue and red.

# August Concert Program

Maggie Abel

## OKLAHOMA ACCORDION CLUB

The Oklahoma Accordion Club (OAC) was the brainchild of Dick Albreski, Bob Mansfield, Dave Mannan, and Oliver Delaney in 2000. Eight local accordionists attended the first meeting. Now we have 60 plus members! My, how we've grown!

Do drop in to hear some excellent artistic music by friendly accordion lovers of Oklahoma City.

You don't have to be a member or a player to enjoy the polkas, mazurkas, pop tunes, and other squeezebox favorites!

*Our squeezin' is pleasin'!*

*OAC President Barbara Duer*

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**CLUB MEETS MONTHLY ON 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAYS @ 3:30-5:30 PM**

Messiah Lutheran Church (south entrance)  
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## Welcome from Emcee LUCAS ROSS

### *Cruising Down the River*

Becca Smith, Bria Smith, Maddie Smith

### *The Fox and the Hound*

Job Elliott

### *Country Gardens*

Laz Elliot

### *Keyboard Hug*

Isaac Elliott

### *American Patrol*

YOUTH ENSEMBLE: Becca Smith, Bria Smith, Maddie Smith, Laz Elliot, Isaac Elliott, Job Elliott

### *Comrades March, Cactus Polka*

ACCORDIONAIRES: Dan Orza, Lois Roth, Karen West, Barbara Duer, Maggie Abel

### *Two Guitars, Glow Worm*

Dan Orza

### *Goin' Out of My Head*

Karen West

### *Echo Waltz*

ANFÄNGERS: Rusty Dolton, Steven Scott, Myke Dixon, Wayne Turgeon, Maggie Abel

### *Golden Slippers*

Wayne Turgeon

### *Amazing Grace*

Tom Phillips

### *Smile Awhile*

Colleen Rhettman

### *Heartbreak'n Rock*

Myke Dixon

### *Comedy Song, Jealousy*

Lou LeBrun of Springfield, MO

## INTERMISSION

### *Old-Time Sing-Along*

TRIO: Anne Lopez, Lois Roth, Barbara Duer

### *Prelude & Fugue in C minor, The Holy City*

George Secor of Godfrey, IL

### *Canzona per Sonare No. 2; Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring*

Bob Mansfield, George Secor

### *American Fiddle Tunes medley, A Matter of Policy*

T.Z. Wright

### *Over the Waves*

Rusty Dolton

### *Soldier's Joy*

Maggie Abel

### *I Love to Dance*

Dick Albreski

### *Fast Train*

Steven Scott

### *Calliope Rag, Boum Musette*

Barbara Duer, Dick Albreski

### *Così Cosa, La Malaguena*

PRIMED SQUEEZE:

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## FINALE *God Bless America*



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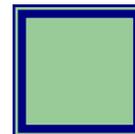
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