



# Bluegrassin'

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*The Montana Rockies Bluegrass Association is a non-profit association dedicated to promoting, preserving and sharing our love of bluegrass music in a spirit of family and friendship.*

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## Upcoming Bluegrass Events

### Pinegrass

Top Hat—Missoula—Nov. 5, Nov. 26, Dec. 10 at 8:30 pm. Dec. 20—6:00 pm  
 Bitterroot Brewery—Hamilton—Dec. 7—6:00 pm  
 Blacksmith Brewery—Stevensville—Dec. 21—6:00 pm

**Dec. 14**—Montana Rocky Bluegrass Association Christmas Party. Missoula. Ruby's Hotel. See pg. 4 for details.

**Dec. 17**—Acousticals—Top Hat—Missoula, MT—8:30 pm

### Mark Your Calendars: for the Ruby's Monthly Winter Jam Series

January 11, 2014  
 February 8, 2014  
 March 8, 2014

*Ruby's Winter Jam Series*, Open Jam and potluck 2nd Saturday's Jan-March. Pickin' and grinnin' starts at 1pm – potluck at 5:30 or 6 followed by more pickin' and grinnin'.

## Recurring Shows and Jams

- ♦ **Missoula** – Tuesdays, Wheat Montana – Moozoola Opry 6pm 'til 8pm the Black Mountain Boys play. Admission is free, the band asks that you buy a sandwich or soup from the fine folks at Wheat Montana as you enjoy an evening of music.
- ♦ **Missoula** - Pickin Circle. Tangled Tones Studio. 2005 South Ave., West. - 2nd & 4th Wednesdays—6:00 pm to 9:00 pm . (406-396-3352)
- ♦ **Missoula**—Open Jam. Top Hat. Tuesdays. 7:00 pm
- ♦ **Livingston** - Open Jam. Pine Creek Café. Thursday—8:30—10:30 pm. [www.pinecreeklodgemontana.com](http://www.pinecreeklodgemontana.com) (406)222-3628

*If you know of corrections to the shows and jams or new events that need to be added, send an e-mail to: [kate@appcom.net](mailto:kate@appcom.net)*

## Wanted

### Door Prizes

Please consider donating a door prize for the MRBA Annual Meeting and Holiday party.

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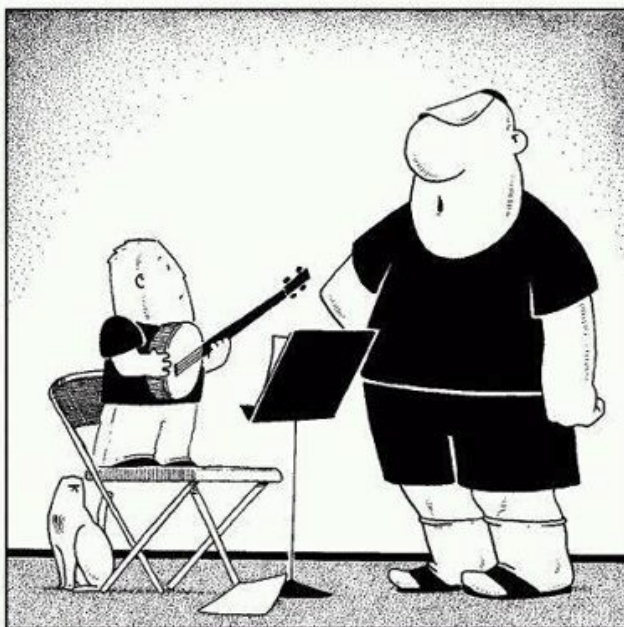
Christmas themed doodads or holiday goodies would also make great prizes.

We will have a drawing right after dinner.

THANKS!

Kate McMahon

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Do you want the newsletter delivered electronically? YES NO

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## MRBA Annual Meeting

Saturday, December 14th  
Ruby's Inn, 4825 North Reserve Street, Missoula, MT



The MRBA annual meeting will be held on Saturday, December 14, 2013 at Ruby's Inn. The meeting will start at 2 p.m. Dinner will follow between 6 p.m. and 7 p.m. Jams will be held before and after dinner.

This is your opportunity to get up to date information on the activities of the MRBA and to help chart its future course. As in past years officers and directors will be elected for the upcoming year. All positions will be up for election. Please consider what you can do to help the MRBA remain an active part of the Montana/Northwest bluegrass scene.

Regarding dinner, the association will provide the meat course for the meal. We ask that others bring potluck side dishes and deserts. In order to plan for the meal, please email:

**mccauley\_kemo@hotmail.com**

no later than Dec. 10 if you plan to attend the meeting.

We look forward to seeing you at the meeting!

(P.S.—Please consider donating a door prize for the raffle. See the wanted notice on page 2.)

*Ellie  
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## Trumble Creek Campout



Thanks Mary Jane for another fun weekend!

Young fiddler—Michael  
His playing was the big hit at the jam!



Jammin started early on Saturday.

Now that's what I call a bon fire!



**2013 INTERNATIONAL BLUEGRASS MUSIC AWARDS**

**Hall of Fame Inductees:** Tony Rice, Paul Warren

**Entertainer of the Year:** The Gibson Brothers

**Vocal Group of the Year:** The Gibson Brothers

**Instrumental Group of the Year:** The Boxcars

**Male Vocalist of the Year:** Junior Sisk

**Female Vocalist of the Year:** Claire Lynch

**Emerging Artist of the Year:** Della Mae

**Album of the Year:**

Papertown, Balsam Range, produced by Balsam Range, Mountain Home.

**Song of the Year:**

“They Called It Music,” The Gibson Brothers, written by Eric Gibson & Joe Newberry.

**Instrumental Recorded Performance of the Year:**

“Foggy Mountain Rock;” by Tom Adams, Dan Tyminski, Ron Stewart, Dennis Crouch, Clay Hess and Randy Kohrs; written by Louise Certain, Burkett Graves & Gladys Stacey; Rounder Records.

**Gospel Recorded Performance of the Year:**

“Beulah Land,” Marty Raybon, written by Squire Parsons, produced by Marty Raybon, Rural Rhythm.

**Recorded Event of the Year:** “

What’ll I Do;” by Terry Baucom with Sam Bush, Jerry Douglas, Wyatt Rice, Steve Bryant & Buddy Melton; produced by Terry Baucom, Cindy Baucom and Ed Lowe; John Boy & Billy label.

**Bluegrass Songwriter of the Year:** Eric Gibson

**2013 award winners Bluegrass Event of the Year:**

Bill Monroe Bean Blossom Bluegrass Festival in Bean Blossom, Indiana.



**MEET HALL OF FAME INDUCTEE: TONY RICE**

Tony Rice is one of bluegrass' most inventive flatpicking guitar players. Although he's displayed a mastery of the genre's traditions, Rice set the standard for more contemporary styles. A former member of the Bluegrass Alliance, the David Grisman Quintet, J.D. Crowe's New South, and the Bluegrass Album Band, Rice has continued to reflect his eclectic approach on solo recordings, two albums with flatpicking guitar ace Norman Blake, and two albums, recorded with his brothers Larry, Ron, and Wyatt, as the Rice Brothers. In 1996, Rice joined with Chris Hillman, Herb Pedersen, and his brother Larry to record a tradition-rooted album, *Out of the Woodwork*.

Raised in Southern California, Rice inherited his musical skill from his father, who played with several West Coast bluegrass bands and was heavily influenced by California-based bluegrass groups, including the Dillards and the Kentucky Colonels, which featured influential guitar picker Clarence White. Moving temporarily to Kentucky in 1970, Rice became a charter member of the Bluegrass Alliance, one of the earliest contemporary bluegrass groups. As a member of J.D. Crowe's New South in the early '70s, along with Ricky Skaggs and Jerry Douglas, he continued to promote a new approach to the music of the hill country. After meeting imaginative mandolin player David Grisman during a jam session in 1975, Rice returned to California and helped to form the David Grisman Quintet. During the five years that he played with the group, Rice helped to lay the foundation for the "new grass" style that Grisman dubbed "Dawg Music." Leaving the Grisman Quintet, Rice formed a bluegrass supergroup, the Bluegrass Album Band, with J.D. Crowe, Bobby Hicks, Doyle Lawson, and Todd Phillips. Although only a part-time venture, the group produced five memorable albums.

Rice's albums as a soloist and with his band, the Tony Rice Unit, have ranged from the jazz-tinged *Mar West*, which included bluegrass-style treatments of tunes by Miles Davis and John Coltrane, to singer/songwriter-oriented albums, including *Cold on the Shoulder*, *Native American*, and *Me & My Guitar*, which featured his virtuosic guitar picking and soulful vocalizing of songs by Ian Tyson, Phil Ochs, and Gordon Lightfoot. Rice released an album-length collection of Lightfoot's songs, *Sings Gordon Lightfoot*, in 1996. Rice continued to interpret the traditional bluegrass repertoire as well, releasing an album of old chestnuts, *Plays and Sings Bluegrass*, the same year. In 1997, with his brother Larry Rice, Chris Hillman, and banjoist Herb Pedersen, he founded Rice, Rice, Hillman & Pedersen, and the superstar quartet released three albums between 1997 and 2001.

(Source: <http://www.cmt.com/artists/tony-rice/biography/>)

(For more information see the book: *STILL INSIDE: THE TONY RICE STORY*  
<http://www.tonyricestory.com/>)

# Kentucky Waltz

Key of C

♩ = 135

Arr. by Steve Kaufman

Chords: C, Em, Am, C, C#, Dm7, G, G, G, G, G+, C, G7, C, Em, Am.

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The sheet music for "Kentucky Waltz" was provided courtesy of Steve Kaufman.  
See ad on next page for information about his music camps.



## Kentucky Waltz

"**Kentucky Waltz**" is a 1946 song written and performed by Bill Monroe. The song became Bill Monroe's most successful release on the Country & Western charts. In 1951 Eddy Arnold recorded his version of the song which reached number one on the Country & Western Best Seller charts.<sup>1</sup>

### Lyrics

We were waltzin' that night in Kentucky  
By that beautiful harvest moon  
And I was a boy that was lucky  
But it all ended too soon

As I sit here alone in the moonlight  
I see your smiling face  
And I long once more for your embrace  
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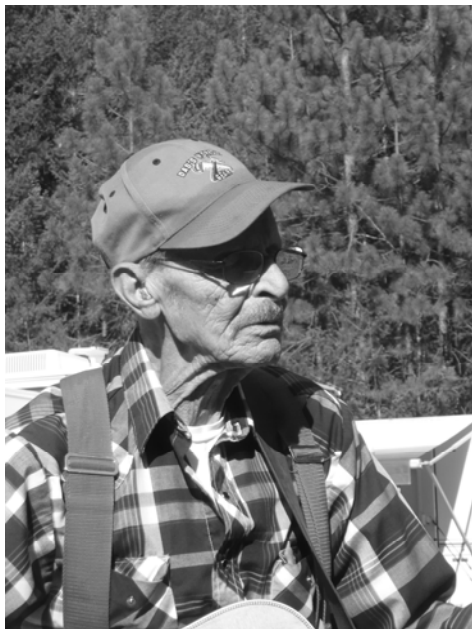
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## MRBA—Forrest Flats Annual Campout



Thanks to Forrest for hosting another great jam.



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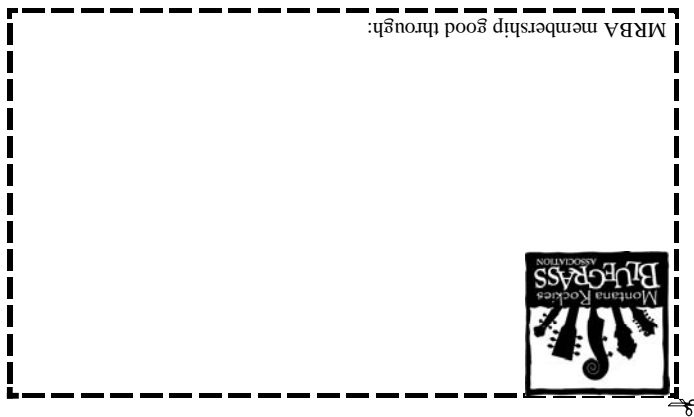
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