

RILEY FESTIVAL "OLD FIDDLER'S CONTEST"  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2008 3:00 PM  
ENTERTAINMENT TENT-SOUTH STREET  
(CORNER ST. RD 9 AND SOUTH STREET)

RULES

1. Contestant must play three songs. They must play a waltz, a hoedown, and any other tune of their choice. (NOTE: "Maiden's Prayer and "Faded Love" are not considered waltzes). A contestant will be given a zero score if the song does not conform to the category. Songs may be played in any order.
2. Contestants will be limited to six minutes to play their three tunes. The judges may deduct points for going over the time limit.
3. Cross tuning and trick fiddling will not be allowed. Also, the tunes "Orange Blossom Special" and "Lee Highway Blues" are not to be played.
4. Contestants will be judged on the timing, pitch, clarity of tone, and difficulty of tune played. A numerical score will be awarded based on the above criteria and a total computed from the results of the three songs.
5. Contestants will be divided into two categories: 15 and younger, and 16 and older. Cash prizes will be awarded based on the judge's scores. The decision of the judges is final and cannot be appealed.
6. Contestants may be accompanied by no more than two acoustic instruments. No electrified instruments will be allowed. Contestants are not required to be accompanied, this is optional. Accompanists must not play melody. Contestants are encouraged to memorize their music, but this is not a requirement.
7. If a string breaks, the contestant will have the option to continue, or at that point, if the player continues, the tune will be judged played.
8. Ties will result in a three tune play-off. Tunes may not be repeated in play-offs.
9. Contestants must have a registration form to the chairman no later than 2:30 PM on the day of the contest. A drawing will be held to determine the order of playing.

PRIZES

16 AND OLDER

1<sup>st</sup> Place - \$175.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$100.00  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$65.00

15 AND YOUNGER

1<sup>ST</sup> Place - \$175.00  
2<sup>nd</sup> Place - \$100.00  
3<sup>rd</sup> Place - \$65.00

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REGISTRATION FORM

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY, STATE, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

E-MAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

How long have you played the fiddle? \_\_\_\_\_

Name and instrument of accompanist(s): \_\_\_\_\_

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Categories: 16 and older: \_\_\_\_\_ 15 and younger: \_\_\_\_\_

Registrations may be mailed to: Riley Festival, Old Fiddler's Contest, 312 E. Main Street, Greenfield, IN 46140. They must be received before October 1, 2008. Registration forms may also be given to the Old Fiddler's Contest Chairman before 2:30 P.M. the day of event.

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