The Country Music Singers Association of Oklahoma presents

Heartland Opry

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OCTOBER 2014

CMSA Calendar

CMSA Country Music Show: 7:00 p.m.
October 4, 18 (Saturday)
3925 S.E. 29th St., Del City, Ok 73135

Open Mic Nights: 6:30 p.m.
October 6, 13, 20, 27 (Monday)
Grandy's: I-240 and Western

CMSA Business Meeting: 7:00 p.m.
October 7 (Tuesday)
3925 S.E. 29th St., Del City, Ok 73135

Gospel Praise Night: 7 pm
October 10 (Friday)
Pennsylvania Ave Redemption United Methodist Church
1320 N. Pennsylvania Ave.
Oklahoma City, OK 73107

Newsletter Submission Deadline
October 24 (Friday)

Entertainer's Events

Ginger Boles
October 3, 2014, 9 pm
Journey with the King Gospel Music Show, Dallas

Zandra Martinez
October 3 and November 7, 2014, 7:30 pm
Rodeo Opry
2221 Exchange Avenue, OKC, OK 73108

Zandra Martinez
November 1, 2014, 7:00 pm
Country Jamboree
I-40 and Exit 71, Clinton, OK

Ginger Boles, Laura Tatum
November 7, 2014, 9 pm
Journey with the King Gospel Music Show, Dallas

Laura Tatum
November 22, 2014, 7:30 pm
Rodeo Opry
2221 Exchange Avenue, OKC, OK 73108

Laura Tatum
November 29, 2014, 7:00 pm
Country Jamboree
I-40 and Exit 71, Clinton, OK

Birthdays

2. David Franklin
2. Marsha Springer
5. Johnny O'neal
5. Larry Perkey
7. Teri Newby
8. Brad Rogers
10. Mackenzie Reeves
11. Camron Jolliff
14. Cynthia Heldreth
16. Colby Lane Moore
20. Kelli Eatmon
22. Jonathan Smith
25. Wayne Crabb
25. Renee Lappin
25. Annie Rhee
27. Jennifer Moore
28. Bob Reynolds

Anniversaries

No anniversaries this month.

Notes from the President

Heartland Opry

Hope everyone is doing well and enjoying this great weather. We want the music and the memory of legendary singers and songwriters to go on forever. We want a new generation of entertainers to have the opportunity to know and enjoy this music. CMSA is where music begins, we want to support and encourage all of our performers. We have some amazing talent in this organization and I want to encourage everyone to attend every show that the CMSA holds and to attend as many other shows that our sings are performing at outside of the CMSA. I feel that our organization is a big family and we love each and every one of our members.

Our annual scholarships have been updated on the website (www.cmsaok.com). We are proud to say that we have three scholarships available through the CMSA and there is one that is available through NACMAI also.

We are now at Grandy's (7704 South Western) for Open Mic. Hope to see you there every Monday night from 6:30 till 9. We have been packing house, please come and check us out. The singing has been so great. As a reminder, you must bring your own music if you want to sing. Don't be left out, come and join in the fun.

Our next Country Shows will be held on October 4th and 18th. The Gospel show will be October 10th at the Pennsylvania Ave Redemption United Methodist Church at 1320 N. Pennsylvania Ave. I challenge every member to show up and support our talent.

If you want to be on a Country or Gospel show, just email our talent coordinator at talent@heartlandopry.com,

If you are not receiving our emails, please send a request to mail@heartlandopry.com. This email is also used for any suggestions you might have for this association.

We have also changed the dates for the CMSA Business meeting, we have decided to go to a schedule of every other month. We will be holding them on the FIRST Tuesday of every even numbered month (ex. February, April and so on). This is YOUR organization as much as it is mine, or any other Board member. We do want to know what you think and feel. I can't do it alone, the board can't do it alone, and nobody can do it alone. **Please remember, our next business meeting will be October 7th.**

Burn a CD or DVD in Windows Media Player:

Types of discs you can burn

Windows Media Player gives you the option of burning three kinds of discs: audio CDs, data CDs, and data DVDs. The type of disc you can use depends on what you want to copy (for example, whether it's only music or a combination of music, videos, and pictures), how much material you want to copy (for example, a single album or dozens of albums), and what type of device you want to use to play the disc (for example, a computer or a car CD player).

Disc type	Description
Audio CD	This is ideal for making custom music CDs that you can play using any car or home stereo. • Content: Music only • Capacity: Up to 80 minutes • Playback devices: Almost any CD player, including those found in home stereos, car stereos, and computers.
Data CD	This is a great option if you have lots of music and a car CD player that can play Windows Media Audio (WMA) files (the type of music file that most people have in their Player Library). It's also handy for backing up your media files. • Content: Music, pictures, and videos • Capacity: About 700 megabytes (MB), or roughly 8 hours of music • Playback devices: Computers and some CD and DVD players. The device must support the file types that you add to the disc, such as WMA, MP3, JPEG, or Windows Media Video (WMV).
Data DVD	Because of its larger capacity, this type of disc is used for all the same reasons you would use a data CD, but especially if you have a larger volume of files that won't fit on a single data CD. • Content: Music, pictures, and videos • Capacity: About 4.7 gigabytes (GB), or roughly 54 hours of music • Playback devices: Computers and some DVD players. The device must support the file types that you add to the disc, such as WMA, MP3, JPEG, or WMV.

What you'll need

To get started, you'll need the following:

- A CD or DVD recorder drive (also known as a CD or DVD burner).

  Almost all recent computers include a CD burner that lets you burn audio and data CDs. Some computers include a combination CD/DVD burner that lets you burn audio CDs, data CDs, and data DVDs.

  If you don't know what kind of burner you have, check the documentation that came with your computer.

- A blank CD or DVD.

  The type of blank disc you need depends on what kind of burner you have and what kind of disc you're trying to make.

  For audio CDs, your best bet is the CD-R format because it's relatively inexpensive and it's compatible with the widest range of playback devices. (This is what you will use to burn music CDs)

  For data CDs, CD-R is sufficient for most people's needs. However, if you want the ability to erase the disc later and add new files to it, choose CD-RW. Just keep in mind that blank CD-RW discs are typically more expensive than blank CD-R discs, and not all CD players can play CD-RW discs.

For data DVDs, choose DVD-R or DVD+R if you only need to add files to the disc once. Choose DVD-RW or DVD+RW if you want the ability to erase the disc later and add new files to it. Note that some DVD burners support all of these blank disc types and some only support certain ones. For more information, see the documentation that came with your computer.

Note

Unauthorized use and/or duplication of copyrighted material may be a violation of copyright law in the United States and/or other countries/regions. Copyrighted material includes, but is not limited to, software, documentation, graphics, lyrics, photographs, clipart, animations, movie and video clips, as well as sound and music (including when MP3 encoded). Violation of U.S. and international copyright laws may subject you to significant civil and/or criminal penalties.

Burn an audio CD

If you want to make a standard music CD that will play in nearly any CD player, choose the Audio CD option.

As you burn an audio CD, Windows Media Player makes temporary copies of the WMA and MP3 files in your burn list, converts the copies to another format (known as PCM), and then saves the converted copies to the disc. Here's how to burn an audio CD:

- Click the **Start** button, click **All Programs**, and then click **Windows Media Player**.

  If the Player is currently open and you're in Now Playing mode, click the **Switch to Library** button in the upper-right corner of the Player.

- In the Player Library, click the **Burn** tab, click the **Burn options** button, and then click **Audio CD** (this is the default choice).

- Insert a blank CD-R disc into your CD burner.

  If the **AutoPlay** dialog box appears, close it.

  If your computer has more than one CD drive, click the drive you want to use in the navigation pane.

- If necessary, click the **Clear list** button to remove all items from the previous burn list.

- Find the items in your Player Library that you want to burn to the audio CD.

  For example, you can search for a particular album, browse for individual songs, or locate a playlist.

- To create a burn list, drag items from the details pane (the pane in the middle of the Player Library) to the list pane (the pane on the right side of the Player Library).

- If you want to change the order of the songs in the burn list, drag a song up or down in the list.

- If you want to remove a song from the burn list, right-click the song, and then click **Remove from list**.

Tip
Don't worry—removing an item from the burn list doesn't delete it from your Player Library or your computer.

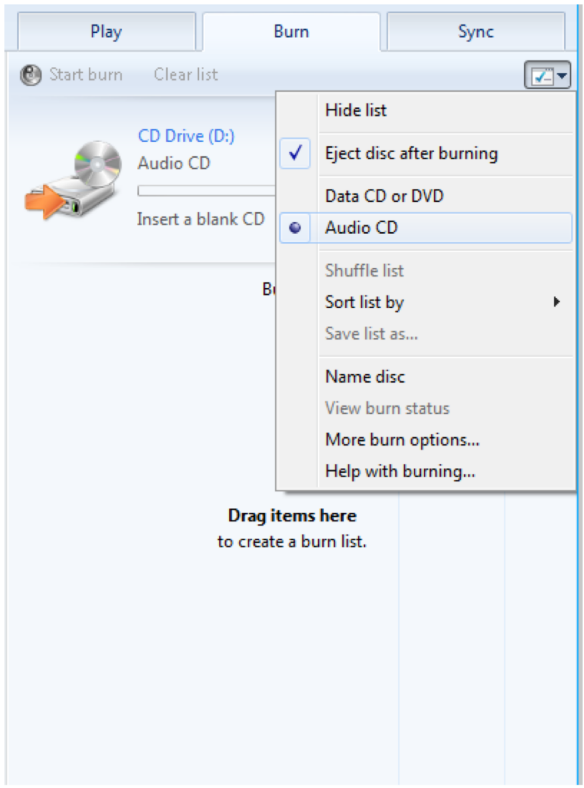
- When you're satisfied with the list, click **Start burn**.

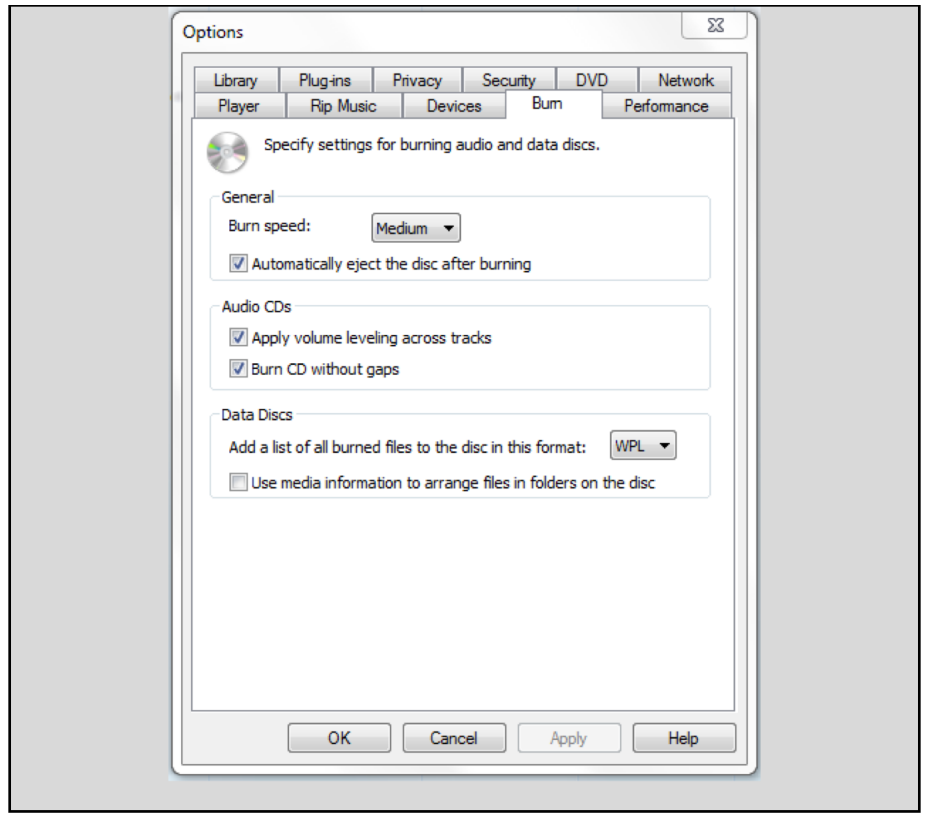
  Burning a disc might take several minutes to complete.

  If you have more songs in your burn list than will fit on one audio CD, you'll have the option to burn the remaining items to a second blank CD.

Note

Because Windows Media Player doesn't support the CD-Text standard, the audio CDs that you burn don't include the media information from your original WMA or MP3 files. This means that if you burn an audio CD containing songs from multiple albums and you try to play that CD on another computer, the other computer might not be able to automatically





Setting the Options

Click on the TOOLS list and select the OPTIONS menu, select the BURN tab and set up like following example.

Vice President

Donna Fisher

Hello friends,

Hope everyone is doing well. As usual, it has been a busy month for CMSA. We have had entertainers singing at The Rodeo Opry, The State Fair, McSwain Theater, Clinton Country Jamboree, Mary's Music Barn in Stonewall, Texarkana, nursing homes, Gospel Shows, and those are just the ones I know about. There will be more singing more places the next month Read your newsletter and check our website so you can attend as many events as possible.

If you were unable to attend any of our shows this month, you missed some fantastic entertainment. Last night was awesome. The singers were amazing and Edwina Fudd (Sherry Miller) and Madea(Brady Garrison), kept everyone laughing and the show moving smoothly. We have consistently had some of the best entertainers in Oklahoma on our stage. Great emcees and singers and musicians. Our Talent Coordinator, Laura Tatum, has been doing a great job putting these shows together. Of course, the level of talent in our performers makes it easier. The difficult thing now is scheduling everyone. We have grown every month, almost every week for the last year. Open Mic has been packing the house at Grandy's on I 240 and S. Western. It is such a great time with delicious food (the hot rolls are wonderful and they keep bringing them), good fellowship, LOTS of singers and so much fun. It's my favorite night of the week unless we have a show. Thank you again to Larry Workman (the owner), Ashley (the manager), and all of the friendly staff for making us feel welcome and working so hard to take care of us. Mondays at 6:30, Grandy's is the place to be. Hope to see you all there.

We have shows coming up on October 4th and Oct.18th and I've already heard exciting things about them. Then, Tuesday Oct.7th, we will have our business meeting at The CMSA Hall of Fame where we have our shows. We will be discussing some proposed changes in the bylaws and some updates on other regulations, plus any ideas and suggestions that you have to improve your organization. We need your input and your help to make CMSA continue to grow and improve. It's your organization as much as ours. Please make the Business Meeting a priority. We will be looking forward to seeing you there.

Vice President

Donna Fisher

October 10th will be our Gospel Show at a new location, Redemption United Methodist Church at 1320 N. Pennsylvania. We are excited about our new location and hope everyone will come out and enjoy a time of praise and worship, while supporting our singers. It's always a blessed time and a time when we can pray together for needs. Many of our CMSA family are experiencing illness, grief, and family problems. One of the best things we can do for our friends is pray and encourage. I have consistently found comfort, friendship, love and support from my CMSA family. That love and friendship has literally saved lives in time of illness and deep sorrow. I am one of the lives saved. Love and appreciate you all so much. Hope everyone will continue to love and pray for each other.

God bless you,
Donna Fisher

CMSA members stole the show at the Harrah Days festival in Harrah, OK this past weekend. Bella Brown in the youth division and Kennedy Horton in the adult division both took home first place wins. With two great renditions of country classics and fun upbeat stage presence they won over the crowd and judges. Way to go ladies, and great representation of the CMSA.

ARTIST OF THE MONTH

Kailyn "Spitfire" Jolliff

13 year-old Kailyn Jolliff, aka "Spitfire", is a dynamic and energetic award-winning singer and actor.

Kailyn's first performance was at her school talent show at the age of six. She became a performing member of the CMSA when she was just 7 years old. Seven years later, Kailyn's determination has taken her out of her small hometown of Mustang, OK to perform at the House of Blues Dallas, Branson's Clay Cooper Theater, Branson Landing, OKC Rodeo Opry, Oklahoma Heartland Opry and Six Flags over Texas where she is one of their "Stars of the Season" during the Christmas Holidays. She has enjoyed singing the National Anthem at many events including the Redhawks and OKC Roller Derby.

Recently Kailyn was featured in a PSA for animal rescue. Kailyn also starred as Rebekah in the webisode "BFF MixUp", a comedy about 2 friends who switch bodies. This funny episode was released on Youtube in December 2013. Other favorite roles include Drizella in Cinderella and the infamous Oompa Loompa in Willy Wonka.

Kailyn's push for excellence landed her a spot at the Hollywood Launch Academy of DFW, an intense triple-threat training program for young artists who are serious about a career in entertainment. She has completed three semesters under the direction of LA's Jonathan George of JG Entertainment. Kailyn has taken vocal lessons with Amanda Earhart for over six years. Amanda states, "Kailyn is a spitfire of a performer and comes alive when she hits the stage to share her musical passions!"

Kailyn is a statewide winner for Music Composition and Photography. She has also won top honors in state and national competitions for performances in Country, Gospel, and Pop.
Kailyn is an honor student who enjoys computers, animals, writing and science. She plans on pursuing a career in the performing arts.

Talent Coordinator

Laura Tatum

Want to be on a CMSA Heartland Opry, Country / Bluegrass show?

(405) 634-7252 mailbox 2
(405) 570–3382 personal number

talent@heartlandopry.com

Once you are booked, the talent coordinator will **need your song selections by 6 p.m. on the Monday before your scheduled show** or you June not be able to perform on that show.

If, for some excusable reason you must cancel your performance opportunity, do not leave a voice message. Contact the talent coordinator directly as soon as possible.

Watch your email closely, as soon there will be a newly appointed talent coordinator.

SUBMISSION OF SONGS

I am so proud of our singers/entertainers and how well everyone is doing. Isn't this fun? I hope you all are having a great time, whether you are performing, or just enjoying a show.

I just wanted to remind everyone, that it's YOUR responsibility to give me your songs by Sunday night, the latest by Monday morning. This rule is very important, because we don't want to have double songs on a show, plus we don't want to have the same song sung over and over. We have been enjoying your choices so far, so keep up the good work. When picking your songs, remember, our crowd is a conservative family-oriented crowd. This rule will also help you be prepared as you go out and sing at other places. I have been kind of relaxed on this matter, but going forward we are going to enforce this. This means, if your songs are not turned in, I will be looking for a replacement.

Each newsletter, I will be going over the rules and guidelines that our board members have set for our shows. These guidelines have been set up for our entertainers to have a successful night, and be prepared for the shows. We want you to shine!

You can reach me several ways:

Facebook: Laura McCoy Tatum
Email: talent@heartlandopry.com; mail@heartlandopry.com
Phone: 405-570-3382 or 405-596-5650

Education Director

Nancy Borum

OCTOBER TIPS AND TRICKS

Congratulations to all the winners of the 2014 State Competition!!!! What a great bunch of entertainers we have! Good luck in Pigeon Forge! If you are one of the ones going, here are some things to keep in mind.

1. Choose a song that is in your category. If you aren't sure, choose another song.

2. Choose a song that suits your voice. Just because you like a song does not mean it's a good one for you. Record yourself back and listen to it objectively, or have someone HONEST or UNBIASED to listen to you and tell you if it's a good one FOR YOUR VOICE or if you should choose another song.

3. Dress up. This is not the time to wear holey jeans or tennis shoes or flip flops. Do not wear short, short skirts/dresses. This is not the place to show off your gams like Carrie Underwood does. Modesty is good here. You can dress modestly and still look fabulous!! You may think that Jason Aldean or Luke Bryan look great in holey jeans and t-shirts, but these judges will not think you look good. Put your best appearance forward. And the couple of points you may lose by dressing inappropriately may mean a 1st place win or no place at all. You want to garner all the points you possibly can.

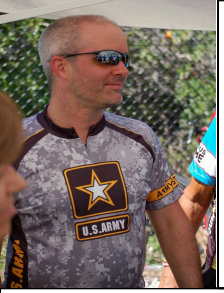
4. Use facial expressions and body language to convey the meaning of your song. Don't just stand there. Even if it's a passionate slow song you need to make the judges and audience FEEL the emotion of the song. If it's an upbeat song, you want to get them toe-tapping or clapping, or at the very least bobbing their heads. This is not the time to be shy about performing.

5. Have fun! You are spending a lot of money and time and effort on going to this National Competition! Make lots of happy memories!

6. Support the other singers! If you have ever been there before, you know the value of having your friends rooting for you and hollering out when Oklahoma is mentioned. Encouragement goes a long way!

Best wishes to all of you as you go forward in this competition!

More next time,
Nancy B



Newsletter Editor

Leon Gray

Submit Performance Information Here!

Contact Leon to submit your event dates and entertainment information.

newsletter@heartlandopry.com

2014 Artists of the Month!

October	**Kailyn Jolliff**
November	**Tina Anderson**
December	**Taylor Sams**

If your name is on the list above, please email your artist bio information and up to four pictures to Leon by the 20th of the month **prior to the month beside your name**. Your information will appear in the newsletter and on the Heartland Opry Website, www.heartlandopry.com.

NOTICE: **Your CMSA membership must be current to participate as Artist of the Month.**

Membership Chairperson

Lottie Northcutt

Become a CMSA Member

(405) 634-7252 Mailbox 1
(405) 488-7948 – personal number

Lottie.northcutt@integrisok.com

Even if you are not an entertainer, but love music, you can support our Oklahoma talent by becoming a valued CMSA member. The CMSA is a not-for-profit organization that is family oriented. The only qualification to become a member is that you love country, bluegrass or gospel music!

Contact Lottie for membership information. Please complete and return the membership application, filling out all blanks completely.

2014 CMSA MEMBERSHIP DUES

RENEWAL MEMBERSHIP		*NEW MEMBERSHIP*	
SINGLE	$ 17.00	SINGLE	$ 20.00
COUPLE	$ 25.00	COUPLE	$ 30.00
FAMILY	$ 35.00	FAMILY	$ 35.00

Scholarship Chairperson

Teri Newby

Scholarship Info

Contact Teri for information about current and future scholarship information. She will be glad to help you! She is also one of our go-to gals for our annual CMSA State Competition!!!

Teri Newby at **colenewby@sbcglobal.net** or **405-623-5058**.

CMSA is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that promotes Oklahoma Talent through the college years… and beyond.

North American NACMAI Country Music Associations, Int'l.

Please keep in mind that CMSA offers two different scholarships to individuals who are pursuing a career in the music industry.

JAN BARTON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

$500

RALPH MCCOY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

$1,000

Both scholarships are "ability based" and will be awarded according to outstanding achievement in academics, community service, and accomplishments in the music fields related to country, gospel, and bluegrass music genres. In the event of a tie, financial need will be taken into consideration when selecting a recipient.

For more information, visit **www.cmsaok.com** or contact **Teri Newby** at **colenewby@sbcglobal.net** or **405-623-5058**.

Best Wishes, CMSA

Sponsorship Info

Bobbie Doss

Give the Gift of Sponsorship.

Receive a TAX DEDUCTION!

Contact Bobbie Doss if you know someone who would like to sponsor a CMSA Show or Gospel Praise Night.

(405) 708-8101

It's more than just a sponsorship; it is helping our entertainers live out their dreams on stage!

Thank you, for your support!

Get Ready NOW!

52 Week Challenge!!!

Save your way to Pigeon Forge, TN In 2015!!!

52 Week Money Challenge

WEEK	DEPOSIT AMOUNT	ACCOUNT BALANCE	WEEK	DEPOSIT AMOUNT	ACCOUNT BALANCE
1	$1.00	$1.00	27	$27.00	$378.00
2	$2.00	$3.00	28	$28.00	$406.00
3	$3.00	$6.00	29	$29.00	$435.00
4	$4.00	$10.00	30	$30.00	$465.00
5	$5.00	$15.00	31	$31.00	$496.00
6	$6.00	$21.00	32	$32.00	$528.00
7	$7.00	$28.00	33	$33.00	$561.00
8	$8.00	$36.00	34	$34.00	$595.00
9	$9.00	$45.00	35	$35.00	$630.00
10	$10.00	$55.00	36	$36.00	$666.00
11	$11.00	$66.00	37	$37.00	$703.00
12	$12.00	$78.00	38	$38.00	$741.00
13	$13.00	$91.00	39	$39.00	$780.00
14	$14.00	$105.00	40	$40.00	$820.00
15	$15.00	$120.00	41	$41.00	$861.00
16	$16.00	$136.00	42	$42.00	$903.00
17	$17.00	$153.00	43	$43.00	$946.00
18	$18.00	$171.00	44	$44.00	$990.00
19	$19.00	$190.00	45	$45.00	$1,035.00
20	$20.00	$210.00	46	$46.00	$1,081.00
21	$21.00	$231.00	47	$47.00	$1,128.00
22	$22.00	$253.00	48	$48.00	$1,176.00
23	$23.00	$276.00	49	$49.00	$1,125.00
24	$24.00	$300.00	50	$50.00	$1,275.00
25	$25.00	$325.00	51	$51.00	$1,326.00
26	$26.00	$351.00	52	$52.00	$1,378.00

Entertainer's CDs

The following entertainers have CDs available.

Tina Anderson **Ginger Boles** **Cutter Elliott** **Leon Gray** **George Harrison**

Kirk Heldreth (Elvis Tribute Artist) **Tiffany Henry** **Destiny McElfresh**

Georgiea Motley **Donna Marie Urbassik**

Amanda and Destiny **Anita Walker**

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FREE

Beginning guitar lessons are returning by popular demand!

Classes will be held on the 1st and 3rd Saturday of each month, starting June 7, 2014 at 3:30 pm

Country & Western Museum and Hall of Fame at 3925 SE 29th in Del City.

The lessons are free of charge and everyone is welcome!

All ages are allowed as long as you can learn and not disrupt the class!

Members and non-members are open to join!

Our instructor will be Marcus Hill

If you are interested please email us at nancy.borum@heartlandopry.com so we can get a headcount!

Country Music Singer's Association of Oklahoma is a 501c3 organization

CMSA / Heartland Opry
Leadership and Contacts

CEO / President: **Kevin Tatum**
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Prayer Requests

Ashley, Dale – Medical
Ashley, Sandy – Medical for her mother
Boles, Ginger - Medical
Erickson, Linda – Medical
Franklin, David and Vickie – Medical
Henderson, Martha – Medical
McCoy, Mildred - Medical
McElfresh, Destiny – Medical
McElfresth, Mary – Medical
Miller, Bill - Medical
Miller, Jeanetta – Medical
Miller, Patti (Crist) – Cancer
Morgan, Lovella – Medical

☺ Ways and Means ☺

Check out the "Ways and Means" table at the CMSA shows for information on ways to help your organization.

Clothing, cookbooks, pledges…

For more information contact:
Linda Erickson
(405) 808-9346

We appreciate your support!

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Country and Western Museum and Hall of Fame

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Del City, Ok 73135

CMSA Phone Numbers
(405)-634-7252

Mailbox 1: Membership Info
Lottie Northcutt

Mailbox 2: Performance Info
Laura Tatum

Mailbox 3: Gospel Performance Info
John Monroe

Mailbox 4: Event Info

Mailbox 5: Show Sponsorship Info
Bobbie Doss

Mailbox 6: Contact the President
Kevin Tatum

CMSA Clothing

Caps - $11.00
Youth Caps - $9.50
T-shirts, S-XL - $9.00
Sweat Shirts, S-XL- $15.00

Jackets – Vary in style and price.
The base price for our most popular jacket is $49.00
Add CMSA logo on front - $6.00
Add Name on front - $6.00
Add CMSA Logo on Back - $20.00

Add 5% for shipping and 8.375% for sales tax.

For more information contact:
Linda Erickson
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Great Gifts for Members and Entertainers!