

THE OKLAHOMA SQUEEZINS

“Our squeezin’...is pleasin’”

The Oklahoma Accordion Club Newsletter



***Celebrate
musically
with us
this
Sunday!!!***

Meetup Info for Sunday, Dec 14, 2025 — 3:30 PM

Oklahoma Accordion Club (founded in 2000) meets in person once again Sunday, December 14, 2025, at 3:30 PM at Messiah Lutheran Church, on the SE corner of Portland Ave. & NW Expressway in Oklahoma City. The south entrance to the church (there's a portico at that doorway in case of rain!) takes you to the foyer, where the sound of music (or the sight of signage) directs you to us and our accordions!

Snacks are welcome! Bring your accordion, or just come as you are and sit down with us to drink in the sweet sounds!

If you can't attend the 3:30 PM meetup in person, you can experience some of it via *Zoom* — using the same codes (see **red type** below) you may have used in previous years. **Zoom's musical sound quality has recently improved!** So feel free to tune us in! Here's how:

On computer, tablet, or smartphone, to join us with both audio and video, go to

**[https://
us02web.zoom.us/
j/5236709799](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5236709799)**



PREZ SEZ

Maggie Abel

Hi, OAC Gang!

The National Accordion Association Conference in the Dallas area is in March. I found a roommate and am reserving a room. Read Dick's column on page 3 to see how to make your arrangements. Or ask me stuff. No payment is due until March 2026, so how great is that?

Lots of arrangements for the club Christmas party Dec. 14 — in just a few days! Remember to: bring a snack, Christmassy or otherwise. Bring five or 10 items from around your house that you don't need, to put in our fund-raising raffle and/or silent auction! I'm determined to take some new cute items home with me that day!!! Bring also for donation to charity, some socks, warm knit caps, a warm neck scarf, or some gloves for our warm things box for the needy. Our Christmas traditions are fun and helpful!

My newest hobby is practicing some pleasin' duets to play with my girlfriends to introduce them to the joy of playing accordion! We've been practicing for the December "stage" that OAC provides! Here's a pic of Susan, whom you remember from the last few meetings, plus Shayla and me preparing for this Sunday. Of course this hobby to promote the often-overlooked accordion is best achieved by having two accordions at your house so you can start the moment that inspiration strikes!



Do ya think we should order some small lapel buttons that say "Ask me about my accordion"? ~ Maggie

Have two accordions?
Have a friend?
Now get started!



Remember, someone somewhere must be playing "The Chicken Dance"!

**Our next Oklahoma Accordion Club meetup is Sunday,
December 14 at 3:30 PM @ Messiah Lutheran Church, OKC**

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Put YOUR name here!!

Mark Those Calendars!

by Dick Albreski



DECEMBER's Oklahoma Accordion Club meeting! The OAC meeting will be next Sunday, December 14th, 2025, at Messiah Lutheran Church at Portland and Northwest Expressway starting at 3:30 PM. The OAC was started in 2000 and has remained a respected Club because of the members. No organization can exist without support and your support is what we need! Bring your accordion and a friend. This month we will have our annual Christmas Party. There will be treats, silent auction, a raffle, accordion music, and friendship all around. We also ask you to bring a treat like some cookies, candy, even chips and salsa that you wish to share with others. Plus, do you have something you don't need or want any more that you could bring for our silent auction? Someone else may want what you no longer use. The silent auction helps us meet expenses. We also ask that you consider your next year's membership dues starting in January 2026. They still are at a moderate \$20 for an individual and an additional \$10 for a family membership. An OAC membership would be an ideal Christmas gift for a friend. Lifetime memberships are also available. Your continued support and contributions will enable the accordion to grow in Oklahoma. Thank you for your support.

National Accordion Conference (not convention) will be held in Forney, Texas (21 miles east of Dallas) from March 18th to the 21st, 2026. Registrations for the

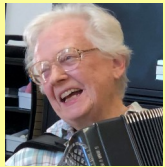
TownePlace Suites are now open. Incidentally if you register now, breakfast will be included. To register go to N.A.A. website. Fee with banquet for accordionists is \$200. Non-accordionists are \$250. Reservations will not require payment until March 2026. Reservations may be canceled, and refunds are available. This year's event will mark the 40th anniversary of the National Accordion Association. The musical journey began in 1986 and has grown to be one of the most attended, respected, and anticipated events of the accordion world. The emphasis in 2026 will be "Accordion Fun Band and Orchestra." If this tempts you, make plans to attend. Music for the Fun Band 2026 will be determined by the attendees. You pick the tunes. The Orchestra will encourage additional instruments to join in for a more diversified sound. We aim to please and have one of the best meetings ever in 2026. For more and current information go to accordions.com, the [National Accordion Association website](http://NationalAccordionAssociation.org) or the [OAC Newsletter](http://OACNewsletter.org). See you in Forney Texas on March 18th, 2026. — Dick

Free Accordion Music Websites

Check out the following sites for new and free accordion music:

- Donquattrocchi.com
- 8notes.com/accordion

Try em! You'll like em!



Report of November Meeting

Secretary Lois Roth

The Oklahoma Accordion Club met Sunday, November 9, 2025. There was "welcome music" starting at 3:15 PM.

President Maggie Abel called the meeting to order at 3:30. There were 15 members present (two on Zoom) and three guests (one on Zoom). Total attending was 18.

VP & Treasurer Ron Shearon led us in The Pledge Of Allegiance. We sang a verse of "America The Beautiful," followed by "Happy Birthday" to Frank Boyd.

Guest Jack Radicelli joined the meeting online from Cleveland, Ohio. Jack is Cassi Radicelli's son and Anne Lopez's brother.

Anne Lopez and Lois Roth began the music with "Blue Spanish Eyes."

Maggie had brought her digital Roland 4X accordion to the meeting. She said it's for sale for the right price. It has a recorder, and it can be played with or without using the bellows, also silently with a headset. Ron, a former Roland owner himself, demonstrated a few of its 400 voices

(piano, organ, sax, etc.) He played "Anniversary Song" and "Drink To Me Only."

Dick Albreski and Barbara Yuill joined us online from Scottsdale, Arizona. There were challenges with the sound, but they were resolved, and we enjoyed their duet "J'Attendre."

Ron changed to his own accordion and played a waltz, "Bavarian Nights," using high and then low reeds.

Shirley Hammack and Ron played a duet -- "Over The Waves." Shirley performed "Amour." Susan Hause and Maggie played "Silent Night."

Ron reminded us of the Christmas party coming December 14. Please bring cookies or other treats to share; items for the raffle; and hats, gloves, socks, etc. for charity. One of the raffle items will be an accordion. Ron will also collect annual dues at the December meeting.

Singalong time came next. Anne and Lois provided the music for two WWI songs -- "Smile Smile Smile" and "Til We Meet Again". And there was some lively clapping to "The Mexican Hand Clapping Song."

Sil Lopez sang "Yours" with Anne accompanying him on her accordion. Anne and Lois played "South of the Border." Anne played "El Choclo" while Maggie

and Frank demonstrated the Tango. Anne and Lois performed "La Paloma." Anne played "Tico Tico" and "Jarobe Tapatio."

The meeting was adjourned.

Our next meeting will be the Christmas party on Sunday, December 14, at 3:30 PM. Join us at this special time of the year for music and singing and delicious treats!

It was good to have Karen West at the meeting after her recent health problems.

There was jamming afterward with Anne and Lois playing a few more Spanish songs.

Then they were joined by Wilber Hammack on a Jew's harp with vocals by Mark Hammack for "My Darling Clementine," "Red River Valley," and other old favorites.

Respectfully submitted,
Lois Roth, OAC Secretary



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Birthday Greetings!



Happy Birthday to: **Lou Bennett Dec 9**
Lucy Shedeck Dec 13 Maggie Abel Dec 21



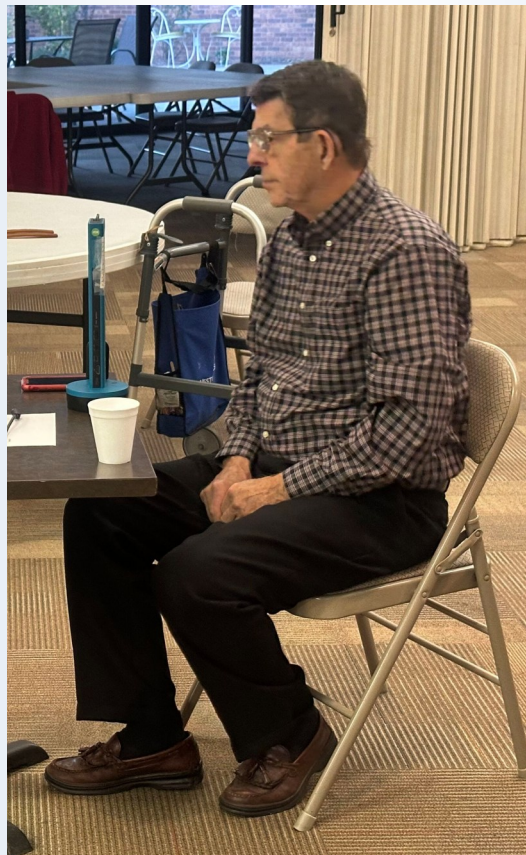
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Salaute to Our Tech Guy loyal at his post

November 9, 2025



Frank projects video clips from past conventions, so we can see and hear performances enlarged on the wall.



During Lois and Anne's sing-along, Frank shines their lyrics onto the wall for all to join in.



**Concert of
Jew's Harp and more
from the Duncan crew
November 9, 2025
Pix: Maggie Abel**

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**Because our real photographer was out of pocket last month
probably on an exotic cruise around the world
or something like that.**

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Oklahoma Accordion Club Membership & Renewal Form

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Name _____ Date _____
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I prefer to receive the monthly newsletter, the *Oklahoma Squeezins*, by: ☐ E-mail ☐ Conventional Mail

The OAC membership year runs from January through December. Membership cost is prorated quarterly for new members.

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| ☐ Primary Membership is \$20 per year per individual | ☐ Lifetime Membership is a one-time fee of \$300 |
| ☐ Family Membership is \$10 per year for each additional family member, when accompanied by a Primary Membership | ☐ Youth Membership is complimentary for accordion-playing youth through age 18 |

Your status (please check all that apply):

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