

# MEMPHIS AREA BLUEGRASS ASSOCIATION MEMBERS MEETING



**Date, Time:** 14 July 2007; 11:00 AM  
**Location:** Galloway United Methodist Church

<b>President</b>	Vacant	<b>Communications</b>	Duke Walker
<b>Vice President</b>	Wayne Walker	<b>Activities</b>	Gordon Jones
<b>Secretary</b>	Louis Medcalf	<b>Regulatory</b>	James Johnson
<b>Treasurer</b>	Ed Richter	<b>Membership</b>	John & Maureen Fitzer [absent]
<b>Permanent Director</b>	Peter Smith	<b>Education</b>	Jennifer Eggers
<b>At Large Director</b>	Sam Ketchum	<b>G.R.A.S.S.</b>	Beth Mays
		<b>Welcoming/ Caring</b>	Loyce Smith
<b>Other Attendees:</b>	J. Phillips; R. Barnett; G. Johnson		

1. The first order of business was to elect a new president to replace Keith Carter, who resigned because of a job transfer outside the Memphis area. On a motion by G. Jones seconded by J. Johnson, Vice President Wayne Walker was proposed for the office of President. Motion carried unanimously.
2. Bob Barnett was nominated to finish the term of Vice President on motion by W. Walker seconded by G. Jones. Motion carried unanimously.
3. June Minutes: June minutes were approved as submitted on motion by J. Eggers seconded by D. Walker.
4. Treasurer's Report: Written report attached. To present date there have been about \$1,000 more in expenses than income, primarily because of one-time expenses, such as insurance. We are, however on track with the budget for this point in the fiscal year.
5. Communications: Last month was the first issue of *Newsgrass* sent by bulk mail. Will have first invoice for that service at August Board meeting. At present the printer is printing only the number of copies actually sent. Duke will work on developing a list for additional copies for distribution of sample copies at the Lucy Opry and other public events. Duke will also talk to the printer about using heavier paper.
6. Activities: The fall MABA picnic has been scheduled for 13 October at the Baptist Conference Center in Cordova, where the picnic was held last year. The cost is \$400. Arrangements will be similar to last year. The committee reminds members that no smoking is permitted anywhere on the grounds of the facility.

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7. Regulatory: New sales tax exemption certificate has been distributed.

President Walker asked about cash contributions to Galloway Church for our use of the building. James stated it would be better to simply pass on the contributions in cash to the pastor as we have done in the past, rather than depositing the money and writing a check.

Jim Philips recommended keeping records of donations, which was agreed to by consensus. President Walker or whoever collects the contributions will send the amount of the sum to the Treasurer to be kept as a miscellaneous record, not as income and expense.

8. Membership: Sam reported one renewal and one new member in the past month.
9. Education: Members of the Clair Lynch Band will provide workshops from 2:00 to 4:00 PM on the day of their concert (11 August). Jennifer is negotiating terms and has proposed a guarantee of \$50/person for a minimum of 6 attendees and \$25/person for additional participants. She is inviting the Jackson Plectral Society and will send a postcard promoting the workshops to all MABA members.

Beth Mays offered to bring some tickets to promote ticket sales to the concert.

10. G.R.A.S.S.: Beth reported a good concert at King's Sons and Daughters by Jim and Sheila Philips. In addition to the main concert for the ice cream social, Jim and Sheila went to some individual rooms to play for residents who were unable to attend the group event.

In September the Committee will prepare health relief kits, as was done last year.

The Committee is planning a benefit concert for Gary Rushing, a member in need of financial assistance for medical expenses. Gary's transplant operation was successful, but he will be on maintenance drugs for the rest of his life that are not fully covered by medical insurance. The event will be Saturday, 4 August, from 4:00 to 8:00 PM, and will include a cookout and bake sale. A flyer is attached. Beth requested donations of baked goods and asked for volunteers to help.

11. Welcoming/Caring: One card was sent this last month.
12. Lucy Opry: Tickets for Cedar Hill (23 July) and Clair Lynch (11 August) are on sale.
13. Other Business:

Performance Committee: No urgency, will wait to see how participation at Galloway Church goes. Will need to coordinate events with the Collierville Friday night jam session, and may wait for cooler weather to begin. A larger committee will be needed if we go ahead with plans to ensure continuity.

Wayne Morris volunteered to maintain the website temporarily, which had been done by past President Keith Carter, but the Association will need to find a long-term replacement.

Some Saturday attendees have asked about coffee service. Sam volunteered to talk to Pastor Troy-Anne about arrangements.

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Sam reported that the Association is out of T-shirts and will need to order some more for the Delta festival event.

Bob Barnett suggested that MABA needs to organize a presence for the Cooper-Young festival on 15 September.

14. Next Meeting: 11 August 2007, 11:00 AM, Galloway United Methodist Church.

15. Adjourned 12:15 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

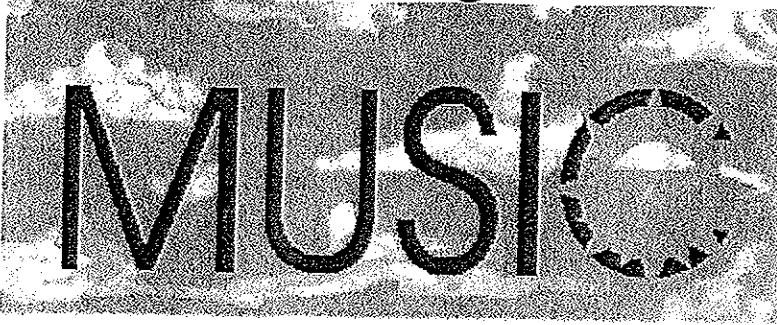
*Louis Medcalf*

Louis Medcalf, Secretary

**MABA Statement  
For Six Months Ending June 30, 2007**

	June 2007	YTD 2007
<b>INFLOWS</b>		
Cash Contribution	-	200
Collections for LOL Weekly Jam	-	834
Donations	-	10
Membership Dues	-	2,655
Merchandise Sales	-	637
Other Inc	-	265
<b>TOTAL INFLOWS</b>	-	<b>4,601</b>
<b>OUTFLOWS</b>		
Gifts Given	-	466
GRASS Expenditures	46	131
Insurance. Bus	-	1,899
MABA Events	-	867
Postage and Delivery	107	503
Printing and Reproduction	-	649
Rent to Facility	-	834
Tax	-	228
<b>TOTAL OUTFLOWS</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>5,577</b>
<b>OVERALL TOTAL</b>	<b>(152)</b>	<b>(976)</b>

# **HOT!** Licks Bluegrass Benefit for Gary Rushing



**When: Saturday, August 4 from 4-8 p.m.**

**Where: Galloway United Methodist Church  
Memphis, in Midtown at 1015 South Cooper**

**All Donations Welcome!!!!!!**

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Cookout !!!

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Potlikker String Band

Jenny Craig

Bluegrass Ramblers

Gone South

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