



Accordion Talk Newsletter

October, 2025



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Upcoming Club Meetings

**3200 SE Harrison St.
Milwaukie, Or. 97222**

**November 15, 2025
Election of Officers**

**December 20, 2025
Christmas Party**

Board Members

**President: Fran Maddox
Vice Pres.: Valri Chiappetta
Secretary: Marlene Meissner
Treasurer: Sue Schwab
Camp Director: Sue Schwab**

At-Large Members

**Micah Cowan
Delette Huffman
Don Devlaeminck
Amber Matz
Lynne Clark**



President's Message

Fran Maddox

The October 4, 2025 meeting was a cozy group of accordion players. There were about 10 people in attendance. Rick Nunno and Garret Oaks joined the meeting today. The music circle songs were played in parts as well as other unison songs. On page 3 you'll find the announcements from the meeting as well as the performances by individual players.

November is the election of officers meeting. The nominees are: President: Amber Matz; Vice-President: Beth McDonald; Secretary: Marlene Meissner (currently in this position) and Treasurer: Delette Huffman. Come and cast your ballot.

November's music circle will be a little different: you will not receive music to play prior to the meeting. Jeff Nelson is going to spend the time teaching us to "be better sight readers". Thank you Jeff.

RCAC camp for 2026 is taking shape. After O'fests we'll let you know and roll out the registrations. The professionals are in place. Susan Schwab, Camp Director, has been busy confirming them between her Oktoberfest gigs. The camp will be May 31-June 5, 2026.

Pictures from the various Oktoberfest events since the September newsletter can be found in this issue. Thank you to all the people who sent pictures. On page 5, Marlene Meissner wrote a special thank you to all the people who participated in making the 2025 Mt. Angel Oktoberfest such a fun event for everyone.

Terry Rudd, RCAC member, is selling his Roland. See more about it on page 4. Larry McCullough is again performing in Brush Prairie, WA. More information is on page 6.

December's meeting will be the annual Christmas Party. Like the picnic, it will be catered and funded by RCAC members who play out representing the club. The club has received generous donations for playing at various events.

Notice the picture of Bobbie Ferrero on the left: this is what it looks like to perform at various gigs—this was in Mt. Angel.

Thank you to all RCAC members for your support during my four years as President. I am looking forward to the new leadership that starts in 2026. I had no idea when I started playing the accordion in 2011, that a club even existed. As a pianist I wanted to play an instrument with other people. It is hard to haul the piano around! It took a simple phone call in 2013 to find all of you. It was obvious early on that if I wanted to be involved, there was plenty of opportunity. After six years as Treasurer and then four as president, I am grateful for your support and friendships. I will continue to be involved in whatever opportunities come along.