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**Subject:** Your Fall 2009 Tour Time Frame

We hosted the Alaska String Band this past October on their first tour to the southern states. They were VERY well received and we could not have been more pleased with their presentation! They had such a good time and the tour proved to be so beneficial that they are planning another for fall, 2009. As you see from the email below, they are booked at Mitchell Park, Perrin, in October and will be playing for us (GOBMS, Del City) again in December.

Also, from the email below, you'll note that they have not confirmed the "start" date for the tour, but since your fall festivals are, at least, close to their time frame, it is a distinct possibility that they could be included in this tour. I strongly urge you to consider featuring them in your fall lineup, if at all possible. I guarantee that they would be an asset to your festival! I've had several inquiries from those who saw them last October in Del City as to whether I had heard from them and if/when they'd be coming back our way. Their visit to Mitchell Park last October was a last-minute opportunity as it was on an open weekend following our club show and they went as a guest band. I can attest that they were the "hit" of that festival and I dare say that they probably picked with every musician there! People absolutely LOVED them...and so do we! From dad, Paul, and mom, Melissa, down to the youngest, 10-year-old, Abigail, they are outgoing, friendly, never-met-a-stranger-type folks that you instantly feel like you've always known--all those attributes and extremely talented, too! They also played at the Washington OK Senior Center the week following our show, but I didn't know about it or I would have been there, too. I've been told since then that folks there loved them, too. Their tour itinerary was not completely full when they started out on faith, but each performance brought invitations to play at other locations resulting in a very rewarding experience which they are anxious to repeat.

We will be glad to send you one or more DVDs of their 2008 performances that we attended, if you wish.

Again, I think you will find it to be a move in your favor to contact the Alaska String Band (email: [zfamily@gci.net](mailto:zfamily@gci.net)) / Google: Alaska String Band to see if they could fit your event into their fall 2009 tour schedule.

Respectfully,

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