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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

When you read this, Thanksgiving Day will be past, even though it is still a few days away as I write, so I will just say that I hope each and every one of you had a Happy Thanksgiving, and that you were able to enjoy some good oldtime fiddle music that day, along with all the good things to eat.

It will only be a few weeks 'till Christmas, so I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It may seem early to say it, but there's no escaping the fact; it's upon us again. Time just keeps on flying.

Our Jam sessions seem to be getting better all the time. At Aloha Grange the fiddlers were good and the audience appreciation even greater. Martha Warwick wrote that the meeting in Central Point was so successful that there was barely standing room, and that people hated to leave. But all good things have to come to an end sometime, even Jam Sessions.

For all you fiddlers who haven't tried it, I recommend that you contact a rest home or nursing or convalescent home, (whatever name it goes by in your area) and go play some lively tunes for them. I guarantee that you will be thanked more than you've ever been. And all for doing something you love to do anyway. How can you beat that?

Our next Jam Session is set for Buell. Read on for all the details. Hope to see you there.

WAYNE HOLMES

JAM SESSION & POTLUCK DEC. 12 BUELL GRANGE HALL

Our next Jam Session and Potluck dinner will be at the Buell Grange Hall on December 12, our thanks to Carlton Smith for making the arrangements for this hall.

Directions::; Coming from Salem go out Hwy. 22 toward the coast, turn right just before getting to the Buell Store, and go about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile to the Grange Hall.

Coming from Portland, head toward the coast past Sheridan to the blinker light about 2 miles past Sheridan; Turn left at the light and go about 3 miles, come to the Buell Store, Turn left just before you get to Hwy. 22, go about $\frac{1}{4}$ mile and you will see the Grange Hall. Dont forget your table service and the food.

JAM SESSION & POTLUCK DEC. 19, NORTH BEND

The Southern Division of The Oregon Fiddlers will have a Jam Session and Potluck in North Bend on December 19, at the I.W.A. Hall, Local 3-261, 2222 Broadway. There will be plenty of off street parking. Russ Hall is making the arrangements. He says the hall has plenty of room and lots of people are awaiting the event so lets have lots of fiddlers and seconds there. See you in North Bend.

MARTHA WARWICK

SANDPOINT, IDAHO

A sad note from one of our Idaho members. Mr. Joe Bahm, of Ronan, Montana, President of the Montana Old Time Fiddlers, passed away Nov. 5th at the vets Hospital at Fort Harrison. He leaves his wife Donna and a son and daughter. Our most sincere sympathy to his wife and family.

BUD INGRAM

CENTRAL POINT

This report is being written the night after our first very successful jam session of the newly formed Southern Division of the Ore. Old Time Fiddlers. It was held in the American Legion Hall in Central Point Sunday Nov. 14, 1971. There are many tired workers but they are filled with much satisfaction. Everyone I asked to help get this thing off the ground came through 100%, no one let us down. Such good workers, thank you all.

Bud Ryan was M.C. for 22 acts They were: Jim Morris, Jim Hoots, Ivan Shuck, Bill Hefner (Mandolin), Van Southwood, Hjalmer Edwards, Dick Thierolf, Bud Ryan, Bill Warwick, Dave Pinkerton (mandolin), Joe Nelson, Don Gish, Bill Yohey, John Hoester, Ed Skeie, (Accordion), Ralph Dias, Jim Rose, Fred Virtue, Jeff Pinkham, Glen Oppie, and Bob Burton. Then Wilma Ryan honored us with a vocal tune as only she can do it. We had some 14 seconds from whom I got their names, Spencer Bohren, Jim Brewer, Lloyd Parshall, Phil Veling, Tom Barkley, Col. Decie Willis, Owen Carey, Lew Parder, Dave Winkelman, (Banjo) Phil Simmons, (bass), Wilma Ryan, Ed Skeie, Don & Ruth Loring, Pick Woods, and if there are any I've missed I'm sorry but we really thank them too. The fiddlers really appreciate such fine back up.

The potluck for the fiddlers and their families was a goodie with much food left. The program for the public followed at 1 P.M. After the program there was a short request time while the chairs were being pushed back for dancing. The floor was packed with dancers for almost two hours. When they played the closing number, there was still a crowd reluctant to leave. We had lots of requests to continue this gropp meeting every month either in Grants Pass or Medford.

We have had a call from one of the radio stations to be on a $\frac{1}{2}$ hour interview show. They want Billy with the junior angle, plus Don Gish, and me, and a back up man's side too. The T.V. wants Bill after the first of the year with the junior slant there too. We feel very proud that this area has such welcoming arms.

It was a fine day for the boys and I when we became associated with such fine people as the Fiddlers.

MARTHA WARWICK.

ALOHA

As Wayne mentioned in the Presidents Message, I think the Jam Sessions are getting bigger and better all the time. As Martha reported from Southern Oregon they had 22 acts, and up here in Aloha we had 34, including specials, that's not bad, and that's also lots of fiddling. The performers were: FIDDLERS: Marshall Jackson, Wayne Holmes, Ray Mack, Guy Kyler, Tony Descombaz, Clarence Davis, Kenny Brank, Charlie Johnson, Warren Gray, John Dougherty, Loretta Brank, Dick Frankland, Wes Brunson, Valdemar Nelson, Joe Moreland, Don Toomb, Fred Hildebrandt, Don Haynes, Leonard Maahs, Clarence Greenlund, Russell Cowan, Esther Morgan, George Cieloha, Bill Bell, Bill Weber, Peter Klym, Barbra Cronin, Del Anderson, Jim Miller, and W. A. Johnson. ACCOMPANISTS: Frank Warner, Nell Turner, Marshall Jackson, Ed Turner, Wes Brunson, Esther Morgan, and Verneda Weber. SPECIALS: Lorraine Chase, Mabel Johnson, Tony Descombaz, and Wally Weaver. After the program we took a few minutes for a request time and during this time, Ron Gimm sang a song. After the request time, there was about a $\frac{1}{2}$ hour of dancing, there would have been more dancing but we had to vacate the building by 5:00 p.m.

I was not able to attend the Potluck but from what I heard it was a fine one as usual. Thank you all for coming and if I missed anyone, I'm sorry.

RON GIMM

TRESURERS REPORT March to November 1971INCOME:

March starting balance-----	\$ 539.08
Convention (Friday show, Banquet & Sat. night dance.)---	\$ 515.22
Dues paid (New and Renewal)-----	\$ 568.00
Hat pass collections-----	\$ 787.16
Contributions-----	\$ 215.00
Income total-----	\$2624.46

EXPENSES:

March Convention Expenses-----	\$ 529.08
Hoedowner expense (Memio paper, stencils, ink, ect.)-----	\$ 169.92
Editors Donations and 1,000 Membership cards-----	\$ 170.91
Electric Typewriter (used)-----	\$ 60.00
Stamps and postage and coraspondence-----	\$ 223.14
Potluck food supplies-----	\$ 42.05
Sec.-Tres., Pres, and Vice Pres. Supplies and phone calls	81.36
Bank Charges and Hall Rental-----	\$ 161.05
Goodwill donation and records-----	\$ 113.35
Expense Total-----	\$1550.86

November 30th bank Balance;-----\$1073.60

WALDPOR

A note from Bessie Buker:

Cliff and I hate to miss any of the jam sessions but his eye problem is developing so he will be checking in at the Corvallis clinic on Nov. 22 and will likely be in the hospital for a four day stay. We hope he will be back in circulation by Christmas.

There is something I feel should be brought up, and that is the need of more volunteer help in the kitchen after the lunch. A few people have had to do it all and I believe more people should offer to help, not leave it all on 2 on 3. It keeps the 2 or 3 willing ones in the kitchen most of the time the program is on. And another thing, someone should keep watch until all the dishes are picked up and someone has lost a dish they prize at several pot lucks. Really no one should bring food in a dish of a set unless they watch out for it and put it away right after the meal. I never take anything valuable so I don't chance the loss of a good dish. We'll be seeing you all as soon as Cliff is over his eye trouble.

As ever CLIFF & BESSIE BUKER

FROM THE WASHINGTON OLD TIME FIDDLERS

As chairman of the State Fiddling Contest of 1971 and 1972, I wish to inform you of our 1972 State Contest.

It will be in Enumclaw Washington July 15 and 16 of 1972. That is a Sat. and Sun. We have set the date early, in hopes it won't conflict with the Oregon State Contest, as we will want an Oregon fiddling Judge. We had two from Oregon for 1971 and one from Idaho, they did a fine job. We will want to know when your contest will be. As some of us will want to attend. Hoping to meet you all some day.

CARMEN STANDEFER.

EDITOR'S NOTE

Just a short line to finish out this page.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY FIDDLING NEW YEAR

PENDLETON CONTEST

On Nov. 27, a big contest was held in Pendleton, in a fine auditorium. This was Pendleton's first Contest, and if the enthusiasm of the crowd is an indicator there will be more contest held in Pendleton.

Winners of this contest were:

Open: Bill Yohey 1st; Don Gish 2nd; Duane Stevens 3rd; Rusty Modrell 4th; and Chuck Griffin 5th.

Intermediates: Ivan McDaniels 1st; Cynthia Thomas 2nd; Clay Claughton 3rd; Don Norton 4th; and Dallas Goff 5th.

A LETTER FROM THE SENIOR ADULT CENTER

This letter was sent to my wife after we sent them a check.

Dear Mrs. Gimm:

On behalf of the East Multnomah County Council on aging and the Senior Adult Center, May I take this opportunity to thank you and the Oregon Old Time fiddlers Association for their generosity in donating a check for \$100 through your letter of October 28. This gesture is very much appreciated.

As Marshall explained to you, we did take a loss in sponsoring the Contest, but I hope he also told you how very much we enjoyed presenting this program and, may I add, what a pleasure it was to work with him and all the other fine people connected with the Fiddlers.

I read your letter to our group of Senior Citizens and they all wanted me to convey their heartfelt thanks to the Association.

Sincerely,
Judy Norton, Sec.
Senior Adult Center

TO THE HOEDOWNER

In a letter from Clem Myers, Barre, Vt., tells us that he did not win the Northeastern Fiddling Contest this year, but that he has been asked by the Weiser Chamber of Commerce to be a judge at the National Contest in Weiser next June. The Northeastern Fiddling contest was won by a young Canadian from Buford, Ont. by the name of Jonny Givins, whose tutor and accompanist is none other than that great three times North American Champion Fiddler, Graham Townsend. Weiser will be treated next June to some good Canadian style fiddling by these two great fiddlers. So you folks who have not yet been to a Weiser, Idaho National Contest, and who don't know what you missed, better harness up the old team and head for Weiser in your wagon next June.

MARSHALL JACKSON

A MESSAGE FROM THE NATIONAL NEWSLETTER

There is confusion about how to subscribe to the National Newsletter. This article should clear it up.

There are TWO (2) methods of subscribing

1. If you belong to an affiliated club, you can get the N.L. through your local Secretary for \$1.00 a year.

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