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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

The board of directors met last Saturday and planned the activities of our convention down to the last detail we could think of. Now we have to make the plans come true. If we do, it will be a great convention in every way. Our annual convention will be held at the Lane County Fairgrounds in Eugene, Oregon. on Friday, March 24th and Saturday, March 25th. The Fairgrounds are in the 700 block of West 13th street. Full information about motels and directions as to how to get there will be in next month's letter. Last year's activities will be followed closely. We'll open early Friday to allow almost a full day of jamming, visiting and having open house.

At 8 P.M. we are going to try to put on the best fiddle show ever seen or heard. I said I'd like to stage the nearest thing to a professional quality show we've ever done, and the Board said to go ahead and try it. If we can get them we'll have the Champions of Wash., Idaho, and Calif. and we have our State Champ Plus the Northwest Champ. This line-up of top fiddling talent will be featured in the first part of our show Friday night. During the last part of the show there will be a chance for the rest of us to participate.

Saturday, March 25, there will be social time and jamming in the morning. The business meeting will start at 1 P.M., lasting as long as required. Banquet at 6:30 and a dance at around 8 lasting "till 12. Any fiddler wanting to play at the dance may do so. If you want to play for the show Friday, see me about signing up.

Plan now to come. Tell all your friends about it. They will see and hear a real good show Friday night. We have obtained the Auditorium Bldg., which is the largest on the grounds, so there will be adequate room for all. More details next month. See you in Scio Feb 13.

WAYNE HOLMES

OUR NEXT POTLUCK & JAM SESSION SCIO FEBRUARY 13

Our next Jam Session and Potluck dinner will be in Scio, on Feb. 13. Dinner is at 12 noon and the program starts at about 1:00 P.M. Coming from the North take the Jefferson or the Scio exit off of Interstate 5, and coming from the South take the Scio exit. When you come into Scio, take the first right before crossing the bridge and the hall is about one block away.

Wayne Holmes and Don Lieth made the arrangements for the hall. Don't forget your table service, and your favorite dish. Leona Lieth told me they don't have any Coffee makers there, so any of you Ladies who have a large coffee maker, would you please bring it. Leona thanks you and I thank you.

RON GIMM

SOUTHERN DIVISION POTLUCK & JAM SESSION ROSEBURG FEBRUARY 27th

Our Jam Session and Potluck will be in Roseburg, on Feb. 27th. The place is at the Community Building at the Fair Grounds, about 1 mile South of Roseburg. Just watch for the Fairgrounds exit of Interstate 5 going either North or South. Arrangments were made by Jim Morris. Every one is welcome and we hope a lot of you folks come.

MR. & MRS. JIM MORRIS

JAM SESSION & POTLUCK MARCH 5, McMinnville

Our March Jam Session will be on the 5th, at the McMinnville Grange. The Grange Hall is 1 Mile West of McMinnville on the Old Sheridan Rd. Arrangements were made by Bill Yohey. Everyone is welcome and bring a freind.

RON GIMM

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CONTESTS

FOREST GROVE

The 6th Annual Balladtown Old Time Fiddlers Contest.

PLACE: Forest Grove. The all purpose Room at the Collage.

DATE & TIME: Feburary 26th, at 1:30 P.M.

PRIZES: Open; 1st \$100.00; 2nd \$75.; 3rd \$50.; 4th \$25.; and 5th \$10. plus Trophies
Seniors(70 years & older) 1st \$50; 2nd \$30.; and 3rd \$20.

JUDGES: Joe Panczerwski of Enumclaw Wash.; Bud Ryan of Coquille, and Bill Yohey
of McMinnville.

As usual many festivities will be going on thru out the day so come early.
Entry blanks, Chicken Sandwicks and coffee, plus a get-together will be at Floyd's
Music Center. So for a good time and directions on how to get the the Collage,
come to Floyd's place first. If you have any questions and for more information
contact:

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Forest Grove, OR 97116
Phone 357-3031

SEATTLE, WASHINGTON

Puget Sound International Old Time Fiddlers Contest.

PLACE: Granada Theater, 5011 California Way S.W., Seattle, Washington.

DATE: Friday March 3rd, and Saturday March 4th.

TIME & ENTRY FEES: Juniors 8:00 P.M. Mar. 3rd \$5.00; Seniors: Same as Juniors.
Limited 2:00 P.M. Mar. 4th \$7.00; General 8:00 P.M. Mar. 4th
\$10.00

DIVISIONS: Juniors (under 18 Yrs.) Seniors (Sixty-five and over), Limited (Cont-
estants who have never placed fifth or better in any certified contest)
General (open to everyone.) The three top winners in the Limited Div.
will be entered in the General Division with no additional fees.

PRIZES: General; 1st \$50.; 2nd \$40.; 3rd \$30.; 4th \$20.; 5th \$10.; plus trophies.
Other Divisions; 1st \$30.; 2nd \$20.; 3rd \$10.; plus trophies.

Contestants should register by mail or in person by 5:00 P.M. Friday Mar. 3rd
For more information and pre-registration contact:

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CORVALLIS

We had one of our biggest Jam Sessions ever in Corvallis Jan. 16, thanks to
the very capable work of Guy Kyler, who got the hall, Shorty Allan, Z.B. Moss,
and others who set up the halland cleaned up afterwards, and the gals who worked
in the kitchen. All of the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers wish to thank you all for a
fine time and a job well done. .Just to give you an idea of the crowd we had, they
served over 300 cups of coffee and would have been more if they had not run out.
As near as we could count, there were over 500 people attended this Session.

The performers were: FIDDLES: Wayne Holmes, Cliff Buker, Shorty Allan, Dave
Quinlan, Walt Whitson, Fred Hildibrandt, Susan Walker, George Cieloha, Charlie
Johnson, Valdemar Nelson, Marshall Jackson, Lee Reynolds, Bill Yohey, Obe St.
Clair, Russell Sahli, Harold Housenfluck, Del Anderson, Richard Franklin, Peter
Klym, Bill Flint, Clarence Greenlund, John Dougherty, Fred Virtue, Larry Modrell,
and Guy Kyler. ACCOMP. Marshall Jackson, Jim Ramsey, Ron Gimm, Guitars. Ed Turner
and Shorty Allan, Accordian. Ed Gorham and Bert Sperling, Bass Fiddle. SPECIALS:
Shorty Allan and Ed Turner, Accordian duet. Bert Sperling Auto-Harp and singing.
Harold Housenfluck, Banjo. and Ron Gimm Singing.

After the program there was a request time and dancing. RON GIMM

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COMING EVENTS

Feburary 13-----Jam Session-----Sciob
 Feburary 26-----Contest-----Forest Grove
 Feburary 27-----Jam Session-----Roseburg
 March 3 & 4-----Contest-----Seattle Wash.
 March 5-----Jam Session-----McMinnville
 March 18-----Old Time Music Festival-----Tenino, Wash.,
 March 24 & 25-----Oregon State Convention-----Eugene
 June 21, 22, 23, 24-----National Contest-----Weiser, Ida.
 August 26-----Contest-----Canyonville

SOUTHERN DIVISION REPORTS

We had another fun Jam Session and had a packed house again. Some people left because there was very little standing room and no sitting room. Even with the excitement of the flood scare and all, we had 22 fiddlers and 13 back ups. We had fiddlers and guests from as far north as McMinnville and as far south as Crescent City and Yreka. Two came from Klamath Falls and we had fiddlers, back ups and friends from North Bend and Coquille area and in between. The Southern Division is off and away with a pretty good start for 1972. The performers were: FIDDLES: Ivan Shuck, Jim Rose, Hugh Samples, Dick Thierolf, Hjalmer Edwards, Beaver Warwick, Fred Virtue, Wayne Holmes, John Hoerster, Billy Warwick, Dora Mount, Jim Morris, Jonas Cox, Van Southwood, Bob Heyerman, Don Gish, Gennie Wickham, Carlie Beall, Roy Summers, Audrey Reynolds, Bud Ryan, and Bill Yohey. GUITARS: Pick Woods, Ann Sinks, Jim Morris, Wilma Ryan, Leonard Samples, Phil Veling, Scott Hampson, Graham Wickham. PIANO: Fred Samples. MANDOLIN: Bill Hefner. BANJO: Dave Winkelman, and Ed Duckworth. SPECIALS: Bill Yohey and Don Gish; Ed Skeie on the Accordion, and Margaret Wood lead the audience in a sing-a-long for a couple numbers.

I want to be sure to thank everyone who so graciously helped me with this Jam Session and all the Fiddlers, back ups, and friends who came.

The last thing I want to say is that we'd like to remind everyone to mark their calendars for Labor Day weekend and any part of the week prior to it for the Fiddlers camp-out on our ranch in Williams, Oregon.

MARTHA WARWICK

PORTLAND

My compliments to our Editor Ron Gimm for a well edited "HOEDOWNER" also by using colored first sheet which make the "Hoedowner" very attractive.

I would like to suggest, if the treasury can stand it, that an award is well earned, (perhaps a trophy engraved or something suitable,) for the present President and every past President be presented, also the same for any outgoing Editor and Secretary-Treasurer of the "Oregon Fiddlers Association".

Yours very truly, Fiddler
 VALDEMAR NELSON

TO THE HOEDOWNER

Ray Sherwood, a real old-time fiddler, passed away recently. He lived in Canyon City where he was always on hand to fiddle at the "62 Days Celebration" in Canyon City each June. Ray helped organize the Eastern Oregon Fiddlers Association and was always a staunch supporter of Oldtime Fiddling.

He will be missed by all who knew him, as his friendly smile and good nature was so great a part of Ray. We send our deepest sympathy to his widow, Louise.

MARSHALL JACKSON

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TO THE HOEDOWNER

Below is a list of Fiddling Tune Books.
Mellie Kunham's Fiddling Dance Tunes. Price .75¢ Copyright 1926. Includes Rippling Waves Waltz, Happy Hour Waltz. and Hoedowns. Address orders to Carl Fisher, Inc. 62 Cooper Square, New York, N.Y. 19993

For Canadian Fiddle Tune Books, write to: Don Mills B.M.I. Canada, Limited 41 Valleybrook Drive, Ontario, Canada. Available books are: Bob Scott, Fiddling Tunes; Ward Allen, Fiddling book,; Andy DeJarlis Fiddling book; Adrion Avons Fiddle Tunes, and King Ganam's Fiddle Tunes. Price is \$1.00 per book.

Also, Send to Gordan V. Thompson 32 Alcorn Ave. Toronto, 7 Canada. Price \$1.50.

MARSHALL JACKSON

TO THE HOEDOWNER

I received a phone call from a fiddler who told me there would not be a Fiddling Contest in Ilwaco, Washington, as previously planned. I'm sure all fiddlers, and many interested people, are very dissappointed because of the cancellation of that contest. But perhaps we can gain something from this cancellation that will benefit our Fiddling Association in the future. The reason given me for the cancellation was that what took place at the contest in Ilwaco two years ago. At that time many unsavory things happened that forced the school board there to prohibit any future Fiddling Contest in their school. Too many careless cigarette smokers left their burning cigarettes on the furniture, and ground the buttes of some cigarettes into the floors with their heels. And some cokes and other drinks were spilled on the chairs and floors and left them uncleaned. The building was left open with all lights burning until 2:30 the next morning. I don't know whose responsibility it was to see that the building was properly evacuated and the lights turned out before the doors were locked, but that job should have been taken care of. But I do know whose responsibility it was not to damage the floors and chairs and desks with cigarettes and cigars. It is your responsibility, Mr. Smoker, and it is our responsibility as members of our Fiddlers Association to inform violators of common sense that we are being given priviledges as Fiddlers, and we should not abuse those priviledges. So if we want to build a respectable image in the eyes of the public, we ought to pay attention to the priviledges we have. It would be a sad thing if abuses were so bad in every place we go to play our fiddles that we would be blocked out completely from being allowed to use these public buildings.

So I hope that we, as an orgaization, will not abuse our priviledges, and that we will keep the faith with the public, whom we are trying to please.

MARSHALL JACKSON

FROM THE EDITOR

There were some questions asked of my wife and I, so I will attempted to answer them. First, the question came up about dues. Anyone who paid there dues in Nov. or Dec. of 1971 are paid for 1972. Those who payed before November, there dues are due. We're sorry for those who payed there dues just before November, but we have to draw the line somewhere. Many member's also are asking what the dues are now. They are still \$2.00 for a single, and \$3.00 for a couple.

Wayne asked me to mention something more in this issue. He informed me that we will have one day before the convention to decorate the hall. He is asking for volunteers for this purpose. If you can and want to help with this project, contact Wayne. Again, Thanks to my wife and family for there help with the HOEDOWNER.

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