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## COMING EVENTS

Jan. 11	Jam Session	Roseburg Fairgrounds	Roseburg, Oregon
Jan. 11	Jam & Business Mtg.	Sunnyside Grange	Sunnyside, Oregon
Jan. 17	Contest	High School	Cottage Grove, Oregon
Jan. 24		Morrill Rec. Hall	Morrill, Oregon
Feb. 14	Contest	Clark College	Vancouver, Washington
Feb. 15	Jam Session	Central Point Grange	Central Point, Oregon
Feb. 29	Jam Session	Elks Lodge	Sweet Home, Oregon
Mar. 6	Contest	Grade School	Forest Grove, Oregon
Mar. 14	Jam Session	Wymer Grange	Wymer, Oregon

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

I don't have much news for this month. I do hope that everyone had a Happy Holiday Season and that this coming year is happy and successful for everyone.

I don't think that your last year has been too bad, but let's do everything that we can to work together and make this next year better.

Thankyou,  
Jim Secor.

## SECRETARY'S MESSAGE

Happy New Year to all our Fiddlers, Accompanists and our faithful followers. You're a "Great Group"! The new year brings to us, reminders that our 1976 Membership Dues are due now. So, if you have not already done so, you can send them to me or give them to your District Secretary. No doubt at our convention, we will have to discuss increased dues, but for this year they remain the same: \$5.00 for a family, \$4.00 for a couple and \$3.00 for one person. If you do not wish to become a member and yet want to receive the Hoedowner, you can do so for \$2.00 a year. The advantage of membership is voting privileges at our convention in March and your card admits you to our Friday night show.

Be seeing you at our Jam Sessions,  
Dulcie Fast, Sec't.

## EDITOR'S NOTE

Wayne and I want to wish each and everyone of you a very prosperous New Year and thank all of you for your help in getting the news to us this past year.

There is a couple of points we wish to extend to all of you which has been brought up to us several times. In giving us the dates for jam sessions, birthday parties, contests or visiting rest homes, hospitals, etc. would you please give the time they start, the address of the event and town it is in or the closest town shown on the map. Also if possible, the person that could be contacted to give more information. We have several people who have joined in the past few months who are either out-of-staters or unfamiliar to our Oregon Districts. This is another request we had to be sure and give the District numbers for the meetings. I guess we all forget at times that not everyone is as acquainted with our Districts as we are.

Thanks for your help, Wayne and Ev.

DISTRICT #1

The fiddlers have played the past month for wedding receptions and anniversaries, a community Christmas Party, a railroad employee dinner and a CB Radio Club fun night. There wasn't a meeting at Merrill the 13th as some of the officers were not present, so had a lot of good music and refreshments.

There will be a party at the Merrill Rec Hall, Jan. 24th to celebrate birthday and wedding anniversaries of members of the Old Time Fiddlers. (Time not given)

Reporter, Doris Clark.

DISTRICT #4

District 4 Christmas Party was delightful and the fog which was low and thick didn't deter any fun makers but a few left early for home. Some stayed all night at Jerome Prairie Hall and had breakfast together with a morning jam session. It broke up about noon and the happy fiddlers left for home.

January everyone's dues should be paid. Please be ready to pay them at Roseburg on Jan. 11th at the jam session which will be held at the fairgrounds. Doors will be open at 10:00 AM, potluck at 11:30, meeting at 12:30 PM. Doors open to Public 1:00pm.

Many District 4 fiddlers are planning to spend the weekend of Jan 17-18 in Cottage Grove at the coming contest. With Charlie Stovall and wife in charge it promises to be one of our very special fun weekends. See you all there.

Red and I want to thank all the many, many people who sent such warm, friendly cards and letters during this holiday season. We will see you all at the campout (to answer the many questions August 29 thru Sept. 6th.)

Martha Warwick

DISTRICT #5

We had no news from District 5 this month. Come on you Fiddlers, let us hear what you've been doing. With the Christmas season we know you've been busy.

DISTRICT #6

Just to remind you all again that the Far West Contest in Cottage Grove will be January 17th in the High School auditorium. Registration is at 10:00 AM, the preliminaries and Junior contest will be from 2 - 5 PM, Finals and Senior, 8 - 11 PM. See you all there.

DISTRICT #7

December has been a busy month and I believe we have brought a little enjoyment to several people. Saturday night, Dec. 6th we played at an antique car club. This group really enjoyed our Old Time Fiddling. The following Sunday we played at the Veterans Hospital in Portland. Tuesday night, Dec. 16th we played at the Christmas Festival in Portland's "Old Town". Everyone seemed to like our music and asked us to come back. Sat. Dec. 20th Fred Hildebrandt and his gang played at the Veterans Hospital in Vancouver, Wn.

Dec. 21st was our Christmas Party at Sunnyside Grange. I think we all really enjoyed ourselves. The Grange had their party the night before and left their Christmas tree and all their Christmas decorations for us to enjoy. Everyone enjoyed a mighty fine banquet; our table was filled with all kinds of goodies and beautiful dishes. We had a gift exchange and a very nice program; -- Thanks to our many fiddlers and accompanists. Happy New Year to all and here's wishing you all lots of fiddling fun in the new year.

Don't forget our business meeting Sun. morning, Jan. 11 at 11:AM for our jam session at Sunnyside Grange.

Reporter, Bob Fast.

News from Canby: Mona Luczycki wrote us the following news on things going on in their end of our district.

Dec. 6, 1975 some of us fiddlers from Canby were invited to play at the local Masonic Lodge. After being treated to a delicious turkey dinner, Frank Williams, who did a fine job of emceeing, Erle Beckette, Walt Hardy at the guitar and yours truly, entertained an all male audience. A very enjoyable evening, indeed. On Monday the 22nd of December we played at two nursing homes in Canby while the residents opened their Christmas presents. Surprise of the evening: we were on T.V.!!; Erle Beckette, Walt

Hardy and yours truly. The tape was shown on Channel 2 at 11:00 PM News cast that same evening.  
Mona Luczycki

DISTRICT #8

We had a note from Minnie saying she was unable to get the news and the Biography in this month as she has had quite a bit of company and a lot of things to do over Christmas, plus coming down with a cold, just wasn't up to doing it. Said she'll see us all next month. Hope you get to feeling better Minnie!!!

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REMINDER

MEETING:                   WHERE????           COTTAGE GROVE                   PLACE: VILLAGE GREEN  
WHEN????   SUNDAY MORNING - 10:00 AM                   NO HOST BREAKFAST

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More news on Forest Grove Balladtown contest in the February issue.

OLD TIME FIDDLE CONTEST AT CLARK COLLEGE

The first annual Northwest Fiddle Contest and Exhibition will be held at Clark College, Vancouver, Washington, on Friday, February 13th and Saturday, February 14th.

The contest will begin at noon on Saturday, Feb. 14. The rules will be similar to those used at the National Old Time Fiddle Contest at Weiser, Idaho. There will be three divisions---open (\$5.00 registration fee), junior (18 and under, \$3.00 registration fee), and senior (65 and over, \$3.00 registration fee). There will be \$600.00 in trophies and cash prizes. First prize will be \$100.00 and there will be a \$25.00 prize to the contestant travelling the greatest distance to attend the contest. The judges will be Vivian Williams, Seattle, Washington, Bill Yohoy, McMinnville, Oregon and Marshall Jackson, Gresham, Oregon. Jim Calvert of Puyallup, Washington will be Master of Ceremonies at the contest.

The Tall Timber String Band from Seattle will perform in concert Friday, February 13 at 8:30 p.m. Tall Timber features champion fiddlers Vivian Williams and Barbara Lamb playing many of the twin fiddling selections featured on their new album Twin Sisters. Arthur Billingsley, a musical saw player from Pine Bluff, Arkansas will also appear on the program.

All events will be held in Gaiser Hall on the Clark College Campus.

Admission: Adults, \$2.50 both days, \$1.75 one day.  
Children \$1.00 both days, \$0.50 one day.  
Clark College students, free.