

# THE HOE DOWNER

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## COMING EVENTS

				<u>DIST.</u>
June 4	Jam Session	Senior Center	Gresham, Or.	7
June 9 & 10	Contest	Int'l Peace Gardens	Bottineau, N.Dakota	
June 10	Jam Session	Pinecrest	Bly, Or.	1
June 18 - 24	National Contest	High School	Weiser, Idaho	
July 4	Picnic	Campgrounds	Bandon, Or.	5
July 15	Jam Session	Ladies Club	Yachats, Or.	8
July 22	Contest	High School	Drain, Or.	
July 29	Picnic	Creston Park	Portland, Or.	7
Aug. 26	Contest	High School	Canyonville, Or.	
Aug. 27-Sept 4	Campout	Warwick Ranch	Williams, Or.	5
Sept 1 - 4	3rd Annual Council	Bluffs Contest	Council Bluffs, Iowa	
Sept 16	Talent Harvest Festival		Talent, Or.	4
Sept 17	State Jam Session	Mills School Aud.	Klamath Falls, Or	1
Sept 29	Cranberry Festival		Bandon, Or.	5

## PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Hope everyone had a nice time at Bend at our State Contest. I thought it was a very good contest and after talking with Pete Anderson, according to the contests that he has been to, it was very good. It doesn't just happen that way either. It took help from a lot of folk, and I for one, want to thank each and every one of you again for making the Bend Contest a success.

I'm sure the secretary will give you the final accounting. Thanks again everyone for keeping the building and parking lot clean. We have a fine record wherever we go, for this.

I'll be on vacation for a month, so if you need anything, please contact Les Tucker he'll be glad to help you. See you the 27th of June.

Keep Fiddlin, LeRoy Sims

## 1978 STATE CONTEST RESULTS

<u>JR-JRS</u>	<u>JUNIORS</u>	<u>SENIORS</u>	<u>INTERMEDIATES</u>
1. Grant Wheeler	Jess Cooper	Ed Johnson	Ray Krogstad
2. Scott Ranes	Valerie Jeffers	George Jenkerson	Nancy Berg
3. Pat Fitzgerald		Fred Hildebrandt	LeRoy Sims
4. Mike Dukart		Jonas Cox	Jim Morris
5. Jimmy Brown		Walter Langlitz	Penny Mead
6. Tiffany Wheeler		Bill Noble	Les Tucker
7. Bonnie Griffin		Jack McCasland	Steve Bennett

## STATE CHAMPION DIVISION

1. Carol Ann Wheeler
2. John Melnichuk
3. William "Billy" Warwick
4. Johny McDonald
5. Jim Hoots
6. Gary Moore
7. Guy Kinman

## ACCOMPANISTS

Lee Eddy  
 David Boyd  
 Bruce Tomlin

REPORTS ON OUR 1978 CONVENTION & CONTEST (2)

March 1978  
INCOME:

Door	\$1,540.00
Banquet	407.00
Kitchen	374.30
	<u>\$2,321.30</u>

May 1978

INCOME

Entry Fees	\$ 178.00
Afternoon Tickets	495.00
Evening Tickets	1,365.75
	<u>\$2,038.75</u>

\* This is an approximate figure based on last years total of \$254.87. The bill has not come in as yet.

EXPENSES

Advertising	42.44
Rent	411.80
Kitchen	370.85
Banquet	589.05
Dance	150.00
Gifts	117.42
Decorations	42.85
Show Entertainment	75.00
Recording	110.00
P.A. System	50.00
Miscellaneous	7.43
	<u>1,966.84</u>

NET PROFIT \$ 354.46

EXPENSES:

Trophies	370.00
Prize Money	905.00
Advertising(Posters & Pics)	73.50
Supplies(Certs., Judge Score cards)	93.50
Entertainment (Mark Pettys)	50.00
Judges (5@ \$100.00)	500.00
M.C. Fees (Les Tucker & LeRoy Sims)	100.00
P.A. System (LeRoy Sims)	50.00
*Rent of School Building	250.00
	<u>\$2,392.00</u>

NET LOSS----353.25

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SALT FLATS HOEDOWN OPEN FOR ENTRIES

Fiddlers and guitar pickers from anywhere in the United States are eligible and encouraged to enter the Third Annual Salt Flats Hoedown in Salinas, July 7-9. Beginning with a Flat Pick Guitar Contest Friday evening, July 7, the Hoedown continues all day Saturday with a Western Regional Fiddling Contest, and concludes Sunday afternoon with a marathon Blue Grass Festival. All events will be at the Salinas Community Center.

The Western Regional Fiddling Contest of the Hoedown will offer five classes to competitors: Masters (at least 13 years of age); Senior (65 and over); Open (at least 18); Junior (13-17); and Junior-Junior (under 13). All categories are for both men and women. Prize money for the fiddling competition will be in excess of \$2600. Entry fees range from \$5 to \$20. A fiddle-off will determine the Western Regional Fiddle Champion. Last year's champ was Dick Barrett of Pottsboro, Texas.

This leg of the Hoedown has received national recognition by the "Dick Barrett Invitational Old Time Fiddling Contest" to be held November 18-19, 1978, at the University of Oklahoma in Durant, Oklahoma. Barrett has been awarded a \$50,000 grant from the State of Oklahoma for the preservation and advancement of old time fiddling. The invitational contest is the outcome of that grant. The Salinas contest ranks in the top fiddling competitions in the U.S. along with the famous Weiser, Idaho, and Grand Masters competitions. Ten contests and ten individuals throughout the country will be represented at the invitational.

Entry forms and complete information for the Salt Flats Hoedown are available by writing Salt Flats Hoedown, 1044 San Simeon Drive, Salinas CA 93901. Tickets for spectators will be available at the door.

The Salt Flats Hoedown is part of the "Big Week" celebration in Salinas surrounding the Great California Rodeo which runs July 13-16, 1978. Tickets for the Rodeo are available by writing California Rodeo, same as above, Salinas, CA 93902, or by calling (408)757-2951.

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THINGS GOING ON AROUND OUR STATE BY LINDA DANIELSON

FROM DISTRICT 6: Earl Willis, Everett Bennett and Steve Bennett, assisted by Marcia Ledbetter and Bruce Tomlin, will perform June 12, 8-11 pm on Radio KLCC-FM's "Music From the Center." Eugene's Lane Community College station can be found at 89.7 on the FM dial, and can be clearly received at least to Roseburg and Albany. The broadcast takes place at a live performance, at the Community Center for the Performing Arts, 8th and Lincoln in Eugene. Admission is \$1 at the door. The bigger the live audience,

the better the musicians play as we all know. Come on down if you're in the area; turn on your radio if you're not.

FROM DISTRICT 2: The Oregon Arts Commission is sponsoring a Central Oregon Folklife Festival June 10 & 11, open from 11 am to 5 pm at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds in Redmond. OOTFA fiddlers Bob Hawes, L.D. Daniel and Rusty Modrell will be performing at various times during the day. Central Oregon old time musicians will be performing throughout the day--other fiddlers, accordion players, singers, etc. In addition, local residents will demonstrate crafts--quilting, rawhide plaiting, sheepherders' cookery, logging sports, etc. Warm Springs Indians will give dancing and craft exhibitions throughout both days. All events are free and open to the public.

Association members involved in the Oregon Old-Time Fiddling Project may be interested to know where the Visual Arts Resources exhibit is going in the next year. So here's a schedule:

May 1-26 Danforth Gallery, Livingston, Montana  
 June 5-23 Copper Village Museum, Anaconda, Montana  
 July 3-21 Lewiston Arts Center, Lewiston, Montana  
 July 31-Aug. 25 Hockaday Center for the Arts, Kalispell, Montana  
 Sept 10-Oct. 1 Central Wyoming Museum of Art, Casper, Wyoming  
 Oct. 23-Nov 12 Coquille Valley Art Assn., Coquille, Oregon  
 Dec.-Jan., 1979 Oregon State Capitol, Salem, Oregon  
 Feb. 9-March 31 Whatcom Museum, Bellingham, Washington

THANK YOU MESSAGE:

I wish to express my sincere gratitude for all the cards, letters, flowers and telephone calls when our daughter passed away. They were very much appreciated and words can never tell you how much they meant to Fred and myself. Thanks again.

Gerri Virtue

DISTRICT 1

Our next regular meeting will be June 10, 1978, at Pinecrest, Bly, which is 3 or 4 miles west of Bly on Highway 140. We will have our regular jam session and there will be overnite camping for those wishing to do so.

Sunday, June 4, we will play for the Lion's Club at Sprague River. There will be a free barbeque for the fiddlers and their wives and we will start playing at 5:30pm. Thanks was extended to Jack Pollock for building our fine trophy case.

A large crowd attended our 1st meeting and jam session at Merrill and everyone seemed to enjoy it very much.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to L.D. Daniel for the passing of his brother, Ralph.

June Sandusky, Reporter

DISTRICT 4:

District 4 held a short business meeting before potluck time. Olive Hudson, one of our kitchen chairmen, had to resign, so Ruth Johnson very graciously stepped in to help Velma Lowery.

A suggestion was made that finger foods, salads, desserts and coffee and punch be served during July, August and September at our potlucks while the hot months are with us. In October we could resume our hot meals when the weather cools again. We hope the members of District 4 will be ready to vote on this at the June meeting which will be at Wimer in the grange hall. Meeting will be at 11:00 am, potluck at 11:30, doors open to the public at 1:00 pm for the program. Turn off freeway at Rogue River, follow signs thru town to Wimer - approximate 8 miles.

We had 34 fiddlers with lots of seconds on May 14th jam session. The specials were thoroughly enjoyed by all. The fiddlers especially dedicated the program to all the mother's since it was Mother's Day.

June 10th at 9:00 AM the fiddlers will be at Shady Cove to ride in the parade celebrating Shady Cove Water Festival. During the afternoon the fiddlers will be playing again.

June 11th at the Medford Armory our fiddlers will be playing for a benefit to raise

money for the Kidney machine. All fiddlers are welcome to help. Please call Claire Johnson, 664-2455, for further information.

July 4th the fiddlers will ride in the Ashland parade. Be there by 10:00 AM at 2:30 the fiddlers play in the bandshell. Fiddlers can drive in to the park this year so they don't have to carry instruments.

Our July jam session will be in Roseburg. Time and date to be announced later.

DISTRICT 5:

Martha Warwick, Reporter

Frank Makalondea is inviting everyone to a 4th of July picnic again this year at his campground. Come around 11 AM, Potluck at 1 PM. Going south on 101 to Beach Junction, turn right on Beach Loop Road, go ¼ mile and Blue Joy Campground is on right.

Frank has asked that if you would like to stay in the campground, please make reservations at least one week in advance. \$4 per night for 2 people, .50 each additional. For reservations call 347-3258 or write Frank Makalondea, PO Box 281, Bandon, OR 97411

The fiddlers have been asked to play for "White Cedar Days" at Powers on July 1st. They will have Square dances at 7:30, Fiddlers at 8:30, Fireworks at 10:00 PM.

Barbara McLeod, Reporter

DISTRICT 6:

Not much news this month, but we will have a jam session in August as soon as the fairs are scheduled. More next month.

George Stout

DISTRICT 7:

Our jam at Bay City was a huge success. We had several fiddlers and accompanists from a wide area which made a nice program. The crowd at Bay City is an appreciative one that makes our fiddlers happy. Thanks to Rusty and Vi Modrell for making this jam possible.

One of our members, GiGi Gleason has been in the hospital and we are glad to report that she is home again. We just learned that Cleta Haven has broken her hip and is in Providence Hospital. Bill Weber has been in the hospital again and is now back in the nursing home.

Hope to see you all in Gresham, June 4th.

We are planning a picnic at Creston Park, 42nd and Powell Blvd. in Portland the 29th of July. More details in the July Hoedowner.

Penny Mead, Reporter

DISTRICT 8:

We will not have a jam session in June and it will be too late to report on our Lincoln City jam session, but we will have further details in the next Hoedowner. There will be a jam session on July 15th at the Yachats Ladies Club. Details of that will be in the July Hoedowner.

Thank you Nell Turner, for having the Fiddlers at your house for a jam and birthday party for Martin Vollner. We had a wonderful time. Also, our district has been busy playing for Senior Citizens, nursing homes and other affairs. Keep up your fiddlin, as it brings joy to so many.

Jeanette Robinson, Reporter

SPECIAL NOTICE FROM THE BROWN FAMILY:

The Portland area Council of Square Dance Clubs danced through the Starlight Parade, accompanied by the "Ballad Towne Trio", Jimmy, David and Diane Brown playing hoedowns to square dance by.

The float received 1st Trophy.

Congratulations to you three for doing such a swell job.

They will also appear Tuesday, June 6th between 7 & 8 PM at the Fun Festival in Waterfront Park. Everyone who can, please try to attend.