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<u>COMING EVENTS</u>		MARCH 1980	<u>DISTRICT</u>	
March	2	Jam Session	K. F. Fairgrounds	Klamath Falls 1
	2	Jam Session	Senior Citizens Center	Bend 3
	8	CONTEST	Forest Grove High School	Forest Grove 7
	8	Jam Session	V. F. W. Hall	Bandon 5
	9	Jam Session	Moose Hall	Lebanon 6
	9	Jam Session	Grange Hall	Wimer 4
	21 & 22	STATE CONVENTION	Fairgrounds	Eugene
April	6	Jam Session	Fairgrounds	Klamath Falls 1
	6	Jam Session	Senior Citizens Center	Bend 3
	11 & 12	NORTHWEST REGIONAL CONTEST	Central Valley Hi School	Spokane, Wn. 6
	13	Jam Session	Moose Hall	Cottage Grove 6
	13	Jam Session	Winema Hall-Fairgrounds	Yreaka 8
	20	Jam Session	Senior Citizens Center	Salem
May	10	STATE CONTEST	Clackamas Comm. College	Oregon City

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at Convention. We have a lot to consider. Be sure to read your Convention Notes and Schedule. You might want to take these out of the HOEDOWNER and bring them and you can follow along with what is going on.

God Bless and Keep Fiddlin'

Les

DISTRICT I

Our meeting in Merrill started slow but saw a good number of people before the day ended.

John Lewis was re-elected Chairman and Clyde Lynch Co-Chairman. We ran into some confusion so it seems we are still searching for a Secretary-Treasurer.

Our next meeting will be held March 2nd, first Sunday at 1:00 PM at the Fairgrounds in Klamath Falls.

Your reporter, Bob Coleman

DISTRICT III

Our reporter was in the hospital when we held our Jam Session February 2nd, at the Senior Citizens Center in Bend. We had a pretty good turn out (in number) of musicians and an enthusiastic audience. We added three to our District membership.

Next session, same place (Senior Citizens Center) on March 2, from 1:00 to 5:00 PM. To make our chapter a good one, we need members and participation. Please come - it's easy to find, and a good way to spend Sunday afternoon.

Iris Buckle - (for Karen Stenkamp, reporter)

DISTRICT IV

Our regular monthly jam session was held at Central Point. We held election of officers. Dusty Yancy-Chairman, Sam Stelle-Co-Chairman, Guy Kinman-Co-Chairman (Northern section), Martha Warwick-Program Chairman and Emcee.

We were honored at our meeting to have our State President and his wife. Les & Lois brought us news of the State meeting. We also had other guest from other districts.

Our potluck was a big success as usual. Our food Chairman did her usual big job to the fullest. Thanks Ruth Johnson for your good work these past two years. District 4 has a big thanks to give to Clair Johnson and other officers for their fine work these past two years.

The usual large following of listeners came to hear our 32 fiddlers play. We had a good program with dancing all during the afternoon. Thanks fiddlers and seconds.

Due to the fact we would have had to vacate the hall by 4 PM we changed our March 9th Jam to Wimer Hall in Wimer. See you there.

Martha Warwick, Reporter

NOTE: Dusty Yancy's phone number is listed incorrectly in the Roster. His correct number is....664-3880. Sorry Dusty!

DISTRICT V

Jam Session at Coquille Community Bldg., Feb 16th was a big success. Nine fiddlers and very nice back-ups. "Thank you's" go out to fiddlers and back-ups from District 4. Approximately 150 people attended.

After all the votes were counted and tallied we find ^{Roy} Ray Zeigler, McKinley, as Chairman, Al Lively, Bandon, Co-Chairman and Master of Ceremonies. Barbara McLeod as Secretary-Treasurer. Congratulations to our new Officers. Lots of luck, fun and fiddlin'.

There will be a jam session at the V. F. W. Hall, Bandon, Oregon March 8th starting at 6:30 P.M. Finger food to be served.

Ray Zeigler called and said the Sixes Grange Hall Jam had been canceled.

Billie Pinkerton, Reporter

DISTRICT VI

Don't forget our March 9th Jam at the Moose Lodge, Lebanon 1:00 PM. Musicians get their lunch at noon. Election of officers 11:00 AM and business meeting.

April 13th Cottage Grove, Moose Lodge. Pot luck at noon. Let's support our District.
Jerry Kinnaman, Chairman #6

DISTRICT VII

Whew! What a jam session we had at Clackamas College this month. No fewer than 35 fiddlers plus specials playing to an overflow crowd for over 3 hours. The music was outstanding and who can wonder, with such greats as Connie Bonar, Carol Wheeler, Bill Yohey, John Melnichuk, and a host of other outstanding musicians giving their all. Thanks to everyone for a most pleasant day. This Jam will be included in a future PM Magazine Program on Channel 8...watch your TV schedule for the date.

Thirteenth Annual Bailad Town Fiddle Contest, Forest Grove High School March 8, 1980. Preliminaries at 1:30 PM. Registrations 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM at the High Schoc or pre-registration entries may be mailed to Larry McMackin, 3302 17th Ave, Forest Grov Oregon. Registration fees - Open \$7.50 - Seniors (over 60) \$5.00, Juniors \$5.00 - Junior-Juniors (Under 12) No charge. Trophies to 1st three places in all categories. Cash prizes to all categories except Junior-Juniors. 1st three places. Judges for the Contest are Bill Yohey, Rusty Modrell and Penny Mead. The Contest is sponsored for the first time this year by the Forest Grove Lions Club.

I have nothing to report on our special jam February 16th. Your reporter caught a flu bug (or vice versa) and was unable to attend.

District 7 officers for the coming year....Rusty Knight - Chairman, Bob Strelow - Co-Chairman, Helen Hankanson - Secretary-Treasurer.

In light of the above, this will be my last report as my duties are to be assumed by some lucky person as yet un-named. Its been a pleasure serving you.

Bob Strelow, Reporter

DISTRICT VIII

Had a good turnout of Fiddlers at McMinnville Grange on Feb 17th. A good time was had by all.

We had election of officers, which put Minnie Bennett----Chairman, Dave Robinson as Co-Chairman, Joyce Crump-Secretary-Treasurer. Faith Maahs was apointed head of Kitchen. Ruth Jones was appointed Reporter.

Next Jam Session will be held at the Salem Senior Citizen Center, 1055 Erixon N. E. Salem, Oregon, April 20th. Doors open at 10:00 o'clock to 5:30 PM. Potluck at 12:00 o'clock for fiddlers, show for public at 1:00 PM. There is a warming oven only. No stoves. Bring own service.

There will be no Jam in March, so will see you at the Convention.

Dave & Jeanette wishes to thank everyone for their help thru out their 2 years as Chairman and Reporter. Without your help District 8 could not be successful. Don't forget Convention.

District #8 wishes to extend our sympathy to the Donald Thomas Leith family of the passing of their loved one who died Feb. 12th.

Reporter, Jeannette Robinson

ANNOUNCEMENTS TO.....

Ralph and Kathy Dias invites all to the Annual Jam Session in Yreka, Calif. Sunday April 13th at the fairgrounds in Winema Hall. This is the one time of the year that the people there get to hear various fiddlers, singers and other performers - so lets give them a good show - we're looking forward to seeing you there. Potluck at 11:30, music at 1:00 PM.

Ralph & Kathy

Jim & Jesse McReynolds and the Virginia Boys with Joe Meadows on fiddle, Tuesday April 22nd, Medford Mid-High School, Oakdale Street, Medford 8:00 PM. Sponsored by the Southern Oregon Folklore Society. For more information phone Cripple Creek Music 1 - 664-3265

DORSEY'S NOTE.....

I can supply 90-minute casset tapes of Sony high quality covering the broadcast of last year's parking lot and camp trailer jamming at Weiser, during the "Joy of Fiddling" shows on KBOO-fm, on January 30th and February 27th, for \$5.00 including postage.

There are some good times, here, good tunes, laughs and comments by the good fiddlers Bernie Rasmusson, May Kirsch, Ben Setran, Stan Guersey, Archie Cleven and Marshal Jackson....all friends of ours. Dorsey Griffin, 907 N. E. 47th Ave., Portland, Oregon 97213. Phone 231-8287.

NOTICES.....

Donald Leith past president of the OOTFA was stricken with a heart attack February 1st and passed away February 12th. Mrs. Leith wishes to extend her "thanks" to all those that extended their symphies to her, especially to Willis "Shorty" Allen and Leonard Maahs who played twin fiddles at his funeral.

We would like to extend our symphies, concern and prayers to her and her family even though it is late.

CONVALESCENCE.....

Martin Arnold from District #1 is now from the hospital after surgery and is doing fine.

There are so many that has the "flu bug" and has been very ill. I trust you are all up and "fiddlin a liddle".

OUR COMPUTERS NOTE.....

As of April HOEDOWNER any renewals that have not been received will be deleted from the files. So if you do not receive an April issue please contact the Secretary-Treasurer to see if your renewals have been turn in. Also, I am receiving some of our new members HOEDOWNERS back as the result of incorrect addresses. In filling out the Membership Application, PLEASE BE SURE TO HAVE THE CORRECT ADDRESS AND ZIP! Thank you.

EDITORS THOT

Reputation is what men think you are; character is what God knows you are.

We would like to take this opportunity to say a "hearty thank you" to all of the past Officers and Reporters for doing a good job and to say a "Congratulations" to the new. Its work but the reward is great, isn't it?

BE SURE AND TAKE YOUR CONVENTION NOTES AND SCHEDULE TO EUGENE WITH YOU! SEE YOU THERE!

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NORTHWEST REGIONAL CONTEST INFORMATION

Northwest Regional will be held in the Central Valley High School, South 821 Sullivan Road, Spokane, Washington April 11-12, 1980. Mens division has been added and scoresheet reads as follows; Old time fiddling ability 25 points, danceability 25 points, time 25 points, tone, 25 points. There are six divisions as follows; Open--Must be at least 18 years of age of either sex, Mens--Any age for ment--Senior--Must be at least 65 yrs of age either sex, Juniors--Musb less than 18 yrsof either ses, Junior-Junior--must be less than 13 years of age either sex, Ladies-any age.

Entry fees; Open \$10.00, Men's-Ladies-Seniors-Juniors \$5.00, Junior-Junior \$4.00, Accompanist fee \$3.00. All contestants must check in one hour before their divisions playing time.

Time: Friday, 9:00 AM Senior Division, 1:00 PM Jr.-Jr. and Junior Division, 7:00 PM Finals and Awards. Saturday: 9:00 AM Open and Mens Division, 1:00 PM Ladies and second round of Open Division, 7:00 PM, Finals and Awards.

Camping will be available for self-contained Rv's and campers on site.

See next page for more information

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- THURSDAY - March 20th P. M. Camper parking available in parking lot.
- FRIDAY 8:00 A.M. Doors open to Conference and Fireside Rooms - Set up.
- MARCH 9:00 Registration for Convention and Car Pool for Banquet
21st. Banquet tickets on sale. \$4.00 per person 200 available.
Membership renewals, New Members - Cards issued Saturday.
Free time - Jam.
- 7:00 P.M. Doors to Auditorium open. Tickets go on sale.
- 7:45 All Fiddlers on Stage - Open Jam
- 8:00 14th Annual Old Time Fiddle & Variety Show
Conference Room and Fireside Room open all evening for free
time and jam after the Show.
- SATURDAY 9.00 A.M. Executive Board meets as a nominating committee, Conference Room.
- March 9:30-10:00 BASS Workshop - Dave Boyd
- 2nd 10:15-10:45 GUITAR Workshop - John Melnichuk
- 11:00-11:30 FIDDLE Workshop - Carol Ann Wheeler
- 1:30 P.M. Annual business meeting - Conference Room. From end of meeting
until 5:30 free time and set up for dance.
- 5:30 Car pool to Norths Chuck Wagon for Banquet.
- 6:00 BANQUET - Awards, change of officers, etc.
- 9:00-2:00 A.M. Fiddlers Dance in Conference Room. Jam in Fireside Room

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AGENDA FOR ANNUAL BUSINESS MEETING

1. Correspondance
2. Report and Recommendation of the Executive Board
 - A. Amend and addition to Standing Rule # I Section C - General Contest Rules concerning State Championship and succession of Champion.
 - B. Amend Standing Rule # IX State Convention time from March to October or November with officers elected to take office January 1st following Convention.
 - C. Amendments to the By-Laws, Article III Section 2, strike the number 8 and the word eight to read "The State shall be divided into Districts. To constitute a District, there shall be no less than (25) twenty-five members".
3. Report of Fair Director.
4. Report of Contest Committee
- Old business - Review Associations Insurance Policy.
- New business - Consider O.O.T.F.A. acting as sponsor only for Canyonville Contest for Insurance purpose.
- Election of officers.

CONVENTION NOTES

1. SHOW

The Show Committee will pick a variety of Fiddlers for the show as in the past two years. Because of the time limit of 2½ hours with intermission on the show, it is impossible to use all of our Fiddlers. We are fortunate to have so many good Fiddlers in Oregon, but it creates a dilemma when we are limited on how many we can use, so we hope all will understand if you are not asked. We will be trying for a variety of Fiddlers.

In order to expedite the show and cut down confusion we will allow no amplified instruments on stage. Also, anyone just joining the first time will not be admitted to the show without buying a ticket at \$4.00 each.

2. KITCHEN

We cannot sell food ourselves this year but the kitchen will be open for coffee and sandwiches and soft drinks run by the Fairground Caterers.

3. BANQUET

We will be going to Norths Chuckwagon for our banquet. Those with motor homes or in need of transportation, we will have a car pool. So those of you that have extra room in your car would you register at the door? Also, those needing a ride do the same. We will use the regular lines at Norths and have a separate room to meet. The room is limited to 200, so buy your ticket early. Price is \$4.00 per person. Time is 6:00 P.M. March 22nd.

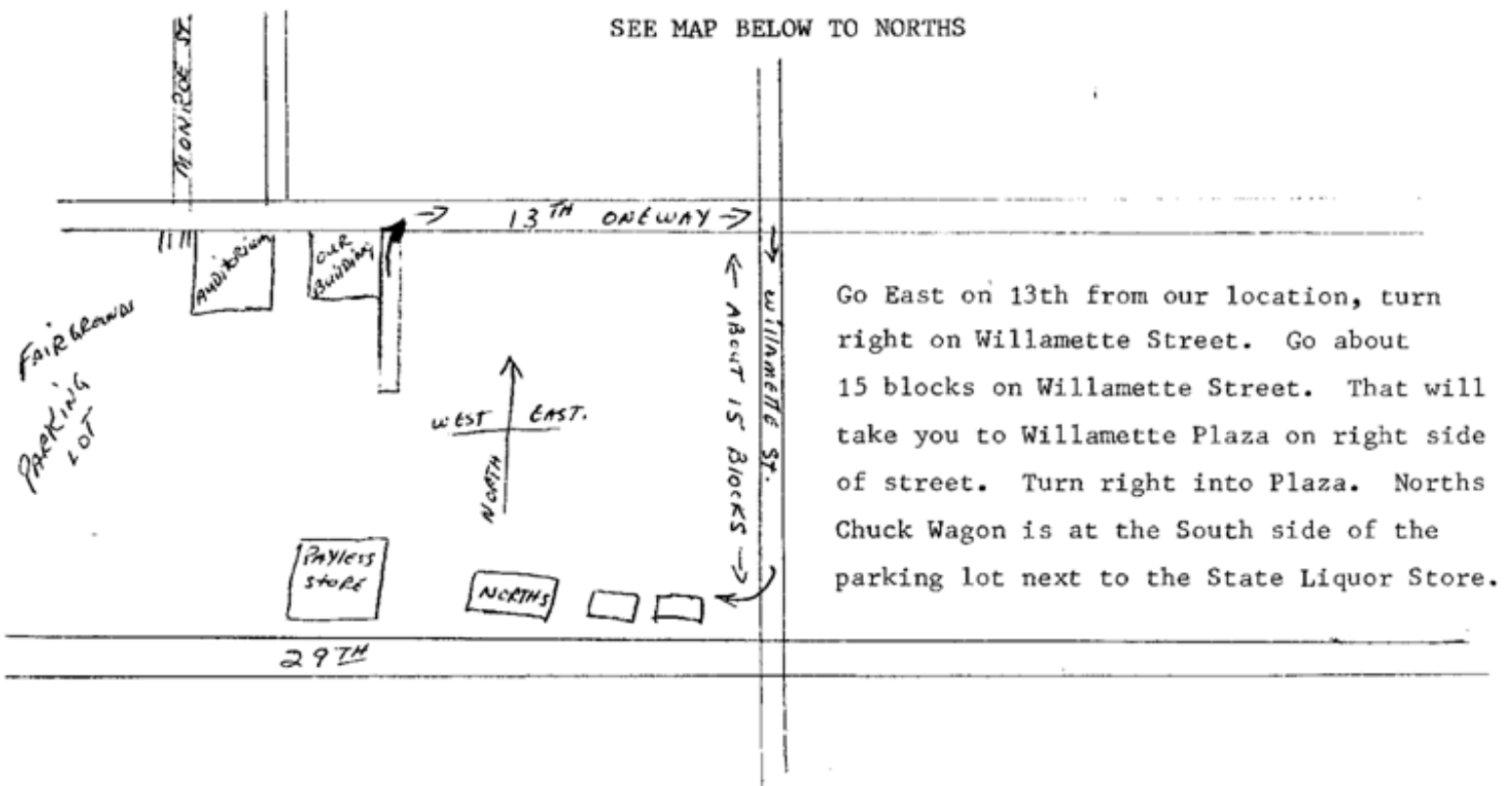
4. PARKING

Parking as usual for campers in the parking lot.

5. MEETING

Very important that we have a good turn out. There are many important matters to consider. Time 1:00 P.M. March 22nd, Conference Room.

SEE MAP BELOW TO NORTHS



12 Annual Northwest Regional Fiddle Contest April 11-12 1980

Entry Blank

Name _____ Date of birth _____
 Mailing Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Hometown Paper _____
 Occupation**** _____
 Hobbies _____
 Division _____ Accompanist(s) _____ Inst _____
 _____ Inst _____
 Certified Winner _____ Where _____
 One courtesy badge _____
 Fee _____ Signed _____

Contest Rule Sheet.

1. Contestants will first play a hoedown, second a waltz, and third a tune of choice other than a hoedown or a waltz. No tune may be played more than once during all appearances at the contest. This is a contest not a show. Contestants, by entering, say they like fiddling else they would not enter.
2. Actual playing time shall be limited to 4 minutes as heard by the judges. A timer will be placed in the judges room and for every 30 second over, 10 points will be deducted from the total score. Thirt seconds shall be c considered and portion thereof for this rule.
3. All contestants shall draw when they register, for initial order of appearance in future rounds (Drawing will be by proxy). Contestants must be ready when called. No seeding or qualifying rounds in any contest.
4. No amplified instruments or contact microphones will be permitted.
5. No trick or fancy fiddling allowed during appearances.
6. All decisions of the judges and contest committee will be final
7. Any danceable folk tune played in oldtime fiddle fashion is acceptable
8. Contestants may play without accompanist or not more than two.
9. Judging will be scored for oldtime fiddling ability, danceability, rhythm or timing, and tone quality. All scores will be accumulative. Points will be deducted for any violation of the rules.
- 10 All commercial recording rights are reserved and shall become the property of Washington Oldtime Fiddlers District #2. Signing the registration shall waive such rights.
- 11 Any protest must be submitted in writing to the contest chairman and signed by not less then three contestants of the contest involved, within three hours of protest occurrence.
- 12 If anyone appears intoxicated, they will not be allowed on stage.
13. Only one division may be entered by each contestant.
14. No jamming in halls or practice room. The Multi Purpose hall and stage areas will be used for jamming.
- 15, Only residents from the following states and provinces are eligible for this contes. Idaho-Montana-Oregon-North & South Dakota-Wyoming Alaska-Washington & the area lying west of the Saskatchewan and Manitoba borders in Canada.

Make checks payable to Old-Time Fiddlers Distric #2 Complete Entry blank return by April 1, 1980 to

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