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COMING EVENTS

March 1982

DISTRICTS

March 5 & 6	STATE CONVENTION	Fairgrounds	Roseburg
7	Jam Session	Sr. Center	Bend 3
12	BALLAD TOWN CONTEST		Forest Grove
13	Aniversary Party -	Waltons Union Hall	Coquille
14	Jam Session	Sr. Center	Burns 1E
20	Jam Session	Grange Hall	McKinley 5
20	FIDDLE CONTEST		Tenio WA
21	Jam Session	Shasta Grange	Klamath Falls
21	Jam Session	Youth Center	Canyonville 4
25-27	NORTHWEST REGIONAL		Spokane, WA
28	Jam Session	Elks Lodge	Sweet Home 6
28	Jam Session	K. D. Sr. Center	Scapoose 8
April 4	Jam Session	Sr. Center	Bend 3
11	Jam Session	Sr. Center	Burns 1E
18	Jam Session	Shasta Grange	K. Falls 1
18	Jam Session	Fairgrounds	Yreaka 4
May 14	Jam Session	C. C. College	Ore. City
15	STATE CONTEST	C. C. College	Ore. City
June 21-26	WEISER WEEK		Weiser
July 5-10	CANNON BEACH FIDDLE WORKSHOP		
August 25-28	NTIONAL OTFA NORTH AMERICA		Estes Park, Col.
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September 6	WARWICK CAMP OUT		

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CONVENTION INFORMATION.....

Dorothy's note:

We have the use of the Convention Hall on Thursday night before the Convention. It will be open from 7:00 PM for informal jamming for members who come a day early.

Etta has asked finger foods for the jam and also remember that current membership cards must be shown at the door for Friday night show.

See you at convention,
Dorothy Houston

Jim's note.....

Banquet menu- Baked ham, roast beef, green beans, buttered carrots, mashed potatoes, tossed green salad, 3 bean salad, sliced tomatoes, stuffed olives hot biscuits, gravy and cake for dessert. Coffee and milk.

Tickets will be \$4.00 each. Kitchen will be open for breakfast Thursday to Sunday. Also, will have hamburgers and etc.

PLEASE BRING OWN TABLE SERVICE!!!!

Jim Deaton

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DISTRICT 1

Fiddlers in District 1 are still fiddlin' away and a new one comes out occasionally, this time it is Bob Coleman with a novelty 5 string fiddle that he made and played. It sounds pretty good, keep on truckin' Bob!

Chairman Jerry & Irene Ruddock along with Bill Noble and Homer and Rosalee McLain went to Burns for District 1E's first jam on February 14th and reported a good time with a good crowd and 5 new members signed up. Good luck Rusty and friends.

We held our jam, Sunday February 21st at Shasta Grange with a good crowd of fiddlers and accompanist with 3 mandolin players and accordian. We also had a visitor, Sherry West from Medford and enjoyed her playing. Virgil Schmoie is sure comming along good but the phantom fiddler hasn't shown yet.

We held election of officers with Jerry Ruddock, Chairman; Dick Harris, Co-Chairman; and Harold North, Secretary-Treasurer. They did a fine job in 81 and we look forward to another good year. Let's all back them up. We also voted on most improved fiddlers and accompanist and most enthusiastic associate. Next month they will be named.

Several coming events were reported including a fiddle show on May 21st at Lakeview, featuring Jr. Daugherty ans Sheila Wright and others who are top notch fiddlers.

Irene asked everyone to learn a state tune for a patriotic feature for next jam.

We had a good potluck as usual and a happy time playing all afternoon to a sizable crowd.

All the fiddlers are to be commended as are the accompanists and Elma Ewing does a fine job as MC.

4th Sunday of month Nursing Homes, 4th Saturday Apartments.

See every one next month same place.

Anne Johnson, Reporter

DISTRICT 1E

Our Valentines jam was a great success. There were about 150 people for the show.

Special thanks goes to Homer & Rosalee McLain from Lakeview, Jerry and Irene Ruddock from Klamath Falls and Bill Noble from Bananza, for helping with the show.

Susie Smith and Ruel Teague of Burns were instrumental in making our first show a success.

Fiddlers were Susie Smith, Lance Barker, Homer McLain, Bill Noble, Irene Ruddock, Jerry Ruddock, Rusty Knight, Tuel Teague and a bunch of Duntens from Drewsey--Della Dunten and Turen Dunten who was accompanied by his son Alfred Dunten.

Our next jam is March 14 at the Senior Center in Burns. We will be

having them the second Sunday of each month.

Joan Knight, Reporter

DISTRICT 3

District 3 of Bend, Oregon met at the Senior Citizen Center Sunday February 7th. We had an election of officers. Harley Nimo was elected as the new District Chairman. Dave Gutcher is the Co-Chairman. Alice Whitley is the re-electee financial Secretary.

We had visitors from Burns, Oregon. Mr. & Mrs. Rusty Knight. We enjoyed their music very much. Hope they will come again. Lenny Speth played some specialties on the banjo. We always enjoy his music.

We are encouraging our you fiddlers too. Tony Spatz, Brian Hanson and Danny Hanson who played for his first time at the club meeting.

Apologies for not making a report in January. We were snowed in- and the members coundn't get to the hall.

Peggy Hanson will be reporting from this point forward.

Bernie Hanson, Reporter

Welcome aboard Peggy!

DISTRICT 4

Our Feb. 14th meeting held in Gold Hill, proved not very fruitful. Not many members were in attendance. Dorthy Houston presided and Etta Powell, substituting in Gynn Deaton's adsence, acted as Sec.,Treas. Because of the unsuccessfulness of obtaining nominees as officers for the comming year, the motion was made and carried to postpone the election of officers until the March 21st meeting to be held in Canyonville. Hopefully, we will have a good attendance.

21 Fiddlers, many backups, several Specials and some first time visiting musical guest, who wish to become members and many of our musicians Yreaka area offered entertainment for listening and dancing pleasures to a packed house. Vic Flood acted as emcee with Dorthy taking over later in the afternoon. Thank you each and all for helping in any way.

Please refer to the Feb. Hoedowner for the information on the Convention in Roseburg, on March 4th through 6th.

District 4 will be holding a meeting and election of officers on March 21st 1982 at the Canyonville Youth Center (1st and Pine--1 block off Main). Meeting to begin at 10:30 AM. Election of officers, and Pot-luck immediately following the election. Doors open to the public at 1 PM.

April 18, 1982 (Sunday) There will be a pot-luck at 11:30 AM and jam and program offered to the public at 1 PM. The place is Winema Hall at Yreaka Fairgrounds. Located at the South off- ramp of I-5, Yreaka, CA. The gates and doors will be unlocked at 10AM for those who wish to come early to Jam. There will be no meeting. per Howard Jones-Acting Host.

Get well wishes are extended to Jack Lester, Audrey Reynolds, Elmer Ross, Ivan Shuckand and all othere who have been ill. Our best wishes and Prayers for a speedy recovery to each of you.

Marian Jorgensen, Reporter

MARTHA'S ANNOUNCEMENT:

The campout will be as usual August 29th through Labor Day, September 6th. Mark it on your calandars.

Martha

DISTRICT 5

There will be a jam at McKinley Grange, March 20th. 6 PM potluck and dance at 8 PM.

We wish to extend our condolences to the families of Jessie Elbert and Nell Turner.

More next month..... Barbara McLeod, Reporter

AN INVITATION

All fiddlers, friends, dancers are invited to the 45th Wedding Anniversary of Murrel and Daveda Walton, March 13th. 6PM potluck (bring own table service), at the local Union Hall, 341 East Second Street in Coquille.

DISTRICT 6

The Valentine's Day jam at the moose hall in Lebanon was a dandy. 14 fiddlers, with help from a like number of talented accompanist provided music for an enthusiastic group of listeners and dancers.

COMMING EVENTS: We have a jam scheduled for Sunday, March 28th at the ELks Lodge in Sweet Home. The Lodge is on the hill at the west edge of town, overlooking the valley. Potluck at noon, program at 1 o'clock. On Sunday April 25th we will be back at the Moose Hall in Lebanon. We meet there so often because they treat us so well. Besides providing a fine lunch for musicians and spouses and all Seniors, they do not charge us for the hall. It's pretty nice for us in District 6 and we appreciate it. See you at convention.

Wayne Holmes, Reporting

DISTRICT 7

Thanks to the more than 40 fiddlers plus rythm musicians who came out to Gresham last month to play a really fine jam. There were about 250 in the audience and they loved it.

Our next jam will be on Sunday, March 28 at the K. D. Senior Center in Scapoose. The center is located about 1½ miles S. of Scapoose off Hwy 30. Les Tull will have a sign out where you turn off Hwy 30. Call Less if you want directions-397-3531.

New officers who will take office in July are: Ed Mead, Chairman, Joe Ross, Co-Chairman, Clara Knight, Sec. Treas.

Jim Ramsey and Frank Williams will assist with the speaker system during the coming year.

I am sorry to report that Fred Hildebrandt is in the hospital once again. I'm sure your cards and prayers will be appreciated by him and his family.

Helen Hakanson, Reporter

DISTRICT 8

We want to thank the out of District musicians we enjoyed you and your music. Do come again.

A large crowd at McMinnville Grange jam had good food and wonderful music. It was enjoyed by all. Also, we want to thank everyone for a wonderful time.

There will be no jam session for March for District #8. Will report for April next month.

Our beloved Nell Turner was laid to rest on February 19th, 1982 in the Bethel Cemetery. We will all miss her and her wonderful fiddle and piano.

Hope to see you at the Convention at Roseburg.

Our new Chairman-Dave Robinson, Co-Chairman-Leonard Maahs, Sec. Treas- (Slim) Walt Schultz.

Jeanette Robinson, Reproter

THANK YOU CARDS

I have been associated with organizations before, but never have I had the pleasure that I feel now and respect I have for the OOTFA. When I was in the hospital, I received flowers, phone calls, cards, had visitors, musical encouragement and I am sure many prayers. After I came home, they were still there waiting to know what to do or help. I love you all from the bottom of my heart.

Signed....Jack Lester

The Family of Cliff Buker wishes to express their thanks for the many cards, messages, flowers and memorial gifts. Cliff loved everyone of you and so do I. In deep appreciation,

Bessie Buker and Family

OUR CONDOLENCES

To the families of Nell Turner and Jessie Egbert.....

GET WELLS

Jack Lester, Fred Hilderbrandt, Audred Reynolds, Elmer Ross, Ivan Shcukland.....our prayers and good wishes for your speedy recovery.

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I have received two poems in memory of Cliff Buker. I will print one this time and the other one next month..... Thanks so much for these.

THE OLD FIDDLER'S SONG

An old gray haired man sat aplayin,
With his fiddle tucked under his chin,
And this is the song he was singin
As he played on his old violin.

Oh my old fiddle and I, Oh my old fiddle and I
Bring back, bring back, memories of days gone bye;
Till I lay down my shovel and hoe, and I hang up the
fiddle and bow
We'll live through the years, through sunshine and tears,
Just my old fiddle and I.

But now the old fiddle is silent
For the old man has gone to his rest,
And angels in heaven will listen
When he sings the old song he loves best.

This was submitted by Ruth Loring and she has had this in her possession since 1929. Thank you Ruth. Minnie Bennett has written one and I will publish next month. Thank you Minnie!

I have other letters and information I will publish next month. Too much for this month.

Lois' thot:

The art of being wise is the art of knowing what to overlook!

SEE YOU AT CONVENTION!

Fast, Robert
Fast, Dulcie
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