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## COMING EVENTS

April 1982

## DISTRICTS

April	4	Jam Session	Sr. Center	Bend	3
	11	Jam Session	Grange Hall	Drewsey	1E
	11	Jam Session	Milwaukie Center	Milwaukie	7
	18	Jam Session	Fairgrounds	Yreaka	4
	18	Jam Session	Shasta Grange	K. Falls	1
	18	Jam Session	Sr. Center	Salem	8
	24	Jam Session	Masonic Temple	Florence	5
	25	Jam Session	Moose Hall	Lebanon	6
May	2	Jam Session	Sr. Center	Bend	1
	9	Jam Session	Grange Hall	Woodburn	8
	15	STATE CONTEST	Clackamas Comm. Col.	Oregon City	
	16	Jam Session	Shasta Grange	K. F.	1
	22	Jam Session	Grange Hall	Mapleton	5
	23	Jam Session	Grange Hall	Central Point	
29 &	30	Azalea Festival		Brookings	
June	6	Jam Session	Sr. Center	Bend	3
	13	Cowboy Breakfast		Cherry Grove	
	20	Jam Session	Grange Hall	Fort Rock	1
	20	Jam Session		Lakeside	5
21 &	26	WEISER CONTEST		Weiser, ID	

NOTE: THERE IS A LOT OF INFORMATION IN THIS ISSUE, PLEASE BE SURE AND READ ALL YOUR HOEDOWNER THIS TIME. THANKS.....

### A MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT:

To all the people who supported our organization over the past year, I wish to express my deep appreciation and a special to those who worked so hard to make the recent convention a success.

We will need all your help and support for our state Contest in May. I hope to see you there.

David

FROM OUR VICE PRESIDENT:

A "Thank You" from Jim:

I hope everyone enjoyed the banquet. With the exception of running out of carrots and green beans, I was pleased with the way it turned out. It was only with good help that this banquet was made possible and I would like to thank those people, not only for myself, but on behalf of all who attended the banquet. "Thanks so much" to Lois Tucker, Ralph and Dorothy Houston, Bonnie Powell, Ralphie and Reba Houston, who handled special jobs; Dulcie Fast and Shirley Sims who prepared the tables; Dave Boyd, Guy Kinman, and the others who set up the tables and chairs; and a "Very Special Thanks" to Jeanette Boyd and Barbara McLeod who worked so hard all day and were chiefly responsible for the good taste of the food. I would like to say that we had more offers of help than we could take advantage of so there is no reason we can't do this again if the association wishes.

"Thanks" also to those who helped in the "Breakfast" and "Hamburger" kitchens. Clemmie McCasland, Rosa Lee McClain, Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Smith, and Carl Deaton were faithful helpers who made everything go along smoothly for Gynn and I. We must have fed breakfast to everyone in the camp on Saturday morning!!! That's the way we like it. I hope I haven't forgotten anyone. If so, please know that it was not intentional. I appreciate each and every one of you.

Jim Deaton

\*\*\*\* Once again we would like to thank Jim & Gyn and Carl for their most loyal support, love and most of all HARD WORK for their arranging the kitchen work. It was wonderful and THANK YOU AND WE LOVE YOU DEARLY!

Lois from all of the OOTFA

CONTEST INFORMATION FROM JIM SECOR AND HELEN HAKANSON:

Time is getting close for the OOTFA State Contest, May 15th at Clackamas Community College, (19600 S. Molalla Ave., Oregon City, about 3 miles S. of Oregon City on Molalla Rd., Hwy 213). The contest will be in Randall Gym the same as last year.

Registration is Saturday morning before the preliminaries which start at 11 AM. Finals start at 7 PM.

The college is arranging for a food concession. Also, there are several good eating places within about a mile of the campus.

Self contained R. V's are welcome to stay on campus overnight in the designated area. If you need closer parking for some reason, contact college personnel and they'll help you arrange for it.

We'll have a jam Friday night, May 14 and it is also in the Gym. Jam starts at 7 PM. Please bring finger food, Dist. 7 will make coffee

We plan to show the films made of the 1980 and 1981 contests on Friday night out in the lobby area of the gym.

Our contest judges are; Hughie Smith, Bakersfield; Don Gish, Madera; Chuck Griffin, Olympia; Lyle Powell, Mountain Home; and Lloyd Wanzer, Caldwell.

Prices are the same as last year.

Jim & Helen

DISTRICT 1

Dist. 1 met at the Shasta Grange on Sunday March 21st with our Chairman Jerry Ruddock presiding.

We had a nice crowd after a slow start and everyone seemed to really enjoy the afternoon.

Our annual awards for most improved fiddler, accompanist and most enthused associate were given. Harold Nort won the most improved fiddler, Frank Boyd and Anne Johnson shared most improved accompanist and the most enthusiastic associate was won by Sarah Furrey. Thanks so much to everyone who voted for us.

Irene also wishes to express her appreciation to everyone for their co-operation in playing State Songs. She said to tell everyone it really sounded good. Next meeting will be at Shasta Grange.

Our June meeting will be at Fort Rock as has been in the past, so everyone can plan for it.

We have played at our usual nursing homes an Stepping Stones and Cafe this last month. Also, a group played at Pioneer Tractor all afternoon on Saturday.

Several attended the Convention from Dist. 1. Les & Lois Tucker, Jerry Ruddock, Ray & Cheri Lane, Minnie Springer, Paul King, and Irv and Anne Johnson, Homer & Rosa Lee McLain. Irv won a door prize of a stuffed fiddle and flower arrangement. We enjoy it very much, Pam Bennett.

Thanks to everyone for their co-operation and willingness to play at the different occasions. Our special thanks to Angie Weeks our 90 year old fiddler and Minnie Springer our 85 year old fiddler for staying with it.

God Bless one and all and keep you in perfect health and peace.

Anne Johnson, Reporter

DISTRICT 1E

Our second jam March 14th was attended by about 100 people. There were 7 fiddlers, Ruel Teague, Susie Smith, Lance Barker, John Murray, Turen Dunten, Della Myrtle Dunten and Rusty Knight.

We signed up 3 new members.

Our next jam April 11th will be at the Drewsey Grange, Drewsey, OR. There will be no potluck. We will meet at 2 PM.

There were a few that flew in to the Convention from 1 E.

Joan Knight, Reporter

DISTRICT 3

Dist. 3 held it's monthly meeting at the Senior Center in Bend on Sunday, March 7th.

We were very Happy to Welcome Jim Neely who came down from Madras to join in the music making. We also had some visitors form Caldwell, ID; Mr. and Mrs. Peterson.

We were treated to some specials by Marge Nimmo, Lenny Speth, Alice Whitley, the Kroetsch Family and Don Hanson.

There was a lot of Irish music played in honor of St. Patrick's Day.

We would like to welcome in our new Chairman, Harley Nimmo as he begins his term; and we extend a big THANK YOU to our past Chairman, Don Hanson, who did so much to get this district on it's feet again.

Our next jam will be on Sunday, April 14th at the Sr. Center in Bend.

Peggy Hanson, Reporter

DISTRICT 4

Members of this district wish to extend our gratitude to each and all who had a part in OOTFA Stat Convention. It was very enjoyable. Wish more members could have been in attendance.

Meeting and jam of Dist. 4 was held at the Youth Center in Canyonville on March 21st with Dorthy Houston presiding. Elections of officers being main business of the day. Those elected being; Chairman, Bud Richardson; Vice Chairman; Carvil "Jiggs" Rost, Central Point, OR; Sec. Treas. Gynn Deaton, Canyonville re-elect. Bud is from Winston, Or. Congratulations to each of you.

Potluck was served following the meeting. Thank you, ladies. The doors opened to the public at 1 PM. We had 17 Fiddlers, and 5 specials to entertain a nice crowd of listeners and dancers. "Thank you" Sam Stelle fro emceeing and to Stella Neathammer for assisting, also the backups and to all others who made this a pleasant jam and meeting.

Remember Howard Jones has invited everyone to a jam session to be held in the Winema Hall on the Fairgrounds at Yreka, CA. on April 18th. There will be no meeting. Doors open and gates unlocked at 10 AM. Potluck at 11:30 (bring own table service) and open to the public at 1 PM for the program.

May 23, 1982 is the date of our next meeting and jam--To be held at the Grange Hall on East Pine St., Central Point, Or. Meeting at 10:30 AM, Potluck following, and open to the public at 1 PM.

To Ray Krogstad; we are so happy to learn of your very sucessful eye surgery. That is great!

Condolences are extended to the wife and members of Audrey Reynolds, who passed away on March 3rd 1982. Our deepest sympathy to you, Cora.

Marian Jorgenson, Reporter

DISTRICT 5

We held our business meeting and election of officers at the Green-acres Grange. New officers for 1982 are, Al Lively, Chairman, Roy Zeigler Co-Chairman, Lew Holt, Sec-Treas.

It was voted at our meeting to play for a dance at Winchester Bay Grange every 2nd Friday nite of the month at 7 PM. Our group is also busy playing every third Friday at 2 PM for the Bandon Care Center or Coquille Care Center. Will start in April playing for the Myrtle Point Care Center on each 4th Friday at 2 PM.

We wish to send getwell wishes to all those who are ill and our condolence and sympathies to Nell Turner and Martin Voller families or any one else who has lost a loved one lately.

Here is a schedule of our jams for the following months; April 24, Florence Masonic Temple 1st and Maple St. 8 PM., May 22, Mapleton Grange Potluck 6 PM jam at 7:30. May 29, Azalea Festival, Brookings-time later. June 20 Lakeside-Fathers Day Celebration. 2 to 4 PM. September 25-26 Cranberry Festival. Details later.

Barbara McLeod, Reporter

DISTRICT 6

Dist. 6 session for April will be at the Moose Hall in Lebanon on Sunday, April 25th. The Lodge is about a mile south of Lebanon on the road to Sweet Home. It's on the right side of the road if you are travelling South out of Lebanon. Remember, the Lodge furnishes a nice lunch to seniors

and to all musicians and their spouses. You don't even have to bring your table service. All you need to bring is your appetite.

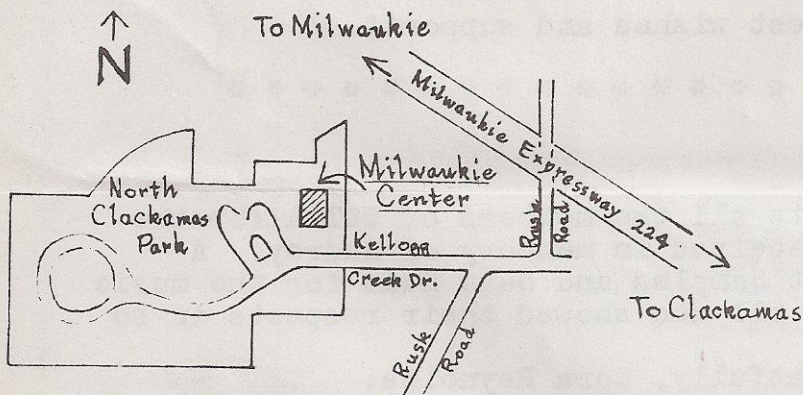
SPECIAL NOTE:

Prior to the program at the April 25 session a business meeting will be convened for the purpose of electing a district secretary-treasurer, to replace Maxine Benson, the district sec. treas. elect. There is no restriction in our by-laws against an individual holding both district and state offices at the same time, but the officers of district 6 consider that it would be too much of a burden for any individual to serve as state and district secretary-treasurer simultaneously.

Wayne Holmes, Reporter

DISTRICT 7

Our April jam will be on April 11 at the Milwaukie Center, 5440 S. E. Kellogg Creek Dr., in Milwaukie. Take the Rusk Road, N. Clackamas Park exit off the Milwaukie #334 expressway. Doors open at 10, potluck at noon and show for the public starts at 1 PM. (See Map).



From our new chairman Ed Mead comes word that our picnic will be at Creston Park, (43rd and Rhone, off Powell Blvd.) on Saturday July 24th. We are telling you early because we hope to see lots of our friends from other districts at the picnic... so get it on your calendar now and plan to come.

We are saddened to report the passing of Fred Hildebrandt on March 6th. It is said he had earned 50 trophies over the years- a top fiddler. Ten musicians from District 7 played some of his favorite tunes and some fine gospel song during the service, making a beautiful service.

Helen Hakanson, Reporter

DISTRICT 8

There will be a jam session at the Senior Center at Salem on April 18th. Doors open at 10 o'clock, potluck, at 12 o'clock show starts at 1 o'clock. Bring own table service. Warming oven only. No stove.

May 9th. Jam session at Woodburn Grange Hall, Woodburn. Doors open at 10; potluck at noon, show starts at 1 o'clock. Bring own service. Make this a good one as it is for the Hearing Dogs. Grang donates the hall to us and we donate the music, all donations go for the Hearing Dogs (for the deaf).

We laid Martin Voeller away on March 1st, 1982.

Those of you who didn't make the Convention missed a good one.

Jeanette Robinson, Reporter

COLLEGE NEWS:

Clackamas Community College will be offering Country, Folk and blue-grass class again this term. The class meets Thursdays 4-7 PM (starting April 1 or Saturdays 9 AM to noon (starting April 3). You can come either day or both. Beginning Fiddle and Intermediate Fiddle will be offered for the first time and will be taught by Greg Baker, fiddler from the "Goldrush". This class will be on Saturdays, Beginners at 9-11 AM. and Intermediate 11 AM to 1 PM starting April 3. Call the college for information....657-8400.

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NEWS FLASH.....Kim Gloy, age 15½ from Canby, OR. and a member of the OOTFA has been chosen as a State Finalist in the 1982 Miss National Teenage Pagent which will be held at the University of Portland, May 21-23, 1982.

Of course, her talent will be playing the fiddle. The winner of this Pagent will go to Florida this August to compete for the U. S. Title.

In Kims letter to the judges concerning her personal goals she wrote "I feel that with God in my life, anything is possible."

Congratulations Kim and go with our best wishes and support!

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THANK YOU NOTES:

I wish to express my gratitude to all the members of OOTFA for the potted plant, cards and memorials I received in membory of Audrey. A special "Thank You" to Hugh and Forest Samples and Sara Kade for the music played at the funeral service, and to all who showed their respects in so many ways.

Gratfully, Cora Reynolds.

I want to thank the District 8 for the beautiful get well card I received while I was in the hospital. It is so true we have so many wonderful people in our association. Thanks so much it surely helped to make my stay more pleasant.

Martha Birkholz

A THANK YOU NOTE & INVITATION

Ray Wold from Cornelius thanks those fiddlers that played at their Cowboy Breakfast last year and asking for fiddlers again June 13 play for your breakfast. The location is Cherry Grove near Gaston, follow signs from the highway. Sounds like fun.

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SYMPATHY;

To the families of Audrey Reynolds and Fred Hilderbrandt..... our love and prayers.

MY RUMBLING AND GRUMBLINGS:

There will be a schedule in the next issue for the WEISER CONTEST. I don't have enough room in this issue to publish all needed information.

However, Fiddlers please note; Entrance fees are Jr. Jr. none, \$7.50 for Junior and Senior, \$15.00 for the Men and Ladies and \$25.00 for Grand Champion will remain the same provided you register prior to June 1, 1982. For any registering after June 1, \$2.50 for late registration fee. Parents register children on Sunday rather than Monday.....more next month.

.....Remember after the July issue is out you will not have to put up with my misspelled words. There will be a new Editor. I will miss wondering if all the reports are in on time. Thank you all.

THOT FOR THE MONTH.....

A short memory is a poor substitute for a clear conscience.

Now for Minnie Bennett poem as I promised last month.

So long, Cliff Buker!  
Loved husband, father, grandfather and friend!  
We miss you!  
Your kindly ways, your deep concern, the hours you'd spend,  
With the rest of us.

So long , Old Friend!  
On top of the hill, where you dwelled so long,  
We looked up to you!  
The lingering charm of your music and song,  
Will stay with us.

So long for a while!  
A silver stringed band with golden harps,  
Have welcomed you!  
While memories sweet stay warm in the hearts,  
Of all of us.

So long , Loved Friend!  
We miss you!

By Minnie Bennett.

God Bless You All.....

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