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COMING EVENTS

OCTOBER 1984

DISTRICTS

6	Regular Jam 7:30 p.m.	Green Acres	5
14	Jam, Senior Center	Bend	3
14	Jam, Tri-City Elem. School	Tri-City	4
14	Jam, Senior Center	Beaverton	7
21	Meeting & Jam, Fairgrounds	Klamath Falls	1
21	Jam, Moose Lodge	Eugene	6
21	Jam, Senior Center	Salem	8
Nov.			
11	Jam, Community Hall	Talent	4
18	Jam & Thanksgiving Dinner (Grange)	Woodburn	8
Dec. 16	Dinner & Jam, Moose Lodge	Lebanon	6
16	Jam & Christmas Party, Grange Hall	McMinnville	8
9	Jam & Christmas Party, Clackamas	Oregon City	7
Jan.			
13	State Jam & Meeting, Fairgrounds	Roseburg	OOTFA

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

Our next state executive board meeting will be held in Bend the first or second week of November. A Chairman of each district, or his representative, should attend. This is pretty well centrally located, so we hope to draw a larger group than we had at our first meeting. Don Hanna is in charge of setting up this meeting, so the date will be in the next Hoedowner.

Our State Fiddle Contest is all set for 1985 at the Lebanon High School, May 10 and 11, and is, again, sponsored by our good friends the Moose and American Legion of Lebanon. Lee Jones will be Chairman, and I will Co-Chair. More on this later as details are completed.

We are also working on the State Convention which will be held March 14, 15, and 16 at the Roseburg Fairgrounds. Maxine Benson will be our "Chair-Herione" as I think she has earned that special title just for accepting the job. Our Nominating Chairman will be Wayne Holmes, and LeRoy Sims will be M.C. for the banquet. This is just a few of the many jobs to be filled, so we would welcome any volunteers. Maxine or I will be calling or writing some of you for help. My wife, Susie, says, "Life is like a 10 speed bicycle. Most of us have gears we never use". So, let's get in gear...OK? Love you all now, Heah,

Buck

EDITOR NOTES:

Thanks again for sending your minutes in, or calling them in. I usually wait until the morning of the 26th each month to begin typing, so if you have any last minute news to get into print, give me a jingle. Also, PLEASE let me know if there are any problems getting your Hoedowner in the mail. I get address corrections all the time, and want YOUR Hoedowner to get to YOU.
Thelma

DOROTHY B. SEZ: Music is just about the only time humans can be in perfect harmony.

DISTRICT 1

- Oct. 4, Shasta Grange Practice, 6:30
- Oct. 19, Lakeview Jam, Memorial Hall. Eat at 12:00 and Jam at 1:00. All welcome
- Oct. 21, Reg. Meeting and Jam, Fairgrounds. Eat at 1:00 and Play at 2:00
- Oct. 25, Apartments, play at 8:00 p.m.
- Oct. 28, Nursing Homes at 2:00 p.m.

Hell o folks, I'm subbing for your jolly and humorous reporter who is "Gadding" in Arkansas. We had a good practice at Shasta Grange Sept 6th, and welcomed a newcomer, Earl Barnum. Nice to have you, Earl, come again and bring your guitar. Missed Jack and some of the others. The regular meeting was at the Fairgrounds with the new officers in the chairs: Chuck Bruno, Chairman, Al Nelson, Co-Chairman, and Faye Patterson, Sec-Treas.

Some played at the Community Center Benefit at Veteran's Park, some played at the Threshing Bee at Yonna Valley, some played for the K Mart Sr. Citizens from the Nursing Homes Night. Chuck thanks all those who are helping out.

Our winners at Canyonville were Virgil Schmoie, Chuck Bruno, and Homer McLain. Those winning at the Tulelake Fair Fiddler's Contest were Virgil Schmoie, Chuck Bruno and Gregg Matthews (an up and coming fiddler who isn't a member...YET/) Several entered the contest.

We miss dear Minnie Springer and pray she will soon be with us again. She has been under the weather lately. Faye graciously accepted the job of sending cards and flowers. Bless you, Faye.

There has been a hand truck purchased for moving the sound system. Harold Furrey has been doing the honors. Thanks to you, Harold, and also Glenna, who has made the coffee for our Jams. Blessings to both of you.

We voted on the state proposals and Faye was directed to send the money to the school at Canyonville.

Mervin and Peggy Dickerson were our guests from Dist #4 and Walter and Velma Foote from their new home in Central Point. Chuck welcomed them and we are glad they came. Also, we will miss Dale and Mildred Meints who are returning to their home in Farre, Texas, after spending the summer months here. God's speed to you both until we meet again.

Oh, Yes! A goooooood time was had at the Warwick's Campout playing and fellowshiping with old and new friends. And, Oh those cobblers!"

God loves all of you and so do I. See you when we return from Hawaii.

Anne Johnson, Reporter

TS: Did you know that nowadays real cowboys wear tennis shoes? That's so people can tell them from fiddlers, guitar pickers and truck drivers.

DISTRICT 3

The October Jam will be held October 14th at the Bend Senior Center at 1:30 p.m. We welcome any fiddler, guitar picker, banjo man, or woman, accordian player, piano tickler, mandolin strummer, singer or dancer or happy listener, to join our music making group. Y'All come, hear?

Fiddlers Brian Hanson, Don Hanson, Orlo Flock, Bob Hawes, Don Hanna, Jim Neely, Harley and Marge Nimmo fiddled up a storm at the September Jam in Bend. Our accompanists were Tom O'Neal, Vollie Chisholm, Jane Thompson, Don Hanna and Harley Nimmo. As you can see, many of those who fiddle so well also make the rest of sound good doing double duty as accompanists. Jim Neely also doubled on his guitar.

Our thanks to all the lovely ladies who get the refreshments and coffee ready for the audience and players...nice people like Lee Hanna, Betty O'Neal and Hazel Flock, just to name a few. We really appreciate you. So many times we take thjose who provide these services for granted. Thanks also go to those setting up and providing the P.A. system and the chairs in the auditorium...Harley Nimmo, Tom O'Neal and others, even members of the faithful listeners.

It was nice to have the Hansons, Don and Bernie, back from their trip to Wyoming safe and sound. Lois and Vollie Chishom are in Spokane for Lois to have some medical tests. We all hope for the best for you.

Keep on fiddlin' around now.

Marjorie Nimmo, Reporter

DISTRICT 4 NORTH

Glenn and Jessie Brown want to thank all their dear friends for helping them celebrate their 50th wedding anniversary at the Warwick's Campout.

Members have been quite busy with playing at nursing homes and senior citiz dances. Some from our area attended the picnic at Grants Pass.

Hope to see you all at the Tri City Jam, October 14th.

Glenn Brown, Reporter

DISTRICT 4SOUTH

Oct. 14, Jam, Tri City Elem. School, Tri City
Nov. 11, Jam, Talent Comm. Hall, Talent

A vote of gratitude goes out to members who showed up to help out in the Talent Harvest Festival parade; for which a third place ribbon was recieved. Also to those who played on the program presented in the afternoon. Fifteen members helped entertain the audience. Mr. Couch and Mr. Baldwin were present in the crowd, but weren't quite up to taking part in the program. Both are recovering from recent illness.

Again "Thank You" Marge and Jonas Cox, for serving refreshments to members who took part in the Festival. It is so thoughtful and hospitable of you bot

At the October Jam, listed above, doors will open at 10 a.m., there will be a business meeting preceding a potluck meal at approx. 11:30 a.m. Bring table service and a favorite dish. Be sure to attend the meeting, as this will entitle you to enter your name for the Door Prize drawing to be held jamming starts. Who knows, you may be the lucky one. Doors will open to the public at 1 p.m. For those unfamiliar, you may use Exit 103 off L-5 for the closest proximity to the school, which is on the East side of the freeway. See you there.

Best wishes and prayers to our members who are being hospitalized and who are recovering at home. Get well soon so you can join all of us.

Out appreciation to all of you who go so faithfully to the nursing homes, rest homes and Salt Programs to entertain our Senior Citizens. I know it must help to brighten their lives.

Marian Jorgenson, Reporter

DISTRICT 5

We started the month off as we so often do playing for the dance at the Green Acres Grange south of Coos Bay. It was an especially good evening -- a lot of good fiddle music and a lot of good friends. Fred Virtue, Carl Dean, Alice Holt, John Allen, Dave Pinkerton, Lew Holt, Bob Shaffar, Paul Lakey, Warren Baker and Carl Granich furnished the fiddle music. Terrance Gowan, Dale Alley, Murrel Walton, Ella Savery, Paul Williams, Ernest Allen, Al Lively, Abbie Shaffar, Shorty Dow, Betty Lively, Don Mattix and Ivon Cowdrey backed up the fiddlers. It was an old fashioned evening of fiddling and dancing.

It was interesting to attend the state meeting in Springfield and to get to meet some new fiddlers - and a chance to visit with our old friends. I am still enjoying the tape that I made.

I can't tell you about the Cranberry Festival this month because it will be happening when this is being printed. I hope that you were there. I will go into detail next month.

So far, next month is going to be slower than usual. (The summer months were certainly busy ones for Dist. 5 fiddlers.) We will start the month when we get together the first Saturday, the 6th, at Green Acres Grange. We will be able to order from the menu after six. I can recommend the hamburgers. We'll start playing for the dance about 7:30 and will play as long as there are dancers on the floor.

Hope that you get your buck.

Lew Holt, Reporter

DISTRICT 6

We will be jamming October 21 at the Eugene Moose Lodge, 1666W. 12th, with chicken dinner served to musicians and spouses, and show beginning at 1:00 and open to the public at that time. Non-musician members may purchase dinner if they wish.

Our Sept. 23 jam at the Moose Lodge in Lebanon was a lively afternoon with about 35 performers signed up, and plenty of good backup. Shorty Allen, visiting from Dist. 8, did a good job of piano back-up for most of the afternoon. We welcomed visitors from Districts 4, 5, 7 and 8. It is always so good to see and hear our friends from around the state.

Predictably, activities have slowed down a bit now that summer's over. Vilas Sansum, Elsie Bostick, Fred Anderson, Charlie Sanford, Thelma Shephard and Bob Huffman from Portland, played for an outdoor barbecue at the Lane County Museum on Sept. 7th. Several members also played all afternoon and evening for the festival at Leaburg, Aug. 25th.

Those who attended the Sept. 8 state meeting in Springfield managed to get in about four hours of jamming before and after the serious stuff.

Harrisburg held a first-time-ever fiddle contest in conjunction with its Harvest Fest on Sept. 15th. David Kohl took first place, with Elsie Bostick second and Dennis Allen, from Dist. 4, in third place. Judges were Carol Larson and State Pres., Buck Milligan, with Jack Walker as M.C.

Dist. 6 has finally got a full complement of officers, by the way. When our elected Chairman, Buck Milligan, became state president, his co-chairman, Charlie Sanford, agreed to take the top spot. And now, Stan Gonshorowski has agreed to serve as Co-Chairman. Joe Barta was re-elected as Sec.-Treas.

Linda Danielson, Reporter

P.S. We have news that fiddler, Al Swigart, had surgery Sept. 24 th at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eugene. He is expected to be there for about a week before returning to his home in Alvadore.

Harold G. Cope, of Salem, will be having knee surgery in mid October at the Memorial Hospital in Salem. (You'll be up and dancing in no time, Harold.)

DISTRICT 7

Oct. 14, Jam at Beaverton Senior Center, 5550 S. W. Hall Blvd., Beaverton
Dec. 9, Christmas party and jam, Clackamas Comm. College, Oregon City

Gary Evans is still out of town so he asked me to do the write up this month. The Sept. jam was well attended with about 24 fiddlers, plenty of good back up people, specials and a good audience. I'd like to urge more people to come for the jamming between 11 and 1. That's a great time to try out new tunes and get set for the show.

Remember, no potluck at the October jam at Beaverton Senior Center. We will set up at 11 a.m., jam until show time at 1 p.m. Coffee and cookies will be provided by the district.

Gary will hold a short business meeting at the Oct. jam so have your ideas ready for him. There will be a report on the last state meeting.

Nov. jam location is not set but Dec. 9 we will be at Clackamas Community College and hope lots of our out of district friends will join us there.

Helen Hakanson, Reporter

DISTRICT 8

Oct. 21, Jam session, Salem Senior Center
Nov. 18, Jam and Thanksgiving Dinner, Woodburn Grange, Woodburn
Dec. 16, Jam and Christmas Party, McMinnville Grange, McMinnville

Another summer, crammed full of activity, music and memories, has slipped by. In retrospect it was so short.

Dist. 8 was well represented at the Canyonville contest. Our congratulations to Vi Jensen, Bud Beck and Leonard Maahs who came away with beautiful trophies.

Camp-out at the Warwick ranch was an unforgettable experience, as usual. The beautiful clean green meadow, the sparkling cool of the creek and spreading trees. Most of all, the warmth of the wonderful friendships made over the years and looked forward to meeting again, from one year to the next. The best people in the world come there, and, at the top of the list stand Red and Martha Warwick! May God bless you!

Our benefit jam in the Sheridan park was fun and profitable in spite of the threatening weather. 12 fiddles and 7 specials made up the program; 2 from Dist. 6 and 3 from Dist. 7, including Carol Ann Wheeler, who donated a part of her record sales to our cause.

A small group from our district were invited to Lincoln City to entertain at a benefit for the local A.A.R.P. on Sunday the 23rd.

There will be a Dist. 8 business meeting at 11:00 a.m. on Oct. 21 at Salem

Senior Center. Items to be discussed will be a proposed establishment of a program and funds for young fiddlers in schools; a proposal for purchase of speakers and P.A. system for state functions, and a proposed change in the Vernonia Camp-out. Your opinions are needed.

Minnie Bennett, Reporter

DISTRICT 9

Not much news this time, but don't forget the Jam on October 14 at the Burns Senior Center. There will be a potluck at 1:00 with music starting at 2:00 p.m.

Janet Burgess, Reporter

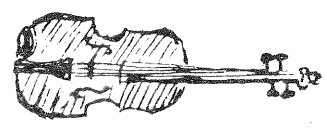
SILENT FIDDLES

Mae Samsel, of Lewiston, passed away May 9th.

Roy Riggs, of Vancouver, passed away Sept. 15.

Charlie Johnson, of Kent, WA., passed away Sept. 1

The many talents and interests of these dear past members will be missed by their many friends of many years. Our heartfelt sympathy go to their loved ones.



SPECIAL THANKS to all you wonderful campers and musicians who were at the Warwick's Campout. We have appreciated having you so very much, and love your cards and letters. We are looking forward to seeing all of you and more next year.

Red & Martha Warwick

TS: I promised you the final part of the list from Weiser in this month's Hoedowner so here they are:

CERTIFIED WINNERS - JUNIOR-JUNIOR, JUNIOR AND PEE-WEE DIVISIONS

- 1. Best dressed female - Kim Brooks
- 2. Best dressed male - Tony Quintana
- 3. Best Old Time Fiddlere - Megan Lynch
- 4. Fanciest Fiddler - Brian Wurst

JUDGES FOR CERTIFIED CONTEST

- 1. Stephanie Lyle
- 2. Chuck Griffin
- 3. Gene Wilhite

CERTIFIED WINNERS - ADULTS

- 1. Fanciest Dressed Lady - Lisa Barrett
- 2. Best Dressed Male - Noel Metzger
- 3. Fanciest Fiddler - Carol Ann Wheeler
- 4. Best Old Time Fiddler - Danny Smith

 DON'T FORGET IT WILL BE TIME SOON TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 1985. GET YOUR DUES IN EARLY SO YOUR NAME WILL BE LISTED IN THE STATE ROSTER.

TS: He who laughs last is the one who doesn't get the point until it is explained to him.

WINNERS

CANYONVILLE PIONEER DAYS OLDTIME FIDDLE CONTEST - 1984

JUNIOR-JUNIOR DIVISION:

Place	Name	Address	Age	Prize
1.	Katie Melnichuk	Portland, Oregon	8	\$10.00

JUNIOR DIVISION:

1.	Sheri West	Central Point, Ore.	16	15.00
2.	Sue Hill	Portland, Oregon	14	10.00

SENIOR DIVISION:

1.	Leonard Maahs	McMinnville, Oregon		35.00
2.	Walt Westberry	Crawfordsville, Ore.		30.00
3.	Van Southwood	Williams, Oregon		25.00
4.	Jonas Cox	Talent, Oregon		20.00
5.	Jack McCasland	Talent, Oregon		15.00
6.	Erwin Myers	Portland, Oregon		10.00
7.	Paul Shanklin	Roseburg, Oregon	87	5.00

INTERMEDIATE DIVISION:

1.	Dee Johnson	Portland, Oregon		40.00
2.	Bob Shaffar	Bandon, Oregon		30.00
3.	Dorothy Cory	Crescent City, Calif.		25.00
4.	Charles Bruneau	Klamath Falls, Oregon		20.00
5.	Sam Stelle	Talent, Oregon		15.00
6.	Esther Anderson	Cave Junction, Oregon		5.00

OPEN DIVISION:

1.	Tony Spatz	Bend, Oregon	8	50.00
2.	Guy Kinman	Roseburg, Oregon		45.00
3.	Floyd Beck	McMinnville, Oregon		40.00
4.	Vi Jensen	Dallas, Oregon		35.00
5.	Dave Pinkerton	Myrtle Point, Oregon		30.00
6.	Homer McLain	Lakeview, Oregon		10.00
7.	Fred Virtue	Coquille, Oregon		10.00

ACCOMPANISTS:

1.	Bud Richardson	Days Creek, Oregon		Trophy O
2.	Tommy Grissom	Medford, Oregon		Trophy O
3.	Abbie Shaffar	Bandon, Oregon		Trophy O

Note:

Twenty-three fiddlers entered the competition this year. All played in the Finals as well as the Preliminaries and all received a trophy as well as money prize. The beautiful trophies were donated by Canyonville and area businesses.

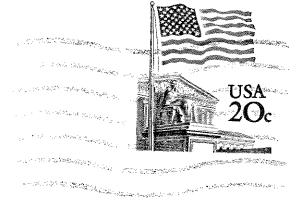
Approximately 80 attended the afternoon show and 150 in the evening.

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FIRST CLASS



Address correction requested

I REALIZE THAT A LOT OF NAMES WILL BE LEFT OUT
 (those of you who joined before I became Editor)
 BUT I WOULD LIKE TO START WELCOMING THOSE OF
 YOU WHO ARE NEW TO OUR ORGANIZATION. SO A BIG
 WELCOME TO:

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|----------------------------|---------------|
| Steve & Darlene Austin | Burns |
| Patrick & Betty Grogan | Salem |
| Andri & Donna Hall | Molalla |
| Russell & Mildred Hall | Coos Bay |
| Peter Klym | Willamina |
| Leland & Katherine Lewis | Florence |
| Dale & Mildred Meints | Pharr, Texas |
| Walter & Lenora Miller | Richland |
| Russell & Judy Neff | Albany |
| James & Marjorie Neely | Madras |
| Merna Olson | St. Helens |
| Fred Renken | Tillamook |
| Bruce & Lynn Rogers | Salem |
| Dean & Alice Thomas | Bend |
| Jim Barlow family | Boring |
| Lee & Saxon Barlow | Vernonia |
| Bob & Mary Booth | Sheridan |
| Ken & Jan Christopherson | Seattle |
| Dick & Irene Cokely | Independence |
| Shirley Cox & Ralph Dame | Florence |
| Amos & Bonnie Fine | Walla Walla |
| Marlon & Lois Jannuzzi | Klamath Falls |
| Bill Johnson & Marie Moody | Longview WA |
| Earl & Kay Laver | Seal Rock |
| George & Hilda Sahlberg | Burns |
| Bob & Fay Seeley | White City |
| Esther Willey | Hillsboro |

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 to find the music for? For only 25¢ per copy
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 compiled quite a list of old favorites you
 might like.