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COMING EVENTS

MAY 1985

DISTRICT

May	2	Fun nite, Shasta Grange	Klamath Falls	1
	4	Jam & Danceat Greenacres Grange	Greenacres	5
	4	Benefit Jam	Silver Lake	1
	10, 11	FIDDLE CONTEST, High School	Lebanon	OOTFA
	12	Jam, Live Oak Grange	Rogue River	4
	12	Jam, Bend Senior Center	Bend	3
	16	Fun nite, Altamont Church of God	Klamath Falls	1
	17	Jam for Lamb & Woolgrowers Assoc(7-9)	Scio	6
	19	Jam, Svenson Grange (near Astoria)	Svenson	7
	19	Jam, Eagles Lodge	Albany	6
	26	Benefit Jam	Rockaway	8
	26	Azalea Festival	Brookings	5
June	1	REA Picnic, Fairgrounds	Myrtle Point	5
	1	Dance, Greenacres Grange	Greenacres	5
	1, 2	Strawberry Festival	Lebanon	6
	9	Jam, Gresham Sr. Ctr	Gresham	7
	9	Benefit, Woodburn Grange	Woodburn	8
	15	Show & Exhibition	Canyon City	9
	16	Jam for Pioneer Picnic in Park	Brownsville	6
	16 thru 22	NATIONAL FIDDLE CONTEST	Weiser, Idaho	NOTFA
	27, 29, 30	HIGH DESERT FIDDLE CONTEST	Burns	BMOTFA
July	6	Timber Carnival, Memorial Park	Albany	OOTFA
	13	Jam & Fish Fry (afternoon)	Yachats	8
	13	Jam, Senior Center	Waldport	8
	14	Fiddle Show, Bohemia Days	Cottage Grove	OOTFA
	17 thru 20	Campout	Vernonia	OOTFA
Aug.	9	Benton County Fair	Corvallis	OOTFA
	14	Clackamas County Fair	Clackamas	OOTFA
	17	Polk County Fair	Rickreall	OOTFA
Sept	7	Benefit for Civic Center	Drain	HELP!!! 4,5,6
	14	Centennial Celebration	Springfield	6
Oct.	20	American Legion Hall, Jam	Lebanon	6

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

It's show time again and the state contest is almost here. May 10-11 is very close, so all you guys and gals be practising a lot. We have things pretty well worked out and things should go very smoothly for all. As you register, pick up your ribbons and programs from Hostess, Maxine Benson. The Strawberry Festival Princesses will be on stage at 6:45 p.m., Friday and the Judges at 7:00. The Senior Division will follow. Let's all be ready and make it a good one. I wish all contestants the best of luck and thank you ahead of time for coming to help make it a good show. We have two more festivities to play for this year. One is the Strawberry Festival in Lebanon, hosted by Dist. 6 to support the Vernonia

Campout. We wish to invite all districts to join us. You will have free parking on Hanson Ave. at Commodore Home Sites, inside a chain link fence on black top surface, only 1 1/2 blocks from where we play, so bring your rigs and spend the night with us. We will play June 1st from 3 to 5 p.m. and June 2nd from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. This should be a lot of fun.

The Vernonia campout will be July 17 through 20. More on that later.

All the fiars have been confirmed and we have the Albany Timber Carnival on the 4th of July. This will be a state show.

We have five very well qualified judges for the state contest, and I want to thank the Judges-Committee for a tough job well done.

All you in-coming and out-going (and staying-inning) officers out there please take note. We have a great June 1st meeting planned for you and need to know if you plan to attend this state meeting and workshop. Some of you have not verified attendance yet. We must have a count by May 15th. We are planning a very nice program for you and a good lunch, so please respond. Thank you.

Love you all,

BUCK

CONTEST NEWS:

The Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers' Contest will be in Lebanon, Oregon, May 10 and 11th at the South Lebanon High School. There will be RV parking space but no hook-ups. There will be a place to jam and register AFTER approximately 4:00 p.m. Friday afternoon at the school. Please do NOT go to the school before that time, as school will be in session and parking lots will be occupied. If you arrive before that time, please park along the street away from the school until either Buck Milligan or Lee Jones receives clearance to park. Bring finger foods for Friday evening. The contest for Seniors will start at 7:00 p.m. Friday.

There will be no practicing or jamming in the Registration Room. Other rooms will be available for this. IT IS THE RESPONSIBILITY OF THE CONTESTANT TO BE AT THE STAGE ENTRANCE, READY TO PLAY, WHEN HIS OR HER TURN COMES. STATE RULES will prevail as interpreted by contest officials. Each contestant must play a Hoedown, a Waltz, and a selection of their choice other than a hoedown or waltz. Novelty tunes, such as Orange Blossom Special, Listen to the Mockingbird or Black Mountain Rag will not be permitted. No cross-tuning on stage. All tunes must be of danceable quality. A time of four minutes will be allowed for your performance. All accompanists must be registered and pay a \$3.00 fee. Out of state accompanists may be used, but will not be eligible for awards. State rules require residence in Oregon for six months and Association membership for six months. Judges are as follows: Jim Hoots - Oregon, Millie Barron - B.C. Canada, Vivian Williams - Washington, Jess Cooper - Oregon and Shelly Johnson - California. There will be a meeting of all fiddlers and judges prior to the contest Friday evening and Saturday morning. Good luck and HAVE FUN !!!

LEE JONES

Contest Chairman

NOTE: THIS PORTION WAS OMITTED FROM THE STATE RULES AS PUBLISHED LAST MONTH. PLEASE ADD TO YOUR STATE CONTEST RULES.

6. Pee-Wee Division: includes all contestants under 9 years of age (8 years and under).

SPECIAL NOTES FROM OUR SOUTHEAST CORNER: There will be a fiddlin campout at Albertson Reservoir, July 12, 13, 14, 1985. This is owned by the Albertson family. They wish to invite all Oregon Old Time Fiddlers to join in this campout. About 50 attended last year and we had a fun filled time. Lots of good music, boatint and bass fishing. Camping room for tents, campers and etc. Each person will be responsible for themselves. "Be it understood the Albertson family are not to be held responsible for any person's accidents or mishaps". We want all to enjoy this campout. It is about 30 miles from Lakeview toward Klamath Falls, and about 70 miles east of Klamath Falls. Paved roads except about 23 miles either way. Anyone interested in comint to it write or call:

HOMER MCLAIN, 1029 South F Street, Lakeview, Ore 97630, ph. 947-2903 OR
CLYDE LYNCH, 613 South 3rd St., Lakeview, Ore, 97630 ph. 947-4687

then we'll send you a map and instructions how to get to the campout. It is near the Ore/Cal line in the south part of Fremont National Forrest. Looking at the Oregon map it is between Langel Valley and Dog Lake. Measuring by ruler it sets about 3/4 inch west of Goose Lake in Oregon. Hope all of you can join us.

Your fiddlin friend,
HOMER MCLAIN

REMEMBER DIOGENES, the Greek philosopher who carried a lantern through the streets of Athens looking for an honest man? As I remember the story, he never found one.

I have found not merely one, but two; and they're both in our fiddlers association. I didn't have to look for them with a lantern, either.

During our convention in Roseburg, LEE JONES and LEW HOLT paid me for copies they made of a tape recording I had made years ago.

Somewhere Lee had found that old teaching tape I'd made (in about 1972, I think) that someone had, and made copies of it. People make copies of tapes and records all the time and think nothing of it. Both Lee and Lew felt that paying me for making copies of my tape was the fair and honest thing to do. They showed qualities of character above and beyond the average in doing this, I think.

WAYNE HOLMES

FROM THE EDITOR:

Yes, I'm home from the hospital in time to be typing this. Arrived home April 26th, with my two brand-new knees. Now all to do is the exercises each day (accompanied by groans) and get well and strong. As I sit here I think how doubly blest I am with my very dear fiddle-family of you out there and how your precious cards, flowers, gifts, telephone calls, love and good wishes really cheered me on. Wish I had the time and energy to sit down and write to each and every one of you how much I have appreciated your time and efforts and good wishes. I am, indeed, rich, in having such dear friends, and thank all of you for thinking of me. Believe me, the entire staff at Sacred Heart Hospital now knows there is such an organization as the Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers. Each day they would check to see if there was any more room on the big door I covered with all your cards. I played my mandolin for them, too, and John and Al Hawkins brought up guitars to accompany me.

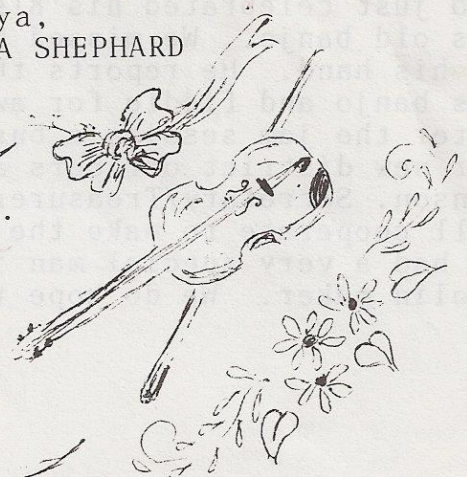
Charlie Sanford and Addie Gonshorowski (who had recent surgery) would also like to thank you for your cards and other good wishes during their recent "low" times.

We will be looking forward to being back to "normal", or even better, and seeing you at jams and special events.

Love ya,
THELMA SHEPHARD

SILENT FIDDLES:

WES BRUNSON, husband of Evelyn, of Milwaukie, Oregon.
BLANCHE INKS, wife of Bob, of Veneta, Oregon



DISTRICT 1

Hello, Fiddling Friends, from Dist. 1. The jam session at Klamath Falls was well attended. There was lots of picking and grinning, and those fiddlers sure did it up in a grand way, from the oldest (93 years) down to the youngest (12 yrs) and in-between.

Several of the musicians of our group enjoyed fun night April 4th at the John Lewis home.

April 28th was Fiddling Sunday for the nursing homes in Klamath Falls, when we can bring a little joy to those good people and make their day a little brighter. It makes us feel like we have done our good deed for the day.

May 2, Thursday, will be fun night at the Shasta Grange Hall for the Fiddlers. Be there at 6:30 p.m. and get some good practice.

Saturday, May 4th, the fiddlers will play for a benefit at Silver Lake. The benefit is to help buy an ambulance. Then at 8 p.m. they play at Silver Lake Rec. Hall for dancing. How those cowboys and gals love to dance. The fiddlers will get plenty of exercise, but they enjoy it. When you see so many people come out to those fun things, you wonder where they are all hid out in that wide open country.

Thursday, May 16, 6:30 p.m. is fiddling fun night at the Church of God on Altamont in Klamath Falls.

Sunday, May 19, will be our jam session at the Klamath Falls Fairgrounds.

Business meeting at 1 p.m. Fiddling starts at 2 p.m. The public is cordially invited. We do appreciate the ones who come to hear the music and get acquainted and make new friends.

Oh yes, almost forgot, Betty and Chuck Bruneau invited the fiddlers out to their place for the afternoon on May 12th (Mothers Day). As they live on a dirt road, C'uck said if it rained or snowed a day or so before Sunday, their road would be too bad for us to get in there. So we hope it stays real nice.

LOUISE POLLICK, Reporter

Note: as of now, our good Dist. 1 reporter, Louise, is in the hospital, possibly facing surgery for kidney stones. We wish you the best for a speedy recovery.

DISTRICT 3

The May Jam will be May 12th at the Bend Senior Center...time 1:00 p.m. until 5:00 p.m. Come join us for a pleasant afternoon of music and some varied entertainment.

At the Aptil jam, eight fiddlers and seven accompanists filled the afternoon with music. Over seventy people in the audience kept their toes tapping and several of them enjoyed themselves dancing to the old time tunes. We were glad to welcome a new fiddler and a guitarist, Dan Henderson. His favorite tunes are waltzes.

To celebrate the nice sunny day, Darrell Thompson showed up in a new fancy spring hat and now we all know it is spring, in spite of the weather. Uncle Lenny Speth, who just celebrated his 81st birthday, was out and played a bit of rhythm on his old banjo. We missed Deane Thomas and his banjo. Deane had surgery recently on his hand. He reports that the worst thing about it is his inability to play his banjo and fiddle for awhile.

After the jam session a business meeting was held and new officers were elected. Our new district orricers are: Chairman - Vollie Chisholm, Co-Chairman-Don Hanson, Secretary/Treasurer - Winona Spatz. We hope all members of Dist. 3 will cooperate to make the new officers have a pleasant and easy job.

We had a very special man in the audience at the jam: "Doc" Renno, Bend's famous violin maker. We do hope that he enjoyed the music and that he will come again.

MARGIE NIMMO, Reporter

Last month I asked Julian L. Christiani to write a poem honoring our ASSOCIATES - and here it is, folks. It's beautifully done, Julian. Thank you from all of us. .

MAXINE

UN-SUNG HEROES.

The un-sung heroes of the fiddle hall,
Are those who come to listen--not to play.
They are those who urge us onward,
Give the glad-hand, one and all,
And add the touch of glory to the day.

We only make the music,
Those of us who draw the bow,
Fluck the strings,
Or beat the boom-boom bass.
You're the human reverbrations,
You're the purpose of the show,
You're the smile upon a giant, human face.

You labor with arrangements,
You toil with odds and ends;
You feast us, and perform the little deeds.
All because you love us,
All because we're friends;
People--with common, human needs.

To you, the un-sung heroes,
We give the grand applause,
The recognition that has lagged
While others got the praise.
Your un-stinted dedication
To a dedicated cause,
Deserves the best, from all the rest,
Until the end of days.

Julian L. Christiani

THE SOUL OF MUSIC.

I stood near the brink of a chasm wide,
With my soul in a dank despair;
Too far to leap to the other side,
Too wretched to even care.
When there seemed to rise
From the blackened deep
The sound of a melody---
Faintly at first, then the rocky steep
Seemed to burst with a symphony.
And my soul that hung in the balance there,
In precarious poverty,
Began to stir with the pulsing air,
In an intricate harmony.

Then I heard a voice that was low and sweet,
And it blended a song divine;
And it made the moment of grace complete,
And ended that grief of mine.
And I wondered--How great can music be?
How suasive the soul of song
That can rise from a chasm of black despair
To carry a soul along.

O sing me the song that the organ plays,
O sing me the song of the keys;
The tremor of music that holds, or sways--
Like a sail-boat tossed on the angry seas,
Or harbored in pleasant bays.
If it wring my soul with a sorrow rare,
Like the tears of Gethsemane,
Or lift my soul like the wings of prayer,
To some heights of Infinity.

Let the soul of music,
The sound of song,
Or the rhyme of poesy,
Beat ever upon the pulsing air
Like the waves of a mystic sea;
To enhance the life
Of the meagerest man,
Or to stir the heart of a king--
O, let there be music,
Let there be voice--
And SING, SING, SING.

Julian L. Christiani

DISTRICT 4

May 12 Jam at Live Oak Grange Hall, Gardiner & Arbor St, Rogue River
Sorry I didn't get to the April 14th jam at Yreka, but have recieved very complementary reports from those who did. A delicious pot luck meal at noon was enjoyed by several. Thank you, ladies. Some two hundred people were in attendance for the afternoon jamming and program. The emceeing was shared by Vic Flood and Marvin Wright. There were 20 fiddlers, with their backups and 8 specials to make up the entertainment, along with district members, were guests from Klamath Falls area, and Redding and Weed, CA. We wish to thank Howard Jones and his support group for putting this day together. Even the weather cooperated. May 12 is this district's next meeting and jam; to be held at the Live Oak Grange Hall in Rogue River. Doors will open at 10:30 a.m. with pot luck at 11:30 and the doors open to the public at 1 p.m. Hope to see you all there. Happy Mothers Day to all the Moms in our organization.

MARIAN JORGENSON, Reporter

DISTRICT 5

NOTE: Please forgive me, Lew, but somewhere between the hospital and home I have misplaced your fine news article, so I will pull from your "Fiddlesticks" and put together what I can. Thank goodness for your own fine Fiddlesticks which I enjoy reading every month. T.S.
It has been a busy month - just the way we like it. We had a good beginning at Greenacres on the 6th...a winner all the way. There was a good turnout of dancers, members and musicians. The stage was full to overflowing with fiddlers and back-up. Gene Gosney led us off with Rag Time Annie, then Bob Shaffar and Gene led us on a couple more songs. Then the evening went with Gene Gosney, John Settle, Alice Holt, Hollis Real, Bob Shaffar, Leonard Olson, John Allen, Don Mattix, Lew Holt and Carl Dean. The back-up list includes Ella Savery, Dan Pullis, Shorty Dow, Dorothy Settle, Abbie Shaffar, Dale Alley, Ernest Allen, and Murrel Walton. Alice spent awhile at the piano, too.
Speaking of Gene Gosney, did you see the latest issue of OREGON COAST magazine? There is a fine article and several pictures of Gene. I think you will enjoy reading it. Congratulations, Gene, we are all proud of you.
I still have a number of ROSTERS available for \$1.00 if you want to buy one. I have already sold several, and find it a valuable piece of paper.
We started the evening off at McKinley with a potluck. There were a number of families there - young people probably hearing fiddle music for the first time. We had a fine slate of musicians performing.
Before you receive this, Alice and I will be on our way to New Orleans via our little red pick-up. We are going to be kind of scarce for over a month, but-- you WILL receive a Fiddle Sticks next month, and we have a very fine Co-Chairman who knows how to keep things going without a hitch. Al Lively will carry on very well.
Remember that the first Saturday of May we will be back again at Greenacres for the grange dance. This will start at 6:00 with Glen's famous hamburgers then music and dancing will start at 7:30.
Sunday, May 26th, we will host a jam at the VFW Hall in Brookings from 4:00 to 8:00. The hall is up on the hill - ask around for directions if you get lost. The people there will be serving clam chowder all afternoon, so you might want to get there a little early and have a bowl. We expect fiddlers to come in from all over for this fine show.
Mark your calendar for June 1, when we have been invited to play for the REA picnic at the Coos County Fairgrounds, in the grove there. They will feed the fiddlers barbecued beef or chicken and beans. Serving will start at 12:00 and the fiddlers are asked to play from 1:30 to 2:30.
That same evening come on over to the grange Dance at Greenacres for our usual. On April 22nd a group of us played for about 250 retired teachers at their convention at the Thunderbird in Coos Bay. Their applause and smiles showed their appreciation.

LEW HOLT, Reporter

DISTRICT 6

May 19 Jam session, Eagles Lodge, 127 Broadalbin & Water Ave., Albany
June 1, 2 Strawberry Festival, City Park, Lebanon. This is really a state event but special interest to Dist. 6 since we're in the neighborhood. Save some energy after the state contest for the Dist. 6 jam at the Albany Eagles Lodge on May 19! The schedule is a bit unusual. We've been asked to provide music until about 6 p.m., so we gather about 1 p.m. The lodge will serve a spaghetti dinner from 2 to 3 p.m., free to senior citizens and players (and spouses) and \$1.50 to all others. After I took a wrong address from an Information operator and got us all lost the last time we were in Albany, I asked Jeanie Morris for directions this time. From the freeway, follow City Center signs, and this route will put you on Lyons St. Turn left onto First Street. (Wait a minute - if you crossed that bridge on Lyons Street, you went too far). Go down first to Broadalbin and turn right. A block or two will bring you to the Eagles Lodge. Good parking across the street. We're the featured act for the Lebanon Strawberry Festival, Lebanon City Park, on June 1 and 2, by the way. True, this is a state event, for which we get \$250, but since it's in our district, a lot of it is probably up to us. We play Friday afternoon from 3 to 5 and Saturday from 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. Secure free parking for campers is available near the festival site, and Buck says it's a great chance for a good night's jamming on Friday. As of Hoedowner deadline time, we're sorry to hear that District Chairer, Charlie Sanford, is not well. Missed him at the May 21 jam session. We also missed Addie Gonshorowski, who was just that day out of the hospital after surgery, and Thelma Shephard, who took her mandolin into the hospital with her and had a Chaplin and nurse (among others) dancing in her room one day. Really! During the May jam session, held at the Eugene Moose Lodge, we inaugurated the new sound equipment: speakers, monitors, a mixer amp, three mikes and a boom stand. Thanks to Gaylan Morris for making all the arrangements and running the board. The sound is definitely clearer. The district's old speakers became state equipment. They may be good speakers, but they were man-and-woman killers to cart around, as Leroy and Shirley Sims could testify. And, thanks to all of us, the Moose Lodge contributed an extra twenty-five dollars to our treasury, asking us to get in tough for another session there in a few months. We had twenty-three fiddlers, nine singers, and a couple of harmonica players - an impressively long program, and when I see how long this report is, I'm not going to list all those names. Special thanks to guests from other districts, who contribute so much to our sessions: Ella Savery, Vi and Charlie Jensen, Van Garrett, Bill Yohey, Paul Lakey, Dennis and Thelma Allen, and Dorothy and Chuck Booher. A big WELCOME to a dear little lady fiddler who has recently moved into our district, ALTA BANCE was recently honored at the Oddfellows Lodge for her 87th birthday, and is a welcome new member of our fiddle-family.

LINDA DANIELSON, Reporter

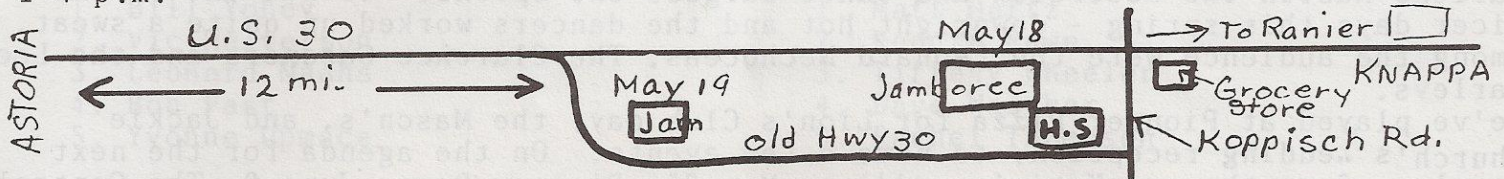
DISTRICT 7

May 19 Svenson Grange, Svenson (12 miles east of Astoria). Potluck.
June 9 Gresham Senior Center, Gresham. Benefit jam for the purpose of raising funds for the Vernonia Campout. Also welcome our new officers. Our Beaverton Jam was a huge success with 40 fiddlers and 14 back up musicians playing to a capacity crowd (250 people counted at one time). The first three hours of the program were taped by Stohr Cable TV to be broadcast later. As soon as I find out when it will be televised, I'll get the word out. For those of us not on cable, we've got time to line up a friend who has. Thanks to all who helped with the PA system, setting up and taking down all the potluck equipment and handling the bake sale. Thanks, Jim Ramsey, for helping me MC the show. Some special guests who played include Minnie Springer and Ray Lane from Klamath Falls, Dan and Andy Emert from Salem, Lou Jepson, Buss Boyk and Cactus Finley. All you back up people who sweated under the camera lights, thanks a bunch. We signed up several new members, many were young folks and

that's what we like to see.

We lost Wes Brunson last month. His playing will be dearly missed. Our sympathy to Evelyn and family.

Our next jam is at Svenson Grange, May 19. Svenson is 12 miles east of Astoria on Hwy 30. The Grange is located on old Hwy 30 in Svenson. On Saturday evening (May 18) there is a jam (Sunset Country Jamboree) at Hilda Lahti Grade School starting 8 p.m. All musicians and listeners are welcome. Folks going over for the weekend might want to take that one in. Directions to May 18 Jamboree is: Hwy 30, 1 mile past Knappa, south on Koppisch Rd., west on old Hwy 30. Follow road around behind high school to grade school. There will be Jamboree signs up. OOTF May 19 jam is on down old Hwy 30 at the Grange hall. Here's a map. We will open at 10:30. Have a potluck 11:30-12:30 and play 1-4 p.m.



Now it's time to Honor all our non fiddling accompanying spouses and friends. It takes a lot of dedication (love) to allow and support a spouse or friend participating in all our activities, to sit through the jams and help in all the necessary details. Without their support, this organization wouldn't exist. So, from me and all our playing members, thanks to you, our supporters, for your patience, criticism, love and admiration or our stupendous skills.

GARY EVANS, Reporter

DISTRICT 8

May 26 Benefit Jam, "St. Mary's By the Sea" Hall, Rockaway

June 9 Benefit Jam, Woodburn Grange Hall

July 13 Jam and Fish Fry, High School, Yachats, OR

July 13 Jam, Senior Cit. Center, Waldport, OR

Everyone is invited to the benefit jam at Rockaway, OR, May 26. To find the place; from Hwy 101, turn toward the sea at City Hall and go 1 block. There are signs for St. Mary's on the highway. Potluck at noon. This event will be put on to raise funds for our Vernonia campout, July 17th through 20th. The more funds we raise the more fun we'll have - so, bring all your rich friends! The benefit jam at Woodburn, June 9 will help raise funds for the "Dogs for the Deaf" program - a very worthwhile cause.

Don't be confused by the double date on July 13. We have a show at the Yachats High School in the afternoon for the fish fry, after which, we were invited by Jim and Bea Morris to the Waldport Sr. Center to camp for the night and jam in the evening. Everybody looks forward to the grand time we always have there. The jam at Buell grange hall, April 14, was really nice, with a great turn-out of fiddlers, accompanists and specials. Several came from other districts and from Wash. 20 fiddles, 4 vocals, mandolins, accordions, autoharp, melodion, banjo, harmonicas, guitars and piano made up the long program. Dancing followed. The day was beautiful and warm, the food delicious. What more could one ask? The many friends of Wes Brunson are deeply grieved and saddened by the news of his passing. Our hearts go out to his wife, Evelyn, and son, David. Their loss is keenly felt by all who knew and loved him. "Each departed friend is a magnet that attracts us to the next world." (Richter.)

How fortunate we are to be able to get together at our jams, etc., to enjoy our friends, good music, wonderful food and fine people who genuinely care about each other. God bless every one of you!

MINNIE BENNETT, Reporter

DISTRICT 9

Howdy Folks! Our district has really been hopping. We had a super time at the April 14 jam at the Burns Senior Center. John Murray came down from John Day and, of course, Turen Dunten was in from the wilds of Drewsey for the day. Harry Blair, Susi Smith, Ruel Teague and Brick Callaway were there to fiddle, too. We've got a couple of beginners started on the fiddle now. Michelle Austin and Katie Sargeant are just getting started and doing fine. (Katie is getting married May 25 to Barron Tracy, of Ranier. The fiddlers will all be out at Drewsey that day to wish Katie well and play at the reception.) Accompanists at the Jam included guitar pickers Joe Enneberg, Ruel Teague, Anita Kemp, and Lloyd Louie. Pat Scott and Katie Sargeant played mandolin, Darlene Austin the accordion and Janet Burgess the spoons. It was one of the nicer days this spring - downright hot and the dancers worked up quite a sweat. Among the audience were the Leonard Nechoceas, The Clarence Gardners and the Lee Varleys.

We've played at Pioneer Pizza for Lion's Club day, the Mason's, and Jackie Church's wedding reception, to name a few events. On the agenda for the next couple of months are Katie's wedding, May 25, Pioneer Days, June 8, The Central Oregon Rock Festival in Prineville, June 22 and the 3rd Annual High Desert Fiddlers' Contest in Burns on June 27, 28, and 29. If you have questions concerning the contest call 573-2863.

Congratulations to Susi Smith for her 2nd place finish in the Women's Division at the Western Regionals in Spokane.

District 9 won't be having regular jams now until September. Due to a hectic schedule in May we've decided to break for the summer a month early.

Happy fiddling,

JANET BURGESS, Reporter

NOTICE: On June 8th, Canyon City is celebrating the Discovery of Gold in 1862 and the Whiskey Gulch Gang is sponsoring a fiddlers' contest, show and exhibition. Parade in the morning and the rest at 8 p.m. Space for RV parking at Grant Union High School.

NOTICE: The National Grange will hold their annual convention in Eugene this year. To help raise money to defray convention expenses, we are going to donate from our jams. Remember that we meet every second Friday at the Thurston Grange and every 3rd Friday at the Junction City Grange. Potluck at 6 and fiddling and dancing the rest of the evening. Desserts, etc., will be on sale throughout the evening. Remember the donations will be for a worthy cause. Come have fun!!

WANTED: Words to an old Mac Wiseman song, "Don't Make me Go to Bed and I'll Be Good". If anyone has the words, send to Ella Savery, 6320 Coast Hwy., North Bend, OR 97459.

PLEASE MAKE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS AND THEIR FAMILIES, AND ADD TO YOUR ROSTERS:

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4. Jack Brown
5. Bill Wascher

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1. Bill Yohey
2. Vic Halverson
3. Leonard Maahs
4. Bob Fast
5. Yvonne Upmace

JUNIOR

1. Matt Hartz
2. Kendra Ruwe
3. Tiffany Wheeler
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5. Rachel Thompson

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1. Kevin Stardusty
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