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COMING EVENTS				DISTRICT
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	3,4	Fiddle Workshop, Altamont Schools	Klamath Falls	1
	5	STATE MEETING, Merrill Jr. H.S .	Merrill	OOTFA
		(Dist. 1 & 9)		
	5	Jam, Jerome Prairie Hall	Rogue River	4
	10	Sixes Grange	Port Orford	5
	12	Jam, Bend Sr. Center	Bend	3
	12	Jam, Gresham Sr. Center	Gresham	7
	12	Jam, Harney Co. Sr. Center	Burns	9
	18	Dance, Coos Bay Senior Center	Coos Bay	5
	19	Jam, Fairgrounds	Klamath Falls	1 00 1 0010
	19	Potluck & Jam, Moose Lodge	Eugene	6 6
	19	Jam, American Legion Hall	Willamina	8
Nov	2	Central Point Grange Hall	Central Point	4
	2	Lunch & Jam, Moose Hall	Lebanon	6
	16	Potluck & Jam, Westmoreland Center	Eugene	6
	16	Jam, Elsie Stuhr Center	Beaverton	6 K 6 8 5 K 7
	18	Jam, Stayton Community Center	Stayton	8
Dec	14	STATE MEETING, Community College	Clackamas	OOTFA
	14	Jam, McMinnville Grange	McMinnville	8
	14	Lunch & Jam, Moose Lodge	Lebanon	6

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

The fall season has finally arrived and with it the end of our 1986 State Functions. The fair in Albany on Sept. 19th was well attended. Fiddlers, plus guitars, mandolins, bass backup and singers came from several of our Districts and put on a good show. District #6 supplied the MC. I wish I could name everyone, but, knowing me, I'd probably forget someone and that would never do - so I'll just say THANKS to all who played and sang and to our good listeners, too. We truly appreciate each of you. I decided to mention six names because of the Fair Director's report last month concerning our Contest Rules stating that a Contest Champion Fiddler is expected to attend some of the State Functions whenever and wherever possible. The following winners have complied with this: Laura Weber, Joey McKenzie, Dee Johnson and Wayne Holmes. I am sure that, due to the distance and working parents, Tony Spatz and Stacey Reynolds were unable to come. Thank all of you for abiding by our Contest Rules. You did a good job and we appreciate you.

The directions are in the September District #1 news. Please refer to that for R.V. parking, etc. Just in case you need a motel, I'll list a couple of them here:

WILD GOOSE MOTEL, 530 W. Front St., 1 bed, 2 people, \$18 plus tax

phone 798-5826

MERRILL MOTEL, 610 E Front St., same room \$19.08 Phone 798-5590 Don't forget, those planning to attend the Saturday Nite Jam, Oct. 4th, please bring finger foods. On Sunday, Oct. 5th, the business meeting will begin promptly (we hope) at 10 a.m. Potluck lunch at noon and, I assume, the Jam will begin at 1 p.m. See you there. You are all welcome to sit in on the State Meeting. We appreciate comments, suggestions and criticism from all, but only the executive board members will be eligible to vote on issues to be presented at Convention, etc. Hope you'll all come. We need you. God Bless.

MAXINE BENSON

TO THE OLDTIME FIDDLERS OF THE STATE OF OREGON:

It has been many many years since I have been treated with such open arms and kindness that my new friends gave me at the Warwick Campout. What a great feeling this gave me.

Special thanks to the Warwicks for having this shin-dig for everyone.

Aren't they great people!!!

Of course there are a few friends that I had the opportunity to especially get acquainted with in the days that I attended. To these people I sincerely welcomed the closeness and the help in all areas that were seen fit. Thank you from the bottom of my heart.

Here's hoping that I may enjoy many many more hours with everyone in the

years to follow. Thanks again, folks!!

Sincerely, DAN SCHAEFFER

DISTRICT 1

Our good Reporter, Louise Pollick, and spouse, are vacationing in the Ozarks. Happy vacation, Louise and Jack.

Thanks to all who came and participated in the Tulelake Fair Parade, Sept. 6th. We enjoyed the smiling faces, and hand clapping that we received along the way.

The October meeting and jam will once again be held at the Klamath Falls

Fair Grounds, October 19, 1 p.m. business meeting and 2 p.m. Jam.

Nursing Homes, October 26th at 2 p.m. and Clairmont House Oct. 23 at 7 p.m. Come out Fiddlers and Accompanists Sept. 27 to Colliers Park and help play for a Wedding Reception starting at 1:15 p.m. (T.S. That'll be over by the time you get this, so hope you did)

We are pleased to know that Greg Baker will be here Oct. 3rd & 4th to hold a fiddle workshop at Altamont School. Oct. 3 - 6:30 p.m. with potluck - Oct. 4 - 1-2 p.m. for beginners - Intermediates (2 to 3:15 p.m.), Concert (3:30 to 5 p.m.). We are hoping to get some young fiddlers going again. Let's give Greg our full support.

We are getting excited about hosting the first State Quarterly Meeting here in Merrill, October 4th and 5th. Hope you can come, and enjoy good fellowship, music and fun with us. WELCOME ALL!!

The old High School has recently been renamed. It is now MERRILL PARK CIVIC CENTER. An R.V. Park with full hook-up is also available 1 block from the Civic Center. Free parking at Civic Center, also.

What a Heavenly time we had at the Williams Camp-out again this year!
Takes awhile to come back down to earth after being there. Such beautiful people and beautiful peace! Thanks again, Martha & Red. We love you.

Hope you all had a good summer.

FAYE PATTERSON, Reporting for Louise Pollick

DISTRICT 3

We had our monthly Fiddle Session at the Bend Sr. Center on Sept. 14. We had over 50 guests come to enjoy the music (about half a dozen from out of town). Lots of dancing and toe tapping. We had 7 fiddlers and as many accompanists. Dave Gutcher and family returned from visiting his folks in Iowa. The Tom O'Neals family were up visiting from Calif.

Some of the O.T.F. got together, before playing at Terrebonne, for an informal practice session. There were 5 fiddlers and 6 accompanists playing over there where Terrebonne celebrated their 75th anniversary. Sure was a large crowd there for such a small town; lots of music, food, crafts & hobbies for sale and a parade and beer garden. Brien Hansen is back with us again after working out all summer. He and his Grandad, Don Hansen, make a nice duet.

We also played at the Bachelor Butte Nursing Home on Sept. 9th. They really enjoy our music. Vollie and Lois Chisholm attended the Expo this year and visited their family in Washington.

THELMA TERRILL, Reporter

DISTRICT 4N

The annual campout at Warwicks was fun, as usual. The weather was fine and the grounds were like a park, thanks to Bill Warwick. It was nice to meet and play with old friends.

The Contest at Canyonville Pioneer Days was nice, as usual. It was funjamming around the campers and trailers before the contest.

The Jam at Drain was well attended and reported to be a success in all ways. Let's do it again.

The jamming at the Cranberry Festival in Bandon was a lot of fun. The weather did cooperate and the parade was good. People came from everywhere. The fiddlers won first prize for their float and lively group of fiddlers. The fiddlers played for the barbecue, where they received a free meal, then at the Jam at the Veteran's Hall, and again on Sunday for the jam at the School. Dist. #4 was well represented in all affairs.

GLEN A BROWN, Reporter

DISTRICT 4S

Oct. 5 will be our jam at Jerome Prairie hall, located on Redwood Ave., second road on the left past Rogue Community College on Hwy. 199 out of Grants Pass. Doors open 10:30, potluck at noon, open to public at one. We were sorry to see the State Quarterly Meeting at Merrill on this same day. November 2 jam will be at Central Point Grange on E. Pine St. in Central Point, doors open 10:30, meeting at 11, especially to discuss our Christmas

Party which will also be at C.P. Grange. Potluck after the meeting and open to the public at one.

Our Sept. 6 jam at Sams Valley Grange didn't quite come up to expectations. We had never had a jam there before, apparently too far out and too warm a day, but a good time was had by all with lots of good music and some dancing even though it was hot. Harold Dillon, from Arizona, who played his banjo, was a guest. We hope he decides to locate here and become a member.

A get well wish to our Sec.Treas, Mona Givens, who had surgery and we are happy to report it was her appendix and nothing more serious. Also a speedy recovery to Eudell Blair who spent several days in the hospital in I.C.U. with a heart condition. We wish these folks and to all - good health!

Had a good turn out at the Talent Harvest Festival and the weather was just right. We played a couple of hours at the Rogue Valley Retirement and Health Fair at Josephine Co. fairgrounds on Sept. 20. We were well received.

We are sorry to hear Jonas and Marje Cox will be leaving us to move to Portland to be near their son and family. Our loss and their gain. Jonas and Marje have been loyal supporters of Oregon Old Time Fiddlers, especially Dist. 4.

DORENE WINKELMAN, Reporter

DISTRICT 5

Take note, dear friends, that this is being mailed to Thelma on the 17th. I am not going to be caught this month with my news in the computer and not in the envelope. I wrote it last month but if I don't mail it, she doesn't get it. Sorry about that. (We're on our way to Seattle so that is why I am mailing it early.)

September treated us well in District 5. We started the month at Green-acres as we always do. We had a good turn out of musicians and we played and played. Chairman, Al Lively, called a short business meeting - discussing our \$250.00 "fair" donation to the state from our playing at the Salmon Harbor Days the last Sunday in July and our social calendar for the fall.

The Cranberry Festival in Bandon the 12th, 13th, and 14th was just about the greatest. There were friends, fiddling, and a lot of people listening and enjoying. It all started with decorating the float at Barbara McLeods Friday night and the informal get-togethers afterwards. Saturday morning we woke to sunshine after a shower in the night and we were on the float by 9:00. We came away with the blue ribbon which made us all feel proud. The parade went well with an appreciative crowd along the way. We went out to the park to play 3 hours for the barbecue. That evening we were to have a quiet little get-together at the VFW but it was a super evening. We had 35 musicians playing during the evening. What a turnout - friends from all over Oregon, southern Washington, and northern California. Sunday we had our jam at the elementary school. We had well over a hundred people in the audience and a good turn out of musicians. We were complimented by the many who came so far to help us. We hope that you will come next year.

October will find us starting the month with our dance at Greenacres starting at 6:00 with hamburgers. The 10th we have been invited to play at the Sixes Grange Booster night a few miles out of Port Orford. We'll eat at 6:00 and then play for their program at 8:00.

LEW HOLT, Reporter

P.S. We will also play for a dance on Saturday, October 18th, at the Bay Area Senior Activity Center. It is at 886 S. 4th in Coos Bay. Why not come and join us about 7:30 - with finger food later in the evening.

FROM YOUR MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN:

I appreciate the way district secretaries are sending dues to me. All 1986 new members or renewals will receive membership cards within a few days. Members who are renewing for 1987 will receive their cards in December. I am pleased the way 1987 dues are coming in already. Keep up the good work!

LEW HOLT

DISTRICT 6

We thought Sept. would bring a little rest from the many playing engagements but it fooled us! Seems we were on the go every week. Several went down to help out Dist. 4 at the Benefit in Drain. Special thanks for all the courtesies extended to our Sound Man ("yours truly") and to everyong else who went to help. We love to come back and help when we are treated so well.

Many from our district also helped at the Cranberry Festival in Bandon and at the Yachats Fish Fry and the Benefit in Waldport and reported on the wonderful hospitality of those districts, also.

Three members played at a Senior Picnic at Shotgun Creek.

Our Jam and lunch at the Lebanon American Legion was a jolly one with a floor fullof dancers and many many happy listeners. At our business meeting we voted to double the proposed donation to Ray Goble, who is still hospitalized and slowly getting better. We also discussed equitable opportunities for all performers at various functions.

After the Lebanon jam, a group of players played in Eugene for the American Lung Assoc. Bike-a-thon participants after their day's ride. They still had enough energy left to dance to the music.

The Linn Co. Fair, at Albany, was the last scheduled fair of the summer. Many thanks go to those who came from other districts and helped put on a good show. Thanks also to those from our district who worked to help make it a big success.

The day following the Albany Fair, many gathered at Harrisburg for the Harvest Festival and played all afternoon. Again, visiting "fiddle family" helped us out, including a fiddler from the Montana Oldtime Fiddlers Assoc.

Two different small groups of players have visited Ray Goble at Sacred Heart Hospital and played and sang for him and his wife, June. Any who wish to do this for him, please arrange for it a day or two ahead of time to get an OK from the staff. Call 686-7227 and ask for June Goble or leave her a message.

Stan's fiddle class made a cassette tape of their songs and personal messages to Ray and June plays it for him.

We are sorry to hear that Stanley Lenox, of Lebanon, lost his mother, Edna Lenox, in mid-September. She was a staunch supporter of the Old Time Fiddlers and loved to attend the contest and any jams nearby.

Jack Walker and his group of musicians played and sang for Emma Roach, a resident of a Eugene nursing home, for her 104th birthday party. They plan, already, to play and sing for her 105th one next year!

Linda Danielson taught an Irish and American fiddling class in Eugene's summer Suzuki violin institute, the String Celebration, headed by Linda Wickes. The fiddling students played at a pizza party - fund raiser for the institute, which takes place every summer the third week of August, and is open to all school-age children.

John Steele has resigned as our district Sound Man, effective at the end of our October Jam. We will desperately need a strong, intelligent, courteous, loyal, trustworthy, handsome and brave "Someone" to take nis place. (Need not be a certified Boy Scout to apply - just WILLING)!!!

Hope to see all of you at our Oct. 19 Jam at the Moose Lodge, corner of 12th and Chambers Streets, in Eugene. Bring a potluck dish and your own table service for a noon potluck. Come early and jam; program for the public will begin at 1:00. See you there!

STAN GONSHOROWSKI, Reporter

DISTRICT 7

Hi Folks! Our last jam at the Eagle Creek Grenge was very well attended, in spite of my mixed-up directions in the last report! We had a good crowd, lots of good music, a good time and ... most agreed that it was a beautiful day for a ride in the country! Dulcie reported a very successful pie sale. Thanks to all who brought those delicious pies. It was really nice, also, to see our Treasurer, Myrtle Arnold, looking so fit after her recent bout in the hospital.

Our next jam is Oct. 12, at the Gresham Senior Center, 50 N.E. Elliott, just off Powell Blvd. in Gresham. Doors open at 10, potluck as usual at noon and play till 5. See you all then!

JOANNE MINATO, Reporter

DISTRICT 8

Had a good time at the Fish Fry at Yachats. Had a better turnout of musicians than we expected, due to so many things going on.

The Cancer Research Benefit at Waldport Senior Citizen Center was a big success. We want to thank everyone who helped make it so successful. We had musicians from other districts and out of state also. Thanks to each of you. Without you there wouldn't be a jam and so much fun. There were too many to list their names, but you know who you are and your help and playing is much appreciated. I also want to thank everyone for their cards, prayers and calls when I had a stroke. I'm doing fine and hope to be able to do what I want to do soon.

Thank you Kitchen Help. See Calendar for Nov. & Dec. jam dates.

JEANETTE ROBINSON, Reporter

FOR SALE: Casio 701 - Electronic keyboard, 20 voices, 1/2 jack for amplified sound. Off-On and Volume pedals, A-1 shape, \$450.00. Call "Slim" Schultz, 472-1256. Make offer.

DISTRICT 9

Our junior Hi-Desert Fiddlers had a float in the Narney County Fair Parade. On the float were the Country Couzins (yes, REALLY cousins) Stacy & Monty Reynolds, Allison & Matt Harvey, accompanied by Grandpa, Ruel Teague. The fiddlers played for the Cowbell Breakfast at the fair and the Country Couzins also sang for it. We played again the the Burns Nursing Home.

Our monthly jam and potluck will be October 12th, at the Harney County

Senior Center in Burns.

PAULA REYNOLDS, Reporter



PLEASE MAKE THESE NEW MEMBERS FEEL WELCOME TO YOUR AREA: Bill & Hazel Allen, P.O. Box 613, Oakridge, OR 97463 Kenneth & Lois Allen, 61465 Ward Rd, Bend, OR 97702 Paul Barnett, 204 Cascade Dr. #70, Lebanon, OR 97355 John & Marian Boye, P.O Box 1157, Brookings, OR 97415 Isabella Brandt, 1025 Buchannan, Corvallis, OR 97330 Mildred Calloway, 758 Driftwood Dr, Eugene, OR 97402 Robert & Sylvia Chapman, 3360 Riverbanks Rd, Grants Pass, OR 97526 Gene DeBriae, 106 Cascade Mobile Park, Kent, WA 98031 Dan & Janice Devereux, 467 Windy Ridge, North Bend, OR 97459 Joe & Mildred Doyle, Box 175, Agnes, OR 97406 Dolores Glouner, Star Rt Box 461, Frazier Park, CA 93225 Ruby Gregory, 1835 E 2nd St, Albany, OR 97321 Patricia Ann Harris, 1833 SE Reedway, Portland, OR 97202 Ellen Knepper, 261 E 16th, Eugene, OR 97401 Ruth Lowe, 28171 Bodenhamer Rd, Eugene, OR 97402 Marilyn Loyd, 30931 SE Lawrence Rd, Estacada, OR 97023 Jim & Shelly Miller, PO Box 306, Yoncalla, OR 97499 Robert & Jean Petermen, 26283 Old Holley Rd, Sweet Home, OR 97386 Bert & Marge Ricketts, 3722 SW Pomona, Portland, OR 97219 Don Schaeffer, PO Box 831, Project City, CA 96079 Bill Sprunger, 74285 Primrose, Palm Desert, CA 92260 Mike Staihar, 304 Q St, Springfield, OR 97402 Emanuel & Marilon Wiebe, HC84 Box 401, Myrtle Point, OR 97458 Gerald M. Asbury, 920 W. 1st Ave Apt 43, Junction City, OR 97448 Kerry & Gaye Leek, 24688 High Pass Rd, Junction City, OR 97448

\$500.00 AWARD!!! To perpetuate good fiddling and happy fiddling and string performers, GILES BROWN and RALPH CATER, of Salem are offering this award to the top performer among their beginning and intermediate level students (ages 7 - 14) on violin, viola or mandolin. Must be a student of theirs for 11 months, and competition will be in Salem, in November of 1987. Contact them at 7390 Wheatland Rd. N.E., Salem, OR 97303 (ph. 393-6950), for further details.

JUST A REMINDER: If it is important to you to play during a specific segment of a program or jam, PLEASE be responsible enough to SIGN UP EARLY. Don't stand around until after the program is underway and then try to "bump" someone else so you can have their place on the program. If you sign up late, you play late. This is just common PERFORMANCE COURTESY!

NOTICE TO ALL FIDDLERS: On the next page is a form for anyone who has not sent in their biography to our state Historian. Send it to MINNIE BENNETT, or to DONNA OLDHAM, 22400 S.W. Eagle Pt. Rd., Sheridan, OR 97378.

NAME AND ADDRESS

AGE_____ DATE OF BIRTH_
PLACE OF BIRTH
YEAR JOINED 0.0.F.A.__
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AND WRITE YOUR STORY ABOUT HOW YOU GOT

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