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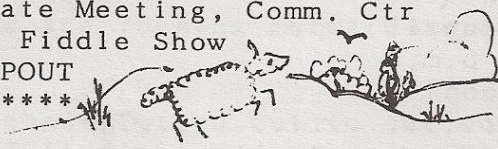
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MARCH 1987

COMING EVENTS			DISTRICT
Mar	1	Central Point Grange Hall	Central Point 4
	1	American Legion Hall	Lebanon 6
	5	Fun Nite, Shasta Grange	Klamath Falls .1
	6	Workshop, Greg Baker, Fairgrounds	Klamath Falls 1
	6,7	Fiddle Contest	Crescent City, CA
	7	Bus. Mtng, Greenacres Grange	Greenacres 5
	8	Bend Senior Center	Bend 3
	8	VFW Hall	Willamina 8
	8	Elec. of Officers, Burns Sr. Center	Burns 9
	9	Burns Nursing Home	Burns 9
	15	Tenino (NOT a contest)	Tenino
	15	Jam, Fairgrounds	Klamath Falls 1
	15	Jam, Senior Activity Center	Coos Bay 5
	15	Sandy Senior Center	Sandy 7
	22	Bus. Mtng & Jam, Eagles Lodge	Albany 6
	26-28	STATE CONVENTION, Fairgrounds	Roseburg OOTFA
Apr	5	Keizur Community Center	Keizur 8
	12	Bend Senior Center	Bend 3
	12	Yreka Community Center	Yreka, CA 4
	12	Svenson Grange	Astoria 7
	12	Burns Senior Center	Burns 9
	13	Burns Nursing Home	Burns 9
May	8,9	STATE FIDDLE CONTEST, High School	Lebanon OOTFA
	17	Moose Lodge	Lebanon 6
Jun	7	Quarterly State Meeting, Comm. Ctr	Drain 4,6
July	12	Bohemia Days Fiddle Show	Cottage Grove 6
	15-19	VERNONIA CAMPOUT	Vernonia OOTFA



FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

Sure had a wonderful meeting in Florence. Well attended and very busy - but not all business! It was lots of fun, too! Thanks, Districts 5 & 8. I promised the Convention Schedule for March 26-28, so here goes --
20th Annual Convention - Fairgrounds - Roseburg, March 26 - 28th

PROGRAM

Theme: "20 years with the same Hoedowner". (Note: to all Editors & Reporters we can locate - you will be honored at the banquet with special places to sit, so please get your banquet ticket early and register as soon as possible. Thank you.)

Banquet tickets at \$5.00 each for adults & \$2.50 for children to age 13.

Convention Chairman, Maxine Benson
Convention Co-Chairman, Lew Holt

THURSDAY, MARCH 26th

DISTRICT IN CHARGE

9 a.m. Doors open..... 4
P.A. Set-up..... 6
Concession Set-up..... Jim & Gynn Deaton
Registration Set-up..... Lew Holt
Fiddle Raffle Sales..... Buck & Susie Milligan
Workshop Set-up..... Teachers & times to be posted
(Confirmed: Fiddle, LINDA DANIELSON, "Turning a Violin into a Fiddle"
JOEY MCKENZIE, "Advanced & Contest", CARROL "CACTUS" FINLEY, Guitar)
Roseburg Convention Center will furnish typewriter and name tags.
7 p.m. Evening Jamming - Visiting - Dancing..... 4
to Mid-Nite You can bring finger foods if you like. Also, the Concession
may be open for business by then.

FRIDAY, MARCH 27th

8 a.m. Hall open - Concession Jim & Gynn Deaton
(Want to thank the two ladies, TILLIE McFEE, Dist. #7 and MARGE SMITH,
Dist. #5, for responding to our request for more concession volunteers)
~~Membership~~ & ~~Bob~~ ~~Bob~~ Ticket Sales. (to 5 p.m.).... Lew Holt
(No membership cards will be issued at Convention, unless pre-arranged
with Lew Holt)
Fiddle Raffle Sales

10 a.m. Drawings begin (Must be present to win)
Please take all items for the drawings, plus table decorations to
Registration Desk.
OOTFA State Albums..... Alice Holt
OOTFA History Albums..... Minnie Bennett & Donna Oldham
Workshops (Teachers & time to be posted)
Fiddle, 1 - 1:45, Linda Danielson
Fiddle, Joey McKenzie
Fiddle, 2 - 3, Carol Anne Wheeler

6 p.m. HALL CLOSED TO PREPARE FOR SHOW (Put on by membership)
6:45 Ticket Sales at Door..... 3 * 6
(Members - Your 1987 Membership Card will get you free admission by
showing it at the door. For those without 1987 cards, the admission
will be \$3.00 for adult & \$1.00 per child.)
Fiddlers & Accompanists Jam on Stage..... M.C. Jack Walker
7:45 FIDDLE SHOW FOR THE PUBLIC..... M.C. Jack Walker
12 p.m. Midnight - Hall closed..... 3

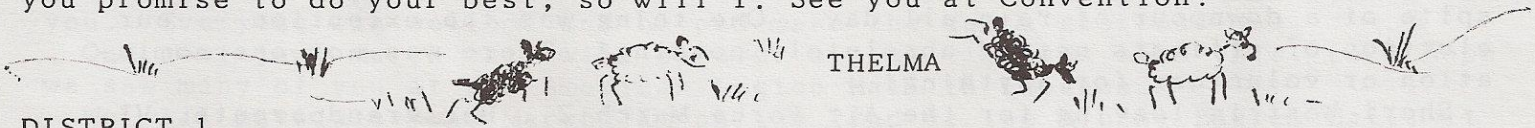
SATURDAY, MARCH 28th

8 a.m. Hall open - Concession
Jamming & Social time until 1 p.m.
Fiddle Sales (until 5 p.m.)
Workshops (until 12 noon)
10-11 Guitar Workshop..... Carrol "Cactus" Finley
10:30 Nominating Committee (Furnace Room)..... Les Tucker
(All District Chairmen or Representatives are members. Please have
your nominees ready.)
Table Set-up and decorating..... 8
1:30 ANNUAL MEETING & ELECTION OF OFFICERS
4 p.m. Free time
6 p.m. ANNUAL BANQUET..... MC, Ruel Teague
8:30 ANNUAL OLDTIME DANCE..... 7
12 Midnight - Hall closed..... 7

NOTE: We will need help cleaning the hall & kitchen Sunday morning. Volunteers please sign up at Registration Desk by 5 p.m., Friday. Thank you. See you at Convention. God Bless.

MAXINE

PLEASE NOTE: Some of you will not be getting your Hoedowners this month, and, in that case, won't be reading this. However, if anyone wonders about it, you probably FORGOT TO RENEW. We must have a cut-off date in order to type the annual ROSTER, and this gave all of you an extra TWO MONTHS to remember to send in for your membership. It still isn't too late, but your name won't be listed in the roster. Last month, I regret to say, the printers goofed on our membership printout, and left out 21 members, but double-mailing Hoedowners to 25 members!!!! It took awhile to get all this straightened out, but they mailed the 21 copies, even though they were late. I would not have known that soon if some of you hadn't mentioned not getting your Hoedowner. I WANT TO KNOW. PLEASE. Two members have mentioned this to me during the past year and when I checked, I discovered they had not paid their membership dues for the year. So, if you promise to do your best, so will I. See you at Convention!



THELMA

DISTRICT 1

Howdy folks. These months go by so fast it seems. We had a good jam 15th at the Klamath Falls Fairgrounds. It was also time to elect new officers. Everyone was so well pleased with our last year's officers they were re-elected for another year. So, we are glad to have as Chairman, Isom Patterson, Co-Chairman, Ray Lane, and Secretary/Treasurer, Anne Johnson. Thanks, folks, for accepting the job again and I hope we can remember to help out where and when we can.

Some of the folks plan to go to the Open House for Sherry West at Central Point, Sunday, Feb. 22 at the Senior Center Building.

Thursday Fun Night at Merrill was well attended. We are glad to have it every THIRD THURSDAY here in Merrill.

March 5th, Thursday, will be Fun Nite at the Shasta Grange Hall in Klamath Falls. It's also potluck. Come on and make it a fun night for sure. Bring your own table service and a dish of food.

The 4th Thursday, fiddlers will play for seniors at the Clarmont House.

March 15 will be Jam day at the Klamath Falls Fairgrounds. Business meeting at 1 p.m. and music starts at 2 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Jack and I want to express our thanks to our good friends for all your cards, thoughts and prayers through Jack's surgery. It sure did help to know so many were thinking of us. Jack is out and going strong again. It's hard to keep a fiddler down!

LOUISE POLLICK, Reporter

P.S. Weveral around here are looking forward to attending State Convention during March.

DISTRICT 3

On Feb. 8, about 50 people turned out to our monthly jam session at the Senior Center. We had 7 fiddlers and as many accompanists. We welcome a new guitar player, Bobby Kitchens, and his wife, Billie, who was busy taking care of the Guest Book.

Our very efficient Sec. Treas, Winona Spatz, was busy collecting dues and selling raffle tickets on the violin that is to be given away at Roseburg to some lucky person.

We also have a very efficient "Flu Bug" that is keeping a few of our members off their feet. Our Chairman, Tom O'Neal, stayed home and kept it company and Orlo Flock just returned after a seige of it. Orlo & Hazel, two of our favorite "Golden Teenagers", did some fancy dancin' after he got through fiddlin'!!

Don Hanna filled in for Tom O'Neal and did a good job as usual. We had some very fine special fiddle tunes at half time and very good refreshments. We have some "beautiful Central-Oregon-Sunshine"! Trees are budding out and green grass is peeking through. The robins are already out; a sure sign is due, But March will be bringing some wind, as it does this time every year; It will turn snowflakes into raindrops, That will bring out the pretty flowers, When springtime draws near! Until next month,

THELMA L. TERRILL, Reporter

DISTRICT 4

March 1 is jam at Central Point Grange. Doors open 10:30, potluck at noon, open to public at 1.

Our April 12 (this is the second Sunday) jam will be held in Yreka at the Community Center. Doors open 10:00, potluck at 12 and open to the public at 1. We've been invited there and made it an annual event for many years. Directions going south in I-5 take first Yreka off-ramp, go west on Oregon St. and turn right.

The Feb. jam at the Vitality Center in Grants Pass was a good one in spite of a downpour of rain all day. One thing was the exception -- our election of officers netted absolutely nothing! There was not one nomination or volunteer for anything!

Sheri West is leaving for the Air Force March 2. Her grandparents, Vi and Bud Brown, had a very nice farewell party for her Feb. 22, at the Central Point Senior Center. We all wish her well in her new adventure, and will miss her smiling face and good fiddlin'.

A few of our players played for the open house for Jackson County Library 75th Anniversary, Feb. 8, and were appreciated very much.

We wish Hugh Samples a speedy recovery from his heart attack and looking forward to have him back fiddlin' with us again soon.

We plan to have our May jam in Myrtle Creek and June jam will be in Drain, June 7, co-hosted with Dist. 6.

Dave and I had a very enjoyable time in Florence at the Quarterly meeting and jams. Many thanks to all who made it possible.

DORENE WINKELMAN, Reporter

We just very recently learned that Flora Doolittle, of Myrtle Creek, had a serious heart attack last fall and was hospitalized for about a week. Our good wishes for a full recovery, and it was good to see her at a recent jam. T.S.

DISTRICT 5

We want to thank all of you who came to Florence to help make the state meeting and the music a success. The list of participants read like a "Who's Who in the Fiddling Hall of Famr". It was fun co-hosting it with District 8.

On the 14th, a group of us played in a store in down-town Coos Bay for the Heritage Day Celebration. The next day we had a Dist. 5 jam in the Senior Activity Center in Coos Bay. We had a good turn out of musicians and an especially nice crowd.

The 19th we played at a chili feed at a nursing home. The 21st we played at a 50th wedding anniversary celebration in the Sixes Grange Hall, and on the 23rd we played for a cub scout potluck. It has been a fun month.

March will find us on the 7th at Greenacres for a potluck and a celebration of the 50th wedding anniversary for Murrel and Deveda Walton. We will have a business meeting and election of officers. The 15th we will be at the Senior Activity Center in Coos Bay for a jam at 1:00. (The hall open at 10:00 and a potluck at noon.)

We look forward to seeing all of you at the state meeting in Roseburg.

LEW HOLT, Reporter

DISTRICT 6

Several of our members report a wonderful time at the Quarterly State Meeting in Florence. Music, food and friends made it like a family reunion! We are looking forward to co-hosting the next quarterly meeting with Dist. 4, when we meet June 7th at the Community Building in Drain.

Our February jam at the Cottage Grove Moose Hall was one of our very best ever. After the potluck and early jamming, we had over 30 numbers signed up to play. Helping to make it such a great day were many welcome guests from other districts. From Dist. 4 were Dennis & Thelma Allen, Etta Powell & daughter Bonnie, Van & Johnie Garrett, Paul Lakey and friend, Ray Bush, Ed & Flora Doolittle, Mike & Dolores Booher & family and Chuck & Dorothy Booher. From Dist. 5 were Lloyd & Norma Dunn and Hollis and Carol Real. I know I've left out someone (maybe more) but I didn't write them all down that day and my memory is about as old as I am, so please forgive if I overlooked you. Everyone was welcome and helped make the day a glorious one.

Our next jam, March 1st, will be over by the time you read this, so I hope we saw many of you at the American Legion Hall in Lebanon.

We will have a second March jam on the 22nd at the Albany Eagles Hall. It is down on the street next to the river just about two blocks from the street that comes over the bridge from Corvallis. Doors will open at 12, PLEASE NOTE. We will have our BUSINESS MEETING AND ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS, then jam for awhile. Lunch will be served by the lodge at 2:00 and we will finish our regular jam after we eat.

Thelma Dunaway's missing casserole dish (from Cottage Grove) has made its way back home. However, A BLACK LEATHER JACKET was mistakenly taken home by the wrong party that same day. Men, take a look at your black jackets and see if you got the wrong one by mistake. If so, let me know and we'll get it back home to the right person. Thanks.

STAN GONSHOROWSKI, Reporter

DISTRICT 7

Thanks to everyone's efforts, we had a good Jam in Milwaukie last time. We had guests, Helen Sargent and Ernie King, formerly of District 9, now in District 8. Dulcie reports the pie sale was a big success. Thanks to all of you good pie-bakers (and pie-eaters)!

Thanks also to all of you who came early for our business meeting. We were able to have a successful election, our new officers being: Chairman, Penny Mead; Co-Chairman, Carrol Finley; Sec/Treasurer, Myrtle Arnold. The officers who will be leaving office also deserve to be thanked for their hard work this year.

In Providence Hospital at the time of this writing is Murra Collins. Hope you get well soon, Murra. Josie Jacklin sends her thanks to all who sent cards, prayers and good wishes during her recent stay in the hospital, and reports that she is doing just great! It was good to see Irwin Meyers and Bill Cavasos, both out and about at the last Jam.

I am very sorry to report the death of Howard Moon, father of Esther Snider, on Jan. 30, and also the death of Olive Saunders, mother of Helen Hakanson, on Feb. 1. Sincere condolences to their families.

Doris Gallivan is changing the date of the Jam at her place to the first Saturday of the month, beginning March 7, Powell Vista Manor, 4125 S.E. 182nd, Portland,, 7:00 p.m. Our next Jam will be March 15, at the Sandy Senior Center, in Sandy, OR. As you're going East into Sandy you will pass

A Plaid Pantry, then watch for the Senior Center. It's a red building sitting back on the right side of the street. The address is 38343 Pioneer Blvd. (Hwy. #26). Hope to see you all there! The April Jam is the 12th at the Svenson Grange out of Astoria, and I'll just mention the May Jam, on the 17th, as it is to be a benefit to raise money for the Vernonia Camp-Out. I'll give you more info on these Jams later. Hope to see you all in Sandy, March 15th!

JOANNE MINATO, Reporter

DISTRICT 8

We had a great show at McMinnville Grange Hall. Our new officers are: Chairman, Dave Robinson, Co-Chairman, Lester Johnson, Sec/Treas., Faythe Maahs.

I want to thank the ladies that helped in the kitchen and everyone that brought the potluck dinner. It was so good!

Our March Jam will be at Willamina in the V.F.W. Hall, March 8th (Sunday). Doors will open at 10 o'clock, Potluck at 12 o'clock noon. Show for the public at 1 o'clock. Everyone is welcome.

We had a lot of people from other districts at our McMinnville Jam. They were from Washington, and Jacksonville, Oregon. You are always welcome to join us anytime you wish to come. It's always nice to make new friends and hear and learn new tunes.

We have a new place to go for our Jam in April. It's at the Community Center at Keizur. The Center has a big Bingo sign on top of the building. It's behind the Bi Mart on Cherry Ave. a River Rd. Mark your calendars for April 5th, Sunday). More next month.

Hope to see you all at Willamina V.F.W. Hall, March 8th and bring a friend.

JEANETTE ROBINSON, Reporter

"Dear friends of the O.O.T.F.A.

Bob and I are so grateful for all the love you have expressed to us in so many ways, cards, phone calls, visits - expressions of concern.

Bob is progressing every day. We are so thankful for that. We know it is through your love and prayers and the Lord's Blessings that this is possible.

Love you all,
BOB and JOYCE CRUMP

DISTRICT 9

Hoping this finds everyone well! We had a meeting on Jan. 25th concerning our 1987 fiddle contest.

On February 8th we had a potluck and jam at the Burns Senior Center - had a few new musicians, and a nice big crowd. On February 14th we played at Pioneer Pizza Restaurant; had quite a big bunch, they all enjoyed pizza and music. On February 19th we held a meeting at the home of Mel and Janet Burgess to discuss contest dates. Our Fiddle Contest will be held on July 3rd and 4th.

On March 8th we will be holding our election of officers meeting and jam and jam at the Burns Senior Center at 11:00 a.m.

MICHELLE AUSTIN, Reporter

NEWS FLASH!!!! CANNON BEACH FIDDLE WORKSHOP, AUGUST 10-14, 1987. Fee same as last year, set by P.S.U. \$175.00. However, students signed up by June 1 save \$25.00. Class will be limited to 20, so register early. Call Carol Ann Wheeler, 628-2411 or toll free 1-800-452-4909 ext.4812.

DEAR FIDDLERS,

Bud and I want to thank everyone who came to our Grand-daughter's farewell party. All the hugs and best wishes Sheri (West) received from her fiddling, school and Medford friends, plus family, will surely bring fond memories

of her open house. As friends from as far away as Drain to Redding, Klamath County to Crescent City arrived, her eyes kept getting bigger and bigger. It was a shame to have cut her beautiful Fiddle-to-Air-Force cake decorated by Frieda Fierling, but fiddlers and dancers do need refreshments! We had planned for a hundred guests and were very happy when seventy seven showed up in spite of illnesses and the flu bug. Thanks again to everyone who came and we are sorry if you missed a good party.

VI & BUD BROWN

Dear Fiddlers,

I would like to thank everyone who attended my open-house/farewell party on Feb. 22, in Central Point, for making it such a big success. It was so nice to see everyone again. I'm going to miss you all very much. I'll try to write as often as I can, but I'll always keep my grandparents posted on what's happening.

Thanks to everyone. I love you all. It really meant a lot to me. See you again - sometime, Love,

SHERI WEST

MICHELLE AUSTIN wants to thank D.M. WOOD, ROBERT SHAFFAR, LESTER BROADWATER and SYLVIA CHAPMAN for sending her the copies of "Cattle Call" she had asked for earlier.

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"SNILITY" DEPARTMENT: I forgot to add a very important item to the Dist. 6 news!!! At our March 22nd Jam at the Albany Eagles, we will have a fund-raising PIE AUCTION! So, all of you good pie bakers, please bring a pie and everyone bring their pie-eating appetites and a few extra dollars! See you.TS

WHICH HAT TO WEAR

Part of what makes "people" so interesting is their varied professions, talents and interests. Those who play many musical instruments are admired and enjoyed. However, this sometimes presents a problem at a district jam.

For example, we have a member who sings and plays guitar, piano, fiddle, mandolin, banjo, ukulele, autoharp, dulcimer & clarinet. If he signed up to perform on each instrument, no one else would have a turn..no time. If your turn usually means two tunes (approx. 4 minutes) someone else could play for 15 minutes if they took turns on different instruments.

You may see some people on the stage several times during a jam, but as back-up for someone else's turn. Each person should have ONE TURN unless there are few performers and the MC goes through the list again. When you sign up, please decide then whether you want to sing or which instrument you wish to play, and THAT IS YOUR TURN. Feel welcome to play back-up with anyone else who asks you to, as THAT IS THEIR TURN.

This applies to the sign-up sheet, and not the GENERAL JAM at the beginning of the program. At that time all are welcome to play and the MC will choose at random who is to lead the group. Since all have the opportunity to play at this time, and most fiddlers to "lead" a tune, this does not constitute a "turn".

So YOU decide which "hat to wear" and which instrument to play for YOUR TURN. If there is extra time left at the end of the jam, the MC may ask you to perform on another instrument, but this will be his perogative. Let's be fair to everyone else.....and keep on playing!!!

THELMA SHEPHARD

Do you know why every true Oregonian will go to Heaven for sure? Because, with all our rain, we're all too wet to "burn"!

READYOURHOEDOWNERREADYOURHOEDOWNERREADYOURHOEDOWNERREADYOURHOEDOWNERAMEN
LATE NEWS FLASH!! The March 6, 7 GREG BAKER WORKSHOP PREVIOUSLY SCHEDULED HAS BEEN CANCELLED.

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MY SWEETHEART

I won't be coming to the Sweetheart dinner
My Sweetheart will not be home,
He is not very dependable
And I don't like going alone.

I have quite a time keeping up with him
I never know what he is going to do,
Just when you think you have him figured out
He'll go and double-cross you.

Sometimes when I want to get serious
He wants to go out and party,
He always flirts with the other girls,
He sure can be a smarty.

When I want to have a laid-back evening
He goes to the fridge and gets out a jug,
And when I try to scold him
He butters me up with a hug.

I like to take him out to a fast food place
Or maybe we can go out shopping,
But he just wont settle down
And he really keeps me hopping.

I try to get him to help around the house
And help me to keep things picked up,
But he'd rather go outside and see his critters
Or play with his favorite pup.

But I guess I'll just have to put up with him
It happens to the best of us, I'm told,
Because my sweetheart is my grandson
And he's only two years old.....

By THELMA TERRILL

