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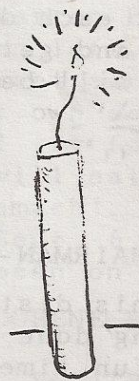
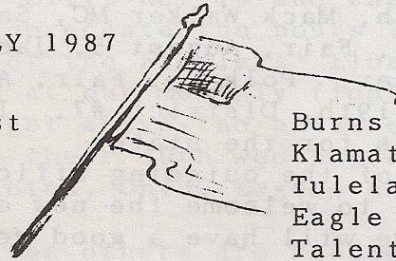
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JULY 1987

COMING EVENTS

DISTRICT

July 3,4	High Desert Fiddle Contest	Burns	9
4	4th of July Parade	Klamath Falls	1
4	Tri-County Celebration	Tulelake	1
4	Grange Barbecue	Eagle Point	4
5	Jam, Community Hall	Talent	4
9-11	N.W. Open Fiddle Contest	Spokane	
11	Community Yard Sale (see Dist. news)	Klamath Falls	1
11	Jubilee Days Celebration,	North Bend	5
12	Jam, Bend Senior Center	Bend	3
12	Fiddle Show, C.G. High School	Cottage Grove	OOTFA
L\$	O.I.T.	Klamath Falls	1
15-19	VERNONIA CAMPOUT	Vernonia	OOTFA
19	Picnic, Malin Park	Malin	1
25	"A Day With the Stars", O.I.T.	Klamath Falls	1
25	Summer Festival (3:30 to 5:30)	Myrtle Creek	4
26	Salmon Harbor Days, Grange Hall	Winchester Bay	5
Aug 1	Dance, Greenacres Grange	Greenacres	5
2	Annual Picnic, Palmerton Park	Rogue River	4
5	Klamath County Fair	Klamath Falls	OOTFA
7,8	Benton County Fair	Corvallis	OOTFA
9	Jam, Bend Senior Center	Bend	3
10-14	Fiddle Workshop, C.A. Wheeler	Cannon Beach	PSU
12	Douglas County Fair	Roseburg	OOTFA
15	Polk County Fair	Rickreal	OOTFA
19	Clackamas County Fair	Canby	OOTFA
19	Lane County Fair	Eugene	6
29	Fiddle Contest	Canyonville	
Aug 31-Sep6	Warwick's Campout	Williams	
Sep 6	Jam, Community Hall	Talent	4
12	Fish Fry	Yachats	8



FROM YOUR "OLD" EDITOR:

As you see, above, you will have a new Editor, beginning in July, and she will do a fine job for you, as she does in everything she undertakes. I want to tell all of you how much I have enjoyed serving you for these past three years. I have truly felt a close member of our Fiddle Family over the state and thanks for all your support. Love you, all,

THELMA



FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

"Lew sez" I guess it is my time to write something for the Hoedowner. Maxine gave me the gavel at Drain (with a great big "smile") so I guess that it is "us" for the next year. With the gavel came the fairs, campouts, contests, quarterly meetings, Roseburg convention, and other. The "us" is just that. I have been very pleased with the way people have come forward to help out.

Thelma talked to me awhile back and said that she would like to turn the Hoedowner over to someone else. She has served faithfully for a number of years and we all owe her a great big "THANKS" for a job well done. This is her last issue. We'll miss her as editor but will see her playing a tune at many functions. Thanks, Thelma.

I would like to introduce our new Hoedowner Editor, Mrs. Dolores Booher from Yoncalla. I am excited about Dolores being our new editor and I know that she and the family will do a good job. Her first issue will come out about August 1st. Let's all do our share to help out.

We have various fairs and events coming up in July and especially in August. Bohemia Days, July 12th, Mack Walker MC, Salmon Harbor Days, July 26th, Al Lively M.C., Benton Co. Fair, August 5, Jack Walker. Douglas Co. Fair, August 12th, Jack Walker. Polk Co. Fair, August 15th, Dave Robinson. Clackamas Co. Fair, August 19th, District #7. I encourage your support. These are important functions for the state.

I want to thank all of the outgoing officers for their jobs well done this past year. And I want to welcome the new officers to the new year. By all working together we will have a good year.

LEW HOLT

A REMINDER TO OUR OREGON OLDTIME FIDDLER MEMBERS:

Don't forget that all of you are invited to attend the Vernonia Campout from July 15th to the 19th. We hope to see all of you there again, as well as many new ones. It will be about the same as last year with lots of hot cakes and ham and eggs for breakfast. We'll have our bonfire. Bring some hotdogs and the OOTFA will have some marshmallows. There will be a potluck Saturday evening and Sunday noon and whenever. And, of course, there will be lots of fiddling. We'll have a little church service Sunday morning.

Get your map out - and find out where Vernonia is - and join us. Drive through Vernonia and take the Keasey and Rock Creek Road across from the high school. Follow the signs. It is quite a ways out, so don't give up (5 miles or so).

OOTFA provides the breakfast each day - eggs, ham, and hotcakes. Bring your own plate and silverware and get in line. Rusty, Vi, Dulcie and others are great cooks. An offering will be taken during the campout same as in previous years.

BOB & DULCIE FAST  
LEW & ALICE HOLT

DISTRICT 1

CHAIRMAN-Isom Patterson, CO-CHAIRMAN-Ray Lane, SEC/TREAS.-Anne Johnson

Howdy from District one. This district is fiddling around a lot and trying to get some camping and fishing done between dates.

The Fathers' Day Jam was a fun time with guest Earlene Gillette and family. Earlene is an O.I.T. student. Glad to welcome them to our group.

We want to welcome as joiners for OOTFA Mr & Mrs. Ankerman, of Klamath Falls.

The Shasta Grange and Merrill Fun Night has been discontinued until Sept.

July 4th we hope to see you all at Klamath Falls in the parade at 9 a.m. Then Tulalake "Tri-County Celebration" at 6:30 p.m. Bring your music and ride on the float to help out.

July 11th there will be a Community Yard Sale at 9 a.m. at Les & Lois Tucker's home on Booth Rd. Refreshments and music. Come join in - it will be a fun day.



July 14th, fiddlers play at O.I.T. from 11 to 1. All are welcome.

July 19th we will jam at Malin park at 11:30. Potluck at 12:30.

July 25th at O.I.T. (A day with the stars). The music you folks put out proves there's some stars in our group. We will play from 3 to 5 p.m.

LOUISE POLLICK, Reporter

#### DISTRICT #3

CHAIRMAN-Tom O'Neal, CO-CHAIRMAN-Bobby Kitchens, SEC/TREAS-Thelma Terrill

Half of the year has passed already and we're still going strong.

June 9, at a jam session we had a going-away party for one of our Old Time members, Lois Chisholm. Don and Lee Hanna and Jane Thompson helped her move to Yakima, Wash. We hope she will visit often, as she will be missed.

A good time was had by all who attended the Sisters Rodeo Parade, June 13. Had a good turn out of fiddlers for our float. Music was played for 3 hours before and during the parade by Tom O'Neal, Don Hanna, Dan Hansen, Bob Kitchens, Orlo Flock, Harvey Walters, Cliff Harris and Jane Thompson. Darrell Thompson drove our float. We all appreciate the hours Tom and Betty O'Neal donated getting the banners ready for the Fiddlers' float.

June 14 we had 10 playing members at our monthly fiddlers' meeting putting out some good loud music trying to get above the noise of a thunderstorm. The Art Kroetsch's were celebrating their 40th wedding anniversary and some of their family and friends from Canton, Ohio, Eugene and Japan came by to listen to our music.

The Spatzs and possibly a few of the others are headed for Weiser for the National contest. Good luck, Tony.

BILLIE KITCHENS, Reporter Pro-Tem

#### DISTRICT #4

Dist. 4 will play at Eagle Point the 4th of July celebration at the Grange barbeque from 12 to 1:30, then at the park from 5:30 to 3:30. All are welcome.

July 5 jam at Talent Community Hall - doors open 10:30, potluck at noon and open to the public at one.

A big turn out from all over the state was at Drain for the quarterly meeting June 7. I believe there were 37 musicians for the jam, which made for a long afternoon. We thank Dist. 6 for all their help in the joint-hosting with Dist. 4.

Our annual picnic will be Aug 2 at Palmerton Park. At Rogue River, cross the railroad tracks into Rogue River, turn left, then turn left again at the first street, then right at the first street across Evans Creek (East Evans Creek Road) park is on right. Bring your own service and food for a potluck. Some drinks will be furnished. The final try for election of Dist. 4 officers will be held after the potluck. We will eat at one o'clock. Dave says great decisions can be made on a full stomach!

The Talent hall has been reserved for Sept. 6 jam.

A get-well wish to all those who have been on the ailing list of late.

DORENE WINKELMAN, Reporter

#### DISTRICT #5

CHAIRMAN-Al Lively, CO-CHAIRMAN-Lew Holt, SEC/TREAS- Dorothy Settle

It was good to see all of you up at Drain for the State meeting. District 5 had a good turn out. We always enjoy going to Drain.

We want to thank Shorty and Charlotte Dow for having us at their place for a "District 5 campout". The weather was great, the facilities were great, the music was great, and the people were tremendous! And I should say that Abbie's pancakes were mighty fine, too. The 59 people who attended on the 13th and 14th are looking forward to a good time again next year.



On July 11th we have been invited to play during the North Bend Jubilee Days Celebration at 1:00 the First Interstate Bank parking lot in North Bend. We will play for an hour. And then the big one is July 26th when we play in the grange hall in Winchester Bay from 1:00 to 5:00. This is a state jam so we invite our friends from all over the state to come and join us again this year. The Salmon Harbor Days Celebration has other things to entertain you besides fiddling. We had RV parking last year and I am sure that we will have overnight parking this year, so come on over and enjoy a trip to the coast. Also, mark your calendar for August 1, when we will return to the grange hall at Greenacres. We are anxious to see the changes that have been done to the hall.

After six years, this is my last time to send in the news from Dist. 5. It has been fun writing the news each month and to have had the opportunity to meet so many nice people. But now I turn it over to Alice Holt (same address as mine) and wish her well.

LEW HOLT, Reporter

#### DISTRICT #6

CHAIRMAN-Jack Walker, CO-CHAIRMAN-Thelma Shephard, SEC-TREAS-Kay Donathan

At the very end of May some of our activities were too late to report last month. A group played for a nutrition fair in Springfield, and a small group played for a year end picnic at the Edgewood School in Eugene, earning \$75 for our district. Then a small group played in early June at the Red Lion Motor Inn for the state convention of the World War I Veterans, earning \$175 more for our district. Groups also played at about 5 nursing or retirement homes, at another school, a community picnic and for the Jasper Grange steak dinner and strawberry feed.

Thanks, Dist. 4, for co-hosting our state meeting in Drain with us, and to all those who came and helped make the day such a success. We had so many signed up to play, Jack offers his apologies to those who had to be cut short or who didn't get to play. We had a time limit to close the program. Highlights of the jam were the fine fiddle duets by Russell Hall and Elnora Jorren, from Dist. 5, and seeing Poco Boyd on stage playing her fiddle. A state Executive Board Meeting was held in the morning before lunch, then we jammed after the potluck.

The Brownsville Pioneer Picnic Celebration always comes at a time when many members are on their way to the fiddle contest in Weiser. However, we still had a full slate of musicians who played away all afternoon to a "captive audience", as M.C., Jack Walker, called them. Since it rained relentlessly for most of the late afternoon, and musicians and audience were under cover, where else would one want to be but in out of the rain. Jack kept hoping (tongue in cheek) for the rain to continue - and it did! Anyway, we had a great day, and thank all those who came from other districts to help us out.

Looking ahead, don't forget the Fiddle Show to kick off the Bohemia Days Celebration in Cottage Grove on July 12th. Take the first exit (N. of town) into Cottage Grove, turn left on Main St. across the railroad tracks. Turn right at the first street across the tracks, and the high school will be at the very end of that street.

NEWS FLASH: Just got word that Laura Weber won third place and Rudi Booher won fourth place in the Junior Group at the National Fiddle Contest in Weiser last week. Don't know any others, but we sure hope Oregon brings home a lot of winning trophies, as usual.

STAN GONSHOROWSKI, Reporter





DISTRICT #7

CHAIRMAN-Penny Mead, CO-CHAIRMAN-Carrol Finley, SEC-TREAS-Myrtle Arnold

Hi to everyone! Here I am - back for my final report as your reporter. My term expires with this issue of the Hoedowner. I just want to say that I have very much enjoyed bringing you the news. Best wishes to my successor.

After my long-awaited and exciting trip to Holland and Italy, I am finding it difficult to come back down to Earth! We also made some side trips to Germany, Belgium and Switzerland. We were treated royally by my husband's family in Italy, - and the BIG NEWS - we became grandparents for the first time in Heerlen, Holland. A fine baby boy, 3840 grams (8 1/2 lbs) 52.5 cm. long (20 & 3/4"). Everyone recuperating nicely!

I was able to attend our last jam in Canby and, although somewhat smaller than usual, it was a good one just the same. The pie sales were successful and also very delicious, I might add. I don't have details on our next jam in the Fall, but will just remind you of some up-coming events. Don't forget the Vernonia Campout July 15 through 19, and the Clackamas Co. Fair in Canby, August 19th. Hope to see you then, I love you all, have a wonderful summer!

JOANNE MINATO, Reporter

DISTRICT #8

CHAIRMAN-Dave Robinson, CO-CHAIRMAN-Les Johnson, SEC-TREAS-Faythe Maahs

We want to thank Don & Daisy Simons for all the work they did and for getting the hall at Dallas for our fiddle jam. We had a very nice time and it was enjoyed by all. We have been asked back.

Our district will not have a jam in July, as there will be the Campout at Vernonia July 15 through 19th. And in August there will be the fairs. Dist. #8 will play at Polk County Fair at Rickreat Saturday, August 15th, at 7 p.m.

We have been asked to play at the Fish Fry in Yachats Sept. 12th and then we will play at the Senior Citizen Center that same evening, as we have done in the past. More on this next month.

Bea Morris was looking well, after being on the sick list. It was reported that Martha Birkholtz is ill. We wish her well.

We just received confirmation that we will play for the Yamhill County Fair, at McMinnville, on August 6th. Mark this on your calendars, as it is a late date and not listed on page 1. More on this next month.

JEANETTE ROBINSON, Reporter

DISTRICT #9

CHAIRMAN-Ruel Teague, CO-CHAIRMAN-Susie Smith, SEC-TREAS-Janet Burgess

I hope everyone's summer is going very well. Our fiddlers did play for our Pioneer Weekend. We had quite a few fiddlers turn out for this. Thanks, guys!

Well, as our 5th annual High Desert Contest nears us on July 3rd and 4th, we hope to see you all there. I also hope that everyone who attended 62 days in John Day enjoyed themselves.

MICHELLE AUSTIN, Reporter

TS: I am all confused! I don't ever know whether to work or not. Some say that if the Lord meant mankind to work, he'd be born with a Social Security number and calluses on his hands. Others say if the Lord meant mankind NOT to work, he'd be born with money in his pocket and calluses on his rear end!!!



GUY KYLER, of Woodburn, passed away June 23, 1987. Services were held at Hope Lutheran Church on Saturday, June 26th. He leaves his wife, Mabel.

JAKE SWEET, of Portland, passed away June 20th.

Our heartfelt sympathy and condolences go out to family members and friends.

## Championship Waltzes



Hollis Taylor, violin  
Penny Mead, guitar

Side One: Blue Valley \* Cabri \* Chancellor's \*  
Crying \* Festival \* Gardenia \* Georgianna Moon \*  
Kentucky \* Kiss Me Again \* La Golondrina \* La Valse  
de Jonglements \*  
Side Two: Lonesome Moonlight \* Lucinda \* Martin's \*  
Mississippi \* Moonlight on the Silver Colorado \*  
Rosebuds of Avendale \* Roxanna \* Sweet Memory \*  
Tennessee \* Twilight \* Yellow Rose \*

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## Championship Waltzes

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### A NOTE OF THANKS:

To our children: Carol Krugle, Sharon Bolson, Bill Modrell and their families, a deep and heartfelt thanks for a wonderful 50th Anniversary Celebration. To our relatives and their families, and our fiddling friends who came from a distance and all the others who helped make it a happy occasion. We thank you.

With love,

RUSTY & VI MODRELL

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HELP!! HELP!! LOST or MISPLACED!! I keep getting Hoedowners returned and the mailman says they are not deliverable or no such address, etc. Do you know the whereabouts (mailing address) of Betty Burbee (Portland) or Jim & Mary Eek (of Jacksonville)? If you know, notify Dolores Booher.

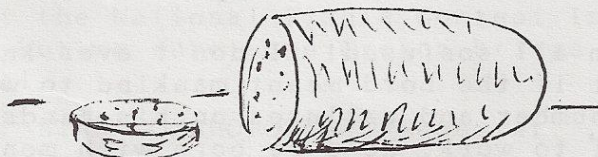
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### FIDDLE SUMMIT

Five great fiddlers, BUS BOYK, HOLLIS TAYLOR, SKIP PARENTE, PENNY MEAD and JAMES MASON WILL PERFORM AT Rippling River Resort (outdoors) on Sunday, July 5th. They will be accompanied by REBECCA KILGORE on guitar/vocals, KEVIN JOHNSON on mandolin, and RICK WALTON on bass. For more information, phone (503) 222-5063

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Mailorders are being accepted for either the book (\$9, postpaid) or the tape (\$10, postpaid) of the new waltzes listed here.





## GOOD SHOWMANSHIP

When you play for a fiddle show and the audience has paid to see you, are you giving them their money's worth? There's more to playing for an audience than adept playing. You could be a contest winner and still spoil your presentation with a poor appearance and poor showmanship. (If you won a contest, the judges only HEARD you. They didn't SEE your attitude, mannerisms, stance, expression or attire).

Does the audience have to wait for you to be coaxed or reminded to be ready to walk out onstage AT THE RIGHT TIME? If you have ever watched a T V performance (and who hasn't?) take a tip from real professionals. No fooling around to tune up your fiddle INTO THE MIKE - the audience does NOT enjoy hearing this. Tune up backstage then give a quick QUIET check (AWAY FROM THE MIKE) and START PLAYING! That's what they paid to hear!

What does the audience see as you play? Look at them! You are playing for them - and you are proud of your fiddle! Stand and hold it with pride. A slouch, frown, downcast eyes or a sullen look betrays an attitude. The audience only has what it sees and hears to go by.

How are you dressed and groomed? Are you and your clothes clean and appropriate? This seems almost like asking a 5-year-old if he washed behind his ears, but audience reaction and comments at a recent fiddle show indicates that some performers were too careless and casual about personal grooming and proper attire.

Remember at all times that the audience paid to see a fiddle show and we want them to see some of the best we have to offer. So give them the best YOU have to offer. Everyone listen up, perk up, look up, play up, and give them their money's worth! Let's show them you ARE some of the best!

## THELMA SHEPHARD

Told by a sharp little lady at a nursing home where we played: How did the fly get into the milk?

In one ear and out the udder!

What do you get if you cross an Arabian with a Mexican?

Oil of Ole!

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## HOW TO KNOW YOU ARE GROWING OLDER

Almost everything hurts, and what doesn't hurt doesn't work.  
The gleam in your eyes is from the sun hitting your bifocals.  
It feels like the morning after and you didn't go anywhere last night.  
Your little black book contains only names ending in M.D.  
Your children look middle-aged.  
Your mind makes contracts your body can't meet.  
A dripping faucet triggers an uncontrollable bladder urge.  
You sit in a rocking chair and can't get it going.  
Your knees buckle, but your belt won't.  
Your back goes out more often than you do.  
You regret all those mistakes you made by resisting temptations.  
The little old gray-haired lady you help across the street is your wife.  
You sink your teeth into a steak and they stay there.  
You get your exercise being a pallbearer for your friends who exercise.  
You know all the answers, but nobody asks you the questions.  
Now that you should know just about everything, you discover you really don't know much about anything - and it may be too late to learn.



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## LOOKING AHEAD

Another day has come and gone,  
A new one lies ahead,  
I try to think of many things  
I might have done or said,  
And hope that I have hurt no one  
But helped someone, instead.

The yesterdays I'll put behind  
And look forward to the new -  
A whole new year of chances  
For mistakes I might undo -  
New friends to mee, old friends to greet,  
Resolutions to renew.

I need not travel old trails  
Where I stumbled along the way,  
Tomorrow brings another chance  
And dawn a brand new day.  
Please let me make each minute count  
In all I do and say.

THELMA SHEPHARD

