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AUGUST 1987

COMING EVENTS

DISTRICT

Aug 1	Dance, Greenacres Grange	Greenacres	5
1	Chiliquin Parade	Klamath Falls	1
2	Annual Picnic, Palmerton Park	Rogue River	4
2	Heritage Festival, Moore Park	Klamath Falls	1
5	Klamath County Fair	Klamath Falls	OOTFA
6	Yamhill County Fair	McMinnville	OOTFA
7,8	Benton County Fair	Corvallis	OOTFA
8	Jam, Winchester Bay Grange	Winchester Bay	5
9	Jam, Bend Senior Center	Bend	3
10-14	Fiddle Workshop, C.A. Wheeler	Cannon Beach	PSU
12	Douglas County Fair	Roseburg	OOTFA
13	13 Sr. Cit. Dog Days, Fairgrounds Park	Klamath Falls	1
14	Coos County Fair	Myrtle Point	OOTFA
15	Polk County Fair	Rickreal	OOTFA
16	Jam, Moore Park	Klamath Falls	1
19	Clackamas County Fair	Canby	OOTFA
19	Lane County Fair	Eugene	6
29	Fiddle Contest	Canyonville	
Aug 31-Sept 6	Warwick's Campout	Williams	
Sept 6	Jam, Community Hall	Talent	4
12	Fish Fry	Yachats	8
12	St. Aidan's Episcopal Church Benefit	Portland	7
26	Quarterly State Meeting	Bend	
27	Jam, Gresham Senior Center	Gresham	7

FROM YOUR "NEW" EDITOR:

Thank you, everyone, for all the "good luck" wishes--I will do my best to give you a good Hoedowner, as Thelma has for the last three years. It will be something fun for me to do in my "spare time!"

I love you all

Dolores

FROM YOUR PRESIDENT:

Lew sez: The big news this month was the Vernonia campout. In Oregon I guess that we can expect a little rain, but with the rain we had a lot of sunshine, too. Bob and Dulcie Fast and Alice and I appreciated your positive attitude. It got us through the showers. We want to thank all of you for your help and cooperation. We could not have made it without the wood and grass cutters, the ham cook, the breakfast cook and all of the

workers who helped put up the stage, and then take it down Sunday. There were more than 50 rigs checked in as well as a number of cars. Well over 100 people attended the campout and helped make it successful. The whole campout was constant fiddling, food, and friendship. We want to thank the Maikens, again, for allowing us to use their facilities along Rock Creek. Plans are already underway for next year.

During the campout, Bob Fast, Penny Mead, Lee Jones, Cactus Finley, Isom Patterson, Leonard Maahs, Rusty Modrell, Carol Ann Wheeler, and I met on Friday to start formulating plans for the State Contest which will be held May 13 and 14, 1988. It seems early, but we discussed many of the issues that we face in preparing a contest: selecting the judges, trophies, schedules, expenses, workers, divisions, etc. I was instructed to contact a number of people so that I might be able to recommend judges. I felt that the committee was pleased with the contest last May and asked that it be carried out next year in much the same manner as last year's contest.

August is the big month for fairs. Jack Walker, Dave Robinson, Bob Fast and others are organizing and planning for the fairs in Douglas, Polk, Benton, and Clackamas counties. Please help them by your attendance, music and positive attitude.

Our first quarterly state meeting will be held in Bend on Saturday, Sept. 26th. This is the weekend before deer season. Tom O'Neal and the gang in Bend will set it up for us. Please mark your calendars and watch for details in the next Hoedowner.

Welcome to Dolores as our new Hoedowner editor.

Happy fiddling!

Lew Holt, President OOTFA

COME ON DOWN-----

To Canyonville, that is. The 21st annual Pioneer Days Oldtime Fiddle Contest will get underway at 12:30 p.m. on Saturday, August 29th, in the Canyonville Jr. High gym. Registration from 9:00 a.m. until noon. Five trophies and money prizes in each category--Jr.-Jr., Junior, Senior, Intermediate, Open, and five accompanist trophies as well. Finals begin at 7:00 p.m..

Self-contained rigs are allowed to camp on the school grounds and can come as early as Wednesday. Pioneer Days activities begin with a chicken barbecue on Thursday evening. There are many booths and activities; something for everyone in the family.

Jim and I hope you will join us for a great contest and good time in Canyonville before you head on down to Warwick's Camp-out! See you soon!

Gynn Deaton, State Secretary and
Co-ordinator of the
Canyonville Fiddle Contest

FAIR NEWS:

Benton County:

August 7--Show times: 2:00-3:00 p.m.
4:00-5:00 p.m.
6:00-7:00 p.m. (This hour is for square dancing)

August 8--Show times: 11:00 a.m.-12:00p.m.
2:00-3:00 p.m.

Parking is in the south lot at no charge. RV and camping facilities--\$3.00/night. All OOTFA members admitted upon presentation of membership cards. We are required by the Fair Board to report all non-musician members who attend fair so they can adjust our net income. So all non-musician members please advise Jack Walker or Thelma Sheppard of your presence upon arrival at the fair. Thank you so much! We want to extend a hearty welcome to all our OOTFA family to come to this event.

SPECIAL NOTICE: Darla Miller's new phone number is 746-6920.

FAIR NEWS (cont.):

Douglas County: Roseburg

August 12--Show time: 2:30-4:30 p.m. (try to be there by 1:30)

Payto park--you will be reimbursed same day. Musicians only admitted free of charge. Tickets furnished at gate for non-musician members.

Please contact Jack Walker at 998-8658 or Thelma Sheppard at 935-2700 by August 10 so we will know how many tickets to request. Fiddlers from other districts are welcome. We will be playing in the shade this year.

Lane County: Eugene

August 19--Show times: 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m.

4:00 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

Street parking free--paid parking available. This will be a non-paid Event, but we are allowed to take up a collection. All Seniors admitted free. Tickets will be furnished to all members who are non-seniors. We will be playing by the museum (outdoors) on the east end of the fairgrounds (by 13th St.). Bring your own chairs. All OOTFA musicians welcome. Come and have a great, fun-filled day!

NEWS FLASH*****FERNDALE FIDDLE CONTEST*****

TIME: August 22-10:00 a.m.

PLACE: Humboldt County Fairgrounds, Ferndale California

Judges: John Settle, Salmon Harbor, Oregon

Lee Eddy, California

Need one more judge

Six divisions: PeeWee, Jr.-Jr., Jr., Open, Senior, and Novice (have never placed in a contest)

Mistress of Ceremonies: Edith Thompson

Admission: Adults-\$3.50; Seniors-\$2.00; Children-\$1.00; under 6 free

Cash prizes for each division

For more information, call Humboldt County Fairgrounds, 707-786-9511

DISTRICT 1:

CHAIRMAN-Isom Patterson; CO-CHAIRMAN-Charles Sandusky; SEC/TREAS-Anne Johnson

We are hoping to slow up a spell and say hello to friends--how are you all?

Our yard sale was a success. Many thanks to everyone who helped out.

The July jam was cancelled due to rainy weather.

July 16 the Horseless Carriage Show was well attended at Malin Park.

August 1st at 12:00 we play in the Chiliquin Parade.

August 1st and 2nd will be a Heritage Festival at Moore Park. Fiddlers play from 2-4 p.m. on August 2nd.

August 13 is the Senior Citizens' Dog Days get-together. Be there for potluck at 11:00 a.m. at the Klamath Falls Fairgrounds Park.

August 16 is Jam Day at Moore Park in Klamath Falls. This is a potluck--bring food, your own chairs and table service.

August 23 we will be playing at the nursing home.

We want to welcome new members to our OOTFA--Virgil Schmoe, Bruce and Sharon Angrimson, and Doug and Evelyn Peterson. Doug can sure play those bones! Welcome aboard, folks!

Just remember--mistakes are learning tools.

Louise Pollick, Reporter

DISTRICT 3

CHAIRMAN-Tom O'Neil; CO-CHAIRMAN-Bobby Kitchens; SEC/TREAS-Thelma Terrill

As acting reporter I got a little behind on our June activities.

June 20th we were invited to play at Thousand Trails in Sunriver.

We had a good turnout of musicians and played to standing room only.

The National Fiddle Contest in Weiser, Idaho, was a big event for Tony Spatz. He came home with third place in his category, and at the High Desert Fiddle Contest in Burns Tony won first place in the Jr.-Jr. division. Congratulations, Tony! Sorry more of our fiddlers couldn't compete, as we have some good ones.

Tony Spatz would like to thank the Old Time Fiddlers for the half scholarship which he used for Byron Berline's Advanced Fiddle Class at Cannon Beach. The Spatz family stopped at the Marion County Fair in Salem on their way to Cannon Beach, where Tony won third place in a fiddle contest!

Our July monthly meeting was a very quiet one. A lot of our musicians and guests were on vacation, entertaining visitors, or making hay while the sun shone.

Our heartfelt condolences to Harvey and Verna Walters for the loss of their son-in-law on Father's Day. Harvey is recovering from a much delayed surgery.

Billie Kitchens, Reporter

DISTRICT 4

Our annual picnic Aug. 2nd will be at Palmerton Park at Rogue River-- turn left just across the R.R. tracks, left again at first street, then right on W. Evans Creek Road. Park is on the right a couple of blocks or so. Bring your own table service and food for potluck. Some drinks will be furnished. Election of officers will be held after the meal. We will eat at one. This will be the final try for officers!

Our Sept. 6 jam will be at the Talent Community Hall.

We've been busy playing at our usual monthly nursing home and Loaves and fishes sites, also played at Blackbird for their birthday anniversary, at Eagle Point 4th of July, Central Point 4th of July, and for the Jackson County Historical Society at the Willows Farm for their annual Farm Day. The weather cooperated nicely that day for us. It was a fun day.

We had a good turnout of musicians and an excellent crowd for our July 5th jam at Talent. Guest fiddlers were Clyde Pugh from Shady Cove, Jim Hall from Sacramento, Rob Caldwell, who has moved here from Jackson Hole, Wyoming, Ray Lane, guitarist from Klamath Falls and a group of Bluegrass players who stopped in for a couple of tunes. Harold Dillon, who plays the banjo, became a new member--we welcome him.

Chris Looper and Ed Neathammer are recovering nicely from recent surgery. Mildred Christiani is improving from a major stroke in a nursing home. Good health to everyone!

We wish Stella Neathammer Bon Voyage on her trip later this month to Australia.

A big thank you to Thelma on a job well done as editor, and we wish Dolores well on her new task.

Dorene Winkleman, reporter

DISTRICT 4N

The trip to Cottage Grove Bohemia Days fiddle show was real great. Meeting old friends, and fiddlin' a little.

All who contributed to the fiddle music at the Myrtle Creek Summer Festival were rewarded by a very enthusiastic audience. Thank you all for coming, and putting on a good show.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone for the get well cards and well wishes. It's great to have so many fiddlin' friends.

Keep fiddlin',

Glen Brown, reporter Dist. 4N

DISTRICT 5

CHAIRMAN-Al Lively; Co-chairman-Lew Holt; Sec/Treas-Dorothy Settle

Hello from District 5. A group of us played for North Bend's July Jubilee. We were pleasantly surprised to have Mike and the six youngest Boohers show up just after we started playing. They had come to North Bend for another purpose, heard fiddle music and came to investigate. We provided them with fiddles and put them on the program.

Several of us played at Bohemia Days in Cottage Grove. We thank District 6 for their hospitality.

Carol Ann Wheeler put on shows in Reedsport, Coos Bay and Bandon during the Oregon Coast Music Festival. Enthusiastic audiences enjoyed the programs.

Those attending the Vernonia Campout were Carlton and Mary Smith, Hollis and Carol Real and Lew and Alice Holt. We had some good weather and some bad weather, but the music and the fun weren't dampened by the showers. I'm writing this before the state jam at Winchester Bay on July 26th. It's always a good jam, and we enjoy having our friends from other districts participate. Thanks to all who came.

Several of our people faithfully entertain at the nursing homes. Thanks to all who provide this service.

August 1st we'll be playing for the first Saturday dance at Greenacres Grange. Hamburgers will be available at 6:00 p.m.--music starts about 7:30.

Saturday evening, August 8th, at Winchester Bay Grange Hall, we will entertain a group of campers who are traveling through. The program starts at 7:30 p.m. and lasts for 2 hours.

Friday, August 14th, we play at the Coos County Fair in Myrtle Point. We'll play in the grove starting at 3:00 p.m..

Saturday evening, August 22nd, we will be at the fairgrounds in Myrtle Point again. This time to play for a group of over age 40 motorcycle riders.

Quite a few of us will be going to Canyonville for the contest on August 29th, and some will be going from there to Warwick's Campout at Williams.

Alice Holt, Reporter

DISTRICT 6

CHAIRMAN-Jack Walker; CO-CHAIRMAN-Thelma Sheppard; SEC/TREAS-Kay Donathan

Cottage Grove Bohemia Days turned out to be a big success, in spite of amplification problems. Sorry we were unable to use our own amp system, which meant we were without back-up speakers. But over all I feel we did a good job with a good turn-out of fiddlers and lots of good back-up.

It was nice to see LeRoy and Shirley Sims again, and hope LeRoy will soon be feeling better.

I am happy to report that at this time Poco Boyd is doing much better and hopes to be going home soon. . .Keep up your good spirits and happy smile, Poco--we all love you dearly.

LOOKING AHEAD: The Corvallis Fair August 7th and 8th. Also, Lane County Fair in Eugene August 19th. Hope to see a good turn-out at these Fairs, as they are important.

Just had a report that the Vernonia Campout was a huge success and lots of fun, in spite of the weather.

Also, we want to remind everyone in District 6 to call with news of your activities, etc..

Stan Gonshorowski, Reporter

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****SYMPATHY TO SANDY SANDERS ON THE PASSING OF HIS SISTER IN OKLAHOMA****

DISTRICT 7

CHAIRMAN-Penny Mead; CO-CHAIRMAN-Carrol Finley; SEC/TREAS-Myrtle Arnold

The Vernonia Campout was a success with 49 camps and 100 people--too many names to list. The weather scared a few people away, but the ones who stayed were rewarded. The jams were inside on the two nights it rained. Many thanks to our hosts, Harold and Beulah Maiken, and to the folks who stayed afterwards to clean up.

Our big event this month is the Clackamas County Fair in Canby on Wednesday, August 19th. We will have two shows: 11:00 a.m.-12:45 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.-8:00 p.m.. Let's make a good showing here!

We lost one of our members--Jake Sweet. Our condolences to his family.

Our next jam is Sunday, Sept. 27 at the Gresham Senior Center. Doors open at 10:30 a.m., potluck at noon, jam from 1:00-5:00 p.m..

Hollis Taylor, Reporter

P.S. A benefit for Eastco Loaves and Fishes will be held at St. Aidans Episcopal Church on Sept. 12 at 7:00 p.m. The address is 17405 N.E. Glisan, Portland. Pie and coffee will be served. See you there!

DISTRICT 8

CHAIRMAN-Dave Robinson; CO-CHAIRMAN-Les Johnson; SEC/TREAS-Faythe Maas

Even tho' it rained at the Vernonia Campout, we still had a good, fun time, with lots of good music and food.

Our next jam will be at Yamhill County Fair at McMinnville on August 6th at 7:00 p.m.. The address is 2070 Lafayette Ave., McMinnville. Watch for signs: do not come the by-pass. The fairgrounds are on the east side of town. Come to Gate 1 with your instrument and OOTFA membership card. If you come too early, you might have to wait awhile until someone comes to the gate. They say we will probably be asked back next year to play for a fee. So let's give them a good show!

August 15th we will be at Polk County Fair at Rickreal. Show time is 7:30 p.m.. To get in, have your instrument and OOTFA membership card.

On Sept. 12th we will play for the Smelt Fry at Yachats, and at the Senior Citizen Center at Waldport Saturday evening.

Mabel Kyler wants to thank everyone for the phone calls, cards and letters she received at the time of the passing of her husband Guy Kyler.

Ted Miller had surgery, and is home doing fine as far as we know.

Jeanette Robinson, Reporter

CONTEST NEWS (OOTFA only)

WEISER: Championship

Joey McKenzie-2nd

Senior

Bill Yohey-2nd

Jim Hoots-3rd

Buck Milligan-8th

Bob Kaiser-9th

Wayne Holmes-11th

Mens'

Dan Emert-5th

Ladies'

Carol Ann Wheeler-5th

Junior

Laura Weber-3rd

Rudi Booher-4th

Jr.-Jr.

Tony Spatz-3rd

BURNS:

Champion Old-Time

Susie Smith-1st

Dan Emert-2nd

Bill Yohey-3rd

Andy Emert-4th

Champion Progressive

Joey McKenzie-1st

Senior

Buck Milligan-4th

Leonard Maahs-5th

Vi Jensen-6th

Bob Kaiser-9th

Intermediate

Star McMullen-1st

Merle McKay-3rd

Alice Holt 4th

Junior

Laura Weber-2nd

Rudi Booher-4th

Jr.-Jr.

Tony Spatz-1st

Justin Booher-4th

Stacey Reynolds-8th

Jacob Curtis-9th

Errin McMullen-12th

BURNS:

Accompanist

Joey McKenzie-1st

Ned Booher-6th

Bill Yohey-7th

Justin Booher-8th

Ruell Teague-9th

Charley Jensen-11th

Bill Spatz-12th

CONGRATULATIONS to all of you, and a big Thank You for doing such a wonderful job of representing our OOTFA at these contests!

Silent fiddles

Ed Skeie, formerly of Crescent City, CA, Had a sudden heart attack and died at home in Grants Pass on the 16th of June. Ed was 94 years old, and a life member of OOTFA.

Bud Ryan of Coquille passed away June 7, 1987. He was not a member of OOTFA at the time of his death, but he and his wife, Wilma, were for many years.

PLEASE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS:

Bruce and Sharon Angrimson, 15810 Clover Creek, Klamath Falls, OR 97601
Francis and Kathryn Barnes, 5990 S.W. 150th Ave., Beaverton, OR 97007
Calvin and Shirley Boyd, 4505 S.W. Vesta, Portland, OR 97219
Harry and Cora Daugherty, 6036 S.E., Reedway, Portland, OR 972066¢
Ken and Jane McCracken, 5734 N.E. Simpson, Portland, OR 97218
Les and Lynda Merrill, 1205 W. 24th Ave., Eugene, OR 97405
Edith Mickelson, P.O. Box 6601, Klamath Falls, OR 97601
Gene and Cozy Palanuk, 1486 N. A St., Springfield, OR 97477
Harold Powell, Box 3000B, Harbor, OR 97415
Vern and Alma Reitan, 301 Sunny Glen Way, Sunny Valley, OR 97497
Almeda Schnur, HC 84 Box 315, Myrtle Point, OR 97458
Doug and Fran Thiesen, 2937 N.E. 47th Ave., Portland, OR 97213
W.J. and Margie Wilkinson, 33926 Market Road., Creswell, OR 97426

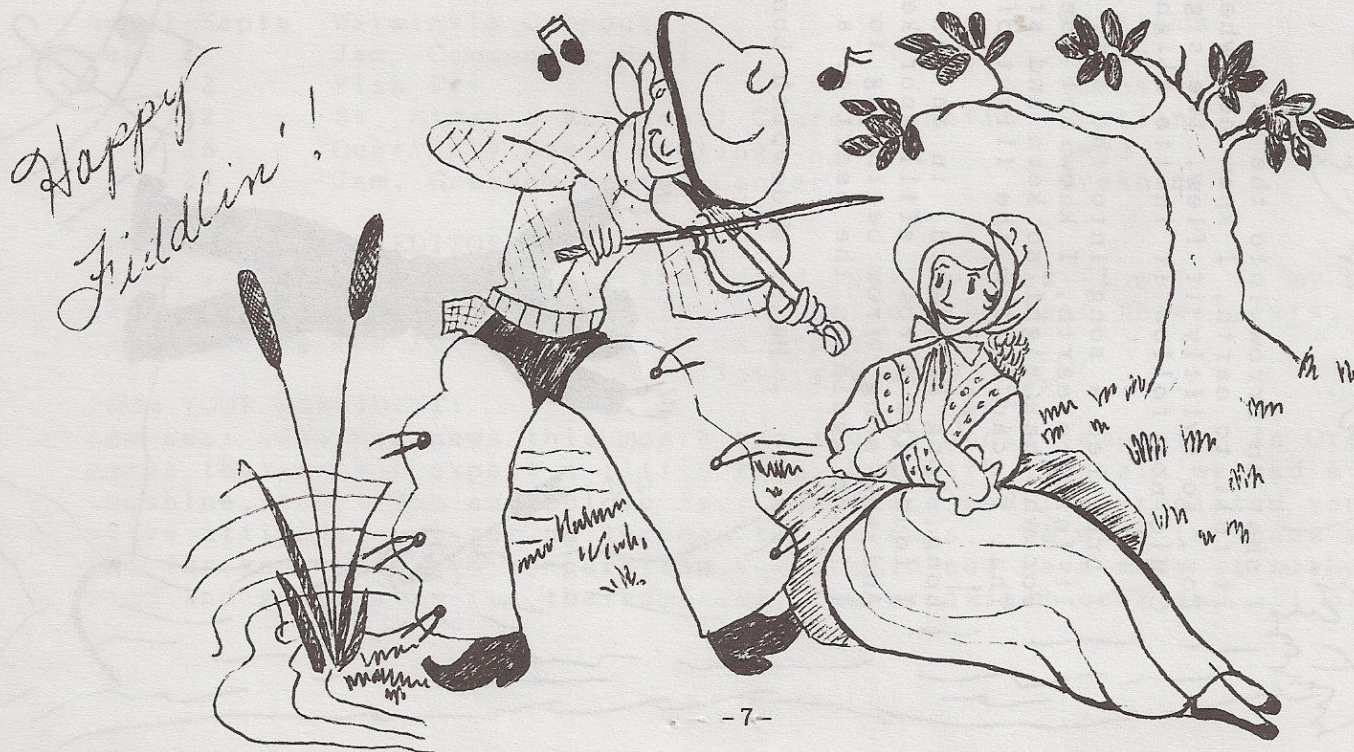
Dear Friends,
Now that I am finished putting my first Hoedowner together, I find it has taken me four days. You see, I have many interruptions! What I am wondering is, would it be possible to send your newsletters to me by the 22nd of each month? That way you would receive your Hoedowners by the 1st of the month. If you would rather wait to get all the month's news in, you would not receive the Hoedowner before the 2nd, at the earliest. This could possibly be discussed at the next state meeting.

I received no news from districts 2 and 9, so could not include them in this issue. We would love to hear from you next time!

Thank you, Lew and Thelma for all the help you have given me in beginning this new job, and I hope it is up to your expectations. Thank you, Buck, for the contest information, and thank you, Jack, for the fair news.ack I know you went to alot of trouble to get all that information.

How does it feel to be retired, Thelma? Good, I hope!

Love to everyone,
Dolores



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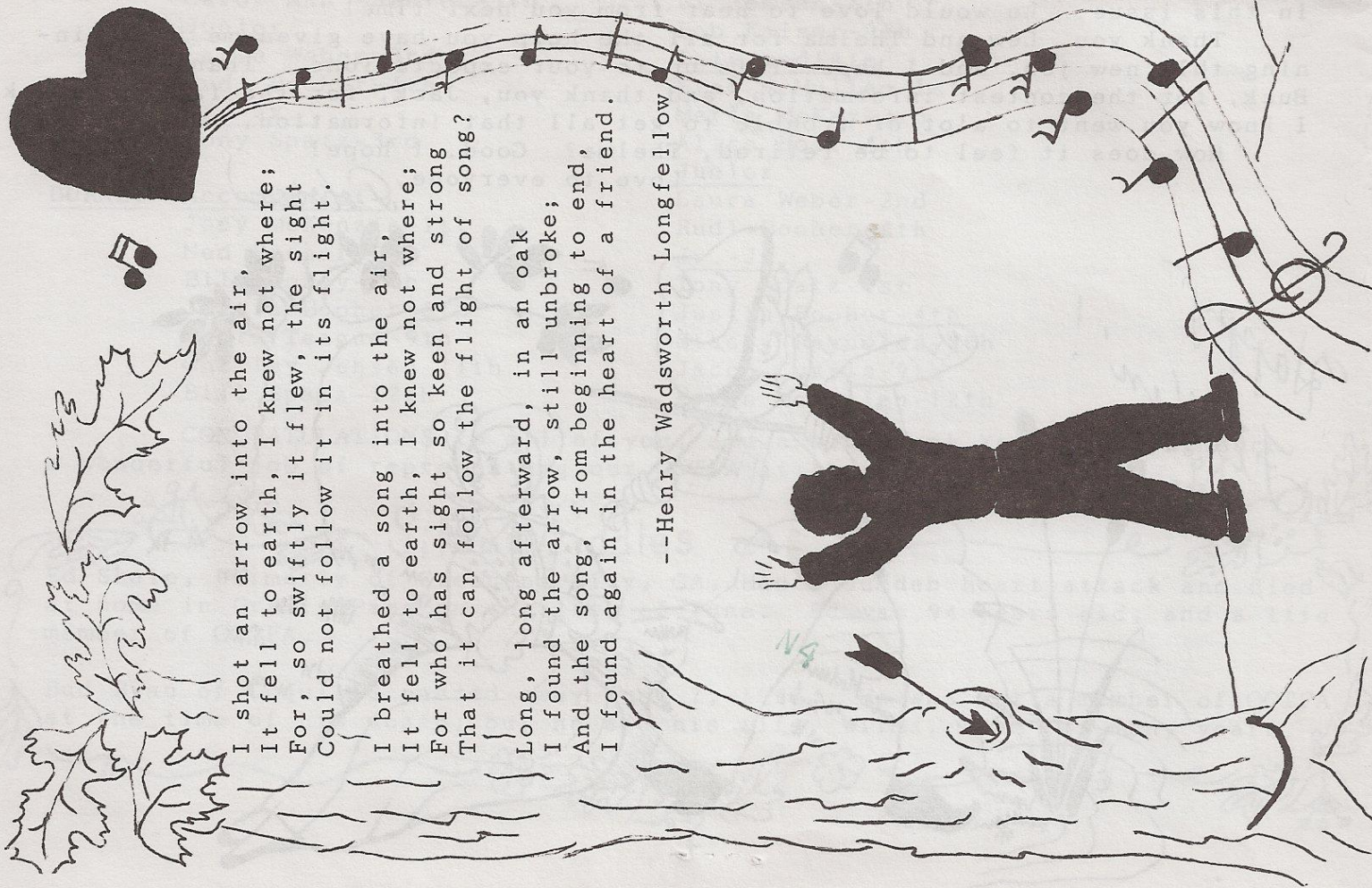
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I shot an arrow into the air,
It fell to earth, I knew not where;
For, so swiftly it flew, the sight
Could not follow it in its flight.

I breathed a song into the air,
It fell to earth, I knew not where;
For who has sight so keen and strong
That it can follow the flight of song?

Long, long afterward, in an oak
I found the arrow, still unbroke;
And the song, from beginning to end,
I found again in the heart of a friend.

--Henry Wadsworth Longfellow