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JULY 1988

COMING EVENTS		DISTRICT	
July	3	Jam, Talent Community Hall	Talent 4
	9	Smelt Fry	Yachats 8
	10	Jam, Bend Senior Center	Bend 3
	16	Garage Sale	Klamath Falls 1
	17	Jam, Klamath Falls Fairgrounds	Klamath Falls 1
	17	Bohemia Days Jam, Coiner Park	Cottage Grove 6
	17	Westernfest Fiddle Competition	Hillsboro
	19-24	Vernonia Campout	Vernonia 7
	24	Salmon Harbor Days	Winchester Bay 5
	25-29	Byron Berline/Hollis Taylor Workshop	Cannon Beach Portland U.
	30	Brooks Steamup	Brooks 8
	31	Coburg Golden Years	Coburg 6
Aug	6	Mill City Centennial	Mill City 8
	7	Jam, Stanton Park Picnic	Canyonville 4
	9-11	Carol Ann Wheeler Workshop Yoncalla High School	Yoncalla OOTFA
	17	Canby Fair	Canby 7
	27	Canyonville Contest	Canyonville OOTFA

(more contest dates & info inside)

LEW SEZ: I have come to appreciate the OREGON OLD TIME FIDDLERS'S ASSOCIATION and you the members even more during this past year. Your cooperation and willingness to serve the organization have been outstanding. It is a pleasure to work for you and with you. July 1st we start another year and the unknown adventures that lie ahead. There will be challenges for all of us. Let's approach them with an open mind with the good of the organization in our heart. Here's to another great year with your encouragement, support and help. I have enjoyed working with Gynn Deaton and Bob Fast. Bob Was VP this last year and Gynn has been sec-treas. for "a long time." They will be missed but now we turn to Lee Jones, our new sec-treas. and Shorty Dow the new VP. VERNONIA CAMP OUT. By the time that you read this, the campout will be just a few days away. Alice and I will have bought most of the groceries. Many other plans have been made so that we can have another fine camp out. (I won't be responsible for the weather.) You are invited to attend the camp out starting Wednesday, July 20th. We will be break down the camp on Sunday, the 24th. Feel free to attend all of these days or any parts of them. We will plan to hold a jam each evening. Breakfast will be served (hot cakes) Thursday, Friday, and Saturday mornings. Won't commit Sunday morning. You will be on your own for lunch each day. People always like potlucks so you are invited to participate in a "camp potluck" on Friday, and Saturday evenings about 6:00. Perhaps we can have some marshmallows in the evening around the camp fire. You will be on your own for hot dogs. Some of you might wonder how much it costs to attend. Several districts are contributing money to the camp out. This will keep the cost down. You will be asked to contribute to help cover the costs. Where else could you have such a good camp out with friends (and breakfast) for a five or ten dollar bill? This is a very positive experience for all of us. I hope that you will be there, too.

TO THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE OREGON OLD TIME FIDDLERS'S ASSOCIATION

Being president of this fine fiddlers' association has many pleasures. My purpose is to do those things and to make those decisions which are in the best interest of the membership in general. I am writing this letter to you to share some important information and to make a proposal. But first, we just completed what I think to be a very successful state fiddle contest. We must always strive to make it even better. Perhaps the greatest task in preparing a fiddle contest is working with the community where the contest is to be held. This year the two sponsors broke even. (A year ago they each went in the hole by \$600.00.) This year our organization spent approximately \$350.00 to help put on the contest. Last year we spent \$950.00. A number of things were done to help bring this about but the largest and perhaps the most important was to attract the paying public. Was it the weather that got them to attend this year? Was it because the contest was not on Mothers' Day week end? Was it the publicity? I don't believe that we can measure any of these areas. The best that we can do is to speculate.

Several of us met with a number of people from the community in Lebanon on June 6th to evaluate the 1988 contest and to plan for the 1989 contest. The enthusiasm is there. Our friends, the Loyal Order of the Moose Lodge #1866, are even more willing to see that Lebanon is the home of a fine state fiddle contest. The whole community, as I see it, wants to become more involved. This involvement has been expressed by an invitation to us from the Strawberry Festival Association to hold our state fiddle contest during the Strawberry Festival in Lebanon which is held the first week end in June each year.

At first this scared me and I didn't know just how to react to the proposal but then the positive aspects started coming forward. I will share some of them with you:

1. The Strawberry Festival attracts 20,000 to 40,000 people the week end of the Strawberry Festival. How many of them could we hope to attract to our contest? (We certainly wouldn't want all of them - just our share.)
 2. The Strawberry Festival Committee is willing to become an active participant by helping us acquire major sponsors - giving leadership in this area. This alone could change the scope of planning a contest.
 3. The association would advertise our contest in their ads for the festival in the three western states - with a budget of thousands of dollars. This would be at no cost to us. It certainly would give us good exposure.
 4. The Lebanon High School is dismissed at 1:00 (instead of 3:00) on Friday of the Strawberry Festival. This would allow the RV's to park earlier, it would let us into the high school two hours earlier to set up the PA system, to arrange the stage, to set up the judges' room, and to set up and register contestants.
- I wrote a letter to the contest committee in Weiser asking what the ramifications would be as this date change relates to the Weiser contest. I received a telephone call stating that it would cause no problem - that it would not deny any of our fiddlers participation in the Weiser contest. (Wyoming holds its contest the week end before Weiser.) This is not to say that the time line would not be restrictive for the winners at our contest. It would be tight but perhaps the over all success of the contest would be better.

(To the Membership, cont.)

Our bi-laws state that we are to hold our contest in May. I am proposing that we be allowed to pursue the proposal from the Strawberry Festival and that if the proposal is beneficial to the holding of a successful contest that we be allowed to suspend that part of the bi-laws for 1989 and hold the contest the first week end in June in 1989. I would take the proposal to the general membership through the Hoedowner, through the district chairman at our quarterly meetings, and by careful study of the advantages and disadvantages with a fiddlers' contest planning committee.

Our March convention is too late to make a decision for the 1989 contest but the issue would be brought up and discussed and action taken for future contests at that time. It would be important to have a "one year" trial and not a commitment until the 1989 contest was held and evaluated.

A decision must be made soon - before the first of October - if we are to change the contest to the June date. This is a bold proposal. I have spent many hours thinking about it and discussing it with people. Now I am sharing my thoughts and actions with you. I want everybody to know what I am doing as I pursue and study this proposal. Now it is your turn to share your thoughts with me. Please feel free to contact me to let me know what you think about this proposal.

Lew Holt, President
Oregon Old Time Fiddlers' Association

DISTRICT 1 (This is Louise's June report--the only one I didn't throw away--since Dist. 1 didn't send a report for July, I decided to print this one. DB)
CHAIRMAN-Lois Tucker; CO-CHAIRMAN-Johnny Gard; SEC/TREAS-Irene Ruddock

Hello, Friends! Glad to be one of you good folks out there. Want to say congratulations to the Booher family. "Wow!"--all those awards in one family.

July 16th (Saturday) will be our garage sale at Union Hall, IWOFF, 3836 Altamont Dr., Klamath Falls. Please bring your sale stuff on Friday, July 15th at 5:30 p.m.. Bring plenty of baked foods early Saturday a.m. the day of the sale. Sale starts at 10:00 a.m. and ends at 5:00 p.m.. Those helping come early.

Our sympathy to the Gene Lowe family in the loss of their loved one.

Prayers and best wishes to Minda Turner who had heart bypass surgery in Medford. Hang in there, Minda, we're pulling for you!

Well, good friends--it's time for me to turn this interesting job over to someone else. I have been making mistakes for you for a couple of years or so. Now it's time to get some new ideas. I have enjoyed it very much. Thanks for all your support. Naomi Voss at Bonanza, Oregon, will be District 1's reporter--I'm sure she will do a wonderful job. So now if any of you hear a Granny Goose talking on your CB radio--that's me--

* Louise Pollick, your past reporter

DISTRICT 3:

CHAIRMAN--Ches Fullerton; CO-CHAIRMAN--Bob Kitchens; SEC/TREAS--Betty O'Neal

Bob and I attended the Drain Quarterly meeting and enjoyed the Sat. afternoon jam at the RV Park and Sun. at the Drain Civic Center. Thanks!

We had a good-sized group at our monthly jam June 12th. Had 63 including our fiddlers. We missed our vacationing ones. We had a good showing of visitors, and we thank you all for coming. We also had some out of staters from Vancouver, WA, Tucson, AZ, and Lakewood, NM.

Happy Birthdays to: Lee Hanna, Betty Fullerton, Birdie Hawes, and Darrell Thompson, and Happy Anniversary to Dave & Kay Gutcher (25 yr.) and Bob & Billie Kitchens (37 yrs.).


Verna Walters returned to Bend in early June and would like to thank everyone for their prayers, thoughts and cards for Harvey.

Our congratulations to Tony Spatz for placing 1st in state and 3rd at Weiser in the Jr.-Jr. division., and to Don Hanna for winning 5th place in the Inter-

DISTRICT 3 (cont.):

mediate Div. at the state contest in Lebanon. On to Burns and good luck you 2.

PLEASE!! Anyone in our dist. knowing musicians who might be interested in joining OOTFA--contact them. Players all ages or non players--we need new members!

 Billie Kitchens, reporter

DISTRICT 4:

CHAIRMAN-Zelma Foote; CO-CHAIRMAN-Jim Winslow; SEC/TREAS-Mona Givens

Here it is--that time again so soon to be writing for the Hoedowner. I'm hoping by this time next month there will be a new reporter. I've done this for 2½ years--enjoyed it, but it's time for "new" news!

Our July 3rd jam will be at Talent Community Hall. Doors open at 10:30, potluck at noon and open to public at one.


Aug. 7th will be our annual picnic at Stanton Park at Canyonville. Further details in Aug. Hoedowner.

We played May 21 and 22 at Pioneer Days at Rogue Community College from 1-4. We were disappointed more from our northern part joined us, but we certainly appreciated Faye and Isom Patterson and Ann and Irven Johnson coming over from Dist. 1 to help us both days. Thanks a million, folks.

It was a whopping big jam at Drain June 5th for the quarterly meeting, too. Over 40 musicians signed up, so it was one tune the first round so everyone would have a chance to play. I believe we had members from all over the state. Thank you to Jack Walker for being MC for the afternoon. Those of us who camped the night before had an enjoyable time there, too.

We are running pretty "short-handed" here this week due to Weiser, vacations and illness, but the "show" has gone on. Hope all had a good time, and good health to those who are ill.

We are so very sorry about the untimely death May 12th of Gene Lowe. We will all certainly miss him and his beautiful piano and fiddle music. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to his wife Mary and other members of his family and friends.

 Dorene Winkelman, reporter

DISTRICT 5:

CHAIRMAN-Roy Zeigler; CO-CHAIRMAN-Russ Hall; SEC/TREAS-Dorothy Settle


District 5 was well represented at the state meeting in Drain. We all have a good time when our big fiddle family gets together.

June 10th through 12th Shorty and Charlotte Dow hosted the second annual Dist. 5 campout. About 65 members and friends attended for various lengths of time. Some came just for the day, some stayed the whole weekend. The weather was just perfect! Abbie Shaffar provided her famous hot cakes for breakfast. Cooked outdoors on a wood fired griddle, they are super! Many thanks to everyone who helped with cooking, fire tending and such. A big thank you to Dows for sharing their wonderful campground with the rest of us. We had potlucks, roasted marshmallows and wieners, and tried to decide who was the croquet champion. (Our mild-mannered president, and a few others, turn into aggressive competitors when they get a croquet mallet in hand.) Of course there was music all day and into the night. We all had tunes running through our heads as we went to sleep. The guitar players complained of sore fingers but they kept right on playing.

Welcome to our new chairman, Roy Zeigler and co-chairman, Russ Hall who take office July 1st. Many thanks to Al Lively and Lew Holt who have so capably run District 5 for several years.

In July we will not play at Greenacres the fist Saturday, as that is the 4th of July weekend.

July 24th at 1 PM is the jam at Winchester Bay for Salmon Harbor Days. This is our big event for the month. The proceeds go to OOTFA, so we strongly encourage visiting musicians from other districts to come and play.

 Alice Holt, reporter

DISTRICT 6:

CHAIRMAN-Mark Carmickle; CO-CHAIRMAN-Addie Gonshorowski; SEC/TREAS-Ila Mae Weber

Our May jam at Willamalane Sr. Center in Springfield had a packed floor full of dancers, and a stage full of musicians after a bountiful potluck lunch. Many good fiddlers, accompanied by a great back-up group filled the afternoon hours until lock-up time with great music.

DISTRICT 6 (cont.):

District Musicians have been busy, as usual, playing for the many local rest and retirement homes and other functions. One group earned \$25 for the district by playing for a Mother-Daughter potluck dinner. A small group earned \$150 for the district by playing at the Red Lion Inn for the W.W. I Vets banquet. A group played in Albany for the Quarter-Horse Show and earned the district \$100. (If they got that much for playing for the quarter-horses, think how much they would have eared if they had played for the WHOLE HORSE!!!!)

Many from our district attended the wonderful jam (and state meeting) held at Drain. Your local district representatives will convey information from the meeting to the members.

We are sorry to hear that Dale McCoy is limping around on crutches. We don't have the story straight yet whether he tried to kick Myrtle, or whether she kicked him in the shin before he got started.

By the time this goes to press, we will have had our 6th annual jam at Brownsville for their Pioneer Picnic Days in the city park. This is always a fun-filled event, but if I hear of anyone doing a rain-dance before the 19th and we get rained on like last year, their name will (appropriately) be MUDD.

Addie and Stan Gonshorowski will celebrate their 41st wedding anniversary on July 7th.

As you could guess from our past busy summers, July is full of events, so mark these dates on your calendar: to help Veneta celebrate their CRAZY DAZE, we will play in Richardson's Park on Fern Ridge Reservoir July 6 4th, for two sessions; 4-5 and from 6-7. Reach Richardson's Park (on the NW side of the lake) by the Clear Lake Road, west off Hwy. 99.

The fiddle show for Cottage Grove's BOHEMIA DAYS will be held at Coiner Park (coming from the north, follow hwy. 99 through town, make a left at the light-- Main Street--go 3-4 blocks--park is on the right) on July 17th from 4:30-6:30 PM. Musicians should arrive about a half hour early.

We will play from 3-5 PM July 31st for the COBURG GOLDEN YEARS (in Coburg). Follow the signs. For further details, call Jim Lockard.

The thurston Grange Fun Nite had it's last session until the 2nd Fri. in Sept. Congratulations to our new officers (listed above) and MANY THANKS to those who have served us well this past year.

Thelma Shephard, reporter

DISTRICT 7:

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

Our May jam in Beaverton had a crowd in excess of 250, in large part due to the promotional efforts and skills of Cactus Finley. Barney Alexander was presented with a birthday card signed by his numerous fiddling friends. Highlights included a great "Milk Cow Blues" performed by Rusty Modrell, an excellent banjo set from Bud Barnes, and a special appearance from George Washington, a guest fiddler. Kathleen Towers and Roger Gadway performed for the first time at a jam.

The June jam in Gladstone drew 24 performers including vocalist Dee Fry who received excellent backup from Bus Boyk and Barney Alexander. Jessica Brown, who studies with Eileen Witley, performed for the first time at a jam.

There will be no July or August jams because of the Campout and the fairs. The Canby Fair is Aug. 17th, 11:30 AM-1:00 PM, and in the evening from 7-8:30 PM

Hollis Taylor, reporter

DISTRICT 8:

CHAIRMAN-Les Johnson; CO-CHAIRMAN-Lee Jones; SEC/TREAS-Faythe Maahs

We had a good turnout to play at the Ellendale Winery at Rickreall Memorial Day weekend. We had a lot of fiddlers from our district, and a lot of help from other districts. Our state president Lew Holt and his wife Alice came to help, too. Our thanks to all of you.

On June 19th our jam was held at the Stayton Comm. Center. We had a good with 8 fiddlers and 8 specials. Jack and Hazel Walker and their family came to visit. Jack helped emcee.

June 25th we are asked to play for the Jordon Bridge Dedication.

July 9th will be the Smelt Fry at Yachats. We need help!

The fiddlers have been asked to play at the McMinnville Turkeyrama the same weekend.

The State Campout is July 19th-24th at Vernonia.

DISTRICT 8 (cont.):

Brooks Steamup is Sat day, July 30th.

August 6th is the Mill City Centennial jam. We will play on stage by the Mill City Middle School (just off Evergreen St.).

We wish June Andrew a speedy recovery after her fall at the McMinnville Grange Hall. She's up and walking, but with a severely bruised hip.

Jeanne Johnson, reporter



TRADITIONAL FIDDLE STYLES: Byron Berline and Hollis Taylor will teach this week-long course July 25-29 at the Haystack Program in the Arts at Cannon Beach. Call 464-4812 (in Portland) or 1-800-452-4909x4812 (in Oregon) for more information. Byron is a past National Champion at Weiser.

PINESONG--NW REGIONAL FIDDLE CONTEST: To be held at Spokane Falls Community College, Spokane, WA, July 8-9.

SCOTTISH FIDDLE COMPETITION AND WORKSHOP: Held at the Mt. Hood Community College in Gresham, OR, July 16th at 10:00 a.m. (in the gymnasium). Entry fee-\$5.00.

WESTERNFEST OLD TIME FIDDLE COMPETITION: July 17, sponsored by the Hillsboro Downtown Business Association. Entry open to Jr. Div. (17 and under) and Adult Div. (18 and over). Entry fee-\$3 for jrs. & \$5 for adults. Registration limited to first 5 paid entries in Jr. Div. and first 7 entries in Adult Div. All competitors will receive a prize. Top 3 finishers: Adult Div.: 1st-\$50; 2nd-\$40; 3rd-\$30. Jr. Div.: 1st-\$30, 2nd-\$20; 3rd-\$15. For more info. and a registration form, contact the Hillsboro Downtown Bus. Ass. at 144 E. Main, Hillsboro, OR 97123, or call 640-5936

SANTA ROSA OLD TIME FIDDLE CONTEST: Saturday, July 30, 1988, 10AM-6PM at the Sonoma County Frgrnds, on Hwy. 12 across from the Veterans Building in the Redwood Theatre. \$1500 in cash prizes. Info: Tim Rued 545-2218 or Gordon Hebert, 539-5574.



!!MISTAKE!! In the June Hoedowner Darren Reitan was listed as 6th in the Jr.-Jr. Division at the State Contest, and Erin McMullen's name was left out. She placed 6th and Darren was 7th. We are sorry, Erin and Darren--you both did a super job.

OREGON WINNERS AT THE NAT'L FIDDLE CONTEST IN WEISER, IDAHO--

- Open Div.-Joey McKenzie, 5th
 - Senior Div.-Bill Yohey, 2nd, Jim Hoots, 4th
 - Men's Div.-Dan Emert, 5th
 - Junior Div.-Laura Weber 5th, Rudi Booher, 6th
 - Jr.-Jr. Div.-Tony Spatz, 3rd
- If we have left anyone out, please let me know.

CONGRATULATIONS TO
 MATT HARTZ FOR WINNING
 THE NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP
 (MATT LIVES IN HOUSTON, TX)

FROM GYNN DEATON--

As most of you know, Canyonville's fiddle contest has a hard time making it financially. I'm not much of an "idea" person so various ways to cure this problem have not come to me. I have come up with one lately that I want to share with you and I want you to tell me if I am totally off base. I certainly don't want to offend anyone, so let me know how you feel.

I know many of you have fiddlers and others you would like to honor. Would you like to donate a trophy to the Canyonville Contest in memory of that person? For instance, I am going to donate one in memory of Gene Lowe. On the plate, it will say "In Memory of Gene Lowe"--Gynn Deaton. Are there others who would like to do this? Then, the donations I get from the Canyonville merchants can go for the cash prizes rather than the trophies and the prizes could be increased.

If you like this idea and wish to participate, please let me know up to July 25th. After that date, I must turn in my list to the trophy makers. Trophies are \$20.00 each.

Thank you very much.

Gynn Deaton, Director
 Canyonville Fiddle Contest
 P. O. Box 487
 Canyonville, OR 97417



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 WHOSE GOD IS THE LORD

PSALM 33:12

PLEASE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS:

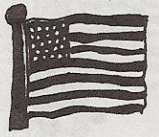
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7 Steve and Kathleen Towers, 7909 SW Birch, Tigard, OR 97223
6 John Turrentine, 38157 Weirick Dr., Lebanon, OR 97355
6 Marina Verde, 420 NW 7th, Corvallis, OR 97330
8 Robert and Lois Watts, 3382 Winslow Way NW, Salem, OR 97304
7 Wesley and Esther Weygandt, 14775 SW 76th, Tigard, OR 97223

Announcing...

CAROL ANN WHEELER will be giving a 2½ day workshop (fiddle) at the Yoncalla High School "Little Theatre" in Yoncalla, Oregon, August 9-11. The workshop will be geared toward the young fiddlers who have some knowledge of fiddling. Adults are also welcome, however. Parents desiring to help will be appreciated (watching the grounds, helping with clean-up, etc.). There will be a \$20.00 fee charged per student for tuition, which will go to the teacher. There is some parking at the school. The Mike Booher family welcomes families with RV's who would like to stay at their place. They have plenty of room. Anyone interested please call Michael and Dolores Booher at 849-2171, or write Rt. 2 Box 69, Yoncalla, OR 97499. The limit for the number of students in the class is 20, and we have 8 signed up, so let us know soon if you plan to come. (Note: classical violin students interested in fiddling are also very welcome.)

"Tommy had a fiddle too, and I don't know what there was he couldn't do
With yonder fiddle, the way it'd mock everything--it'd crow like a cock,
It'd hoot like a donkey, it'd moo like a cow; it'd cry like a baby,
It'd grunt like a sow, or a thrush, or a pigeon, or a lark, or a linnet,
You'd really a-thought they were living in it...but the tunes he was playin'--
that was the thing,--like squeezin' honey from the string;
Like milkin' a fiddle--no jerks, no squeaks--and the tears upon the mistress'
cheeks. She'd often stop him and ask would he change to a nice slow tune,
and Tommy would range up and down the strings, and slither into the key;
Then he'd feather the bow very fine, and a sort o' hum like a bee round a
flower, and out it'd come."

L.L.C. Koelle, "Music in Song" (London), 1888



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Gold Rush



Notation by Warren Colebank based upon Byron Berline's rendition of Gold Rush on one of Bill Monroe's LP Albums entitled "The Best of Bill Monroe". If you do not wish to play the double stops, omit the lower notes.