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SEPTEMBER 1989

COMING EVENTS			DISTRICT	
Sept	3	Jam, Vitality Center	Grants Pass	4
	4	Jam, VFW Hall	Bandon	5
	9	Meeting & Jam, Greenacres Grange	Greenacres	5
	10	Jam, Gladstone Senior Center	Gladstone	7
	16	Jam, Merril Recreation Hall	Merril	1
	16	Fun Festival Parade	Coos Bay	5
	17	Jam, Woodburn Grange	Woodburn	8
	17	Jam, Willamalane Senior Center	Springfield	6
	22-23	State Quarterly Meeting & Jam	Bend	OOTFA
	24	Harvest Festival Parade	Coos Bay	5
	30	Cranberry Festival	Bandon	5
Oct	1	Jam, Bandon Ocean Crest Gym	Bandon	5
	1	Jam, Youth Center	Canyonville	4
	14	Meeting & Jam, Greenacres Grange	Greenacres	5
	15	Meeting & Jam, American Legion	Lebanon	6
	21	Broadbent Grange (4-H)	Broadbent	5
	22	Jam, St. Helens Moose Lodge	Warren	7
Nov	12	Thanksgiving Dinner & Jam, Willamalane Sr. Cntr.	Springfield	6
	19	Jam, Elsie Stuhr Center	Beaverton	7
Dec	3	Christmas Jam, Moose Lodge	Lebanon	6
	17	Christmas Dinner & Jam, Gresham Sr. Center	Gresham	7
	10	Jam, McMinnville Grange	McMinnville	8

MARK'S REMARKS: Well gang, everyone has been as busy as bees playing at the fairs, picnics, benefits, festivals, contests and special events throughout the state. I dare say there's been more fine fiddlin' in Oregon during August than any other time of the year. A hearty thanks to all who participated and gave their time and effort to these events! We hope that many of you can make it to the state quarterly meeting in Bend on September 22nd and 23rd. For details, see District #3 report. See you there!

Mark Carmickle, President
Oregon Old-Time Fiddlers Assoc.

Dear Friends,

A special thank you to all who came to share in our wedding and jam and also to those who sent cards and best wishes. We love and appreciate you!

Mark and Ila Mae Carmickle

DISTRICT 1:

CHAIRMAN-Lois Tucker; CO-CHAIRMAN-Harold North; SEC/TREAS-Irene Ruddock

Saturday, Sept. 16, will be our regular jam at the Merrill Recreation Hall. Meeting at 6 PM, potluck at 6:30, jam at 7:00.

Merrill had a real experience in August--a tornado with winds and hail up to 100 mph.

Some of our people played at the dorm at OIT for 43 Japanese students who were here for a short time studying English.

Oct. 20 & 21 will be the Potato Festival in Merrill. The OTF will be playing in the parade which starts at 12:00 noon.

Don't forget the Clairmont House and nursing homes.

We had a good time at our picnic at the Merrill Park in August. Mr. & Mrs. Cooper from Grants Pass were our visitors--so good to have them.

Sorry to hear of Otis Osborne's passing. He was Lois Tucker's uncle.

Sandy Sandusky has been in the hospital for a operation--is home now and doing well. Irven Johnson continues to improve. Thank you for your prayers.

You can't keep trouble from coming, but you needn't give it a chair to sit on.

Naomi Voss, Reporter

DISTRICT 3:

(Billie--please state your district officers next time--thanks--Dolores)

We've had a busy month!!!

July 22nd, the fiddlers donated 3½ hrs. of good music at the High Desert Museum for the 3rd Annual Ruggers Rendezvous.

July 29th, five of our fiddlers donated an hour of music to the Children's Festival in Bend. Proceeds were donated to COBRA (Central Oregon Battery & Rape Alliance.)

Aug. 5th we played at Sunriver, and Aug 12th five of our musicians donated 2 hrs. of music at Bend Villa Retirement Center. In the evening 6 fiddlers played at Thousand Trails.

Aug. 13th a tired group of fiddlers entertained visitors at the Sunday jam. We had visitors from Salem, Stayton, Oakridge, Ft. Rock, OR, and Chico, CA. Bonnie Reed came over from Ft. Rock and played fiddle with our group. Thanks, Bonnie. Don & Bernice Hanson gave us a big surprise with Don playing a mean fiddle again. Don had a very severe heart attack in March.

Tom & Betty O'Neal's granddaughter Sandra Neely is here visiting from Daly City.

We would like to thank Amos & Bonnie Fine of Walla Walla, Wn. for joining us at Sunriver and our Tuesday nighters group of fiddlers.

We miss Orlo and Hazel Flock. Orlo hasn't felt like playing for a while. Also Birdie Hawes has been in the hospital but is feeling a little better.

Happy Birthday to Kay Gutcher and many more. No info on anniversaries for August.

Sept. 22-23 is the State Quarterly Meeting in Bend. Friday, Sept. 22, from 5:00-9:30 PM there will be a jam at the Bend Senior Center. Everyone please bring finger food for the break.

Sat., Sept. 23, the Center will open at 9 AM for a business meeting from 10:00-12:00 noon. Potluck at noon--jam at 1:30-5:00 PM. Please bring food ;and dessert. (Your own eating service, too). There will be RV parking space at our house if you wish. We will go to the Sr. Center at 5 PM. Your chairman has some maps for the senior center & our house. Anyone wishing to can jam at our house Fri. nite after the jam at the Sr. Hall--bring chairs to our house.

Bend Sr. Center--5th & Kearney Sts.--1 block north of Greenwood. Turn at bowling alley. DO NOT park in bowling alley parking lot. Parking area is behind Sr. Center & on street.

Billie Kitchens, reporter

DISTRICT 4:

CHAIRMAN-Don Luker; CO-CHAIRMAN-Bill Chunn; SEC/TREAS-Doris Barkley

Our annual picnic, Aug. 6th, turned into a weekend of music and fellowship. Ten RVs came to Stanton Park Saturday, where we camped together at a beautiful

DISTRICT 4 (cont.):

spot and played music late into the night. Sunday we had a delicious potluck and played music at the large covered picnic pavillion--out of the sun and with a cool breeze blowing through. Such a great place--we plan to reserve the same spot for our anual picnic next year. We were happy to have our friends, Isom and Faye Patterson from Dist. 1, Walt and Maxine Benson from Dist. 6, and the Doolittle's daughter, Sally Gene, from Washington as our guests. Although Clemmie McCasland didn't feel well enough to come to the picnic, Jack came for a ;short time and played some old favorite fiddle tunes.

We have played at the Cedar Links Golf Club, Hanley Farm, Rogue River Band Shell and Coyote Evans Park in Rogue River.

Sept. 3 jam will be at the Vitality Center in Grants Pass--early jamming, potluck at noon, open to the public at 1:00 PM.

Oct. 1 jam will be in Canyonville at the Youth Center, 1st & Pine st. Doors will open at 10:00 AM for early jamming--potluck at noon--open to the public at 1:00 PM. We hope to have a good turn out and visitors are always WELCOME.

Pauline Winslow, reporter

DISTRICT 5:

CHAIRMAN-Russ Hall; CO-CHAIRMAN-Shorty Dow; SEC/TREAS-Linda Carver

Reedsport/Winchester Bay Ocean Festival left good memories. In spite of conflicting dates with Vernonia, our Winchester Bay Grange Jam topped all of the past. Thanks to Jack Walker for em-ceeding, to the Booher family, and all guests for their input. It takes lots of participation to make a "happening" a success, and our fiddling family is the greatest!

Elks picnic in Florence was fun. Sixteen fiddlers and back-ups entertained a huge crowd. Your chairman did some p-r-ing, and a big jam at Florence Elks Club will be scheduled in the future.

Drug Abuse Benefit in Reedsport was well attended--a special effort for a very worthy cause.

Carl Dean could be named "the roving troubador from Dist. 5." Carl entertains patients in Bay General Hospital, one on one, and is a great source of comfort and pleasure to all. Thanks, Carl, for sharing your talents and your goodness with so many!

Deepest sympathy to Wilma Ryan for the loss of her youngest son, Michael. Our prayers are with you, Wilma.

Get Well to Leonard & Ione Olson. A car door was slammed on one of Ione's legs, causing deep lacerations and bruises. Leonard has been very ill, also. We miss you!

DATES TO REMEMBER;

Sept. 4--VFW Hall, Bandon--12:00-4:00 PM. We'll receive a donation, so ya'll come! Picnic--bring food.

Sept. 9--Greenacres monthly mtg. & music--11:00AM

Sept. 16--Fun Festival Parade--Coos Bay--on our float--10:00 AM/

Sept. 24--Harvest Festival--park in Myrtle Point--3:00-5:00--donation.

Sept. 30--Cranberry Festival Parade--Bandon--on float at 8:30 AM--music at Lions Park after parade.

Oct. 1--Jam at Bandon Ocean Crest Gym--1:00 PM.

Oct. 14--Greenacres Mtg. and music--11:00 AM.

Oct. 21--Broadbent Grange--for 4-H kids--5:00-10:00 PM.

Plus all scheduled nursing homes, etc. Fiddlers are busy!

Answer to trivia question:

Wilma Ryan, Dist. 5, created the first little fiddler. First drawing will be framed and on display soon. We're so proud of Wilma!

Elnora Jorren, reporter

DISTRICT 6:

CHAIRMAN-Jim Lockard; CO-CHAIRMAN-Allison Roberts; SEC/TREAS-Lucille Childers

Good weather blessed our 2nd attempt for the annual Fiddle Show in Cottage Grove, and, on Aug. 6th, musicians and audience gathered for a fun show in Coiner Park.

Aug. 13th we had our usual summer picnic in Island Park in Springfield with professionally barbecued hamburgers and hotdogs accompanied by all the usual potluck goodies. Chief chefs were Jim Lockard and Calvin Boyles

DISTRICT 6 (cont.):

who "officiated" at the BBQ. We enjoyed an afternoon of music before going home.

Also in Aug. we played at the Lane County Fair, in the courtyard by the museum. For a large part of the day we had all chairs full and a packed standing audience. We TRIED to quit for a couple of hours in the middle of our 10 to 7 stint, but the audience would not leave, so those who had already sneaked a bite to eat during the morning kept on playing so others could go and eat. We especially want to thank those from other districts who so graciously came and helped with the music--Dennis & Thelma Allen and Guy Kinman from Roseburg, Steve Fedorko from Salem, Rudi Booher from Yoncalla, and Fred Virtue from Coquille. Two "Thank You's" to Fred because I forgot to mention his help last year!

Backing up to July 29th, many friends and relatives gathered at Willamalane Senior Center, in Springfield, for the beautiful wedding of Ila Mae Weber and Mark Carmickle. After the service and a lovely potluck luncheon, fiddlers jammed all afternoon.

We played for the Western Oregon Exposition in Cottage Grove in late August. Different groups have also been very busy playing for the usual rest and retirement homes and for various summer picnics, etc.

Now let's look ahead. Our Sept. jam will be held on the 17th in Springfield at the Willamalane Senior Center. This is located at the end of C Street next to the river. After a 12 noon potluck (bring goodies and table service) we will jam at 1:00.

The Oct. 15th jam will be at the American Legion lodge in Lebanon. We will meet at 10:00 AM for a business meeting (PLEASE BE THERE) and the lodge will serve us lunch at 1:00. We will continue to jam the rest of the afternoon.

Our Thanksgiving Dinner jam will be back at Willamalane Senior Center in Springfield on Nov. 12th.

Dec. 3rd we will hold our Christmas jam at the Moose Lodge in Lebanon. Mark these on your calendars and plan to make this year a great one.

Our new officers are starting out the year by doing a great job, but they need all your help, too, because it takes all of us to make it the best.

Joy Halliwell's husband had open heart surgery at Sacred Heart Hospital in Eugene during the 3rd week in Aug. He had by-pass surgery, and we hope by now he's home, better than ever. Vilas Sansom had his second cataract surgery Aug. 16th and is getting along fine. This time a lot of old scar tissue was also removed, so it took a couple of days for the swelling to go down enough to peek through.

Now for some good news--Myrtle McCoy's hand made afghan earned a red ribbon for her at the Lane County Fair!

Thelma Shephard, Reporter

DISTRICT 7:

CHAIRMAN--Carl Helgerson; CO-CHAIRMAN--Joe Hamm; SEC/TREAS--Myrtle Arnold
Sept. 10--Jam at Gladstone Senior Center--1050 Portland Ave.

Oct. 22--Jam at St. Helens Moose Lodge--near Warren

Nov. 19--Jam at Elsie Stuhr Adult Center--Beaverton

Dec. 17--Christmas Dinner and jam at Gresham Senior Center.

I thank Dulcie Fast for allowing me to be reporter this month. Also, I know I have all of Dist. 7's thanks to our outgoing officers--Penny Walter and "Cactus" Finley. Also to Myrtle and Red Arnold and Dulcie Fast and our new vice-chairman, Joe Hamm and our working "backboners" who are staying on.

I'd like also to thank the people of Dist. 7 who trusted and elected me to this job. Already it's a very rewarding challenge.

I can't say much about the Campout as I drove up there and back the same day. I did have a wonderful time jamming and a nice potluck dinner and rekindled some old friendships. Our own Red Arnold had been there on Wednesday and brought our PA system. He has hauled it around along with our coffee pot and kitchen supplies for 5 years now with never a whimper. Surely there is someone out here in Dist. 7 who will take the coffee pot and kitchen supplies. It's not that much trouble and it's rewarding, also.

DISTRICT 7 (cont.):

When you read this my first show at the Canby Fair will be history. We're going to do our best, always.

Dist. 7 invites people from all Districts to stop by and visit.

Remember--Sept. 10th, Gladstone Senior Center. Open 10:00 AM--potluck at noon--program at 1:00 PM. SEE YOU THERE!

Carl Helgerson, District 7 Chairman

DISTRICT 8:

CHAIRMAN-Dave Robinson; CO-CHAIRMAN-Leonard Maahs; SEC/TREAS-Donna Oldham

We had a good turnout for the Antique Powerland at Brooks. The weather was fine. Thanks to everyone that played. It was a very enjoyable day.

We also played at two fairs--Yamhill County and Rickreal. There was a little bad weather at Yamhill. Though it was wet and muddy the musicians were all good sports, and played under a tent. Many thanks from District 8. We had good weather and a good turnout at the Rickreal Fair, though not too many musicians. It was a good show, and thanks to all that played.

Our next jam will be at the Woodburn Grange Sept. 17th. Doors open at 10:00 AM, potluck at 12:00 noon. Bring your own table service, please. PLEASE COME EARLY for the BUSINESS MEETING at 11:00 AM.

On Oct. 15th our jam will be at the Willamina VFW Hall in Willamina.

Nov. 12th we will play at the Woodburn Grange in Woodburn.

Our Dec. jam will be on the 10th at the McMinnville Grange in McMinnville.

Dave, our chairman, is very ill with spinal problems and has severe arthritis in his back and legs. He is out of the hospital, but not able to get around much.

Jeannette Robinson, reporter

CONGRATULATIONS TO JUSTIN BOOHER FOR WINNING THE OPEN DIVISION AT THE SISKIYOU GOLDEN FAIR FIDDLE-OFF, Aug. 12, 1989 at YREKA, CA

The YONCALLA FIDDLE WORKSHOP was a wonderful success, thanks to Carol Ann Wheeler, Buck Milligan, the Booher family for providing a place for the students to stay, and Paula Reynolds, Susie Milligan, and Faythe Maahs for their help in the kitchen.

Several styles of fiddling were demonstrated during the workshop, including old-time, Canadian, Irish, contra, and Texas. Rudi Booher was Carol Ann's able assistant with Justin Booher and Stacey Reynolds as "TAINTS" (teacher's assistants in training). There were a total of 20 students.

To top off the 5 days of classes, the students and teacher's assistants, under Carol Ann's organization, put on a show demonstrating what they had learned with special tunes played by Carol Ann & Linda Danielson, Rudi & Justin Booher and Stacey Reynolds. Special treats were a clog dance by Carol Ann & Benjamin Booher, and a polka by Justin & Meriwyn Booher. The audience was small but appreciative, and were from the Yoncalla & Drain vicinity.

It is hoped that a 1990 Yoncalla Fiddle Workshop will be scheduled. It will be announced as soon as possible.

SHERMAN SCHAPIRO, Co-director of the Annie & Mary Day OTF Contest, Blue Lake, CA reports that the contest was a great success, with over 1200 spectators coming and going throughout the afternoon of Aug. 6, 1988. Contestants from Oregon were: Jennifer Jaseau, 7, Ashland, 10th in the PeeWees, and Bunky McFee, Woodburn, 4th in the Open Division. Sherman reports that another contest will be held on Sunday, Aug. 5th, 1990, and will be sending more info next spring.

FROM YOUR EDITOR:

I am sorry this Hoedowner is so late, but we have been so busy here I had a difficult time finding the opportunity to get it together. It has been an immensely rewarding experience, and I'm so glad Lew talked me into the job two years ago. It was wonderful working with him and Alice, and I would have enjoyed working with Mark, but just can't find the time in our busy schedule to

OREGON OLDTIME FIDDLERS ASSOCIATION
FINANCIAL STATEMENT
(ANNUAL)

For period 1 July 1988 to 30 June 1989

CASH IN BANK June 30, 1988 \$1062.51

INCOME

Vernonia Campout	693.00
Decals	21.00
Rosters	203.00
Fairs	1415.00
Commissions	33.00
20% from District Jams	781.53
Donations	177.00
Member Dues	6516.50
State Contest	4577.50
State Convention	4850.00
Miscellaneous (Elks Show, Des- ignated funds etc)	1590.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$20848.02

Beginning Balance plus
Total received \$26910.53

EXPENDITURES

Vernonia Campout	371.62
Miscellaneous	1933.23
Supplies	351.61
Telephone	223.57
Printing & Postage	481.40
Mileage	842.50
Roster Expense	319.95
Contest Expense	5033.75
Convention Expense	5320.09
Audit	250.00
Insurance	309.00
Hoedowner (Postage)	2392.90
Hoedowner (Printing)	4109.11
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$21938.73

Ending Balance plus
total expense \$26910.53

CASH IN BANK June 30, 1989 \$4971.80

MONTHLY STATEMENT

For Period 30 June 1989 to 31 July 1989

CASH ON HAND 30 June 1989 \$4971.80

INCOME

20% District Jams	47.80
Rosters	8.00
Decals	5.50
Commissions	8.00
Membership Dues	96.00
Vernonia Campout	385.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$550.30

Cash on hand plus
total income \$5522.10

EXPENSES

Telephone	39.98
Printing & Postage	35.00
Contest Expense	25.00
Convention Expense	285.00
Hoedowner (Postage)	182.75
Hoedowner (Printing)	390.45
Vernonia Campout	375.42
Replacement of lost check	15.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$1348.60

Cash on hand plus
total expenses \$5522.10

CASH ON HAND 31 July 1989 \$4173.50

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TUNE OF THE MONTH

Liberty Two Step

(Courtesy of *Anthology of Fiddle Styles* by David Reiner, a Mel Bay Publication)

Liberty is another nice old-timey double fiddle tune. It works well in a medley with Mississippi Sawyer, since their A parts have the same chords. When the second fiddler is not playing exact harmony as is written here, he may play chords using the Nashville shuffle. This is known as "seconding", and is not so easy to do well.

Melody $\text{♩} = 138$

Harmony

The musical score consists of four systems of two staves each. The top staff is labeled 'Melody' and the bottom staff is labeled 'Harmony'. The tempo is marked as $\text{♩} = 138$. The key signature has one flat (B-flat). The first system shows the beginning of the piece with a 'D' chord above the first measure. The second system has 'A7' and 'D' chords above the first two measures. The third system has 'A7' and 'V' chords above the first two measures. The fourth system has 'A7' and 'D' chords above the first two measures. The melody features various fiddle techniques such as slurs, accents, and grace notes. The harmony part provides a steady accompaniment with chords and single notes.