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COMING	EVENTS		DISTRICT
Oct	1 Jam, Youth Center	Canyonville	4
	1 Ocean Crest Gym	Bandon	5
	8 Jam, Senior Center	Bend	3
	14 Meeting and Jam, Greenacres Grange	Greenacres	5
	14 Birthday Celebration, Thriftway	Veneta	6
	15 Meeting and Jam, American Legion Hall	Lebanon	6
	15 Willamina VFW Hall	Willamina	8
20,	21 Merrill Potatoe Festival	Merrill	1
	21 Jam, Merrill Recreational Hall	Merrill	1
	21 Broadbent Grange (4-H Benefit)	Broadbent	5
	22 Jam, St. Helens Moose Lodge	Warren	7
	28 Benefit, Dinner, Willamina Grade School	Willamina	8
Nov	5 Jam, Grange	Central Point	4
	12 Thanksgiving Dinner & Jam, Senior Center	Springfield	6
	12 Woodburn Grange Hall	Settlemeier and 214	8
	19 Jam, Elsie Stuhr Adult Center	Beaverton	7
Dec	3 Jam, Christmas Party	Talent	4
	3 Christmas Jam, Moose Lodge	Lebanon	6
	10 McMinnville Grange Hall	McMinnville	8
	16 Christmas Party		1
	17 Christmas Dinner & Jam, Gresham Sr. Center	Gresham	7

MARK'S REMARKS: The quarterly state meeting at the Bend Senior Center is history. There were no earth shaking decisions made, however there was a lively discussion of several items of interest to our membership. Among those items discussed were Twin-Fiddle Rules for the contest, registration of accompany musicians, recording or video taping of state or district functions, and the Lincoln City Elks fiddle contest. Also discussed were convention activities and the state contest last June. State finances were discussed and some recommendations will be made to the convention concerning same. There were a lot of good ideas and information offered by the Board members and state officers and all will be reviewed and considered as we begin to make our decisions on these matters. All districts reporting have indicated very busy schedules this summer and well into the fall season.

MARK'S REMARKS (Cont'd)

Our new Hoedowner editor, Barbara Garcia, was present and requests that your district reports be in by the 20th of each month. No Problem...O.K.! "Happiness is a Hoedowner on the first of the month".

Mark Carmickle, President
Oregon Old-Time Fiddlers Assoc.

DISTRICT 1:

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

Everyone is doing well here in District 1. We had an excellent jam in September. If you weren't there, we are sorry. So good the have alter and Zelma Foote from Central Point, District 4, with us.

Our fiddlers have been busy. One of the interesting events we played for was 2000 bicyclists. Members of Oregon Cycle II made a trip from Portland to Fort Klamath. We trust they had a good trip and got home before the rain. The Lakeview Jam has temporarily been canceled.

October 20th and 21st is the Merrill Potatoe Festival. Our float will be in the parade which starts at 12 noon, the 21st. If you are planning to be on the float, please be at Isom Patterson's home at 11 am.

Saturday, October 21st, will be our regular meeting at 6 pm, potluck at 6:30 and jam at 7:00. Merrill Recreational Hall.

Call Al Nelson, 883-2427, if you have any questions or can help at the Clairmont House. Harold North, 882-8772, is in charge of the nursing homes.

December 16th has been scheduled for our Christmas party. Be sure to mark your calendar.

Congratulations and welcome to four new members: Fred and Cindy Pigott and Ted and Anne Roller.

Happy to welcome our new Editor, Barbara Garcia from Eugene, and a "Thank You" to Dolores Booher.

Visits always give pleasure - if not the coming, then the going.

Naomi Voss, Reporter

DISTRICT 3:

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

By the time you read the Hoedowner we hope you have all enjoyed a trip to Bend to our State Quarterly Meeting.

August 25th we played for Prineville Back to School Days.

September 3rd our fiddlers tuned up for old-time fiddling at La Pine Chili Cook-Off and we were invited back to play next year.

September 10th we played at Juniper Park in Bend for the Airlife Patients Reunion Picnic. We also have a date set to play for Airlife again next year.

Our September jam was cancelled due to palying for Airlife and our Sept. Quarterly Meeting in Bend.

Tony Spatz won 2nd Place in Open Division in the Canyonville Fiddle Contest. Again we congratulate you, Tony, on a job well done.

Don Hanson and Orlo Flock are still not able to attend our jams. Our thoughts and prayers are with them. Don attended our August jam, but hasn't felt very good lately.

Anniversaries in September were Ches and Betty Fullerton, 43 years, and Hollis and Carol Real, 44 years. Birthdays were Bill Spatz, and Hollis Real. Many more happy ones.

Our next jam is October 8th at Bend Senior Center.

Happy fiddling and Good hunting!!!

Billie Kitchens, Reporter

DISTRICT 4:

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

Canyonville Fiddle Contest is behind us now, with a good attendance and fun for all. Names of winners will be elsewhere in the Hoedowner.

Walter Foote and James Winslow played several hymns for the Tri City Baptist Church on Sunday and received recognition for District 4 Scholarship Fund.

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Warwick's Campout always draws a crowd...64 R.V.s at the peak. Have heard many good reports from those who attended.

Sept. 3 Jam at Vitality Center in Grants Pass was well attended, with a capacity crowd of dancers and listeners. Our musicians were very special--ranging from 7 years old, Jenny Jaseau and Darren Reitan, to Jack McCasland, and many more good fiddlers and back ups in between.

We are busy with providing music at Nursing Homes and Senior Centers. We also played at the Domiciliary in White City and for the Retired Teachers Association at Nendels.

Tex Looper has had his hip surgery and is recuperating at his son's place in White City. John Baldwin had surgery on Sept. 13th and is in I.C.U. at R.V.M. Hospital.

Our next Jam will be Oct. 1 in Canyonville at the Youth Center. Nov. 5 Jam will be at the Central Point Grange. Downstairs will be ready for us a little after 11 AM: potluck at noon--open to the public at 1 PM. Dec. 3 Jam will be our Christmas Party to be held at Talent Community Center. More about that in Nov. Hoedowner.

Thinking ahead, we will have Feb. 1990 Jam and July 1990 Jam at Talent.

I forgot to mention that it is always a pleasure to welcome guests and we enjoyed Wally Bloom, District 6, at our Sept. Jam with his lively Canadian touch.

Pauline Winslow, Reporter

DISTRICT 5:

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

August was a busy month, and September is no slouch, either, for District 5 fiddlers! If you didn't attend the many activities in August, you missed a lot of music and fun.

Our Chairman, Russ Hall, had a mishap at work Aug 28, resulting in a session with a cast on his right foot and leg and brace on his left wrist. He's recovering nicely, and will be liberated from the cast on Oct. 3rd Russ says "thanks" to all who helped him through this period.

Bouquet of roses to Elwood and Helen Serfass and Dorothy and John Settle for their many hours of thought and work, as committee chairpersons for our new float. Fun Festival Parade, Coos Bay, Sept. 16, found our float decorated as a huge children's birthday cake, and loaded with fiddlers and back-ups. Thanks to Pat Kraemer for pulling us. Our next parade is Cranberry Festival in Bandon Sept. 30th.

District 5 congratulates Dolores Booher for a job well done as Hoedowner Editor, and welcome aboard to Barbara and Mike Garcia, Eugene, for undertaking the job for OOTFA. Thanks!

Dates to remember: Oct. 1--Ocean Crest Gym, 1:00-4:00 PM. Oct. 14--Green Acres Meeting and Music, 11:00 AM. Oct. 21--Broadbent Grange 5:00-10:00 PM (Benefit for 4-H Kids). Plus all care centers and nursing home entertainment.

Elnora Jorren, Reporter

DISTRICT 6:

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

September 17th was a return to Willamalane Senior Center in Springfield for a great potluck and jam. We had a big crowd of dancers and "listeners", for the afternoon of good music.

Our musicians have been especially busy with nursing homes, retirement centers, barbecues and picnics. Even more are on the agenda for as long as the great weather holds out, then it will be all indoors for the winter months. Musicians also played for the Coburg Antique Fair, Nutrition Center's annual picnic, Veneta Lioness picnic, recreation centers, church BBQ's and Grange dances (among other places).

Our October 15th jam will be at the American Legion Hall in Lebanon. They always feed us a wonderful lunch before the afternoon jam. Get there by 10 a.m. so we can have a DISTRICT MEETING before lunch. We need plenty of

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cooperation and input at our meetings because it is YOUR district and we want YOUR ideas.

November 12th we will have our Thanksgiving Dinner and jam at Willamalane Senior Center in Springfield. More details about that next month.

Our December meeting will be at the Moose Lodge Hall in Lebanon on the 3rd. They, also, furnish lunch for us.

Many friends and fiddlers (or should I say "friendly fiddlers"?) met in the Rec. Room of the Springlane Trailer Court September 16th to help Walt Orr celebrate his 80th birthday. Congratulations, Walt! You look great!

Hank Napier is just now getting over his second cataract surgery and ready to pick and grin again.

We are also sorry to hear that Alex Paladujczuk is ill again. I believe he will be home by the time you get this, but on a respirator. Hope to see you both up and well soon, Alex, and Betty.

Among the sad news is the fact that Grace and Purl Fox have moved out of our district. Good news is for District 8, because they live up there, now. They have always been staunch supporters of our district and all its activities, and put in many long hours through the years helping out here and there.

HELP! HELP! Someone left a glass pie plate after the potluck at Willamalane on Sept. 17th. It went home with Allison Roberts and she is giving it loving care until its parents can be located.

Mark all the up-coming jam dates on your calendar and don't forget. See you there.

NEWS FLASH!! We will be playing in the Thriftway Grocery Store parking lot at the corner of Territorial Road and Highway 126 from 12:00 to 2:30 PM Saturday, October 14, for the store's birthday celebration.

Thelma Shephard, Reporter

DISTRICT 7:

CHAIRMAN-Carl Helgerson; CO-CHAIRMAN-Joe Hamm; SEC/TREAS-Myrtle Arnold

October 22nd Jam--Going from Portland to St. Helens--turn right on Bennett Road at Warren--across RR track and left on Old Portland Road for 1/2 mile. Lodge is on left.

Our shows at the Clackamas County Fair at Canby was a big success. I was very happy with them. Our Sept. 10th Jam at Gladstone was a big success also, although some of our good fiddlers were absent. We had 29 players and a very attentive and appreciative audience.

We wish to thank Wally Bloom from Veneta and our new State Editor, Barbara Garcia from Eugene, who were up and played with us. So nice to have them. Wally, as always, put on an outstanding performance.

Wayne Holmes wishes to thank those who called and visited and sent cards to him during his recent surgery.

O.K. Gang: Remember--October 22nd. 11:AM, jam--12 noon, Potluck--1:PM, we play.

Reporting--Carl Helgerson

DISTRICT 8:

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

Our Jam at Woodburn was great. We had a very nice crowd and 33 Events. Everyone enjoyed the day, and the good food.

District 8 has certainly been extremely busy this Spring and Summer, so many things to do. They have been playing for Fairs, Benefits, Nursing Homes and Jams. Thanks to each and everyone.

Without you our Musicians and our Audience we would not have the enjoyment and fun we do have. Musicians keep up the good work.

Our next Jam will be at Willamina VFW Hall on Sunday Oct. 15th. Doors open at 10 o'clock. Potluck at 12 o'clock noon. Show for the Public at 1 o'clock.

Coming Events: Oct. 15th--Willamina VFW Hall, Willamina; Nov. 12th Wodburn Grange Hall, Settlemier and 214; Dec. 10th--McMinnville Grange Hall,

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McMinnville.

We have a call for some Musicians to play for a Benefit on Oct. 28th at Willamina Grade School. 6:30 pm dinner. And they also will have an Auction as they want to raise a good sum of money to help Merle Olsen Jr. He has a catastrophic disease. It would be appreciated if we could have a good group out for this Benefit.

Jeanette Robinson, Reporter

Vi and Charlie Jensen have moved from Coburg to Independence. Their new address and phone number are as follows: 141 S. 17th, Sp. 12-A, Independence, Oregon, 97351, 838-6518.

OREGON BOASTS three winners at the Siskiyou Golden Fair Fiddle Off, Aug 12th at Yreka, CA. They are: Darren Reitan (3rd place, Jr. Jr.), Alma Reitan (4th place, Adult), and Justin Booher (1st place, Open). Justin also was the winner in the Open Competition for Show Tune. Congratulations, Darren, Alma, and Justin. Rudi Booher, Shelley Johnso, and Robert Strawn were judges.

I received a letter and membership application form from a newly formed group, the Southwest Bluegrass and Old-Time Music Festivals Association They are basically "a central clearing house for information covering all aspects of this type of music" and will be sending out newsletters and a calendar of events. Anyone who is interested can contact me for a copy of the letter and the Membership Application. --Barbara--

PLEASE WELCOME THESE NEW MEMBERS:

- F. Wayne Barrett, Festival Committee Blythe Chamber of Commerce, 201 South Broadway, Blythe, CA, 92225
- Jo Booser, 25285 Walker Road, Bend, OR, 97701
- Frank and Freida L. Chandler, 2149 Willona Drive, Eugene, OR, 97401
- Bob and Karen Clark, 107 N E Jackson, Grants Pass, OR, 97526
- Sally Gene DeBriae, P O Box 1698, Kent, WA, 98042
- Art De Rosia, 5105 S W Rosewood, Lake Oswego, OR, 97035-5326
- Jack and Judy Gent, 1410 Playford Lane, Grants Pass, OR, 97527
- James F. Ginger, P O Box 161, Bandon, OR, 97411
- Harold T. Hartley, P O Box 2285, Winston, OR, 97496
- Ruth Holmes, 1635 South 16th St., Coos Bay, OR, 97420
- George and Christine Irby, 29360 Santiam Hiway, Lebanon, OR, 97355
- Joe and Odetta Levine, P O Box 332, Rogue River, OR, 97537
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- Karl and Mary Ann Minich, P O Box 21, Gresham, OR, 97030
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- Fred and Cindi Pigott, 7102 Ruth Court, Klamath Falls, OR, 97603
- Beryl Roberts, 1555 Coburg Road, # 1, Eugene, OR, 97401
- Ted and Anne Roller, P O Box 853, Merrill, OR, 97633
- Lewis and Genevieve Staniford, 934 S Main, Sp 18, Independence, OR, 97351
- Richard and Irene Strahm, 1486 La Mesa, Medford, OR, 97504
- Robert A. Wearne, 1510 Emray Drive, Eugene, OR, 97405



FROM THE EDITOR: I am very happy (I think) to be entrusted with this big job. Many thanks to our former editor, Dolores Booher, for a fantastic job, for her loyalty and dedication -- it's a hard act to follow. Thank you to everyone who has offered me their best wishes (and condolences), and to my husband Mike who has offered his help and support. Please, please have patience with me until I get the hang of the thing. Thank you very much.
Barbara Garcia

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU to everyone who participated in the Canyonville Pioneer Days Oldtime Fiddle Contest, the fiddlers, many back-ups, the workers, and all you listeners. Hey, we had a great audience, didn't we? The largest crowd we've had in years.

The weather cooperated and produced a lovely, mild day. We had forty-two fiddlers and they were all winners. I just wish I could have given you all a prize. The scores were so close.

It takes a bunch of us who don't perform to help put on a good show. Those very important workers were:

<u>Emcee</u> Jack Walker	<u>Judges</u> Bill Yohey Ray Krogstad Buck Milligan	<u>Judge's Helpers</u> Vera Virtue Doris Barkley Barbara Garcia
<u>Photographer</u> Hazel Walker	<u>Ticket Table</u> Joyce Grissom Pauline Winslow	<u>Scoring Table</u> Martha Warwick Etta Powell
<u>Registration</u> Neva Flood Martha Warwick	<u>Runner</u> Shorty Dow	<u>Accompanist Judges</u> DeeDee Kaiser Zelma Foote
<u>Sound</u> Tom Barkley Don Luker	<u>Concessions</u> Tillie McFee	<u>Sales</u> Charlotte Dow Lew Holt Bunky McFee

Thanks to all of you guys and gals. Hope I didn't forget anyone. And to everyone who did the wonderful special numbers, a special "Thanks." We're grateful to District #4 for providing the sound system.

Now, for the results of the contest: Like I said, everyone who entered were winners in my book. The ones who took home prize money and trophies are listed below:

<u>JUNIOR-JUNIOR</u> 1. Jennifer Heacock 2. Darren Reitan 3. Brendan Boohar 4. Meriwyn Boohar 5. Hannehe Cassel	<u>JUNIOR</u> Justin Boohar	<u>SENIOR</u> Guy Kinman Bob Kaiser Leonard Maahs Bob Fast Bill Christian
<u>INTERMEDIATE</u> 1. Kathleen Towers 2. Mike Boohar 3. Clyde Pugh 4. Dorothy Cory 5. Fran Thiesen 6.	<u>OPEN</u> Rudi Boohar Tony Spatz Eileen Witler Starr McMillen Tom Dillon Homer McLain	<u>ACCOMPANIST</u> Ned Boohar Dennis Allen Bob Huffman Vic Flood Rudi Boohar

We hope everyone had fun. We enjoyed putting it together one more year and hope we have many more years ahead of us to keep the contest going.

Jim and Gynn Deaton
Canyonville, Oregon

I tried my best with my son. I taught him to always tell the truth, to avoid bad company, and to respect the value of an honest dollar. After all that, he became a lawyer.

They say the cars of the future will run on water. Knowing my brother-in-law, his BMW will run on Perrier.

Status symbols seem to mean everything to my



daughter. Even her biological clock is a Rolex.

She once dated a tractor salesman, but they broke up. I guess she sent him a John Dear letter.

My cousin works for a microchip company. He says they're so successful they're moving to smaller quarters.

You know you are a compulsive gambler when you win the lottery and ask to go double-or-nothing.

Even the IRS is becoming kinder and gentler. I got a notice from them saying, "Please drop in at your earliest convenience this afternoon."

McDonalds has just reached a reciprocal agreement with the Soviet Union. We get to open a series of hamburger restaurants in Moscow, and they get to open a chain of stores in New York with empty shelves.

I once wanted to work in advertising, but I passed the lie detector test.

My friend's solution for the national deficit is very practical. He would send a check to everyone we owe, tell them it's in the mail, then do away with the postal service.

A recent military press release reveals that we've succeeded in baffling our enemies. They have no idea which of our weapons will actually work.

After a lot of thought, I think I found the source our military spending problem. It goes back to the Lone Ranger and those silver bullets.

How many Pentagon workers does it take to screw in a light bulb? Just one, but



they pick a guy who has very careful hands — the bulb cost \$16,000 dollars.

How many Exxon executives does it take to screw in a light bulb? Twelve — one to do the work and eleven lawyers to claim it had no effect on the environment.

How many college football players does it take to screw in a lightbulb? Just one, but it's worth three credits.

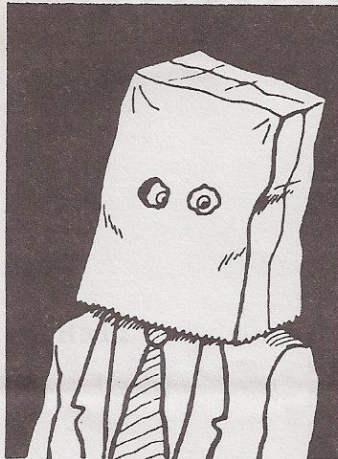
The new fax machines are revolutionizing the way people

communicate. It figures — I was just getting the hang of carbon paper.

Would the world be any different if Moses had had a fax machine?

From a church bulletin: "There will be meetings at the south and north ends of the church this afternoon. Children will be baptized at both ends."

I'm just not a very lucky person. After all these years, I finally won a contest — the



judges chose me as the best Salman Rushdie look-alike.

Ignace Paderewski, the famed Polish pianist, had just finished another brilliant performance when a fan said to him, "I'd give my life to play like that."

The pianist replied, "I did."

Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work. — *Thomas Edison*

Broker: what you become when you invest money in the stock market.

I know a cattle rancher who lost his acreage and moved to the city. I think he's having a hard time adjusting. When I asked about his new apartment, he described it as "a twentieth of an acre with two head of poodle."

Farmers are talking about forming a national union modeled after the A.F.L.-C.I.O. They'll call it the E.I.E.I.O.

A salesman traveling down a country road was startled when a three-legged chicken passed him going more than



sixty miles-per-hour. Amazed, he followed the chicken's trail of dust to a farmhouse which was surrounded by dozens of similar birds.

"Chickens with three legs!" exclaimed the wide-eyed traveler to the farmer. "Where do you get them?"

"We invented the breed ourselves," replied the farmer proudly. "There never seems to be enough drumsticks to go around, and we want to be the first ones to solve that problem."

"Incredible! And do they taste about the same?"

"Well, we don't know," answered the farmer. "We haven't caught one yet."

My friend constantly confuses me. He used to complain that he would wake himself up with his own snoring. Now he says he's fixed the problem by moving to another room.

Foreign investment in this country is so pervasive! Money still talks, but now you need a translator.

Knowledge is power...if you know it about the right person. — *Ethel Mumford*

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SPOTLIGHT

I would like you to meet Harry Kraner. Harry is 97 years old and has been going to the jams in Bend for that past 15 years. He is not one to sit out any dances, either. He dances with every lady in the hall. Some of them ask him to dance.

Harry was born in Ohio and travelled the railroads to San Francisco and has "visited and danced in every large city from San Francisco to Seattle."

He served in France in World War I, took up telegraphy, and after World War II he learned barbering. His father was sheriff of Fairview County, Ohio, and he learned barbering by practicing on the prisoners.

We're glad to have you with us, Harry, and KEEP ON DANCING!!