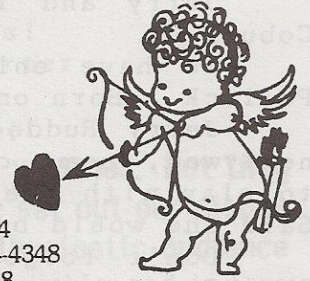


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FEBRUARY, 1991

COMING EVENTS

			DISTRICT
Feb	2	Jam, Potluck, Grange	Central Point 4
	9	Potluck, Jam	Greenacres 5
	10	Jam, Business Meeting, Senior Center	Bend 3
	10	Valentine Jam, Potluck, Willamalane	Springfield 6
	10	Jam, Adult Center	Canby 7
	17	Jam, Meeting, Recreation Hall	Merrill 1
	17	Jam, South Salem Senior Center	Salem 8
Mar	3	Jam, Meeting, Community Center	Talent 4
	9	Potluck, Meeting, Jam	Greenacres 5
	10	Jam, Senior Center	Forest Grove 7
	10	Jam, Community Center	Newberg 8
	17	Jam, American Legion	Lebanon 6
	17	Jam, Senior Center	Forest Grove 7
	28, 29, 30	Convention	Roseburg OOTFA
Apr	7	Jam, Grange	Central Point 4
	21	Jam, Elsie Stuhr Adult Center	Beaverton 7

MARK'S REMARKS: I want to thank all you wonderful people for turning out for the State Meeting in Coburg January 19. Also, my thanks to those who helped to make the potluck a great success. There was a lively and productive discussion on the proposed by-laws, which will be presented for adoption at the Annual Meeting in Roseburg. At the evening jam I was so pleased to see our young fiddlers playing so well and with enthusiasm. I heard some of the best music I've heard in a long while. This brings up a subject that has been on my mind for some time. Those members who provide back-up for our fiddlers seldom get the credit they deserve. They make our best fiddlers sound even better, and many of us couldn't play without them. One thing is certain--they provide the rythm that makes our fiddle music more danceable. There is another group who never get the credit they deserve. They are those wonderful Associate Members who are usually some of the first to pitch in and help when there are chores to be done. They don't play music, but they are always there to support our musicians and cheer them on. We have a very special organization, and there is a place for everyone.

Once again, I want to thank Wayne Holmes and the by-Laws Committee for the excellent work they did.

Happy Fiddling! Mark Carmickle

DISTRICT 1:

CHAIRMAN-Irene Ruddock; CO-CHAIRMAN-Chuck Bruneau; SEC/TREAS-Faye Patterson

We are now into a new year. Hope the new year will be good to you all. Maybe we can get in more playing.

This last month has been very quiet for our musicians. Guess everyone was busy doing their own thing.

Jerry and Irene, Isom and Faye attended the state quarterly meeting in Coburg.

We have only one birthday for February, and that honor goes to Louise Pollock. Born on the second. Happy Birthday, Louise, and many more.

Jerry Ruddock's mother from King's Beach, CA, was a guest, and Meg, our newlywed, came over from her home on the coast on business. Took time out to play with the fiddlers. Meg says if you're out her way, come and see her. Said she would be put out if you don't.

Don't forget the program at the Whoa Tavern in Keno February 16, 5-6 PM. Benefit for Justin Bagwell.

July 19, 20, and 21 will be Coburg Days in Coburg. Everyone is invited to attend, one or all three days. There will be a lot of playing for all. Will be playing around the town. Sounds like fun.

Clairmont House and nursing home, call Irene for day and time.

February meeting at Merrill Recreation Hall on the 17th. Business meeting 1:30, then jam and potluck.

Till next month, stay healthy and happy.

Jo Harris, Reporter

DISTRICT 3:

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

Hello from central Oregon! Sixty seven visitors were at our Sunday jam, including 10 musicians. Rusty Knight, District 9, brought his fiddle and joined our fiddlers. We're always happy to have visitors from other districts. Mike Ezell and Linnie Lockwood of Sheridan (Safeway ad) came over to visit our jam and are now new associate members.

Memberships must be in to the state by February 15 to get your name in the '91 roster. Please renew by March 31 to keep your membership active.

January birthdays were celebrated by Bill Dalton, Jane Thompson, Don Hanson, Hazel Flock, and Lois Chisholm. Many more happy ones to all.

Business meeting February 10 to nominate new 1991-92 officers immediately following our monthly jam.

Billie Kitchens, Reporter

DISTRICT 4:

CHAIRMAN-Don Luker; CO-CHAIRMAN-Verne Reitan; SEC/TREAS-Doris Barkley

Although the holidays are over, our members were ready for a party. A capacity crowd of 150 filled the Vitality Center in Grants Pass for the first jam of the New Year, January 5. Baked beans seemed to be the most prevalent main dish for the potluck, but we had many side dishes and desserts, so we had a feast. Mike Klein did a fine job as Emcee for the afternoon, adding his personal touch of humor and music. Dave Ward was our visitor from New Zealand. He and his fiddle fitted in perfectly when the gang all jammed on the stage, and at his time to solo he played enjoyable but new (to us) songs from Down Under. We hope he can come to our February jam before heading home. Ray Hanson was busy with his camera, taking candid shots of the members, especially the performing musicians. It was nice to welcome Dorothy and Bill Cory, from Crescent City, CA. They are making plans for the 5th Annual Redwood Country Open Fiddle Contest to be held soon.

Everything seems to be about the same around here. Snow birds still gone, other travelers home from their holidays, and the sick getting better.

Sorry to say that we won't be going to Yreka, CA, this year in April, as has been our custom for many years. Our southern friends are unable to host us this year. We will meet at the Central Point Grange on Sunday, April 7, instead.

February 2 jam will be on Saturday at the Central Point Grange. March 3 jam will be on Sunday, in Talent at the Community Center. Doors open at 10:00 for early jamming. We will have a meeting to nominate 1991-92 officers. Noon potluck, open to the public at 1:00 PM. All members, associates as well as musicians, are welcome to all potlucks, jams and meetings that we have, this means YOU! So, please come.

Don't forget to pay Zelma your Annual \$12.00 Dues. Thanks!

Pauline Winslow, Reporter

DISTRICT 5:

CHAIRMAN-Lew Holt; CO-CHAIRMAN-Al Lively; SEC/TREAS-Helen Weber

Fiddling kind of slowed down during the Holiday Season and during the cold weather. But they both left us and we went to Greenacres on the second Saturday as usual. We set out our dishes at noon for a potluck and at 1:00 started the afternoon of music for an enthusiastic audience and group of dancers. We especially appreciated Bud Richardson, Louise Trimble and Lanora Waggoner coming all the way over from District 4 on a rainy, windy day to help us. There were several comments that the morning weather looked so gloomy in the rain that there might not be a turn out. It was one of those afternoons that blossomed. We all agreed that there was just something very special about the afternoon. It is especially pleasing to see new fiddlers such as Linda Carver and Shorty Dow becoming the regulars now. Thank you both.

The gang played at the nursing homes this month in Bandon, Myrtle Point, and the three in Coos Bay. Our thanks go out to them.

By the time you receive this we will have played at the Sea Food Fun Festival in North Bend on the 25th and 26th of January. I'll tell you about it next month.

You are all invited to Greenacres on Saturday, February 9th at 12:00 for a potluck and then for fiddle music at 1:00. Looking on into March we will have our election of District 5 officers at Greenacres on Saturday, the 9th, at 11:00. Talk it up and let's have a good turn out for the election.

It was nice to see all of you at the state meeting in Coburg. Wasn't it fun!

Lew Holt, Reporter

DISTRICT 6:

CHAIRMAN-Jim Lockard; CO-CHAIRMAN-Bob Kaiser; SEC/TREAS-Lucille Childers

HAPPY VALENTINES' DAY everyone....

Did you all enjoy your WHITE CHRISTMAS? Personally, I'm getting too old for that WHITE STUFF myself. Let's all pause for a moment of silence for the thousands of men and women who are serving our country and our world leaders.....hopefully progress will be made soon.

Our WORKSHOPS have all had good attendance and everyone seems to be enjoying the fellowship we share. If your dream is to learn to dance, come and join the FUN! We always have a REVIEW, so never feel it's too late to join. JIM tells us that 90% of the dancers on the floor DO NOT know what they are doing, so WE ARE ALL TRYING TO BECOME THAT OTHER 10%....!! The schedule was in last month's HOEDOWNER.

We were all saddened to learn IOLA FORTIER passed away December 29, 1990, while in Hemet. Due to the horrible icy weather, many of us were unable to attend her service in Oakridge, but our deepest sympathy and love, Charles, to you and your family.

CHARLEY SANFORD had by-pass surgery and we are happy to hear you are gaining your strength, Charley, and hope real soon to see you back with us, but just in case you don't feel up to par on FEBRUARY 7, we all want to wish you the HAPPIEST OF BIRTHDAYS and we'll promise to sing to you when you get back for sure.

We understand THELMA SALLEY and IRENE BEHM have been on the sick list and it's so nice to hear you both are doing well. Last Saturday at the Coburg dance we were so privileged to have LELAH and BRYON DUNAWAY drop in to say "Hello." We hadn't seen them for so long. Certainly operations take a lot out of us and recovery isn't sometimes as fast as we'd like to have it, so never become discouraged.

I would like to request ANYONE who knows of illness among our membership to please get word to one our officers immediately--please don't criticize us when we know nothing about it!

HELP-EVERYONE IS LOOKING FOR WORK THESE DAYS--ARE YOU ONE OF THEM? Applications gladly accepted. February 10 at Willamalane in Springfield, 215 West C St., will be our next POTLUCK/JAM (open to the public at 1:00 PM). Election of officers will be that day, so please come at 10:00. The meeting starts promptly at 11:00. Bring your nominees with you.

Just a reminder--our STATE CONVENTION will be held at the DOUGLAS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS in Roseburg March 28, 29, and 30. It's so much fun, so plan to attend. If you haven't ordered your name tag, you still have time! Give Lucille a call at 688-2976--\$6.00 each. We want to know who you are and what District you are from--might possibly have one of those crazy drawings again--who knows?

District 6 would like to welcome the following new members: Doug and Vicki PEARGIN and son Josh; Vern and Violet HOOTS; Nickolas MALKOWSKI; Maxine KURRASCH; Jane K. MINK; Bertie CRUSE; Mildred CALLOWAY; Robert A. HARRIS; Jerry and Vickie KINNAMAN Jr. and family (Melissa, Joshua, Mariia, Laura, Andrew, and Lindsay). Mariia and Laura have enrolled in our fiddling workshop.

CONGRATULATIONS to the BOOHER FAMILY for winning the NATIONAL AMATEUR MUSICAL FAMILY OF THE YEAR 1990 AWARD. What a lovely write-up in the National Old Time Fiddler January 1991 newspaper!

Helen B. Tracy, Reporter

DISTRICT 7:

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

We had a very nice jam at the Gladstone Senior Center. It was very well attended--both audience and musicians. We had 28 fiddlers and 5 specials. Our potluck was especially nice. Thanks to Myrtle, Tammy and Bernadette for making the delicious turkey pies, and to all who lent a helping hand. We were happy to welcome Max Giddens to our district; he has moved here from Grants Pass. We were happy to have several from District 8.

Forrest Jacklin has been home from the hospital, but had to return again. Myrtle Arnold is home after spending a few days in the hospital and wants to thank the fiddlers for the flowers and cards.

Our next jam will be at the Canby Adult Center on February 10. It is located at 1250 S. Ivy Street in Canby. If you're traveling south on 99E, you turn left at the first stop sign in Canby. Look for the Center on the left about a mile from the highway. Doors will open at 11:00. We will have a business meeting and election of officers at 11:15, potluck at noon and a program from 1:00 until 4:00.

Each district is asked to make two centerpieces for the banquet tables at the Convention. Could we have volunteer to do that?

Dulcie Fast, Reporter



DISTRICT 8

CHAIRMAN- Ed Priebe; CO-CHAIRMAN- Don Simons; SEC/TREAS- Faythe Maahs

Our next Jam will be held January 27th in Willamina at the VFW Hall. The time schedule for the day is doors open at 10:00 AM, business meeting at 11:00 AM, pot luck at 12:00 N, and program open to the public from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. The February Jam will be held at the South Salem Senior Center (Pringle School) on February 17th. The time schedule for the day is doors open at 12:00 N and Jam open to the public from 1:00 to 4:00 PM. There will be hot coffee available, but no pot luck. In March we will be in Newberg at the Community Center at 2nd and Howard on March 10th.

The Christmas Party and Jam held at the McMinnville Grange was a huge success. The ladies, who put on the dinner and gift exchange did a terrific job, and a special thanks to June Andrews the custodian for her help. The 25 performers, presenting two renditions each, completely filled the 3 hour program. Six musicians from Districts 6 and 7 took part. The PA system with separate "amp" and monitor speakers worked very well after "yours truly" remembered to turn on all switches.

The one benefit performance, which "came across my desk" during December, was a pot luck dinner sponsored by the Eagles affiliated ladies group the Busy Bees, who chose this occasion to present the Newberg Volunteer Fire Dept. with dolls for needy children. A fine group of District 8 musicians put on a well received program.

A special thanks to Mr and Mrs E.B. Riche for their \$25.00 donation to District 8.

At last report Mrs Shorty Allen is in the hospital. We wish her a speedy recovery.

I'm sorry to report that Lee and Ruth Jones granddaughter has passed away.

June Andrews is in the hospital undergoing a hip replacement.

Ed Priebe Reporter

FOOTE NOTES: THANKS TO SOME 450 FAMILIES FOR GETTING THEIR MEMBERSHIP DUES IN FOR 1991. For those who have not sent in your membership, if you want your name in the ROSTER for 1991 and to receive the MARCH HOEDOWNER you need to get your dues in by February 15, 1991. Please make your \$12 check payable to OOTFA and send to Zelma Foote, 535 North Fifth, Central Point, OR, 97502. Please enclose correct address, phone number and those wanting a card that live in your home. Also, if you play an instrument or if you are an associate member.

THANKS AGAIN FOR YOUR COOPERATION. HAPPY VALENTINES' DAY.

EDITOR'S NOTE: A hand-made instruments exhibit will be held in Portland at Marylhurst College March 2 and 3. For more information, call 636-8141 ext 361.

Our sympathy goes out to Lee and Ruth Jones, whose great-granddaughter, Savanna Rose, passed away in Mountain Home, Idaho, this month. We all have followed her progress since she and her sister were born prematurely last summer. j

President Mark has asked me to chair the nominating committee this year at the state convention. The other members of the committee will be the chairmen from the other districts. Indirectly, all of you are involved, too. The committee solicits your suggestions for next year's officers. Please contact me or your district chairman if you have any suggestions.

Lew Holt, District 5

OREGON OLD TIME FIDDLER'S ASSOCIATION

FINANCIAL STATEMENT

DATE 12/18/90

BALANCE AS OF 11/09/90 (GENERAL ACCOUNT) \$ 6,401.44

RECEIPTS:

<u>DECALS (Dist # 6)</u>	\$	<u>5.25</u>
<u>ROSTERS (Dist #6)</u>		<u>21.50</u>
<u>20 % Districts</u>		<u>115.63</u>
<u>MEMBERSHIP DUES</u>		<u>1,892.00</u>
<u>BANK INTEREST</u>		<u>24.47</u>
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	TOTAL RECEIPTS	\$ <u>2,058.85</u>

DISBURSEMENTS:

<u>HOEDOWNER PRINTING</u>	\$	<u>440.37</u>
<u>HOEDOWNER POSTAGE</u>		<u>219.25</u>
<u>ENVELOPES</u>		<u>173.00</u>
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	TOTAL	\$ <u>832.62</u>

BALANCE AS OF 12/11/90 \$ 7,627.67

SCHOLARSHIP ACCOUNT

CASH ON HAND <u>11/09/90</u>	\$	<u>2,510.10</u>
RECEIPTS Donation		<u>50.00</u>
EXPENSES		<u>-0-</u>
TOTAL CASH ON HAND <u>12/11/90</u>	\$	<u>2,560.10</u>

*Linda
Barber,
Sec*

THE ASK A
SILLY QUESTION

QUIZ

by Randy Cohen

Lettering by John Rea

Fit as a fiddle . . . crazy as a loon . . . quick as a wink. Common phrases we use without a second thought. But did you ever stop to consider just how fit a fiddle is or how crazy a loon? Or how quick a wink might be? We have. As a matter of fact we've collected 14 overworked expressions to see if you can guess their literal meanings. May you be as wise as an owl—or at least have the luck of the Irish.

1. How blind is a bat?

- a) Totally blind
- b) Partially blind
- c) Venetian blind
- d) It depends upon who's swinging it

2. How long a way is it to Tipperary?

- a) 4,410 miles from Kansas City, Kansas
- b) A grenade's toss from Belfast
- c) 3,381 miles from Manhattan
- d) 358 miles from Gloccamora

3. How cheap is a cheap joke?

- a) \$889 minimum per sketch on *The Carol Burnett Show*
- b) "Take my wife—please!"
- c) \$45 per joke used on *The Tonight Show*
- d) Free if you're Milton Berle

4. What is the cost of an arm and a leg?

- a) A leg of lamb costs about \$8.50 a pound
- b) The Bionic Man's arm and leg cost three million dollars
- c) Venus de Milo's recently discovered arms were auctioned for four and a half million dollars
- d) At a mannequin supply house arms go for \$18.50, legs for \$100

5. How much is a bellyful?

- a) 8 quarts for a pregnant woman
- b) 2 quarts for the average adult
- c) Howard Cosell expounding on anything
- d) 5 quarts for the average male

6. How many is as many as the hairs on your head?

- a) For brunets like Ronald Reagan, about 200,000
- b) For carrot-tops like Lucille Ball, about 75,000
- c) For blondes like Goldie Hawn, about 140,000
- d) For ex-catchers like Joe Garagiola, about 55

7. How early is the early bird?

- a) It rises about a half hour before dawn
- b) It rises at sunrise
- c) It gets up whenever the worm does
- d) It always takes a 6 A.M. wake-up call

8. How high the moon?

- a) 153,758 miles from earth during a new moon
- b) The equivalent of three billion McDonald's cheeseburgers stacked end to end
- c) Highest recorded moon is out the 20th floor of Delta Phi
- d) On the average, 238,857 miles from earth

9. How deep is skin deep?

- a) $\frac{3}{8}$ to $\frac{3}{4}$ inch deep
- b) $\frac{1}{16}$ to $\frac{1}{2}$ inch deep
- c) It varies: some people are thick-skinned, others thin-skinned
- d) $1\frac{3}{4}$ feet for an elephant

10. How slow is a snail's pace?

- a) Brazilian tree snails move one foot per minute
- b) Damn fast when Julia Child eyes it hungrily
- c) Land snails move about two inches a minute
- d) As slow as most Amtrak express trains

11. How fast is greased lightning?

- a) It varies with air temperature
- b) 186,000 meters per second
- c) 299,792 kilometers per second
- d) 2,000,000 miles per second if it's greased with Crisco

12. When do the swallows come back to Capistrano?

- a) Annually on March 19
- b) Swallows have never been sighted in Capistrano
- c) Six days before the equinox
- d) Whenever Pat Boone warbles the song

13. How would you drink if you drank like a fish?

- a) Like Dean Martin
- b) Like Carry Nation
- c) With fin-esse
- d) Till you're stewed to the gills

14. How light is a feather?

- a) Duckfeathers weigh .013 to .063 grams
- b) Downfeathers weigh upwards of 3 to 4 grams
- c) *Horsefeathers* is light entertainment
- d) The rare feathers of the Rara Avis weigh about .00001 to .00002 grams

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Answers on next page.

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ANSWER

- b. A bat is partially blind.
- c. Clonmel, Tipperary, in Southern Ireland, is 3,381 miles from Manhattan.
- a. A comedy sketch on prime time TV shows like *The Carol Burnett Show* costs \$889 minimum.
- d. At a mannequin supply house, arms go for \$18.50, legs for \$100.
- b. The average adult's belly holds two quarts.
- c. Blonds average 140,000 hairs on their heads. (Brunettes average about 105,000 hairs, red-heads about 90,000 hairs, and the hairs on an ex-catcher's head vary.)
- a. The early bird rises about a half hour before dawn.
- d. The moon is on the average 238,857 miles from earth.
- b. The skin is $\frac{1}{16}$ to $\frac{1}{8}$ inch deep.
- c. Land snails move about two inches a minute.
- c. Lightning moves 299,792 kilometers per second (the speed of light).
- a. Swallows return to Capistrano annually on March 19 (and leave promptly on October 23).
- b. Fish drink like teetotaler Carry Nation. (Fresh water fish don't drink water, they absorb it; alcohol kills them.)
- a. Duckfeathers are .013 to .063 grams.

