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JUNE, 1992

COMING EVENTS

			DISTRICT
June 5, 6	State Quarterly Meeting, Jam, Senior Center	Bend	OOTFA
5, 6, 7	District 5 Campout	Timbuktu	5
6	Potluck, Jam, Grange	Central Point	4
7	Potluck, Jam, Senior Center	Springfield	6
13	Jam, Potluck, Grange	Sutherlin	10
14	Jam, Senior Center	Bend	3
14	Jam, Senior Center	Sandy	7
19-20	Country Music Jamboree	Burns	9
21	Meeting, Jam, Recreation Hall	Merrill	1
22-27	National Contest	Weiser	NOTFA
29-July 5	Campout at Lee & Ruth Jones'	Sheridan	OOTFA
July 4	Jam, City Park	Central Point	4
29	Yamhill County Fair	McMinnville	8
30, 31, Aug 1	Diamond Lake Campout		1
Aug 2	Picnic, Tom Pearce Park	Grants Pass	4
12	Clackamas County Fair	Canby	7
16	Picnic, Jam, Armitage Park "J" Section	Eugene	6
Oct 3, 4	Cranberry Festival	Bandon	5

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FROM YOUR TOE TAPPEN PRESIDENT:

The OOTFA 1992 Contest is history. Several said the quality of music was the best they have heard for some time. What that says is our contestants are getting better. Congratulations to all who entered the contest. THANKS. Without you there wouldn't have been a contest.

This wasn't a one-person show. It is amazing how much goes on before a contestant goes on stage. All the practice and then the organization and running the show. The Officers thank all who helped on registration, ticket sales, advertisement, stage, sound, security, as runners, judges, M.C., and in concessions, and computer room. Thanks to all who participated in the Sunday show. Your help was appreciated and you, along with the contestants, made the 1992 Contest a success.

Some excellent suggestions were made and we will give them consideration at one of our Quarterly Meetings. As Officers we are always ready for constructive criticism or suggestions.

The top three winners in the different divisions are as follows:

CHAMPIONSHIP DIVISION: (OPEN)

- 1st--Justin Booher, Yoncalla
- 2nd--Carol An Wheeler, Sherwood
- 3rd--Andrew Emert, Monmouth

SENIOR SENIOR:

- 1st--Leonard Maahs, McMinnville
- 2nd--Buck Milligan, Elkton
- 3rd--Frank Williams, Canby

SENIOR:

- 1st--Wayne Holmes, Portland
- 2nd--Bud Beck, McMinnville
- 3rd--Bob Kaiser, Coburg

INTERMEDIATE:

- 1st--Ila Mae Carmickle, Eugene
- 2nd--LeRoy Simms, LaPine
- 3rd--Tamera Snelling, Portland

JUNIOR:

- 1st--Meriwyn Booher, Yoncalla
- 2nd--Stacey Reynolds, Burns
- 3rd--Darren Reitan, Central Point

JUNIOR JUNIOR:

- 1st--Jessie Hitchborn, Forest Grove
- 2nd--Amy Thomas, Salem
- 3rd--Linh Ai Renken, Tillamook

PEE WEE:

- 1st--Sean McKinney, Ontario
- 2nd--Angela Thomas, Salem
- 3rd--Tyson Samples, Joseph

TWIN FIDDLE:

- 1st--Justin and Rudi Booher, Yoncalla
- 2nd--Shawn McMullen, Corvallis, and Andrew Emert, Monmouth
- 3rd--Linh Ai Renken, Tillamook, and Brendan Booher, Yoncalla



June 6, 1992, in Bend at the Senior Center we will hold our next Quarterly Meeting. At that time we will have the financial report of the Convention and contest.

Summer is coming, so enjoy your families along with the many jams, campouts, fairs, etc.

My Quote: Friendship is the only cement that will ever hold the world together.

Zelma

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DISTRICT 1:

CHAIRMAN-Irene Ruddock; CO-CHAIRMAN-Sandy Sandusky; SEC/TREAS-Faye Patterson

I want to thank Faye Patterson for filling in for me while I was ill. She gladly gave me my reporter job back.

Our musicians will be busy this summer playing. June 11-14 Jefferson Square Mall promotion. Call Irene for day and time, 882-6418. July 3 Sprague River Lions Barbecue, 2:00-5:30. Musicians may partake of the barbecue. July 11 American Red Cross benefit, OIT football field. We are scheduled to play at 2:00. It's from 2:00-5:30. July 24 Western Bank Barbecue. Play from 1:00-5:00, barbecue for all. August 16 Oklahoma Days at Wiord Park. Play from 1:00-5:00. Bring picnic lunch. August 23 or 24 OIT, 7:00 PM. Irene will let us know for sure which day. Sept 12 Cedarville Fairgrounds 10:00-1:00. Let's all practice to make these events great and fun events.

It was discussed at our May meeting about maybe moving our meeting place in Merrill, back to Klamath Falls if we can find a suitable building and affordable. Everyone put your thinking caps on and see what you can come up with. Let our chairman know.

Faye didn't have my list of birthdays and anniversaries, so our May ones are late. Happy belated birthday: Clara Warner, 6th; Lois Tucker, 8th; Sherie Lane, 13th. Best wishes on your anniversary: Al and Thelma and Evelyn and Doug Peterson, 13th; Faye and Isom Patterson, 27th.

June birthdays: Glenna Fury, 21st. Anniversaries: June and Sandy Sandusky, 1st; Jo and Dick Harris, 16th; Dorothy and Harold North, 17th. Have a happy

day.

Please remember nursing homes and Clairmont House.

Clara Warner had an operation for cancer. Get well soon.

June meeting is the 21st at Merrill Recreation Hall. Potluck at 1:00, meeting around 1:30, Jam 2:00. Come join us.

Happy Fathers' Day.

Jo Harris, Reporter

#### DISTRICT 3:

CHAIRMAN-Don Hanna; CO-CHAIRMAN-Tom O'Neal; SEC/TREAS-Billie Kitchens

Our February 9 Jam brought out 12 of our musicians and more than 70 persons signed the register. Guests came from Oroville, CA; Anacortes and Eliza Island, WA; and Astoria, Roseburg, Salem, Sandy, and central Oregon. A guest musician, Kelly Thibodeaux, of Odell Lake was with us for the second time.

On April 18 our group gathered at the O'Neal home in Bend to honor Tom and Betty on their 50th anniversary. On April 26 the musicians played at the Prineville Senior Center for a 50th anniversary party honoring Prineville residents Leonard and Geletha Campbell.

June birthday greetings go to Rhaonda Hanson on June 7, Lee Hanna on June 9, Betty Fullerton on June 25 and Darrell Thompson on June 28. Anniversary greetings to Billie and Bobby Kitchens who will celebrate 41 years of marriage on June 24.

Peggy Kerr, Reporter

#### DISTRICT 4:

CHAIRMAN-Joe Levine; CO-CHAIRMAN-Pauline Winslow; SEC/TREAS-Doris Barkley

On April 25th, 40 of us, including our friends Isom and Faye Patterson from Merrill, OR, made the trek to Hornbrook, CA for an afternoon of jamming. Although there were more of us than them, a big time was had by all...great weather, music and friendship.

Darren Reitan recuperated from chicken pox in time to compete in the State Fiddle Contest, as did Olive Davis, although her wrist is still sore. Betty Deckard is slowly recovering from surgery and will need chemo for a year. Walter Foote has been taking many tests to find the cause of his problems, everything came out negative. Hope he continues to improve.

Bud and Ruth Applegate celebrated their 55th anniversary on April 24. It's 51 years for Walter and Zelma Foote on June 1. Congratulations and best wishes for many more happy years.

May started out as an unusually busy month, with two or three requests for music on one day. Our May 2 Jam Day was no exception. Ray Hanson, Bill LaClaire, Tom Barkley, Mona Givens, Don Lindsey and Vic Flood played for the Griffen Creek School for a couple of hours before coming to the jam. Our potluck was delicious, with 45 members sitting down to eat at the Central Point Grange. Joyce Grissom and Ruth Morrow won the door prizes, along with Ethel Holstin who chose to raffle off her prize and donate the money to the district. Bud Applegate was the lucky recipient of the liquid refreshments. The jam was well-organized with Paula Pasley in charge of sign up, two fiddlers-one special in that order. Ralph Byers was MC and Merle Pasley on sound. All did a good job and kept things moving with the next performer on time and back up on stage only at the request of the fiddler. Richard McCullough, from Garnett, Kansas; Bertha Bloodworth, yodeler from Yreka; Joe and Carolyn Grezik, the young fiddlers from Williams; Dorothy and Bill Cory, District 5; Wally Bloom, Dawn Meldrim and Barbara Garcia, District 6; and Guy Kinman, District 10, were our guests. Please come again soon.

Ray and Chrystal Hanson are on a two-week trip to Wisconsin. They plan to be back in time for their son's wedding on May 25. Fran Tucker is on a two-week trip to Florida and Nashville.

Hearthstone presented us with a lovely plaque naming Dorene Winkelman, Dave Winkelman, Mona Givens, Walter Foote, Jim Winslow, Don Lindsey, Betty Deckard, and Tex Looper for the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers as the Volunteers of the Year.

Jayne Temple has invited everyone to the Roxy Ann Grange on Saturday, June 13, for a potluck and jam in honor of her parents, Marian and Arne Jorgenson. It will be their 50th wedding anniversary. Doors open at noon, potluck at 1:00

PM, jam and dance all afternoon. Let's all go, bring instruments, and have fun. Show the Jorgensons how much we appreciate our faithful, long-time associate members. No gifts, please.

We are invited to play for the Rogue River Rooster Crow on June 27, 3:30 to 4:30. Contact Merle Pasley for details. July 4 we play for one hour at the Central Point City Park. (Time to be announced later.) There will be no organized meeting. Please, come enjoy and do your own thing.

August 2 will be our annual picnic at the Tom Pearce Park, at 10:30-4:00. District 4 will furnish cold drinks. Please, bring your own table service, and something for the potluck picnic. Since Grants Pass has done some road construction, the approach to the park is a little more difficult. Roughly, the Tom Pearce County Park is on the Rogue River, off of Foothill Blvd, near the South Grants Pass Exit from I-5. There is a small sign pointing the way.

Pauline Winslow, Reporter

DISTRICT 5:

Lew Holt, Chairman                      Al Lively, Co Chairman,                      Helen Weber, Secretary/Treasurer

After the news went in last month we went to Broadbent out of Myrtle Point and played for the spaghetti feed at the grange hall. We had a lot of good spaghetti and played through out the afternoon and into the evening. Thanks to all who attended. We finished out April by playing at the Life Care Center in Coos Bay and the last Tuesday we played at Hearthside and St. Catherines. We typically all play together in the nursing homes so when we play in the evening of the same day, we play different tunes. The audience doesn't know the difference but we like the variety.

The first Saturday in May we gathered at the Senior Center in Coos Bay for a night time dance. We had a good turn out of musicians and were especially pleased with the turn out of dancers.

Several from district 5 went to the contest in Lebanon. Alice Holt and Hanneke and Leila Cassel entered the contest. (Alice brought home a 5th place ribbon.) We are proud of all of them but especially want to recognize Hanneke and Leila who are good young fiddlers in our district.

OK, District 5, time to camp out for the week-end of June 5, 6, & 7 at Shorty's and Charlotte's. They are located just a few miles north of Bandon. Turn onto Fahy Road between mile posts 258 and 259 and follow the signs into Timbuctu. There is plenty of parking, a good fire pit, good food, and always a circle to join for music. Abbie Shaffar and her gang will be cooking hot cakes Saturday and Sunday morning so bring your appetite as well as some goodies to go along with the hotcakes. We will have a potluck or two, too. Call the Dows or the Holts if you have any questions. (If you aren't going to the state meeting in Bend, come and see us at the coast.)

If you don't know our telephone numbers, it is time to buy a roster. We still have 10 or so that we brought home from the convention - just a dollar folks.

We are not scheduling any nursing homes for the summer. We'll start up again in the Fall. We are getting requests to play this summer. Some we will do but there are a lot of conflicts. Hopefully we will have seen a lot of you down a Brookings on the 23rd (tell you about it next month).

Lew Holt, reporter

DISTRICT 6:

CHAIRMAN-Joy Halliwell; CO-CHAIRMAN-Bob Kaiser; SEC/TREAS-Lucille Childers

Our STATE CONTEST was a big event and we need to congratulate ZELMA and ALL her workers and ALL the contestants and performers for a fine three days of enjoyment. We may have had a glitch or two, but over-all we had a fine show for the public, so give yourselves a big pat on the back--EACH OF YOU! I'd like to add, EVERYBODY is "trainable," so what we need is MORE volunteerism--remember, our organization is NON-PROFIT, we are not paid employees, we give freely of ourselves and if more people VOLUNTEERED, others wouldn't have to work such long hours.....

Have you heard the good news? ILA MAE CARMICKLE took FIRST place in Intermediate Division. We are all so happy for you, ILA MAE, and wish you well in WEISER! Look those finals over WELL! District 6 has TEN more members in the

finals: CAROL LOCKARD, BOB KAISER, WILLIE CARTER, CHUCK BRUNNEAU, STARR McMULLEN, JODIE THIEL, JAMIE THIEL, BROOKE McCALL, SHANNON JARVIS, STARR McMULLEN (twin fiddling)--to ALL of you, CONGRATULATIONS.

Speaking of winners, STARR McMULLEN took FIRST place in Adult Division at Northwest Regional Contest, Post Falls, Idaho April 25--this qualifies her for WEISER too! GOOD LUCK, GIRLS \* \* \* GO GET 'EM!

This month our Fiddlers have been so dedicated in playing for so many rest homes and special functions. With the warm weather it has been decided to CANCEL the COBURG GRANGE DANCE until further notice. So please mark your calendars accordingly. For your information, JOHN DAVIS is our EMCEE CO-ORDINATOR.

Belated ANNIVERSARY wishes to NEVA and ANDY MENKINS, April 27. NEVA is recovering from sinus surgery, we hear. Sickness seems to follow us! CARL NABB is recovering from surgery, as is ANNA SKAIFE. ANNA came home May 19 from quadruple by-pass surgery. We were saddened to hear CAROL LOCKARD'S dear mother fell and broke her hip recently. ALTHEA DELP is on crutches, the result of a ham string injury. Remember DARLA MILLER'S 96-year-old Uncle HAROLD MILLER, who often attended our jams? We were saddened to learn he passed away May 16, and extend to you our sympathy and love. HAPPY BIRTHDAY greetings go to CHUCK BRUNNEAU (1st); JOHN STEELE (19th); and a special one to a friend of ours, CHRIS BOOHER, who will be celebrating his 22nd birthday at the Grand Master's Fiddle Contest in Nashville on June 13. I'm sure there are June ANNIVERSARIES I am not aware of, but I know of CHUCK and BETTY BRUNNEAU (9th) 48 years; TIP and ALTHEA DELP (16th) 57 years; and GARY and DONNA LAKE (30th) 31 years. HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to you all and many more!

Your new officers take office JULY 1 and us old retirees go to pasture--it's called RETIREMENT! We want to thank BOB and DEE DEE KAISER, JOHN and LUCILLE CHILDERS for a job well done. Never have I seen such a dedicated pair sit and sell Fiddler paraphernalia as JOHN and LUCILLE all these years--you BOTH deserve GOLD STARS! You may relax now, you'll have MORE time.

My June column for July will be my LAST to write! I have one or two confessions to make. If those of you who have reached your 80th birthday or 50th or more wedding anniversary have received special greetings from GEORGE and BARBARA, blame me! I just wanted to somehow make it a SPECIAL celebration for you SPECIAL folks!

Remember, our next potluck-jam is June 7 at the WILLAMALANE SENIOR CENTER in Springfield--Make the quarterly in BEND on June 5 and 6 if possible, our NEW officers are encouraged to attend--see you all there.

HAPPY FATHERS' DAY to all you fathers.

Helen B. Tracy, Reporter

#### DISTRICT 7:

CHAIRMAN-Red Arnold; CO-CHAIRMAN-Ace Wehus; SEC/TREAS-Cohleen Finley

Our next jam will be June 14 at the Sandy Senior Center, it has been remodeled and is a nice facility. The address is 38348 Pioneer Blvd. As you come to the one-way on Highway 26 (Pioneer Blvd) there will be a Plaid Pantry on the right, the next building is the Masonic building, then the senior center. Enter the parking lot between the Masonic Hall and the senior center or just past the senior center. The doors will open at 11:00 AM, potluck at 12:00, and then jam from 1:00 till 4:00. The dining room is downstairs and the auditorium is upstairs (street level).

We had a lot of musicians at the Beaverton Jam on Mothers' Day. Don and Ruth Loring were there from District 6 and Bunky McFee and the Robinsons from District 8, also some of our Vancouver friends, and some folks we hadn't seen for a long time, and some I didn't know. We started with a small audience, but it improved as the day moved on.

We are planning some workshops this coming year, anyone interested see me. They will be an hour or so before the jam and will have several different instructors.

The Hitchborns ventured to the Northwest Open Contest where Jessie took 2nd and Nat 4th in the Jr. Jr. and 1st in the entertainment division.

We still need someone to take over the coffee pot next year.

Cactus Finley and Bob Fast are recovering from surgery the week of May 11 (separate cases). Both are doing well, but have a long row to hoe yet. Wayne Walters is in a nursing home in Vancouver and might like to hear from some of his old friends.

We will be playing at the Clackamas County Fair August 12 from 11:00 to 1:30, only one show this year. We will need all the help we can get.

I would like to thank the members of District 7 for their support this past year, especially the ladies who took care of the potlucks, Kevin Snelling for handling the sound system, the Barlows as the reporters and advertising and the Hitchborns for their good advertising help, also Lloyd Close for putting out flyers.

Red Arnold reporting

#### DISTRICT 8:

CHAIRMAN-Don Simons; CO-CHAIRMAN-Lew Standiford; SEC/TREAS-Faythe Maahs

There was a good turnout for the benefit for the D.A.V. in April. There was lots of good music and ended with a few tunes from an accordion group, Eleanor, Rink & Sis.

As there is so much going on in June, there will be no June jam. But there are some dates to put on your calendar. The Yamhill County Fair will be July 29, 7-9 PM. It is confirmed. The Polk County Fair will be August 9, 1-4 PM. Not confirmed as of now.

Our sympathies go to Stephen Fedorko for the death of a sister and brother, so sorry, Steve.

Daisy Simons has been quite ill and was in the hospital for a few days. She is home now, and we hope soon will be her regular self. Vergie Allen is still taking things easy while her legs heal. Now Shorty is in the hospital. Hope by the time this is out he will be home. Leonard Maahs is gaining strength, although he is still not ready for the dance floor.

Jim and Donna Oldham are home now after an enjoyable trip to Arkansas.

Those celebrating birthdays in June are Shorty and Vergie Allen, Jean Standiford, Alfred Pickering, Bertha Veer, and Mary Ann Fedorko. Happy Anniversary wishes to Shorty and Vergie Allen, Harold and Audrey Cope, Jim and Donna Oldham, Art and Helen Marsland and Chuck and Anne Williams.

Keep fiddling, folks, and good luck to those going to Weiser.

Ruth Jones, Reporter

#### DISTRICT 10:

CHAIRMAN-Larry Johnson; CO-CHAIRMAN-Guy Kinman; SEC/TREAS-Etta Powell

May 4 we entertained for residents at Mercy Care Nursing Home.

On the 9th was our monthly meeting. After the meeting a great time was had with a potluck and jam. Ninety guests signed in, representing 5 districts. There were 20 people signed up for the entertainment.

On the 16th we entertained for Bridgewood Rivers Assisted Living Residence.

In Lebanon: Congratulations to the Booher family. Justin won the Open Championship, Meriwynn the Junior Division, Ned the Accompanist Division, and Rudy and Justin for Twin Fiddles.

Bob Joiner, Dennis Pickett's group, Ed and Billie (not Betty) Doolittles's group again played to area nursing homes.

\$100.00 was sent to help finance the State Fiddle Contest.

FOUND: a man's jacket was left at the Convention. For information call 672-0086.

Virdo Sigler has moved due to health reasons. His address is: Box 21, Bakersfield, MO 65609.

A big welcome home wish to Donna Kelm. We have missed her so much. We send our love and sympathy to her and her family for the loss of her sister, Vi. Thelma Allen has been under the weather. It's not been the same without Dennis and Thelma. Get well quick. Special prayers and thoughts go to Ida Johnson, who started 6 weeks of radiation treatments on the 18th. Joyce Pickett had an angiogram, but results were "No heart problems" yea!

A few birthdays were reported: Dennis Pickett, Jan Castillo, Larry Johnson. I'm sure there must have been others, so here is a Happy Birthday, Happy Anniversary, and a special get well wish to all of you this month.

Be sure if you have anything to report, get it in to me before the 15th of the month.

NOTE: June 13. No meeting. Doors open 10:00 AM. 12:00 potluck, 1:00 jam open to the public.

Jan Castillo, Reporter

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From: the Editor To: ALL District Reporters With "The Changing of the Officers" in some districts in July, and some new reporters, here are some reminders:

- List your officers at the top of your reports
- List upcoming district events at the top of your reports
- Include your name at the end of your reports
- Reports shouldn't be longer than 3/4 page (typewritten) or about 1 1/2 handwritten (8 1/2" x 11") NOT including the upcoming events section
- No "commercial promotions" of/for people in your district.
- Reports need to be in by the 20th of the month.

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Plans are being made to setting up old-time fiddle jams in the Salem area on Sunday evenings. Please call Carol Cooper at 393-6071 days or 362-3143 evenings for more information.

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We would like to take this opportunity to thank the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers for the wonderful time we had attending your 1992 convention as Tommy and Joyce Grissom's guests. We enjoyed the entire weekend. Many thanks. Arnold and Bea Hassler

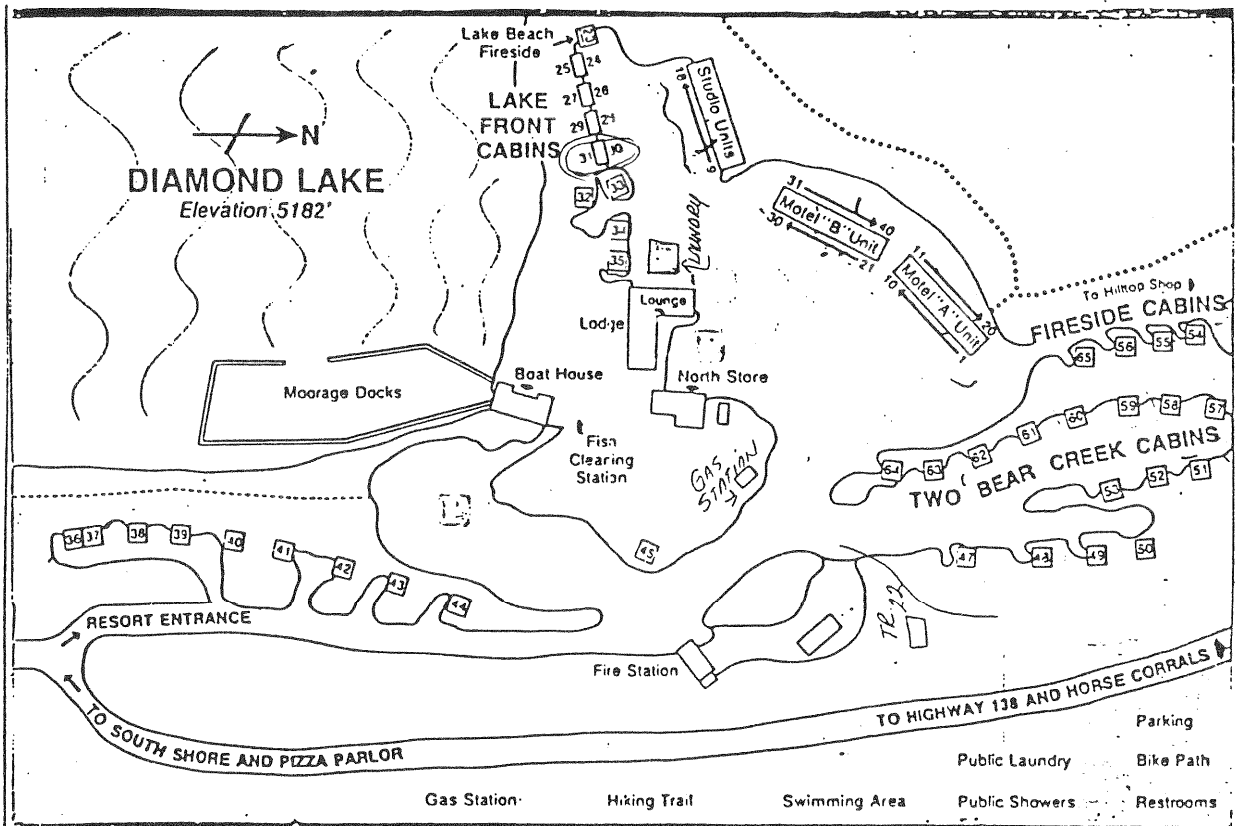
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Anyone interested in information about Indian Hot Springs facilities at Weiser please write me for a flyer--28151 Clear Lake Road, Eugene, OR 97402

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SCOTT AND BETH JONES AND THEIR CHILDREN INVITE YOU TO HELP CELEBRATE THE 50TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS, RUTH AND LEROY JONES, AT THE WILLAMINA VFW HALL, JULY 5, 1992, FROM 2 TO 5 PM. NO GIFTS, PLEASE.

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My Musical Friends: This is your SPECIAL invitation to come to our party and campout. Everyone is welcome. We live at 930 West Main Street, which is also Hwy 18B, which runs through Sheridan and Willamina. We are nine blocks west of the only traffic light in Sheridan in the second house (brown) west of the railroad crossing. Look for the large Ham antennas on top of the house. Turn into the driveway, past the house and go down the bank behind the house. Be careful of traffic when you turn. There will be portable toilets, but no hookups. There is plenty of room, but I cannot reserve special spaces except maybe a few for relatives. There will be BREAKFAST Wednesday through Saturday. You will be welcome to come anytime from Monday June 29 through July 5. There will be no collections, except for the breakfasts. Your music and your presence will be our greatest gift. **Lee Jones**