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DECEMBER, 1994

# **Coming Events**

#### December

2 Jai	n,Dance	, Grange	Sutherlin	10
3 Ch	ristmas	Party,	Central	5
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4 Ch	'mas Jar	n, Moose	Lebanon	6
11 Ch	'mas	Party, Mid-	K.Falls	1
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11 Jar	n.	Ch'mas	Gresham	7

11 Jam, Ch'mas Gresham Party,Sr.Ctr.

11 Holiday P'luck, Jam Coquille 18 Sr. Ctr.P'luck, Jam Burns 11 Sr. Ctr. Bend

18 Ch'mas Jam,P'luck Willamina VFW

#### **January**

7 Sr. Ctr.Jam	Rogue	4
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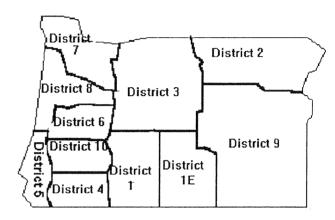
Grange

8 State Springfield OOTFA Quarterly, Jam, Dance

14 Jam, Dance, Sr. Ctr. Coos Bay 5
15 Buell Grange Buell 8
22 Jam, Sr. Ctr. Gladstone 7



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## Lew Sex

I hope all of you had as good Thanksgiving as Alice and I did. Good turkey and good fiddle music, too. It isn't too early to wish all of you a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. Alice and I appreciate our fiddle friends very much and want to thank all of you for the many hours of pleasure that you have brought to us this past year.

I would like to share a couple human interest stories. Earlier this fall one of our older members called me to ask who a certain fiddler was at the contest. He had liked her playing so much. I made an audio tape of his favorite player and called him to tell him that it was ready. He said he would come over in a few days to pick it up. Before he had a chance to come over, Alice read his obituary in the paper. A sad ending. Recently a widow of one of our champion fiddlers from many years ago called to ask if I would rehair a bow so her granddaughter could play Grandpa's fiddle. She called back to tell me that she had closed the car door on the bow and had broken it. I suggested that she bring it over and I would see what I could do. Cont. Page 7

A Nonprofit Organization Article II: "Purpose - To perpetuate and promote Oldtime Fiddling and Oldtime music. To encourage everyone, especially young people, to play the fiddle and appreciate Oldtime Fiddling and Oldtime Music. To provide regular times and places to meet to play this kind of music."

Chairman - Jo Harris (503) 884-9852 Co-Chair - Al Nelson (503) 883-2427 Sec/Treas - Harold North

December 11th at 1:30pm will be our Christmas Party at Midland Grange at Tingley Lane and Jo Wright Rd., Klamath Falls. December 28 at Olene Grange at 6:30 Potluck. January 8th at Midland Grange, Potluck at 1pm, music at 2.

Our November Jam was held in our new meeting place. "Midland Grange". The acoustics are some better and we are more centrally located. We had several visitors and gained two new members. We welcome: Donna Howell, 3340 Bisbee St. (503) 882-2371. Donna has moved here from Arizona. She's an Old Time Dance caller, so we're hoping to work up some specials with Donna. Grace Stark and husband joined us today. Grace plays harmonica. They live on 6909 Tingley Lane, K.Falls. (503) 884-5313. Happy to have Joe and Marge Thorton rejoin the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers. 2976 LaVista Av. Carena, CA. Joe is a fiddler. Glad to have Donald & Joyce Palmer today. Don Joined in Sept and today was his first jam with us. Don plays the fiddle. Sorry, I didn't get our great Dobro player's name. Hope to see him again.

It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas. Our Christmas Party is Dec 11th at 1:30pm. Midland Grange. (We will have no regular jam for December.) Turkey and the trimmings will be furnished by our District. Remember what you signed up to bring and come and enjoy the party. No gift exchange this year.

Our District played for the Emporium store on October 29-30. Fauele Museum has asked us to play Nov 18th at 6:30pm. The nursing home's date has changed (this month only due to Thanksgiving) to November 17th. After the 1st of the year, we will return to the nursing home on Washburn Way. More on that later.

We wish a speedy recovery to our youngest fiddler, Carrie Rarden. Get well, we miss you. Bill Noble is recuperating nicely at home. We wish Bill a happy 88th birthday on Dec 13th. Irene Ruddock, 10th; Sara Furrey, 8th; and Bob Schmoe, 31st. Anniversary wishes to Jerry and Irene Ruddock, 18th.

We hope everyone had a good Thanksgiving. We can truly be Thankful for our many blessings.



#### DISTRICT 1E

Chairman - Mary Ann McLain (503) 947-2448
Co Chairman - Carla Gannon
Co/Sec Treas - Donna Lynch & Lorena McLain

Howdy to all our Members.

We sure enjoy getting together with each other and those from other areas too. We played for our nursing home Nov 3 one and a half hours. Shorty and Mary Stone of Adel, Carla Gannon and Richard Gannon, Linda Miller, Clyde Lynch, Michael Harlan (who is a beginner fiddler and guitar picker. Good to have him with us). Homer McLain.

Our Oct 29th jam was a lot of fun. Work shops, fiddle and guitar, for 2 hours in a.m. Clyde Lynch & Larry McLain Guitars; Fiddle, Homer McLain. Have some youngersters and Middle aged interested.

Those who played in the jam.Norman Gumser B & G and resitation; Clyde Lynch, G.; Eric Leffingwell, F & Dulcimer; Larry McLain, G; Billy & Rhayanna McLain, Forres & Logan Sheridan sang for us. These 4 are between 9 - 12 years old. Sam Watts played Dobro; Michael Harlan, F & G; Doc Walker, G,V; Terry McLain from Plush, F & G; Rosa Lee McLain, V and Bass; Homer McLain, F. We were honored to have Bud and Mary Harris from Hood River join us. Bud plays very sweet fiddle. Really enjoyed his abilities and their visit. Please come again.

Our business meeting was Nov 14. Our Nov 19 Jam information was incorrect. We had no jam as hall was already rented to another organization.

We played at Adel 5 hours for a conclusion of a Cattle Drive off of a desert. About 30-35 attended, we had a fun night. Sorry I had to work. Nov 28 we played at the nursing home in Lakeview.

Keep active, we need you.

A special note to all fiddler members. We have many friends throughout the state and other states as well. Not just me, but us, meaning all of us.

A man I used to work with goes to the coast in Oregon, went to a fiddle show at Bullard State Park and afterward asked if anyone knew Homer McLain. He was surprised when they all said they did. Shorty (?) Dow was one he talked to most. Gene was impressed by the music and friendliness of the folks. Thanks for being there!

My boss had eye surgery in Medford and afterward went to a shopping mall and there was a group of Old Time Fiddlers playing. He went up and asked if they knew Homer, and they did. **Dave "Banjo" Winkleman** and **Jack Lester** was 2 names he remembered. Both of these men have told others in our area of you folks and us and OOTFA. Word is passed to others. Keep up the good work.

#### DISTRICT GREETINGS

#### DISTRICT 3

Chairman -- Ken Jordan (503) 389-9746

Co-Chair -- Jack Kerr Sec/Treas -- Billie Lanier

HOWDY......Well almost Thanksgiving already....Wow...time sure is flying by...

Our jam for December will be the 11th from 1:30 to 4:30 at the Bend Senior Center. Same place, same time. Corner of NE 5th and Kearney. Come and jam with us....

Our jam for November was lots of fun and lots of music. It was attended by over 50 visitors and 11 musicians. We were stunned to learn that **Tim and Rene Delude** were in a car accident about 5 weeks ago and Rene was seriously injured. Thank God she is on the mend. She was smiling and tappin' her foot at the jam, and Tim was not injured. I am sorry we did not know of the accident or we would have visited and sent cards and flowers. Our prayers are with you both...We also had the pleasure of having **Diana Le Marbe**, their daughter, here from New Mexico.

We are missing a few of our musicians as they are "pretend" snowbirds. That means they are only gone for a month or two. We want to welcome **Jack and Peggy Kerr** back from their two-month travels. We certainly missed you while you were gone. Glad to have you back in the fold. We have been missing **Bob and Billie Kitchens** now. They should return by December.

We are taking to playing in our close neighbors towns again. Come Sunday, we will be playing in Redmond at their Senior Center. It is a great pleasure to be there again. We are very excited to be invited back.

Our December birthdays are: Bob Kitchens, 6th; Rene Delude, 6th; Vi Perret, 16; Ada Harris, 25th; Peggy Bloom,25th. Happy Birthday to you all and have a great celebration. Our December Anniversaries are: Evelyn and Fred Martin, Dec 7,1946; and Cliff and Ada Harris, Dec 23, 1933. SALUTE....Congratulations, may you have another 100.....

Keep Smilin', Keep fiddlin' and having lots of fun.

Sally Jordan, Reporter (503) 389-9746

#### DISTRICT 4

Chairman - Zelma Foote (503) 664-4348

Co-Chair - Don Lindsey Sec/Treas - Ethel Holstin

November 6th found us a Talent Community Hall for our jam. It was a bright and sunny day in spite of the mountains white with the much needed snow. A good potluck as usual. We had about 18 musicians sign up to play. We're always happy to see Wally Bloom, Dawn Meldrim and Barbara Garcia from District 6 as our guests.

For our Christmas Party, the District will furnish turkey, ham, dressing and mashed potatoes. Please bring all the fixings that make the rest of the meal. Eat at noon and open to the public at 1pm. Those that want, bring a gift to get a gift, also canned food for the needy.

Mary Armstrong got a group together to play for Bethany Presbyterian Church Harvest Festival in Grants Pass in October. Four of us played for Phoenix Grade School Halloween Carnival, Don Lindsey, Dave and Doreen Winkelman and a big thank you to Cliff Cooper who came all the way from Prospect to help us and again Saturday morning. We played both Saturday and Sunday, October 29 and 30 at the Emporium for their Senior Continental Breakfast. Thanks to all who came to help play so early in the morning. We are playing Nov 14 and 15 for the Access Senior Fair at the Medford Center.

Mona Givens, Tommy and Joyce Grissom have left for the winter to warmer climate. We will miss them. Betty Deckard is on vacation to Hawaii.

Hope you all had a very Happy Thanksgiving.

Dorene Winkelman, Reporter (503) 772-8941



These name tags are yellow with blue trim with the OOTFA emblem and district number. The price is \$6.50 each, with an extra .50¢ if you want it mailed. Please send a check to Helen Tracy, made out to her.

151 Lindner Lane, Eugene, OR 97404 (503) 688-4085

Chairman - Russ Hall Co-Chair - Pat Kraemer

**Sec/Treas** - Ruth Whaley (503) 888-4430

The big news this time is the coming HOLIDAY DINNER to be held on December 11th, at the Coquille Community Center. District 5 is furnishing all but the salads and desserts. Russ asked that those whose last names start with A - L bring salad and M - Z bring dessert, and don't forget your table service. We also need some muscle men to set up tables before dinner, which will be at approximately 12 noon. Then we can work off our dinner jamming.

There WILL NOT be a Jam on December 10th, because we will be getting together on the 11th for the Holiday Dinner. The next Jam will be on January 14th at the COOS BAY SENIOR ACTIVITY CENTER on 4th Street in Coos Bay. For those of you from out of town that don't know how to find us,----when you come into Coos Bay from either North or South, follow the signs to the beaches, turn off 101 onto Commercial (one-way west) turn left on 4th street and go South to 886 South 4th. There is a large parking area behind the center.

We wish to thank all who helped with the sound system and a special thank you to **Pat Kraemer**, he tows that equipment trailer wherever we need it at no charge to the district. Thank You All.

By the time you read this, we will have had another great barbecue at **Ned and Val's**. Thank you very much! We always have a good time there.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY to: **Mickey Betts**, December 9th. HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to: **Claud and Ruth Whaley**, December 20th.

PLEASE, if you would like to be included in the Birthday and Anniversary acknowledgements, just send you names and dates to me or give them to me at our next meeting.

Don't forget to send your dues for 1995 to **Joe Levine** so you name can be listed in the roster. The roster is a very important tool, I for one would be lost without it.

Ruth Whaley, Reporter (503) 888-4430

To Rome, said Nero: "If to smoke you turn, I shall not cease to fiddle while you burn". To Nero, Rome Replied: "Pray do your worst, 'Tis my excuse that you were fiddling first!"

#### DISTRICT 6

Chairman - Mark Carmickle
Co-Chair - Stan Gonshorowski
Sec/Treas - Ray Mitchell
Co-Sec/Treas - Vivian Steele

On Sunday, December 4th, the Moose Lodge in Lebanon will host their traditional Christmas jam/dance and will furnish the lunch.

The January 8th jam will be the **State Quarterly Meeting** in Springfield at the Willamalane Senior Center, 215 West C Street (just off Mill St. near the bridge.)

At the last Albany jam, Rozanne Spann found a blue jacket and a plate and would like to find the owners.

#### COMMUNITY INFORMATION:

Old Time Fiddling Class through LCC will be offered Winter Term, which starts in January. Both beginning and Intermediate classes will be offered by Andrea Wyckoff. You may call her at (503) 345-5706 or LCC for more information. Check the schedule of classes for classes on guitar or harmonica or ask one of the board members, as there are many fine private teachers.

Blue Grass jams will be held on the second Sunday of every month at the Coburg Grange from 12:30 to 5:30. Contact John Morreau at (503) 998-1340 for more information. We attended the first session, and I gave out our jam schedule to three fiddlers where were interested in Old Time Music.

Coburg Grange will again be hosting a jam/dance on the 3rd Saturday of each month. If anyone needs a jam schedule for the Granges on Friday nights, please call a board member.

<u>Franklin Grange</u> will continue with their jams scheduled on the 3rd Friday night of each month.

BOARD INFORMATION: It was decided that to encourage Out of District members to attend our Willamalane Potlucks, the first six spaces on the players signup list will be reserved only for them. Please let us know if you are an Out-of-district member, so we can welcome you and get you signed up. In order to avoid confusion or hurt feelings, musicians will play in order that they have signed up, no trades or changes.

Helen Tracy encourages both old and new members to buy and wear Old Time Fiddler name tags. The names are easy to read, help us all get acquainted, they also make nice holiday gifts (Helen promises fast service) and as an incentive, door prizes are often given to names drawn from those wearing name badges.

COMMUNITY SERVICE: Members played at nursing homes, foster care homes, an elementary school Halloween Carnival and a cider party this month. If you are

Chairman - Myrtle Arnold Co-Chair - Chuck Gates Sec/Treas- Ida Colby

Another month gone by??

Our Jam at Estacada was real nice. It was a treat having members from Districts 6 and 8 visiting us. Do it again!

We've had four of our members spend time in hospitals this month. Buss Boyk had a triple by-pass surgery and Cohleen Finley, Ida Colby, and Glen Echo Leahy each had surgery, but I'm happy to report they are all home and recuperating nicely.

Chad Terrusa's workshop is going well. Anyone interested in taking part in future workshops, please contact Chad.

The fiddlers will be playing at Mall 205, Saturday, December 17th at 1pm. Everyone is welcome to help us play---maybe a bit of Christmas Music. We may be playing at Clackamas Town Center--date to be announced later.

We plan to have a meeting and election of officers at our January jam, which is Jan 22nd at the Gladstone Senior Center. So be thinking about who you would like to have take care of our district for the coming year, beginning July 1st, 1994. Maybe I should say WHO is willing to do this. Volunteers and offers are still welcome for the jobs of taking care of our PA system and coffee pot. Just a reminder--our secretaries, Ida Colby or Dulcie Fast will be glad to take your dues for the coming year. They at \$15.00 for a family.

Our next jam and Christmas party will be at the Gresham Senior Center. The address is: **50 N.E. Elliott St.** Take Powell (Hwy 26) to Gresham, and the Senior Center is 1/2 block off Powell on Elliott. For our potluck, the turkey and dressing, ham, mashed potatoes and gravy will be furnished. So please bring salads, vegetables, or desserts and remember to bring your own table service. Program is at 1pm. Practice up on your Christmas Music.

See you there.

Dulcie Fast, Reporting (503) 232-4444.



#### DISTRICT 8

Chairman -- Don Simons (503) 623-4010

Co-Chair -- Donna Oldham Sec/Treas -- Ruth Jones

Season's Greetings from District 8.

November 12th a small group played for a Chili Feed at Buell Grange. This was one of those times they requested just a few musicians as they were giving us our dinner. As payment for the evening, the grange will give us free rent to use their building for our January 15th jam. The audience was most appreciative, staying on to listen after they ate.

This is being written before our Thanksgiving Jam, but I'm sure it will be a good one. Many thanks to Ruth, Faythe, Jean, Donna, Daisy, Alice and Mary for cooking and bringing the turkey, dressing, gravy, sweet potatoes, mashed potatoes and rolls. An extra big Thank You to Mary Terry who co-ordinated the planning of the dinner. And thanks to all the others who brought salads, relishes and desserts and who also helped in the kitchen.

Lew and Jean Standiford attended the Western Open Contest at Redding in October. Lew came in 4th in Senior Division, and with some help from his brothers, won 1st in Juke Box Division. Way to go, Lew! Congratulations!

Have you paid you dues for 1995 yet? Don't put it off. The 1995 roster is made up of paid members, and we want you to be in it. Send \$15.00 to the membership chairman, or pay our sec/treas, Ruth Jones. Life members will be in the roster anyway, but if they want to receive the Hoedowner, they need to pay. It is especially important to be paid if you plan to enter our OOTFA contest in May.

Our Christmas Jam will be Sunday December 18th at the Salem Area Senior Center in Keizer. The address is: 3864 River Road North. The District will furnish the meat and potatoes. If your name starts with A through M, please bring a salad or relish tray. N through Z, please bring dessert. Potluck at noon. Open to the public at 1pm.

It's time to be thinking of new District officers. We'll be having our election in a few months. District leadership is an important job, but with co-operation from everyone, and a spirit of doing what is best for the organization, it can be a gratifying job.

Peace and Joy to all at this Holiday Season.

**Alice Holt, Reporter (503) 391-5377** 

Chairman -- Janet Burgess (503) 573-1323 Co-Chair -- Walt Cooper (503) 573-3417 Sec/Treas -- Darlene Austin (503) 573-2312

Another month is almost gone and time for another report. Holiday time of year is a busy time for OOTFA members, as you all know.

We of the Harney County OOTFA have already started this years activities. Nov 11th we had our potluck and jam. We had a real good crowd. Played for folks at the Burns Nursing Home (my favorite place to play). Nov 19th, we played for the American Legion Auxiliary and then played for the Harney County Arts and Crafts Pre-Holiday Demo. We had a great time at both places. Present at these events were: Janet Burgess, Julia Millison, Walt Cooper and Carl Cross. My favorite time of the year is fast approching (Christmas).

Calendar of Events for December include: Dec 8-10th. Christmas Lights Spectacular. Dec 12th, Burns Nursing Home. Our potluck and jam is on Dec 18th at the Senior Center in Burns.

All the members of District 9 wish you all a Merry Christmas.

Carl Cross, Reporter (503) 573-7821



# Notes From Your Editor

Where has 1994 gone? Thanksgiving is over and the Holiday Season is right around the corner. I imagine that you are all as busy as I am. Besides working, and fiddling, there is little time to do the other things. Somehow I manage to buy a little food and to do a little cooking. But not much else.

I want to encourage you to get your OOTF $\Lambda$  dues paid soon. Ideally, by the end of the year. Just stuff Joe s mail box down there in Rogue River. I m sure that he would be delighted.

Keep in mind that elections of State Officers will take place at the Convention in March. Talk it up and over with who you might like and who would do a good job. Elections of District Officers should take place soon.

Well, Merry Christmas, Happy Hanukkah, Happy New Year. Keep Fiddling and stay Happy.

God Bless you all. Λ. Joy

#### DISTRICT 10

Chairman -- Dennis Allen (503) 673-7845

Co-Chair -- Lewis Roy

Sec/Trea -- Etta Powell (503) 836-2601

NOTE: All District 10 members, we will be jamming and dancing at Sutherlin Grange on Dec 2 from 7 to 11pm. Everyone is welcome.

December playing dates are: 3rd, Garden Valley Retirement Center; 13th, Mercy Care Nursing Home; 22nd, Glide Senior Center.

Thanks to Isom and Faye Patterson for the nice Coffee Kitty. Thanks to Dick Shroll for the microphone.

Also our thoughts go to Wesly Curtis for speedy recovery from his fall. To Lewis Roy and Guy Kinnman, we wish you the best and speedy recovery from your surgery.

We wish a happy November Birthdays to members: Fred Young, Clement Berlier, John Whaley. Marlies Carr. Happy Anniversary to: Paul & Doris Redifer, Bob & Jean Hanson, Dick & Leah Shroll.

Sure is nice to see new faces at a jam. Our guests were Shorty & Charlotte Dow from Dist. 5 and Dick Shroll's brother, Vernon Shroll from Washington to visit Louis and friends.

Every Friday to the Old Time Fiddlers, Louise Trimble is having an open jam at 112 Caribou Lane Recreation Center, Town Country Mobil Home Park.

Everyone is welcome. Phone (503) 672-9615.

Jean Hanson, Reporter (503) 672-6929

Definition of a Fiddle, n. An instrument to tickle human ears by friction of a horse's tail on the entrails of a cat.

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### Lew Sez cont.

Hopefully this story will have a happy ending.

Joe LeVine dropped me a note to ask for 300 more stamps to mail out your membership cards. That is good news because you are responding to last months plea to renew your memberships. If you haven't paid your dues yet, find the application in last month's Hoedowner and send it with \$15.00 to Joe. Or you can pay your district secretary/treasurer and she or he will send it to Joe. If you don't have last month's Hoedowner, just send \$15 with your name, address, telephone number, family names and the instruments that all of you play. We want you for a member next year.

Earlier this month Alice and I went to Lebanon to meet with the manager of the Lebanon Chamber of Commerce. We had an excellent meeting and he feels that he can help us. So unless the bubble bursts, we'll be back in Lebanon on May 19, 20, and 21 for our state contest. Also, please mark your calendar for January 8th, 1995 for the State Quarterly Meeting; March 16,17,18th for the State Convention; and April 21, 22, 23rd for the Lincoln City Fiddle Festival.

Friends of the Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers Association come in unexpected ways and at unexpected times. Recently I received a check for a donation of \$120 to our State Fiddle Contest from Norman Fiock from Montague, California. Norm and his wife, May, come up every year for our contest. They enjoy our music enough to come to our state meeting at LaPine this year. I called Norman to thank him and to ask him if I could use his name in the Hoedowner. He told me to go ahead it would help the cause. I am a great fan of National Public Radio and Television. I hear their plea for contributions and I don't mind helping support them by sending my donation. I got to thinking - if Norman could donate towards the contest, maybe there are others out there who would donate to fund the broadcasts on radio and TV. I am sharing this with you now and will make a big push after the first of the year. Many of us want to give the State Contest a transfusion and it takes money to give it the life that it needs. Are you willing to help? (I have promises of contributions from Medford, Sandy, Portland, Salem, Lebanon already - just to name a few so I feel optimistic.)

Thanks to **Helen Tracy**, we now have 5000 fiddle membership decals. Several districts have already purchased 200 each for their members. I want to encourage each district to buy a good supply and make them available to the members. At 4-For-A-Dollar - it is a pretty good buy. By buying 5000, we got them much cheaper.

Happy Fiddling. Lew Holt, President Oregon Old Time Fiddlers.

## District 1E, cont.

It's important to our organization to go to our own functions, but important also to visit other districts and get acquainted with others. We build firendships that can last the rest of our lives. Plus, it affects those outside of OOTFA.

Thanks for Friends ever dear and near. Luv Y all.

Homer McLain, Reporter (503) 947-2448

## District 6, cont.

part of a group and would like to play for Community events please contact **Allison Roberts** at (503)688-1399. Also, Allison wishes to thank those who have contributed greeting cards for people in nursing homes, and to let others know she can always use more. If you would like to form a group or join one, contact **Judy Clement** at (503)345-0691, and I will put names in the Hoedowner so people can get together. Playing for others is a way of sharing our old time tunes and also a lot of fun.

CONDOLENCES: Our sincere sympathy to the family of Cromwell Mansell who died on November 2nd. We will miss his music and want the family to know we are thinking of them. Many people signed a card at the Thurston Grange where a moment of silence was observed in memory of Crom.

RECOVERY WISHES: Bob Kaiser had ear surgery and hopefully is well on his way to recovery. I heard him play at Vivian Steele's birthday party and his music sounded as sweet as ever.

Ron Wykoff's mother broke her hip and is recovering now at home after a week in the hospital.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY WISHES TO: Mary Crockett, Nov 30th; Vera Kinnaman, Dec 2nd; Mark Carmickle, 6th; Grace Fox, 9th; Sierra Morasci, 9th; Russ Peckham, 13th; Brian Pruitt, 15th; Wayne Tracy, 18th; Betty Hawkins, 19th; Lloyd Shriber, 25th; Janice Davison, 25th; Mike Garcia, 31st.

DECEMBER ANNIVERSARY CONGRATULA-TIONS TO: Frank and Freda Chandler, 9th; Roy and Margaret Voss, 26th. Belated: Ken and Rozanne Spann, Nov 10th; Jack and Mary Crockett, Nov 24th.

Please let me know if I've missed your birthday or anniversary and do call me if you have news of interest to other members. I'll be happy to report it.

Hope you have lots of good music and holiday fun with your family and friends.

Judy Clement, Reporter (503) 345-0691

### TIME TO RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP IN OOTFA

Annual dues are \$15.00 per household and run January 1st to December 31st. Members voted the 1993 annual meeting to raise dues.

LIFE MEMBERS, remember that you need to pay \$15.00 to get the Hoedowner.

Please fill in and pay your District Secretary-Treasurer or send to: Membership Chairman, Joe LeVine P.O. Box 332 Rogue River, OR 97537

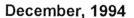
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