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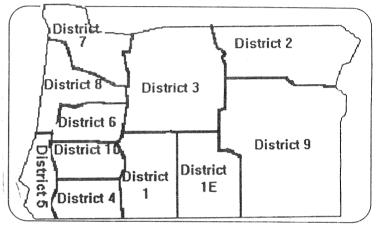
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Chad's Chatter

Are you tired of the same ho-hum Convention where you are just sitting around fiddlin', pickin' grinnin, and thoroughly enjoying yourself? Are you having so much fun that your fingers are screaming "UNCLE" and your grinnin' muscles are FA-TIGUED? Is the excitement of seeing and visiting with old friends so elevating and overwhelming that you have become absolutely ESTATIC? If you suffer from any of the above, you are most likely have TMFS (To Much Fun Syndrome). On January 14, 1996 at the State Quarterly Meeting in Springfield you will learn how to get out of the TMFS rut by volunteering to work ONE two-hour shift on the day of your choice at the State Convention. Hang on to your hats, this is guaranteed to change your life forever (at lease during the two-hour shift). Please don't be shy, feel free to volunteer your spouse, children, best friend and even your Mother-in-law. If you are unable to attend 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."

DISTRICT 1

Chairman - Jo Harris (503) 884-9852

Co-Chair - Sandy Sandusky (541) 884-7802

Sec/Treas - Harold North (541) 882-8772

We all hope your Holidays were happy ones and we wish you rich blessings for the New Year.

The Christmas Party and jam was December 10th with lots of good food and music following. You all come to our January 7th Jam and potluck at Midland Grange, (Jo Wright & Tingley Lane) in Klamath Falls.

Our chairlady was pleased with the Music Fest that District One had November 18th. It was good to see musicians come out and enjoy the afternoon. Hopefully we can recruit some new members. Jo is hoping to set another date in the future for another Fest.

We will be playing for a Senior lunch on December 18th in Tulelake, California.

We will be playing for the three nursing homes this month. The 3rd Sunday at Washburn Way. The 4th Thursday at Clairmont Convalescence and Retirement Home. (for the 3rd one, call Faye) These are important dates, our friends look forward to our coming.

Our Condolences to the family of **Zelma Foote** and **Vi Jensen**. They will be missed by us all.

January Birthday Greetings to: Naomi Voss, 3rd; Al Nelson 5th; Gary Rarden, 6th; Thelma Nelson,13th; Leonard McDonald, 15th; Jo Harris, 19th; Carolyn Rarden, 20th; Ray Green, 27th.

Grace & Lew Stork are celebrating an anniversary on January 15th.

Faye Patterson, Reporting (541) 798-5973



DISTRICT 1E

Chairman - Mary Ann McLain (541) 947-2448

Co Chairman - Lorena McLain

Secretary - Mary Stone

Treasurer - John (Shorty) Stone

Dear Members of OOTFA.

We went November 24th to Adel Chivaree, a couple near 50's in years got married. Boy, if you've never been to a chivaree, it's more fun than shakin' snakes out of a barrel. About 150 people and lots of food and lots of good cheer and lots of good musicians & music from 7pm to midnight.

November 29th most of our District 1E went to Ad Hay School and played for 400 youngsters for 45 minutes. They were very attentive and lots of nice comments from teachers and children from 5 years to 12 years old.

December 11th was District 1E's meeting at Indian Village Restaurant banquet room. New officers were elected for 1996. They are:

Chairman: John Stone Co-Chair: Eric Leffingwell Sec/Treas: Beverly Perry.

The reporter is to be chosen in January. We had 21 members present. We encourage all members to attend each meeting. Please, it helps to know what is being done and where we're playing.

Past news and very special--Our Chairlady, Mary Ann McLain, (first time ever) got up and sang a song. We were all thrilled and she did a great job, too. We all hope she will do more of it in the future.

We appreciate Mary Ann McLain, Shorty & Mary Stone, for getting our District off to a good start. Thanks Mary Ann for 2 years of service.

December 15th Jam at Memorial Hall was a fun time again. No further dates have been set up as for now.

Rosa Lee and I went to Portland for a retirement Meeting for me. We found wind and freezing rain, so we to Olympia, Wa. and had a short visit with 2 brothers. one was George who plays guitar and is a member of OOTFA and his wife, Shirley. On our way home, we went through Bend and went by the Senior Center to see if OOTFA was jamming. They wasn't -- of all things "They was eating" lots of good food. So we joined right in. It wasn't long until I heard someone say, come on Lerov (Sims) lets get the music going and they did some lively tunes. We were thrilled to see old friends and got to play music with them. The biggest thrill of all was seeing and hearing 5 young people (looked like maybe 6 -13) playing fiddles and doing a good job of it, too. The neatest part was the MC put the children on several times to the joy of the large crowd.

Your Friend and humorist---Homer D. McLain

DISTRICT 3

Chairman -- Ken Jordan (541) 389-9746 Co-Chair -- Jack Kerr (541) 447-1318

Sec/Treas -- Susan Youngblood (541) 383-5001

Well, by the time you all read this, Christmas will be history and we hope you all celebrated the birth of Jesus with loved ones, friends and family. It is a good time to remember that Jesus was born to fulfill God's promise to us, and of course, Jesus is the Reason for the Season and it is our wish that all of you have a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Our Jam for January is the 14th at 1:30 - 4pm at the Bend Senior Center at 5th and Kearney. Come on by for some good music, dancing and fun.

Our December jam was lots of fun. We had 63 people turn out including musicians. Everyone had a good time with lots of dancing and lots of holiday spirit. We hope you all come back in January so we can do it again.

We had special quests from down South, all the way from Lakeview, Homer and Rosalee McLain. We were very happy to have them with us and they treated us to a few tunes and we really enjoyed their music. What with Homer's unique fiddlin' technique and Rosalee's voice as sweet as a bird, it was wonderful. It was great having them join us... We hope they enjoyed it as much as we did. Please come and visit us anytime. Also thanks to Doris from Prineville. We enjoyed your singing and playing.

We have a few celebrations in January with birthdays and anniversaries. So here they are: Al Zehner, the 8th; Shirley Sims, the 15th; Sally Jordan, 16th; Hazel Flock, the 31st....Salute! We won't ask you how old you are, but I heard Al really isn't too old---in tree age....Just kiddin' Al...Hope everyone has a wonderful birthday.

Remember Election of new officers will be in February, so be thinking of who you would like to be in office and be prepared to nominate them.

Remember: We can't all be shinning examples, but we can at least twinkle a little.

Take care of each other and HUG someone today.....

Respectfully, Sally Jordan, Reporter (541) 389-9746. 3

DISTRICT 4

Chairman - Joe Levine (541) 582-1069 Co-Chair -- Merle Pasley (541) 582-1924 Sec/Trea -- Ethel Holstin (541) 479-1621

I truly wish you a very weary Christmas and a yappy hew near! (hic).

Oh dear, that doesn't sound right does it? I don't know whether I'm coming or going! I do know we had a capacity crowd at Gold Hill Jam and had to eat in shifts! Scrumptious dinner! Thanks to Odetta Levine and her committee of Paula Parren. Bev. Toll, Lola Williams and also to all the other good cooks and helpers!! Also we enjoyed Dennis and Thelma Allen, Etta Powell, and Bill Bettis' presence.

Donna Frazier and Olive Davis each received a memorial banner to the late Jack Frazier and Raymond Davis. So important to keep our dear friends in thought and prayers. Also, let's keep in mind Jim Hoots, Hazel & Don, Doreen and Letha Frv who are struggling with their burdens.

Not much newsy stuff today. A few were away for Thanksgiving travels and some brave ones venturing out for Christmas and others just wandering aimlessly at Wal-Mart! We'll find them next vear in the "Lost & Found", I'm sure.

Let me give you some "in depth" focus on OOTF in general, since I'm departing from my normal format.....

I perceive my "fiddler friends" as ones who cherish their musical heritage, humble as their own origins, all anxious for our next jam, eager not only to make music, but to listen, to be sincerely concerned about their friends well being.

Saturday, January 6th at Rogue River Sr. Center 132 Broadway.

Saturday, February 3rd at Roxie Ann Grange in Medford.

Saturday, March 2nd at Talent Community Center in Talent.

> I remain your "Merry" Mary Armstrong. Reporter (541) 479-5974

DISTRICT 5

Chairman - Claud Whaley (541) 888-4430

Co-Chair -

Sec/Treas - Marianne Burns (541) 888-2655

Batten down the hatches, if this storm of December 12th is any indication of our winter weather to come.

January 20th is a Meeting and Jam at the Coos Bay Senior Center.

Helen and Elwood Serfass are in Washington at her mothers, but will be home after Christmas. We miss you guys.

January Nursing Home Schedule Is: January 2nd, 1996 Lifecare at 2pm

January 9th, 1996 Hearthside at 2pm

A welcome to new members, **Dell and Carol Thomas** of Coquille.

Etta Tucker fell and broke a hip. She is in the hospital and will be receiving a hip replacement.

Birthdays for January are: Russ Hall, 12th; El-wood Serfass, 28th. Loren Osborne's birthday is also in January.

Acting Reporter, Ruth Whaley.

FIDDLE WORKSHOPS

This Winter



With Fiddler, Greg Baker author of the Fiddle Series & Workshops

At Manselle's Music Shop, 17417 SE McLoughlin, Milwaukie

on the first saturdays of February, March & April, 1996

Beginner Level: 1:00 - 2:15 pm (Feb 3, Mar 2, Apr 6)
For those with little or no experience on the violin or fiddle.

<u>Intermediates:</u> 2:30 - 4:00 pm (Feb 3, Mar 2, Apr 6) Learn old-time tunes, harmony parts, "trick fiddling" & backup.

TUITION: \$50.00 per either 3-day session; tuition includes Greg's Fiddle Workshop 1 for beginners or Fiddle Workshop 2
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DISTRICT 6

Chairman - Ray Mitchell (503) 342-2816 **Co-Chair** - John Madsen (503) 747-9977

Sec/Treas - Ruth Montgomery

Co-Sec/Tr - Vivian Steele

Our New Year activities will begin with the **State Quarterly Meeting** at Willamalane Senior Center on Sunday, January 14th at10am, followed by a potluck and jam. Remember to bring your place settings, a main dish and a side dish or a dessert. This is a wonderful chance to hear many fine out-of-district performers.

On Sunday, the 28th at the FairmontGrange in Albany there will be a potluck/jam. Please bring a hot and a cold dish for the noon meal. If you haven't attended this jam, please do so, it is a lot of fun.

In December there were 250 people at the Moose Lodge Jam on December 3rd. The turkey meal was delicious and the music fun. **Mark Carmickle** gave out candy cases to the seniors.

At the December 10th District Meeting, the chairman, Ray Mitchell and the Board gave a review of events of the year so far. Coburg Golden Years saw us winning first prize for a musical entry with our decorated float. We played all afternoon on Saturday and have been asked to return next year. In August we resumed playing for the Lane County Museum during the Lane County Fair. We had a good turnout of players and made a small profit. After we played, we walked in a parade and received a 12-foot "Old Time Fiddler" banner. The Board has started a lending library of videos including professional instrumental tapes and interview tapes. A self-supporting fiddle work-shop was held in November with twenty participants. The Board was expanded to include two members at large to increase input. We have changed our bank account to an interest bearing account. The Board is a wonderful group of people who have put in a lot of time volunteering for our organization. They welcome ideas and suggestions. Please write down any that you may have for them.

BOARD NEWS. We encourage out-of-district members to come to our jams. Any out-of-district member who wishes to play is invited to sign up at the beginning of the list **prior** to the jam. We hope this will encourage more of you to come.

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DISTRICT 7

Chairman - Joy Smith (503) 829-5234 **Co-Chair -** Dorothy Wehus (503) 266-4144 **Sec/Treas-** Susi Spencer (503) 524-4563

We send a Christmas Prayer to all those who are not well at this time. Among those are **Edith Summers** and neither **Butchie** nor **Russ Phillips** are up to par.

There will be a meeting at the February Jam starting at 11:30. Be thinking of who you would like to have for next years officers. Election is coming up and **Joy Smith** has already said she would not be able to continue.

A reminder that we play at the Milwaukie Convalescent Center on the second Monday of each month starting at 1:30pm. It is located at 12045 Stanley Avenue.

We always have a potluck at our monthly jams, so bring your favorite dishes and table service. This month will be at Elsie Stuhr Senior Center in Beaverton. To get there coming from the north, take Hwy 26 to exit 217, right on Allen Blvd., to Hall, right to 12th and the center is on the right.

Thanks to all who participated in the playing at the Clackamas Town Center. I'm sure there will be many things to report on in the next issue.

We wish **Joy Halliwell** a safe and happy vacation.

It is time to take a few minutes and count our blessings. There are so many worse off than any of us. Keep up the music. There is nothing so helpful when you are sick or depressed as music.

Happy Holidays to everyone.

Ida Colby, Reporting (503) 557-8709



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.

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DISTRICT 8

Chairman - Lew Holt (503) 391-5377 **Co-Chair -** Bob Crump (503) 472-3443 **Sec/Trea -** Faythe Maas (503) 472-7032

We had a great turnout of members at our November 19th jam at Buell Grange. We were pleased to have so many visitors from Districts 6 and 7. During the jam we honored members we have recently lost: Zelma Foote, Charlie Jensen, Owen Hayter, Florence Jones and Dellis Hince. Dellis passed away just before the jam. He attended often and enjoyed dancing. Lew and Jean Standiford's son, Clayton, died on November 24th. Our hearts go out to them. Jean and Lew thank everyone for their kindness during this difficult time. We offer them our love, our prayers, and our support.

I can only echo **Sally Jordan's** thoughts in the December Hoedowner. We need to enjoy and appreciate life and each other. None of us know when our time on earth will end. The letter from **Zelma's** family was especially touching. It certainly sums up Zelma's wonderful, positive attitude. She is an example we would all do well to follow.

There was a good write up in the Salem Statesman Journal about **Ken Cartwright**. Ken is an OOTFA member. He owns Cartwright's Music in Reed Opera House in Salem. He repairs stringed instruments, sells music, books and tapes, strings etc. He has had group lessons for young people that a number of our younger OOTFA members have attended to learn fiddle, guitar and mandolin. Ken is a good friend and supporter of OOTFA.

Norman McGrew is one proud Grandpa! His grandson plays football for Dayton- the new State Champions of their league. Way to go, guys!

I'll report on our Christmas potluck in the next issue. Our January Potluck and Jam will be at the Senior Center in McMinnville on January 21st. Open at 10am, Meeting at 11am and Potluck at noon. Play music from 1 - 4 pm. The center is on McDaniel Street on the west side of Wortman Park.

Keep on Fiddlin' **Alice Holt**, Reporter (503) 391-5377

DISTRICT 9

Chairman -- Ruel Teague (541) 573-2863 Co-Chair -- Walt Cooper (541) 573-3417 Sec/Treas -- Edie Konenig (541) 493-9564

Hi folks! It's me again, back from a bout of pneumonia. I want to thank all of you who sent cards and good wishes to me during my stay in the hospital.

We held our Christmas Jam and Potluck on December 10th at the Senior Center in Burns. The turn-out was great! We all ate until we couldn't hold any more. The food was excellent. Speaking of food, we'd like to thank all those who helped set out and prepared the different plates of goodies. A special thanks to **Margaret Teague** who prepared the turkey, dressing and gravy. A great big thank you to all our members who showed up at the center. Without you folks, we wouldn't have a chapter of OOTFA in Burns. Thanks Again.

All those attending the jam enjoyed the Old-Time-Fiddle Music played by Ruel Teague, Walt Cooper, Darrel Smith, Janet Burgess, Julia Millison, Darlene Austin, Lloyd Louie, Rose Robirts, Edie Konenig and yours truly.

We had a special treat, one of our beginning fiddle players played some Christmas songs for us. Her name is **Denise Sahlberg.** Good Job Denise. Keep up the Good work.

Note: Margaret & Ruel's granddaughter, Stacey will be here the 28th of December for ten days. If you are in the area, stop in and say hello. I'm sure she would like to see all of her OOTFA friends.

Some of our members played at the Burns Nursing Home. Those folks sure do like our music. They played Old-Time Fiddle tunes and Christmas Music.

We played at Jordan Valley for a Gospel Show. Boy! What a good time we had. The music really moved the people.

January 14th - Monthly Potluck and Jam January 15th -Burns Nursing Home

Well, that's it for this month. Hope you all had a Merry Christmas and we at District Nine with all of you a Happy New Year.

Keep Playing that Good Ole-Time Fiddle Music.

Your Reporter -- Carl Cross

DISTRICT 10

Chairman - Louie Roy (541) 679-6305 Co-Chair - Tom Shepherd (541) 679-5894 Sec/Treas- Etta Powell (541) 836-2601

The turnout for our Thanksgiving Jam was wonderful. Thanks to **Guy Kinnman**, **Frances Roy and Thelma Allen** donating turkey and thanks to **Frances Roy** for all the cooking. Also thanks to the rest of you for all the wonderful dishes. We had lots of visitors from District 5 and District 6. We did appreciate everyone coming. Thank you to much.

We would like to welcome new members: Mary Deadmond, Tiny Stinett and James & Charlotte Bonebright.

Happy January Birthdays to: Lewis Roy, Barbara Swartzendruber, Joyce Pickett, Merna Jones, Jerre Jackson and Mary Deadmond.

Jim and Faye Fry are celebrating a January anniversary.

We lost a faithful member, **Glen Brown**, on December 2nd. Our sympathy to his wife, **Jessie**, and family. Our Prayers are with all of the family.

We send our sympathy to Lanora Waggoner and family on the loss of her daughter-in-law, Marvelu Mae Waggoner, who passed away. Our thoughts are with you.

Gale Curtis, we're sorry to hear that you were in the hospital. We wish you the best and a speedy recovery.

Guy Kinnman recently had surgery. We all miss your music. Please recover fast.

We're happy to hear that the Portland Hospital sent **Dennis Pickett** home without having had open heart surgery. We wish you well.

The 2-year-old grandbaby of **Lester &Roberta Snook** is in the Portland Hospital with cancer. Our prayers are with all the family. We wish you all the best from District 10.

Playing dates for January:

January 2 KRNR Radio 12:30 - 12:45pm.

6 VFW Roseburg, Jam Dancing 1-4. Open to public.

10 Mercy Care

12 VFW Roseburg.Jam Dancing 7-10. Open public.

13 Garden Valley Retirement Center

20 Winston Community Bldg. Meeting.11a.m. potluck at noon.Jam & Dance 1-4pm.

District 6 Cont....

COMMUNITY NEWS. The Saturday jams at the Dorris Ranch Barn have been fun. They are really glad to have us play and the atmosphere itself is old-time: a rustic barn with wooden floors and benches around a crackling fire in the wood-burning stove. To reach the Dorris Ranch in Springfield, go south on 2nd from Main St., go over the hill and you'll run into it. For further information, contact either John Madsen (541) 747-9977 or Susan Morasci (541) 342-7095.

LIBRARY. The Craig Duncan You Can Teach Yourself Fiddling" video (a donation) is being checked out and currently has a waiting list. It is a nice beginning video with the tunes beginning on just one string. We will soon have more tapes to loan out. We also have a video of the Greg Baker Workshop held at Willamalane last month.

Also available is a video of some of our fiddlers, guitarists and harmonica players. We are interviewing members as fast as we can. If you have suggestions for things you would like to see in the library, wish to donate, or rent, please contact Ray Mitchell or Judy Clement at (541) 345-0691.

ILLNESSES. Norris Yates is critically ill after suffering a stroke. Our hearts go out to his family. Norris' gentle kindness is being missed.

Oscar Halverson is recovering from a stroke at River Park Nursing Home located between Valley River and K Mart. We have visited with him several times and met his brothers. Dave and Darien. Betty hopes many of us will visit. We miss you Oscar.

John Jennings will have knee surgery, and his wife. Clarabell is recovering from surgery. We were sorry to hear that Neva Menkins hurt her shoulder. Hope you all recover quickly and are back with us soon.

If you know a member who is ill or in the hospital, please let one of the officers know so that we may call or visit. Thanks.

Harve and Linda Harvey wish to thank all the good people and their good gifts and good thought given for their 50th wedding anniversary. Harve confessed he was really nervous about the party, but said it turned out truly wonderful!

Thanks to Allison Roberts and Ruth Montgomery and their helpers who collected and wrapped over 130 gifts and numerous cards for nursing home residents at River Park, Hillside and Grandview in Junction City. Thank you, Linda Danielson, for donations of cards for this program.

January Birthday Wishes to: Betty Bruneau 1st; Glen Wagner, 4th; Dawn Meldrin, 13th; Alan Ede, 16th; Kristina Pruitt, 16th; Allison Roberts, 19th; John Childers, 22nd; Elaine Costa, 27th. Anniversaries: Calvin & Velma Boyles, 24th; Willie and Edna Carter, 11th. "We're hoping you keep those fiddle tunes hot all, year!" Sincerely, Your Reporter, Judy Clement (541) 345-0691."

Merry Christmas and Ηαρρη Νεω Year from... We're Keyed Chervl McKenzie

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Chad's Chatter cont.

the January 14th Meeting and suffer from TMFS and you are ready to be cured for a Two-Hour stretch, please feel free to call me at (503) 668-8900 and I will happily place your name on the VOLUNTEER LIST.

We, the members, are the Heart Beat of this Wonderful Organization. It's amazing what we can do together!!! Please join the Executive Board on January 14, 1996.

I would like to take this time to thank Mr. Louie Roy for all his efforts in negotiating with Douglas County Fairgrounds (the Convention Site). And a Successful Negotiation it was!!! Thanks. In addition, I would like to thank Starr McMullen for all her work with the Corvallis Parks & Recreation regarding the Street Banner (OOTFA State Contest). Thanks, Starr, for fitting this into your busy schedule.

Keep Fiddlin' Chad

Glen Brown was a special friend. His friendly smile and "Hi Professor" always greeted me when we met. I would retort, "Glen Brown, man of renown." We always enjoyed getting in the shade at Warwick's campout and playing our tunes together. The best time we ever had was playing twin pianos at the Shaffars in Bandon. We both knew the same tunes and had the luxury of Abby's two pianos side by side. We'll all miss Glenn but will remember the many good times that we had together.

Lew Holt.



Huckleberry Hornpipe











I have enjoyed hearing Henry Mitchell play this tune through the years. It has a pleasing melody line.



NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR



Thank you, Reporters, for a job well done. I know that it is a little harder to hit a deadline when it comes sooner.

Well, wasn't that some wind-storm on the 12th. Sure reminded me of the hub-bub of the Columbus Day storm.

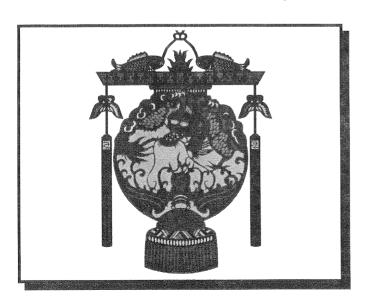
Next month I'll tell you all about the snow in the Canadian Rockies. I'm so excited about going up to see my family in Alberta. Did I tell you that my 11-year-old granddaughter, **Bethany Joy**, is playing fiddle. I am going to enjoy playing with her and her mum a whole lot. She talked about going to play for a nursing home or two.

I want to remind you all: Keep in mind who would make good leaders for your districts. Then who ever you elect, support them to the fullest. Fiddle music is happy music. Makes your toes tingle and your feet to dance.

Well, God Bless you all in the New Year. Hey, remember that Convention time is coming up in March. I always have a great time there.

AJoy





Membership Reminder

Alice and I have received many renewals for your 1996 memberships. Each day's mail brings sometimes as many as 20 renewals. It is always interesting to see whose renewal we might get in that day's mail. We try to get your cards to you in just a few days. If you are a LIFE MEMBER, we do not send you a new card or acknowledge your renewal. But your 1996 membership will be updated in the computer. Now it is time for the rest of you to renew for 1996. Please pay your district secretary your \$15 or send it directly to us. If there are no changes and you are renewing, just send a check made out to OOTFA and sent to us is fine.

Lew and Alice Holt, Membership Chairmen.

Alice McDowell's "Continental Cauliflower Salad"

4 Cups thinly sliced cauliflower

1/2 cup coarsely chopped ripe pitted olives

1 green pepper, seeded and chopped

1 can (3 1/4 oz) chopped pimiento

1/2 cup chopped onion

1/2 cup vegetable oil

3 Tbs. lemon juice

3 Tbs. red wine vinegar

1tsp. salt

1/2 tsp. granulated sugar

1/2 tsp pepper

Combine cauliflower, olives, green pepper, pimiento, and onion in a large salad bowl. Combine oil, lemon juice, vinegar, salt, sugar and pepper in a small bowl, mix well. Pour dressing over vegetables. Toss to combine. Cover and refrigerate 4 hours or overnight.

Letters to the Editor:

We would like to say thank you one and all to our OOTFA family at the time we needed to hear the love and caring from you all. Thank you for your cards, calls and donations for our loving son's memorial.

Lew and Jean Standiford

Dear Friends, Fiddlers and family: Thank you for your expressions of sympathy for our loss of **Glen Brown**, Your words of kindness have been appreciated as we accept our loss of a wonderful husband, father and friend.

Sincerely, Jessie Brown and family.

District Secetary/Treasurers: Please send your monthly reports to the State Secretary/Treasurer, **Myrtle Arnold**, whether you have had activity in your accounts or not.

For Sale: Realistic 35 Watt Solid State PA Amp with 2 mikes, one stand and 2 Realistic speakers. All for only \$150. Call Isom Patterson (541) 798-5973

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