

# THE HOEDOWNER

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## Coming Events

### March

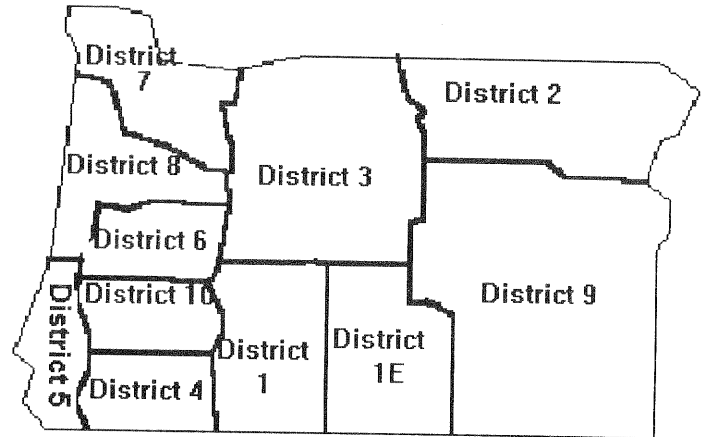
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17-	<b>ORE. STATE CONTEST</b>	Corvallis	
19			<b>OOTFA</b>



## Chad's Chatter

The State Convention is literally upon us. Each District has been assigned specific duties in which your **CHAIRPERSON WILL BE REQUESTING VOLUNTEERS...** this means **YOU!!!!** Thank you in advance for volunteering, your time and efforts are most definitely needed and appreciated.

There is a misunderstanding regarding a motion that was presented at our January Quarterly Meeting. The motion is **NOT** to abolish

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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** (541) 884-9852  
 Co-Chair: **Sandy Sandusky**  
 Sec/Treas: **Harold North**

March 10th, Jam at 2pm. Doors Open at 1pm.  
 Finger foods only. Merril, Oregon Civic Center.

We have a new meeting place! A beautiful big, new room attached to the Civic Center in Merril, Oregon on Front Street. We will have a Fiddlers sign out. Sure would be nice to fill it up with Fiddlers and guests. Hope you will all come out and look it over. Bring a friend.

Today was a lovely day for our February jam. We've been buried in snow for some time, but with the good ol' sun shining, its gone and the roads are dry. Hope you people up north didn't get washed away. The nice weather brought a few more people out for playing and listening. We had about fourteen musicians in all. **Norman & Mae Fiock** drove over from Montague and brought their grandson, who is learning to play fiddle. He and grandpa graced our stage and did a couple of tunes apiece. So glad you came. Norm says they've been buried in snow, also.

Today was election for new officers for 1996, starting July 1st. **Irene Ruddock** will be the new Chairman; **Virgil Schmoer**, Co-Chair; **Grace Stork**, Sec/Treasurer.

Our appreciation to **Jo, Sandy and Harold** for these past two years service.

Things have been pretty quiet in District 1 this winter, except for a house jam now and then. Gotta' keep on top of the music, lest we forget.

Was sorry to see **Al Nelson** on crutches today. He fell on the ice and broke his foot. Tough luck, **Al**.

**Don and Joyce Palmer** were able to attend the jam today. **Don** plays the fiddle, as well as other instruments. Good going on the fiddle, **Don**, don't be bashful!

We're going to be losing another good member. **Paul and Joyce King** are moving to Shady Cove, Oregon. Closer to family, fishing, and warmer weather. I'm sure Paul will find lots of good music in that area, huh? We will miss you and **Joyce**.

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## District 1E

Chairman: **MaryAnn McLain** (541) 947-2449  
 Co-Chair: **Lorena McLain**  
 Secretary: **Mary Stone**  
 Treasurer: **John (Shorty) Stone**

Our January 20th jam was well attended with lots of fun music. **Charlie Threet** sang more of the lovely old songs that we love. **Homer and Rosalee's** music was a treat as always.

**Harvey Rossiter's** accordion was a welcome addition. (He plays fiddle, too, folks!)

**Rhayanna and Billy McLain** played keyboard and guitar respectively, also heard good guitar picking from **Larry McLain**.

**Eric Leffingwell and Edna Schulze** gave us a musical skit.

**Michael Harlen** Played fiddle and guitar and **Clyde Lynch and Linda Miller** got together with some bluegrass harmony. A new member, **Bill Myers** was there with his guitar and **Shorty Stone** was pickin' and singin' as usual. (grinnin', too!)

**Shorty Stone, Maryanne and Larry McLain** attended the quarterly meeting at Springfield on January 14th.

Our **Clayton Stone** benefit show on Friday evening was a wonderful success. Every seat in the house was filled - 250 people. We had a fine program of 17 acts including vocal solos, vocal groups, cowboy poetry, keyboard, guitar and fiddle instrumentals and the old-time fiddlers opened and closed the show. There were donations from the Lakeview Merchants for auctioning and so many were received that we will hold a separate auction on Saturday afternoon, February 10th to auction off all these items. What a wonderful community response to the needs of this little boy and his family. Truly heartwarming.

Our monthly business meeting will be at 7 o'clock Monday evening, February 12th at the Indian Village restaurant.

God Bless,

**Mary Stone** (541) 947-3825

### MARK O'CONNOR TO PLAY IN THE DALLES

**Mark O'Conner** will be performing at the Granada Theater, refurbished in the 1920's style, in The Dalles on the 26th and 27th of April. Please call **Gail Schmidt** for details (541) 298-6800

### ETTA TUCKER

**Etta Tucker, Val Matthews' Mother**, passed away January 22nd and her family would like to thank all of you who visited her in the hospital and the nursing home, who sent flowers and brought in food. They greatly appreciated all that was done.

## District 3

Chairperson: **Ken Jordan** (541) 389-9746  
 Co-Chair: **Jack Kerr**  
 Sec/Treas: **Susan Youngblood**

Well, here we go again, another jam down the tubes with lots of fun and so much music. We had a great turn out this month with 63 people present and several of them musicians...there were many new faces in the audience and some of our regulars alike...So glad to see you all.

We have had some sadness in our district with the loss of two more members. Al Zehner and Tim DeLude have both passed away in the last two weeks. Our hearts go out to **Illamae** and **Rene** and your families...Our prayers and love are with you and **Al & Tim** will be greatly missed...May God bless you in your time of need.

We are pleased to announce your new officers for District 3, come July will be: **Sally Jordan**, Chairperson; **Jack Bloom**, Co-Chair; and **Susan Youngblood**, Secretary and **Ernie Slay**, Reporter. Thank you all in advance for your commitment to the organization and the hard work and dedication you have to the group. We know you will all do a great job.

We wish to express our gratitude at this time to the out-going officers. **Ken Jordan** has done an absolute excellent job these past 2 years. **Ken** is a very dedicated to OOTFA and proud to be a participating member. He has done such a fine job we salute him with big hats off. Thank you, too, to **Jack Kerr** for a job well done and **Susan Youngblood** for your hard work, also.

We will be having our next jam March 10th, 1:30 - 4:30 at the Bend Senior Center. You all come. We enjoy seeing you, visiting with you and playing music and having fun with you, too.

Upcoming celebrations of birthdays and anniversaries for March are: **Virginia Fraser**, 6th; **Ed Perret**, 8th; **Mark Slay**, **Jack Bloom**, 21st; **Ferril Klingensmith**, 26th. Anniversaries are **Jack and Peggy Bloom** Mar 24, 1945; **Pat and Virginia Fraser**, Apr 26, 1987. *Salute.....Congratulations* to all of you.

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## District 4

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

"Erin Go Braugh" ya all!

Say you sunburned "snowbirds" members, we miss you! But you're missing the fun, a lot of happy new faces and a bunch of happy old faces...oops! Let me rephrase that? "Happy familiar faces".

The Sixty-four dollar question, did you come for good food, Ruth's wink, Bud's handshake, Frankie Babe's hug or...did you come to listen and dance? All of the above? Egad, what fortitude! By the way, Frank enjoyed the hugs. Some men even gave him a hug!

Twenty two of us gave a good account of our musical prowess: **Bud**, **Frank** and **May**, **Leonard**, **Lee**, **Vic**, **Letha**, **Jack Lester** (welcome back), **Mary Lowe**, **Charley**, **Merle & Paula**, **Stan Rogge**, **Jim S**, **Charley White**, **Gene W.**, and our faithful back-ups, **Ed & Russ**, each on bass, **Lem** on Guitar, **Dave Winkleman** on banjo. Our back-ups make us sound good! New member and new fiddler, **Dick Thealf**, welcome! Also, **Paul**? I'm sorry, whoever, you always bring rolls? Tell me your real name next time and while you're at it, hit me on the head, so I'll remember. If I've forgotten anyone else, forgive me.

Remember the Roseburg Convention, folks, we're in charge of the raffle booth.

Sad note: **Jim Hoots**, passed away Sunday February 11th after a long struggle. Good-bye Good Friend and good fiddler. May God's love be with all of the Hoots family.

### HANKANSON'S CELEBRATE 50 YEARS!

**John and Helen Hakanson** will celebrate their 50th Anniversary on Sunday, March 24th from 2 - 5pm in the cafeteria at Clackamas Community College Center, the building nearest the Flag Poles! You are all invited. Dessert and music, bring your music makers. No Gifts, Please.

Take exit 10 off I-205 and follow the signs for Molalla and the College. If you plan to attend, RSVP their daughter, Lou at (541) 786-3057.

*Remember folks: The wishbone will never replace the Backbone!*  
Peace!

Mary Armstrong, Reporter

## District 5

Chairman: **Claud Whaley** (541) 888-4430  
 Co:Chair: **Elnora Jorren** (541) 271-3519  
 Sec/Treas: **Marianne Burns** (541) 888-2655

We'll have our meeting on March 9th at 11am, Potluck at noon and jam from 1-4pm. Please bring your own table service. It's at Driftwood Hall on Airport Lane in North Bend across from the NB Senior Center.

As I write this we're in the midst of some warm and dry weather which is most welcome. Gets you thinking about putting the first seeds in your garden.

We had election of officers at our February meeting. **Claud Whaley** is once again our chairman. **Earl Morris** was elected as our co-chairman and **Marianne Burns** agreed to be our Sec/Treasurer once again.

Thanks to all of you for your willingness to head up our district.

**Lauri Hall** volunteered to be our work crew boss as there will be remodeling and painting, etc going on. Thanks so much to all who help.

It was good to have **Roy Lewis** and **Alice McDowell** from District 6 and **Harold** and **Martha Rogers** from District 10 drive over to join us at our meeting on February 10th. It's great to have visitors from other districts. **Phillip Fry**, who is aspiring to become a fiddler, was there also.

Happy March Birthdays to: **Ella Savery**, 6th; **Stella Young**, 8th; **Bob McKee**, 15th; and **Abbie Shaffar**, 28th.

A belated Valentine Anniversary to **Jim** and **Lauri Hall** and a great big congratulations to **Lloyd** and **Norma Dunn** who were married *50 years ago* on March 11th. What a wonderful milestone to reach. May all of you have many more happy years ahead.

District 5 member sez: "I was amazed at the new facilities and hall. There is plenty of parking and lots of room inside and outside. Now we have a steady place to meet and jam. It is more like the old country dance. I have a more positive attitude about District 5. Come and join our fun" signed **Pat Kraemer**. He echos all of our sentiments.

Looking forward to seeing everyone at the convention in Roseburg.

Last but certainly not least, we adopted a list of standing rules at our February 10th meeting. Enjoy Everyday.

Joan Daniels, Reporter (541) 267-2771

## District 6

Chairman: **Ray Mitchell** (541) 342-2816  
 Co-Chair: **John Madsen** (541) 747-9977  
 Sec/Treas: **Ruth Montgomery**  
 Co-Treas: **Vivian Steele**

Our Sunday, February 4th meeting was canceled due to icy road conditions and consequently our District Meeting and Elections will be held Sunday March 10th, at the Willamalane Senior Center at 11am. Finger Foods please.

On Sunday, March 3rd, there will be a lunch/jam at the *Moose Lodge* in Lebanon. Jamming at 12 noon and lunch at 1pm. They are asking for a \$3.50 lunch donation this time, with all of the other Moose jams provided free as usual. They have been a good supporter of the Old Time Fiddlers as we may take the collection each time we play for the seniors.

*Board News:* **Mark Ratzlaff** offered to take over the treasurer's job and was appointed to start immediately with **Vivian Steele** helping in the transfer of duties. Many, many thanks to **Vivian** for all the hours she has put in to keeping the financial records accurate and available. Her help has been immeasurable!

*The Library :* We just purchased the book, *Oregon Folklore* by Suzi Jones which contains photos and information about **Stan Gonshorowski**, **Wally Bloom** and **Paul Lakey**. The board approved a proposal to add older audio tapes of Willamalane jams, so they may be checked out, also. The money from the sale of tapes and rentals will be earmarked for future library purchases. Call **Judy Clement** for more information.

*More Library News:* A Video Review by Ila Mae Carmickle "Learning Bluegrass Fiddle 1" by Kenny Kosek (65 Min.). A relaxed and informative tape for the early beginner. Basics of position, notes and bowing are carefully explained and well illustrated. "Those with some experience could

use this tape to review and correct their technique." Six tunes are taught, all but one in short version. "Liberty" is well taught in its entirety. Bluegrass technique is introduced in several tunes, but the overall content

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### HANDMADE MUSICAL INSTRUMENT EXHIBIT

The 1996 Handmade Musical Instrument Exhibit will beheld March 23 and 24th from 12 - 5pm The location is Marylhurst College in West Linn. Many instrument makers from the Pacific Northwest will be there. Violin family instruments will be well represented as well as guitars, mandolins, etc This should be especially interesting the members of OOTFA. Johnathan S. Franke PO Box 439 Monroe, Or 97456

## District 7

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

By the time you read this, we will have had election of new officers for the coming year. It has been a difficult winter with all the storms sent from above, and we hope everyone got through the many surprises we were served with.

**Buzz Boyk** had some surgery again and we are happy to report he is doing well.

Our March jam will be on the 17th at the Senior Center in Lake Oswego. The address is 505 "G" Street. To get there, take I-205 to exit 8 onto Hwy. 43 Pacific Hwy into Lake Oswego. Turn left at "A" street, right on 7th to the end of the street. Then left on "G" St. and the Center will be on the right.

We will jam at Estacada Senior Center on April 14th, then on to Elsie Stuhr Center in Beaverton on May 12th. Remember to bring your favorite food and table service to the jams as we always have a potluck before playing.

We wish to congratulate **Helen and John Hakanson** on their 50th wedding anniversary, which will be celebrated on March 24th. You will find more information on this elsewhere in this issue. There should be more to write about next month (at least I hope there will be).

In the meantime, keep playing your music for there are so many people who enjoy hearing you.

**Ida Colby, Reporting (503) 557-8709**

## District 8

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

It's almost spring! We've had a strange and exceptionally severe winter with wind storms, ice storms, snow and flood. I've not heard of any of our members having flooded homes, but Salem is still on water conservation at this writing. The Santiam river, source of Salem water, is still so dirty it can't be cleaned and filtered fast enough.

Our January jam was well attended by members and others. We love the McMinnville Senior Center facility, and the people seem to love our music. We had to keep bringing out more chairs. About 150 in all.

Some of us attended a no-host dinner to celebrate **Don and Daisy Simons'** 60th Anniversary. Our congratulations and best wishes to you, **Don and Daisy!** We're glad the snow and ice didn't cancel the party. It tried.

Our March jam will be in Newberg at the Senior Center on Sunday, March 10th. **IMPORTANT:** This is not a potluck, but bring a brown bag lunch and join us. Coffee will be furnished. The building will be open at 10am. We'll eat at noon, and start playing at 1pm as usual.

Newberg is a new meeting place for us, so here are the directions (we haven't been there ourselves, but got this from the Sr. Center people). In the downtown Newberg area - traveling on Hwy 99 through town, turn north on College St. (toward the hills). In a mile or so take a left on Foothills St. The Newberg Senior Center is on the right, a block or so down Foothills St. Come and join us. We hope a bunch of you from District 7 can make it. It's close for some of you. And all you other districts, come on along. We love to have you.

Then on Friday afternoon, March 15th, we will be back to play for a dance at the Newberg Senior Center. The time is from 1:30 -- 4pm. Have some waltzes, two steps and other dance tunes ready. See above for directions to the center.

Convention promises to be as much fun as ever. Districts 7 and 8 are in charge of setting up of the banquet tables so we hope you are there to help. **PLEASE!** And of course, we do the important business of OOTFA, too. See all of you there.

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

### Ruth Applegate's Broccoli Salad

**1 1/2 lbs. broccoli  
(stems, too) chopped  
fine  
1 Cup raisins  
1/2 Cup bacon bits  
3 tbsp chopped  
onions**

**Add dressing of 1 cup  
mayonnaise, 1/4 cup  
sugar and 3 tbsp red  
wine garlic vinegar. It  
tastes best if sets  
overnight or 4 hours.  
Enjoy.**

## District 9

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

I'm back, that means another month has passed and another report is due. That lovely lady editor that does such a good job wants these reports on time. Otherwise, we hear about it. (Ha,Ha) No kidding folks, she's a bear if we don't. Enough of this fooling around, down to business.

We held our monthly potluck and jam at the Senior Center in Burns. Before we ate, we held a business meeting to elect new officers for the new year. Our new Chairman is **Carl Cross**, that's right folks, me! Our new Co-Chairman is **Walt Cooper**, repeating from last year. Our new Sec/Treas is **George Sahlberg**. **George** and his wife, **Whiled**, have been two of our most involved non-playing members. I would like to take this time to thank them and all our non-playing members. Without their support we wouldn't have a chapter of OOTFA. Thanks again to all of you. We have a great bunch of folks all working to keep Old time music alive here at District 9. Those playing at the jam were: **Ruel Teague, Walt Cooper, Julia Milleson, Lloyd Louie, Edie Konenig, Darlene Austin, Casey Cooper, Rose Roberts and me.**

We played at the nursing home here in Burns. The folks all had a good time.

Time is fast ticking away, soon it will be convention time and before you know it, it's June and time for our **Old-Time Country Music Festival** here in Burns. The dates for the festival are Friday, the 14th and Saturday, the 15th. We'd like to invite all our fellow OOTFA members to stop by and play a tune or two.

Looking forward to seeing you all at Convention.

May God Watch over us all and keep us from harm.

Your Reporter, **Carl Cross** (541) 573-7821

## District 10

Chairman: **Louie Roy** (541) 679-6305  
 Co-Chair: **Tom Shepard** (541) 679-5894  
 Sec/Treas: **Gynn Deaton** (541) 839-4501  
 Co-Sec/Treas: **Jo Barnes** (541) 459-4522

The January Jam was well attended with musicians & visitors from District 5 & 6.

We wish all those who are ill a speedy recovery and a prayer for better days ahead. **Lowell Coffey** had knee surgery. **Leah Shroll** had back surgery. **Lenora Waggoner** had a heart attack. **Bill Bettis** had a heart attack. **Faye Fry** had surgery. We wish you all a speedy recovery and good health in the future.

We lost a member, **Van Garrett** who passed away in February. Our sympathy goes to his wife and family. Our prayers are with you.

Happy March Birthday to **Jean Hanson, Frances Roy, Ed Doolittle, Jo Barnes, Katie Gates, Bill Doolittle, Joan Murray, Dan Vallier, Lois Ann Huffman, Helen Bartlett, John Hernandez, Norma La-Clair and Tiny Stinett.**

Happy Anniversary to **Clyde & Lois Ann Huffman, Carl & Hazel Fields, Hap and Merna Jones.** Congratulations to all of you.

### *March Playing Dates*

- 2nd VFW Roseburg, Jam, Dancing 1-4 Open to the Public.
- 5th KRNR Radio 12:30-12:45.
- 6th Rose Haven Nursing Home 1:30-2:30.
- 8th VFW Roseburg, Jam and Dancing 7 - 10 pm. Open to Public
- 9th Garden Valley Retirement Home
- 14th Mercy Care 6:30 - 7:30
- 16th Winston Com. Bldg, Meeting at 11am. Potluck at noon, Jam and dance 1-4pm.
- 20th State Convention, District 10 will have the Floral Building open until midnight on March 20 for members to jam and dance.
- 30th Sutherlin Timber Valley SKP Trailer Park, jam and dance. 12 - 4pm.

### *From the North Directions.*

Sutherlin Exit # 136, turn east on Central about 3 miles, go through the stop light, go 1 block & turn right on State St. go about 3/4 mile, turn left into Timber Valley Park, ask for directions at the office to the Club House.

**Jean Hanson**, Reporter (541) 672-6929

**Bill Costry**  
on  
**Humankind**

**Humor & Wit**

**When you become senile,  
you won't know it.**

**Jack Benny**  
on  
**Humankind**

**Humor & Wit**

**Age is strictly a case of  
mind over matter. If you  
don't mind, it doesn't mat-  
ter.**

## Chad's Chatter cont.

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prayer. The motion is a request that prayer be said silently rather than verbally, which would include all members equally, thus allowing each individual to worship in a manner that they see fit. I hope this clarifies the motion. You need to ask yourself TWO question, DOES GOD HEAR A SILENT PRAYER and ARE YOU WILLING TO GIVE YOUR PEERS AN EQUAL RIGHT TO PRAY. We will be voting on this issue at the Annual State Meeting. The Convention Schedule is printed in this Hoedowner, so check it out. The playing order for the Saturday night Dance is as follows: Dance starts at 8pm.

8	- 8:15	7
8:17	- 8:32	5
8:35	- 8:50	3
8:52	- 9:06	9
9:08	- 9:23	8
9:35	- 9:40	10
9:42	- 9:57	4
9:59	- 10:14	6
10:16	- 10:31	1E
10:33	- 10:48	1

**ATTENTION:** IF YOU HAVE BEEN INVITED TO PLAY IN THE FRIDAY NIGHT SHOW, THEN PLEASE DO NOT LEAD A JAM TUNE AT THE 6:30 FRIDAY JAM. **PLEASE RESERVE THAT RIGHT FOR MEMBERS WHO ARE NOT PLAYING IN THE SHOW**>>>>>>>Thanks. Note: the date of contact with me is March 22nd and not March 20th. OK OK OK, I made a mistake. Sorry!!!

I am looking forward to seeing each and every one of you at the Convention. **SO BE THERE OR BE HOME ALONE!!!!**

Kcep Fiddlin'  
Chad

## District 1 cont.

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We're getting geared up for Roseburg, it will be the first trailer trip after a long winter and they are long. It will be like a family reunion again. Good music and good friends. I can hardly wait!

We played for the new Crystal Terrace Retirement Center February 14th.

The Nursing Homes are: Washburn Way on March 17th at 2pm. Both Clairmont Houses 5:45 - 7pm on March 28th.

March Birthday Greetings to: **Faye Patterson** March 30th; **Irven Johnson** on March 31st.

*We're each a note in the same song but we couldn't all be the same note or there would be no melody.*

Faye Patterson, Reporter

## District 6 cont.

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seem to be more general.

*In Appreciation:* to **Allison Roberts, Ruth Ann Paul, and Vivian Steele** who donated valentine cards. They were delivered along with candy and small gifts to Hillside and Riverpark Rest Homes and were greatly appreciated by the recipients. Further donations of greeting cards of all types and small gifts for nursing homes may be brought to the first meeting in March.

*Community News:* Come help us Celebrate the start of the Spring Season at Dorris Ranch in "The Barn" on Saturday March 16th. The Old-Time Fiddlers will be the featured entertainment at the living history museum. All are welcome from noon to 2(?). We will play by the fire in "The Barn" as is the traditional place where we play every Saturday. If you haven't come out to "The Barn" yet, perhaps you should put this date on your calendar. Turn right on South Second (landmark: Rose's diner) in Springfield, go over the hill, when the road makes a right turn you go straight. You'll see the cars! Dancers welcome and Refreshments will be served.

March Birthday Wishes: **Myrtle McCoy**, 8th; **Curly Roberts**, 11th; **Tammy Pruitt**, 13th; **Frank Overbye**, 20th.

March Anniversary Congratulations: **Alan and Carol Ede**, 16th; **Glenn & Joyce Keech**, 29th.

Your Reporter,

Judy Clement (541) 345-0691

### May 17, 18 & 19 State Contest

Make your reservations now! We have reserved 25 rooms at Towne House Motor Inn until 4/15/96. Mention OTFA \$38.15 1 person occup.

### Don't Forget

Bring your membership cards and name tags to the convention.

### August Workshop

**Donna Rueter** will be holding a workshop. date to be announced. All interested parties, please contact Chad Terrusa at 668-8900.

# OREGON OLD TIME FIDDLERS' ASSOCIATION CONVENTION

## March 20 - 23, 1996

### ROSEBURG, OREGON

#### Wednesday, March 20, 1996

8:30 am to 11:00 am *EARLY BIRD JAMMING* in the Floral Building with District 10 as our hosts.

#### Thursday, March 21, 1996

8:00 *DOORS OPEN* PA system set up. Food Service set up and *JAMMING AROUND THE MAIN HALL.*

10:00 *REGISTRATION AND TICKETS*, District 6, Prices: Banquet tickets (Adults \$6.00 Children under 12 \$3.00)

12:00 *NOON FOOD SERVICE BEGINS*

5:30 pm *SIGN UP FOR NIGHT JAM*

6:30 *GROUP JAM ON STAGE* - Chad Terrusa EmCee

7:00 *JAM BEGINS* - Finger Foods

12:00 *MIDNIGHT HALL CLOSES*

#### Friday, March 22, 1996

8:00 *HALL OPENS* For Breakfast, Jammings and other activities

9:00 *REGISTRATION AND TICKET SALES* - District 6

10:00 *DRAWINGS* Begin for Door Prizes - District 4

*Workshops:* Fiddle, guitar, mandolin *TIMES TO BE ANNOUNCED* and posted. Chad Terrusa.

5:00 *HALL CLOSES FOR PREPARTION* - All Districts are needed for chair set up.

6:00 *SHOW TICKETS SALES BEGIN.* Admission \$4.00 for adults, 12 and under \$1.00. OOTFA members admitted free with 1996 Membership Card or Life Card. Remember the seats in the front 1/3 of hall is for our paying audience.

6:30 *PRE-SHOW JAM* on stage. Remember if you are a performer in the Friday Night Show please do not lead a jam tune. Let us reserve that opportunity for members who are not in the shows. Thanks.

7:00 *ANNUAL FIDDLE AND VARIETY SHOW.* Chad Terrusa, show coordinator

12:00 *MIDNIGHT HALL CLOSES*

#### Saturday, March 23, 1996

8:00 *HALL OPENS* for Breakfast and Jamming

9:00 *STATE QUARTERLY EXECUTIVE BOARD*

*MEETING* in Furnace Room. Executive Board Members ONLY.

10:00 *BANQUET TABLE AND DECORATIONS SET UP* District 7 & 8

11:00 *NOMINATION COMMITTEE MEETS* in Furnace Room. Lew Holt, Chairman.

1:00 *ANNUAL MEETING AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS.* Chad Terrusa, President

2:00 *KITCHEN CLOSES* for Banquet preparation. SO...JAM...JAM...JAM... VISIT... VISIT... VISIT... L YA DROP OR NAP.

5:00 *ANNUAL OOTFA BANQUET* Dee Dee Kaiser, EmCee

**A HEART FELT THANK YOU TO THE DEATONS FOR ALL THE MONTHS OF FOOD PREPARATION AND HARD WORK.**

8:00 *ANNUAL OOTFA DANCE* OOTFA Members and Guests ONLY.

11:00 *HALL CLEAN UP* All Districts are requested to help. Thanks.

12:00 *Midnight THE CONVENTION CLOSES.* Thanks for coming. Drive with care and we will see you soon.

Keep fiddlin'  
Chad Terrusa  
President, OOTFA

This schedule may be subject to change.

Thank you in advance for your participation. You, the members, are what makes this

organization successful. On behalf of the officers of your organization we wish to express our sincere appreciation.

Chad Terrusa - President \* Jack Kerr - Vice-President  
\* Myrtle Arnold - Secretary/Treasure \* Alice Holt -  
Membership \* Joy Halliwell - Editor

The OREGON OLD TIME FIDDLERS' ASSOCIATION is comprised of approximately 800 families and twice that many members. Our existence is based upon our common enjoyment of "Fiddle music". We express this in many different ways: in our homes, at our monthly jams, playing in nursing homes, senior centers, funerals, churches, weddings, grange halls, parades, picnics, campouts, fiddle workshops, contests, conventions, fairs, or when ever people come together for the musical enjoyment of sharing with each other and who ever will listen. Though this means we PERPETUATE OUR OLD TIME MUSIC



District 5 Standing Rules as of February 10, 1996



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HAPPY  
ST. PATRICK'S  
DAY

District 3 cont.

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Our upcoming Events are:  
*March 21,22,23 Convention* in Roseburg.  
*April 1st, Harmony House Retirement Center* at 5:30pm.  
*April 18, 19, Lincoln City Contest.*

*Remember: A good Place to find a Helping Hand is at the end of your arm.....*

Keep Fiddlin', Smilin' and Tappin' those Toes...God Bless all of you.

Reporter: **Sally Jordan,**

**Milton Berle**  
on  
**Humankind**  
**Humor & Wit**

**A committee is a group**  
**that keeps minutes and**  
**loses hours.**

**Orson Welles**  
on  
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**When you are down and**  
**out something always**  
**turns up-and it is usually**  
**the noses of your friends.**

1. Executive Board will consist of: Chairman, Co-Chairman, Secretary/Treasurer and two (2) members drawn at random each year at election time.
2. A Business Meeting will be held each month on jam day. We will need twelve (12) members including officers to conduct business.
3. District Chairman or, 20% of active membership can call a special meeting. It must be advertised in the Hoedowner at least two weeks before said meeting. Only one subject to be discussed and 20% of acting membership must be in attendance to vote.
4. Any member who is out of order will be warned once. On

second offense, the member will be asked to leave, by force if necessary. Said member will receive, in writing, the reason for expulsion. For a member to be welcomed back to District 5 meetings and jams, will require an apology in writing, to be voted on by the majority of the active District 5 embership.

5. Qualifications of a member in good standing are:

- A. Paid up membership dues.
- B. Conduct oneself as Ladies and Gentlemen.
- C. Attendance at, and participation in as many District and State functions as possible.
- D. Agree to perpetuate and promote Old Time Fiddling.

6. Only members in good standing will be eligible to vote and be welcomed at meetings and jams. Each new member will have a copy of these rules.

7. All Reports and correspondence should be OK'ed by the chairman. Anything you want in the Hoedowner must be signed.

8. Each year at election time, the chairman will ask for volunteers for: A welcoming Host or Hostess, A clean-up crew and a kitchen crew.

9. Absolutely no bills will be paid without an itemized receipt. Time Limit Sixty (60) days.

11. If you want to play on jam day, you must sign the board, leaving the first five (5) spots for guests.

12. When Elected to an office, you must sign an oath on day of installation, to abide by all OOTFA by-laws and District 5 standing rules,

and to conduct all meetings according to Roberts Rules of Order.

13. To serve as an officer --- refer to article four (4), Section five (5), OOTFA By-Laws.

14. These standing rules may be amended or rescinded at any regular District Five (5) business meeting by majority vote of members in good standing. The End.

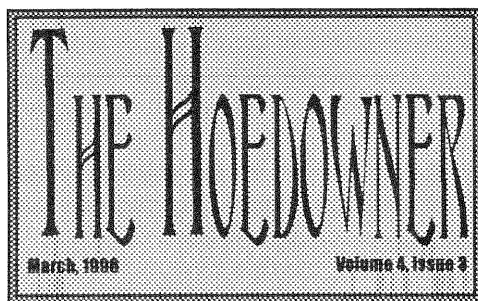
## NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR

Guess I'm just going to have to address that one, **Carl Cross**, Can't let you give me a bad time and get away with it. You just shouldn't put yourself in that position to be reprimanded.

People in District 6 got their feet wet last month. **John Madsen's** were evacuated but just missed getting water in their house. Many of his neighbors in the Mohawk Valley were in serious trouble.

Friends, if you have never been to the State Convention in Roseburg before, I recommend that you give it a try. I think I enjoy that more than any other function. There is music going on in every corner inside and out (weather permitting, of course). If your not playing your either visiting or listening. My favorite is the Saturday night dance. Come on out and enjoy. Enclosed is information regarding the Convention. Look it over and come on out!

AJoy



Lew & Alice Holt -  
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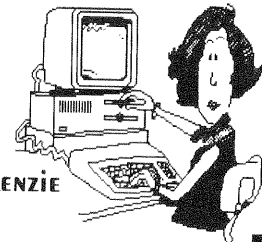
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