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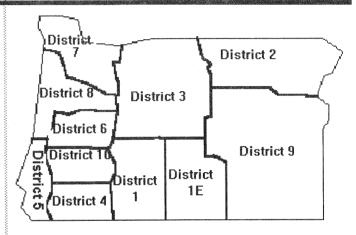
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Coming Events

October

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5	Senior Center 6pm	Canby	7			
5	Festival-By-The-Sea	Brookings	5			
5	Mtng,P'lck,Jam-Grange	Gold Hill	4			
6	Jam, 12-4pm Comm. Ctr	Winston	10			
6	Mtng,P'lck,Jam Townhall	King City	7			
6	Willamalane Sr.Ctr.	Springfield	6			
12	Mtg, P'lck, Jam	Driftwood Hall	5			
12	Elks Jam 6:30	Newport	8			
12	Mtng.P'lck,Jam	Newport	8			
12	6:30 P'lck, Memorial Hall	Lakeview	1E			
13	Bend Senior Center	Bend	3			
13	Jam,Mtng	Merrill	1			
19	Comm.Bldg. 11am.Mtng.P'lck	Winston	10			
26	6:30 P'lck, Memorial Hall	Lakeview	1E			
November						
2	Mtng,P'lck,Jam. Com.Center	Talent	4			
3	Comm.Bldg, noon, Jam, Dancing	Winston	10			
16	Mtng @ 11, Noon P'lck, Jam	Winston	10			
17	Senior Center	McMinnville	8			
17	P'lck, Jam, Senior Center	Forest Grove	7			
24	Thanksgiving Willamalane Sr.Ct.	Springfield	6			

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The Prez Sez

As your president, I thought I would be able to slow down a little bit in September, but the pace is still very fast. Due to the many members on vacation here in District 10, it was necessary for me to help out playing at two nursing homes, one on the 4th and the other on the 12th. Also played at the Roseburg Senior Center on the 27th and the Garden Valley Retirement Home. On the 22nd I attended our monthly meeting, potluck and jam. On September 7th I attended District 4 potluck and jam at Prospect. There was a large turnout of very courteous members and they are to be commended for a very enjoyable afternoon with their hospitality. Generosity and respect show not only to me, but to all other members who attended from outside

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

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District 1

Chairman: **Irene Ruddock** (541) 882-6418 Co-Chair: **Virgil Schmoe** (541) 884-4051 Sec/Treas:**Grace Stork** (541) 884-5313

Hi again - District 1 is back in gear after no jams during the busy summer for each of us.

Our first jam was small in attendance, but full of good music. We especially appreciated our visitors from District 4 who came to join us and liven up our afternoon. Welcome to Vic

and Neva Flood, Pat Manion and Joan Allgood. Please come back again.

For October Happy Birthdays are wished to Carrie Rarden, 15th; Isom Patterson, 16th; Richard Voshall, 8th; and Paul King, 11th; who now lives in the District 4 area.

There still is not much extra playing going on for us, but some will have played for Olene Grange "Bean Cookout" on September 29th.

Jerry and Irene Ruddock wish to thank all who came to their Diamond Lake Campout at the end of July. Dates for next years are July 31, August 1, 2, and 3, 1997. In case anyone wants to make early reservations.

Please remember the nursing homes: 3rd Sunday at 2 pm Washburn Way. 4th Thursday at 5:45 Clairmont Nursing Home, and at 6:45 Clairmont Retirement Center, extra musicians are always welcome.

The next jam is October 13, 1996 at Merrill, Oregon. Doors open at 12 noon. Meeting at 1pm with regular jam starting at 2pm. Bring finger food, please.

Have a good month and "Happy Fiddlin"

Cherie Lane Reporter for OOTFA District 1 (541) 882-1595

District IE

Chairman: John (Shorty) Stone (541) 947-3825 Co-Chair: Eric Leffingwell (541) 947-4982 Secretary: Beverly Perry (541) 947-2334 Treasurer: Mary Anne McLain (541) 947-2448

We played Sunday afternoon, September 1st from noon until 6 at the Lake County Fair. Homer and Rosalee McLain, Bob Hinch from Medford, Linda Miller, Larry McLain, Doc and Marie Walker, Jim Lancaster from District 1, Eric Leffingwell, Perry Forga and Shorty Stone all played or sang or both.

We were in the Lakeview Labor Day parade and received a trophy for the senior group division.

We played Saturday afternoon September 7th for a celebration honoring Cycle Oregon, which was being held in Lakeview.

We'll be playing Friday evening at 6:30 at the annual Tall Man Scholarship Awards Dinner at the Lake County Fair Grounds.

I'd like to publicly apologize to one of our members, Harvey Rossiter, for failing to list as one of our players at the Mosquito festival in July.

When we do these gigs, each of us gives 100% and I regret it when I fail to give credit to every participant.

We've lost one of our loved members, Sam Watts, who passed away September 11th. We'll miss Sam and always remember his pretty music.

Our next jam is October 12th at 6:30. Potluck at the Memorial Hall.

Oct 26th will be a fun, costume, Halloween jam at the Memorial Hall (6:30 potluck). By that time maybe the frost will be on the 'ole pumpkin a little bit and some of this heat will be gone.

Shorty Stone attended the quarterly meeting at LaPine on September

14th. 'Til next Time. God Bless. Mary Stone (541) 947-3825

District 3

Chairperson: Sally Jordan (541) 389-9746

Co-Chair: Jack Bloom Sec/Treas: Ken Jordan

Yesterday I had a few errands to run in Bend and some of the stores already had their Christmas items/cards on display. I thought it much to early, but as the salesperson pointed out to me that Christmas is only 3 months away. I continued on my errand journey and stopped

at the grocery store for a few items, and in the produce section every red delicious apple was gone. You can tell that school is back in session. Then to the Bakery. I went to get my Birthday cake. When the gal asked what I would like written on it, I seriously looked at her and said "Happy Birthday to Me"! At first she looked at me as though I was nuts and then said "are you serious?" I just explained to her every year I go out and get my own birthday cake. She roared in laughter and thought it was the utmost excellent idea. She said next year she is definitely going to do that for herself. I don't see why not. Then finally home to pack for my 3 day training session at the Academy in Monmouth. Ah yes, the hard military style beds with the sratchy wooly blankets. Yes, something to look forward to like a hole in the head. But I will make the best of it, at least this time, it is only for 3 days not 2 weeks like last year.

We had a great turn out for our Saturday Jam, 72 people and out of that 13 musicians. Again, we like to thank the Opportunity Center for coming by and listening to the music, they always have a good time. Next jam

will be October 13th at 1:30 - 4pm at the Bend Senior Center on 5th and Kearney.

Avana Rink is one of our faithful senior's and she has been away for some time, but on Sunday she was there enjoying the mu-

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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

My friends, I have been thinking! (That is a profound statement!) -- Someone from OOTFA should run the government! Don't laugh, picture this: when congress convened, they would "jam" first, then they would have a potluck! County, State, and City, they'd all do the same, a la

OTFA!. Imagine no one would be grumpy or hungry, and....instead of "Hail to the Chief" they would play "Happy Trails to you", shades of Roy Rogers.

Well, no one left Prospect Potluck and jam hungry or grumpy. It was capacity crowd! Among our everfaithful group we had young Jennifer & Daniel Chase. How they have blossomed! Good music from Louie Roy, Guy Kinman, of Roseburg. Grace LeFebre, Bev and Wayne Prouse singing tight harmony. "Love it"! Megan Graf from Newport, thanks for fiddlin' music. Also Joe Levine's brother and sister-in-law from Pasco dancing to our music.

Folks call Joe if you want a nice "T-shirt" with fiddler logo. \$6.00 if enough of us order them.

Roy James, Wanda Thomas of Rogue River; Dorothy Satre of Central Point; Allen & Anna Cramer, C.L and Marie Mickey. All of you are welcome to the fiddlers! To Ruth Applegate, Alice Lopez, good workers take a bow! If I've missed anyone, call me.

Oct 2nd at Central Point? Expo at 5pm. Our Fiddlers will be giving a boost to the "Applegate Trail."

Oct 18th Linda Vista Retirement Ashland, noon. Be there to cheer our fine group.

Remember! Truth is like a rubber band, if you stretch it too far, it may snap back at your face!

Love, Merry Mary Armstrong (541) 479-5974

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District 5

Chairman: Claud Whaley (541) 888-4430

Co:Chair: Phil Frv

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

We hope to see a lot of you at the October Fest-By-The-Sea. If the weather is bad, we will be playing indoors.

We welcome Thelma and Ray Moschke back in District 5.

We saw and heard Fred Virtue at the Friday Evening jam at the State Meeting in LaPine. WE ARE PROUD OF YOU, FRED!!!

Our meeting on Oct 12 will start at 11am. Potluck at 12 noon. Jam all afternoon at Driftwood Hall in North a useful addition to any Bend.

Our trip to LaPine and the State meeting was a memorable one. You will get the details at our October Meeting. It was very nice to see and visit with our fiddlin' friends. Great music.

Happy Fiddlin' Reporter - Ruth Whaley

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

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

Mel Bay Publications have just released Children's Fiddling Method Vol. 2 by Carol Ann Wheeler This valuable aid to learning fiddle is not only for children, but fiddler's library Accompanying the book are both an audio tape and a video, showing Carol Ann demonstrating, note for note how to play sixteen tunes included in this 100 page spiral bound book, amply illustrated with photos of well-known fiddlers young and old. Also featured are twin fiddling

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tunes as played by Carol.



Chairman: Jov Halliwell (541) 747-9894 Co-Chair: Joe Moyle (541) 343-5894 Sec/Treas: Mark Ratzlaff (541) 485-2175 Co:Treas: Ruth Montgomery(541) 995-6629

First, an apology from me for leaving out an entire line of name who we wanted to thank for their wonderful help, especially in the north end of our district. They are: Harv Harvey, Willie Carter, Don and Ruth Loring, Tom McAdam,

> and anyone else I missed. Sorry about that, and you are appreciated even if we neglected saving so now and then.

> To clear up a mystery (I did it to you on purpose) about the birthday for Samantha Dobson, she is a very dear cocker spaniel who has her very own birthday party every year, with guests and refreshments and everythina!

> October birthdays will be: Lucille Childers, 6th; Ila Mae Carmickle, 9th; John Winguist, 9th; Casey Jones, 10th; Louise Jones, 11th; Frieda Chandler, 12th; Charlie Pruitt, 12th; Judy Clement, 17th; Roy Fairchild, 20th; Harv Harvey, 20th; Paige Kinley, 23rd; Ruth Loring, 26th; Don Loring, 30th; and Josephine Wagner, 31st.

> Anniversary congratulations to John and Vivian Steel on the 16th.

> Our district meeting and jam on the 8th at Willamalane Senior Center in Springfield was well attended by musicians and dancer/listeners. Many thanks to those from other districts who came and helped out. We even had, as a guest, the Utah State secretary/treasurer of their Old Time

Fiddler's Association, who shared some of his good music with us.

We are saddened to hear of the loss of Tom McAdam's wife, Myrtle, and Darla Miller's



Your Name Here

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District 7

Chairman: Joy Smith (503) 829-5234 Co-Chair: Ida Colby (503) 557-8709 Sec/Treas:Susy Spencer (503) 524-4563

Autumn is definitely here and it's time to get serious about all those projects you've been putting off all summer - such as house painting, a subject near and un-dear to my heart right now.

Again, thanks from Joy Smith for those

who made a success of summer events including the fundraiser lunch for the Molalla Senior Center on August 24th and the Clackamas County Fair.

There are also good reports about the Chad Terrusa Campout August 15 - 18th. Great Fiddling, new friends made and especially enjoyed the Ragtime Annie contest.

A small but enthusiastic group was on hand Saturday night, September 7th for the monthly dance/jam at the Canby Senior Center. Plan to attend on Saturday night October 5th from 6 - 10pm and see what you've been missing! The Center is located at 1250 South Ivy St. Coming from Portland take 99E to Ivy, turn left. It's on the right on Ivy. We need players of acoustical instruments and dancers. Non-OOTFA are welcome to participate.

On Sunday, October 6th, we return to our usual jam format with a meeting, potluck, and jam at King City Townhall at 15245 SW 116th. From I-5 take Carmen exit (exit 291), go west. Left on Brigeport, right on Upper Boones Ferry Road, left on Durham Rd. and right on 99W. Continue to stop light by Arco Station. Go right.

Just behind the station on the left is Town Hall. The meeting begins at 11am.

Think Happy thoughts and keep smilin'!

Marie Smith, Reporter (503) 829-5880

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District 8

Chairman: Lew Holt (503) 391-5377 Co-Chair: Johnny Leigh (503) 472-8518 Sec/Treas: Faythe Maahs (503) 472-7032

Greetings from District 8. Life has slowed up a bit after the fun, but a busy August. A group of us had fun playing for 175 retired seniors at the Capital Manor in West Salem on the 10th of this month. We all stood up front and played many of the old favorites together. The old standard tunes

that people know seem to go over well. Thanks to Bill Fenton for coming down from District 7 and for all of the other musicians that helped make the evening successful. Lew was surprised and pleased to have a college professor from the late 40's walk up to greet him. they had old times to talk about.

District 8 is preparing for a garage sale this weekend at the Maahs. Sorry it got left out of the news last month - a slip up during the busy and hectic schedule last month - we'll have to tell you all about it next month. In the mean time- thanks to all of you who worked so hard getting it ready.

It was fun to see all of you at Canyonville, Warwick's Campout and at LaPine. Didn't Mark, Jim and District 3 do a good job at LaPine? Thanks to Gynn and Jim Deaton for keeping the Canyonville contest going, and thanks to Martha Warwick for making us all feel so welcome at your campout. We are already looking forward to these events next year!

Art Marsland, a long time associate member, died recently. His wife, Helen, is in a nursing home, they always enjoyed listening and dancing to fiddle music. Art attended a jam at Newberg last spring. Our condolences to the

family.

It is a little late—So

we really need to

get on this. Allison

Roberts is collect-

ing items (recycled

is ok.) for nursing

home patients for

Christmas, This

could include cos-

tume jewelry.

soaps, socks, any-

thing that you think

that they could use.

She will be collect-

ing in October and

will be wrapping at

the November

meeting. This is a

very worthy pro-

ject, won't you

help out?

Now we turn to October 12th, to the jam at the Newport Elks. The jam will begin at 7pm with a pre-jam and then a regular jam to follow. The

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Chairman: Carl Cross (541) 573-7821
Co-Chair: Walt Cooper (541) 573-3417

Sec/Treas: George Sahlberg

Sure hope your feeling better these days, Carl. We enjoyed having District 9 members at LaPine campout. Janet sure plays a wonderful dulcimer. I was pleased to see her play duets with another dulcimer. Keep up the good work District 9. You have a good district and members who get along well together. (editor)

Greetings from District 9. Carl Cross, Reporter

The Prez Sez cont.

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their district. I was able to visit with a lot of old friends and before I left I had made a lot of new ones. Thank you District 4 for your camaraderie. On September 8th I was at Springfield for a District 6 meeting, potluck and jam and again the friendship, hospitality and respect shown me was rewarding and appreciated and makes the job as your president an honor. And I want to thank all the members in District 6 who extended this courtesy.

On the 13th and 14th I was at the 1000 Trails Campout and the State Quarterly meeting. This meeting was very constructive and productive and I will have a full and detailed report in the November Hoedowner on all the issues and activities that transpired. I have been invited by Mr. Applegate to take part in the Applegate Trail Celebration in Central Point on Oct 2nd and I consider

this an esteem honor "thank you, Bud". I'll have a report on that also in the November Hoedowner. Keep Makin' music.

District 10

 Chairman:
 Bob Hanson (541) 672-6929

 Co-Chair:
 Jo Barnes (541) 459-4522

 Sec/Treas:
 Gynn Deaton (541) 839-4501

 Co-Sec:
 Leah Shroll (541) 459-5474

This report will be short since I'm pinch hitting for Jean Hanson who is on vacation and forgot to mail in her report.

We will be playing at KRNR Radio Station 12:30-12:45 on October 1st.

On Oct 2 from 2 - 3pm - Rose Haven Nursing Home.

Oct 10th - 6:30 - 7:30pm Mercy Care Nursing Home.

Oct 12th - 11:30am - 1pm Garden Valley Retirement Home

Oct 24th 10:30 - 11:30am Sutherlin Senior Center

Oct 25th 11:30am - 1pm. Roseburg Senior Center

There are other playing events planned buthave not been confirmed.

I will probably miss some October birthdays and the one I have are Sally Christian, 10th; Opal Rust, 11th; Dick Shroll, 30th. October Anniversaries are: Alvin and Alma Green - 55 years on the 6th. George & Peggy Krohn, 15th; Whitey & Donna Kelm, 31st. We wish all of these members happy birthdays and happy anniversaries.

I heard that Don Hilliand is very sick in the VA hospital in Portland. I don't know any of the details, but we wish you a quick recovery.

A Pinch-Hitting Reporter, Louis Roy

for:

Reporter, Jean Hanson (541) 672-6929

OOTFA NAME TAGS Attention: New

members. Have

you seen
OOTFA members wearing
those neat little
yellow and blue

name tags?
These are available from Helen
Tracy. You will
see her add elsewhere in this
Hoedowner.

They are \$7

mailed.

Louie Roy

District 6 cont.

(Continued from page 4) husband, Jerry.

Some of those who were on our sick list are getting better - Dave Boyd came to our last jam for awhile. Rozanne Spann has had an accident that injured the fingers on her left hand. We are pulling for you, Rozanne. Word was also

received from Louis and Elaine Costa, former District 6 members, now living in Modesto, California. Louis has been having health problems. They send their greetings to friends here.

Members are playing up a storm at various special functions such as the Morning Star Grange in Millersberg, special picnics and reunions, and a retreat on the northern Oregon Coast. Some also played for the opening of an antique store in Coburg. These are just a few of the highlights besides the regular places we play for every month. Many from our district attended the LaPine weekend.

Nine District 6 fiddlers had a great ween-end learning new tunes, backup chord progressions and vibrato tips at Greg Baker's new Manzanita Beach home. We played together, enjoyed both group and private lessons and Saturday night played for a two hour benefit dance for the community center. Greg is a gracious host besides being an energetic teqacher and we are looking forward to next year's workshop at the beach.

Doug Orton placed among the top 5 of the High Desert Fiddle Contest. Congratulations, Doug.

We are still jamming Saturdays noon to 2pm. at Dorris Ranch, in Springfield. Don't forget the next jam at Willamalane Senior Center in Spirngfield, October 6th. Potluck at noon and pickin' and grinnin' 'til 5 o'clock!

October 6th Potluck and Jam at Willamalane Senior Center. Doors open at 10am. Come early to jam and jam.

Thelma Sez: One thing you can give and still keep is your word!
Your Reporter, Thelma Shephard. (541) 726-0419

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ATTENTION FIDDLERS

Swing Workshop by Penny Mead on December 7th and 8th from 9am - 4pm each day. The workshop will be held at my home in Sandy. The cost is \$25 for both days and includes tape and materials. If you have a self-contained RV come and camp-out for the week-

end. The workshop will be limited to 20 people. So call (503) 668-8900 and reserve your seat!!

Starr McMullen will be teaching a beginning to intermediate progressive style fiddle workshop of Hoedowns and Rags at her home in Corvallis. The date of the workshop will be in January or February. Date will be confirmed in the November Hoedowner.

Chad Terrusa, Scholarship Chairman.

district 3 cont.

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Tid Bit: A man from Germany by the name of **Mausred Kappeser** was among us on Sunday. He is visiting from Germany and heard about the Old Time Fiddlers and had to come and see for himself. He had with him a video cam and tapped the whole jam session.

Get Wells: **Dick Cahill** is a banjo player in our district. He has been having some back problems. We hope he gets to feeling better real soon.

Special Salute! To **Earlene** and **Bob Ervin**...Thank you both for your hospitality and having District 3 members come over to fee our faces and just jam.

Everyone had a GREAT TIME.

October Birthdays: Billie Kitchens, 11th; John Klingensmith, 27th.

October Anniversary Couple: 8th - Bob and Earlene Ervin.

All be well and take care of yourselves. Signing off....your Reporter Ernie Slay (541) 923-8861

OOTFA New Membership is prorated October -December for \$3.75 + \$15 for 1997 = \$18.75

Coming Events cont.

December

7-9	Penny Mead Workshop	Sandy	
7	Roxie Ann Grange	Medford	4
8	Lebanon Moose Lodge	Lebanon	6
8	Christmas P'ty,P'lck,Jam Sr.Ctr	Beaverton	7

15 VFW Hall

January

12 State Winter M'tng- Spring- OOTF
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Letters to the editor:

Dear Old Time Fiddlers. On behalf of Willamalane Park and Recreation District I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your participation of "On Stage" summer concert series.

I enjoyed your performances very much and am looking forward to working with all of you again.

Sincerely,

Carol Mannlein

I would like to express a big thank you to Margaret Teague on behalf of Oregon Old Time Fiddlers for teaching me the ins and outs of the Secretarial/ Treasurer's duties. Myrtle Arnold.

We sure appreciated the calls, cards and visits during the time of our bereavement

when we lost our son. Sincerely, Frank and Freida Chandler

Thank you all for remembering me with many calls and cards during my recovery from my accident. I am doing very well, and trying to figure out how to play the fiddle again.

Sincerely, Rozanne Spann.

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members are excited about us coming so we want to put on a good show. To put on a good show--we need you, and you, and you. We want a good turnout of musicians, so hopefully many of you will be able to come and help us out. Several from District 6 have already said that they will be there. That is the kind of support that we need and want. Before I forget - the Elks have their own house rules about hats and caps. they are lenient with the fiddlers but common courtesy tells us not to wear a hat or cap in the bar area. They have invited us to bring our campers and RV's since it is a ways out to Newport, but space is limited. Please don't arrive before Saturday afternoon.

If you are coming to Newport from Corvallis - just before you get into town, turn left at the first traffic light and the Elks Lodge is right there. If you are coming into town on Hwy 101, turn west on the Corvallis highway and go out of town to the light and turn right.

As we look forward even farther - on November 17, we plan to be at the Senior Center in McMinnville for our Thanksgiving dinner and in Willamina on December 15th for Christmas dinner. Are you ready to be thinking about Thanksgiving and Christmas?

Happy Fiddlin' Alice Holt, Reporter (503) 391-5377

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CANYONVILLE CONTEST

A total of 21 fiddlers braved the heat to CONTEST RESULTS: compete in Canvonville's 30th annual fiddle contest on Saturday. August 24th. This compares to PeeWee: 1st, Zack Konowalchuk; 2nd, Jana 20 in 1995. We appreciate all those who showed Meszaros. up but isn't it a shame that of the 15 trophies available in PeeWee, Jr.Jr., and Junior Div. that we Junior-Junior. Teresa Plybon could only award 3? I hear that the State Contest Senior: 1st, Willie Carter; 2nd, Lew Standiford; 3rd, do to get them to come to Canyonville? If this man; 6th, Dennis Pickett. contest is to continue, we must have more youngsters. Any ideas?

Canyonville Contest. That is not true. We intend to son; 3rd, Olive Davis; 4th, Merle Pasley. continue so long as the fiddlers and others are so *Open*: 1st. Johny McDonald: 2nd. Eileen Witter: willing to help and want it to continue. If there 3rd, Darren Reitan; 4th, Virgil Schmoe. comes a time when there will no longer be a Canyonville Contest, I will certainly let you know Accompanists: 1st, Bob Hanson; 2nd, Vic Flood; through the Hoedowner pages.

One hundred fifty dollars from OOTFA District 4 and \$100 from Robert and LoRay Hannah put the Note: There were no entries in the Junior Division. contest in the black. Thanks so much.

I want to thank all who helped with special thanks the youngest at 8 years old. to those listed below who filled some of the key "helper' slots for the 1996 contest. MC, Jack wick, Etta Powell, and Neva Flood.

Score Tabulation, Martha Warwick, & Etta Powell. tant. You'd better have a good excuse. Assistants to the judges, Neva Flood, Lola Holstin, Judges, Leonard Maahs, Bob McKee, and Thanks! Dorothy Cory.

Vic Flood organized the group which played for the Forest Glen Senior Residence and Lew Holt was the "leader of the pack" who jammed on stage at Pioneer Park. Thanks to all who took part in these performances. Your good music was greatly enjoyed.

had many entries of young people. What can we Gene Williams; 4th, Tom Shepherd; 5th, Lee Cush-

Senior-Senior: 1st, Guy Kinman: 2nd. Dennis Allen; 3rd, Chuck Hasty; 4th, Van Southwood. It has been rumored that this would be the last Intermediate: 1st, Homer McLain; 2nd, Faye Patter-

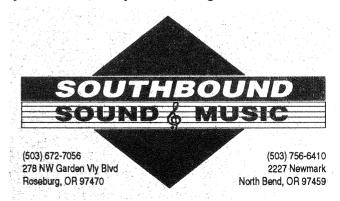
3rd, Ed Enderle; 4th, Lee Cushman; 5th, Guy Kinman

Van Southwood was our oldest fiddler at the age of 87 and both of our PeeWees (Zack and Jana) were

We missed Fred Virtue, who was unable to Walker: Assistant to the MC, Sherry Dobson; attend and compete due to illness. So far as I know, Photos. Hazel Walker; Registration, Martha War- this is the first Canyonville contest Fred has missed in 30 years. And, Shorty Dow, Jack Walker wants to know where you were. We had to rope a reluctant Ticket Sales, Jean Standiford & Faythe Maahs, "Shorty" Dobson to take your place as Jack's assis-

Williams, Janet Spellman, Edna Carter, & Merna Anyone with trophies they wish to donate for recy-Jones. Accompanist judges, Don Lindsey & Ethel cling for next years contest, please let me know.

Gynn Deaton, Canyonville, Oregon.



NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR

EVERY TIME I GO TO A STATE FUNCTION, I COME HOME REALLY ELATED. I DON'T THINK A BETTER TIME CAN BE HAD WHEN FIDDLERS GET TOGETHER.

YOUR NEXT STATE MEETING IS JANUARY 12TH AT WILLA-MALANE SR. CENTER IN SPRINGFIELD. I WILL BE GIVING DIREC-TIONS IN THE DECEMBER HOEDOWNER.

I WANT TO URGE YOU MEMBERS TO GET INVOLVED! IF YOU DO NOT PLAY AN INSTRUMENT, THERE ARE ALWAYS OTHER THINGS THAT NEED TAKEN CARE OF. I'M THINKING HOW HARD IT IS TO GET MEMBERS TO SERVE IN THE CAPACITY OF A CHAIRMAN OR CO-CHAIRMAN. REALLY THE JOB ISN'T THAT HARD IF YOU DELEGATE JOBS, AND MOSTLY PEOPLE ARE WILLING TO SERVE IF YOU ASK. THE THING TO REALLY AVOID IS BEING CRITICAL OR NEGATIVE. THERE ARE WAYS TO GET YOUR POINT ACROSS WITHOUT BEING DISAGREEABLE. I REALLY HOPE YOU ARE AMONG THE GROUP THAT ARE WILLING TO WORK. THERE ARE SOME WHO ARE WILLING TO WORK AND OTHERS THAT ARE WILLING TO LET THEM.

MOST OF US HAVE NEVER MET OUR PUBLISHER, CHERYL MCKENZIE. I AM DEEPLY INDEBTED TO HER AND HER EXPERTISE WITH THE COMPUTER. WE HAVE A TOP-NOTCH NEWSLETTER. FROM THE OOTFA MEMBERSHIP AND OFFICERS, WE SAY A HEARTY THANK YOU CHERYL FOR A JOB WELL DONE.
AJOY

The Hoedowner

Publishers Comments

Many of you have responded to my last comments and it has been so overwhelming that we thought it would be much easier to make the renewal forms that will be coming out in November include the zip plus four. So thank you all for your wonderful response, but please make sure that when the renewal applications are out in November to include your plus four zip code, this will allow us to get a better mailing rate.

Thank you in advance. Cheryl





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