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Coming Events

January

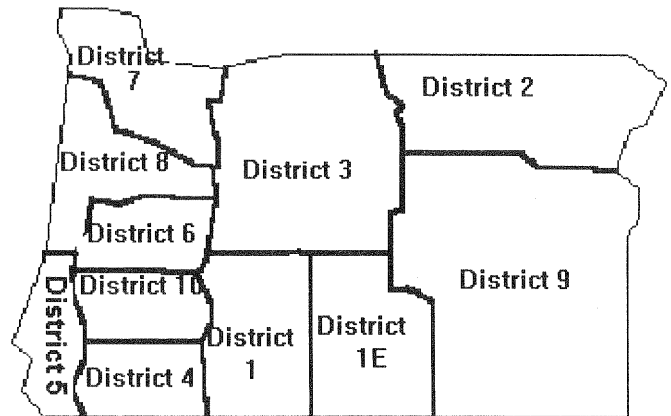
4	Mtng, P'lck, jam. Comm. Ctr.	Rogue River	4
5	Jam & Dance 1-4pm Com. Bldg.	Winston	10
11	6:30 P'lck, Jam Memorial Hall	Lakeview	1E
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25	6:30 P'lck, jam, Memorial Hall	Lakeview	1E
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1	Mtng, P'lck, jam. Roxie Ann Gr.	Medford	4
2	Jam, dance 1-4 Comm. Bldg.	Winston	10
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9	Plck, jam, Senior Center	Estacada	7
15	Mtng, plck, Noon, Jam Dance	Winston	10

March

1	Mtng, P'lck, jam Grange	Gold Hill	4
2	Jam, dance 1-- 4pm. Comm. Bldg	Winston	10
9	P'lck, jam, Senior Center	Lake Oswego	9
15	Mtng, plck noon, Jam, dance	Winston	10
20- 22	State Convention	Roseburg	OOTFA



The Prez Sez

This report will be very short since I spent the first 14 days of December traveling throughout Washington, Idaho, Montana and Oregon visiting friends and relatives. I want to wish every member of our great organization a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. This is also the season to be jolly, eat moderately and be very considerate to all of our friends and share our good times with the patients in various nursing homes. I hope all the District chairmen made a special effort to play and bring good will to several facilities in their districts where there are shut-ins. I will see a great many of you at our January 12th quarterly meeting in Springfield. This meeting will start at 9am sharp at the Willamalane Sr. Center. The doors will be open at 8am for members who arrive early. Until then....

Keep Making Music.

Louie Roy

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

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District 1

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Happy New Year from District One.

By the time you get to read this, we will have stuffed ourselves with Christmas goodies and opened gifts from Santa, made our New Years resolutions, taken a deep breath and are ready for another year of "Happy Fiddlin".

We gathered December 8th for our Christmas dinner and music playing. Thanks to Faye Patterson for cooking a delicious turkey, Irene Ruddock & Jo Harris for the special touches with gifts for a drawing and pretty table decorations. What food the 3 of them didn't bring, the rest of filled in. About 25 attended to enjoy it all before the afternoon was over. It was good to see Naomi Voss and Bill Noble again.

On our "not feeling good" list at the moment is Louis Stork, also Leonard McDonald has been in the hospital a couple of times. Get well soon.

We wish a Happy Anniversary to Louis & Grace Stork on Jan 15th.

Happy Birthday to our former District 1 member, Betty Bruneau, 1st (who lives in Arizona now); Naomi Voss, 3rd; Al Nelson, 5th; Gary Rarden, 6th; Thelma Nelson, 13th; Pauline McDonald, 15th; Jo Harris, 19th; Carolyn Rarden, 20th and Ray Green, 27th.

The next jam is Jan 12, 1997 at Merrill, Or. Doors open at noon, meeting at 1pm. Fingerfoods, Jam at 2pm.

Nursing Homes- Washburn Way 3rd Sunday at 2pm.

Clairmont Nursing Home, 4th Thurs Evening 5:45 pm.

Clairmont Retirement Home 6:45 pm. Thurs Evening

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District 1E

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Hi Folks:

December 7th was a jam night at the Lake County Fairgrounds. The crowd wasn't large on account of the wet, rainy weather, but we had a good time with good music as usual. Penny Forga was with us, as was Larry McLain, Clyde Lynch, Linda Miller, Shorty Stone, Myrle Shepard, Doc & Marie Walker, and it was good to see Harvey Rossitor back with us after a much too long absence. We also welcome a new fiddler to our group, Teresa Daniels, who has only been playing a short time, but gave us some pretty Christmas music. We're always happy to welcome new talent. Also we heard a ladies group sing for us consisting of Myrle Shepard, Deenie Sheridan, & Beverly Perry. - Good Job, girls!

At our December 9th business meeting, we decided on January 11 and 25 as jam dates at the Memorial Hall, six thirty (6:30) potluck as usual. The rest of December will be filled out with a jam on the 20th at the Memorial Hall, and we're going to whoop it up (well, kinda) with a New Year's Eve party at the Lake County Fairgrounds, Potluck and all that.

Shorty Stone will be going to the quarterly meeting at Springfield on January 12th.

By the time this is read, 1996 will be gone and 1997 will be with us. You can be sure that all of us from 1E wish all of you a joyous and love-filled holiday season.

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

Starr McMullen
will be teaching a
beginning
progressive, style
fiddle workshop of
Hoe-downs and
Rags at her home in
Corvallis.

The date is February
8th from 9am to
3pm.

Chad Terrusa,
Scholarship
Chairman.

District 3

Chairperson: **Sally Jordan (541) 389-9746**
Co-Chair: **Jack Bloom**
Sec/Treas: **Ken Jordan (541) 389-9746**

Burr, It has been really cold. The trees are bare and frozen, branches literally snap off. In the morning when getting ready to go to work, clumps of ice on the hood and windshield and the door is frozen shut. The air so crisp and cold that if you inhale you could easily freeze your nose hair. The roads look like ice skating rings and the front step, and the front step, well it freezes over that instead of walking to the car, I normally just slide to the car. It is too cold for snow that is depressing. Yes. I love the snow and we are not getting sufficient snow fall, instead the freezing cold. But who do I complain to? It is not like there is a Snow Bureau to accept and deal with such complaints. Just think if there was, then I could file a complaint against Mother Nature for being unfair. The only problem would be is not many share my passion for snow. So I guess I will just deal with frozen car doors, sliding to my car each morning and hope for the weather to warm up a tad and snow. I'd rather have snow than ice any day!

Our last Jam/Christmas potluck was wonderful. Total of 88 people were there and shared in the festivities. And it was great to have Ilomae Zehner with us.

Our next jam will be January 12 at the Senior Center on 5th and Kearney from 1:30 - 4:30pm.

Get Wells / Updates: Cliff Harris suffered a stroke in November. He is home and doing much better. Also Gene Slay suffered a heart attack the first part of December. He too, is home and doing much better. Our prayers are with you both.

Birthdays for January: Gene Slay, 6th; Shirley Sims, 15th; Sally Jordan, 16th and Hazel

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District 4

Chairman: **Joe Levine (541) 582-1069**
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Goodbye '96, Hello '97!!

I hereby resolve to limit my sweets and fatty foods intake, exercise faithfully, lose 25 lbs, keep clutter-free house and keep our singing schedule down to once a week.

Altogether now!! "Hogwash" Let's be realistic, Mary! You flipped your cork this time!

Okay, Okay! I resolve to find out who fills my fridge with half-empty dishes of dried-out leftovers; I resolve to remove the spider webs in my cupboards, closets and coin-purse?! I resolve to stay up all night to catch the culprit who feeds me dead frogs. You know, the critters that give you bad breath?!

Criminy! Is this newsletter a portent of things to come? What a way to start the new year!

Silliness aside, and dispensing from our regular format: Let us resolve to be prayerful always, to be thankful for our blessings, remembering from whence they come.

To you, faithful members and music officianados, thanks for braving the rainy weather and coming to our Christmas jam. "Thank You" is not enough for our group who work hard at making each meeting a success! A kiss on your brow for preparing food, cleaning up, setting up sound system and seeing to the music schedule.

Please, fervent prayers for Alex Lopez, Alvy and others who are ailing.

To Wayne Holmes who sent a quote: "The smallest good deed is better than the grandest intentions." Then he proceeded to send an elaborate thank you note for the newsletters! Thank you "Ami", you have made my year....To all of you in OTF, "Happy Trails"!! Love, Merry Mary Armstrong (541) 479-5974 Remember: Ruth Applegate says: "you can't make anything right by doing the wrong thing worser"!

Rozanne Spann
says:

Thanks all of you
for your calls, cards
and prayers. You
have all been ap-
preciated during my
recent illness.

Thank you Friends
Curly and I send
our thanks to all of
our special friends
for the prayers,
cards, calls, food
and flowers. You
are truly special to
us. We are gaining
in strength each
day. Allison
Roberts.

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District 5

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HAPPY NEWS YEAR AND HAPPY FIDDLIN' in 1997. We in District 5 are looking forward to a happy year.

We had a GREAT Holiday dinner, thanks to our very good cooks, and the pleasure was made even greater with the beautiful decorations done in the dining room and dance hall. Thank you girls, you know who you are!

We had many visitors and we thank them all for joining us, especially our bass player, Polly Cox's mother, Pauline Swing, 90 years young, from Sarasota, Florida.

Fred Virtue celebrates 84 years!!! A host of Fred and Vera's friends descended upon them November 15 at their home in Fairview to celebrate birthdays. Fred was 84 years young on the 15th and Vera's natal day is November 28th.

An afternoon and evening of music and more music and good fellowship was enjoyed by their many friends. Potluck was great later in the evening--then more music. A Great time spent with great friends. You might ask Fred about his new neck pillow!!

On November 16th, our regular meeting and dance was super! Driftwood Hall was filled with listeners and dancers as District 5 performed for their enjoyment. Proof that District 5 Oregon Old Time Fiddlers are well and happy. (Thank you Elnora, for this report.) We send our prayers and get well wishes to Ron Saylor, who fell off a roof, and is home recuperating, and Earl Morris, is in St. Catherines. We miss you both.

Happy Birthdays to our January people, Russ Hall, Harold Householder, Elwood Serfass, Phillip Fry and Bud Reeder.

Congratulations to Earl and Ruby Morris on their 57th anniversary.

Happy Fiddlin',
Reporter - Ruth Whaley (541) 888-4430

District 6

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I can't believe another year is upon us so soon. 1996 was so busy that 1997 sneaked up on us, didn't it! Let's start by seeing who will have January birthdays: Glen Wagner, 4th; Dawn Meldrim, 13th; Tom McAdam, 14th; Alan Ede, 16th; Allison Roberts, 19th; John Childers, 22nd; Elaine Costa, 27th.

January Anniversaries are: Calvin and Velma Boyles, 24th and Willie and Edna Carter, 11th.

A very important December birthday was omitted because I didn't know the date, but Stu Henshaw had a birthday on December 27th and was surprised by a special party and jam session in Corvallis.

Our Christmas jam at the Moose Lodge in Lebanon was a huge success with a wonderful turkey dinner furnished by the lodge, a visit from Santa Claus and lots of good music and dancing. We always appreciate our guests from other districts who come and share their good music and fellowship with us.

Don't forget the state meeting, potluck and jam at Willamalane Senior Center in Springfield on January

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OOTFA MEMBERS 1997 DUES ARE DUE NOW

Thanks to all who have already paid. Hope to get renewals from the rest of you as soon as possible. The deadline is coming up quickly to get into the OOTFA roster.



Your Name
Here

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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And now it's January. Time to reflect, plan and diet! Just don't become a victim of the January blahs and the post-holiday slump.

One of the best ways to stay positive and invigorated will be to attend the January meeting, potluck and jam at the Gladstone Senior Center. However, don't go on the 12th as the date has been changed to the 19th. The meeting begins at 11am. The Center is located at 1050 Portland Avenue, Gladstone. Take exit 9 off I-205 and go north on McLoughlin Blvd. Turn right on Arlington, then left on Portland. The center will be on the left 5 - 6 blocks up.

We had a good turnout for our Christmas party on December 7th in Beaverton. We thank all those who attended from District 8 and other districts as well.

We are invited to play at Clackamas Town Center again this year and a good group turned out on December 14th. Joy Smith thanks all those who participated.

Don't forget to remember that there are no longer any jams being held in Canby on Saturday nights.

Hope you all have a great 1997 and may all your New Year's resolutions come true.

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

Happy New Year! Hope you all had a Happy Holiday Season.

I'm writing this in the evening after our District 8 Christmas Dinner and jam. We had a great time. Lots of visitors from Districts 6 & 7. It's always a pleasure to have you come. Special guests for the day were members Les and Peggy Tucker from Louisiana. They were here visiting Bob and Joyce Crump. Great fiddling and guitar playing, Les! It was especially nice to have Larry and Harriet Modrell with us. They are Charter members of OOTFA. Those of you who attended the Vernonia Campout in the past will remember Larry cooking pancakes on his grill. While we waited for our breakfast, he regaled us with stories. The Modrell's daughter from The Dalles brought them over for the day. Another highlight was Alexa McFee, Tillie's granddaughter, play Ashoken Farewell. Alexa is 10. We look forward to hearing her again in the future.

The VFW Hall, and the tables were beautifully decorated by Mary Terry and Jean Standiford. These two ladies, plus Ruth Jones, Elaine Kihistadius, Jackie Stevenson and others ran an efficient kitchen, getting the food ready and cleaning up afterward. Thank you! Thanks also to Lee Jones for opening up and heading the clean-up crew. Donna and Jim Oldham and others also pushed brooms and emptied garbage.

We are saddened at the death of Bill Carson. Bill & Teresa used to live in District 8, and came back from Arizona now and then to visit family. We always enjoyed having him fiddle with us.

Our January jam will be at the Newberg Senior Center on Sunday, January 19th. This is a

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ADDRESS CHANGES

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Calendar: Jan 5th Senior Center with Potluck and Jam. January 13th Nursing Home. Aspen House has no date set as yet. The 1st Sunday of the month from now on will be at the Burns Senior Center. The Nursing Home is the 2nd Monday of the month.

On December 8th Fifty people were at our Potluck and Jam. There was good food with great music. Players were: Ruel Teague, Walt Cooper, Janet Burgess, Julia Milleson, Joan Suther, Edie Koenig, Roy Reed, Loyd Louie, Don Williams and Carl Cross. Everyone had a good time.

We did a Christmas show for the Aspen House. More on this later. I'd like to thank folks from John Day who traveled to Burns for our monthly jam. They were Ray, Gail and Buck Potter. Also I'd like to thank that clogger girl (she makes me tired when I watch her dance). Her name is Judith Beaudet. Judith and Buck come and dance for us at our jams and boy, are they good. Thanks again, folks.

Hey! It's that time again. DUES ARE DUE. Your dues keep us all in the OOTFA. To keep on fiddling and playing that good Old-Time music. Thanks for your support.

Hope you had a Merry Christmas and we at District 9 wish you all a Happy New Year.

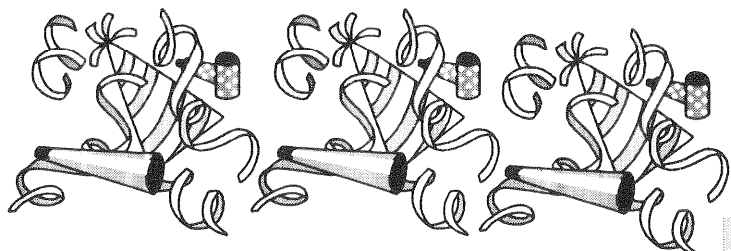
Until next time.

Your Reporter

Carl Cross,

PO BCC 823,

Hines, Or 97738-0823



District 10

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Co-Chair: **Jo Barnes (541) 459-4522**
Sec/Treas: **Gynn Deaton (541) 839-4501**
Co-Sec: **Leah Shroll (541) 459-5474**

Funny how quickly the year passes. All the Holidays are gone. So we can start a New Year. Practice for the State Contest and in March our State Convention.

We had a nice Thanksgiving dinner.

Thanks to everyone. Also Thanks to our guests, and special Bill Talburt and Carolyn Lee. For the Thanksgiving Table decorations, they sold all the squash and pumpkin, corn to the crowd of people and donated the money to District 10. Thanks again.

Happy Birthday: Lewis Roy, Martha Rogers, Joyce Pickett, Merna Jones, Jerry Jackson and Mary Deadmond.

A Volunteer Needed! Jean Hanson is ready to turn over the reporter for District 10 to someone else. If you can help out, please let us know. Starting in May, Bob and I are not going to be home in District 10.

Due to the weather, What a surprise to see Shorty and Charlotte Dow at our Jam on Dec. 2nd.

January Playing Dates: 5th - Jam and Dance 1 - 4 Winston Community Building. 18th - Meeting and Potluck at noon, Jam and Dance 1-4. Winston Community Building.

February Playing Dates: 2nd - Jam and Dance 1 -4 Winston Community Building. 15th - Meeting, Potluck at noon, Jam & Dance. 1 - 4 Winston Community Building.

March Playing Dates: 2nd - Jam & Dance, 1 - 4 Winston Community Building.

15th - Meeting, Potluck at noon, Jam & Dance 1 - 4 at Winston Community Building.

Reporter, Jean Hanson (541) 672-6929

OOTFA Badges

It's time to order your Blue and Yellow OOTFA Name Badges You'll want to wear them at the State Convention on March 20 - 22nd.

Helen Tracy's ad is elsewhere in this Hoedowner.

District 3 cont.

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Flock, 31st. May all of you have a wonderful day with lots of joy and fun!

Remember folks, keep warm and take care of yourselves. May the good Lord meet your needs in the Coming New Year. Be safe!

Signing off....your Reporter
Ernie Slay (541) 923-8861

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TENTATIVE SCHEDULE:

1997		1998	
Mar.	1, 2	Mar.	7, 8
Apr.	5, 6	Apr.	4, 5
May	3, 4	May	2, 3
June	7, 8	June	6, 7
Oct.	4, 5	Oct.	3, 4
Nov.	1, 2	Nov.	7, 8

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT:

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(Greg also has free brochures on his fiddle instructional books and tapes!)

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HUNTING

It's something to see when the sun comes out,
Little dew drops shimmering and jumping about.
You will find them every where you look,
On each little weed, bush and by the brook.

The sun shining on the ground,
Thaws out things and vapor whirls around.
The hillsides are torn up by machines and saws of man,
They leave it so ugly and terrible, but they say "I can".

We have climbed these hills and couldn't see through,
Now you can see from hill to hill and trees are few.
We have seen herds of deer slip through the trees,
Walking very quiet and with great ease so no one sees.

I see a big buck and bring my gun up to shoot,
A cow jumps out of the woods and off the deer scoots.
Sometimes you will see deer where the cows are,
But not very often as you can watch them from afar.

There has been a lot of rain, snow, and ice,
And the small trees, bushes and weeds look nice.
Dogwood trees, red maple, and willows yellow,
And the green fir trees: all these colors make one mellow.

The birds and squirrels are scurrying about,
They are storing seeds and nuts for winter no doubt.
The hard freeze cut the flies and bees very quick,
I don't recall seeing as many and so thick.

My husband and I have walked these hills and drove the roads for
years,
Last hunting season wasn't the greatest, full of heartache and
tears.

We camped in the woods until the last day,
Good things do not last and fun cannot stay.

This deer season I came hunting alone,
Alzheimer's put my husband in a nursing home.
I go see him often and tell him where I have been,
It is not the same in these woods without him.

There is no sense to cry for I cannot see the deer,
After all that is my reason for being up here.
And some day the Lord will call my husband home,
Forever in my mind the fall colors we enjoyed will roam.

Coming before we know it is holiday seasons,
It won't be the same to me: no rhyme or reason,
I hope I will get help to put up all our Christmas lights,
Try to pretend we are watching them together at night.

This is your Christmas letter. Merry Christmas to all.
Alice (Myrick) Lopez

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District 6 cont.

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12th. For those who may wish to come early (the day before) RV parking will be allowed at the Coburg Grange Hall, and a special jam will be held in the Grange Hall on Saturday evening, the 11th.

As an extra bonus, a special potluck and jam will be held again at the Morningstar Grange Hall north of Albany on January 26th. The last one there was lots of fun, so come and enjoy another one. Invite your friends to join us there.

I am sorry to report that Wayne Tracy had a recent bout in the hospital. Larry Wood had a slight stroke around Thanksgiving and was hospitalized for a couple of days, but he is back to his same jolly self these days.

Members have been busy all year, and especially during December festive occasions, playing for the various nursing and foster homes, residential centers and benefit parties. So all of you keep up the good work, and for goodness' sake, Keep Smiling! Keep Smiling,

Your Reporter, Thelma Shephard. (541) 726-0419

Thelma sez: There is no time like the pleasant.

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3/4 cup oil
3/4 cup sugar
2 1/2 Tble dry yeast
2 eggs, room temp.
1 tble salt

Add four, sugar, salt, yeast. Mix all the dry ingredients in a large bowl.

Heat water and oil to 115 - 120 degrees, add to dry mix and then add eggs and mix all until it is a big dough ball.

Then lay out on floured surface, knead for about 8 minutes or until dough is very stiff. You might have to add more flour, to make it a stiff dough.

Then put the mix in a big greased bowl, turn to grease all sides. Let rise in a warm place until double. Punch down, then make your loaves or buns. Let rise until it is double again.

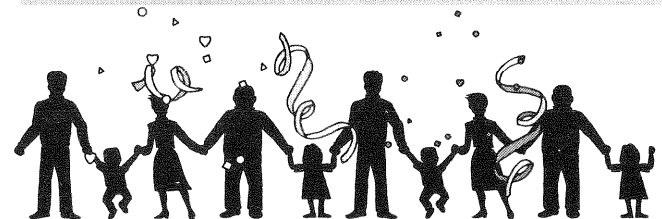
Heat oven to 375 degrees. Bake loaves at 375 degrees for 45 min. and buns for 12 - 15 min. or until brown.

This recipe was my mothers, she made it when she was a little girl. Now my brothers and sisters and I grew up eating this bread. I still make it today for my kids and grand kids. This recipe is close to 100 years old. Enjoy it!

If you have little ones at home, or grand-kids that have a sweet tooth, this recipe makes some of the best cinnamon rolls that you have ever tasted.

Men: If you think you can't cook, take a tip from me. I did not start until I was 54 years old. Now, I have blue ribbons that say I can cook and win at it! You can too.

J. D. Bell - District 6.



**WINTER OOTFA
QUARTERLY MEETING
January 12, 1997**

There will be a state quarterly meeting January 12, 1997 at the Willamlane Senior Center in Springfield, Oregon, starting at 9:00 a.m.. The doors will be open at 8:00 a.m. for anyone arriving early. Also, I was informed by Joy Halliwell that District #6 will have a jam at the Coburg Grange starting at 7:00 p.m. Saturday January 11 for anyone who would like to attend.

The Grange extends their hospitality to any member who wishes to park thier RV overnite in their parking lot. At this time I want to wish each one of you and your family a very Merry Christmas and Joyous New Year. It has been an honor working with such a sincere and dedicated group.

Keep making music,
Louis Roy

Directions to Willamalane from the freeway are: Take the Glenwood exit (first one south of the Willamette River), Go north across the overpass and down the hill to Franklin Blvd. Go east into Springfield, immediately after you go across the bridge, take a left turn on Mill St. to "C" Street and make a left - go into the parking lot.

For directions to Grange: take the Coburg exit just north of Eugene/Springfield area and just north of the McKenzie River. Go west into the town of Coburg and make a right on the main street. Go two blocks and the grange is on the right.

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bring your own brown bag lunch. No kitchen facilities available. The center is connected to an elementary school. The address is 101 West Foothills. From downtown Newberg - 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 few blocks down Foothills St.

We'll be electing district officers at our February meeting. Place to be announced in the next months Hoedowner.

Chuckle for the day. "Outside of a dog, man's best friend is a book. Inside of a dog, it's very dark". Groucho Marx.

Be happy and keep Fiddlin'

Alice Holt, Reporter (503) 391-5377

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NOTES FROM YOUR EDITOR

WELL, SURE WANT TO WISH YOU ALL, ALL THE BEST IN THE NEW YEAR. HAPPY TIMES FOR YOU ALL IN YOUR PERFORMING AND PRACTICING. IT IS EXCITING FOR ME TO WATCH YOU IMPROVE YOUR SKILLS. I KNOW THAT THESE WONDERFUL WORKSHOPS HAVE WORKED WONDERS!

DURING THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, IT WAS BROUGHT TO MY ATTENTION THAT MANY OF OUR MEMBERS (WHETHER THEY ARE MUSICIANS OR NOT), DO MANY WONDERFUL, SELFLESS DEEDS. SOME EVERY DAY. BESIDES PLAYING AT THE MANY NURSING HOMES, I LEARNED THAT MEMBERS HAVE ADOPTED NURSING HOME PATIENTS AS THEIR OWN, REMEMBERING THEM ON THEIR BIRTHDAYS, CHRISTMASSES AND OTHER EVENTS. SOME GO AND SEE 'THEIR FRIENDS' ONCE A WEEK.

IN DISTRICT 6, ALLISON ROBERTS SPEARHEADED A GROUP THAT GATHERS SMALL GIFTS (NEW OR USED) FOR RESIDENTS IN NURSING HOMES WHO HAVE NO FAMILY TO LOOK AFTER THEM. SHE GATHERS CARDS AND GIFTS ALL YEAR LONG FOR THIS PROJECT. AT THE NOVEMBER MEETING, MANY PEOPLE GATHER TO WRAP PRESENTS AND SIGN CARDS. APPROXIMATELY 94 GIFTS WERE WRAPPED FOR 3 RESTHOMES. THERE WERE MANY PEOPLE INVOLVED. THANK YOU ALL. YOU HAVE ALL DONE A SUPURB JOB.

PEARL RAYMOND HAS BEEN VOLUNTEERING HER TIME TO MEALS ON WHEELS ONCE A WEEK. LOUISE HAMILTON HAS BEEN KNITTING CAPS FOR NEW-BORNS FOR THE HOSPITALS. DEEDEE KAISER HAS BEEN WORKING WITH A GROUP OF LADIES WHO MAKE QUILTS FOR MISSIONS.

REPORTERS, LET'S SUPPORT THESE GOOD SAMARITANS BY REPORTING THEIR DEEDS IN THE HOEDOWNER. I THINK MEMBERS MIGHT BE INTERESTED.

AJOY

Thank You, Fiddlers

For all the prayers, calls, visits, gifts and cards. We are overwhelmed by your love and caring. As of December 8, Jack can't hold his guitar, but he can STILL SING! We plan to be at the quarterly meeting in Springfield. Our love to you all. Jack and Peggy Kerr.

For Sale: 3 beginner banjos. A Kay, American-made, 4-string w/ resonator. 50-75 yrs. old. 17 clamps. \$100.00. A 5-string, 50-75 years old w/o resonator. \$75.00. A 4-string w/ resonator and case. 22 clamps. \$175.00. Also a violin for beginner. \$75.00. Call ajoy at (541) 747-9894

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