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## Calendar of Events

(Be sure to read the district news for the specific times, places and activities.)

### October

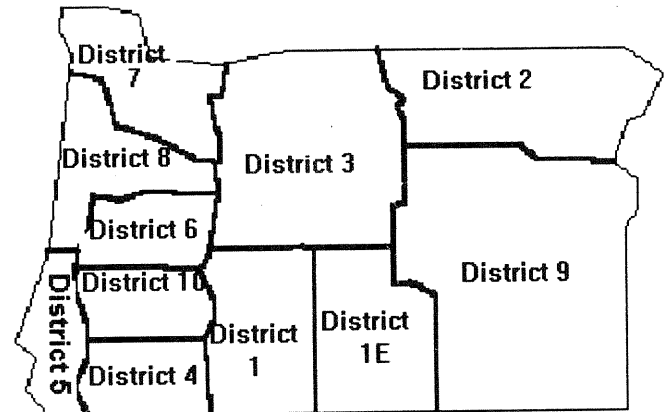
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### November

1	Jam	Talent	4
1	Jam		1-E
2	Jam	Winston	10
15	Jam	Winston	10
16	Jam	Willamina	8
22	Thanksgiving jam		6

### December

6	Roxianne Grange	Medford	4
7	Jam	Lebanon	6
21	Jam	Woodburn	8



## Roger's Rambles

What a great time we all had at LaPine. The many comments that I heard were that it was one of the best jams we every had. It proves to me once again that although some business is necessary, our main goal is to keep playing that oldtime music.

We had a quarterly meeting with lots of participation. Sally Jordan is now our official Vice-President. All districts were represented at the meeting and all reported they were busy playing jams.

The board approved, and the members attending the meeting, approved two new state jams. April 24 and 25th, 1998 we will be going to the Newport Fairgrounds. We will advertise the jam and have it open to the public. There will be

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**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

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

Sept. 14 was our first jam and meeting of the fall for District 1. The Winema Hotel was a nice place to meet, acoustics are good for the music, plus it has a wonderful dance floor. Only, due to not enough advertising (on our part) our audience was very small. So by Oct. meeting and jam we hope to do better.

We thank the district 4 members for coming to add their talents to our jam. It was Gene & Lola Williams, Betty Deckard & Ethel Holstin. They were on their way home from Thousand Trails, where we understand all had a wonderful time of music and visiting.

When you read this, our group will have played in Sept for the nursing homes, the seniors at Doris, CA, & a wedding reception, & possibly a Grange Bean Fair.

Happy birthdays to Carrie Rarden, Oct 15 - "Happy 18 years, Carrie." And to Isom Patterson on Oct. 16. I have no Oct. Anniversaries listed so hope I've not missed anyone.

Was good to see Sandy Sandusky out and recovering from surgery. Ray and I thank each of you for the condolences after the sudden death of Ray's brother over Labor Day week-end.

Next jam and meeting - second Sunday - Winema hotel - Main St. Klamath Falls. Doors open at 12 for early jamming, meeting at 1:00 and jam at 2:00. Please bring finger foods. Nursing homes - Washburn Way Rehab in Klamath Falls 3rd Sunday 2 to 3:00. Clairmont Nursing Home - 4th Thursday at 5:45 at east end of Main St. In Klamath Falls. And then Clairmont Retirement Home at 7:00 (1 block above nursing home). 1 hr playing each place. Come and help us play for the folks when ever you can.

Good health and happy fiddlin' to all.  
Cherie Lane, reporter District 1

## District 1E

Chairman: **Larry McLain (541) 947-2448**  
Co-Chair: **Bill Myers (541) 947-5442**  
Sec: **Beverly Perry (541) 947-2334**  
Treas: **Donna Lynch (541) 947-4687**

The S.V.E.C. meeting at Cedarville, CA on Sept. 6 was very well attended. We played for 3 hours for a real receptive audience.

Sunday, August 31, we spent the afternoon playing at the Lake County Fairgrounds and we were happy to have playing with us, Faye and Isom Patterson, Jim Lancaster, Ray and Cherie Lane, Irvn Johnson and Lu Wells and Virgil Schmoe. Thanks a lot folks; we enjoyed your music.

It's good to have our happy wanderers, Homer and Rosalee McLain back home among us again.

Our prayers and love go to Eric Leffingwell who is quite ill and under going chemotherapy at this time.

Our Secretary, Beverly Perry is absent from us due to doctoring for possible leg surgery. We wish her a speedy recovery.

1-E welcomes a new member, Donna Evetts who plays guitar and sings beautifully.

We have a jam coming up on Nov. 1 at the Memorial Hall. The potluck is at 6:00.

It looks like summer's on the exit lane but it was kind of a blur going past.

**A nice note  
from Susie Milligan  
says:**

**I had hip surgery  
July 1st and  
I'm doing real good.**

**I want to thank  
everyone for the  
nice cards.**

**They were  
appreciated very  
much.**

**Susie Milligan.**

**(Good to hear you are  
doing so well, Susie.)**

Till next time, God Bless  
Mary Stone (541) 947-3825

**District 3**

Chairman: **Sally Jordan(541) 389-9746**  
Co-Chair: **Don Hanna (541) 447-7449**  
Sec/Treas: **Rudi Booher(541) 549-4305**

Well, did all have a good time at Thousand Trails. I sure did. Talk about some good music. Geez, even I got to play my Mandolin with the Family on three songs. Not bad huh? Then again, many thanks to Sally for playing along side of me so that I was able to see her fingers/chord changes. Yup, I too am finally playing an instrument. I picked up the Mandolin after the Convention this past March and I tell you what a chore I got myself into. The process was a bit on the painful side. Now I know what they mean when they say, "No Pain, No Gain". For the first month my fingers were so sore to the touch and if I had them under running water they would sting. If I could have just cut the tips of my fingers off I would have been in 7th heaven! Mark kept telling me I had to build calluses. I never thought that I would have a goal to build calluses on my fingers, but I made it! Now they are just numb. Anything is better than the pain/stinging feeling. Amen

**\*\*\*\*Special Mention from Dist 3\*\*\*\*** We would like to apologize to Joe & Carol Marstall that we missed putting their membership acknowledgment in the Hoedowne. We feel very badly and hope they will accept our apology.

We really hope you, Joe & Carol will join us soon as you are such talented musicians and we value your talent! We hope to see you soon! Please come and play with us!

Your Friend, Sally Jordan/Dist 3/OOTFA

**\*\*\*\*Saturday Gospel Hour at Thousand Trails was dedicated to Carl Cross and**

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**District 4**

Chairman: **Don Lindsey (541) 779-0793**  
Co-Chair: **Gene Williams (541) 560-3230**  
Sec/Treas: **Ethel Holstin (541) 479-1621**  
Mmbrship: **Ruth Applegate (541) 582-8032**

Hi! Next jam will be Oct. 4th, Rogue River Senior Center in Rogue River on Broadway Ave. Everybody welcome.

I'm happy to say our regular format entertaining at nursing & retirement homes remains the same. More playing gigs are in the offing here in Grants Pass.

Over 130 people came to our September jam. Many new comers were surprised that such fun things were happening regularly in this area!

Remember to thank the gentlemen who take care of the sound system or bring out chairs for the crowd, also, thanks go to the ladies in the kitchen. Give them a hand in applause for their help!

Folks, I need items to put in the newsletter, be they birthdays, anniversaries or the like. Who took a trip? Who is ill? Who is feeling better? Who had a baby? Who learned a new tune? Who won at a fiddle contest? That reminds me, didn't Don Lindsey and Gene Williams win trophies and cash prizes at Canyonville? I need YOUR HELP to make the district 4 news interesting so take a minute and drop me a note or give me a call. Remember, I'm to have the news to Lew by the 18th. Thanks gang.

Most important: remember prayers for ailing dear friends for their total recovery: Vic Flood, Tony Frazier (Donna Frazier's son), Tommy Grissom, Alex Lopez, Dave Winkleman, Paula Pasley and Ruth Morrow. A warm compassionate hug to Pat Thompson in the loss of her dear "Mom."

Talk to you next month! Love, Merry, Mary Armstrong

**Allison Roberts called. She reported that Curly has come through his surgery fine and is feeling much better. Curly wishes to thank all of you for your calls, the nice cards and for your prayers. What a tremendous fiddle family we have.**

# The Hoedowner

## District 5

Chairman: **Elwood Serfass (541) 888-9472**  
Co:Chair: **Russ Hall (541) 271-3519**  
Sec/Treas: **Marianne Burns (541) 888-2655**

Oct. 4 Festival by the Sea Brookings/Harbor. Oct. 11 Jam Driftwood Hall in North Bend.

Well, here I am, your new reporter. As I haven't done any reporting since my high school days, I hope you will excuse all my mistakes.

We have been blessed through the summer with beautiful weather for all of our public appearances---until our recent Salmon Festival at Winchester Bay on Sept. 13th. It just poured and we nearly drowned but we had a great time and lots of good music.

We want to thank all the players from other districts who joined us. From Dist. 4 we were pleased to have Pat & Bill Thompson, from Dist. 6, Thelma Shephard & her son & daughter-in-law John & Vickie Clark and from Dist. 10, we had Kater & Marie Gates, Harry & Elma Gersmeshausen, Guy Kinman & Velma, Gale & Wes Curtis & Martha & Harold Rogers. We also had as guests, Bob & Boots Joiner from the Roseburg area and Dick Lloyd from San Diego, CA. If I have forgotten anyone, I humbly apologize.

We would also like to thank all of the Dist. 5 people who came to help us, including our own little Tessa Kilfoy who is only 9 yrs. old & did a great job playing the fiddle. Keep up the good work Tessa!!! We were also pleased to have Cecil & Lucille Davidson's daughter, Phyllis Wilkinson from Mapleton. She came to enjoy the music.

Our last festival for the summer will be the October Festival By The Sea in Brookings-Harbor on Oct. 4th. We will be playing across the street from the Slugs & Stones & Ice Cream Cones on Lower Boat Basin Road.

We have started our nursing & retirement home entertainment schedule for the winter as this is an important part of their lives and we enjoy doing this for them.

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## District 6

Chairman: **Joe Moyle (541) 343-5894**  
Co-Chair: **Betty Hawkins(541) 746-5579**  
Treas: **Ralph Hatleberg(541) 345-1421**  
Sec/Memb: **Ruth Kennedy(541) 746-9966**

We had a great meeting, potluck and jam at the Willamalane Senior Center in Springfield on September 6th. Remember we have been having our jams there on Saturdays because the building is rented out for every Sunday.

A belated birthday wish to Roy Voss who celebrated Sept. 15th. More BIRTHDAY wishes go out to Lucille Childers 6, Ila Mae Carmickle 8, Pem Winquist 9, Casey Jones 10, Louise Jones 11, Frieda Chandler 12, Charlie Pruitt 12, Judy Clement 17, Roy Fairchild 20, Harv Harvey 20, Paige Kinley 23, Ruth Loring 26, Don Loring 30 and Josephine Wagner 31.

ANNIVERSARY congratulations to John and Vivian Steele 16th.

Don't forget that our October Jam will be at the Sweet Home Elks Lodge, up on the hill on the west end of town. No potluck lunch, so go a bit early and have their great breakfast. I believe it will be served until about 11:30. . . maybe later if you beg.

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These name tags are yellow with blue trim with the OOTFA emblem and district number. The name tags with pins are \$7.00 and those with a magnetic back are \$8.00 mailed. Please send a check to Helen Tracy, made out to her.

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Chairman: **Red Arnold (503) 284-1208**  
Co-Chair: **Helen Hakanson(503) 659-7250**  
Sec/Treas: **Lila Bills (503) 253-8447**  
Mship: **Jackie Germundson (503) 663-6851**

The signs of autumn are rapidly approaching, as is our next jam. Musicians, their families, our fiddle-music-appreciative members and friends...get ready! All of these folks who follow each of our monthly events will be heading out to the countryside on Sunday, October 12 to the Senior Center in Estacada. The leaves will be vivid in their fall splendor. We of the human kind will enjoy the music, friendship, companionship and change of season.

Directions to the Estacada Senior Center (200 Clubhouse Rd.) are: Coming from I-205, take 224 to Estacada. Go to the stop light and turn right, then be sure to turn right at the next street. The Center is on the right side of Clubhouse Road.

As usual the doors will open at 10:00 a.m. for jamming. At noon we'll have our pot luck and our more formal jam will be from 1-4 p.m. [It is always appreciated when we all work together to put that days location's tables and chairs back where they belong before we go our separate ways.]

The following Saturday, October 18 there will be a special jam at Mt. Hood Village at Welches! We will play from 2 until 4 p.m. Then there will be a sign up for jamming from 6:30-10 p.m. Sounds like a full day of fun. Be sure to add this date to your calendar.

Upcoming dates read as follows:

Oct. 12 Senior Center Estacada, Oct. 18 Mt. Hood Village Welches, Nov. 15 Elsie Stuhr Beaverton, Dec. 7 Senior Center Gresham (Holiday Jam), Jan. 11 Senior Center Gladstone

Business: Still need a volunteer for the sound equipment!! Prerequisite- a trailer hitch is good, space for small, neat trailer, or space to

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**District 8**

Chairman: **Elaine Kihlstadius (503) 831-0680**  
Co-Chair: **Low Holt (503) 391-5377**  
Sec/Treas: **Donna Janszen (503) 585-3033**

Looking back since the last Hoedowner, we must thank the Deatons for another good contest and good time in Canyonville. Low Standiford and

I were the only contestants from District 8. Low Holt was a judge. Then it was on to Martha Warwick's campout for more fun and many friends. Thanks to Martha and Red for inviting us all to their place. What a beautiful place to be. We are already looking forward to next year.

Then in September it was on to Thousand Trails for another excellent get together. Isn't it great to be a members of OOTFA!!

Our jam this month was the third Sunday. We went to the Buell Grange - just west of Dallas on the coast highway for a meeting, potluck and jam. We want to especially thank all of you who came from other districts to help us put on a good program.

Now we turn to a busy October. You like to fiddle? You like fiddle music? Then you have come to the right place. On the 4th we play at the McMinnville Senior Center from 2:45 to 4:00 to help them celebrate their two year old building. Hamburgers will be furnished by the seniors but we are asked to bring other dishes for the potluck. Traveling

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**Also received word that Dee Dee Keizer has had her surgery and is feeling fine.**

**Julie Abramson had hip surgery earlier this summer and is, also, doing fine.**

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**District 9**

Chairman: **Carl Cross (541) 573-7821**  
Co-Chair: **Ruel Teague (541) 573-2868**  
Sec/Treas: **George Sahlberg (541) 573-6517**

Howdy -- Whew. It's been quite a month. The Fair is over. The parade is done. Cycle Oregon was fun. What a treat to play on a professional sound stage. And of course there was the state meeting at LaPine, the Heritage Fair at Triangle park and another tour group at the Silver Spur Motel.

Dates coming up in October include a jam session on Sunday, Oct. 5, at the Harney County Senior Center. Set up is at noon, the potluck is at 1 pm and music goes from 2 - 4 pm. October 10 is the Aspens and October 13 is the nursing home.

Our condolences are sent out to Carl Cross and family. Carl's wife, Carole, passed away in early September.

Folks have been doing some traveling. Thad Geer attended a Harp Festival in Washington. Joan Suther and Rick Vetter have recently returned from Costa Rico. Julia Milleson and Janet Burgess attended the National Traditional Country Music Festival and Contest in Avoca, Iowa. Janet played in the World's Spoon and Bone Championship and placed 4th. (Way to go Janet) It's quite a festival.

Till next time,  
Janet Burgess,  
Reporter District 9

**District 10**

Chairman: **Bob Hanson (541) 672-6929**  
Co-Chair: **Jo Barnes (541) 459-4522**  
Sec/Treas: **Gynn Deaton (541) 839-4501**  
Co-Sec: **Elsie Downs (541) 459-2524**

Mark your calendars for the following playing dates: Oct. 5th - a jam and dance at the Winston community Bldg. The 18th - meeting at 11:00, potluck at noon and a jam and dance from 1:00 to 4:00 at the Winston Community Bldg. Nov. 2 jam and dance at the Winston Community Bldg. Nov. 15 there will be a meeting at 11:00, potluck at noon and jam and dance from 1 to 4.

Happy Birthday to Sally Christian, Opal Rust, Jerry Zumwalt, Robert Swan, Carolyn Lee, and Dick Shroll. Happy Anniversaries to: George & Peggy Krohn, and Bud & Norma Werley.

We have had a very busy summer and will stay busy this fall and winter with our monthly jams and nursing & rest home schedule. We had a few people that were in the hospital -- Lea Shroll, George Krohn, and Norma Werley. We all wish you well.

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

**New members dues for the rest of 1997.**

Oct. 1 \$3.75 plus \$15.00 for 1998  
Nov. 1 \$2.50 plus \$15.00 for 1998  
Dec. 1 \$1.25 plus \$15.00 for 1998

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store some equipment between jams, punctual by nature, and urge to help your fellow man Dues are Due! Our membership chairman is

Jackie Germundson 31808 S.E. Victory Road Troutdale, OR 97060-9411

Please remember to send your check to Jackie at the address above, instead of to Alice Holt.

Updates from the Health Front: Russ Phillips "Doing better than any doctor would have guessed!" He's able to actively enjoy playing his music again! Ida Colby happily more than half way through her convalesce following surgery!

Many District 7 members attended the fun-filled weekend at the Thousand Trails Campground Sept 11-14. It must have been the smoothest event of the last five years. Some of us have already marked our calendars for Sept. 17-19 of 1998. We are planning for more fun far in advance. (An admirable quality, I'm sure!)

May the music be with you!

Pat Gates, reporter

## Roger's Rambles cont.

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dry RV camping with a price of about \$6.00. All our terms are still to be negotiated. You will hear more in the Hoedowner. But please mark your calendars for those dates.

On July 10, 11, and 12th, 1998 we will be jamming at Mt. Hood Village R.V. Park in Welches, Oregon near Mt. Hood. We were able to get a \$5.00 discount on the R.V. parking (\$23.00 - down from \$28.00). The sites will have full hook-ups, including TV. There will be 40 sites available to us, and they are very close to where we will be playing. We will have use of their facilities such as spa-pool, etc. The good news is that they will donate \$500.00 to us, plus we can pass the hat at each performance. We will be playing Friday and Saturday with a gospel show Sunday AM.

Starr McMullen, Lew Holt, and I continue to work on next years contest. We will be calling on some of you to help. Thanks to Lew's efforts at LaPine we received more than \$700.00 in donations for the contest.

Many thanks to district 3 and especially Ken Jordan. Also thanks to Lloyd and Esther Shriber and their untiring efforts to get us all signed up. Wagon master Mark Carmickle also did his usual good job in arranging the whole event. Thanks to all. God bless you all, Roger Germundson

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## District 6 cont.

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Our November jam and Thanksgiving dinner will be held at the Willamalane Senior Center in Springfield on Nov. 22nd. Now, listen up. This will be a humdinger. We are going to have it fully catered. Sooooo. . . we need a "head count" to the caterer ahead of time. To do this, we will sell dinner tickets to MEMBERS ONLY \$1.00. You may bring other guests for \$6.25 each. Get your tickets as early as possible. You may buy them from John Davis (344-4149), Harv Harvey, Vivian Steele or Betty Hawkins. We should get a lot of music played that day as all the kitchen "work" will be done for us!

On Dec. 7th we will be back at the Moose Lodge in Lebanon. They furnish the lunch and we will furnish the music!

Also don't forget that the fiddlers are still jamming every Saturday at Dorris Ranch from noon to 2:00 p.m.

It is with sadness that we report the death of Poco Boyd. Poco had been ill for some time. Our sympathy and love go to her husband, Dave. (Ed. Note - when Alice and I joined OOTFA back in 1979, Poco was one of the great lady fiddlers in Oregon.)

Thelma Shephard, Reporter

Thelma sez: Remember, if you sling mud, you lose ground.

## District 5 cont.

Happy Birthday to Helen Serfass on the 4th. and to Yours Truly, Mary Lou Saylor on the 25th, and Happy 51st Anniversary to Shorty & Charlotte Dow on Halloween.

Well, folks don't let the ghosts & goblins get you & we will see you in Nov.

Your Reporter,  
Mary Lou Saylor,  
District 5 Reporter

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through McMinnville north on the main highway -- after you have gone through the business district and start to go out of town, there will be a McDonald's on the left (north side of the highway), right there you turn right (south) onto McDaniel St. and the Senior Center is a couple of blocks on the left. (East) If you are coming into McMinnville from Portland, turn left at the McDonalds.

The following week end is a "fiddle marathon extra-ordinary." Saturday, October 11th we play at the Elks Lodge in Newport. (. . . and get paid well.) The jam will begin at 7:00 - with a pre-jam and then a regular jam to follow. The 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 turn out 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.

The Elks have a nice dinner planned for Saturday evening. There will be a discount price for us. You might want to eat at the Elks that evening.

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 EAST on to the Corvallis highway and go out of town to the light and turn right.

A very recent phone call invited us to stay and play Sunday morning, the 12th, at the Elks for a breakfast. (There will be a special discount price for us for the breakfast.) We sincerely hope that as many of you as can will come to Newport to help us out Saturday night and Sunday morning. It is 100 miles - even for those in our district. We will play for "a little while" at the breakfast and then we must be on our way to Falls City to play at the Mushroom Festival. We are scheduled to start there at 1:00. You can't miss us at the Methodist Church on Main Street. We hope that as many of you as can will

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Family. Our Prayers are with you, Carl. \*\*\*\*Many Thanks to Barbara Carrigan for her contribution to OOTFA Music on the Green. \*\*\*\*Where's Cliff? Cliff Harris, we sure miss you, and hope you are doing well. Our thoughts and prayers are with you and Ada.

Our Sunday Jam in our new Building at the Deschutes Fair Ground was a success! Many came to listen to some great music. Players joined from all around and brought the house down with applause and appreciation. Our next Jam will be on Sunday, October 12, 1:30-4:30pm at the Howard Mayfield Bldg located at the Deschutes Fair Grounds.

Anniversaries: 8-Bob & Earlene Ervin; 15- Rudi & Carla Booher  
Birthdays: 11- Billie Kitchens; 27-John Klingensmith To our anniversary couples and birthday people...Have a great day!

Well Folks, winter is trying to make its move. Therefore, please take care of yourselves stay healthy.

Until next time...signing off...Your Reporter:  
Ernie Slay (541) 504-1065

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help us out there, too. By the way - Falls City is south west of Dallas. Take the Kings Valley highway out of Dallas and follow the signs to Falls City. You will be glad you did.

On Sunday, Oct. 19th we will be playing at the Armory in Newberg. A potluck at 11:45 and a jam to start at 1:00. To get to the Armory take the Yamhill Hwy 240 - North from down town Newberg - turn left on Morton St. to the armory.

On the evening of Tuesday, Oct. 28th, we will play at the Capital Manor from 7:00 to 8:00. Since we are only playing an hour (we are being paid), we will probably all jam together and just give them one of our very good shows. Capital Manor is on the south end of West Salem - just off the highway to Rickreall. It's a large building, easy to spot. Hopefully we will have a good turn out so we can put on a good show for the seniors who live at this retirement center.

You may have the rest of the month off.

Joyce Crump reports that she heard from Slim and Ora Schultz. They want to thank all of you for your prayers and cards after the recent death of their daughter. Alice Holt, reporter (503) 391-5377



**CANYONVILLE CONTEST:** A total of 24 fiddlers, as compared to 21 in 1996, competed in Canyonville's 31st annual fiddle contest on Saturday, August 23rd. I believe there were 3 adults who had not been to Canyonville previously and then we had 1 lone Pee Wee contestant, Chelsea Ashcraft from Roseburg, who made Canyonville her first contest. Thanks, Chelsea. Teresa Plybon was our only entry in the Junior-Junior division and once again we had NO entries in the Junior Division. We missed Zach Konowalchuk and Jana Meszoros who were here in 1996 as well as other fiddling youngsters around the state.

I wish to thank all those who helped (and there were many) with SPECIAL THANKS to those listed below who filled some of the key "helper" slots for 1997.

Emcee:	Jack Walker
Assistant to Jack Walker:	Shorty Dow
Assistant to Gynn Deaton:	Shorty Dow
Photos:	Hazel Walker
Registration:	Martha Warwick, Merna Jones and Edna Carter
Ticket Sales:	Jean Standiford, Jean Hanson and Charlotte Dow
Score Tabulation:	Martha Warwick and Neva Flood
Accompanist Judge:	Ethel Holstin
Sound System:	Lee Cushman
Microphone Adjuster:	Gene Williams
Judges:	Starr McMullen, Lew Holt and Bob McKee
Assistant to Judges:	Lola Williams, Merna Jones, Edna Carter and Chrystal Hanson

To all the people who performed specials, to Starr McMullen and Guy Kinman who opened the show with the STAR SPANGLED BANNER and HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN, a huge "Thank You." Lew Standiford got a great group together to make some good music at Forest Glen Retirement Home. Jack Walker joined them and was a hit as he "danced" with 3 ladies in wheel chairs. Lew Holt organized and emceed the show on stage at Pioneer Park which the audience seemed to enjoy very much. "Thanks, Guys." Thanks to Ace Wehus for the copies of the video of the contest. They are great. And, "Thanks" to district 4 for providing the sound system for the contest once again.

We missed Etta Powell, who has worked the registration and score tabulation with Martha Warwick for "Lo, these many years." We hope she is recovering from knee surgery and could not be here. Bob and Jean Hanson, Lew and Jean Standiford, and Homer McLain helped us clean up the school on Sunday. Jim and I appreciate ALL of you so much.

**CANYONVILLE CONTEST RESULTS:**

PEE WEE: Chelsea Ashcraft

JUNIOR-JUNIOR: Teresa Plybon

**INTERMEDIATE:**

- 1st. Norman Nash
- 2nd. Virgil Schmoe
- 3rd. Homer McLain
- 4th. Brett Smith
- 5th. Dorry Eldon
- 6th. Connie King

**SENIOR-SENIOR:**

- 1st. Dennis Allen
- 2nd. Fred Virtue
- 3rd. Chuck Hasty
- 4th. Jack Smith
- 5th. Van Southwood

Note: There were no entries in the Junior Division.

Jack Smith at 89, was our oldest fiddler with Van Southwood not far behind at 88. The youngest was Chelsea Ashcraft who is 8 years old.

**SENIOR:**

- 1st. Gene Williams
- 2nd. Alice Holt
- 3rd. Dennis Pickett
- 4th. Lew Standiford
- 5th. Tom Shepherd
- 6th. Don Lindsay
- 7th. Lee Cushman

**OPEN:**

- 1st. Johnny McDonald
- 2nd. Eileen Witley
- 3rd. Darren Reitan
- 4th. Willie Carter

Anyone with trophies they wish to donate for recycling in next year's contest, I'll take them.

Gynn Deaton

# Thousand Trails - LaPine.

Fiddlers and friends started arriving on Wednesday - ready to play music and to greet their friends. This continued through Thursday, Friday and Saturday music and visiting, we had many fabulous meals at the Carmickle and all of your helpers. There were a number together to make this a memorable week-end. We all appreciation to Mark for his work organizing our stay along comes District 3 and puts the their sound system and the charm of husband. Ken and Sally were there Ken spent many hours emceeing our and Esther Shriber for their help sign- the mike, too.

We had very good shows Thurs- another fine gospel show Saturday after- thread woven through the week end, it was every where we went. There were many of there were others from Washington, Cali- who came just for the fiddle music at the

The quarterly meeting went well dent Roger at the helm. All districts of directors voted to accept the appoint- President, to hold a "party" at the fair- 1998, to have the last quarterly meeting to have a campout near Mt. Hood "the band wagon?" We're going we would return next year on That received a round of ap- contest and the new facilities Community College in Salem. tors to discontinue having CORRECTION RE- the Hoedowner. It has been for address corrections. The of the members to notify the address rather than OOTFA tion.

Would you believe, we had already. Roy Lewis, Don Lindsey, Jack Norman and Mae Fiock, Alice McDowell and Ace Wehus contributed right at \$700. This includes the \$200 Ace took in from the videos that will go toward the contest. (. . . and not counting the commission from the sale of Wally Bloom tapes.) Thanks to all of you who contributed - to those who have previously and those who will in the future. (Several indicated that they were going to.) . . . . and Ace asked me to remind you that the videos make an excellent Christmas gift (not too early you know) so give him a call if you are interested in any of the videos of the week end. (Friday show, Sat. Gospel and Sat. evening.)

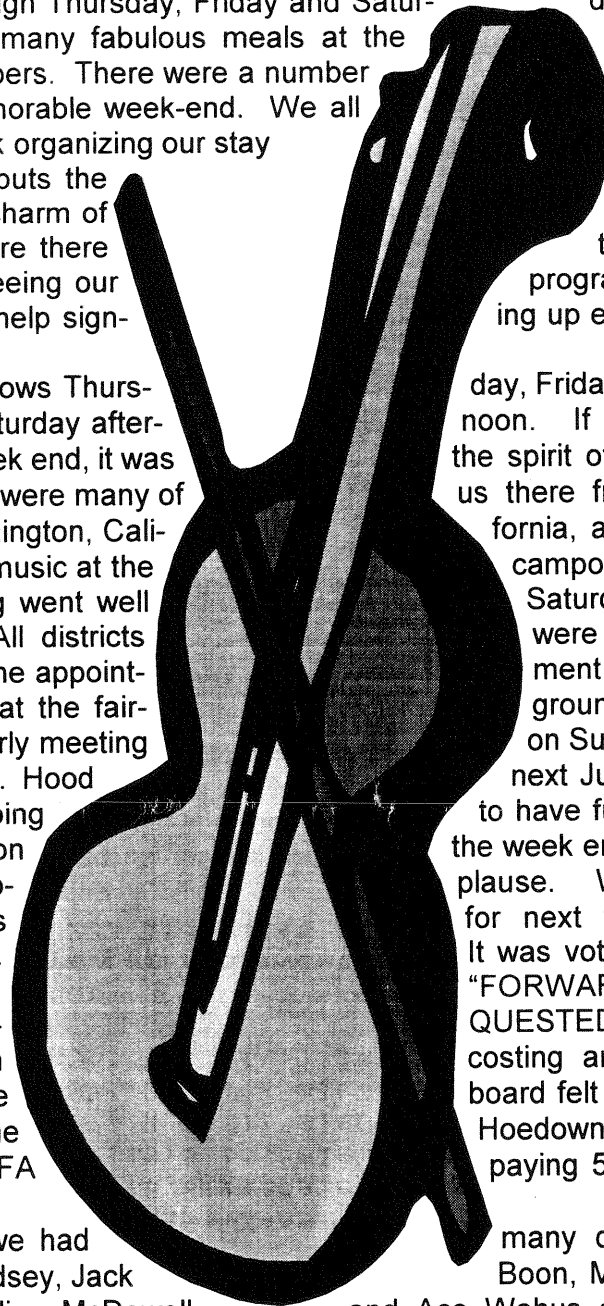
We never did find out who was in charge of the weather but it wasn't too bad. We had some clouds and some welcome sunshine. Luckily the rain held off until Saturday night and Sunday morning, but by then we didn't care.

day. Not only did we have lodge. Well done Mark of ingredients that went extend our hand of ap- at 1000 Trails. Then frosting on the cake with the chairlady and her to help out when needed. programs. Our thanks to Lloyd ing up everybody and for Lloyd at

day, Friday and Saturday nights and noon. If there was one common the spirit of friendliness. It radiated us there from all over Oregon but fornia, and British Columbia, too, campout.

Saturday morning with Presi- were represented. The board ment of Sally Jordan as Vice- grounds at Newport in April, on Sunday after the contest and next July. Are you ready to join to have fun. Mark announced that the week end of Sept. 17-19 of 1998. plause. We discussed the fiddle for next year at the Chemeketa It was voted by the board of direc- "FORWARDING & ADDRESS QUESTED" printed on the front of costing around \$6.00 each month board felt that it is the responsibility Hoedowner Editor of a change of paying 50 cents for each notifica-

many donations for the contest Boon, Mark & Ila Mae Carmickle, and Ace Wehus contributed right at \$700.



Thelma added a note to the her news from District 6. She asked me what I thought about printing the following. I feel that it is advice that might well be taken in a positive way and inturn add to the joy of "getting together."

Thelma writes: LET'S LISTEN TO ALL Have you ever been to a fiddle jam, signed up way down at the bottom of the list, then when your turn came up to play, hardly anyone was left to hear you (especially other musicians)? And maybe there wasn't enough back-up left, either.

It is understandable if you live a great distance away from the jam (especially from another district) that you might be in a hurry for the long drive home. However, don't we owe the courtesy to other performers to stay and listen to them as an appreciative audience? I have learned a lot from listening to other musicians, and hope to keep on learning from them., I do not go to a jam just to play my two pieces and split. I want to hear others and applaud for them and show them that I am interested in what they are doing, also. Sometimes the musicians outnumber the other members of the audience, and when they leave early. . . . there's not much left! Please stop to think how the others feel, and give them the courtesy to listen to them and encourage them with your attention and applause. We're all in this thing together, so let's try to be more together about it.

We are approaching the time when many of you will be renewing your dues for 1998. This year you are asked to pay your dues directly to your district secretary or designated membership chairman who will issue you your cards. Hopefully you will pay at your district jams but if not, feel free to mail you dues to your sec. or membership chairman.

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Dear Members,

It was a whirl wind trip to Thousand Trails this week end sparked by a cell phone call & I must tell you we really enjoyed seeing everyone & the music was great. Seeing our members wearing their name tags is always a thrill for me of course. I've worked hard to "tag" you, as you all know!! Since I took over June 6, 1993 with thirty-seven more to sell, I'll have eight hundred of you "tagged." Pretty good record, huh?

You made another record for me this week-end, too. You purchased over five hundred dollars of "STUFF" from me! It was a busy week-end & a fun week-end & I want to thank each & every one of you who made it all possible.

Special thanks to our officers, District 3 and the many volunteers who worked so hard to make it happen.

Helen Tracy

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1997		1998	
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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

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