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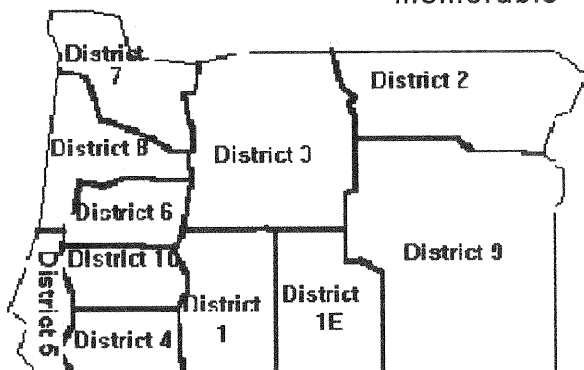
Greetings to all Oregon Old Time Fiddlers members and prospective members who may read this Aug. 1, 1999 issue of our Hoedowner. This article is the first of 12 such articles which will be my responsibility as President to write during my term of office. Having just returned from a 12-day trip through Burns, Oregon to attend High Desert Country Music Jamboree, spending eight wonderful days at Weiser National Contest, and stopping back at Redmond to jam with District 3 and attend ribbon cutting ceremonies for Deschutes County Fairgrounds, Charlotte and I are ready to pause momentarily before making preparations to go again. Thanks to Janet Burgess, Julia Milleson, Ruel and Margaret Teague, Walt Cooper, High Galliher, Carol Hamilton and the many others for putting together a memorable event in

Burns, and having our quarterly meeting there proved to be a whopping success. Thanks a lot!!!

If you have never attended the National Contest at Weiser, make plans now to attend next year or soon. You will see and hear there the most outstanding, unparalleled talent second to none throughout the country. Didn't we have a good time at the campout at Mt. Hood Ed and Marie Nelson and LeRoy and Shirley Sims gave Charlotte and me a royal reception in District 3, and LeRoy was a great MC at their jam. Officially, my term as President has begun, and we are looking forward with much anticipation and expectation to one of our greatest years, ever. It will be a great year because of all the hard work and superb leadership Roger and Jackie Germundson have given us over the past two years. Sally Jordan, as Vice President, with her husband,

Ken, has also done a great job, especially for the fine April Fiddle Festival in Florence. And, of course, Myrtle Arnold, as Sec./Treas., with her husband, Red, is still on our team, as always, doing her good deeds for everyone. Lew Holt is still filling his spot as our Hoedowner Editor. So, working with a team like Roger as Vice President, Myrtle, as Sec./Treas., Lew Holt, Editor, and Alice Holt, Membership, you have put together a winning team, and from here on the only direction we will be content to go is up. Statewide, all districts have elected a slate of new and energetic officers, with whom we will be working closely this year, and before my term ends, I will have visited every district in the state, played and sang with you in your jams, and conferred with all officers about matters of concern to OOTFA. There is an old adage which goes something

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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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Hello. Hopefully everyone is enjoying the nice summer days-they are flying by too quickly. District 1 has kept quite busy lately playing at jams, nursing homes, birthday parties, a wedding reception, Burns Jamboree and several of us were able to attend Norm and Mae Fiocks annual anniversary party.

District 1 July 11 brought several visitors, Tex and Minnie

Cox came from Shingletown, CA. Ethel Holstin drove over from District 4. Our new fiddler, Ken and his mother, came back and a Hearty "Welcome Back" to Les and Lois Tucker.

August Happy Birthday wishes go to Virgil Schmoer 15th, to Francis Hugh's father "Homer" 16th, Harold North 26th and Jerry Ruddock 30th. No August anniversary dates on my list.

Next Jam is Aug. 8 at Winema Inn 1111 Main St. in Klamath Falls.

We'll have a meeting at 12:30 and jam from 1:00 to 4:00. Nursing homes-Washburn Way Rehab on Washburn Way in Klamath Falls -- 1st Tuesday each month from 3:00 to 4:00 p.

m. Clairmont Nursing Home - east end of Main St. in Klamath Falls - 4th Thursday. We start playing at 1:00 p.m. then we go 1 block above the nursing home to Clairmont Retirement Home and play another hour-the same day.

Hopefully several of us will have enjoyed playing at Silver Lake and Diamond Lake Campouts by the time you read this.

Till next month, Enjoy the Music

Cherie Lane, Reporter District 1



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Summer has finally come to Lakeview, 1E. Everyone is busy. Weather is warmer. June 18th and 19th Homer and Rosalee McLain and Bill and Gloria Myers attended the Country Music Jamboree at Burns.

District 5. Thanks for giving him the chance to show his fiddle stuff. The McLains wish to express their thanks to Shorty and Charlotte Dow for the camp space in Weiser.

By the time you read this, the campout at Silver Lake on the July 16 through the 18th will be past.

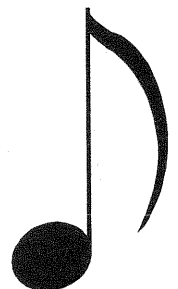
Coming events-Aug. 7 is the jam and potluck at the Memorial Hall in Lakeview. Sept 4 - 6 Fair time.

Beverly Perry is in Alaska. Hope she keeping cool. Norm Gumser has gone home from the Long Term Care. Get better, Norm, and our best wishes are for you.

wedding anniversary for Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Smith and Mr. and Mrs. Kelton Vincent on July 3. Our new officers took over their duties at our July 12 meeting.

Too hot to think or write so will stop. Hope to do better next time.

District 1E reporter, Myrle Shepard



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It is our pleasure to invite all districts to our new FAIR-GROUNDS and EXPO CENTER for a grand tour, a delicious brunch and a fun filled jam Sept. 19, following Thousand Trails. Dry camping will be available for \$10, includes showers & rest rooms which are very nice. Super 8 Motel-Redmond (1-800-800-8000) is one block away and will give a 10% to 15% discount if you tell them you want the Fiddler's Group Discount. The discount is based on how many reservations they get. Fountains Restaurant & McDonald's are next door. RSVP to Ed Nelson BEFORE Aug. 31. We look forward to each of you coming.

Just two of the fairgrounds facts: (1) the kitchen is 5,000 square feet with a staff of 41 at full capacity (2) the enclosed main event center is 120,000 square feet (which is about two K-Marts) and seats approximately 8,000 people. The grand opening was a huge success and we got wonderful feedback from the fairgrounds. Hats off to all musicians who came & made it the success it was. Several people got up very, very early to leave Weiser to be with us.

Thanks to our guests Fred & Charlotte Hardin, Dist. 8 (our new state president), Ace & Dorothy Wehus, Dist. 7, Bob & Marie Bailey, Dist. 8, Penny Mead & Barry Bloom, Dist. 7, Bob & Jean Hanson, Dist. 10, Joe & Valia Lamb, Dist. 6, Julia Milleson, Dist. 9. & Don Halverson, Dist. 7. A special thanks to Ace Wehus. He taped the pro-

gram and the video is being offered for \$15. Contact Ed Nelson. We were pleased to welcome Fred & Charlotte Hardin back for our jam and Jake & Allie Swartwood, our out of state friends. Don Hilliard & Carol Lommasson from Dist. 10 were with us at our June jam. It was good to have all of you.

Burns was another great success. There were well received workshops and on Fri. afternoon there was a scrambled band contest. The judges were gleefully & shamelessly bribed. It was a hoot. Fun and laughs were guaranteed. Thanks District 9.

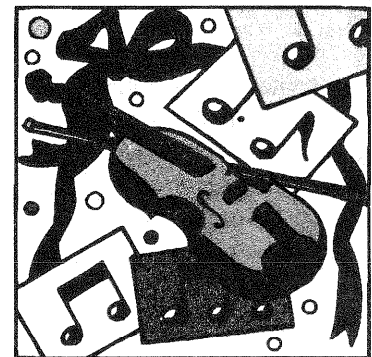

Welcome new members Ben & Carol Oakes, Bend. Marie M. Nelson, Reporter

P.S. When you let go and forgive, you do not change the past, but you sure do change the future.

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Membership for the rest of the year:

Aug. 1	\$6.25
Sep. 1	\$5.00
Oct. 1	\$3.75 + \$15.00
Nov. 1	\$2.50 + \$15.00
Dec. 1	\$1.25 + \$15.00

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The hot summer days are upon us, and we are fiddling around all over the place. We had a good group playing at the 4th of July parade and picnic in Central Point. Our new "float" performed well, and we won a ribbon for second place. We entertained in the park all afternoon between the raffle drawings, the bagpipe band, and the tiny kids in tutus. We are scheduled to play

for the Jackson County Fair, and numerous other retirement homes, nursing homes, special picnics and celebrations, and . . . It's been a busy summer for District 4!

We learned of the death of David Roundy, a fellow fiddler from Grants Pass. There must be a good jam going up in Heaven, 'cuz we've been losing far too many.

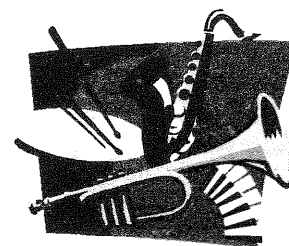
Lem Guthrie's wife Leora has not been well, and has been undergoing a battery of tests. We hope you'll feel better soon, Leora!

We are starting to get some new blood coming into our group, with several new fiddlers and guitar players ex-

pressing interest and showing up at some of the informal jams. Some have never done this kind of music before, but they heard us and want to be a part of it all. It's always good to welcome new musicians. I don't think it's possible to have too many!

Remember: Life does not have to be perfect to be wonderful.

Judy McGarvey,
District 4 Reporter



District 5

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(Still looking)

July was a busy month for District 5. On the 4th Val and Ned Mathews had a big Bar-B-Q in their yard in Empire. The fiddlers provided a lot of great music and their mates, who are all good cooks (yum-yum) provided potluck dishes to go with the steak and chicken. We wish to thank the Mathews for such a wonderful day!

On July 17th we played for a dance at Greenacres and on the 24th and 25th we played at Winchester Bay for the Ocean Fest. We, also, played at the Greenacres Grange for their Spaghetti feed on July 30th from 6 to 9 p.m. We wish to thank all who came to these events to make them very successful.

It looks like we will be busy again in August as we already have two events lined up and we don't know what will "pop" up in the mean time! On August 20 we will have a dance at Greenacres from 6 - 9 p.m. and we will also be playing at the Charleston Seafood Fest from 11:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. on August 21. This will be down at the docks near the new boat ramp and there will be lots of vendors so you can buy your lunch or bring your own picnic basket.

The only reports I have on sickness are Helen Serfass who recently had a minor surgery and is having a lot of discomfort and Lucille Davidson has not been feeling well. We pray you are both feeling better real soon! I am sorry to report that Norma Allen died recently. She was a district 5 member for many years.

Birthday wishes go to

Lloyd Dunn on the 18th, Anne Hasley 30 and Del Thomas 31st. We wish a very Happy Anniversary to Val and Ned Mathews on the 18th and Betty and Bob McKee on the 29th. May all of you have a safe journey wherever you may travel. Just put God in the front seat with you and he will see you safely through

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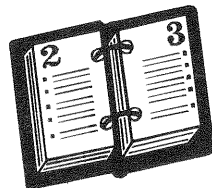
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COMING!!! August 15 - Sunday: Elks Lodge - 440 Osage - Sweet Home. JAM. Breakfast (\$3.00) served 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. John Madsen will set up sound system about 10:00. Great facility...great HOT DOGS (\$1.00) laterand NEXT..... (8/7) WILLAMETTE VALLEY FIDDLE CONTEST-CORVALLIS (see details) August 18 - Wednesday (Senior Day): Lane County Fair. Gates open 11:00 a.m. Play from 11:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. Musicians enter EAST GATES-you will be met with tickets. ALL OOTFA FOLKS WELCOME! DIST. 6 CONTESTANTS: congrats!!! OOTFA FIDDLE CONTEST: Won position #1 in six out of nine divisions!! Pee Wee Div. #1 - Alex Hargreaves, Corvallis; Junior Junior Div. #1 Amberly Rosen, Eugene; Young Adult-#1 Erin McMullen, Corvallis; Adult-#1 Starr McMullen,

Corvallis; Senior-#1 Ila Mae Carmickle, Eugene; Twin Fiddle-#1 Ariana & Amberly Rosen ; Oldest Fiddler Earl Knudson age 87 WHAT A GUY!!; Outstanding back-up (Bill Yohey Award)-Ruth Montgomery @ WEISER CONTEST (GREAT SHOWING) - DIST. 6: Junior Div. #8 - Andy Shelton; Adult Div. - #1 Starr McMullen; Senior Div. - #7 Ila Mae Carmickle.of course...all say there was a great time to be had at BURNS JAMBOREE on the way to Weiser. Folks attended and enjoyed Bohemian Days, Cottage Grove. As expected, the troops were thin at home. Nevertheless, area performances held strong. Among them: Villa Cascade Nursing Home, Lebanon; Quail Run-Mennonite, Albany; 4th of July/Timber Carnival-Senior Center float, Albany-wearing red-white & blue and including a patriotic tune....lets keep some of those tuned-up for next Memorial Day. Of course, the Booher Fiddle Camp drew a number of our folks: Andy and Kristi Shelton; Joan Lomax, escorted by James; Amberly and Ariana Rosen; and Buck Milligan. Co-burg Days were celebrated-6

groups took turns performing. *LaPine Campout reminder: Mark Carmickle reports as of 7/9 following trailers available: 3 - 29 ft. ; 2 - 24 ft.; 1 - 35 ft. He invites your call. Doug Orton (541-758-0043) invites all to weekly jam: Highland/Walnut-Corvallis-Tues. 1-4 p.m. Harvey would like to have me remind you and encourage your attendance "up in the north end of District 6" -- On August 15 at the Sweet Home Elks Lodge. Jam from about 10:30 until we poop out. They serve breakfast until 11:00 all you can eat for \$3 and they have promised to have hot-dogs for a reasonable price starting about 1:00... On September 12th at the American Legion in Lebanon from about 11:00 until They will feed us. And October 17th at Morning Star Grange north of Albany from about 10:30 until This is a pot-luck so bring food and your table service. Please mark your calendars: Sep. 11 - Willamalane , Meeting; Oct. 3 - Willamalane; Oct. 17 - Morning Star Grange; Nov. 13 - Willamalane; Dec. 5 - Moose Lodge - Lebanon
Connie King,
reporter District 6

Dates to Remember



Sep. 16, 17 & 18 OOTFA Campout – LaPine

Sep. 18 State Quarterly meeting at LaPine

Aug. 7 Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest - Corvallis

Aug. 28 Canyonville Contest

Aug. 28 – Sep. 6 Warwick’s campout



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Folks, this is going to be a long edition of news about District 7. (Saving paper will have to take precedence for the next issue.)

...OUR UPCOMING JAMS: When you see the list of playing/listening possibilities for August you'll see that the expression "taking off the summer" is to be taken lightly! Get out your calendar and this newsletter so that you can plan another month of homegrown fun. For our Sunday, Sep. 12 jam we will be at the King City Town Hall Center. Its located just off of Pacific Highway. To get to the King City Town Hall from Portland, take Highway 99W (Pacific Highway) exit number 294 from I-5, continue on 99W through Tigard, turn right at the King City Arco traffic light, turn right again at the first stop sign, the Town Hall will be on your immediate left. >From I-5 south, also take the Tigard exit, #294. At this meeting we will look at an upgrade of our monitor, for a lighter, smaller and more effective one. Roger Germundson will head up this committee. If you have ideas or knowledge of products he needs your input.

The most difficult diagnosis one can receive has come true for Frank Smith. A Memorial Service was held on July 10th at the Assembly of God Church in Molalla. Several of us were honored to play a few tunes which represent a small collection of the

tunes that meant so much to him. The service was uplifting. The hymns were joyful. The sharing of memories were authentic representations of a life lead by one looking to his faith. A donation to the OOTFA scholarship fund has been made by our district in memoriam.

Playing opportunities: Aug. 1 McLaughlin House 3:30-4:30 at 713 Center St. in Oregon City. 8/13/99 4 Square Gospel Church. Arrival time, between 4:30 and 6:00. We are to eat when we get there. We're on the schedule to play from 6:30-8:00. Its a nice country out door setting. It's a festive family activity. The address is 25718 SE Eagle Creek Rd. You may call Helen Hakanson or Terry Jorgensen for directions. Be sure to take your map.

8/18/99 Clackamas County Fair. We'll be there on Senior Day, which is on a Wednesday this year. The time-frame is 2-4 p.m. which is also a change, so please make yourself a clear note to that effect. There will probably be the hourly shuttle from the Senior Center to the fairgrounds, which is a good parking alternative. If you do decide to park on the grounds because of instruments, etc. here are some sketchy notes. You'll want to refer to or check your map for the best info possible. Use the entertainer's route: turn into the fairgrounds and then turn right on Pine. There are some low apartments along the route. Turn left to get into an alley of sorts. There will be an attendant there to guide or to send you on elsewhere for parking. The street address for the fair is 694

NE 4th Ave. August 20th Surprise birthday at Oaks Park in Area 11. Playing time will be from 6-7. Then dinner will be provided for those entertaining. There will be more time to play from 8-9 that evening. This is for a lady who love waltzes, schottisches and tangos (no, I just slipped that last one in to make sure you are paying attention!) 8/29/99 at the Trinity Lutheran Church, from 1-4 at Powell and Ava St. in Gresham. It is the 100th anniversary of this church. They will feed us. It can be a drop in, play some tunes and out afternoon. You may have other places to play that day, too. The Germundsons have more details, you may call them. You may also find other occasions to play at smaller venues, so keep the calendar handy.

Thank you Jackie for coming back to your office as Membership person. That is most generous of folks who intend to travel and still make the time for keeping our membership thriving! Your friendly smile and pleasant manner really helps win members and pack 'em in!

We did indeed have a great weekend at Mt. Hood. Mark your calendars for July 21-23, 2000. You do NOT want to miss the fun to be had with the OOTFA folks at this lovely spot! You can reserve your spot right now. Summer does not yet wane. Our energy does not yet drain. And life will not be the same...

Pat Gates,
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Reporter

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If you weren't at the Lutheran Picnic we us in Mt. Angel on the 10th, you missed a good time. The weather was just about perfect. We sneaked a gig in at Falls City on the 24th. Hopefully we notified those that were interested. We played at the United Methodist church's picnic to recognize the restoration they have done on the old church. On the 31st we were asked to get up a small group to play on a float in the West Salem Parade.

Hopefully you will receive

this Hoedowner in time to be reminded about the jam in Mt. Angel on August 3rd. We'll start playing at 6:00 and will play until 7:30 or so. Then let's do what 35 of us did last year - go down town to the "Mt. Angel Brewery" and have a party. We can jam a bit and eat a nice meal. It was a lot of fun and will be fun this year, too. Then we look forward to August 12th when we will be playing at the Polk County Fair in Rickreall. We will start playing at 2:00 and will play for a couple of hours (or more) on the main 4-H stage (we are told). Hopefully your fiddle case will get you in but if you "have to pay," see Lew and then "you'll live happily every after." Don't go away. We aren't through yet. On the 22nd District 8 and friends have been invited to play for the Salem Senior Center at their picnic. Musi-

cians will be fed "free." The picnic is scheduled from 12:00 to 4:00 so we will have time to get in a lot of fiddling. (Probably from 1:00 to 2:00) To get there, go out Mission St. in Salem and turn south on the Turner Road - just east of the airport. You are going to "Cascades Gateway Park" - just a short mile down the road. The park is on your left. If you are on I-5, take the Stayton exit and turn west towards town. Take a left on the Turner Road just before the airport. Or if you are going east on State St. from downtown or from Lancaster, turn south on Airport Road SE (not too far west of I - 5) , cross Mission St. and you will be on Turner Road. Hope to see you there.

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Howdy -- Summer seems to be a good time to get up and go, and District 9 has been gone. Ruel and Margaret Teague and Julia Milleson have taken in several events including Weiser, Sumpster, and Mt. Hood Campout. Janet Burgess and Gordon Black attended a week long workshop in Westminster, Maryland. Janet's classes were on the hammer dulcimer and Gordon's classes were on the dobro. It's

such a treat to spend 6 hours a day with the masters of your instrument. It is also humbling to see and hear the masters play as well as grueling to try and take it all in. So much to learn! Welcome new members to district 9 Ben and Amanda Schaefer and Jim and Lola Johnson. Ben and Amanda are busy practicing for the upcoming fiddle contest in LaGrande. Good luck to you both. Folks who were under the weather the last month include Jane Keagle, Faye Leonard, Jay and Virginia Coble. Hope you all are feeling much better. Dexter McPherson has stayed with relatives in the Burns area since the Jamboree and attended several jam ses-

sions. The calendar for August shows we will play the Nursing home on Monday the 9th and the Aspens on Friday the 13th. Please make an effort to be at the nursing home as there was not a turnout in July. September 9 -12 is the Harney County Fair and Rodeo. The Old Time Fiddlers will be playing although specific times have not been announced. If you've got an idea for a float for this year's parade start talking it up, round up some volunteers and go for it.

Janet Burgess
Reporter District 9

District 10

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Fred Young & Claire Eaton

We had a great jam on the Fourth of July. The Winston Senior Center had the tables decorated in red, white and blue which gave a patriotic atmosphere. There were almost fifty in attendance playing and dancing. Paul Lakey's daughter, Pat from Bothel, WA., was there with her three children, Bart, Bo and Anna Marie. Bart is a talented musician and played the fiddle twice and

sang "Oklahoma Hills."

July was busy with playing at the opening of Graffiti Week End - Bohemia Days in Cottage Grove, Coburg Days and Myrtle Creek's Summer Festival. Plus there were the regular nursing homes and retirement centers. We'll be playing five days in August at the Douglas County Fair.

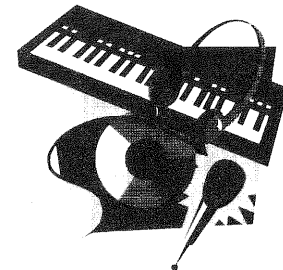
Remember our regular jams-on Sunday, the 8th, we'll be at the Winston Community Building. On the 21st we'll return for a meeting at 11:00, potluck and noon and a jam from 1:00 to 4:00.

We wish to send our deepest sympathy to Martha Rogers in the loss of her son.

We hope Larry Johnson is recovering nicely from his by-pass surgery.

Happy Birthday to: Marg Hasty, Paul Lakey, Guy Kinman, Leah Schroll, Hap Jones, Harold Rogers and Dorothy Whaley. Celebrating their anniversaries are Harold and Martha Rogers and Lewis and Frances Roy.

Jo Barnes, reporter district 10



WILLAMETTE VALLEY FIDDLE CONTEST- CORVALLIS-BENTON COUNTY FAIR AUGUST 7-SATURDAY

(110 S.W. 53rd St.) From I-5 travel west on Hwy. 34. Cross Willamette River. Continue west on Harrison St. to 53rd St.; turn south (left) to fairgrounds entrance. (RV camping: KOA - 5 mi. east of Corvallis (Hwy. 34) Phone: (541)967-8521)

REGISTRATION starts: 8:00 a.m. (fee-\$5.00 / contestant)

JUDGES meeting: 8:30 a.m. (Matt Hartz-Idaho; Dan Emert-OR; Erin McMullen-OR)

PRELIMINARIES: 8:45 a.m.

Your instrument is your admission to the fair; others pay admission fee.

DIVISIONS: Senior (60+); Adult (18-59); Pee Wee (8 and under); Junior-Junior (9-12); Junior (13-17); Novice (any age); Champions (any age).

CASH PRIZES: To 5TH place in all fiddle divisions; accompanists (based on times on stage) to 3 places (\$50-\$30-\$20).

FINALS: Start at 4:30 p.m. Top 5 in each division, except novice and Pee Wee-only one round for those).

PRIZE MONEY:

NOVICE 50-35-20-15-10

Pee Wee 35-20-10-10-5

Junior-Junior 75-50-25-15-10

Junior 100 -75-35-25-15

Adult 100 -75-35-25-15

Senior 100 -75-35-25-15

Championship 300-200-100-75-50

AND!!! MASTER OF CEREMONIES WILL BE OUR OWN OOTFA PREZ. FRED HARDIN.

Notes from the Editor

✓ Joy Smith writes: I am writing this short note to tell the fiddle friends, how much I appreciate the cards and letters they have sent me in my time of grief. It really helps to know that we have a thoughtful and loving organization. I especially want to thank District 7 for the contribution to the scholarship fund in Frank's name. You are all a blessing to me. That you again. Love, Joy Smith

✓ We received a special invitation from District 10 of the Washington Old Time Fiddlers to their Music and Jam Show on August 21 from 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM at the Prairie High School NE 117th Ave. (HWY 503) & NE 119th St. in Vancouver. Free RV overnight parking. Three sessions, morning, afternoon and evening. Musicians who sign up and perform are admitted free. Additional information may be obtained by calling 360-254-2117.

✓ I would like to say a BIG THANK YOU to all the fiddlers and back up that played at the State Jam at Mt. Hood, then stopped by Troutdale to help surprise me on my 60th birthday party. It was a great surprise and will stay in my heart forever Love, Jackie Germundson

✓ Reporters - if I don't have your officers/phone numbers/address listed correctly at the top of your district news, please let me know. Thanks. Lew Friends-President Fred has been knocking on doors and some great things (\$\$) have been happening. Next month he will report his findings. You will be pleased.

Check out our web site for the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association: <http://members.aol.com/LewHolt> You might want to try out these web sites, too: <http://www.pond.net/~lberg/> <http://www.cartwrightsmusic.com/> <http://home.telia.no/frhelland/>

✓ Recently Alice and I received a letter that Norma Allen had died. She was 94 and had lived all her life near Bandon down on the southern Oregon Coast. Not many of you knew Norma and probably had never heard her play the fiddle but she had drive and enthusiasm that wouldn't end. In 1980 Alice and I had heard that there was a group meeting in Bandon to teach fiddling. We walked into the "Dew Valley Community Hall" and Norma met us. She called for the attention of everybody and in her "teacher voice," yelled out, "Hey, everybody here are the Holts from North Bend." That was the beginning of many good friendships and many years of fiddling. Many Satur-

day nights Alice and I would drive the 35 miles down to Norma's. Her sister, Max, lived next door and would come over. We spent many hours learning and playing together. It was from Max's and Norma's dedication to fiddling that gave Alice and me the foundation and motivation that we needed. Norma's nickname came to be "one more time Norma." After a tune was played, she would often yell out, "One more time" and we would play it again. She invited others to play at her house on Saturday nights. Some were local friends and others were visitors from out of town. Les McLeod, Clell Mason, Bud Bishop, Elmer Benson, Shorty Allen, Jack Storm, Gene Lowe, Charlie and Vi Jensen and her sister Max -- they all passed on before Norma. No, Norma wasn't the best fiddler but she has left her contribution. We "old timers" remember her well. Those who came along later have missed much by not knowing her. Perhaps she and Max have joined "those who went before" her. Norma has "organized them" that's for sure. She is either playing her fiddle or backing them up on the piano and they are playing a tune "one more time."

Lew Holt Editor

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like this: Think little, and you will always be little! Think big, and you will be big! Thank you for giving me a team of "big" thinkers to work with this year. With a team such as we have to work with this year, our success is guaranteed. Put 1000 Trails Campout at LaPine on your calendar, September 16, 17 & 18. Mark and Ila Mae Carmickle are busily "orchestrating"

that event with deliberate perfection. Make your reservations now! As your President, it is incumbent upon me to adopt a theme for my term of office. After much thought and consideration given to this subject, I propose the following to be the official theme of OOTFA for 1999/2000:

"Let the words of my mouth and the meditations of my heart be for the purpose of promoting, performing, preserving, and perpetuating Old Time

Fiddling throughout the state." For short, we can refer to our theme as "The four P's." I adopt that as my theme and urge all of you to adopt it as your theme. Keep on pickin', fiddlin', and grinnin', and don't forget to read my next article, entitled FRED "SED".

Fiddle contest Sep 3-5 in Mesquite, Nevada

The judges are Tonya Hopkins, Valerie Bates, Tom Weisgerber, John Francis, and Levi Dennis. Gambler's Division Friday night. We put 100 tunes in a hat and you draw the tune you play. The winner is the person who knows the most tunes or has the luckiest draw!!

The contest starts at 10:00 on Saturday with the Sr Div. Five places -- \$500 to \$100. The Open/Adult division that afternoon. Ten places -- \$1500 to \$100. Saturday night -- "Let's Get Wild" division which is an audience judged category of trick fiddling and outlawed tunes. Sunday we have the last 2 rounds of the Open division. All activities at the hotel and camping allowed on site as well.

For room information contact the hotel at 1-888-411-DRAW.

There is a discount for fiddle fest attendees.

For contest information email me or call at 502-935-7498.

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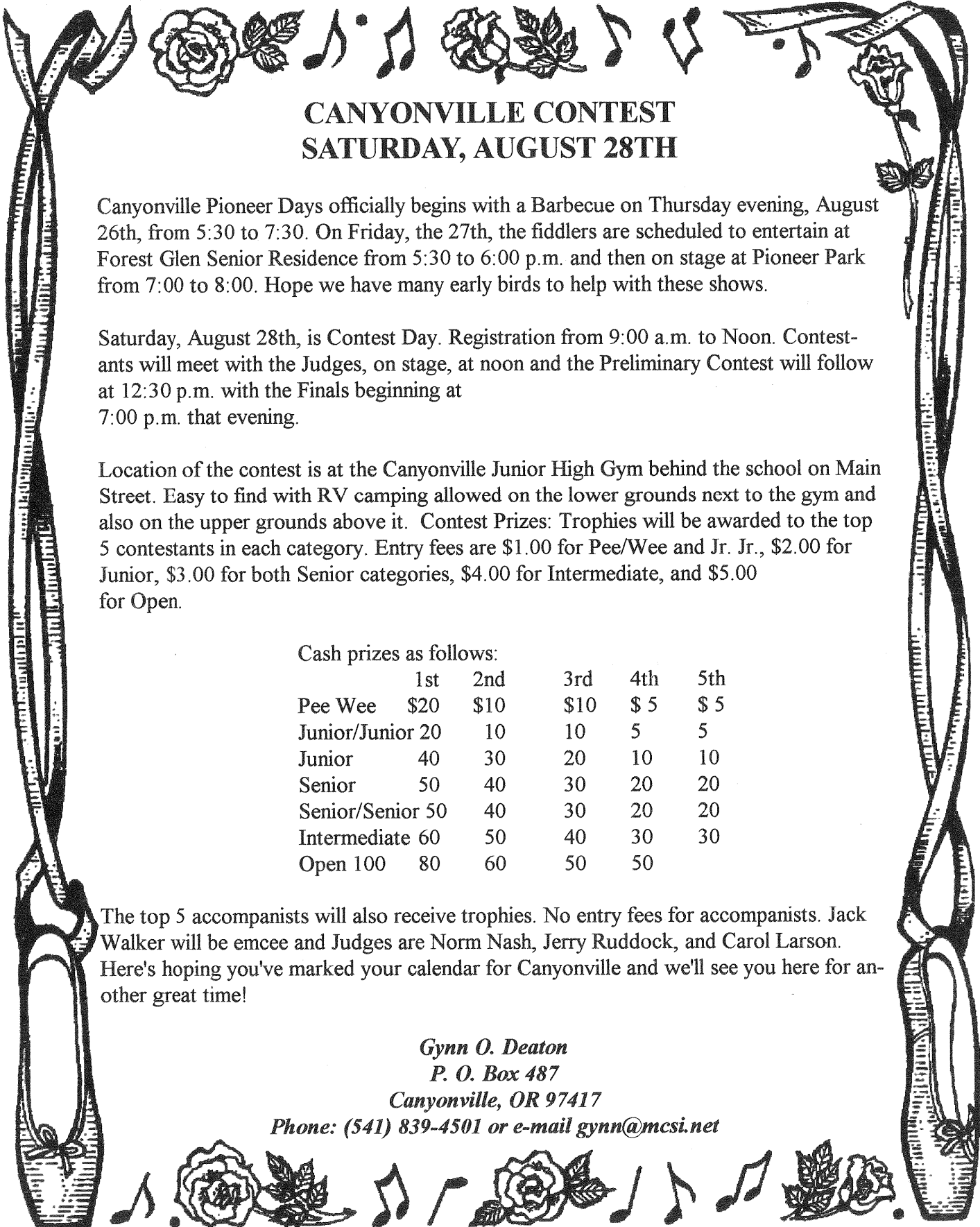
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CANYONVILLE CONTEST SATURDAY, AUGUST 28TH

Canyonville Pioneer Days officially begins with a Barbecue on Thursday evening, August 26th, from 5:30 to 7:30. On Friday, the 27th, the fiddlers are scheduled to entertain at Forest Glen Senior Residence from 5:30 to 6:00 p.m. and then on stage at Pioneer Park from 7:00 to 8:00. Hope we have many early birds to help with these shows.

Saturday, August 28th, is Contest Day. Registration from 9:00 a.m. to Noon. Contestants will meet with the Judges, on stage, at noon and the Preliminary Contest will follow at 12:30 p.m. with the Finals beginning at 7:00 p.m. that evening.

Location of the contest is at the Canyonville Junior High Gym behind the school on Main Street. Easy to find with RV camping allowed on the lower grounds next to the gym and also on the upper grounds above it. Contest Prizes: Trophies will be awarded to the top 5 contestants in each category. Entry fees are \$1.00 for Pee/Wee and Jr. Jr., \$2.00 for Junior, \$3.00 for both Senior categories, \$4.00 for Intermediate, and \$5.00 for Open.

Cash prizes as follows:

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Pee Wee	\$20	\$10	\$10	\$ 5	\$ 5
Junior/Junior 20	10	10	10	5	5
Junior	40	30	20	10	10
Senior	50	40	30	20	20
Senior/Senior 50	40	40	30	20	20
Intermediate 60	50	50	40	30	30
Open 100	80	60	50	50	

The top 5 accompanists will also receive trophies. No entry fees for accompanists. Jack Walker will be emcee and Judges are Norm Nash, Jerry Ruddock, and Carol Larson. Here's hoping you've marked your calendar for Canyonville and we'll see you here for another great time!

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Calendar

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

August

1	Last day Diamond Lake Campout		
3	Benedictine Concert	Mt. Angel	8
7	Memorial Hall	Lakeview	1E
7	Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest	Corvallis	
7	Picnic	Lake Creek	4
8	Winema Inn	Klamath Falls	1
8	Winston Community Building		10
12	Polk County Fair	Rickreall	8
15	Deschutes County Fairgrounds		3
15	Elks Lodge	Sweet Home	6
18	Lane County Fair	Eugene	6
20	Greenacres	Coos Bay	5
21	Charleston Seafood Fest		5
21	Washington Old Time Fiddlers	Vancouver	
21	Winston Community Building		10
28	Pioneer Days Fiddle Contest	Canyonville	

11	Willamalane Sen. Center	Springfield	6
12	American Legion	Lebanon	6
12	King City Town Hall Center	King City	7
16,17 & 18	LaPine Campout		OOTFA
18	Quarterly meeting		OOTFA
19	Deschutes County Fairgrounds		3

October

2	Community Ctr.	Rogue River	4
3	Willamalane	Springfield	6
17	Morning Star Grange	Millersburg	6

November

6	Community Center	Rogue River	4
13	Willamalane	Springfield	6

December

5	Moose Lodge	Lebanon	6
18	Roxy Ann Grange	Medford	4

September

4	IOOF Hall	Gold Hill	4
4-6	Fair Time		1E



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