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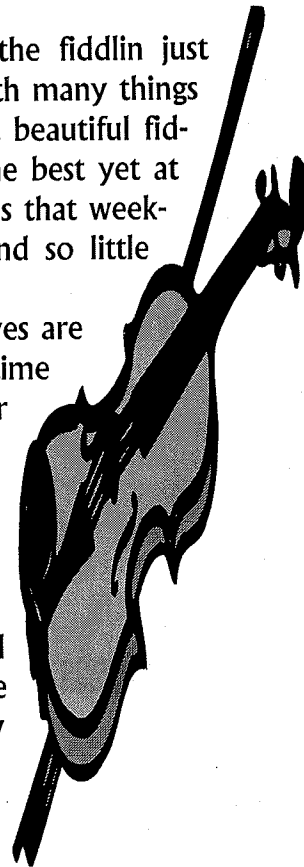
SALLY SEZ:

Another month has come and gone and the fiddlin just keeps on. It has been another busy one with many things to get done, so bless you all in making that beautiful fiddling music. I understand the music was the best yet at Thousand Trails and I am sorry I had to miss that weekend. There are so many places to play and so little time to get to them all.

The air is getting crisper and the leaves are doing their thing which is so delightful this time of year. The salmon are running up the river and the trout are jumping in the lakes and there just isn't enough time to get to it all and get it all done.

Ken and I did have the chance to play with some "other musicians," recently; (jazz and blues) That was exciting, but I will always come back to old time fiddling. The music is so wonderfully different with every tune. It makes me realize more and more why I came into Old Time Fiddling, the variety of songs and tempos.

Thanks to all of you who have written and called and given me your support for the coming year. It has meant a great deal to me. Our jams have not happened yet and I have not been "out fiddlin" around to get to see many of you but hopefully this next year will be better for that....God Bless you all and learn a new tune for me....
Sally



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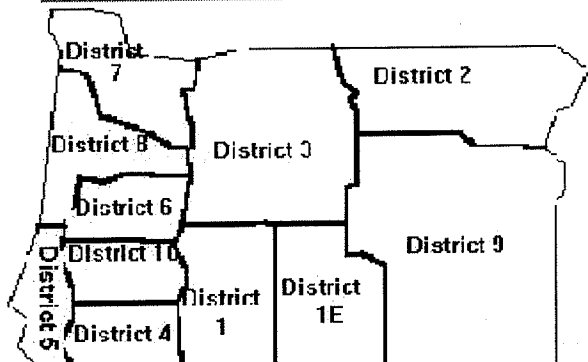
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Hello from District 1. Summer time has come and gone too quickly. Now it's almost time for turkey dinners (If the ghosts and goblins didn't get you.) Hope you are all more ready for winter season than I am. It's been rather quiet in our area lately with several members still on vacation or out hunting.

We thank our visitors for coming to our last jam -- it really helps to make our jam afternoon more lively. We appreciated each of you driving all the way from the Redding area, Bend, and Madras to play music with us. And thanks to Jewel and friends for coming from Chiloquin, too, to sing and listen.

Our main accomplishment for last month was the purchase of a small trailer to haul our district sound system in and "Thanks" to Isom Patterson for doing the insulating, paneling, painting and weather proofing to make it ready for use.

November birthday wishes go out to Lew Standiford on the

8th, Etta Fernlund also celebrates this month but I don't have the date, sorry. And I have missed other birthdays or wedding anniversaries, please let me know.

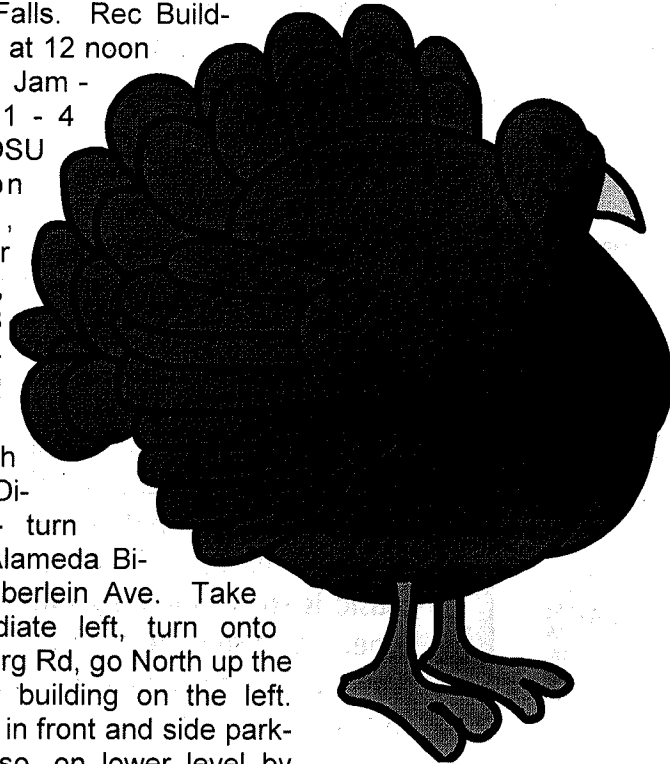
Meeting and potluck on Nov. 5 (1st Sunday) at Villa West Mobile Estates Recreation Hall, 2241 Greensprings Dr. in Klamath Falls. Rec Building opens at 12 noon till . . . ? Jam - Nov. 12, 1 - 4 p.m. at OSU Extension Building, lower level, 3328 Vandenberg Rd in Klamath Falls. Directions - turn East off Alameda Bypass in Eberlein Ave. Take an immediate left, turn onto Vandenberg Rd, go North up the hill to 1st building on the left. Parking is in front and side parking lot, also, on lower level by the meeting room where jam is held. Please bring finger foods, ladies. Thank you.

Time to pay your dues

for 2001. Please pay Grace Stork at our jam or send your check for \$15 (OOTFA) to her. She will get your membership cards to you Thanks.

T'll next month, "keep fiddling and pickin."

Cherie Lane, District 1 reporter



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- www.boohermusiccamp.com
- <http://www.pond.net/~lberg/>
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November 4 -- Jam at Memorial Hall

Time is getting away from us. Here it is October and where did the year go? Everyone has been busy with their jobs, company and whatever. Soon it will be winter and what then, another year gone.

Beverly Perry took a flying trip to Georgia to visit down there. Homer and Rosa Lee McLain have been traveling

about. They attended the Thousand Trails Campout. They stated that there were many good jams and a lot of entertainment. Also met some new people. They also drove to Red Bluff, California for the Regional Fiddle Contest. As of this writing they were not home. Glad they can travel and play where ever they go.

Oct. 7 the monthly jam was held at the Memorial Hall. Many local visitors, also, visiting was Leonard Corbin from District 4 and Gary and Vi Epperly from Bend. The Epperlys were in their motor home and were going to Klamath on the 8th to play with their group. Fourteen members entertained. all had a good time. Barbecued hot-

dogs, salads and desserts were the menu. Sure was good.

Oct. 9 was the monthly meeting with 14 in attendance.

Five members played and sang at the Long Term Care. The elderly sure enjoy our visits and even sing along. One or two sometime dance or waltz around.

The next jam was Oct. 28. Nov. 4 -- hope to see a good crowd there.

Must put on my jacket and get this off to the printer.

Time to pay your dues for 2001. Please pay Sharilyn McLain at our jam or send your check to her. She will get your membership cards to you. Thanks.

So long for now.
Myrle Shepard,
Reporter, District 1E

Picture, if you will, a large campground in the pine trees at the edge of a grassy valley with a slowly moving stream meandering through it. As we neared the campground we could see the Three Sisters and several other extinct volcanic peaks a few miles beyond. Added to this was beautiful fall weather at 4000 feet in elevation. The days were warm and the nights were crisp. Fiddlers and their friends started arriving on Wednesday and by Thursday we had a good crowd. Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights we put on a jam in the main lodge for the campers. Participation was very, very good. Saturday morning Sally conducted her first state meeting. Saturday afternoon we put on a gospel show. Campers were there from all over the U.S. and Canada. Some come every year just to hear the fiddlers. We all extend our thanks to Mark Carmickle for his work and planning which allow us to go to TT and have such a good time. He has continued to do this for many years. And a thanks to Roger Germundson for planning the fine, well attended workshops. Esther Snider conducted a beginning guitar workshop, Alice Holt and Donna Foreman for teaching "On the Road to Boston" (Tunes at two) and Hollis Real for "old time bowing techniques." A big thanks to District 3 for the nice sound system. Thanks to Joe Marstall. He was there working Saturday night after the rest of us headed for the barn. I have seen one of Ace's good video tapes. It will help me remember "TT 2000." Thanks Ace. Mustn't forget to thank the emcees -- Mark C., Roger G., Fred H. and Jack Walker. Helen Tracy had her table set up and sold OOTFA History books, bumper stickers, decals, rosters, large decals, CDs, name tags, audio tapes - if it is for sale, she has it. Thanks to Helen and to all who helped make this week end successful and fun. Wasn't it great to see Tillie McFee!! LH

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Summer has given away to a beautiful fall. We cherish every day because we soon won't be sitting on the deck to enjoy a cup of tea.

Our jam was great with over 200 in the audience, and many musicians. We had guest musicians, Cora Lee Parks and son, Ross Lindsey. Cora came from Crooked River Ranch and played her Ukulele and sang. Ross played guitar and sang.

Glen Williams who is 85, played fiddle and sang. Another visitor, Logan Kelly who played harmonica, came from Arizona.

At the meeting following the jam, it was decided to go to JJ North's in Bend, for a no-host Christmas Dinner, immediately following the jam on December 10. This is for all members.

District 3 has received money for a scholarship fund and a committee was appointed to be in charge of the fund. Committee being, Ches Fullerton, Carolyn Marstall and Art Miller.

Three things I would ask you to do: #1 pray for George Brumbaugh as he goes for more surgery on his hip. And also Dave Gutcher who is taking cancer treatments. #2 VOTE. #3 Time to pay your dues for 2001. Please pay Betty Fullerton at our jam or send your check to

her. She will get your membership cards to you. Thanks. Lee Hanna, Reporter, Dist. 3.



Some odds and ends from the Editor:

Guess I won't win the lottery this week -- not with my luck today. Our computer quit last night so I am sitting at a print shop paying \$9.00 an hour to finish up the Hoedowner. I had saved most of it so don't feel too sorry for me. But you may find some funny glitches here and there.

Your Hoedowner maybe a day or two late this month because of my problems. But to go back to last month. The Hoedowner was mailed on the 29th. Many of us didn't get our Hoedowners until later. If this happens to you, I

would hope that you would go to the post office and file a complaint. One of our members didn't receive his until ten days later -- and it was for sure mailed on the 29th. The Hoedowners are mailed "FIRST CLASS" and should be handled as any first class letter should be handled. Alice and I didn't receive ours until Wed. and it was mailed on the previous Friday. . . tsk, tsk.

We wish to express our thanks to our many friends who joined us in celebrating Jack's Birthday/Retirement Party on October 8, 2000. A wonderful time was

had by all. Jack, Hazel & Philip Walker Rick, Sherry & Samantha Dobson Joe & Bev Champ Heather & Adam Johnson

Jim Lockard writes, "I would like to thank everyone who visited me in the hospital or sent cards. The hip replacement is doing very well and I am slowly moving around. May God bless you all."

Mark your calendar with these dates for our state convention -- March 14, 2001 in the Floral

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District 4

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What a busy month we've had here at District 4! Lots of fun and lots of music, and many requests for our playing. The jam at Rogue River was partly divided, because several of the group were playing at the Harvest Fair, but the ones who held down the fort kept the watchers and dancers busy. Remember, our November meeting in Rogue River is the Thanksgiving potluck. Turkey and ham provided, so bring side dishes and your own table service.

Lola Williams is nursing a broken bone in her foot. She has a fancy looking big boot, but says it is feeling better. The roof IS ON at the Williams home -- doesn't leak and looks great! They would like to thank all their fiddle friends for their generous contributions and support ("in time of need"). They went hunting and Gene got his deer.

Janet Spellman had a stay in the hospital, but is back home and doing better following some small strokes. She says they turned her out of rehab early be-

cause she is doing so well.

A new member, Orville Hoglen, plays a mean guitar, and has been faithfully playing backup and singing at the Harvest Fair. Another new member, Gary Kinney also plays guitar, and has been joining Judy's "fiddle group" that meets weekly at the church.

The Modoc Harvest Fair has kept us busy every weekend this month. It's good to have the wonderful group(s) playing while folks enjoy the fair. So far weather was hot one weekend and perfect the next. Who knows what the next two weekends will bring. Jerry and Irene Ruddock joined us on the 15th -- 'twas great to have their contribution of good music, too. It was also good to have Lee Cushman back playing his great fiddle and guitar. A special thanks to all the others, too numerous to mention, but just as great!

We have been doing our usual playing at nursing homes and senior centers, as well as several retirement homes having a barbecue, special picnic in the park, and just entertainment. Mary Armstrong has been great at getting the groups organized for our Grants Pass commitments.

Time to pay your dues for 2001. Please pay Freda

Serpa at our jam or send your check to her. She will get your membership cards to you. Thanks.


Thought for today:
 "Sooner or later we all quote our mothers." -Bern Williams
 Judy McGarvey, Reporter District 4



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By the time this goes to press we will have had two Oct. jams. The first at Green Acres where we also will have had a short meeting in which we discussed the November jam and Holiday dinner. The second jam was at North Fork grange. I'm sure as usual, a good time was had by all at both jams. Thank you Russ White for your hospitality and all your work to make the North Fork jam so much fun.

Now for details about the Holiday dinner. The dinner and jam will be held at the grange in Winchester Bay on November 18th. Doors are open at 11:00, district 5 dinner at 12:00 and the jam is at 1:00. District 5 will pro-

vide the turkey and ham which Sheila Anderson has volunteered to cook again this year... thanks Sheila! Sheila will also make the gravy. We will get volunteers to bring the dressing, potatoes, rolls and vegetables and the rest of us get to bring the salads and desserts. Let's see, A through M bring a salad and N through Z bring dessert. How does that sound? The district will also provide the plates, cups and plastic ware (you may want to bring your own silver).

The grange is on Broadway Street West of 101. It is a large white building right next to the new fire hall.

Phil has been hoping to promote some workshops in our district. The first one he would like to get going is a workshop for rhythm guitars.....any ideas? Volunteers? Give Phil a call.

A thank you to Sally Jordan for her reporting the last couple of months. Due to other

obligations, she is no longer able to the job and has asked me to take over for her. Unfortunately, I don't have any info as to birthdays and anniversaries so to all of you with November birthdays & anniversaries, congratulations and many happy returns! We'll try to get an updated list at the next couple of meetings.

Time to pay your dues for 2001. Please pay Sheila Anderson at our jam or send your check to her. She will get your membership cards to you. Thanks.

See you all at Winchester Bay.

Kathy Nash, reporter

Some odds and ends from the Editor cont.

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Building and the 15, 16, and 17, 2001 in the Community Building.

Our state contest will be May 18 and 19, 2001.

A while back I was making a copy of a couple of videos for a friend in Missouri. The ten year old videos brought back many happy memories but also made me sad. I watched Rusty Mordrell, Bill Yohey, Shorty Allen, Charlie and Vi Jensen, Claude Strader, Paul Williams, Fred Virtue and others. Bill Yohey was showing Alice his mandolin -- the one that Russ Phillips owns. And there was John Settle playing the fiddle that I now own. They are gone now but I enjoyed seeing them again. Only though video can we fully record and keep a record of our association. I have many audio tapes which tell a story but they don't

show the smile, the techniques. . .

Scott tells me that he sent one of Ace's videos to his mother in New York with a stamped, return envelope. Guess what, he isn't getting it back. Bob and Marie B. sent one to Connecticut. It has been shown many times to friends and relatives. I have sent them to Argentina, the Caribbean, many states and will be sending one to Norway. People love them.

Bob and Jean Hansen will be celebrating their 50th wedding anniversary on November 4th at the Winston Community Center from 12 to 4:00. Everyone is invited to help them celebrate this milestone in their life. Please - not gifts. But do bring your instrument. And please RSVP if you plan attending by calling Bob and Jean Hanson at 541-672-6929. (Gotha last month - did you notice I wrote "Marie?" Sorry "Jean Marie".)

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The October jam went off well, as usual, at the Willamalane Senior Center, and, by the time you read this, the Oct 22 jam at the American Legion Hall in Lebanon will also be history.

But we are looking forward to the Thanksgiving jam and potluck, which will be held on Saturday, November 11, at the Willamalane Senior Center in Springfield. The doors open at 10:00 a.m. there will be a business meeting at 10:30 a.m. at which several

important items will be discussed.

Potluck will be served at 11:45. District Six will provide turkey and dressing. Please bring veggies, salads, and deserts.

District Six Secretary Ruth Kennedy has been forced to relinquish her duties as secretary and membership chairman because of ill health. She has asked Chairman Mark to appoint someone to assume her duties on a temporary basis. Maxine Benson has graciously agreed to fill in. When your dues come due you should send them to Maxine Benson, 2140 Ranch Corral Drive, Springfield, OR 97408 --- not Ruth!

Heard that Marge Sykes was under the weather a bit.

We all want to wish you a speedy recovery, Marge.

The December jam will be Sunday, December 3rd at the Moose Lodge in Lebanon. The Moose will feed us, as they do every year. We hope for the traditional large turnout.

Time to pay your dues for 2001. Please pay Maxine Benson at our jam or send your check to her. She will get your membership cards to you. Thanks.

Joe Moyle, Reporter, District 6

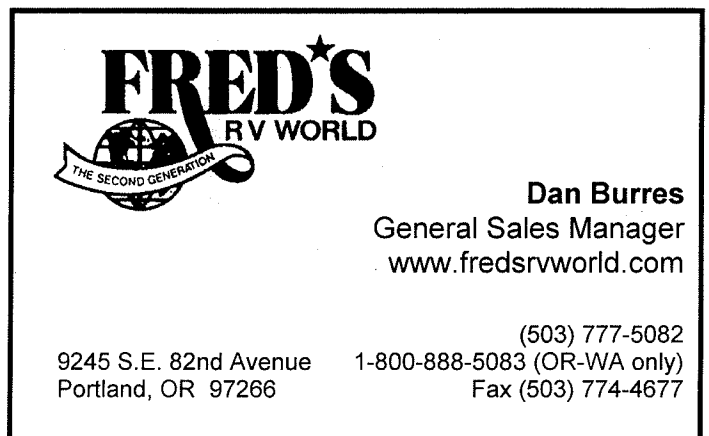
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Sunday, November 5th will find District 7 music makers and enjoyers (a word, perhaps?) at the Molalla Adult Center at 305 Kennel Av. Your directions are: Coming south on I-205 take Exit 10, Hwy. 213 south to Molalla. Coming in on Molalla Ave. Make a right turn on Heintz and left on Kennel. If you are coming in on Hwy. 211 make a left on Kennel. The Center sets behind the City Park off Molalla Av. The show, as usual is from 1-4. The hall opens at 11 and sack or potluck lunch will be at noon,

And while we are in this section of the monthly District 7 update, here is the scoop on the Holiday Jam and Potluck in December. We'll be at the Gresham Senior Center, as is customary for this best seasonal event of the year! (So you think this might be an overstatement?) Better mark you calendar now for the first Sunday, the 3rd of December, plan to bring your carefully prepared food item, your smiling face, and your plan of having a delightful afternoon and join us at 50 Elliott St. From I-205, take Hwy. 26 (Powell Blvd) to Gresham. Make a left on Elliott St. The Center is on the right. We'll be watching for you!

In sick bay: Jack Smith, who is recuperating from surgery, at the Legacy Meridian Extended

care floor in Tualatin. The food may not be perfect, but Jack is eating and walking with the goal of returning to a home environment. We champion his efforts to regain his strength in order to play his fiddle and to continue to enjoy life as he approaches his 93 birthday on November 3rd. KEEP IT UP JACK!!

Bernadette Helgerson has had health issues too. She is making slow and steady progress to getting her health back. Take care Bernadette, we miss both you and Carl.

Donna Foreman and husband Dick took advantage of the opportunity to make a CD of the tunes and songs that they share with others to the joy of many. Donna is Oregon's Senior Champion Fiddler for 2000. Joel McDonald was in the area to record folks who'd like to preserve the tunes they are playing and that need to be shared in the future. Joel and Linda McDonald will be back at Weiser next June to do recordings at very reasonable rates. They produced Wayne Holmes and Esther Snider's most successful CD last summer.

Our October Jam at the Elsie Stuhr Center in Beaverton had several surprises awaiting us. We had more than 30 signup musicians, our audience was amazingly large, with many new faces, and the weather was so lovely that we were surprised that any one of us was looking forward to this event instead of spending the day in the sun! Of course we had our own sunshine right in the beautiful building. The other surprise was a reporter and photographer from The Oregonian there to cover our music and our group. Michelle Mandel and Kevin Clark

worked together to create an article that has both delighted our members and brought much interest from the Portland area community. We have had more than 45 phone calls in regard to the organization and our music, membership and opportunities to listen or play along. Requests have come from children as young as 5 years and as senior as folks who played back in the '30s! Happy times.

Gayle Clarity has spent 5 months in this area. She'd recently moved her home to Arkansas. She brought her RV to the northwest to enjoy the music we have to offer here. She stayed with many fiddlers in Oregon and with family in Washington. She's a fine fiddler. Next summer we might think of a similar summer holiday! RV, friends willing to have visitors and then play lovely tunes to the delight of those around! Ummmm, sounds delightful!

Time to pay your dues for 2001. Please pay Jackie Germundson at our jam or send your check to her. She will get your membership cards to you. Thanks.

Your reporter, Pat Gates
(Surgery date, Nov. 2 in the a.m.)

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Our September Jam was too late for the last Hoedowner. We had a great turnout of musicians, listeners, and dancers at McMinnville Senior Center on September 24th. But before we played music, we had our usual great potluck.

In October we were back to our regular 3rd Sunday Jam date. We met at the Woodburn Community Center. Early jamming was followed by a short business meeting conducted by our chairman, Dale Colebank, to plan our holiday dinners for November and December. Lunch followed. I had forgotten in last month's news, that we usually have brown bag lunches at Woodburn, because of their limited kitchen facilities. About half brown bagged it and the other half had potluck. It didn't look like anyone went hungry, at least I hope not. Many thanks to the kitchen crew. Thanks also to those who set up and took down chairs. It's wonderful how people

see a need, and step in to do their part.

It was great to have so many visitors from District 7 and 6 come to join us at Woodburn. I won't try to name you all, but we were pleased to have Ruth and Don Loring from 6, Gayle Clarity who has been in the area most of the summer, and Anne Seaman who lives in Vancouver, but works at the Woodburn Public Library. Anne slipped over on her break and we got her on stage with a borrowed fiddle to play. The rest of you, listeners as well as musicians, are much appreciated too!

Shannon, Dale and Loita Colebank's son, set up and handled our sound system. Thanks Shannon!

Here are the particulars on our next two jams. We'll be at the Willamina VFW Hall (east side of town right on Main St.) on Sunday, November 19th. The district will furnish turkey, ham, potatoes and gravy, and coffee. We'd like those whose last names begin with A through L to bring salads or a vegetable dish, and those from M through Z to bring dessert.

Our December Jam will

be at McMinnville Senior Center. Again turkey, ham, potatoes and gravy, and coffee furnished. We'll switch the last names this time and have A through L bring desserts and M through Z bring salads or vegetables.

Our district lost a long time member and former chairman with the death of Les Johnson. Les hadn't been active for some time, but he and his wife Jeanne were life members. Les played fiddle, but the autoharp was his special instrument. The memorial service was a wonderful tribute to him.

Dale says that early in October he stopped by to see Connie in Corvallis. He was pleased to see her doing so well. She was up walking for therapy. She says, "I am going to dance again!" Way to go Connie. She and Richard have their motor home for sale. If you are interested, give them a call.

Time to pay your dues for 2001. Please pay Joetta Chrissakis at our jam or send your check to her. She will get your membership cards to you. Thanks.

Alice Holt, Reporter, District 8



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Howdy,

Fall weather has been wonderful and the music has been great. The October jam began earlier than usual as the fiddlers played beforehand for the start of Global Embrace Walk. Julia Milleson, Walt cooper, Edie Koenig, Don Williams and Joe Vandenberg played until the walk began and then raced to the Senior Center to greet the walkers with more music. Ben and Amanda Shaffer from John Day joined in as well as Vance Bonner of Bend. Glad you all made it. Ruel Teague eventually gave up

on the deer and played a few tunes, too.

The November Jam will be at the Senior Center in Burns on November 5. Setup is at noon. Potluck is at 1 and music begins at 2 o'clock. A brief business meeting will be held at 1:45 to discuss details of the holiday potluck scheduled for Dec. 3.

Rumor has it the Teague's are flying the coop early this year and heading for the sunny southwest.

Don't forget the Aspens on Nov. 10 at 7 pm and Ashley Manor on Nov. 20 at 6:30 pm.

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Janet Braymen, Reporter,
District 9



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We had a good time playing music, dancing and enjoying fellowship at our October meeting. We thank those members from District 5 for showing up and helping make more good music. Johnny Davis & Nancy Nugent, Clara & Del Thomas and Ned and Val Mathews.

It was decided that we do a Thanksgiving Theme Potluck for our November 11 meeting as we will be having an election that day. So come join us for fun and food.

Our Christmas date will be December 9th with a catered dinner

at noon. No meeting that day. Dues can be paid for 2001 at any time now. Just send or contact Jo for your new cards.

Submitted, Jo Barnes, Acting Chairperson

Membership for the rest of the year:	
Nov. 1	\$2.50 + \$15 for 2001
Dec. 1	\$1.25 + \$15 for 2001

Some odds and ends from the Editor cont.

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Pat Gates is having surgery early in November for breast cancer. She has already had chemo and many visits to the doctors. We all wish her well as she goes into this next phase of her treatment. She would appreciate all of our prayers and support.

Guitar raffle: Fred Hardin has donated a nice guitar which is being raffled off. Several hundred dollars worth of tickets were sold at 1000 Trails. Tickets will be offered through the winter and at our convention in March -- where the drawing will be held for the lucky winner. Thanks Fred. Fred has already collected over \$1000 in donations -- by himself for the contest -- more later on this.

Membership renewal infor-

mation. It is time to renew your membership for the year 2001. There are two ways to pay your membership. Mail your check for \$15 made out to OOTFA to your district's membership person or pay your district membership person at a jam in Nov. or Dec. and he or she will mail or give you your 2001 membership cards. If you do not renew, the Jan. 1st Hoedowner will be your last one. Your membership person is listed at the heading of your district's news.

Next spring several people will say, "you didn't send me a reminder that my dues were due." No, we don't send out reminders to each of you. This is your reminder. Others will call and say, "Hey, you guys, I didn't get my February Hoedowner." You know why, because you didn't pay your dues for 2001. We are a volunteer

association so we don't do much begging for you to renew. The choice is yours.

Recently a group of us played at a middle school in Canby for the orchestra class and over 100 visiting 6th graders. We played two forty-five minute sessions. It was very rewarding -- and we got the message out about "old time fiddling." Next month I will have even more exciting news to report along this line. Thanks "Ace."

Lew Holt, Editor

Calendar

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

NOVEMBER 2000

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3	4
5	6	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

November

4	Senior Center	Rogue River	4
5	Molalla Adult Center	Molalla	7
5	Senior Center	Burns	9
11	Willamalane Senior Center	Springfield	6
11	Winston Community Building	Winston	10
12	OSU Extension Building	Klamath Falls	1
12	Deschutes County Fairgrounds	Redmond	3
18	Winchester Bay Grange	Winchester Bay	5
19	Willamina VFW	Willamina	8

DECEMBER 2000

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1	2
3	4	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
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December

2	Roxy Ann Grange	Medford	4
3	Senior Center	Burns	9
3	Gresham Senior Center	Gresham	7
17	Senior Center	McMinnville	8



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