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SALLY SEZ:

I just can't get over how fast the time is going by. Already in the middle of summer. Couldn't tell it by our temperatures and that is just the way we like it. (of course our summer comes in September).

Sounds like everyone is keeping busy and playing lots of tunes. Glad to hear that and have been doing some of that myself. The only thing that frustrates me is I can't be to all events like my buddy Lew can. So, you will just have to look at him and think of me. (Don't know if that is good or not, hahahaha). It also may be easier said than done.

Wanted to go to the Mt Hood

Campout too this week-end but know there will be lots of terrific fiddlers there to hold us up and make us proud. I'm sure you all had a great time too. Sorry to have missed High Desert Jamboree in Burns too, but mostly I am missing seeing all your smiley faces.

I just hope and pray that you all get to as many functions as you can and

I will keep trying too. Much love to you all and do have a great time this summer making lots of that GREAT OLD TIME MUSIC.... God Bless you..... Sally

(remember: A moment's insight is sometimes worth a life's

Some odds and ends from the Editor:

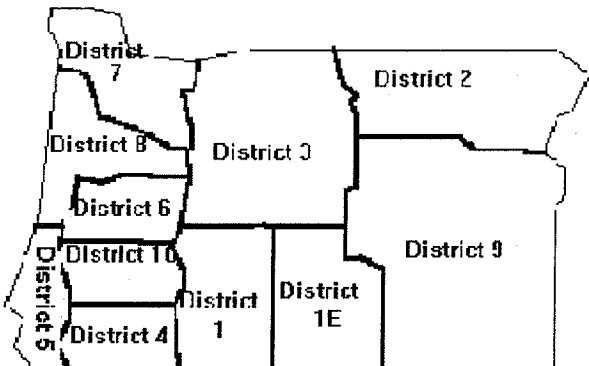
THOUSAND TRAILS September 13, 14, 15
Mark writes: Time to get your reservations confirmed for Thousand Trails Campout. If you had a trailer or yurt last year I have reserved the same for this year, but I need you to confirm that you want the trailer or yurt again. There have been some price increases: RV

camping - \$19. Trailers - \$40, 45, 50 and yurts 65. Call or e-mail Mark Carmickle at 541-683-9514 or ila-mark2@earthlink.net
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until after August 1st. Make checks payable to Thousand Trails. Happy camping and fiddling. Mark

We want to welcome Alfred Christensen and Dewey & Loretta Kailburn from New York State. I met Dewey on e-mail (long story). He was impressed by our activities that he reads about on our web site and thought that his friend he would enjoy being a member of such a fine association as ours. Welcome to our new members from NY.

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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".

District 1

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Aug. 5, First Sunday jam - meeting and potluck, music afterward. Doors open at 12 noon. Villa West Rec Hall, 2241 Greensprings Dr., Klamath Falls.

Aug. 12, Second Sunday Jam at 3328 Vandenberg Rd. Klamath Falls. Turn East off Alameda Bypass onto Eberlein Ave. Take and immediate left turn onto Vandenberg Rd, go North up the hill to first building on the left. Parking is in front, side and lower level parking lots. Ladies, please bring finger foods, also we can always use donations of small articles for our raffle drawings. Thank you.

Nursing homes: 4th Thursday - Clairmont at east end of Main St. K. Falls at 1 PM, then at 2:15 PM we play at Clairmont Retirement Home, one block above and back of the nursing home. We play for one hour at each place on the same day.

Hello to all. Wow! The summer is quickly turning into a

scorcher. Especially here, where our usually irrigated green basin is now turning into a parched wasteland. No water is allowed to be used for irrigation from our full Klamath Lake this season. In fact our fiddlers group participated on July 7 by playing music for a Farm Aid program. We drew quite a crowd, they made generous donations which we proudly donated to the cause. Present to play were Isom and Faye Patterson, Lew Standiford, Sherry Oliver, Bud Hughes, Irven Johnson, Lu Wells, Dick Harris, Vivian Burden and George Fernlund, also our thanks to Maynard Thompson of District 3 for coming down to help us. They all had a great time. Unfortunately some members were ill or busy at other things. Such as Ray and I were in Idaho to a grandson's wedding.

July passed so quickly, our group also played at Sprague River Pioneer Days BBQ, another chicken BBQ, and there were vacations, family reunions, besides jams and nursing homes to fill the members time.

Please remember our upcoming dates for August. Dia-

mond Lake Campout comes first/ District 1 meeting and potluck the 5th at Villa West/playing for the Children at Klamath County Library August 8 -- 2 sessions -- 10 and 11 p.m. 1 hour each session/Jam on the 12th/fiddler's yard sale the 18th at Patterson's in Merrill/nursing hones 4th Thursday/Canyonville contest 23 - 25.

Happy Birthday Wishes to Virgil Schmoe - Aug 15. Frances Hugh's father, Homer the 16th and Jerry Ruddock the 30th. And Happy Anniversary to George and Etta Fernlund (but forgot to tell us the date).

Norm and May Flock asked me to put in the Hoedowner their "sincere thanks" for all the nice cards they received for their 55th wedding anniversary. May says she knows your prayers are what keeps her going and at this point she is feeling good and doing better and hopes to continue this way.

Cherie Lane, District 1 reporter Have a good summer everyone. . . . and if I can talk her into the job, I will turn the reporting over to Sherry Oliver next month."

Some odds and ends from the Editor:

I wrote this last winter. I would like to share it with you -- at one of our jams, I introduced myself to a member I didn't know. During our conversation I asked him how he heard about the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association. He told me that he played the guitar many years for his father when he played the fiddle but that his father had died 8 years ago. He said that just a month earlier that he had walked into the senior center where we were that day and heard "old time fiddle music -- the kind that Dad used to play." He shared with me that he was so overjoyed to hear his Dad's kind of music that he retreated to the "men's room" and wept in the solitude. He knew that he had to be a part of that old time music so he joined. This is a true story. I wanted to share it with you. Our fiddle music does bring joy and affects the lives of many people.

WEDDING MARCH? I've been asked to find a willing fiddler to play "The Wedding March" for a small wedding taking place at 1:30 on Saturday, August 25th (Contest Day) in Canyonville. This wedding ceremony is going to take place at the old Justice of the Peace building located on the Pioneer/Indian Museum Grounds just a few blocks from the school where the contest is being held. By the way, this little building is where Jim and I were married almost 53 years ago. What I'm thinking is that there might be someone in the Intermediate or Open Division who might do this as those divisions don't play until well after 1:30 p.m. Anyone interested? Call me at 541-839-4501 or e-mail gynn@mcsi.net Thanks. Gynn Deaton, Canyonville, Oregon

Don't forget the Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest will be held on Saturday, August 4, at the Benton County Fairgrounds in Corvallis, Oregon. Registration starts at 8:30 Saturday morning, judges' meeting at 9:30, and preliminary rounds at 10 am. Finals will be at 4:30 and the contest will all be over by 7 pm. It is held during the Benton County Fair so there are lots of things to keep you busy while the contest is going on. This year's judges are (tentatively) yours truly (Starr McMullen unless I can get someone else!), Eileen Witler, and Dan Emert. We have Pee Wee, Junior-Junior, Junior, Adult (18-59), Senior (60+) and Championships divisions as well as a division for those who have never played before in a contest (Novice division). For any more info give me an email (mcmulles@hotmail.com) or call 541-745-

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Summer has finally arrived in Lake County with some days warmer than others!

June 14-16 those attending High Desert Fiddle Festival in Burns from our area were: Bill and Gloria Myers, Homer and Rosa Lee McLain, and Terry and Sharilyn McLain. They all reported that they had a good time and enjoyed the music.

June 18-23 the National fiddle Contest was held in Weiser, Idaho. Homer and Rosa Lee McLain attended.

July 1 was another workday on the music equipment trailer. Several went out to Bill Myer's home to work on the trailer. July 212 will be another workday. Many

hands will make work go faster.

Gene Gimble from Sacramento, California visited with the McLain families and all had fun playing music and visiting.

Mary and Shorty Stone had company from South Dakota.

Several have been traveling for medical appointments. Our hearts and prayers go to the Woody Webb family in Silver Lake on his passing away. We will miss his music and his smiles or grin was something else. Such a good, nice man.

July 4 the fiddlers played at the Lake County Fairgrounds for the Chamber of commerce before the fireworks. Fifteen members attended and performed on the grass. July 28 will be the parade and playing for the Paisley Mosquito Festival.

July 15 the fiddlers and guitar players performed at Goose Lake Park for the New Pine Creek Willow Ranch Fireman's Bar BQ. Twelve or 14 performed and all had a good time. They

reported that they had a good crowd.

August 4th we'll have a jam and potluck at the Memorial Hall. We'll eat 6:30 and play afterwards into the evening.

No Jam on Sept. 1.

John Berutti has been out for short outings after having heart surgery. May all who are ill get to feeling better and hope to see more at the jams.

Another month has come and gone and everyone has had fun making music.

While I was in Portland, I saw this saying:

To all our friends,
 It's a time to Cherish the past,
 Embrace the present
 And welcome the future!

Will try to do better next time.
 Keep making music.
 Bye Bye for now Myrle Shepard,
 District 1E reporter.

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 5130.

Ede Koenig sent a note to me at the High Desert Jamboree and wondered if I would run it in the Hoedowner. A year ago I talked to the board of directors about what our policy should be about me putting certain things into the Hoedowner. They left the decision up to me . . . for me to use my good judgment. My policy has been, as I stated at the Quarterly meeting in June at Burns, "Praise in public and condemn in private." This means that I avoid controversial topics and deal only with those subjects that make OOTFA the great association that it is. Edie's letter gives us a pat on the back. It's wonderful to see the kids playing fiddle. We here in District 9 were astounded and delighted to see how many kids -- most of them local -- turned out for Stacey Lange's fiddle workshop at the Jamboree. the kids are so cute on stage and some of them play really well. All of them are enthusiastic and eager to learn.

So it seems Old Time Country Music is not dying out. OOTFA's goal to pass the music on is becoming a reality. But let's all be aware of one thing. Like Lew Holt said at the OOTFA June quarterly meeting, there's a difference here in Oregon". Unlike the rest of the country," he said, "we're not a bunch of stars. We make music together." The wonderful thing for me as a new fiddler has been the spirit of camaraderie, the friendship, the willingness to teach, the willingness on stage to back up, to fill in when others are faltering, the willingness of the best players to

stand quietly in the background while folks who are learning do their best.

With the kids, let's remember this: We're out to pass on a spirit of country neighborliness. Let's have praise, too, for helping others, for teaching others, for backing each other up. Let's pass on the joy of making music together.

And, speaking of backup, where are the future guitarists, banjo players and bass players? We need them every bit as much as we need fiddlers. And dancers. How about those two little ones Saturday night at the Jamboree? The boy with the big feet tenderly guiding little sister in a two-step of his own devising. Look at the whole picture! Edie Koenig

Oregon Trail Days Oldtime Fiddle Contest t will be held in LaGrande on Aug. 18. For more information and a pre-registration form, call the LaGrande/Union County Visitors Bureau 1-800-848-9969 or 963-8588, or email visitlg@eoni.com

Gary Lee Moore was one of our judges this year at our contest last May. He is a well known and respected fiddler here in the North West. Recently he wrote this letter to the "Fiddle List" on the computer. I thought it was worth sharing with you.

Subject: My thoughts on Weiser this year: After 29 years going to Weiser for the contest my heart was gladdened this year by a few young fiddlers

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District 3

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We are now enjoying summer with all it's beauty and even thunder and lightening.

We have new members: Leroy Newport and wife Judy of Redmond. Leroy plays 5 string banjo and Judy the spoons. Candice Edsberg of Bend plays fiddle and joined our ranks with children Hosanna, Bethany, Katabina, and Sequioia.

Visiting from Maryland was Hal Paine who played mandolin with us. Bettyann Chapman came all the way from Christmas

Valley and sang for us.

Tom O'Neal of Bend had a virus that went to Encephalitis and Meningitis. He is out of intensive care but has a long way to go to get better. Betty his wife is having hip surgery July 30, put them on your prayer list.

Our officers for the next year are; Chairman, Bob Ervin; Vice Chairman , Don Hanna; Sec/ Treasure/ membership; Betty Fullerton. We really appreciate Bob and Betty and we are glad they have agreed to continue for another year-they have put in a lot of time and work for us. Our new reporter will be Ellen Jakab.

Bob and Earlene Ervin hosted a BBQ at their ranch Saturday; great day, great food and great friends and lots of good music.

Our next jam will be August 5 in the VFW Hall in Redmond. Hope to see you there.

District 3 has chosen to cancel the show for September since it falls in a 3 day week-end. So NO show September 2.

Enjoy your summer and keep making music.

Don't forget that a couple of words of encouragement or honest praise can make someone's day.

Lee Hanna,
 Reporter District #3

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there. The Quebe sisters from Texas are all fine young fiddlers but it was their interest in the old style of fiddling that was so wonderful. Sophia Quebe, in particular, shows an interest in the older traditions of Texas fiddling.

Knowing I had spent quite a lot of time with both Benny Thomason and Orville Burns, she took the time to ask a lot of questions about the tunes they played, and the little things they did with the bow to make their fiddling what it was. I sat in the contest auditorium with her pointing out all the influences these two fiddlers have instilled in the tunes coming from the stage. It was so nice to find a young fiddler, with such ability, with this kind of interest in the older, more personal styles of this type of fiddling. She actually had me sit down and play some older oddball tunes, not the Weiser "hit parade" of tunes. I had a wonderful time visiting with her and her sisters Grace, and Hulda.

A young fiddler, Bonnie Riley, came to me to learn an older "B" part for Salt River that Luke Thomasson played. She knew I played the tune that way. Another young player, Justin Branum, from Arkansas played me a lot of stuff he had picked up from old jam session tapes of Orville Burns, playing guitar with him was a joy. Though no one will ever emulate Orville's bowing exactly, it is inspiring to see the young folks trying it. For so long the younger fiddlers at the bigger contests were so robotic in their playing, now it is a joy to see them paying attention to the great fiddlers that came before us. They were not the only ones I enjoyed hearing this year. The Ludiker kids, Dennis and Kimber also play a lot of the older tunes, and do well in the contests with them. I perceive a slight change from the "play to win" mindset, and a lot of the younger fiddlers are to be commended for it.

Weiser is always fun, lasting over a week for most of us, a person has

plenty of time for fiddling, visiting, meeting new folks, etc. On the other end of the scale, it was so nice to see and hear Mylie Barron there again. Mylie is over 90 years old and I maintain one of the best Canadian fiddlers alive. Nothing but tradition in his playing, still playing so nice. He is an inspiration to me not only for his fiddling, but for the fact that all his life he worked as a carpenter, in other words, tough labor work. He is still a phenomenal fiddle player.

Though the judging was erratic, good fiddlers winning, but also many good fiddlers being cut out early, all in all it was a great year at Weiser and the folks that put it all on are to be thanked. Other memorable times I had were jamming with Levi Dennis, Sherry McKenzie, playing in a fun session with Joey McKenzie and Tony Ludiker. Just seeing all the good folks again makes it so nice to get back to Idaho each June. If you haven't been there, think about it, it's nice. See y'all. Gary Lee Moore .

 A tribute to Al Lively

Most of you probably don't remember Al Lively from Bandon. Al died this summer after an extended illness. Those of us who have been members of OOTFA for many years knew him when he was an active leader of District 5. People are remembered for different reasons. Al wasn't known for his great musical skills, although Al did play the stand up bass. But rather I remember Al for his easy going and friendly mannerism. Behind that quiet man was a thinker who only wanted the best for District 5. He was devoted to his role as chairman -- transporting and setting up the sound equipment, signing up the musicians and making sure that everybody was treated equally and fairly.

I don't remember the first time I met most friends but I do remember meeting Al for the first time. It was back in the late 70s, before Alice and I

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We didn't have a regular jam in July, but seem to be busy playing at many different places. People seem to especially like fiddle music for outdoor activities, and we get a lot of requests this time of year. Bob Dow has been very capably lining up groups to play, so let him know when you are available.

A group played twice at historic Hanley Farms. A diverse audience, and very enthusiastic. It's always fun to see the kids stop and listen to our strange musical instruments with sounds that don't come from a box! We also played at a party for the Lamplitters (a group of widows and widowers), and Spring Village Retirement Home in Grants Pass. There was also a good turnout when performing for the Council for the Blind in Grants Pass.

A good money raiser for our district is playing at the Jackson County Fair for 3 days. This always is a good showcase where we find many new interested musicians who didn't know we exist.

It's fun, too, and we get in free to see the rest of the exhibits!

Judy and Bruce McGarvey represented us at Weiser this year. T'was an interesting contest with one lonely Oregonian making it to the top five in any division. Lots of fun jamming and meeting new folks, as well as listening to great music non-stop for a week! Judy also stopped for a jam in Burns (at Janet's Brayman's house) on her way home from Denver. A great group to jam with!

Our August picnic at Stewart park is in a new location, the first spot past the Cafe. Bring your picnic foods and your best music for our jam at the Lake!

Diamond Lake campout is coming up soon, too. Many of our members are planning to attend, so we'll report on it next month! Jerry and Irene do a fine job organizing a great campout. The Williams house is "getting there" -- they hope to be in by

September (before hunting season).

New members Ira (G) and Freida (O) Kelgore, Isabelle Grimes (V) and Charles Ramsey (A), and Tom and Janice Bove (A) and family joined this month. Welcome!


Please mark your calendars for: Aug 4 Picnic Stewart State Park, Sep 1 Prospect Community Center and Oct 6 Lake Creek Grange.

Due to pressures of increased work and having to be out of town frequently, Paul Weller is regretfully resigning as chairman of District 4. He says he just can't keep up on the district activities when he is unavailable much of the time. We will vote on a new chairman at the September jam in Prospect.

Remember: We're not "senior citizens" but "SEASONED Citizens".

District 4, Reporter Judy






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Dates to Remember

- ✓ Willamette Valley Contest – Aug. 4 Corvallis
- ✓ Diamond Lake Campout – Aug. 2 - 5
- ✓ August 25 Canyonville Contest
- ✓ Warwick Campout Aug 26 -- through Labor Day
- ✓ 1000 Trails – Sep. 13-14-15
- ✓ State Quarterly Meeting 1000 Trails Sep. 15



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Can you believe that Summer is almost over? August is coming up and time to write the news for that month.

July was jam packed (literally). A lot of jamming, campouts, picnics, etc. over the 4th. Then several of us joined several from district 8 at Yachats on the 14th to play and enjoy the annual smelt fry put on by the Lions as a fund raiser for the Sight and Hearing Foundation and local youth programs. We had good turnout of district 5 and 8 musicians. George Taevs and Esther and Wayne from district 7 and Don Peeler from district 6 joined us too, and a good time was had by all. Thank all of you who came to help make good music for a good cause.

Thank you to Cecil Davidson, Fred Grove, Cliff Larson, Ken and Sally Jordan, Dan and Darin

Hasley and Norm Nash for a great performance at the Elks benefit for Alzheimer's in Florence on the 15th. All the top music groups in town played and I was really proud of our group.

Some of our district people even made it up to Welches in the Portland area for the Mt. Hood festival. This was a first for Larry and Sharon Gallagher they have really been getting around! They stopped at Champoeg State park on the way home to help out districts 7 and 8. Those back at home enjoyed our district jam on the 21st at our new digs, the Bay Area Senior Center. There was a short meeting with our new chairman Charlie Miller and secretary Clirca Miller and then a potluck followed by the jam.

The 27th, many dedicated folks played at Bullards Beach State Park. Special thanks to Shorty Dow for heading up these well attended performances and all who come to play or just to listen.

On the 28th we played at the Ada Grange and enjoyed a pot luck provided by the grange

members. Again, thank you everyone who came.

Our calendar for August: Aug. 4th, NACO park at 6:30, the 17th, Bullard Park 6:30, the 18th, district jam at Bay Area Senior Center 11-4, The 19th, Charleston Seafood Festival 11-1 and on the 26th, Deer Haven retirement Villa at 5:00. Looks like a pretty busy month to me!

Happy Birthday to Florence Grove August 7th, Lloyd Dunn the 18th, Anne Hasley the 30th and Del Thomas the 31st.

Ned and Val Matthews have an anniversary on the 18th of August and Bob and Betty McKee have one on the 29th. Happy Anniversary!

Welcome to our newest members, Steve Daniels and Hal ??????. We are still having practice/jams at the high school in Florence on Friday nights from 6:30- to 9, and Steve has been coming with his guitar and great voice.

Well, that's the news for this month. Take care,

Kathy Nash, reporter, District 5

Some odds and ends from the Editor cont.

had become members of OOTFA. Alice and I were just becoming interested in the "old time fiddlers." We went to the District 5 jam in Bandon which was held in the elementary school during the Cranberry Festival.

About half way through the jam the school fire siren went off. Naturally it distracted the audience and musicians. Because I "was a stranger" at the jam, I sat back a bit. But because I had had experience with fire alarms in elementary schools (I was the one who set them off several times a year for fire drills), I got up and walked down the hall looking for a "fire alarm box" that had been tripped. I met Al in the hall, too. We walked until we found the box that had been tripped. The glass covering the alarm button was broken. I pushed in on the button and the screaming siren became silent. I could be the little Dutch boy who

held his finger in the dike all night but rather than having me stand there all afternoon, we had to devise some way to hold the button in. Finally with little stick that we found somewhere, we created a make shift system to hold in the button. The show went on and that was day I first met Al Lively.

Little did I dream that afternoon that I would be a member of District 5 and also be chairman for a number of years working closely with Al (and later with Pat Kraemer). Al was the one who taught me the traditions of our association. Al focused on the fiddler and his or her contribution to our "fiddlers association." Al respected the beginning fiddler as well as the best. He invited Alice and me to play many times before we finally got up enough nerve to stand on the stage at the VFW Hall in Bandon to play. What a

"terrifying" experience that was. Through Al we were made welcome and have many fond memories of the years when we lived in District 5.

Wayne Holmes, Esther Snider and others still have a few copies of their very fine CD of old time fiddle music. The proceeds are being dedicated to Pat Gates from District 7 who is experiencing cancer and the battle that goes to beat it. For this reason all profits from the sale of this CD will be shared equally between the American Cancer Society and OOTFA. You are encouraged to buy one (or more) copies of the fine music and to bolster the causes for which the sales serve. If you want an audio cassette tape, they are available, too. If the CDs or audio tapes aren't available in your district, you may order directly from me or Esther Snider -- \$15 plus \$2.00 for

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Don't forget the jam on Sunday, August 5th, at the Crow Grange. There will be an election meeting at 11 AM to select a new district chairman, followed by a potluck at 12 noon followed and jamming at 1 PM.

District Six will perform at the Lane County Fair on Wednesday, August 15, across from the Lane County Historical Museum, in the same place as last year. An instrument case will get you in at the gate just behind the museum. Free parking will be in the same area. We will begin at 12:30 p.m. and continue to 4:00 p.m. Out-of-district members are especially encouraged to attend. Because this will be the 150th anniversary fair, the Fiddlers will get more attention than usual. From one to two there will be a special pro-

gram of hoedowns and square dancing commemorating the anniversary. After that, we will use the customary jam format.

We have once again been asked to play in Marcola at Mary Cole Days, July 28-29. District Six will have a float in the parade, which starts at 10:00 a.m., Saturday July 28. There will be a jam, like last year's, at the firehouse, commencing at 10:00 a.m. Saturday; the Fiddlers have also been invited to jam on Sunday, from about 11:00 a.m. Need more information or want to be in the parade? Contact Bernie Roberts at 689-5764.

We have been invited to perform at the 50th anniversary celebration of the Lane County Historical Museum on Saturday, September 15 at the museum. We will play from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. at the museum in the usual jam format.

Moving on to October, there will be a jam at the Sweet Home Elks Lodge on Sunday, Oct 7. An all-you-can-eat breakfast will be served for \$3.00, and there will be some Lady Elks arts and

crafts exhibits. Breakfast will be served until 11:00, but the jam will last until about 4:00 p.m. Let's have a good turnout!

A small group of District Sixers turned out on July 3 for the jam at Oakridge. But we had fun. An out-of-town guest was Ed Jones, from Roseburg, who sang some very nice numbers accompanying himself on a (dare we say it!) electric guitar

Happy birthday to: Frank Chandler, 8/1; Louise Hamilton, 8/8; Norma Frazier, 8/9; Joe Canaday, 8/11; Helen Tracey, 8/17; Paul Nielsen, 8/18; Mary Vass, 8/18; and Bernie Roberts, 8/31. Anniversary congrats to: Rick and Sherry Dobson, 8/26/90.

Medical Notes: Mark Carmickle has had a shoulder joint completely replaced with a bionic one, and is recovering nicely. He sends thanks for all the cards and best wishes received.

.Joe Moyle, reporter district 6

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postage. The audio tapes are \$10 plus \$2.00. I know you will enjoy the music and your purchase will serve a good cause.

As well as the Tapioca CD see me, too, for Charlie Gibson's CD, The "Swing Time" CD, Rusty Marshall's CD and Andy Shelton's CD. I am proud to have them and would be pleased to sell you any one of them.

A pocket calculator was left in the judge's room at the contest. I would like to get it back to its owner. Holler if it is yours.

I must close this month's Hoedowner several days late because of the campout at Mt. Hood. I hope it isn't late getting to you late because of me being late. I do want to report about the campout

at Mt. Hood while it is "news" and not "history." Our thanks to Roger Germundson for planning and scheduling the campout at Mt. Hood. Several people came to me and said, "You, know, I sure like it here, Lew, it is a fine place for a campout." I know they told Roger, too. We had a sign up jam Thursday night. Donna Foreman taught a workshop Friday morning, followed by a picking contest, a show with specials that afternoon and a sign up jam that night. Saturday morning Alice Holt taught a workshop, a "Gambler's Contest" in the afternoon and a sign up jam Saturday night. The campout ended Sunday morning with a gospel show. The "Gambler's Contest" Saturday afternoon was run by Jackie Germundson. Each contestant picked a tune from a jar and was expected to play that tune (or fake it). It was both entertaining and enjoyable to listen to. The judges -- "I

don't really know" But congratulations to the "winners."

The weather was actually quite nice even though it was cloudy at times.

The hall is very fine and the Mt. Hood Campground people made us welcome with coffee, water, etc., besides paying us a nice stipend for being there. Again our thanks go out to Roger and his helpers. This is another example of what makes our association unique and the fine association that it is.

Lew Holt, Editor

Somebody left a bow at the Mt. Hood campout. Jackie Germundson took it home. If you think it is yours, please contact her.

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September Jam: Sunday, September 9th at the King City Town Hall Center.

October Jam: SATURDAY, October 6th in Beaverton's Elsie Stuhr Center. By the time you read this lots of folks will have spent 3 grand days at Mt. Hood enjoying one of the greatest events of the state's musical year. Sure hope you got a chance to attend at least one of those days.

Esther and Wayne and George Taevs attended the recent smelt fry at the coast.

Districts 5 & 8 shared the labors and the proceeds of the event. It was a success!

District folks are delighted to have Joe Hamm out and about and attending jams again. We've missed him!

Many of us played for a Girls Scouts' campout at Oxbow Park. There were a couple hundred dancing, singing, and giggling young things enjoying the music and the out-of-doors!

Some of us have been keeping in touch with Jack Smith. The hospice nurse reports that he is holding his own! His family and friends are there for him and he still shares his memories, humor and interests with those who visit.

If you've not made arrangements to attend the upcoming Canyonville contest Gynn Deaton would be happy to see your smiling face. Possible hotel

and RV arrangements were listed in the last newsletter. Gynn also would appreciate the contribution/recycling of trophies that can be used at this contest. So if you have a bunch of those things crowding your mantel, and they are something less than an Oscar, Grammy, or First Place, or your only trophy you might consider donating...

A reminder: Mark Carmickle will be accepting your dollars for LaPine rentals after the first of August, for that fine September musical event.

There is a good probability the Joel and sister Linda MacDonald will be in our area in October to do more professional recordings. They were very busy during Weiser this year. So polish up those tunes. Encourage members of your families, etc. to get their tunes down on CD/tape for posterity! They do an especially delightful and caring job with each and every session. It seems that this newsletter has run an article on how to have a successful session.

We'll see that it gets rerun status prior to their arrival.

I received a phone call that Penny Mead is in Providence Hospital in Portland recuperating from a heart attack. "Get well wishes" to you Penny and we hope that by the time people read this that you are well on the road to recovery.

MARK THOSE CALENDARS... and come out listening and playing- Upcoming: Aug. 18

- Canby Saturday Market 10 - 11 a.m. August 24 - playing

our fourth annual gig at the community event at the Eagle Creek Four Square Church, time etc. next month 4:30 p.m. to dusk free eats, train rides, and other fun activities. Everyone is welcome to attend! Sept. 22 10-11 Canby Saturday Market Sept. 26 - Somerset Lodge Retirement Home 7 p.m. 8330 S.E. Cason Road.

District 7 folks... if you know of a date not listed here please give Ida, Helen, or the Gates duo a call/email with the info. Call those folks also if you are interested in playing. Please leave your email address and phone number when e-mailing or calling us. Thanks

Hope your summer continues to be enjoyable. Some advice: Save water, conserve energy, but have the power to love life!

Your reporter, Pat Gates

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Several of us District 8ers, as well as many others from OOTFA were in Weiser for the contest back in June. It was a pleasure to talk to Linh Renken there. She was working at one of the jewelry booths. Says she's still fiddling.

District 8, with a lot of help from district 7, played again at the Aurora Museum on June 24th. It was for their Strawberry Festival at the museum.

Yum! Free strawberry shortcake. The audience made generous donations into our donation jar. The two districts split the proceeds.

The evening of June 30th found us at 1000 Trails near Pacific City. Again a fine turnout of musicians, as well as a large audience of campers. It's fun hearing where they all live. Lots of out-of-staters. Thanks to the dedicated musicians who helped make this jam successful.

When you read this, we will

have played at the Benedictine Nursing Home in Mt. Angel on the 27th of July. We always have a good time that evening.

Thanks to all of you who came to help us.

Many of us from District 8 were at Mt. Hood for the camp-out, too. We got home this afternoon from the campout so we can honestly say that we had a good time. It was like a family reunion with a lot of good music. On the way home a good turnout went to the Champoeg State park to play for the descendants of our pioneers. What a beautiful afternoon it was. After we played for the picnic, we walked down the hill to a quiet shady spot and had a good jam of our very own. It was great to see a couple young men set at a table near by listening intently to our fiddle music. They said that they were enjoying the fiddle music. Finally we chose to go home so we sent the Gallaghers to Coquille, the Epperlys to Bend and others of us headed up and down the valley. Now it is back to reality.

Saturday, August 4th will be the Willamette Valley Fiddle

Contest. Some of us will be there. Read about the details elsewhere in this issue.

Thursday, August 9th we play at the Polk County Fair at Rickreall. We play approximately from 1:00 to 3:00 on the main outdoor stage. Thursday is Senior Day, and they love us. And we would love to have you be there to help us out.

Saturday and Sunday, August 11th and 12th, we have been invited to play for Aurora Colony Days from noon to 4 PM each day. Hope to have a good turnout again. It's a fun, casual place to entertain.

Sunday, August 19th, we'll play at Falls City at the historic United Methodist Church -- right on main street in down town Falls City. Check with Dale for the specifics on this one. We have played there for several years -- and have a good time.

We are scheduled to play in McMinnville on Sep. 23.

Whew! We do get busy in the summer months! But it's so much fun.

Alice Holt, Dist. 8 reporter

Canyonville Contest:

I finally have TWO judges. Eileen Witle and Ruel Teague have consented to judge. I hope to have another one roped in by contest day, Saturday, August 25th. Won't someone volunteer?

Friday will be a busy day. Alice Holt will be contacting people to play at Forest Glen Retirement Home. They want us there from 4:00 to 4:30. At 6:00 p.m. Lew Standiford will lead a small group playing and singing during the Pioneer Court program on stage at Pioneer Park. Because the stage must be shared with the Pioneer Court ladies and gentlemen, Lew can select only a few musicians. Then at 7:00. following the Court program, Lew Holt will lead the fiddlers for their usual musical hour on stage at Pioneer Park.

I covered most of the contest information regarding times and entry fees last month but didn't have the cash prize info so here goes:

CASH PRIZES:	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Pee/Wee	\$25	20	15	10	10
Junior/Junior	30	25	20	15	10
Junior	60	50	40	30	20
Senior	80	70	60	50	40
Senior/Senior	80	70	60	50	40
Intermediate	100	80	70	60	50
Open	125	100	80	70	60

Any questions. Call me at (541) 839-4501 or write to me at P. O. Box 487, Canyonville, OR 97417, or e-mail gynn@mcsi.net. See you at Canyonville's 35th annual Oldtime Fiddle Contest. Come and enjoy the Pioneer Days festivities beginning Thursday, August 23rd and winding up on Sunday, August 26th. Thanks, again, to Districts #1, #4, #5, #6, #8 and #10 for your generous donations. Without your help, the contest couldn't survive. And, Thanks to those individuals who donated trophies to be recycled.

Gynn Deaton

District 9

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Hi folks, Janet Brayman is busy on the fire lines so I'll be furnishing a short report. Hope you all had a great time at the Hi Desert Jamboree. I hear it was another super great time. I spent the month traveling in Canada and Alaska and really missed the chance to play music.

The 4th of July found us playing at Sentry Market for a

couple of hours and enjoying some great pit barbecue.

We were pleased to have Judy McGarvey from District 4 stop by on the 10th and play some of her fiddle tunes for us. You know you are always welcome in Burns!

Our regular standbys, Ruel Teague, Walt Cooper, Joe Enneberg, Don Williams and myself played for the Aspen Assisted Living Center and Rose Modey Johnson joined the group when we played at the Ashley Manor.

I also had the pleasure of playing with the Blue Mountain Fiddlers at the Sumpter show on

the 7th and at Nyssa the 12th for Thunder Egg Days.

I am pleased to report that I was able to attend the campout at Mt. Hood. What a great place to have a campout and thanks to Roger for all of his work to make it possible.

Hope you're having a great summer enjoying music with your friends.

Julia Milleston, this month's reporter, District 9

June 14, 15, 16, 2001 Thursday- Saturday
Country Music Jamboree

Sponsored by the High Desert Fiddlers
Harney County Fairgrounds, Burns, Oregon

Information Sheet

An event designed for musicians of all levels to gather and jam together. It's primarily country/Oldtime/traditional in genre. It's primarily acoustic.

The format is an open sign up jam on the main stage except Friday night which features dance bands, and Saturday afternoon which features gospel. A second stage Friday and Saturday will include longer sets, electrified welcome jams, and a broad range of musical styles.

Accommodations

Parking for RV's and tent campers is available at the Fairgrounds. Cost is \$7 to dry camp and \$10 for hookups per day. Grass or gravel sites. Showers and restrooms included. RV dump included in fees. Yes, we have mosquitoes.

Motels are available in the Burns/Hines area.

Food

Concessions will be available at the Fairgrounds.

Schedule

Main Hall: Doors open 8 am to midnight. Daily shows at 1 and 7 pm. Pre show jam begins 30 minutes prior with everyone jamming on stage.

Other Activities

Jamming is encouraged.
Workshops will be held each morning.

Cost

We pass the hat. No set fee. Donate what you like and we'll thank you very much.

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Myrtle Arnold, our state membership chairman, wants to remind the district membership chairmen to prorata the membership for the remainder of the year.

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Oct. 1 \$3.75

Nov. 1 \$2.50 plus \$15 2002.

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District 10 July Report: At our monthly meeting on July 14th we heard Dennis Pickett read the article that was printed in the July 13th Currents section of the News Review. It informed the public of our monthly meeting, potluck, and jam. We appreciate Lewis Roy contacting the newspaper and getting news coverage on our district.

We send our kind thoughts and best wishes to all of our members who are faced with health

challenges. Among them are Sara Berlier, Dorothy Whaley, and Dean Wilson. If there are others who we have not mentioned, we apologize and wish all of you improvement and return to good health.

The next radio ad will be on Radio Station KRNR on Thurs., July 26th at 12:30. Lewis Roy and Dennis Pickett have been interviewed on the radio every month this summer. Our district is making a concerted effort to get the word out to the public about where and when our district is performing. Dennis is doing an excellent job as our district PR person and Lewis is overseeing all forms of advertising that is being used.

Our district continues to perform at several local nursing and care homes and at private func-

tions. We are also looking forward to performing at the Douglas County Fair in August. For five days we will be performing twice daily at 12:30 and 3:30 P.M.

It was suggested and a motion made to have a dress code at all paying jobs. We wish to present a professional look when performing for the public.

We wish all the August birthday people a very HAPPY BIRTHDAY. They are Harold Rogers (9th), Paul Lakey (14th), Hap Jones (15th), Margie Hasty (16th), Leah Shroll (20th), Guy Kinman (23rd), and Dorothy Whaley (27th).

Special congratulations are sent for a very HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to Harold and Martha Rogers on Aug. 8th, and Lewis and Frances Roy on Aug. 15th.

Hope you are all enjoying the summer and having a good time playing your music.

Calendar: Aug.-- No Meeting or jam (We'll be at the Douglas Co. Fair) Sep. 8th, Winston Community Hall

Lavonne Knapp
 District 10 reporter

New Members for Aug Hoedowner

1. Bob Smesrud-- Portland
2. Garry Hammock--Klamath falls
3. Jane & Keith Carrico---Walport
4. Dewey & Loretta Kailburn----Penn Yan, New York
5. Alfred Christensen---Geneva, New York
6. LeRoy Newport----Redmond
7. Edna Egersdorf---Meridian, Idaho
8. Paul Palmer---Mt. Home, Idaho
9. Jim & Rose Bolin---Quartzite, Ariz
10. Oral & Carolyn Robbins---Eugene
11. Bob Braden---Cave Junction
12. Isabelle Grimes---Cave Junction
13. Ira & Bud Kilgore---Grants Pass
14. Florence Kropp---Rogue River
15. Ted & Melva Nichols---Cave Junction
16. Jim & Carol Nolan---Cave Junction
17. Kay & Leonard Wing---North Plains
18. Jim & Denise Werner---Cave Junction
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(Be sure to read the district news for the specific times, places and activities.)

AUGUST

2-5	DIAMOND LAKE CAMPOUT		
4	MEMORIAL HALL	LAKEVIEW	1E
4	WILLAMETTE VALLEY CONTEST	CORVALLIS	
4	PICNIC	STEWART STATE PARK	4
5	JAM	KLAMATH FALLS	1
5	VFW HALL	REDMOND	3
5	GRANGE HALL	CROW	6
9	POLK COUNTY FAIR	RICKREALL	8
12	JAM	KLAMATH FALLS	1
15	LANE CO. FAIR		6
18	BAY AREA SENIOR CENTER	COOS BAY	5
18	OREGON TRAIL DAYS FIDDLE CONTEST	LA GRANDE	
25	CONTEST	CANYONVILLE	
26	WARWICK CAMPOUT	WILLIAMS	

OCTOBER

6	LAKE CREEK GRANGE		4
7	ELKS LODGE	SWEET HOME	6
6	ELSIE STUHR CENTER	BEAVERTON	7

SEPTEMBER

1	COMMUNITY CENTER	PROSPECT	4
8	COMMUNITY BUILDING	WINSTON	10
13 - 15	1000 TRAILS	BEND/LAPINE	OOTFA
15	STATE QUARTERLY MEETING	1000 TRAILS	OOTFA
23	SENIOR CENTER	MCMINNVILLE	8



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