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

Sept.

1	Community Center	Prospect	4
2	Fairgrounds	Lakeview	1E
8	Community Building	Winston	10
9	Extension office	Klamath Falls	1
9	Town Hall	King City	7
14	Bullard Beach Park	Bandon	5
13-15	1000 Trails	Bend/LaPine	OOTFA
15	State Quarterly Meeting	1000 Trails	OOTFA
15	Lane County Historical Museum	Eugene	6
16	Bay Area Fun Festival	Coos Bay	5
22	Bay Area Senior Center	Coos Bay	5
23	Senior Center	McMinnville	8
30	Eagles	Salem	8

Oct.

6	Memorial Hall	Lakeview	1E
6	Lake Creek Grange	4	
6	Elsie Stuhr Center	Beaverton	7
7	Elks Lodge	Sweet Home	6
14	Grange Hall	Woodburn	8
20	Community Building	Manzanita	8

Nov.

3	Senior Center	Rogue River	4
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District 1

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Howdy from hot, dry Klamath Falls! I'm Sherry Oliver and will be the reporter for district 1, giving our Cheri Lane a much deserved break. We give our many thanks to her for doing such a wonderful job all this time! If anyone has anything for me to add, please submit it by the 17th at 273-0493, or by e-mail Hihosherryo@aol.com, thanks!

This month, due to lack of willing bodies, we won't have our meeting at the Villa West on the 2nd, but the following Sunday, 9/9, we will have the jam at the extension office at 3328 Vandenberg Rd. Noon on, please bring finger foods and raffle donations, they're greatly appreciated! We will play the usual nursing homes the 4th Thurs, Clairmont at East end of Main St. at 1:00, then at 2:15, on to the Clairmont Retirement Home, 1 block above and back of the nursing home. They can use some help in Lakeview over the Labor Day weekend at the fair, 6 hrs. of music to be played! And, on the 22nd, there's a hot air balloon festival in Montague, CA. We'll probably get together out at my place and a few other spots to practice and enjoy the music!

We've kept pretty busy last month despite the above-normal weather, we are working with the local Klamath Water Crisis, lending our music whenever we have the opportunity. We recently played at a fundraiser, and played for our supper (a delicious steak BBQ) at the Head Gates. Some of us are currently helping them work on "their" song, maybe a top 10 !!!!!

7/28 Chicken dinner was served to those of us who played at the Midland Grange

7/28, A bunch of us gathered up at Wiard Park for a BBQ and some great music, and were joined by a fiddler from New York, who entertained us with his great style and music too. It was a great potluck, great friends and great music.

8/4, We played for 2-300 folks at a wedding in Bonanza who really enjoyed our music, and we enjoyed the playing and the BBQ afterwards!!

8/8, We played 2 - 1 hr. sessions for the County Library, for the Summer Reading Program kids, up to about 12 years old.

8/12, we had Homer and Rosalee McLain and Bud Hughes's sister join us at our jam, to sing and play, we sure do enjoy hearing all of them, and appreciate that they came out in the heat to join us.

8/18, We'll be having a yard sale at Fay Patterson's place in Merrill, proceeds to help with some much needed supplies for our trailer and jams. Hope to see everyone who can make it out there.

Our best wishes and prayers go out to all our musical friends who are under the weather, in all districts. Here locally, our Irvin Johnson and Lewis Standiford are having tests done, we hope to hear their good music, singing and yodeling back real soon. Sandy Sandusky is looking better every day, I'm still recovering from shoulder surgery last month, and Ray and Cheri's son is also having health problems.

Our "Happy Birthday Bunch" is Grace Stork 6th, Sandy Sandusky 22, Dick Harris 26. "Happy Anniversaries" go out to: Cheri and Ray Lane 4th, and Bud and Frances Hughes 25th.

Hope everyone is staying cool and smiling and enjoying some great music with good friends.

Till next month, this is Sherry O wishing ya'll the best!! Dist. 1
(Welcome to Sherry. She is the new reporter for District 1)

District 1E

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August has come and gone rather warm some days and with the fires, Lake County has had three big fires causing lots of smoke. Thanks to the weather and the many fire fighters, they are being contained. Our guitar player, Larry McLain, has been out on the fires.

Aug. 4 jam was well attended. The main event was to present Bud and Ethel Parker an anniversary cake that was served to all in attendance -- 65 years on Aug. 9. This couple attends most all of the jams and were very surprised.

Young fiddle player played along with the group. He is 11, Clay Sligar. Good to see young ones come and play along. Heard he could sing, also.

Homer and Rosa Lee McLain attended the campout at Diamond Lake. They reported having a good time playing music, singing, and sailing their boat.

Work is still being done on the music trailer. Some day it will be complete and put to good use.

OOTF will be playing at the Fair Grounds on Sunday, September 2. All of you are welcome to attend and sing and play from 12 to 6 p.m. The more the merrier.

We will be in the parade on September 3rd. Meet at the starting point by 8:30 a.m. if you want to ride on the float.

September 10 will be the monthly meeting. Hope you'll join us that evening.

Thanks to Betty Chapman and Allen Bell for helping out at the Mosquito Festival in Paisley. Everybody had a good time. The crowd wanted the fiddlers to play more but that was the way the program went.

Terry McLain will have knee surgery on August 21 in Klamath Falls. Hate to hear of anyone going under the knife but hope and pray it will be for the best.

October 6 will be next jam and potluck. Come join in the fun.

Time has gotten away from me and all. Even the weather is changing. Sometimes the locals say "seems like October instead of August."

No September jam because we play on the 2nd and 3rd. Makes the players and singers tired even though some say they could play all day long.

May old time music never fade away so keep playing when and wherever you can. See you at the fair.

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Sep 1 Prospect Community Center, Oct 6 Lake Creek Grange, Nov 3 Rogue River Senior Center

Another hot month for weather and hot music playing, too. Doesn't seem to slow these musicians down much, except that vacations take folks away from the area at times. We don't play at regular nursing homes in August, but we keep pretty busy anyway.

Our picnic at Stewart State Park was the site of lots of good food, fun, and music. We then played for the park the next week as "payback" for using the facility. The campers were an attentive and enthusiastic audience, with numerous requests and comments.

Spring Village and Spring Pointe in Grants Pass keep asking us back to play for their residents. We play both places (on the same site, but different buildings) on the same day. The smiles on their faces as they dance, sing, or clap along with us is a joy to see.

This year at the Jackson County Fair, we played at three locations, three different days, different audiences. Competing with horse arena and their announcements and loud music was a challenge, but our group seem to put out good music anyway, to the delight of the fairgoers.

A couple groups played at the Prospect Hillbilly Jamboree and Timber Festival -- breakfast, and lunch barbecue, and after. Irene and Jerry Ruddock came from Klamath Falls to help us out. It's always a treat when they join us!

Bob Dow will be appointing a new co-chair as he assumes the chairmanship position in the wake for Paul Weller's resignation. If you're interested in helping out, let him know. He has been working very hard getting good gigs for us, and keeping us informed. Way to go, Bob -- keep up the good work!

We were sorry to hear that Neva Flood's daughter Linda died. She was taking care of Neva, and Vic, before he died. Neva will go to live with her son on the coast. We will miss her smiling face. Hope she will be able to come back and visit. We have had some other members under the weather as well. Mona Givens had a slight stroke, but is home and doing much better. Zelda Cook had complications with surgery, and went to Portland for more surgery. She is not yet back to her usual P&V self (that's pretty and vigorous), but is recovering. We wish her well.

Dixie Pieren and Judy McGarvey went to the Booher Fiddle Camp in Sisters. Dixie's son Wesley attended, too, learning keyboards. It was a great experience playing with so many fine fiddlers and meeting new people! They all learned some new tunes they are sharing with the rest of us.

The "5 o'clock Jammers", the group of beginning and not so beginning fiddlers that meet at a church to jam weekly, played for "Heritage Sunday" at the Methodist Church. There were 6 fiddlers, 2 guitars, a bass, and keyboard. Lots of old hymns, and then a rousing rendition of "I'll Fly Away" that brought applause and many nice comments from the congregation.

Please note Membership Chairman Marie Mickey's new phone number, (541) 512-9345, and change it in your roster.

Thought for September: Put "eat chocolate" at the top of your list of things to do today. That way, at least you'll get one thing done!

Judy McGarvey, Reporter District 4

Secretary: Clirca Miller 541-396-4302

Treasurer: Sharon Gallagher 541-572-2742

This very busy Summer is almost over already and time to revue August and remind folks what's happening in September.

Several district 5 members have been under the weather recently . Jean Dunn has been undergoing some treatments that have left her pretty sick, but she's doing better now. It was good to see Del Thomas at the last jam and hear him play some good mandolin music. He too, has not been doing real well. Also we hear that Lucille Davidson is feeling better. We love you Lucille and miss your smiling face. Our condolences to Mary Lou Saylor & Ron in the loss of two people very close to them within a couple of days of each other.

Our thoughts will be with Keith Shaffar as he goes in for surgery on his knee Aug 20th.

We kept pretty busy in August. We played at nursing and retirement homes, played at home jams and had a great turnout at Bullards Beach Park. Those who went say it was the best show yet. Thank you all who came.

We had the monthly potluck and jam at the Bay Area Senior Center on the 18th. It was nice to have the opportunity to wish Ned and Val Matthews a Happy Anniversary at our district jam. Neither of them have been feeling very well of late. Dorothy Tenant brought a beautiful basket of home grown roses for the happy couple. Those who weren't at the jam missed a good time. We were happy to see Lloyd and Esther Shriber there. Come back anytime, we love visitors.

Several from the district played at Charleston for their annual Seafood Festival on the 19th, and we still have a couple of events to do for August. Smith Country Fair on the 26th 2:30-2 p.m., and Deer Haven that same day at 5 p.m. In Florence we play at Shorewood at 3:00 p.m. on the 31st.

Our anniversary couples for September are Elwood & Helen Serfass the 11th, Ken & Sally Jordan the 15th, and Keith & Abby Shaffar the 28th. Congratulations to you all!

Birthdays are: Florence Grove the 7th, David Brokaw the 12th, Clara Thomas and Ken Jordan the 14th, Ken Hoston the 21st and Oren Pruitt the 28th. We wish you all a very Happy Birthday!! If you're new to the district , be sure and let us know when your birthdays and anniversaries are.

Speaking of new, we have some new members : David Brokaw from Charleston, and Chrislee McCoy and Neta Zwicker from Coos Bay. Welcome to a great organization!

Some dates you may want to put on your calendars: Bullard Beach Park : 6:30 p.m. Sept. 14th, the Bay Area Fun Festival Hiway101 Sept. 16th from 2-4 p.m. and the District 5 meeting & Jam: Sept. 22 12- 4 p.m., Bay Area Senior Center. Note the date as it is the 4th Saturday instead of the 3rd due to a conflict with the Thousand Trails state Meeting on the 15th.

Nursing home schedules are as follows: Sept. 5th, Ocean View 1-2:30 & Heritage main lobby from 3-4 p.m., Sept. 12th, Ocean Crest 1-2 p.m. & Hearthside at 2:45, Sept. 19th, Oerding Manor 1-2 p.m. & Myrtle Point care Center 2:45--3:45 p.m., Sept. 26th, Inland Point 11-12 & Life Care 1-2:30 p.m. and Sept. 28th, St Catherine's 1:30-3:00 p.m. For Florence folks, We'll let you know the dates and times for the Senior Center and Shorewood . We are jamming/practicing at the high school band room (2975 Oak) every Fri. night from 6:30 till about 9:00 pm. Everyone is welcome.

Bye for now,

Kathy Nash, reporter , District 5

District 6

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At the meeting and jam at Crow Grange August 5, the District Six leadership crisis was resolved when Mark Ratzlaff was elected Chairman. Other officers remain as before: Bernie Roberts, Vice Chairman; Bob Kaiser, Treasurer, and Betty Hawkins, Secretary/Membership.

The annual jam at the Lane County Fair on August 15 was quite a success. There was a standing crowd of perhaps 150 onlookers all day long. The day began with a square dance featuring Lane County commissioners with calls by Lane County commissioner Bill Dwver and Alan Ede. The event was covered by

Guy Kinman (10). Mark Carmickle wishes to thank all who helped make this a big success; fair manager Mike Gleason, Mark reports, was mightily pleased.

We have been invited to perform at the 50th anniversary celebration of the Lane County Historical Museum on Saturday, September 15 at the museum. The fiddlers will play from twelve to two in standard jam format. After a half-hour break for presentations, the jamming will continue until 3:30. Note that there is a conflict, as September 15 is the last day of the Thousand Trails jam. We are going to need maximum turnout by everyone not at Thousand Trails to make this work. Bernie Roberts is hard at work lining up players; if he calls, lend a hand!

We are looking forward to the District 6 jam at the Sweet Home Elks Lodge on Sunday, October 7. An all-you-can-eat breakfast for \$3.00 will be served until 11:00, and the jam will continue until about 4:00 p.m. This is being held in conjunction with the lady Elks arts and crafts show.

Participation at Mary Cole Days in late July was something of a disaster. Plenty of people showed for the parade, and our float was well received. But everyone then decamped leaving no-one except for Joe Moyle and Winston Grant, of District Eight, to participate in the scheduled jam at the firehouse. Nor was there any sign of a sound system. There appears to have been a communications mixup; Bernie Roberts is in touch with the Mary Cole organizers to make sure that things turn out differently next year.

Health Notes: Helen Tracy wishes to thank friends for support in connection with her recent travail: first knee replacement surgery in April, and then fracture of the new joint due to a fall on July 20. Helen and Wayne still hope to tour Australia/New Zealand in November, though!

Happy birthday to: Ruth Kennedy, 9/5; Earl Knudsen, 9/5; Addie Gonshorowski, 9/13; David Boyd, 9/27; Arlo Hamilton, 9/28; and Darla Miller, 9/30. Anniversary congratulations to: Paul and Mildred Nielsen, and Lloyd and Esther Shriber, both 9/10/48.
Joe Moyle, reporter district 6

District 7

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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

As of the morning of August 1, at 4 a.m. Jack Smith's life on earth was completed. A Celebration of Life was held at the Emmanuel Presbyterian Church in West Linn on August 7, 2001. The family requested that the fiddlers have an active role in the celebration of Jack's life. Thirty-some of us attended and played Jack's favorite tunes, including the old Arkansas State Song. It has very sweet words, but not too cheery, so it was decided that none of us could have recited it and kept a dry eye in the house! Family and close friends shared sweet and honest stories of interactions over the past 60 years. Lots of chuckles and affirming head nodding occurred though out the 100 minutes. Family, education, music, gardening and sports filled most of Jack's life reward. Russ Phillips and Cactus Finley played "Climbing Up the Golden Stair," for the final tune. It was just "Jack". It was, indeed, a lovely day. Jack Smith, November 3, 1907 - August 1, 2001.

Jack and his sons' families have made a generous donation to District 7 and asked that folks wishing to make a contribution in Jack's name do so to our fiddlers. Lila Bills is treasurer for district 7 and her address is in the roster. We wish to express our thank you for your donations.

Hopefully, Joel and sister Linda Macdonald will be in our area in October to do more professional quality 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.

Didn't we have a good time at the Clackamas County Fair!! We had more than 26 music makers who filled the stage for the hour and a half. There was a fine lineup of entertainment for the entire Senior Day and much fun was had! The audience seating was at capacity and stage seating was on bleachers this year which

MARK THOSE CALENDARS... and come out listening and playing -- Upcoming: Sept. 9 1 - 4 King City District 7 Jam, pot luck at 12 Directions: 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.

Sept. 12 9 -11 at the Oregon Interpretive Center in Oregon City, for Japanese middle-schoolers; plus, perhaps at 1:30 for Kaiser Sunnyside; Sept. 13 - 15 La Pine; Sept. 22 10 -11 Canby Saturday Market (last one for us for the season); Sept. 26 - Somerset Lodge Retirement Home 7 p.m. 8330 S.E. Cason Road; Sept. 28 - 9-11 at the Oregon Interpretive Center in Oregon City (again)

Yikes, our enormous vine maple tree is performing a dramatic appearance which is suppose to make us think that autumn will be here before any of us have a chance to conceive of such a notion! Same advice: Save water, etc!

Your District 7 reporter, Pat Gates

District 8

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It's been a busy month in district 8! Those from district 8 at the Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest were: Les Tucker (3rd place Senior), Lew Holt, Alice Holt (5th Senior), Roy Rowland of Monmouth, not a current member, (1st in Adult). Our own Fred Hardin did an excellent job as MC for the event.

We played at the Polk County fair on Aug 9th. It was hot, but we all enjoyed playing anyway. We were pleased to have Joe Hamm join us, along with his daughter Linda who lives in Salem. Linda is an up and coming guitar player.

Aurora Colony Days asked us to play for the two days of their celebration. Slightly different groups played each day in the outdoor courtyard between buildings at the Museum. We were rather informal. No sound system, since the shed behind us made a great band shell. Both districts 7 and 8 participated. We've had several successful "gigs" where the two districts work together.

For the third year (I think), District 8 played a benefit program for the 100 plus year old United Methodist Church in Falls City. The town and the congregation are working to restore the charming old structure. They seem to like our music, and we certainly had a great time playing for them! Nice picnic, too.

Walter Hari, an associate member and strong supporter of OOTFA, passed away Aug. 16th after a long illness. He and Bessie were always enthusiastic audience members as long as he was able. Our condolences to his wife Bessie.

Ruth Jones and Marie Church both had cataract surgery this month, and both are getting along fine. Way to go ladies!

Quite a few OOTFA members are also amateur radio operators (hams). The hams have an annual campout near Yachats each year in August and music is nearly as important as the radio chit chat. This year those who played were: John Grammer district 6, Bob Ellenwood district 10, Frank Williams district 7, Lee Jones and Lew and Alice Holt district 8. Carol Ann Wheeler was there with her parents. We all enjoyed many hours of jamming.

NEW PLAYING DATES:

Our regular jam will be Sunday Sept. 23rd at the McMinnville Senior Center. This is a week later than our usual jam date because of the state campout and meeting at 1000 Trails. Doors open at 10 AM, potluck at noon, sign up jam from 1 to 4 PM. Y'all come! Here's how to get to the Senior Center. if you are traveling through McMinnville north on the main highway -- after you have gone through the business district and start to go out of town, there will be a McDonald's on the left (north side of the highway), right there you turn right (south) on to McDaniel St. and the Senior Center is a couple of blocks on the left (east).

Sunday Sept. 30th we are invited to play for the Lady Eagles Auxiliary at 1:30 PM. It's at the Eagles Lodge in Salem. The address is 1195 Broadway NE. It's at the corner of Broadway and Market Streets.

We have two dates in Sunday October. Oct. 14th at the Grange Hall in Woodburn and Saturday Oct. 20th at The Pine Grove Community House. 225 Laneda Avenue. Manzanita. Oregon

Alice Holt, Dist. 8 reporter

District 9

Chairman: George Sahlberg 541-573-6517

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Rose Modey-Johnson 541-573-6237

All I got was the answering machine in District 9. Janet must be "on the fire line." At least the news every night reports the big fires over that way.

Lew here -- at the Clackamas Co. Fair Linda Easley narrated and sang the "Ice Cream song." I responded with a tune but nobody knew it so I am sharing it with them and you at this time. Perhaps you remember it.

I Went To The Animal Fair

I went to the animal fair,

The birds and the bees were there,

The old raccoon by the light of the moon

Was combing his auburn hair.

The monkey he got drunk,

And ran up the elephant's trunk;

The elephant sneezed and fell to his knees,

And that was the end of the monk!

The monk! The monk!

I heard that over 50 years ago and it has always stuck with me.

District 10

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In spite of the hot weather, our district has had a heavy playing schedule. We played at Rose Haven Nursing Center on Aug. 1st, Riverview Terrace Retirement Community on Aug. 2nd, and the Garden Valley Retirement Center on Aug. 5th

The Douglas County Fair, Aug. 7th - 11th, kept us hopping with two performances daily at 12:30 and 3:30. On the last day of the fair, Saturday, we played two hours straight from 3:30 to 5:30. Although we were under a canopy and between two buildings, it was quite hot in the afternoons which makes it challenging to stand and play for any length of time. But, we had a good time and everything went quite well. Attendance was good and the audience seemed to enjoy our music.

Our sincere thanks and appreciation go out to Chairman Louie Roy and anyone else who helped him set up the sound equipment everyday. What a lot of work to set everything up in the morning and take it all down in the heat of the afternoon for five days. There were other groups who used our equipment on stage so we were able to help out other groups.

We play at Callahan Court on Aug. 20th, Curry Manor on Aug. 22nd, Callahan Village on Aug. 23rd, and Mercy Rehab. and Care Center on Aug. 29th. The residents of these places are such an appreciative audience.

On Friday, Sept. 7th we will be playing at the Watermelon Festival in Winston from 6:00 to 7:15 P.M. Dennis Pickett has arranged for us to play for the past several years and is in charge of the program. We are looking forward to a good turnout for this event.

Several of our members plan to enter the Canyonville Contest on Aug. 25th. In the past we have had some

Our very HAPPY BIRTHDAY wishes go out to the September birthday people who are: Tracy Smith (19th) and Clair Eaton (22nd).

Hope you are staying cool in spite of the hot weather. Playing music outside during the summer can really drain your energy. Remember to drink lots of water.

District 10 Reporter: Lavonne Knapp

Lavonne Knapp: District 10 reporter

SALLY SEZ: Well, here we are again, hard to believe summer is nearly over. It sure has been a busy one and hope that all of you have learned many tunes and had great times being together and sharing you music with others.

I have just a few things I would like to mention. I want to encourage everyone of you to buy a video from Ace Wehus. He has gone to great effort to improve the quality of the films and is doing a super job of Promoting and Perpetuating Old time Fiddling and we all need to help support him. Even if you don't want one for your own video library, perhaps an "old timer" in your family would love one, or perhaps a shut-in in your neighborhood. We know so many folks who just simply cannot get out to our functions who would love to hear us all of the time, so please, buy a video from Ace and Promote and Perpetuate old time fiddling yourself. Of course you are free to make other purchases from Ace too, but the videos are really something special so go ahead and call Ace or write to him and order one for your video library...you won't be sorry you did. Any profit goes to placing videos in the elementary schools of Oregon. He has already placed videos in all high schools, junior high schools, many city libraries and all the colleges in Oregon. The response from these videos has been great.

Thanks to Roger Germundson and "crew" who got the Mt. Hood function off and going again. I understand it was a great time and beautiful place to be. I hope to get there someday and enjoy it with you all.

Our next state function will be the 1000 Trails Campout between Bend and LaPine on September 13 - 15. The state meeting will on Saturday, September 15th at 10:00. I want to thank Mark Carmickle for making all of the arrangements for us and thank District 3 for all they do for us to make this such a great event.

Well, folks keep on playin', pickin' and grinnin' and I plan to do the same. Also continue to be nice to each other and only say and do to others as you would have said and done to you. The feelings you hurt may be your own...Hope to see you soon...Sally

From the editor:

THOUSAND TRAILS September 13, 14, 15. If you have any questions, please call or e-mail Mark Carmickle at 541-683-9514 or ilamark2@earthlink.net . Mark reports that several workshops are planned. Alice Holt will teaching a new tune on Friday. It is a very nice waltz written by Darwin Wattles, one of our members here in Salem. You'll enjoy it. The second workshop is being planned.

Happy camping and fiddling. Mark

Directions to 1000 trails. From Bend, take Hwy 97 south about 16 miles to the Vandevent/Fall River Road exit at milepost #155. Drive west one mile to South Century Drive, turn left and travel one mile to Thousand Trails sign and turn right until you come to the Thousand Trails Campground. From LaPine take Hwy 97 north about 12 miles to the Vandevent/Fall River Road, and exit at mile post #155 and follow the directions above.

This is one of those "bad" months when the first falls on a Saturday, followed by a Sunday and a Holiday on Monday. . . . so no telling when you got your Hoedowners.

Time for some special "thank yous." Penny Mead was in the hospital for a few days after a heart attack. Penny wants to thank all of you who so kindly sent her flowers, cards, called or visited. She says that it meant a lot to her. Also, reports that she is feeling much better now and looks forward to fiddling again.

Norman and May Fiock want to express their thanks and appreciation for the many ways that you recognized their recent wedding anniversary. Your visits, cards, letters, phone calls and music were all very much appreciated and met a lot to them.

Helen Tracy writes -- "To all my" many friends out there I'm still with you but what a nightmare I've been

Wayne has efficiently handled all your name tag orders. By the way, Thousand Trails is coming up soon and if you get your name tag orders to us quickly, you'll get your tags in time! I'm hoping to be well enough to attend by then.

I had the misfortune of falling at home July 20th and fractured my NEW knee and have to wear a metal brace from my groin to my ankle for five full weeks day and night -- will it ever end? Helen Tracy

Ace has many good videos of Oregon fiddlers. He is offering copies of each one @ \$15 which includes postage. Contact Ace for more information.

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The 4th annual Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest took place at the Benton County Fairgrounds in Corvallis, OR on August 4, 2001. These were the results:

Novice Division (never played in a contest before):

1. Michael Barnett, Longmeadow, MA
2. Rebecca Lomnicky, Corvallis, OR
3. Robin Silver, Corvallis, OR
4. Tasman Thenell, Corvallis, OR
5. Emily Compagna, Corvallis, OR

PeeWee (8 years and Under)

1. Tatiana Hargreaves, Corvallis, OR
2. Miya Saito-Beckman, Bend, OR
3. Emily Compagna, Corvallis, OR
4. Tasman Thenell, Corvallis, OR
5. Emily Zahne-Hostetler, Corvallis, OR

Junior-Junior (9-12 years old)

1. Alex Hargreaves, Corvallis, OR
2. Michael Barnett, Longmeadow, MA
3. Rebecca Lomnicky, Corvallis, OR

Junior (13-17)

1. Ariana Rosen, Eugene, OR
2. Paul Briskey, Corvallis, OR

Adult (18-59)

1. Roy Rowland, Monmouth, OR
2. Doug Orton, Corvallis, OR
3. Dorry Eldon, Corvallis, OR
4. Joan Extrom, Kings Valley, OR

Senior (60+)

1. John Perfect, Mountain Home, ID
2. Bus Boyk, Portland, OR
3. Les Tucker, McMinnville, OR
4. Willy Carter, Lebanon, OR
5. Alice Holt, Salem, OR

Championship (anyone)

1. Andy Emert, Portland, OR
2. Andy Shelton, Corvallis, OR
3. Clara Murphy, Battleground, WA
4. Donna Reuter, Hood River, OR
5. Bob Heinith, Portland, OR

Accompanist (based on the numbers of times appearing on stage with contestants)

1. Frank Moore, St. Helens, OR
2. Peter Willis, Monmouth, OR
3. Bill Murphy, Battleground, WA

Judges: Dan Emert, Pendleton, OR

Starr McMullen, Corvallis, OR

Thanks to all of our wonderful volunteers: Dennis and Brenda Shelton, Lavina Thaler, Suzi Maresh, Missy Marshall, Dorry Eldon, and Connie King. Also, all of the contest supporters were greatly appreciated: Nancy Rohn who once again donated the fiddle we raffled to raise money, Lew and Alice Holt, Districts 6 and 8 (for their generous contributions), Entek International, the Benton County Fair (for the sound, the judges, and the ribbons), Gracewinds Music, Grass Roots, Gathering Together Farms, Dennison Farms, Janet Throop (for sponsoring the Pee Wee Division), Great Harvest Bread (for the morning breads), the Corvallis Farmer's Market, Lyrical Learning, Marysville Oast, Coastal Farms, and everyone who bought raffle tickets. Thanks to the great crowd that showed up and all of the fiddlers --- without you, this event would not take place! Starr McMullen

1000 Trails – Sep. 13-14-15
State Quarterly Meeting 1000 Trails Sep. 15

Starting Classes September 25 Tuesday evening for 8 weeks: at 3130A SE Hawthorne, Portland, OR (Artichoke Music) 1. Beginning Old Time Clawhammer Banjo 6:30-8PM. 2. OT Stringband Workshop 8:00-9:30 PM. All acoustic instruments; Requires familiarity with instrument. Tuition: \$80 + \$3 (materials) for each. 8 weeks. Questions call Jane Keefer 503-775-2846 -- keefer@teleport.com

Myrtle Arnold, our state membership chairman, wants to remind the district membership chairmen to prorata the membership for the remainder of the year, Sep. 1 \$5.00, Oct. 1 \$3.75 and Nov. 1 \$2.50 plus \$15 2002. Dec. 1 \$1.25 plus \$15 for 2002.

Greg Baker wants to barter for a few odds and ends. Wanted: a nice full-sized fiddle for his daughter Clara; a good chain saw; a medium-sized rototiller; a beater pickup truck. Greg says he'd like to swap time at his beach house in Manzanita (see www.fiddle-guitar-vacation.com) He says he will pay cash for the right fiddle, bow and case. You can reach Greg at fiddler1@uswest.net
Thank you, Greg Baker

Jerry & I would like to thank all our friends and musicians that came to Diamond Lake for the campout. You all made it a lot of fun for us and our audience. Evelyn Horner put on a very nice fiddle class, Thank you Evelyn -- it was appreciated. I would like to say a special thank you also to Jim and Jan Lancaster for bringing us all the ice for our coolers and our home-made ice cream. For those of you who are wondering if we got enough donations to pay for the hall rent, YES, we did which was just great. Thank you all -- hope to see you next year the 1st---5th of Aug.
Jerry & Irene

Wayne Holmes, Esther Snider and others still have a few copies of their very fine CD of old time fiddle music. I have the Tapioca CD and tape so see me or Esther. 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. I'll have all of them at Thousand Trails. (Lew)



Lew Holt, Editor