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From Your President

I am sure that those of you who went to Merrill had a wonderful time thanks to the hospitality of District 1. I will let you know the outcome of the board and general meeting in next month's Hoedowner.

I have been asked to talk about our non-profit status. We are non-profit 501(c)3 corporation. We are obligated to follow certain guidelines in the use of our funds. First and foremost our funds must be used in support of the purposes as stated in our Articles of Incorporation in order to fulfill our tax-exempt status. Those are: "To preserve and promote the art of oldtime fiddling throughout the State of Oregon, and to cooperate with organizations of neighboring states of the same nature."

So, we can use the revenues from our activities to pay for rent, supplies, equipment, services, advertising, and other costs that are in direct support of our purpose, as well as provide grants to other organizations that support our goals. But, we cannot use our funds for political purposes, buying or donating something for another organization or individual just because we think it is a good idea, taking the district out to dinner, etc. Sometimes individuals make a donation and tell us specifically how they want their money spent. This is called a directed donation. As long as the donation is for an activity that is in direct support of our programs and is not for a specific individual or for a political purpose, then we can accept the donation and the donor may eligible for a tax deduction for a charitable contribution.

Continuing from last month's column, here are a few more guidelines for jams and performances:

1. Louder is not better! No one has ever garnered any ill will by playing too softly or too little. The worst that will happen in such a case is that the others in the group will chastise you for playing too softly and tell you to play more/louder. That will make you feel good.

2. When the song is over quit playing! There are times you want to practice a new lick or progression just learned in a jam, but people who constantly pick their instruments between songs make it difficult to start a new tune.

3. Make newcomers welcome! As a plea to the "regulars" in ongoing jam sessions: Make a point of welcoming newcomers. Get out of your chair and say hello. They are the future of the music we all love and the only way we can grow our membership.

4. On-stage can be different! It's OK for the person who is leading the tune to only have the back-up that they want. When you are performing for an audience, it is OK for you to set the "stage".

5. Have fun!!

Keeping on strumming, plucking and bowing!

~Hal Weiner

From the Editor

It is Saturday night, and I have just arrived back in Eugene from Merrill. When I arrived, Friday morning, the first thing I saw was the "Welcome Old-Time Fiddlers" banner strung across Merrill's main street. Certainly Merrill went all out to give us warm reception and excellent facilities.

There was, as usual jamming in every nook and corner. I got to meet some people I didn't know, and renew acquaintances with many others. The one thing I did notice in all my conversations is general satisfaction with the new appearance of the Hoedowner, which I was glad to see.

One highlight of the Friday night show was the comic interaction of Maynard Thompson and Ruel Teague doing "I Won't Go Hunting with You, Jake" The key line of this old Jimmy Dean song is:

> "I won't go hunting with you, Jake But I will go chasing women, So put your hounds back in the pens And quit your silly grinning"

Maynard was supposed sing the lyrics with Ruel accompanying him on fiddle, but that wasn't exactly the way it worked out!

Another highlight was the fiddling of Jon Blasius, who turned up with his proto-fiancee Jennifer (maybe she'll marry him, and maybe she won't). While people were standing in line for the banquet Saturday afternoon, he played quite a number of expertly done tunes, many done quite fast by local standards. He explained he used to play a lot in Canada where "they play fast." Jon has stage four cancer; he was told a year ago that he only had months to live. "But, it's a year later, and here I am."

The Florence Winter Folk Festival, which Districts 5 and 6 sponsored last year, is coming up. Part of it will be a Youth Folk Music Talent Competition, to be held in Florence on January 22, and open to anyone under 18 years of age. All performers are juried, with prizes, and they and their families get free day passes. Applications are due by November 1. For more information, go to www.winterfolkfestival.org or call Hal Weiner at 541.902.2336.

Old-time fiddler Dennis Cunningham, of Yoncalla, passed away on July 25; our condolences go out to his widow, Darlene.

~Joe Moyle

From the Editor Emeritus =

District 1 =

I will reflect a bit this month - typical of people with white hair. When Alice and I first joined OOTFA in 1979 or 1980 it was a thrill to go to our first convention at the fairgrounds in Roseburg. I could not have imagined that just four years later I would be president of OOTFA and putting on the convention. Maxine Benson had been the president the two previous years. Back then the convention was held on Friday and Saturday. We were allowed to sneak in Thursday evening to set up so we would be ready to go the first thing Friday morning. We would gather in the cold in the horse barn to jam Thursday evening.

It was either the two years that I was president or the two years when I was president again that I started setting up too early on Thursday. It was suggested by the powers that be of the fair people that we pay for Thursday. So Thursday became the 3rd day of our convention. Now we played in the horse barn on Wednesday evening. Some years later another president started renting the lower hall for us to gather in on Wednesdays. Then Wednesday unofficially almost became a part of our convention. All of this is as I remember it - maybe stretched a little bit which is my privilege as the teller of the story.

I must mention again about the website that Dina Shaller has written. She is the one who came up with the original idea for the web and has been very faithful as well as creative. I would like to invite you to check Lewholt.com. If you don't have a computer, why not ask one of your grandkids to check out the web for you. The middle one is about fiddlers where you will find:

Oregon State Fiddle Contest History, Other Fiddle Contests, Awards, Musicians, Photo Gallery, (You will really like this one.) and Identify Unknown Musicians. In the upper left corner is "Lew's Articles. The other two websites are self-explanatory.

~Lew Holt

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Didn't get a schedule from Irene for the month October, so just put down the regular 4 gigs.

It is Sunday evening, September 12: had to get this done before leaving for Merrill tomorrow morning to get ready for the convention. Hope to see your smiling face there. October Birthdays: Isom Patterson, Ann Bonser, Carol Brown.

October Anniversaries: None listed; if I missed yours, let me know.

~Johnny Rodgers, District 1 Reporter

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October

Jam and meeting

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Jam Business Meeting Lake County Senior Center Lake County Senior Center

7pm

Well, this was the last chore I needed to do before heading over to Merrill for the fiddler convention, so hope I can make it "short and sour" again. Seems like that's the only way I can ever get them out....

Sunday, the 5th, we played for the Lake County Roundup and Fair for six hours, but we had lots of help from District 1, and even had Fred Young from the district 10 group stop by and help us out. That's quite a trek. Thanks Fred.

Phil and Sheila Fry, Johnny and Darleth Rogers, and Mike Foster were the District 1 participants, and we are so grateful to you for showing up. We honestly couldn't do it without you-- I'm sure we have the smallest group in the whole organization, and we'd have to close up shop if it weren't for your help on some of these gigs. Our next jam will be on Oct. 2nd, in the Lake County Senior Center, and the next business meeting on the 11th, in the same place at 7:00 P.M.

Faith Kersey will have a birthday on Oct. 20th and we wish her the best. She and husband Ron made it all the way down from North Lake County to make our August jam, and we're glad they came. It's a long way from anywhere to anywhere in this county, so we're tickled when they can hitch up the team, and follow the wagon wheel ruts on into the district jams.

I don't know what it's like where you all are, but the weather here has been perfect late summer weather,--great for sleeping, and warm enough to cut the grass and clean up the yard...

I got tired of looking at all those leaves in my yard, so I got up off the couch and went into action-- I closed the curtains!

Hope to see everybody in Merrill.

~Eileen McLain, District 1E Reporter

Pine Forest Grange

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Our September barbecue was postponed. We will probably reschedule for a later date. The jam on September 5th was a huge success despite the Labor Day holiday. Several players performed for the Ochoco Assisted living facility on August 26th and another group played music for the Stone Ridge Assisted Living facility in Redmond early in September.

Chairman Bob Ervin has called for a membership meeting after the November Jam to discuss plans for the Christmas dinner. All active members are requested to stay for the meeting. Our next scheduled Jam will be on October 3rd. Prior to the jam, young people's instruction will start up again for fiddle and guitar.

That's all for this issue; hope you all had a great Labor Day vacation.

~ Ron Odegard, District 3 Reporter



Winchester Bay Jam: Les Tucker, Dan Schaeffer, Shannon Stein, and Jim Kuether.

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Summer is over! At least as far as our fiddling schedule is concerned. We try to keep the calendar clear for the month of August as that is the month for camps and festivals. Many of our members did their best to stay out of town as much a possible. But from all reports they did not slack off on the fiddling.

First there was fiddle camp. From this district, Margaret Keene, Breffney Whelan, Miriam McReynolds, Cathy Frutchey, Aylee Tucker and Everett Costa attended classes at Fiddle Camp; Judy McGarvey taught Advanced Beginners and Intermediate Fiddle Groups, Dave Basden taught mandolin and Barbara Basden played backup guitar for the mandolin class. Everyone learned a lot and were all abuzz about plans for next year's Fiddle Camp.

Many of the same folks were at Winchester Bay: Dave and Barbara Basben, Judy McGarvey, Everett Costa, Cathy Frutchey, Niquita Wilkinson, Ron Bolstad, Homer Meeds, Don and Bea Johnson, Lee and Ruth Cushman, Gene and Lola Williams, John and Marlene Renfro, Jim Winslow and Dotty made the trek to

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<u>mweist@charter.net</u>	20	Gig	Herit
	27	Gig	Life
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Again a great jamboree and campout in August at Winchester Bay with overflow crowds each evening and a great variety of musical talent, all of it very enjoyable and some extremely entertaining. There were 49 registered performers Friday evening and 51 Saturday evening. The cool weather and ocean breezes were appreciated by some of the "inlanders" where the temperatures were soaring. They also enjoyed the fresh seafood available in the local eateries. Think Joan and Janet from Dist. 9 must have tried all of them! It was nice to see several people who had never been here before in attendance and commenting that they would be back next year as they left.

Prizes awarded on Saturday evening, when all songs had to contain the name of a state, were: Peggy Hudson for best presentation, Hat Weiner for best costume going with song, and retired teacher, Ed Kelley, aided by "former students", Linda Easley and Larry Costa, for the funniest state song---and it was hilarious. Still laughing and wondering what WisconSIN's sin was. I think they should tell us in another song next year! Congratulations and thanks to all of you who entered the contest.

One of the attendees at our jam was Jerry Rose, guitarist from Mt. Shasta, CA who, four years in a row, was the Western Open flat picking champion and four times the California flat picking champ. Jim Winslow from Medford was probably the oldest performer at 94 years. He did a beautiful rendition of Springtime

Octo	ber	
2	Jam	Eagle Point Grange
Nove	ember	
6	Jam	Fruitdale Grange, Grants Pass
Dece	ember	
4	Jam	Roxy Ann Grange, Medford

the coast. Peggy Hudson, a District 4 performer (on temporary loan to District 3) won the prize for best performance with her rendition of Kentucky Waltz.

District 4 musicians performed both Friday night and Saturday night in the "Play a Tune with a State Name Contest," and in the Sunday morning gospel performance. Everyone had a great time, ate a lot of seafood, and, of course, the coast weather was gorgeous. September brings us back to our regular schedule of gigs and is a busy month. By the time this reaches you we will have enjoyed days of jamming in Merrill. Clear skies, warm days and cool nights — all on the banks of Lost River.

Our regular reporter left the country, so I apologize for anything or anyone left out. All will be back to normal next month. Really.

~Roped in reporter, John Phillips

Oerdings,	Coquille	1:20 p.m.
Myrtle Point Care Center	Myrtle Point	3:00 p.m.
Baycrest Memory Care	Empire	1:30 p.m.
Ocean Crest	Coos Bay	3 p.m.
	Winchester Bay	11 a.m.
	Winchester Bay	1 p.m.
Heritage Place	Bandon	1 p.m.
Life Care Center	Coos Bay	1:30 p.m.
Heartside	Coos Bay	3:00 p.m.

in the Rockies which got some of the dancers out on the floor. Joe Gravlin, who originally lived in Michigan, an on-line friend of one of our members, came from Portugal and enjoyed the jamming. A group of four young people from Nova Scotia were also present to jam with the other musicians.

The featured performer at the October jam in Winchester Bay will be guitarist, Larry Gallagher. His bio will be included next month. Hal Weiner will be featured in November.

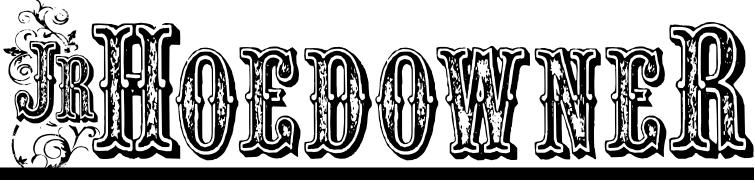
Have you noticed the new signs? Very fresh and attractive. They were constructed by Pat Weyer and then painted by the Coquille High School art classes under the direction of John Bealey, art teacher and husband of one of our members. A donation to the school's scholarship fund was made in appreciation. Thanks to everyone who had a hand in this endeavor.

There will be a business meeting at 11a.m. preceding the October jam. Bring finger food to share for lunch.

Thank you to everyone who put in all the time and effort to make the campout and jamboree the success that it was.

To be sure of hitting the target, shoot first and call whatever you hit the target.

~Mary A. Weist, District 5 Reporter



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A Little History and a Little Tune History

Every year we have a champion fiddler in Oregon. Many of them have been our young people. We might wonder what becomes of some our champion fiddlers. Back in the 80s one of our outstanding young fiddlers was Joey McKenzie from McMinnville. He entered and did well in many contests, as well as being talented with other instruments. He did well at Weiser. He later left Oregon to be a part of the music scene in Texas. I don't have the specifics but in Texas music continued to be a big part of his life. He is a well know fiddle teacher with many talented and well trained students. This letter came recently that tells of one of his adventures. Gynn has given permission to use it here:

"Hi Lew and Alice,

"My daughter took me to a concert of the Quebe Sisters in Roseburg a week ago. I knew their guitarist was Joey McKenzie and have seen the Quebe Sisters on the Marty Stuart show so was prepared to enjoy it and I did. I love western swing music and their sweet harmony is a bonus. I got a chance to talk to Joey after the concert and he introduced me to the girls and told them about the Canyonville Contest. I told them that when I was 13 years old I got to go to the dance hall outside Visalia, California with my parents to hear (and dance to) Bob Wills and his Texas Playboys. The Quebe Sisters thought that was pretty cool. They play a lot of his music. Joey said to say "Hi" to everyone in our fiddle organization who might remember him. "Gynn (Deaton)"

Tune of the Month Have we used that tune or not - there is confusion some months. So here is a list of the tunes we have used since the beginning of the Junior Hoedowner on May 1, 2007. A new tune will be published again next month. Get out your old Hoedowners, cut out the tunes, and create a songbook!

2010	
October	List of all songs printed in the Hoedowner
September	Crooked Stove Pipe (Again)
August	Sailors Horn Pipe
July	Crooked Stove Pipe
June	Gravel Walk
May	Flop Eared Mule
April	Angeline the Baker
March	Sunny San Juan
February	River John Sunset
January	Gum Tree Canoe

2009 December November October September August July June May April March February January 2008 December November October September August July June May April March February January 2007 December November October September August July

Missouri Waltz Me and My Fiddle **Clear Water Stomp Hull's Victory Champion's Hornpipe** Father Kelly's **Rainbow Schottische Mexican Waltz** The Carpenter of Sollas Alex and Maureen's Two-Step **Granny Will Your Dog Bite? Red Wing**

Jimmy Brown Polka Huckleberry Rag Red River Valley Horse and Buggy **Knee Cracker Angeline the Baker Sleeping Giant Two Step** Kathlene **Put Your Little Foot Golden Fiddle Waltz** Turkey in the Straw Me and my Fiddle

June May

Ash Grove **Whiskey Before Breakfaste** Manitoba's Golden Boy **Red Haired Boy Texarkana Waltz Arkansas Traveler Kentucky Waltz Flop Eared Mule**

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The September 11 potluck and jam at Santa Clara was well attended by about 50 members and listeners. Guests from District 10, Hal and Sharon Thompson joined us. Sharon is OOTFA's new Secretary/Treasurer. Thanks to Darla Knudsen's publicity in the Register Guard, we had several new audience members. Also the Register Guard did a positive in-depth article about the District 6 chapter featuring several color photos of members and recognized the mentoring efforts of Ila Mae Carmickle. We have recruited several new members from the publicity in the paper.

Many thanks to new member Ann Lathrop for donating a 3/4 fiddle which will be loaned to beginning young students. Ann became a member after watching the fiddlers perform in Oakridge.

Gayle Clarity, Jesse & Darla Knudsen and Ken Luse visited possible fiddle camp areas this past week. There is a possibility District 6 will host a fiddle camp next summer.

The new publisher of the Hoedowner would like to have digital images of OOTFA events from all districts. These images may be used in future editions as space allows. They may be sent to eric@the-ink-well.com. Images should be noted as to time, place etc. The October 9th business meeting, jam and potluck will be held at the Central Grange on 87200 Central Road, Eugene 97403. The November Thanksgiving dinner, jam and potluck will be held Nov. 13th at Santa Clara Grange. To get to the grange drive .5 miles north from the Beltway on River Road toward Santa Clara. Turn east (right) just past the Chevron Station on Azalea Drive. 295 Azalea Dr. is a short block down on the left. The December dinner and jam will be held at the Lebanon Moose Lodge December 5th, with dinner provided by the Lodge.

Polish up your dancing shoes. The Spencer Creek Barn Dances start October16 at 7:00 p.m. The dances will be on the third Saturday of the month for six months through March. Alan Ede will be the caller; the music will be provided by Ila Mae's intermediate fiddle class. Spencer Creek Grange, 86013 Lorane Hwy, Eugene, 97405, is at the intersection of Lorane Hwy and McBeth Road.

October Birthdays: Wayne Carter 10/4, Lucille Childers 10/6, Ila Mae Carmickle 10/8, Jack Walker 10/9, Frieda Chandler 10/12 and Thelma Drayer 10/23.

October Anniversary: John and Thelma Steele 10/2.

Happy Fiddling, ~Lynne Baran, District 6 Reporter

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Octol	ber		
7-9	Log Jam	Manzanita	
17	Harding Grange	Estacada	
Nove	mber		
14	St. Helens Senior Center	St. Helens	
26	Tanner Adult Center	West Linn	

Special notice from Eileen Walter: Mark your calendars and join us for this very special event - Sunday, November 7, 2:00 to 4:00: YOUTH FIDDLERS HOUSE CONCERT at Myrtle Arnold's house: 2941 SE Lewellyn Avenue, Troutdale, Oregon 97060. Donations will be accepted and all proceeds will go to support the Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers District 7 Scholarship Fund. This is a worthy cause - the scholarship fund has assisted many young fiddlers through the years and some of them will be performing. Don't miss this great opportunity to hear some of Oregon's finest young fiddlers and give what you can to support to the scholarship fund. SEE YOU THERE!!

The LOG JAM IN MANZANITA is coming up, Thursday thru Saturday, October 7-9 in Manzanita on the Oregon Coast. The jam will start at noon on Thursday October 7 at 146 Merton. This is Linda Easley's big log house. We will play music and everyone adds food to share for the "Stone Soup." Friday we play and eat. With good weather we'll play on the new back porch. Friday night we can play at a local assisted living facility. On Saturday the 9th, we'll play at the Pine Grove Community House on Laneda Street from 1 to 3, for the community. Everyone is invited to join in all or part of the fun at the Log Jam!!! Sunday, Oct 17 the Harding Grange in Estacada has invited us to play for our monthly jam. The Grange is located out Springwater Road at 21552 South Fischers Mill Road. Doors open at 11 am with sign-up playing from 1 - 4 pm.

Sunday, Nov 14 our scheduled monthly jam is at the St. Helens Senior Center, 1070 Columbia Blvd, in St. Helens. The center has a church group occupying the space until 12:30 pm.

Friday, Nov 26 we are playing from 3:30 - 4:30 pm at the Tanner Adult Center, 23000 Horizon Drive, in West Linn, OR

~ Gail Foster, District 7 Reporter

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On the second Sunday this month the date will be 10-10-10.

Saw a nice interview with Ed Roberts (son of Curly and Allison) about the Extreme Makeover TV program. The state school for the deaf, where Ed works, was the lucky recipient of the makeover. The program will be aired on ABC-TV, but I don't know the date.

Are there enough superlatives to describe the annual Winchester Bay Campout? It was super fun! Thank you everyone in District 5! There was food including, but not limited to, cookies and coffee nonstop all weekend. The programs were excellent. We heard an amazing number of songs with states in the names Saturday night. One of the prize winners was the one about What did Delaware? by Ed Kelly, a new District 5 member. Hilarious rendition, thanks in large part to Linda Easley and a district 5 member who posed as ESL (English as a Second Language) students. What a lot of talent in our organization!

Those from District 8 attending were: Dale and Loita Colebank, Les and Peggy Tucker, Bob and Marie Bailey, Gayle Clarity, Ray Goeser and his parents Chris and Cyndi, and Lew and Alice Holt.

The annual outdoor program at the Benedictine Nursing Home in Mount Angel was well received. Lots of listeners on a lovely summer evening. Afterward most of us assembled at the Bavarian Haus restaurant for dinner and visiting.

A group played for Dale Emery's 94th birthday party. Thanks Dale, for wonderful food and a generous donation!

Our second gig for Saturday Market went well. Another nice sunny day and many listeners. We always get lots of compliments, which makes us happy!

Octob	ber	
9	Joint Jam with District 7	Pine Grove Community Building,
		Manzanita 1 p.m.
16	Meeting and Jam	McMinnville Senior Center
30	Gig	Methodist Church, Falls City
Nove	mber	
20	Gig	McMinnville Sr. Center, McMinnville
Decer	nber	
18	Gig	McMinnville Sr. Center McMinnville

Many players from District 7 and one from District 6 traveled to Salem to help us play at the Oregon State Fair. Since we played for six hours, we really appreciated all who came. Most had ample time to look around the fair. For the last day of August, it was downright cold and windy. Felt more like November. But we had fun as usual. Music warmed our hearts, if not our fingers and toes.

A small group played as a community service for the Buckaroo Ball in Salem. It's a fund raiser for youth activities. We entertained at the entrance as attendees were getting registered. Fun to see folks keeping time with the music or singing along.

Some of us will have been to Merrill for the campout and meeting.

Hope to see you at the Manzanita program on October 9th. The Pine Grove Community Building is on the main street through town. Jam will start at 1 pm. See District 7 news also.

We start our winter schedule of jams at the Senior Center in McMinnville on October 16th. There will be a short meeting to plan the Holiday Potluck Meal. Directions: 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. to 2250 N.E. McDaniel Lane. and the Senior Center is a couple of blocks on the left. (east side)

October 30th we'll play in Falls City at the historic United Methodist Church. There is a potluck at noon. You are invited to bring a dish to share.

Fall is almost here. Time for "Waltzing Through the Leaves".



~Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter

Winchester Bay Jam: Bob Hanson, Hal Weiner, Jerene Shaffer, Fred Grove, Bob Shaffar, Ed Rose, and John Renfro (back to camera).

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Sec./Treas./Membership: George Sahlberg 541-573-6517	10	Jam & Potluck	Burns Senior Center	1 p.m.
Reporter: Julia Millison, kb7sih_juju@yahoo.com	18	Gig	Ashley Manor	6:30 – 7:30 p.m.
	29		Portland Youth Philharmor	nic Dinner

Howdy,

District 9 has enjoyed a short summer and will be moving into fall whether we're ready or not. The Harney County Fair has now passed and the fiddlers performed a total of seven hours on three days. We also entered a float in the parade and took second place in our division. Thanks to Ruel Teague Motors for providing the wagon and truck to pull it, with Cliff Asmussen driving. Clyde Wensenk loaned us hay to sit on and Billie Lanier provided the corn stalks for decoration. We had a good crew to put the float together and a few musicians played their way through the parade route. Thanks to all the musicians who turned out to play at the fair.

Ruel and Margaret Teague are planning to be at Merrill as of this writing. Joan Suther and Janet Braymen trekked to Winchester Bay for the campout in August. Good times were had by all. Ruel and Margaret have also taken in several Blue Mountain Fiddler events this summer.

Julia Milleson continues to be missing in action as she recovers from her health issues. She hopes to return home to Burns in October. We all hope she is able to. Condolences go out to Dona Townsend who lost her brother to brain cancer in mid September.

District 10 =

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We only had about eight of us at the pot luck this time, but more people came in, so we had enough players. It was nice seeing John Tilley and Julie again.----Anyone that has a fiddle in the closet, dig it out and come to a jam. We need fiddle players, even if you're just learning, we'll help you out. ----- It was nice seeing and listening to Vern Ludwig too.

Delmar Beck had a stroke last week, but he's doing better now and will have his therapy in Eugene.----Chuck and Margie Hastey aren't doing very well, hope they're feeling better soon. We all love you. And, to anyone else out there under the weather, get well soon.

I don't have a list, but Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all that had them, and in the month of September. Delmar Beck's birthday was Friday, September 10. Friday nights continue to find the fiddlers holed up in somebody's house playing tunes and playing pinochle. If you are passing through our area, be sure to give a shout. Visitors are always welcome.

We now return to our regular schedule of playing on the second Sunday of the month at the Harney County Senior Center in Burns. The potluck begins at 1 and music goes from 2 to 4. October 10 and November 14 are dates to get on the calendar.

Special event for the month of October is playing for the Portland Youth Philharmonic during their evening meal on Friday Oct. 29. They will be giving a concert in Burns on Oct. 30 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Sagebrush Symphony organized by Mary Dodge. Mary later moved to Portland and started what became the Portland Youth Philharmonic Orchestra.

~Janet Braymen, reporter pro tem

October

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Meeting, Potluck & jam VFW Hall, Roseburg 1 - 4 p.m.

I know this is a little late, but Bruce Werlinger passed away August 16th, after a long bout with cancer (Shannon's Dad). Our condolences to the family.

We'll be having a MEETING at 11:am, potluck at noon, and jam 1-4, October 9th at the VFW hall, 1127 Walnut St. Roseburg. Sure would like to see you all there.

See ya next month!!

~Joyce Pickett District 10 Reporter



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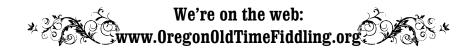
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It was great seeing all of you who attended the Merrill State meeting.