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From Your President

Thanks to Hal Weiner, his financial background and the finance committee appointees, I will be one of the guys that gets to hand out the money that the Keilhorn trust has graciously bestowed upon us. Ken Luse the new V.P. and a prominent member of the financial committee is familiar with the grant procedure and will help in assuring the district applications focused on the requirements set forth by the trust.

Ken was also the prime mover in the in the reformatting and change of vendor for the Hoedowner.

Hal and Ken are two examples of the many dedicated volunteers that bring order to what could be chaos as the membership shifts, the Hoedowner is delivered on time and the districts continue to perform and teach the next generation of expert fiddlers. Would we have a history without Lou Holt?

I am delighted to be able to serve with the guys and gals that keep it going.

Sharon Thompson our hard-working treasurer, has asked that I remind all districts that for insurance purposes she needs the district equipment inventories. Insurance will not cover districts that have the appearance of owning no equipment nor can we process equipment grant request without your inventory.

Enough for now.

~ Larry

From the Editor

Coming back from Burns, out in the middle of the very dry high desert, I came upon a surreal sight: a Department of Fish and Wildlife *boat* checkpoint. I stopped to inquire. It turns out the inspector was looking for a nasty invasive species, the Quagga mussel, on boats coming north out of California and west, out of Idaho. Boats moving east from western Oregon were not being checked because there is insufficient mineral content in the water for mussels to create shells, and they cannot survive. The mussels are small, reproduce rapidly and in large numbers, block water inlets and piping, threaten the survival of other species, and are a significant ecological threat.

Staria Sheppard, daughter of long-time OOTFA member Winston Graham, writes to say that a "surprise birthday party" is being planned for Winston, who is in his nineties, on August 11 at 1 p.m., probably in Harlan. The idea is to have a picnic and jam, with OOTFA members and friends welcome. Exact details, still being worked out, will be in the August Hoedowner.

The La Pine campout, scheduled for August in past years, is no more, alas.

Last month, if you recall, we printed a query from Ella Savery, District 5, wanting to know if anyone knew the name of the song with the words "Here I am, all broken-hearted, all because of you." Well, we have the answer, Ella, courtesy of Addison Talbot and Peggy Mulder: "Something in My Heart," by Ricky Skaggs.

~ Joe

From the Editor Emeritus =

I ran across this paragraph recently: Edna Yohey reflecting on the January, 1969 convention. She wrote: "If I remember right, it was held in the Moose Lodge in Corvallis. Harold Allen, a charter member, lived in Corvallis at the time and he and Bill made the arrangements. It had started to snow that evening, but we didn't expect it to amount to much. By the time we got out of the dance there were several inches of snow and it was coming down hard. A group of us had arranged to stay at the Allens and the next morning there were about 30 inches of snow on the ground. Lloyd and Wanda Wanzer had come over from Idaho and Don and Nellie Gish, who lived in Yakima, were there so we all ended up staying and extra day, waiting for the roads to be plowed. That was a record snowfall and hit all over the state. When it melted, there were quite a few floods. I think we changed the date after that."

(That same week end I went from North Bend to Portland to a meeting. Sunday I stopped in Eugene for another meeting. When I came out of the meeting, there were eight inches of snow and the freeway was closed. That night it snowed 36 inches. Luckily Alice's brother lived in Eugene so I had a place to stay. I didn't get back home to North Bend until Tuesday. Lew)

By the time you read this, history will have been made. Many of us will have had a great time in Burns. Alice and I went to our first contest in Burns in 1988. As we drove up and before we got out of the pickup, Ruel asked me to MC that evening - he was backing up contestants. And then the next morning he asked me again -- finished the contest. Next year he asked me months before. Alice and I have been to two contests, a street dance, two years in the theater and then many years at the fairgrounds. (Missed 1992 and 2007.)

Now on to Weiser - hope I see many of you there.

~ Lew

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July			
1	Meeting & Pot Luck		12:00 - 4:00 p.m.
3	Gig	Plum Ridge	10:30 - 11:30 a.m.
3	Gig	Crystal Terrace	12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
8	Senior Dance Music & F	inger food	12:00 - 4:00 p.m.
12	Jam	Senior Center	10:30 a.m12:30 p.m.
19	Gig	Shasta View Care Center	1:00 - 2:00 p.m.
19	Gig	Linkville House	2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
26	Gig	Senior Center	10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.
28	Gig	Farmer's Market	10 a.m1 p.m.
28	Gig	Keno Recreational Park	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

If you any questions regarding the schedule, call John Rogers or John Northcraft. Proceeds from the Keno Recreational Park gig go to the homeless program and to Meals on Wheels; for questions or directions contact Sheila Fry (541) 850-9062

This is the month our new officers are installed. Let's welcome and support all of them; we really appreciate all those who remain in their positions.

Due to health issues, Sherm Taylor will not be able to be our new reporter, so Patti and I will continue for now. Again we want to thank Irene Ruddock for the last two years, for all her hard work and dedication.

Faye and Isom Patterson's 73rd anniversary was well attended; several guests from out of town came to help with the celebration, Nice to see all of the McLains, also the Hagers from Grants Pass and Cherie Oliver from Montague, California. Faye and Isom want to thank everyone from our area for coming; also thanks for all the cards, notes and phone calls.



Autoharp Trio at the County Music Jamboree (I-r): Lynn Staub, Donna Townsend, Majorie Thelan. Backup: Loita Colebank and Dennis Anderson

I regret to report that Jim Lancaster passed away June 19. We extend our condolences to Jim's family and friends. Also our condolences to Johnny Rogers and all the family; John's mother passed away this past week.

Jake & I were able to go to the Country Music Jamboree; it was so much fun. Nice to see all our friends, also met several new people, and saw lots of new faces --- hopefully we will see them all again at Merrill.

Birthdays this month are John Northcraft, Fran Coker, Jim Lancaster, Les Tucker, June Sandusky, Loraine Degnan, & Ali Swartwood. We hope all of you have a happy one.

Anniversary for July is Lynn & Mike Foster.

Happiness never decreases by being shared.

~ Aline Swartwood, District 1 Reporter



On stage at Burns (I-r): Bob Hanson, Annie Carter, Ken Luse, Alice Holt, Darla Knudsen, Jesse Knudsen, Peggy Hudson.

District 1E =

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The McLain Family would like to thank everyone who had a part in the plague that was given to them. They were truly touched and surprised by the gift (speechless at the time). With teary eyes they say a heart-felt "thank you".

We have had several guests in the last month. Sharon and Larry Gallagher stopped by on the way home. Played a few tunes and had a bite to eat. . Also Joan Suther and Janet Brayman have been working over this way so we have had the pleasure of their company on Thursday Nights

The "Ham Jam " is on the seventh of July at the Lake County

District 3

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There were many dancers and three visitors to District 3 on the sunny Sunday June 10th jam held at the VFW Hall. We had three OOTFA visitors, starting with Fred Young from District 10, who took the stage with his delightful songs and fiddling. Also attending was banjo player Ernie Connelly from District 6. Ernie played several tunes and was much appreciated for filling in great banjo licks during the afternoon. We have a new member in District 3 with Julie Turner visiting and fiddling with us from District 5, and recently moving to La Pine. Welcome Julie!

District 3 held a short election of officers meeting on June 24th, Electing Roland White as the new chairman, Ron Odegard as vice chair, Vivian Tucker is continuing on with sec/treasurer duties, and Terri Tucker for membership. Other duties for the district include publicity by Don Hendrix and Roland White for reporting.

For all District 3 members, now is a good time to reflect back on the service of others in our district for the last two-three years. The officers who were our stewards during these years were Jack Kerr, Ron Odegard, Bob and Earlene Ervin. Give them a big



Patrick Allison, aged 12, plays a tune, backed up by Ruel Teague.

July

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Lake County Senior Center Ham Jam 1 p.m. 15 New Pine Creek Firemen's BBQ 1 - 4 p.m. Giq

Senior Center. We will start at one p.m. and eat around three p.m. Please remember that District 1-E will provide the entire meal. All you need to bring is your instruments and appetite.

We will be playing at the New Pine Creek Fireman's BBQ on July 15th, 1-4 p.m. It is at Goose Lake Park. If you decide to come over and help out, please dress for hot weather BUT bring a jacket with you too. Never know what it is going to be like.

Hope everyone is enjoying the summer. Be safe.

~ Mary Ann McLain, District 1E Reporter

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July			
8	Jam	VFW Hall, Redmond	1:00 - 3:30 p.m.
22	Jam	VFW Hall, Redmond	1:00 - 3:30 p.m.

Note: March to October there will be two jams per month on the second and fourth Sundays at Redmond VFW Hall, 1836 SW Veterans Way, Redmond.

THANK YOU when you see them again for all the service they have given.

Regarding the OOTFA sponsored Westfir Fiddle Camp and Workshop, to be held July 23-26, Fiddle Camp Music Coordinator Roland White reports: "The camp has nearly 60 fiddlers and pickers pre-registered, so don't hold back if you're thinking of going as some classes are nearing full enrollment." Visit www.fiddlecamp.org for info on the camp.

Several members of District 3 will be attending the Country Music Jamboree. They are Jack Kerr, Peggy Hudson, Carolyn Marstall, Hollis Real, Barbara Higgins, Mark Barringer Amy Stinard, Roland White and Laura White. Sorry if I missed anyone, please let me know. District 3 member Roland White is teaching a Celtic fiddle workshop on Friday at 9 a.m. covering the basics of Irish fiddle ornamentation.

Lastly we now have some OOTFA membership rosters for \$1.50 each; you can pick one up from Vivian or Terri Tucker at our next jam.

~ Roland White, District 3 Reporter



District 8's Marilyn Owen at Burns. Photo by Jim Keuther.

District 4

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Another lovely spring/summer day at Fruitdale Grange. We had a pretty good turnout as more folks kept coming in after we started. Lots of good music and dancing. Our next jam on July 7 is a "bring your own" picnic at Prospect Lions Park. Cold drinks will be provided.

We played at Hanley Farm for about 500 kids – 4th graders from all over the area. They joined in singing, doing the Virginia Reel, and many dances of their own. Everyone had a good time.

We had perfect weather playing for an outdoor barbecue for four foster care homes, and the residents and guests really enjoyed the music! The Meadows Activity Dinner at the Meadows Modular Home Park in Central Point had us playing to a full house of folks who asked for schedules to hear us again.

When Ron Bolstad and Judy M. played a lively version of "Old Joe Clark" for a group of kindergarteners, one cute little 5 yearold girl was heard to remark: "That's the BEST music I've ever heard in my WHOLE life!!"

The beginning fiddle class now has two adults and six youngsters who are starting to play tunes and smile at the same time! Several are using our loaner instruments; we really appreciate those who have donated them.

July 7

Picnic Prospect Lion Community Park 11:30 a.m.

August

No meeting or jam

September

1 Jam & Potluck Roxy Ann Grange

We welcome new members Kathleen and Gene Rahenkamp and daughter Breanna – Gene and Breanna are beginning fiddlers. Also new members Michelle Chen and Peter Yang and their two daughters Justine and Jade who are learning to play fiddle.

It's still not too late to apply for scholarships for the summer, especially with fiddle camps coming up soon.

Lots of playing this summer, and we need all the players we can get.

Coming up this month are the Jackson County Fair, July 18 and 20, and Central Point Park music festival, also on the 20th. They are two of our big donors, so we need to put on a good show.

The Wild Rogue Cowboy Gathering is June 30 in Williams. Britt Children's Festival wants us back on July 9 – strolling through the area. We need many players for these and all summer gigs. Check the calendar on the website or call a staff member. Y'all come!

Lots of stuff coming up – West Cascades Fiddle Camp, Diamond Lake campout, Winchester Bay campout –many opportunities to share music with all you folks from all over!

Did you hear about the mandolin player who bragged he could play 32nd notes? The rest of the group didn't believe him, so he proved it by playing one.

~ Judy McGarvey , District 4 Reporter

District 5 =

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You musicians will be busy this month with the performances listed above plus your preparations for your presentations at the Winchester Bay campout on August 16th --19th. The evening performances on Thursday, Friday, and Saturday will start at 6:00 p.m. The theme for the Saturday evening show will be farm and barn-yard animals. Maybe old Rover or red rooster will help you sing!

The kitchen crew will also be busy preparing a lasagna dinner for all state members and families at 5 p.m. on Thursday evening. District 5 members with last names beginning with letters A to M are asked to bring salads to accompany the lasagna and those from N to Z are asked to bring two dozen or more cookies, home-made or bakery, please. We need lots of cookies--and more cookies. Those fiddlers inhale them with their coffee!

We have two new members, Susan and Ken Joubert, from North Bend. He plays guitar; she had the opportunity to demonstrate her coffee-making skills at the first jam after they joined. Both did a great job and we are looking forward to seeing them often at our jams. We are sad to report that we are losing some members and will miss seeing them and hearing them play. Shannon

July 7	Picnic	Prospect Lion Community Park	11:30 a.m.
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Septe	ember Jam & Potluck	Roxy Ann Grange	11:30 a.m.
Turne	er has already mo	are moving to the Springfield ar oved to another state. Know the and wish you all the best.	ea and Julie at we will be

Guests at the May jam were Marlene and John Renfro from District 4 and Sharon and Hal Thompson from District 10 and their friend Karen and her husband, whose name I didn't get. Always enjoy your music, John and Hal, and Karen's performance was also very enjoyable.

Several of the District 5 musicians were gone to other events and weren't here for the monthly jam in June. Some attended the Country Music Jamboree in Burns and then went on to Weiser for the National Fiddle Contest. Not sure who went where but will try to list them next month.

Mapril and Grant Combs were vacationing in Maui and Ruth and Pat Weyer were attending the high school graduation of a grand daughter in Snohomish, WA. Wherever you were, hope you all had a good time.

Some mistakes are too much fun to make only once.

~ Mary A. Weist, District 5 Reporter

11:30 a.m.



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Yoshe Zohar

My name is Yoshe Zohar and I just turned 11. I started playing the fiddle last winter when Judy McGarvey started teaching a class after school once a week at Madrone Trail. I didn't really care if I played or not but Judy kept teaching a few of us after school ended and I started learning a lot of songs. I didn't really want to go to the jams, but after a while they became fun because everyone there is so friendly. Grace Anderson and I are the only two from that group that are still regularly going to the weekly jams.

My dad and I went to the West Cascades Fiddle Camp last summer and it should be even more fun this summer. We also went to the OOTFA state convention where we met a lot of great people that encourage me to keep playing and learning the old time fiddle tunes.

Grace and I competed in the Oregon State Fiddle Contest and our teacher from Medford came to watch us, which was really special. My mom said, "that's a lot of fiddling" about the contest. I am looking forward to going to Weiser this June and competing in the National Fiddle Contest. It will be so fun to be on stage with Judy and everyone representing Oregon Fiddlers. This is a picture of me when I was "Pecos Bill" in our 5th grade class play. I got to lead my class fiddling Red River Valley for our encore. I also started playing the mandolin this year. I like learning the fingering on the mandolin first, plus it's quieter when I'm playing in the family room. My sister laughs when I learn songs on the mandolin way faster than my dad. I also love to draw, play baseball, and play with our three dogs.

Junior Hoedowner

Fiddle Tips by Eileen Walter - Slides - Part 1

Slides are an integral part of playing the fiddle. Slides can embellish notes, they can be a necessary part of a tune, and they are used to make proper intonation easier to attain.

A fiddler must learn to keep a light touch with the left hand, as a tight grip will make it more difficult to slide a finger. If you feel that you're gripping the fingerboard too tightly, experiment with how little pressure you can exert and still get the proper sound – you may be surprised!

Slides can be long or short, depending on the style or the tune. One can slide into a note from a lower pitch, one can slide into a note from a higher pitch (although this is not common), and one can slide out of a note (usually to a lower pitch). One can slide into and out of the same note – I call this "bending" the note. I use at least small slides in every tune I play. I make use of longer slides in many rags – (such as Texas Crapshooter Rag, Rat Cheese Rag, Maynard's Rag, Beaumont Rag, and Lone Star Rag). Many tunes incorporate a slide along with a shift to a higher position. Many waltzes - (such as Morning Star Waltz, Kelly's Waltz, and Wednesday Night Waltz) have slides along with double stops. Occasionally after playing a single note, another note is added to form a double stop. The double stop has a better chance of sounding in tune if the fiddler begins the added note slightly flat and moves it up until it sounds in tune with the existing note. This may require moving other fingers out of the way.

Practice sliding into notes while playing scales. Of course, this will require moving fingers out of the way. There is much to say about slides, and I've run out of room for this column, so I'll continue in my next column. I hope everyone has a great summer filled with music.

Tune of the Month – Using Slides: The Rat Cheese Rag

Eileen Walter sent along this improbably named tune, about which she says, "....it does have slides in the last line. It slides up to third position in the first measure of the last line and slides back down to first position at the end of the second measure."



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Our June 9th jam, meeting and potluck was the final meeting for Ken Luse as District 6 chair. He passed the gavel on to the newly elected chair, Wayne Carter, who will take over on July 1. Ken presented 15 end-of-his-term "Hershey Kiss Awards" to those who made a difference to the district during his two years in office. As it was also his 70th birthday month, he was surprised with cake and ice cream at the potluck. The afternoon was full of GREAT music. The next jam and potluck will be held on Saturday, August 11 from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m..

FIDDLE CAMP IS FINALLY HERE...July 23-26!!!! We learned at the OOTFA quarterly state meeting in Burns that we have received a Keilhorn Grant allowing us to provide full tuition Youth Scholarships this year for ages 6-17!! Contact our camp registrar Darla Knudsen at jkdkjc@q.com or 541-998-2064 NOW for more information. At the Hoedowner deadline, we still had space available. Tuition (includes class and workshop) for the four day camp is \$70 for youth (6-17) and \$80 for adults (18 and older). On-time registration ended on June 30, but you can still register. Add \$20 to the tuition to cover the late fee. The workshop fee is \$20 each if you are not taking a class. Again, contact camp registrar Darla Knudsen for more information and space availability, or check the website at www.fiddlecamp.org. If you still can't find the information you need, contact the camp committee chair, Patti Luse, at pattiluse@comcast.net or 541-915-3231.

We have been asked to perform at Oakridge's Old Time Radio Show on Friday, July 6th and Saturday, July 7th from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. at Green Water Park which is on the eastern side of Oakridge. If you can join the district on stage, please contact Bob Strelow at Fiddleinest48@earthlink.net or call him in



Pete Peterson and Jake Swartwood working on a number at the Country Music Jamboree.

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6	Jam	Eugene Hotel Lounge	7:00-10:00 p.m.
13	Jam	Crow Grange	7:00-10:00 p.m.
23-26	Fiddle Camp	Westridge Middle School, We	estfir
27	Jam	Santa Clara Grange	7:00-10:00 p.m.
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3	Jam	Eugene Hotel Lounge	7:00-10:00 p.m.
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3	Jam		7:00-10:00 p.m.
	Jam	Eugene Hotel Lounge	7:00-10:00 p.m.

Oakridge at 541-782-1025. We need musicians to play and help show the Oakridge Community how appreciative we are for their support of our Fiddle Camp. This is a fund raising event for the fiddle camp. Please remember that the fiddle camp is a District 6 commitment and needs the support of EVERYONE!

There will be no fiddle classes in July due to vacations and the fiddle camp. The next basic fiddle class will be held on Monday, August 27 at Bethesda Lutheran Church from 1 - 4:30 p.m. The intermediate fiddle class will resume again in September. Contact Darla Knudsen (jkdkjc@q.com or 541-998-2064) for more information.

The new District 6 "Hoedowner reporter" is Gary Davis, gary. davis1214@gmail.com. Remember that we are ALL reporters for this newsletter. Members submitting articles or photographs for the District 6 portion of the August newsletter should direct them to Gary by July 10th. If you don't have email, call Gary at 541-942-8329 with submissions. Thank you so much, Gary!!!

Jam and meeting venues: Crow Grange - 85994 Territorial Hwy, Eugene (in Crow); Eugene Hotel - 224 E. Broadway, Eugene; and Santa Clara Grange – 295 Azalea, Eugene;

July birthdays: Lynne Baran on 7-3; Emily Moyle on 7-11; Amy Burrow on 7-14; Sal Fiducia on 7-26; Esther Shriber on 7-28; and Jerry Parks on 7-31.

July anniversaries: Bernie & Marie Roberts on 7-18; Mark & Ila Mae Carmickle on 7-29; and Alberta & Bill Gilbert on 7-29.

~ Patti Luse, Retiring District 6 Reporter



District 3 in Action: Fred Young performs with District 3 Member Jack Kerr and District 6 Member Ernie Connelly, Banio.

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Starting July 1, the new District 7 officers are: Jim Kuether, chairman, Donna Foreman, vice chairman, and Ron Zabutsky will stay on as secretary/treasurer and event coordinator. Myrtle Arnold will continue as membership. I am stepping down as Hoedowner reporter; Marcella Easley will be taking over. She can be reached at easley@ccwebster.net. Any news for the Hoedowner should now go to her before the 14th of the month preceding publication.

The news from Burns from Jim, our new chairman, is that it was well attended and the mosquitoes weren't as bad this year! There were workshops and venues of all kinds to keep players and listeners busy and enjoying the weekend. District 7 members are now anxiously looking forward to the Weiser fiddle contest. I'm sure we'll hear more about their adventures in the next Hoedowner.

Sunday, July 15th, we have a repeat performance this year at the Sandy Mountain Festival, in Meining Park, in Sandy: 17998 Meining Ave. The park is located at the corner of Hwy 211 and Hwy 26. We play on "The Birdcage" Stage from 3:00 to 4:30 p.m.

The family of Penny Mead, would like to invite her friends to a SURPRISE birthday celebration on Saturday, July 21st at the Fraternal Order of Eagles Arie #2151, 117 NE Roberts Ave. in Gresham. The potluck celebration will be open 1 - 5 p.m. so stop by and wish her Happy 89th Birthday, maybe play some tunes, and have some fun! Please RSVP by July 16: Maile (Mylee) - Granddaughter 503-679-3446 or email MAILE00@aol. com (zero, zero for email address)

July Gig 15 Sandy Mountain Festival, Sandy 3:00 - 4:30 p.m. 21 Penny Mead Birthday, Gresham Jam 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Regency Park, Portland 27 Giq 2:00 - 3:00 p.m. August 1 1

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11	Jam	Bawb Birthday Bash, Sandy	12:00 p.m.
15	Gig	Clackamas County Fair, Canby	TBA
31	Gig	Tanner Adult Center, West Linn	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Friday, July 27, we play at Regency Park Assisted Living Center, 8300 SW Barnes Road, Portland, up the hill east from Providence Hospital. Playing time is 2 - 3 p.m. Let's show them a good time!

Saturday, August 11th is the 13th Annual Bawb Bash. It's Bob Huffman's birthday! This potluck party to be held at Andy and Terry Jorgensen's farm near Sandy, OR at 50995 SE Baty Road. Festivities start a noon. Bring food, your instrument and a chair. Directions: If you are heading out from Portland, go east on Hwy 84 and follow the signs to Mt. Hood. This will get you on Hwy 26. Travel east on Hwy 26 (past mile marker 30) and turn left on Cherryville Drive. Go 1 mile and turn left on Baty Road. Travel one mile to their driveway. Contacts #: 503-668-3917 Home; 503-702-0460 Cell; Email: terryjorgensen112852@gmail.com

Wednesday, August 15 it's a fun day at the Clackamas County Fair, 694 NE 4th Ave., in Canby. This is our annual performance on Senior Day at the fair. This event has always been a success so come and enjoy the fiddling. As we get closer to the event, Ron will let you know about tickets for entrance and parking.

Friday, August 31 we are jamming from 3:30 - 4:30 pm at the Tanner Adult Center, 23000 Horizon Drive, in West Linn.

Jeanine Orme, a District 7 member, is offering summer fiddle camps at her studio in Beaverton. The July workshop will emphasize old-time, contest style, swing and twin fiddle. The August workshop covers Irish, Scottish, French Canadian and Cajun. For more information go to www.fiddlinworkshop.com.

~ Gail Foster, departing District 7 Reporter

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Thank you to new and returning district officers. Linda Schaffer is our chairman and Phil Ringle co-chairman. Secretary Marie Cunningham and Treasurer Wally Case will continue their respective duties. We all appreciate their willingness to serve!

Loita and Dale Colebank hosted the annual District 8 picnic. on June 2nd. The weather co-operated with some nice sunshine after a few days of rain. As usual, the potluck food was tasty. And of course jamming in the big barn was fun. Loita's pretty black chickens even ventured in to listen. Or maybe they were just looking for crumbs.

July No jams pl	nned	
August 3 G 8 G 9 G 22 G	g Annual concert, Mount Angel g Polk Co. Fair - Rickreall	

The district will have played for the annual Strawberry Social at the Aurora Historical Museum on June 24th while some of us are on our way home from Weiser. This is always lots of fun, with a good audience. We always enjoy the strawberry shortcake, biscuit or cake, your choice. Can't beat fresh Oregon-grown strawberries!

We have no jams or gigs planned for July. Some will be attending the fiddle camp at Westfir.

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We'll be playing at 6 p.m. in the park in Aumsville on Friday evening, August 3rd. Free hot dogs for everyone. Our annual outdoor concert in Mount Angel is August 8th. Senior Day at the Polk County Fair is August 9th. We play from 11 a.m. -12:30 p.m.

Lori Stiner had surgery recently. She is Mom to two of our young fiddlers, Bryan and Nathan, and daughter of Wally and Betty

Case. We all wish her well for a speedy recovery.

Some of our members will be at the Country Music Jamboree in Burns, and then traveling on to Weiser. More on these next month.

~ Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter

District 9	
Chair: Janet Braymen, 541-573-1323 Vice Chair: Darlene Wingfield, 541-589-1208 Sec./Treas./Membership: George Sahlberg, 541-573-6517 788 North Buena Vista, Burns, OR 97720	
 We're here at the Country Music Jamboree in Burns having a great time with lots of visiting, jamming, eating and enjoying all the activity. We're missing those who couldn't make it and praying for those who are ill. Cherry City Sound with Phil Drain as sound engineer did a great job this year and was well received by the musicians and audience. Former District 9 members back for a visit included Julia Milleson, Hugh Galliher, Jim and Kandi Sahlberg and Donna and Dennis Townsend. Donna brought a number of water color paintings of fiddlers she's painted over the last year and Dennis brought a multitude of instruments to play. He also hosted the "unique instrument" workshop. The family of District 6 fiddler Connie King Hill was in attendance and invited the fiddlers to visit the Burns cemetery to play a few tunes at Connie's final resting place. Thanks go to Lew and Alice Holt, Ruel and Margaret Teague, Mary Ausmus, Joan Suther and 	 Janet Braymen for taking the time to honor a very fine lady. The Jamboree was well attended and thanks go out to all the OOTFA members who come and make it such a wonderful event. Fifty-five campsites were filled and over 200 folks signed the guest book. There were people from Oregon, California, Washington, South Dakota, Alaska, Wisconsin, Arizona, Idaho, Montana, Texas, Indiana and Brazil in attendance. Congratulations to the raffle winners, Tom Abernathy- fiddle, Wayne Johnson – Diamond Hotel Package, and Jim Kuether – quilted music bag donated by Art Bigelow. Another shout of thanks goes out to the folks who helped with the cleanup of the grounds. Thankfully everyone does their part, so the work goes quickly. Two new members were signed up at the jamboree for District 9: Bobbie Rozeboom and Diane Chase. Welcome. ~ Darlene Wingfield/ Janet Braymen, District 9 Reporters
District 10 Chairperson: Don Hamlin, 541-673-5689 Vice Chair: Carol Ridley, 541-680-2881 Secretary: Clair Eaton, 541-784-3974 Treasurer: Gwyn Deaton, 541-839-4501 Membership: Jo Barnes, 255 Raintree Ave., Sutherlin OR 97479 541-459-4522 Reporter: Joyce Pickett, 541-643-2995, fiddlerjoyce@hotmail.com	July 28 Jam & Potluck VFW Hall, Roseburg 1:00-4:00 p.m.
Well, we had another good jam, and lots of good music and visiting. And dancing. Pat and Ruth Weyer from district 5 was there, nice to see them. We all had a good time. Chuck and Margie Hastey moved into their new home at	Our next Jam will be July 28th, the fourth Saturday. June was the only one for the fifth SatAt the VFW hall, 1127 Walnut St., Roseburg, from 1 to 4 pm. We'll have finger foods during the day. Hope to see ya'll there with your instruments to play, and to listen to the good music.

Callahan Village Retirement Center. Quite a change, but they seem happy.---- Ann Cooper moved to Oakpark Retirement Center, she's the one that always likes to dance.

All those under the weather, hope you're mending well.---And, Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all that had them, I don't have a list.

~ Joyce Pickett, District 10 Reporter



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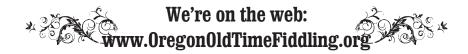
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August 2-5	Diamond Lake Campout	Diamond Lake
August 4	Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest	Corvallis
August 16-18	Winchester Bay Campout	Winchester Bay
September13-15	State Quarterly Meeting and Jam	Merrill

New Members to Welcome!

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- Mark Ratzlaff, OOTFA State Membership