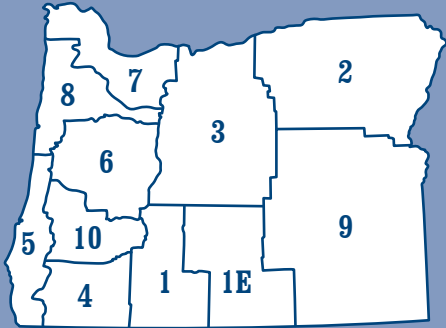


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From Your President

Diamond Lake was too good, if that is possible. We will all miss this annual highlight in our schedule. For Jerry and Irene, well done is inadequate. For them I'm sure the oft quoted "parting is such sweet sorrow" applies. Thank you both for your years of work. The rest of the family helpers are very much a part of our thanks also. The sound set-up was exceptional.

Merrill starts on September 13. Be sure to reserve dinner tickets and bring something nice for the auction. If not, bring your smile. We hope some of our California friends will be there. Check the Hoedowner for schedules and dinner cost.

We're headed for Winchester Bay. We will tell you all about it next month.

~ Larry

From the Editor

July was the month of the West Cascades Fiddle Camp, now in its second year. It was a considerable success; the committee is already hard at work on year three. I participated in Judy McGarvey's intermediate fiddle class, where, among other things, I learned "Step Around Johnny," the Tune of the Month. What was Johnny stepping around, I wonder?

Another really snappy tune learned from Judy was "Peach Blossom," which Judy got from Guy Kinman. We really got going on that one; so much so that people hearing it through the wall one room up wanted to play along.

As I write this, I am getting ready (along with most of District 6, it seems), to head off for the Winchester Bay Jam, put on every year by District 5. It is getting to be quite the event.

~ Joe



From the Editor Emeritus

Recently I sent out an "Update" saying that several fiddles had been stolen. I received this letter from Nancy Rohn. I think it is worth sharing with you.

Hi Lew,
It's a good time to nudge folks into photographing their instruments - front, back, sides and a description of them and the cases and bows. I helped to recover an expensive violin and bow last year through the sheriff's department just by showing them where the bows are usually stamped and where to look for any labels. David Kerr in Portland or Paul Schuback could accurately ID and write up insurance appraisals for people. There are more people that can be sought out to

appraise guitars and mandolins. Your insurance appraisal should be up-dated every other year along with your regular home owner's policy for your house and other possessions. Videos help and if you keep a spare in a bank safety deposit box or send a copy to a relative or friend then you know where the spare is. We all get a little lax about these things until a incident happens. Nancy

. and, I received this letter regarding the fiddles that were stolen: They have been recovered !!!!!

Hope I saw you at Winchester Bay.

~ Lew

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September

1	Gig	Farmer's Market	10 a.m. - 1:15 p.m.
2	Meeting/Potluck/Jam	Shasta View	2 - 4 p.m.
7	Gig, Stage 3	Tule Lake Fair	6 p.m.
8	Gig, Stage 3	Tulelake Fair	3:45 - 4:45 & 6:30 p.m.
9	Senior Dance, Cancelled		
11-16	State Quarterly Meeting Merrill		
25	Jam	Senior Center	10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

All nursing homes and practice are cancelled until October.

We heard Diamond Lake was well attended, although there were more mosquitoes than musical folks. Several of us from Klamath were unable to attend due to health issues or other obligations. Irene, Jerry & family were given a small tribute for all the work they have done for many years. As usual, good food & excellent music. It was good to see Lola Williams and of course all the other folks that were able to attend. Irene & Jerry want to thank everyone for all the support throughout the years.

There were two camp chairs with wings left at Diamond Lake, also a red plaid thermos bottle. Call Irene (541) 882-6418 if you know whom they belong to.

We had several guests play with us at the Farmers Market & The Riverfest at Keno Recreation Park: John Renfro & his son Curt from Eagle Point, Lee Cushman from Trail, and Naomi & Pat from Medford. Naomi & Pat are wonderful gospel singers. The music was great and a big thanks to all of you.

Information for Merrill: there are some changes. We will have Yummies catering breakfast, it will be excellent food & plenty to eat for \$7.00. Breakfast will be served Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. The Saturday night banquet will be \$12.50. For tickets and information call Sheila Fry (541) 850-9062. We are asking

each district to bring a flower arrangement for the banquet tables, which will be raffled off. Also a nice raffle item & cookie donation would be greatly appreciated from all districts.

RV parking will be \$10.00, if you hook up to electricity. No charge for dry camping, donations appreciated. Also there are the Merrill Mobile Manor and R.V. Park (541) 798-1654, and the Wild Goose Lodge (541) 798-5826. Last but not least, we want everyone to come & have a good time, enjoying friends & playing lots of music.

Happy Birthday this month to Patti Northcraft, Mike Foster, Dean Oliver, Sherman Taylor, and Bill Selles

I did not have any anniversaries on my list for September. Hopefully I did not miss any birthdays or anniversaries. If so please let Patti or me know. Also Cheri Lane is our sunshine person for sending cards. If you know someone who needs a card for any reason please call Cheri, (541) 882-1595.

If you don't get it when you need it, do not worry you will still need it when you get it.

~ Aline Swartwood, District 1 Reporter

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Mosquito Festival in Paisley as always was a hot event. And a great big THANKS to Jack Kerr and Peggy Hudson for helping us out. You don't know how much that means to us. We are such a small group that we are grateful for any help we get. And you two are the best!!

At the McLain Family Reunion in LaPine some of our fiddler family showed up too. It was great to see Carolyn Marstall. Tommy and Vivian Tucker were there also as were Hollis Real and Judy Walter. Thanks for joining us. The more the merrier is how we all feel. The whole McLain clan enjoyed having them there.

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We will be playing Labor Day weekend at the fairgrounds. Sept 1st 12 - 4 p.m. and Sept 2nd 12-2 p.m. We will be by the rodeo entrance gates under the big tree. If you don't have anything to do come on over. Our fair starts on Thursday Aug 30th and runs through Monday Sept 3rd

We will also play for Cycle Oregon on Sept. 9 at two different times and two different locations. Please call Larry or Terry for more information if you want to join us.

Well summer is about over. Hope everyone had a good one. See you in Merrill, if not before.

~ Mary Ann McLain, District 1E Reporter

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September

9	Jam	VFW Hall, Redmond	1-3:30 p.m.
23	Jam	VFW Hall, Redmond	1-3:30 p.m.

October

14	Jam	VFW Hall, Redmond	1-3:30 p.m.
23	Jam	VFW Hall, Redmond	1-3:30 p.m.

Note: From March to October there are two jams per month on the second and fourth Sundays at the Redmond VFW Hall, 186 SW Veterans Way, Redmond.

The August 12th Jam was well attended by the public and our local District 3 musicians for a fun afternoon of music on a very warm central Oregon day.

District 3 welcomes Albert and Nancy Roberts to our district, having moved to Bend from the valley. We were also visited by Mark and Ila Mae Carmickle from District 6 and Brefinni Whelan and Margaret Keene from District 4.

Ila Mae joined in the jam entertaining the audience with her fine fiddling and backing up other musicians throughout the afternoon. Brefinni and Margaret sang some songs and also played along with the District 3 musicians.

All District 3 members wish Jack Kerr a Happy August 21st Birthday, as well as Tommy Tucker for his upcoming September 29th Birthday.

Jack Kerr reports that Don Hanna has recovered his two fiddles which were stolen earlier this summer; that is good news.

Upcoming OOTFA activities are scheduled for this month. August 16-18 at Winchester Bay. The State Quarterly meeting at Merrill is scheduled for September 13,14 & 15th. Tommy and Vivian Tucker would like to welcome any members who are not going to Merrill to join them at the Haystack Reservoir Campout September 13, 14 & 15th.

Several District 3 members attended the WCFCW Fiddle Camp held near Oak Ridge this past July. Those attending were Julie Turner, Amy Stinnard, Mark Barringer and Roland White who served as Musical Director/Coordinator for this year's camp.

There was a short meeting held after the jam. The sound committee encourages all members who like to perform to arrive early enough to get a sound check with the new PA system. Sound committee members are purchasing a powered monitor to complete the system and are still experimenting with the best mic set up for the performers and the audience.

The August 28th jam will mark the beginning of some new activities on jam day. There will be a once a month jam for non-performing fiddlers and musicians, held in the auxiliary room at the VFW Hall from 1-3 p.m. This is an informal jam for fiddlers, pickers and singers to share music and new tunes with other members without the pressure of performing on stage. This will begin at the August 26th jam.

Chairman Roland White invites our local junior and adult fiddlers to perform at our monthly jams from 12-1 p.m. The regular program will continue to be from 1 to 3:30 p.m. for our members who like to sing and play for the dancers and locals who come to listen.

Send all your District 3 family, birthday or other news items to Roland White at: roland@fiddlplay.com

~ Roland White, District 3 Reporter



Ila Mae Carmickle and Brefinni Whelan perform with Carolyn Marstall at a District 3 Jam.

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Hope you all have been weathering the summer heat. Even with no monthly jam in August, we have been keeping our fingers nimble playing and trying to keep cool.

About 15 of us played to a enthusiastic Jackson County Fair crowd on two days, followed by the Central Point Music Festival on that Friday evening. The weather was reasonably warm for both outdoor venues with good attendance.

Gene Williams is at Eagle Cove Assisted Living Facility in Eagle Point. It was good to see Lola at Prospect and Diamond Lake. She says Gene welcomes visitors. We will be playing there this month for their ice cream social.

The "second annual" WFCFW fiddle camp was a huge success. We had at least twelve attending from our district – many of them kids. Kudos to District 6 for their great organization which made camp an exciting learning experience, as well a great opportunity for all ages to socialize with music! Even the weather cooperated! -- wish we could have said the same for the showers!

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It's September already and time to get back to the regular schedule of playing at the retirement facilities and nursing homes. It is expected that there will be some changes in venues but, as I write this, the details have not been finalized. Performances will continue to take place on the first four Wednesdays of each month and when all plans are complete those of you who are involved will be notified about place and time.

We will not be having our regular jam in Winchester Bay this month because of the half-year general meeting for all OOTFA members at Merrill, on September 15, which is the same day on which our jam would occur and the rules say that's not allowed. See you all at the October jam!

Those playing at the gigs at the state parks and campgrounds during the summer report that they had a very good summer with large turn-outs for their performances, warm weather at the beach, lots of young people becoming involved in John's songs for kids and everyone seeming to be enjoying the programs and having a good time. Some planned to be back next year and were hoping they would be able to hear our fiddlers again. There is one more gig at Bullard's State Park the last Saturday of August and that will be the finish of the summer programs.

Here we are at the finish of another very enjoyable Winchester Bay Campout. While the attendance was down a bit from last

September

1 Jam and Potluck Roxy Ann Grange 11:30 a.m.

October

6 Jam Eagle Point Grange 11:30 a.m.

Avi Zohar (who usually plays mandolin or guitar) fell in love with bass playing under Ken Luse's excellent tutelage at camp. He says his wife will divorce him if he gets himself a bass – 'cuz the only place they would have to store it is in his bed next to her! (At least it wouldn't snore!) We know from a little mouse that he discovered one will fit in his Prius.

Jerry and Irene Ruddock hosted another wonderful Diamond Lake weekend. As usual the food was superb, the music even better, and the weather just right. Many thanks Irene and Jerry for you and your family's special talents!

By the time this hits the news, Winchester Bay campout will be just a happy memory. We're looking forward to a great weekend on the cool coast!

Out of the mouths of babes: The best place to be when you're sad is Grandma's lap.

~ Judy McGarvey , District 4 Reporter

year there was still a good crowd with a full house both Friday and Saturday evenings with 37 performers signed up on the board Thursday evening, 47 Friday evening and 40 on Saturday evening. The kitchen crew, headed by chairlady, Ruth Weyer, served a very tasty lasagna dinner to all OOTFA members and families on Thursday evening and there were cookies and other goodies, along with coffee, available for all every day

Adding to the enjoyment of everyone was the awarding of recycled trophies for such things as who came from farthest away, who came shortest distance, youngest fiddle and guitar players, oldest performer, oldest couple and several other categories. Some of the songs presented following the theme, farm animals, included "Milk Cow Blues", "Cattle Call", "Bessie The Heifer", "Barnyard Hit Parade", "The Brahma Bull", "Bullfrog Blues", "Old Gray Mare" and many others. Awarded beautiful hand-crafted wooden cutting boards, made and donated by Pat Weyer, were Bob Shaffar for best instrumental following the theme, Kurt Renfro for best vocal following the theme, Judy McGarvey for best costume and Cathy Frutchey for funniest. A special award was presented to John MacRae, District 5, for all his contributions to OOTFA, including his work with the young people and getting them all involved at the summer-time gigs at the parks and campgrounds.

Our thanks to everyone who helped to make our campout the great event that it is every year. We appreciate the participation of all of you and hope to see you all again next year. Bring your friends along, too. And thanks to our editor for allowing extra time to get this report from the campout included in this month's "Hoedowner".

~ Mary A. Weist, District 5 Reporter

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District 6's Jerry Parks accompanies Grace Anderson (r) and Victoria Clute (l) at the fiddle camp.

Looking Back

Looking back to the first issue of the Junior Hoedowner, May 2007, Vol 1 Nr 1 there have been many articles for the "Junior Hoedowners." Early ones dealt with information about how to play the fiddle, contests, etc. Recently there have been many editions that tell about our young fiddlers -- our junior hoedowners. "Young fiddlers" don't always stay young -- they grow older, they become better fiddlers, they develop new interests. Many paths are before the young fiddlers. For some it will be college, others it will be, perhaps, marriage and a family, others it will be work, some may be in the service. Someday what was once the young fiddler, will look back on his or life and not be that "young fiddler" any more -- not by age anyway. Although fiddling has a way of keeping us young. Many names crop out reminding us that they were "young fiddlers" one time -- we saw Laura Webber Cash at Weiser this year. Laura was a champion Oregon fiddler. She now lives in Nashville and is married to Johnny Cash's son. Rudi Booher still plays the fiddle and is teaching his young family to play and

enjoy fiddling. Young champion fiddlers Tatiana Hargreaves and Alex Hargreaves are very, very active musicians. Hanneke Cassel travels the world playing her fiddle. Joey McKenzie is very involved with fiddling in Texas. Casey Willis had a fling with fiddling in Nashville. Amberly and Ariana Rosen are receiving more training in music -- to continue the music they enjoy. We can only speculate where fiddling will take Tabitha Gholi and the Saito-Beckman sisters -- girls with so much talent. Robbie Griswold has gone to college in Washington so we don't see him. He has great memories of his fiddling and will no doubt be in the "fiddling world" again one of these days. Where will fiddling take Tenaya Cooley and the young fiddlers in Judy's class? Only time will tell. Space does not allow the listing of all your names. A book could be written about our "junior fiddlers" just as a book could be written about our senior fiddlers. OK, junior fiddlers, where will fiddling take you? Fiddling can shape your life, bringing you many happy opportunities and pleasurable experiences. We wish all of you the best.

Fiddle Tips by Eileen Walter – Increasing and Decreasing Volume

In my last two columns I talked about slides. In this column I'll talk about using the bow to increase or decrease volume. This is sometimes done in connection with a slide into a note. It can be effective to have the sound grow in volume as the slide gets closer to the note.

Since the left hand is of no help in increasing volume, it must be done with the bow arm (I've often thought it would be nice if a little more left hand finger pressure would make a note louder!) You can put a little more weight on the bow to increase volume, but what you can do is limited in this regard, as too much weight will result in that "scrunchy" sound that we're all familiar with (probably more familiar than we'd like to be!)

What can most effectively increase volume is moving the bow faster. If you want a note to gradually get louder, then you gradually increase the bow speed. You can also add a little bow arm weight at the same time. Gradually slowing down the bow will decrease the volume. I don't find myself decreasing the volume very often; maybe once in awhile to fade out at the end of a tune.

In general, if you use more of the bow (but play at the same speed), your bow will be moving faster and you will have a louder sound. If you haven't already done this, I encourage you to experiment with it. Also practice gradually speeding up the bow. This technique is also used in conjunction with speeding up vibrato, but that's for another column.

Tune of the Month – Step Around Johnny

2012 Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest Results

Novice

Eleanor Doggett, Beaverton OR
Lucy Doggett, Beaverton OR
Nate Rice, Portland OR

Pee Wee

Luke Allison, Bend OR
Lillian Cheng, Corvallis OR
Kelsey Smith, Portland OR
Maia Clemons, Portland OR
Aurora Bitans, Portland OR

Junior-Junior

Randy Zhang, Portland OR
Lauren Allison, Bend OR
Tenaya Cooley, Eugene OR
Trevor Allison, Bend OR
Maya Greyanus, Corvallis OR

Junior

Heather Kobilan, Washougal WA
Renee Zhang, Portland OR
Hannah Allison, Bend OR
Jessica Kobilan, Washougal WA

Adult

Cynthia Hamm, Vancouver WA
Grace Kobilan, Washougal WA
Christy Tanner, Lebanon OR
Rita Stacy, Portland OR

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Fiddle Classes: Basic Class....Sept. 24th and Oct. 29th. They are at the Bethesda Lutheran Church, from 1-4:30 p.m. The Intermediate classes are ... Sept. 22nd and Oct. 27th at the River Road Annex, from 1-4 p.m. For information, contact Darla Knudsen (jdkkjc@q.com or 541-998-2064.)

The West Cascades Fiddle Camp and Workshops was a HUGE success. There were 113 registered to attend the classes and workshops at Westridge Middle School near Oakridge with many additional people who visited and/or stayed on the site. It was a sunny and bright week full of music and fun. Our ten classes covered five levels of fiddle, two of guitar and one each of mandolin, ukelele, banjo and bass. We had a great representation from nearly all districts in the state plus 11 from out of state. Over 16 percent of those attending were youth (6-17). We thank OOTFA's Kielhorn Grant for making it possible to provide scholarships for 19 young people.

The WCFCW 2012 Committee is reading the camp evaluations and will make recommendations to the 2013 committee by mid September. We thank everyone who helped make this camp happen...from the sponsors to the hard-working, dedicated committee of Darla and Jesse Knudsen, Annie and Wayne Carter, Bob Strelow, Jerry and Linda Parks, Jen Klingensmith, Roland White and Ken and Patti Luse.

The hobo camp area was a leisurely meeting place for lunch and relaxation at the music camp. Tents sprouted up, while overhead canopies and portable tables bulged with bowls chips and cherries. The lunches were as varied as a hobo's stew: hotdogs, olive leaf spring rolls, pork steak, and sardines on toast.

Jesse and Darla Knudsen went to the Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest, held August 4 at the Benton County Fairgrounds in Corvallis, to help register contestants. 43 contestants competed on one of the hottest days of the year. District 6 members who placed in their respective divisions were: Pee Wee - Lillian Cheng (Corvallis), 3rd; Junior-Junior - Tenaya Cooley (Eugene), 3rd; Junior-Junior - Maya Greyanus (Corvallis), 5th; Adult - Christine Tanner (Lebanon), 3rd; Senior - Willie Carter (Lebanon), 1st; Senior - Jerry Parks (Lebanon), 2nd; and Senior - Donna Wynn (Springfield), 4th. Congratulations to all these winners and a BIG thanks to Starr McMullen, contest coordinator and the OOTFA State Senior Fiddler Champion for 2012.

District Sixers participated in the Mary Cole Days celebration at Marcola July 28, as we do every year. Present on the float in the parade were Bernie Roberts, Keith Barr, Ernie Connelly, Art Choate, John Gent, Darlene Fiducia, Peggy Mulder and Joe Moyle. Following the parade, we adjourned to fire hall and jammed some more, closing out the day with a stage appearance at 3 p.m. All in all, a good day, and one we look forward to repeating next year.

September

7	Jam	Eugene Hotel Lounge	7-10 p.m.
8	Jam, Potluck	Santa Clara Grange	10 a.m.- 4 pm
14	Jam	Crow Grange	7-10 p.m.
28	Jam	Santa Clara Grange	7-10 p.m.

October

5	Jam	Eugene Hotel Lounge	7-10 p.m.
12	Jam	Crow Grange	7-10 p.m.
13	Jam/Potluck	Santa Clara Grange	10-4 p.m.
26	Jam	Santa Clara Grange	7-10 p.m.
27	Intermediate Fiddle Class	River Road Annex	1-4 p.m.
29	Basic Fiddle Class	Bethesda Lutheran Church	1-4:30 p.m.

We had ten people play at the Sheldon McMurphy Johnson Living History Day on Saturday the 4th of August. It was quite warm, and visitors seemed to enjoy the music.

September birthdays: Don Baldwin, Ruth Kennedy, Bill Gilbert, Addie Gonshorowski, Dorothy Sather, Sandy Wallrich, Arlo Hamilton, Darla Miller.

September anniversaries: Lloyd & Esther Shriber

Jam Opportunities: Friday night Jams are held from 7-10 p.m. on the first Friday at Eugene Hotel, The second Friday night at Crow Grange, and the fourth Friday night at Santa Clara grange, also 7-10 p.m. The second Saturday is a potluck and jam from 10-4 p.m.

Venue addresses: Bethesda Lutheran Church - 4445Royal Ave. Eugene; Crow Grange - 85994 Territorial Hwy, Eugene (in Crow); Eugene Hotel - 224 E. Broadway, Eugene; River Road Annex - 1055 River Road, Eugene; Santa Clara Grange - 295 Azalea, Eugene; Spencer Creek Grange - 86013 Loraine Hwy, Eugene.

~ Gary Davis, District 6 Reporter



District 6 at Shelton-McMurphy Mansion's Living History Day, August 4. l-r: Annie Carter, Ernie Connelly, Joe Moyle, Brian Neal, Wayne Carter, Jim Krowka, Marie Roberts, Susan Cooper, Bernie Roberts, and Art Choate.

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On July 15th, we had a great time playing at the Sandy Mountain Festival. We were blessed by wonderful weather and good attendance (fiddlers and audience). Thanks so all who shared their time and talent.

We are experiencing the "Summer Doldrums", with not too much activity right now. By the time this newsletter reaches you, we will have played at the Clackamas County Fair and Oregon State Fair. These events are so much fun, and greatly appreciated by the audience.

So far our September schedule includes:

Sunday, September 9th: K. C. Highlands, 12930 S.W. Peachvale St., Tigard, Or 97224 from noon until 4 p.m. with sign-up playing from 1- 3:30 p.m. Cookies and coffee will be provided.

The Oregon Old Time Fiddlers will put on a free public concert on Saturday, October 13 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Pine Grove Community House, 225 Laneda Street in Manzanita, Oregon.

We were surprised and saddened to hear about the death of our beloved Debbie Moenck. She died suddenly after suffering a stroke. There will be a "Celebration of Life" for Debbie on Saturday, August 25th from noon until three p.m. at the Pioneer Community Center, 615 5th Street in Oregon City. A light lunch will be provided; please bring your instruments for playing tributes to her.

Please be on the lookout, and let me know of any news or playing opportunity - we all love "fiddling around"!

~ **Marcella Easly, District 7 Reporter**

September

9 Gig K.C. Highlands 12-4 p.m.

October

13 Gig Pine Grove Community House, Manzanita 1-3 p.m.



District 7's Katherine Allen plays her Eb Slovenian button accordion during a fiddle camp break.

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August gigs kept our musicians busy and brought in several checks for the district coffers. A good group played at the city park for the residents of Aumsville on a pleasant evening. The annual gig at Benedictine Nursing Home in Mount Angel was another big success. Residents there sat outside and tapped their toes to the music, while we enjoyed playing for them. Two of our young fiddlers, Adam Sully and Austin Bannerman, joined us. Thanks guys! After the concert, about 20 of us gathered at local restaurant for dinner. It was nice to have Dale and Betty Emery's son Larry and his wife join us. Also Dale's good friends, the owners of the Volcanoes baseball team, also joined us. Thanks Dale, for your generosity!

September

8 Gig Courthouse Square Park, Dayton 5 p.m.

Another good turnout of musicians at the Polk County Fair on Senior Day. Starr McMullen and Frank Moore joined us, adding to our and the large audience's enjoyment.

Our good friend, Dale Emery, turned 96 years young in August. Dale has been a great addition to our district in so many ways. His dedication to learning new tunes inspires us. He and Betty have been generous in contributing to the district monetarily, and in sharing so many of their family events with us. Thank you!

We will have played at the Oregon State Fair on August 28th. Will report on that next month.

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Some of us escaped the Willamette Valley heat for the cool coast at Winchester Bay. Thanks District 5, for putting on this event!

September 8th we are invited to play in Dayton for the Harvest Festival. We'll play at 5 p.m. in the historic Courthouse Square Park. The festival lasts all day starting at 10 a.m., so come as early as you like.

Many of us will be trekking down to Merrill for the OOTFA get together. It's worth the trip! We always have a great time there. Lots of jamming and visiting. District 1 treats us well.

Advice from a Tree: Stand tall and proud. Go out on a limb. Remember your roots. Drink plenty of water. Be content with your natural beauty. Enjoy the view.

~ Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter

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Happy summertime!

Friday night jams are continuing through the summer; we've started jamming on Sunday afternoons twice a month as well. It's great to have a few new folks joining in on the music.

Welcome to new member, Virginia Smith. Virginia is excited to be learning the fiddle and attended the West Cascades Fiddle Camp.

We are saddened to learn of the passing of Shammy Johnson from Vale in early August. Shammy attended the Country Music Jamboree as an audience member for many years.

The fiddlers will be playing on the entertainment stage at the Harney County Fair. Unconfirmed times are on Wednesday afternoon and Thursday and Sunday mornings during the fair September 5 – 9. We'll also be in the Parade on Saturday morning. Decorating will take place Friday night. Details will be provided to local members. If you plan on attending from out of town, contact Ruel Teague, Janet, or any of the local district 9 members for details.

Darlene Wingfield is visiting Bakersfield and Janet Braymen is headed out for a fire assignment.

Got to run,

~ Darlene Wingfield / Janet Braymen, District 9 Reporters

District 10

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Welcome to our new slate of officers: Don Hamlin- Chair, Carol Ridley- Vice-Chair, Clair Eaton- Secretary, and returning Treasurer- Gynn Deaton. A big thank you to Bob Hanson and Barb Sullivan for serving last year. We have a challenging year ahead of us!

Thank you also to our devoted regular musicians who routinely show up at the nursing home gigs: Liz Crain, Lois Eagleton, Whitey Helm, Clint Miracle, Joyce Pickett, Karen Pohl, Francis Stephenson and Hal Thompson. We appreciate an occasional appearance by Carol Ridley and Joe Ross.

Our monthly jam was well attended by our musicians, and a few listening public in the audience. It was nice to have Lois Eagleton join us for our monthly jam again. She normally attends Ila Mae Carmickle's fiddle class on our jam day. A new member, Donna d'Ablaing, joined us. She lives in Georgia, but is presently helping her mother, who lives in Sutherlin. She attended the fiddle camp in West Fir and reported that it was great!! Colleen

August

25 Jam & Finger Food VFW Hall, Roseburg 1 - 4 p.m.

Hanks was a guest musician. We hope that she will return and become a member. She came to Rosehaven Nursing home in July and made a video of our group playing there.

We were happy to see Anna Cooper, who has been in the hospital again, and Clare Eaton, who has been visiting family in Canada for a couple of months. Also, Jon Tilley is out and about after his medical issues have been addressed.

Guy Kinman will have had his 95th birthday in August. Happy Birthday to him and any others who share August birthdays.

Joyce and Whitey are on vacation so if I forgot something, we'll catch up next month. Come join us for our 4th Saturday jam at the VFW Hall on Walnut Street, Roseburg.

~ Joyce Pickett, District 10 Reporter



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www.OregonOldTimeFiddling.org



State Calendar

September 13-15	State Quarterly Meeting and Jam, Merrill
October 11-13	LogJam, Manzanita
March 22-23	State Fiddle Contest, Chemeteka Community College, Salem

New Members to Welcome!

Virginia Smith, Burns
Jackie Bailey, Silverton
Steve Hiatt, Eugene
Pat Cason, Enterprise

Thomas & Consuelo Kammerer, Salem
Naomi Bruhns, Shady Cove
Donna d'Ablaing, Sutherlin

- Mark Ratzlaff, OOTFA State Membership