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Fifty Years of Old Time Music - 1964-2014

August 2014

From Your President =

It's time to congratulate our fine Oregon fiddlers for bringing home four national championship titles from the National Oldtime Fiddle Contest and Festival held each year in Weiser, Idaho.

Big congratulations to our our champion Oregon fiddlers: Luke Price, Portland, National Open Champion; Starr McMullen, Corvallis, National Senior Champion; Gary Schuh, Portland, National Adult Champion; and C.J. Neary, Bend, National Small Fry Champion, for bringing home four national oldtime fiddling championship titles.

Its great to see lots of music activity in districts all over the state with people playing and learning fiddle music. This July marks the fourth year for the annual West Cascades Fiddle Camp and Workshops in West Fir, near Oakridge. Not rumor, but a fact, that with a week to go there are 133 people registered, setting the stage for another successful year. Nearly all youth under 18 are funded by a Kielhorn grant scholarship. Congratulations to District 6 committee members for organizing and continuing this highly successful music camp.

Immediately on the horizon is the Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest on August second, and also the Winchester Bay Campout, August 14-17. Both events are popular. Support them and other OOTFA events — bring a friend to join, and help out with our membership drive.

Lots of items to fill the gap between now and the state quarterly meeting in Merrill. Heads up to all you District leaders: I will be giving you a call in the near future to hear what you have to say about OOTFA and how to make our members enjoy us even more.

In the meantime hope to see some of you at Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest or at the Winchester Bay Campout.

~ Roland

From the Editor —

The death of Alan Ede brought home to me, yet again, what a small world this is.

Alan, I recently discovered, was an electrical engineer who invented, and then founded a company that sells, electro-fishing equipment. Electro-fishing gear stuns fish, so that they can be netted, counted, typed, and studied. My brother, Peter, is a fisheries biologist and professor at the University of California, Davis who has done a lot of survey work over the years, using, I am certain, Alan's equipment.

Enough already. But then I discovered that District 6 reporter Karen Johnson's husband, Steve, who works for the Department of Fish and Wildlife, also uses Alan's electrofishers in his field work. Small world, indeed.

Karen, by the way, took some of the photos used in the Junior Hoedowner photo montage — I especially like her portrait of Carol Ede, her daughter, Janet, and Starr McMullen.

~ Joe

From the Editor Emeritus =

Story time again this month.

The other day the phone rang. When I answered it, I was greeted by, "Hello, this is Nita Haven." Chet Haven and his wife Cleta were long time members of District 7 and were faithful and well known. Alice and I became good friends of theirs the many years that we attended Martha Warwick's campout back in the late 1980s.

Nita, sister of Cleta, always came from Montana to the campout with their brother Roscoe . They all played music. After Cleta passed away Chet and Nita were married. About 2003 we started attending the Monday Senior Center meals jam in nearby Canby. Nita and Chet were there, along with some of our other

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We want to say a very special Thank You to all of our outgoing officers. Marlon Jannuzzi will still be in his position but we want to give him a very special thank you because he is not only on the board but is the sound man and pack mule, we could not do all the things we do without him. A Special Thank You Marlon.

Thank you Rosalee, Terry, and Larry McLain for coming and helping at the Alturas Library fund raiser. Thank you Lee and Ruth Cushman, Jim and Joyce Kuether for helping at the Chiloquin parade.

This year at the Merrill Campout we will again be doing raffle basketstheme of your choice. Each district is asked to bring a raffle basket, cookies and flowers for the stage and tables.

There will be a potluck Wednesday, Thursday and Friday at 12:30 p.m. Breakfast will be served at 7:30 a.m. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday. Saturday night will be the banquet dinner starting at 4 p.m. The charge will \$15.00 per person, chicken or beef and a vegetarian, we will need a head count by Friday a.m. Please contact Alline Swartwood or Del Sparks if you know ahead of time.

This month our "Meet the Members of District 1" is Bob Dorsey. Bob grew up in Wheeler Ridge, California once located 20 miles south of Bakersfield and six miles north of the infamous Grapevine Canyon during the 1930's and 40's. Wheeler Ridge was a community that was developed in the 1920's in the middle of the oil fields. The town existed until the late 1960's when most of the buildings were removed to widen the highway to eight lanes. Bob grew up with three older brothers and one younger making five Dorsey boys. Bob was probably the liveliest and probably found the most trouble to get into.

During these years there were not many luxuries but after Bob's dad, George, starting working for the Richfield Pumping Station there was a little more money. Soon they had a piano, a radio and a phonograph record player. This unit also recorded sound cut into blank phonograph records. The three older brothers played the guitar, harmonica and sang songs of the time. Bob's dad would record their music. Bob still has some of the old records.

favorite old-time friends. Chet played the fiddle and Nita played her lap dobro guitar.

Nita moved back to Montana after Chet passed away. She was in the area recently for a family gathering and thought it would be nice to go to Canby to see "the old gang." After they had been to Canby, her niece, Joyce, brought her to our house that afternoon here in Salem. She told us that "the old gang" wasn't there. She told us that she almost cried -- only Roger Germundson and Myrtle Arnold were there from the gang that she remembered. Nita is 99 years old, still spry and sharp as a tack. We had a wonderful two hour visit that afternoon.

~ Lew

August

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3	Meeting and Jam	Shasta Hall	12:30-4 p.m.
10	Dance	Shasta Hall	1-4 p.m.
10	100th Birthday Party for	Joe Riker (sing-along songs rea	quested) 2-4 p.m.
16	Gig	Farmers Market	11:30-1:30 a.m.
23	Gig	Farmers Market	11 a.m.
27	Gig	Pelican Point	10:30-11:30 a.m.
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On one of Bob's dad's trips to Bakersfield, he stopped at his favorite music store and came home with a four string plectrum banjo. Bob enjoyed the sound and loved to hear his dad play. It wasn't long before he was playing with the rest of his brothers and has been playing the old banjo ever since.

After graduating from high school he worked on different oil rigs. On one of his trips home he stopped at a truck stop called "The Giant Lemon", he met a girl named Bobbie and it wasn't long before there was hearts and arrows in the air. They were married in 1952.

Bob enlisted in the Navy during the Korean War. After his time in the Navy he worked in a machine shop then was hired by the City of Glendale, CA. Department of Water and Power where he was a lineman for nine years. In 1970 Bob and Bobbie came to Klamath Falls. He worked for city schools doing maintenance, bus mechanic and driving bus until he retired in 2003.

Bob played with the Old Time Fiddlers for the first time in 1991 at the Old Midland Grange Hall. He played from time to time and became a full time member in 2012. Bob also belongs to a music club and plays with different groups.

August birthdays that we are wishing a happy day for: Karen Ayers, Carol Fulbright, Ann Larson, Vienna Larson, Helen Meyers, Jerry Ruddock, and Vergil Schmoe. Let us know if we have missed any one.

August wedding: Vergil and Jackie Schmoe.

All of us here in District 1 are excited about seeing all of you at Merrill.

~Noranne Sparks, District 1 Reporter

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July has been a busy month. Lots of folks traveling. Our monthly jam was small but fun. We've really been enjoying our new, smaller, better, sound system.

Five of our folks went to Alturas, CA to help District 1 at a Friends of the Library fundraiser.

Adopt a Highway Project: Eight of us, from young to not so young, were "pickin and grinnin" as we picked up trash along about three miles of Highway 140, west of Lakeview. The right folks and the right attitude can make any job fun.

August 16: We'll be playing at "Occupy E Street", a car show and barbecue in Lakeview. We start at 10:30 a.m.

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We had a great turnout for Sunday's jam; around 50 dancers and 25 players? Several new folks and some who still consider themselves "visitors".

Unfortunately the AC in our hall wasn't working Sunday so we had a real old fashioned barn dance with fans 'a blowin' and the doors 'a swangin' but those dancers never faltered a moment. We served the last of our ice cream from past pot lucks so everyone was happy.

It takes a special man to play lead with a pink guitar and our Tom Tucker was up to the challenge. Ain't He Sweet? He was later joined by more of the old guard, Hollis Reel and Jack Kerr.

We held a membership meeting before the jam to discuss the question of hosting an OOTFA state event at the Crook County



District 1 in action (I-r): Johnny Rodgers, Marlon Januzzi, Aline Swartwood, Shelia Fry, Phil Fry

August

2	Jam	Senior Center	2 p.m.
7	Business Meeting	Senior Center	7 p.m.

August 30, 31 we'll be playing at the Lake County Fair. September 1st we'll be entertaining and throwing candy in the parade.

We've been having record heat. Goose Lake is completely dry, for the first time that I can remember. When I start whinin' about the heat I think of my friend, Terry McLain, the fiddler/welder. I don't know what hot is.

I hope you enjoy the rest of your summer! I'm still strumming away trying to learn how to play the guitar. I don't play very good but I also don't hear well either, so that kind of evens things out.

~ Keith Steward, District 1E Reporter

August 10 Jam	Powell Butte Community Center	1-4 p.m	
September 10 Jam	Powell Butte Community Center	1 to 4 p.m.	
District 3 jam Location: Powell Butte Community Center (PBCC),			

8404 Reif Rd • Powell Butte OR 97753. Hall opened 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon by Jack and the set-up crew.

Fairgrounds (CCF) July 30, 31, Aug 1, 2015. Those attending and several emailed responses gave a hearty "yes" vote to proceed with the plans. Ron Jackson has locked these dates in with the CCF pending some questions around the camping spots at the event site. We are looking forward to this new event in Central Oregon.

Congratulations to our District 3 National Fiddle Contest participants from Bend: C.J. Neary, National Champion Small Fry Division; and, Luke Allison, 2nd place National Small Fry Division. Roland White placed 7th in the Seniors Division at the national contest, but first in the Senior Division at the Idaho Open at Nampa on June 14th.

~ Roland White, District 3 Reporter



Former state chairman Mark Carmickle assists at District 6's basic fiddle class.

District 4 =

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The July Picnic at Emigrant Lake featured wonderful weather, a great setting, and awesome music! Not a huge crowd, but it was the 4th of July weekend. Sorry I missed it.

We have a change of venue for the September monthly jam because Roxy Ann Grange in Medford is closed as of July. Instead, we will meet at Eagle Point Grange, in (of course) Eagle Point! We will have snacks and a short meeting. As we are planning the monthly jams for next year, we are open to suggestions for locations. With Roxy Ann not available, that leaves some gaps in our schedule. Got an idea where we can go that meets our needs and we can afford? Let Avi know!

We were saddened to hear of the death of Joyce Grissom, wife of the late Tommy Grissom, and Don Johnson's sister. We extend our heartfelt sympathy to the family. The Grissoms were active members of District 4 for many years, and their presence is missed.

Several of our folks went to Burns and had a great time! Yoshe Zohar and Judy M. competed at Weiser. A great experience, but neither finished "in the money"! Judy got "best costume" in the certified contest for dressing up like a chicken and playing chicken songs.

Lola Williams was delighted that she sold her log cabin and will be moving to Shady Cove. She's looking forward to "a cozy place with a lot less work"! Way to go, Lola! AugustNo meeting or jam.September6JamOctober4Jam

Eagle Point Grange, snacks Eagle Point Grange, snacks

We presented a program of Lewis and Clark era songs and history for the Friends of the Medford Library – 100+ people, and it was well received. A smaller but no less enthusiastic group heard a small group of us at the Shady Cove Library playing "old-time tunes" in 100+ heat! Summer is upon us!

Melinda Grant and Judy M. went to fiddle camp at Wallowa. 'twas a great camp, and the weather was great – hot but not too. . . Now we have some different tunes to get under our belts and see if others like them, too.

The West Cascades Fiddle Camp will be over by the time this goes to press, but several from our district attended – especially kids on scholarship! We'll report later.

Playing for the kids (and families) at the Britt Children's Festival was fun, despite the heat. Lots of kids (and their parents) joined in singing "Old MacDonald ..", "Comin' 'round the Mountain" and "Pop, Goes the Weasel", among other tunes. It's always fun to see the smiles on the kids' faces with our great music.

And in closing: All's well that ends . . .

~Judy McGarvey, District 4 Reporter

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It's that time again! Time for our annual Winchester Bay jam and campout. This is your opportunity to come to the comparatively cooler coastal area for a few days to relax and cool down, enjoy the music and the good food, visit with old friends and meet new ones and have a good time. The theme for the Saturday evening program is "Hills and Valleys" so get your act and costumes ready. There will be awards for those judged the best. There will be a dinner for members and families on Thursday evening preceding the on-stage performance. Members of District 5 are requested to bring two dozen home-made or bakery cookies or one dozen cookies and some fruit bread or muffins or other type of snack bread to go with the coffee which is always available in the kitchen.

The summer schedule has been going well with a nice turnout of both musicians and audience at the various venues. Our younger beginning performers, Sally, Tyler, and Rachael, have been joining the group on stage and doing a good job in adding their talent to the entertainment. This month will be the last of the summer playing schedule with a return to the winter schedule playing at the retirement and nursing homes in September.

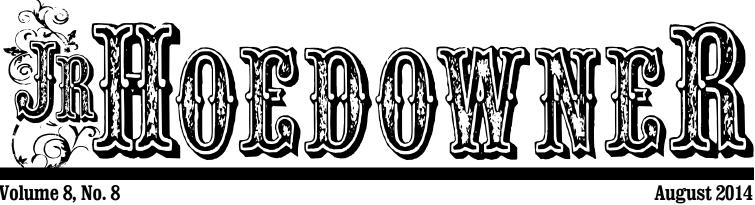
August

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1	Gig	Black Powder Rendevous, Mast Ranch, Myrtle P	oint 6 - 7:30 p.m.
2	Gig	NACO campground, Florence	7 - 9 p.m.
8	Gig	Bullards Beach State Park, Bandon	6:30 - 8 p.m.
14 -	17	Annual Jamboree and Campout, Winc	hester Bay
22	Gig	Bullards Beach State Park, Bandon	6:30 - 8 p.m.
27	Gig	Sunset Bay State Park, Coos Bay	3 - 4 p.m.

One of our members, Jim Adamek, who plays the autoharp and lives in Powers, was recently selected for induction into the Powers Hall of Fame. He attended Powers schools for 12 years and graduated from OSU with a degree in civil engineering and went on to get his MS from Stanford and PhD from Utah State. He worked for a firm in Corvallis before returning to Powers where he taught math and science at the high school for 14 years. Jim has been head of the White Cedar Days celebration, served on the city planning department as city engineer and has been involved in many other local activities and currently works in the family alder mill. Congratulations, Jim!

Another of our members, Ken Joubert, from North Bend, is recovering from recent surgery. Hope you are feeling better, Ken, and will soon be back with us.

Ruth and Pat Weyer recently attended funeral services in Florence for a former member of District 5, Bill Wilkinson, who had been living in Carson, WA. His wife, Marge, had also died recently and both have been laid to rest at the Indian Creek cemetery east of Florence.



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Alan Ede – In Memoriam

Two memorial jams were held, one in Corvallis and one in Eugene, following the untimely death June 24 of Alan Ede, long-time OOTFA member, dance caller, and master of many instruments. Some photos are reprinted below.

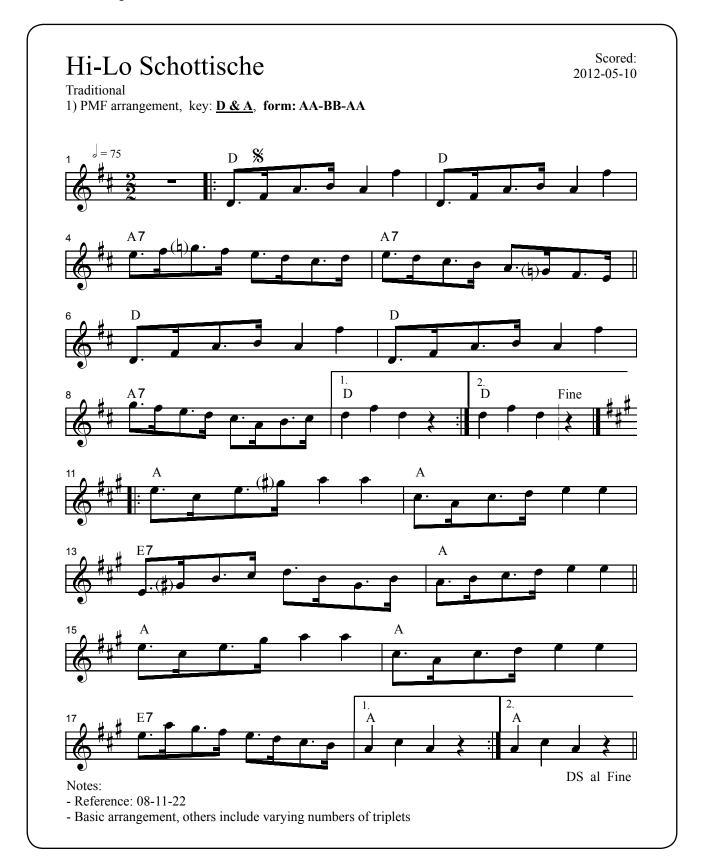


Junior Hoedowner

Fiddle Tips is resting – back in September.

Tune of the Month —- Hi-Lo Schottishe

This schottische resembles other — slightly fancier — schottisches, such as the Texas Schottishe; it is a good introduction to the form, and is danceable, too.



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Looking forward to seeing you all in Winchester Bay!

These days I spend a lot of time thinking about the hereafter---I go somewhere to get something and then wonder what I'm here after.

~ Mary A. Weist, District 5 Reporter

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On July 11, we held a memorial jam for Alan Ede at Central Grange. For many years, Alan called the monthly barn dances at Spencer Creek Grange, bringing joy, music, and dance to our community. Alan's wife, Carol Anne, and daughter, Janet, both spent the afternoon with us, as we shared pictures and memories of Alan, signed cards for the family, and played some of his favorite tunes. National senior champion, Starr McMullen, kicked off the jam by sharing some of her memories and telling how much Alan had influenced her musical journey. His daughter, Janet, performed a funny poem, "Paddy and the Barrel", which is a long, involved excuse for showing up late for work! Alan's light-hearted wit and compassion, his skills as a caller, and his passion for music were noted by each of the performers. Ken Luse even got so involved in his performance that he literally broke his stool and fell down with a bang! Luckily he was not badly hurt, and his sturdy bass survived the fall. Thanks to Hal and Sharon Thompson for joining us. It's always great to have you with us!

Our monthly board meeting took place just before the memorial jam, and was called to order by the outgoing chairman, Wayne Carter, who turned over the floor to our new officers: Ken Luse, Joe Canaday, Bernie Roberts, and Mark Ratzlaff. We thank Wayne Carter, Kathie Ness, as well as Bernie and Mark, for their service in the past year.

Mark Ratzlaff reported that district membership is 135 households. One of our key goals is to grow the organization and encourage younger people to take part. To move forward in this direction, Darla Knudsen, chair of the scholarship committee, presented a proposal to establish an account for scholarship funds to be held separate from our general fund. After some discussion, the membership voted to set up this separate account within the credit union, which Linda Parks will manage as she does the Fiddle Camp account. Patti Luse volunteered to create a theme basket for our district, and Phyllis Coffin agreed to bring our flower arrangement for the state meeting at Merrill. Thanks to Patti and Phyllis for your many contributions!

Ila Mae Carmickle gave a report on the intermediate and beginning fiddle lessons. Both classes have gone well this year, attracting new members and helping newer musicians grow. Classes will begin again in September, with a "slow jam" scheduled for August 11. Linda Danielson has made a huge difference in the beginning class by pulling out small groups of beginners to help them learn the basics.

On Saturday, May 31, our district had the pleasure of providing the music for a birthday celebration at the 5th Street Public Market. Special thanks go out to Amy Burrow for arranging the event, to

August

1	No Friday night jam,	Eugene Hotel	
8	Friday night jam	Črow Grange	7-10 p.m.
9	Mary Cole Days	Marcola 9	:30 a.m 4 p.m.
11	Slow Jam	Riverside Baptist Church	n 1-4:30 p.m.
15	Friday night jam	Yapoah Terrace	7-9 p.m.
26	Friday night jam	Central Grange	7-10 p.m.
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Bernie Roberts for coordinating the program, and to Jerry Parks for providing the sound system and being the emcee. Thanks to Ken Luse, Linda Parks, Keith Barr, Sue Cooper, Ernie Connelly, Cheryl Horner, and Marie Roberts for joining us to make this performance a success.

The Mary Cole Days celebration is coming up on August 9 in Marcola. There will be an open jam at the fire hall,11 a.m. - 3 p.m. The parade will feature an OOTFA float; riders on the float will gather, with their instruments, at the athletic field behind the high school at 9:30 a.m. But call Joe Moyle first (541.343.5934), as float space is limited; all are welcome at the jam.

John Alexander, a new District 6 member, has been coming to Friday night jams with his Cajun squeeze box accordion. What a nice addition to our usual array of instruments!

Our little dynamo, Amy Burrow, took a fall last week and broke her shoulder. She's really sore right now, but she's working hard to get back to playing. Our best wishes go out to her for a quick recovery!

August Birthdays: Louise Hamilton, David Elleker-Vagsberg, Joe Canaday, Bertie Gilbert, Addison Talbot, Adrianna Rogers, Art Choate, Bernie Roberts

~ Karen Johnson, District 6 Reporter



Ken's stool.

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About 20 District 7 fiddlers, guitarists, and a bass player played at the annual Sandy Mountain Festival on Sunday, July 13th. It was a cozy setting tucked in the woods of Meinig Park in Sandy. The afternoon promised to be a lovely time to listen to fiddle music and to attend the wonderful festival near Mt. Hood. There were many food and craft booths and just about everything else one finds at a summer festival celebrating the city in which it is held. We started playing at 3:30 and shortly after we saw black clouds and heard peals of thunder. Luckily we were under a large canopy with plenty of room for the sound system and the musicians because suddenly it began to rain and continued to pour on and off for the next hour and a half.

We were so impressed with the stalwart audience that stayed the whole time, huddled under umbrellas or large fir trees, who

August

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26

2 Harding Grange

9 Bob's Birthday Bash (BAWB'S BASH)

13 Clackamas County Fair

Estacada Sandy Canby 1-2 p.m. Noon 2-4 p.m.

11 a.m.

1:45 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.

made us feel very welcome but very wet. In addition to having an appreciative audience we also were joined by three very talented children from the Swift family—Isabel (6), Clay (8), and Colton (11). They all played lovely pieces for us on their fiddles and impressed us with their maturity and poise on stage. They have played with us before, and we look forward to them playing with us again. Thanks, Swift Family.

Once again I want to remind everyone not to forget BAWB's BASH at Terry and Andy Jorgensen's home in Sandy on Saturday, August 9th at noon. Their address is 50995 SE Baty Road and phone number is 503-668-3917. Bring a chair and some food to share. If you have any questions or need directions call or email the Jorgensens at: terryjorgensen112852@gmail.com

~ Elaine Schmidt, District 7 Reporter

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Reporter: Alice Holt Oregon Strawberries can't be beat. District 8 fiddlers were once again treated to strawberry shortcake at Aurora Colony Museum. We played for two hours, receiving many vocal compliments as well as bills dropped in our donation bucket. Shade from the big oak over the stage kept us comfortable. Sixteen players filled



At the District 6 basic fiddle class: Foreground: Joseph Humphrey. Background (I-r): Calvin Owens, Tarenee' Irish, Marina Irish, Elizabeth Humphrey, and Lillian Humphrey. the stage and the music kept the audience tapping toes and singing along.

A large group of fiddlers and back-up filled the main stage at the Marion County Fair and played many of our favorite tunes. A big thanks to those who braved the warm day and the long walk to where we were playing. Fair time is always fun.

Guthrie Park is four miles south of Dallas. Musicians have gathered in the old school gym for many years on Friday night to share their music. Alan Ede was one of the regulars for many, many years sharing his variety of music. Friday evening, July 11th, a large crowd gathered to devote the evening in memory of Alan. His wife,

Polk County Fair

Oregon State Fair

Carol, and his daughter, Janet, and her husband were there, too, to share the evening with us.

District 8 had a busy three days in a row. On Saturday we gathered in the City Park in Aumsville to share our music with local people who sat in their chairs in the park and listen to us play on the open air stage. We were offered free hotdogs at 4:30 p.m., ate our fill and then played until almost 7 p.m. in the warm evening. A big thanks to Jim Wallace for all his work in arranging the evening.

Now we look forward to the Polk County Fair on August 7. We are scheduled to play at 11 a.m. And then on the 26th we will play at the Oregon state fair Tuesday, August 26. We don't have the specifics yet. We'll be sending out reminders.

We look forward to the fiddle contest in Corvallis on August 2, later Winchester Bay and the good time that District 5 has in store for us. Then in September to Merrill. There is a lot of good music yet this summer.

Welcome back James and Michael Christof and their dad, George. The Christofs traveled to several European countries this summer.

Happy Birthday to Dale Emery who will celebrate his 98th Birthday in August! Keep on fiddling, Dale!

~ Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter

District 9

Chair: Janet Braymen Co-Chair: Pam Listcher Secretary/Treasurer: George Sahlberg Reporter: Janet Braymen

On June 28 one of our beloved supporters, Wayne Johnson passed away here in Burns. He was a long-time resident of Harney County, growing up on the Alvord Ranch and graduating from Crane High School. Wayne later moved back to the desert, working back at the Alvord and Roaring Springs ranches. Later in life he kept himself in shape by mowing lawns and dancing with his wife Rose at the Old Time Fiddlers Sunday jams. Our prayers go out to Rose and Wayne's family.

Maria Thompson went to Berkley College of Music in Boston for a vocal summit and stage performance camp to learn the finer points of vocal training and performing. She had individual and group lessons and a final performance, where she sang "Wild Horses". She had an awesome experience and would like to thank all for their support!

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We had a well attended June jam.

The district is buzzing with enthusiasm, both musicians and the public.--In fact, we have some new members, a family: Brian and Jamie Banta (mom and dad) and children: Maya Banta, and Jack Banta. A big welcome to them. We had a great time with all the good music and some dancing. Anyone can get out on the floor and dance. Good exercise!!--

At our meeting, we welcomed in our new officers: Colleen Hanks, Mac Parker, and Jim Kuether--They expressed positive energy for the district with more direction for more volunteerism and involvement of district members. I'm sure we'll be pretty busy.

OOTFA has been invited to fiddle jam on opening night, August 29th, 6:30 to 8:00 for the Bluegrass Family Reunion, at Eagleview Campground near Tyee, across the river.

Call Joe Ross for more information. 541-670-9120.

Also, on September 5th from 6-8pm we will be at "Music in the Park"in Sutherlin (The same place as the January meeting, only outside).

We were all saddened to hear of Chuck Hasty's passing, June 22nd. He was 97 yrs. old.

Hope everyone else out there is well, and having fun on their vacations etc.

August

1	Jam	Friday Night Jam	
8	Gig	The Aspens	7-9 p.m.
15	Jam	Friday Night Jam	
18	Gig	Ashley Manor	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.
22	Jam	Friday Night Jam	
29	Jam	Friday Night Jam	

Janet Brayman, Joan Suther and Jane Jones saw many friends at the Wheeler County Bluegrass Festival on July 5th and 6th.

We are planning a youth jam in the park during July and August. Dates to be determined.

See you at the Harney County Fair, Rodeo and Racemeet on September 4-7. We'll be playing so look for the time and days to be announced next month. Also, be thinking about the Fiddler's Float for the fair parade.

The second Sunday jams will resume in October.

~ Marianne Andrews, District 9 Reporter

August			
23	Monthly Jam	Sutherlin Grange	12 - 3 p.m.

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all that had them. It sure would be nicer if I had a list of all the birthdays and anniversaries, so I could put your name in the Hoedowner.

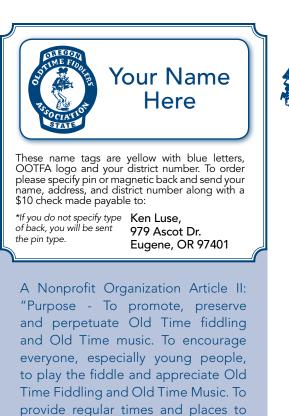
Our next jam will be August 23rd at the Sutherlin Grange, 851 Comstock, Sutherlin,OR., from 12 to 3.--with finger foods, donations welcome.—

Hope to see ya'll there---

~ Joyce Pickett, District 10 Reporter



Visitors at District 10: Lee Easter, Fred Hardin, John Renfro, Don Johnson, Pat Weyer, Larry Gallagher, Fred Grove



meet to play this kind of music".



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New Members to Welcome!

Kathy Stroud and John Alexander Jamie, Brian, Maya and Jack Banta Eileen and Adam Brockbank Scott, Shaay and Ananda Gallagher-Starr Irvin and Karan Ann Gibson Chelsea, Norm and Tanner Harrison Eugene Roseburg Medford Eugene Burns Burns C. Sue Hilton Tony, Denise, Tarenee' and Marina Irish Willa and Preston Jannsen Judy Kennedy Bernice Orr David and Jeanne Smith Myrtle Creek Veneta

Hines

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- Patti Luse, OOTFA State Membership Chair