

THE HOEDOWNER

OREGON OLDTIME FIDDLERS

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THE PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year from Edna and I. We are eagerly awaiting our trip to my brothers near Puerto Vallarta, Mexico, and will spend the holidays there.

Wayne Holmes has been working on plans for our convention and we hope to have some definite news in January's newsletter. You are reminded to get your suggestions in right away.

A suggestion for Christmas is an American Heritage Fiddle album. Don't forget dues are due the first of the year. Send to Earlene Gimm, 150 N.W. 10th St. Sherwood, Ore. 97140.

Bill Yohey

Jam SESSION

November 15

Lincoln City

A large crowd enjoyed the jam session at Lincoln City. Tables were laden with good food in the lovely hall. Twenty-eight fiddlers made the afternoon grand. Musical instruments were: piano, banjo, guitars and of course, fiddles. Cliff Buker, master of ceremonies, got things started by group playing, then introduced the following musicians; Marshall Jackson, Kati Warner, Fred Hildebrandt, Fred Virtue, Dave Murray, Vandemar Nelson, Bill Yohey, Bill Wilson, Wayne Holmes, Charlie Wymor, Guy Kyler, Minnie Bennett, Bill Glint, Cliff Buker, Harm Baker, Mary Walker, Susan Walker, Don Haynes, Charlie Johnson, Ray Mack, Shorty Allen, Syron Guy, Ray Sommers, Walt Whitson, Carl Van Hooser, and Nell Turner. Accompanists were Marshall Jackson, Don and Ruth Loring, Ron Gimm, Don Toomb, Shorty Allen, Bessie Buker, Frank Warner, Bernie Harlan, Lena Baker, Bob Gary, and Bob Virtue. We are happy to have had Kati Warner with us. She was on leave from the Navy. Fred Virtue was celebrating his birthday. We hope he can spend many more with us. The program was closed with solos by Bob Gary and Mary Ash. Carrie Sies

Just a line to say we were immensely pleased with the turn out of fiddlers and large audience. I believe it was the best Jam Session we've had, everyone played so well and the people sure enjoyed it. When we play at rest homes, granges, any meetings, we should always say we are members of the Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers Association and our purpose is to perpetuate this old time music. We find people are really hungry for these old tunes.

Bessie Buker

Coming Events

American Heritage Fiddle Sho	Dec. 5th	Yakima, Wash.
Jam Session	Dec. 13th	Sheridan, Ore.

December's Jam Session will be at the American Legion Hall, Bridge and Yamhill Streets, Sheridan, Oregon Go one block north of the stop light in Sheridan.

Members' News

Portland, Ore.--Members and friends were entertained in the beautiful home of Mrs. Ethel McNeil assisted by Mr. Charles Duncan who helped receive the guests and directed parking. He also proved to be a perfect coffee maker and for forty coffee drinkers, a lot of that beverage is required. The day was so beautiful and the gorgeous autumn leaves on surrounding trees were a breathtaking picture.

December 1970 Con

The musicians, who called themselves "Fiddlers" were in the mood for giving out their best tunes. The fiddlers were Fred Hildebrandt, Mrs. Flo Loland, Bill Weber, Marshall Jackson, Bill Wilson, Charles Johnson, Valdemar Nelson, George Cicloha, and Cye Laskey. Mr. Stewart and Mr. Ed Gorham played bass; Mr. Dibble played the banjo and Mr. Nelson also played the accordion. There were four fine guitarists- Mrs. Stewart, John Borg, George Cicloha and Marshall Jackson. Piano accompanists were Mrs. Weber, Mrs. Loland and Mr. Jackson. The party was gaily decorated and a delicious buffet supper was served. The occasion was a birthday celebration for five of the guests; Fred Hildebrandt, Bill Wilson, Cye Laskey, Kristen Kunerth and Mildred Cochran. Mrs. Hildebrandt baked and decorated a huge birthday cake which was enjoyed by everyone. To wind up the festivities, a singalong was participated in by all. Mrs. Barbara Rounsavell led at the piano. This delightful afternoon will long be remembered by the forty guests.

Mildred Cochran

Tenino, Wash.

We had a potluck jam session in Tenino on Oct. 18th. We expected about 75 people and ended up with 27 lead players and about 125 people. That was astounding and I was delighted. We are having another Nov. 15th. Although it would be a long way to come, we would love to have any of you folks.

Neil Johnson

Note* Sounds like you have really started something there in western Washington. Best of luck. We will check in with you the next time we're up that way and maybe will be lucky enough to join in. We missed the Bill Webers at the last jam session and hope you are feeling better, Verneda. -- It was heartening to see and hear the Wlaker sisters from Eugene. Maybe these girls will help us gain more junior members. No word from Hepner. Would some of you who were there let us know how the contest came out?

Waldport, Ore.

Cliff and I played at the Corvallis Manor for retired people the 11th and the golden age club in the evening. Those people seemed to just "come alive"; They sang, they danced, they clapped their hands. We played at some friends in Bandon and at least 24 people came to listen. On Sunday, at church where they were celebrating "Old Fashioned Days" with kerosene lights and candles, food cooked old-style and old fashioned clothes.

Bessie Buker

Redmond, Ore.

Bill and Des Jenkins were hosts at a jam session on Nov. 22. They were celebrating their 30th wedding anniversary and Des' Birthday, and we surely did enjoy it even tho there was an inch of snow Sunday morning. Members taking part were the Hodrells, Jordans, Crouchs, Loringa, Yoheya, and Jenkins'.

That seems to be the news for this month. I know some of you are playing and not sending me your news. How about sending it in? Thanks,

Edna Yohey