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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

When you read this, Thanksgiving Day will be past, even though it is still a few days away as I write, so I will just say that I hope each and every one of you had a Happy Thanksgiving, and that you were able to enjoy some good oldtime fiddle music that day, along with all the good things to eat.

It will only be a few weeks 'till Christmas, so I want to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. It may seem early to say it, but there's no escaping the fact; it's upon us again. Time just keeps on flying.

Our Jam sessions seem to be getting better all the time. At Aloha Grange the fiddlers were good and the audience appreciation even greater. Martha Warwick wrote that the meeting in Central Point was so successful that there was barely standing room, and that people hated to leave. But all good things have to come to an end sometime, even Jam Sessions.

For all you fiddlers who haven't tried it, I recommend that you contact a rest home or nursing or convalescent home, (whatever name it goes by in your area) and go play some lively tunes for them. I guarantee that you will be thanked more than you've ever been. And all for doing something you love to do anyway. How can you beat that?

Our next Jam Session is set for Buell. Read on for all the details. Hope to see you there.

WAYNE HOLMES

JAM SESSION & POTLUCK DEC. 12 BUELL GRANGE HALL

Our next Jam Session and Potluck dinner will be at the Buell Grange Hall on December 12, our thanks to Carlton Smith for making the arrangements for this hall.

Directions::; Coming from Salem go out Hwy. 22 toward the coast, turn right just before getting to the Buell Store, and go about  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile to the Grange Hall.

Coming from Portland, head toward the coast past Sheridan to the blinker light about 2 miles past Sheridan; Turn left at the light and go about 3 miles, come to the Buell Store, Turn left just before you get to Hwy. 22, go about  $\frac{1}{4}$  mile and you will see the Grange Hall. Dont forget your table service and the food.

JAM SESSION & POTLUCK DEC. 19, NORTH BEND

The Southern Division of The Oregon Fiddlers will have a Jam Session and Potluck in North Bend on December 19, at the I.W.A. Hall, Local 3-261, 2222 Broadway. There will be plenty of off street parking. Russ Hall is making the arrangements. He says the hall has plenty of room and lots of people are awaiting the event so lets have lots of fiddlers and seconds there. See you in North Bend.

MARTHA WARWICK

SANDPOINT, IDAHO

A sad note from one of our Idaho members. Mr. Joe Bahm, of Ronan, Montana, President of the Montana Old Time Fiddlers, passed away Nov. 5th at the vets Hospital at Fort Harrison. He leaves his wife Donna and a son and daughter. Our most sincere sympathy to his wife and family.

BUD INGRAM

