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COMING EVENTS

APRIL 1980

DISTRICT

April	6	EASTER SUNDAY		
	11 - 12	Northwest Regional Contest	Central Valley High School	Spokane, Wn.
	13	Jam Session	Winema Hall- Fairground	Yreka, Ca. 4
	13	Jam Session	Moose Lodge	Cottage Grove 6
	19	Jam Session	Community Bldg.	Reedsport 5
	20	Jam Session	Fairgrounds	Klamath Falls 1
	20	Jam Session	Sr. Citizens Center	Salem 8
	25	Jam Session	Grange Hall	6's 5
	27	Jam Session	Sr. Citizens Center	Gresham 7
May	4	Jam Session	Memorial Hall	Lakeview 1
	4	Jam Session	Sr. Citizens Center	Bend 3
	10	STATE CONTEST	Clackamas College	Oregon City
	18	Jam Session	Tri-Cities Grade School	Myrtle Creek 4
	24	Azalea Festival	Senior Citizens Center	Brookings 5

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

I thank all of you for your vote of confidence in electing me to another year as president. I will do my best to do a good job for you.

The past year has been good with great co-operation from every one. It has been a real pleasure to work with Dave Boyd and Gynn Deaton.

With this Convention we have a few changes. New officers will take office July 1st as of this year. We will be welcoming Etta Powell as the new Secretary-Treasurer. Congratulations Etta! I know you will do a great job. Also, congratulations to Dave Boyd, who was elected to a second year as Vice-President.

I very much appreciate and want to thank all who helped at the Convention. You are the ones who really make it a success. Those who missed it missed a great time.

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Contest May 10th.

God bless you and keep fiddlin,

Les

MESSAGE FROM THE SECRETARY

Jim and I wish to express our sincere appreciation of your support of us and the Canyonville Contest shown by your vote at the Convention. We sure enjoyed the Convention and those who were unable to attend missed one of the best shows ever.

It has been a pleasure to work with Les Tucker and Dave Boyd this past year and the organization showed good judgement in electing these people again. Lois has done an outstanding job as Editor as well.

It looks like I have three more months to serve because of action at the Convention to have new offices take over as of July 1st., so keep sending dues my way. I'm very happy Etta Powell accepted the position as I know she is very efficient in any job she undertakes. With the type of co-operation all of you have given me, she will do fine.

Thank you, Etta, for taking complete charge of Banquet Ticket Sales and Helen Stout for the long hours of registration. (Registered 175 people). Thanks to Anne Johnson, Dulcie Fast, Lois Tucker and Virginia Stelie for selling show tickets. And how about those hansom Tucker boys handing out programs! Also, Sam Stelle and Carlton Smith for watching the doors.

In closing I want to thank my sons Ray and Carl. Ray took pictures and Carl emptied ash trays and generally kept the Convention hall litter-free on a volunteer basis. Thanks Boys!

See everyone at the State Contest. We're going to have a great one!

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DISTRICT 1

We had a rather lengthy meeting this month, seems there is an awful lot of things going on. There are numerous events for our fiddlers to perform at these next couple months.

Dennis Tucker was elected unanimously as Secretary-Treasurer for the coming year.

Seems we're having trouble getting our meetings set so they don't conflict with someone so it was decided to leave the meetings on the first Sunday of each month, so that should make the next meeting Easter Sunday April 6th at the Klamath Falls fairground and our May meeting will be in Lakeview, Oregon also first Sunday.

Bob Coleman, Reporter

P. S. The meeting for April has been changed to the 20th (third Sunday).

Your loving Chairman, John Lewis

DISTRICT 3

Sunday March 2nd, our "first Sunday of the month" meeting/jam session was held at the Senior Citizens Center in Bend. Even though we are small in number, everyone who comes to perform, participate or just listen, seems to enjoy it a lot. This time was special for us: 1) we learned that if all of those in our district who were members last year continue- plus our new members, we can be considered an "official" district. 2) Les and Lois Tucker - yes, State President and HOEDOWNER editor respectively, came to visit us. We enjoyed and appreciated their participation: they also spent some time answering a lot of questions, giving helpful suggestions. Thank you for being with us, come again soon.

Since our regular scheduled session for April would fall on Easter, it was decided to cancel. Next session, May 4th - to 5 pm., Senior Citizen Center.

Iris Buckle
District 3 Secretary/Treasurer

DISTRICT 4

On a beautiful warm sunny Sunday of March 9th District 4 held their monthly m session and potluck at Wimer Grange Hall. Besides the good "eats", the music and .cing were superb.

We had some very good specials along with our fiddlers. Too bad our halls aren't bigger so more people can enjoy our music and fun.

Several of our members had been hospitalized this past month but all seem to be on the mend. We all send a keep well wish to each of them.

On April 13th all of our fiddlers will be at the Winema Hall at the fair-grounds in Yreka. Vic Flood will be your emcee for this one. Potluck as usual.

On Sunday May 18th we shall travel to Myrtle Creek at the Tri City Grade school auditorium. The grade school is located on W. Chadwick Lane off old Highway 99 about 3 miles south of Myrtle Creek. There will be signs on old Highway 99 to help you find the way.

Doors will be open by 10 AM with potluck at 11:30 and program at 1 P.M. This auditorium was packed with enthusiastic fiddle fans when we were there last summer.

Our hosts on the 18th will be Glen and Jessie Brown and Ed and Billie Doolittle.

Convention time has come and gone once again. Those who misse it miss such fun. Who has more fun than fiddlers when they get together.

Martha Warwick, Reporter

P. S. Lois & Dee Cox want to invite all their family and all the fiddlers and friends of their parents, Jonas and Marg Cox, for their 50th wedding anniversar party at the Talent Hall on April 19th at 2:00 P.M.

STRICT 5

There will be a Jam Session at Reedsport Community Bldg, April 19th. Potluck at 5:00 P.M. Meeting at 6:00 Jam at 7:00 PM. There will be camper-trailer parking. Contact Roy Zeigler or Barbara McLeod.

Saturday April 26th Jam Session sponsored by the Sixes Grange at Sixes Grange Hall. Potluck at 6;30 dance at 8:00.

Saturday May 24th will again appear at the Azalea Festival in Brookings. Parade will start at 10:00 but must in lineup for parade at 8:00 AM. Not certain that we will have a float this year, but will let you know later. Senior Citizens will feed Fiddlers a Hobo lunch at noon at the Senior Citizens Center, located behind the Shell Station in Brookings. Jam Session to be held at the V.F.W. Hall, the same as it has for the last couple of years, starting at 3:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M. For those staying over till Sunday, and wishing to jam may do so at the Senior Citizens Center.

Billie Pinkerton, Reporter

Barbara McLeod, Secretary #5

DISTRICT 6

Around 125 people enjoyed the "Old Fiddlers Jam" held at the Lowell Grange hall the afternoon of February 24th. There were 19 fiddlers and a nice group of accompanist. Five specials-mouth harp, banjo and mandolin were instruments played. Some payed their dues and several new members were signed up.

Thanks Lowell Grange for the use of the Hall.

Marion Hiatt

Sunday March 9th we had a packed hall. We had 16 fiddlers beside around

eight guitars etc. The Moose fed 172 people in 46 minutes. We can't thank the Lebanon Moose enough for their hospitality. Most of the crowd were Senior Citizens. We really put on a good show. We are invited back September 7th.

Jerry Kinnaman, Chairman #6

DISTRICT 7

There will be a jam session April 27th at the Senior Citizens Center in Gresham. Open 10:00 AM Potluck at noon and open to the public 1:00 PM.

Bob Strelow, Reporter

DISTRICT 8

There will be a jam session April 20th at the Senior Citizens Center in Salem. Doors open 10:00 AM. to 5:30 PM. 12:00 noon potluck. Warming ovens only. 1:00 PM show for the public.

Sympthies to Marie Shepard-May the memories of your life togeher bring you comfort. Hiram Baker has had surgery and recovering nicely.

Ruth Jones, Reporter

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JIM & JESSE CONCERT APRIL 20, 1980 EUPHORIA 320 S. E. 2nd Street Portland, Oregon. (See insert- date wrong). Appearing with Jim & Jesse will be local favorites, THE MUDDY BOTTOM BOYS. The concert will also include a special clogging exhibition by the STUMP TOWN CLOGGERS, accompanied by an old-time string band.

Jim and Jesse McReynolds are well-known and respected for being two of the best bluegrass musicians in the country. Their history goes back to 1948 when they formed the CUMBERLAND MOUNTAIN BOYS in the mountain string band vein. Jesse developed his own "cross picking" mandolin roll, a fast alteration of repeated melodic patterns that now bears his name, McReynolds picking." In 1964 they joined the Grand Ole Opry and began recording for Columbia-Epic.

Tickets for the evening concert can be bought in advance at: Everybody's Record (S. W.), Meier & Frank (downtown), Music Milleneum (East & West, Pioneer Music and Stevens & Son (Lloyds Center). Tickets will be available at Euphoria the evening of the concert only.

NOTE: JIM & JESSE will also be appearing in Medford APRIL 22nd at the Medford Mid-High School, Oakdale street at 8:00 PM. For more information contact Cripple Creek Music 664-3265.

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HAPPY BELATED BIRTHDAY CLIFF BUKER ON YOUR 87TH BIRTHDAY LAST WEEK!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

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Our Sympthies to Mrs. Marie Shepard....Sam passed away March 21st.

Recovering from surgery and doing fine John Baldwin.....

Delores Lakey has had kidney transplant and is in the University Hospital Room 275C, Portland, Oregon 97207. I am sure she will appreciate cards and letters. Our prayers Delores!

EDITORS NOTE:

I also, want to add my "thank you's" to all of you for being such a good group. I want to thank the reporters who did a good job this year and I am looking forward to another good year. I would like to thank my wonderful husband and all his wonderful helpers for a beautiful job of the convention. I am very anxious to see how the Contest will turn out. Aren't you? CONGRATULATIONS to all the new officers of District and State levels. THANK YOU!

For the Editors thought I would like to share with you a poem that was given to me by Donna Lynch. I hope you enjoy it.

FOOTPRINTS IN THE SAND

One night I had a dream--
 I dreamed I was walking along the beach with the Lord and
 across the sky flashed scense from my life.
 For each scene I noticed two sets of footprints in the sand.
 One belonged to me the other to the Lord.
 When the last scene of my life flashed before us,
 I looked back at the footprints in the sand.
 I noticed, that many times along the path of my life,
 There was only one set of footprints.
 I also noticet that it happened at the very lowest and
 saddest times in my life.
 This really bothered me and I questioned the Lord about it.
 Lord, you said that once I decided to follow you,
 You would walk with me all the way,
 But I have noticed that during the most troublesome time of my life
 There is only one set of footprints.
 I don't understand why in times when I needed you most,
 You should leave me.
 The Lord replied, "My precious, precious child, I love you and I
 Would never, never leave you during your times of trial and
 suffering.
 When you saw only one set of footprints, it was than that I carried you."

Need I say more..... Lois

