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COMING EVENTS

June 1	Jam Session	Memorial Hall	Lakeview, Ore.
June 8	Jam Session	Legion Hall	Central Point, Ore.
June 6 & 7	Contest		Canyon City, Ore.
June 15	Jam Session	High School	Burns, Ore.
June 15	Jam Session	Warner Grange	Canby, Ore.
June 17-21	National Contest	Weiser High	Weiser, Idaho
June 21	Pot Luck	See District 6 Report	Eugene, Ore.
June 28	Anniversary Party	Legion Hall	Central Point, Ore.
July 4	Picnic	Jetty Jubilee	Port Orford, Ore.
July 12	Contest	Armory	The Dalles, Ore.
July 19	Contest	High School	Cottage Grove, Ore.
July 26	Contest	High School	Drain, Ore.
Aug. 23	Contest	High School	Canyonville, Ore.
Aug. 24-Sept 4	Campout	Warwick Ranch	Williams, Ore.
Sept 21	Jam Session	Ocean Crest Grade School	Bandon, Ore.
Aug. 2	Fair	Eugene Mall	Eugene, Ore.
Aug. 8 & 9	Fair	Benton County Fair	Corvallis, Ore.
Aug. 13 or 15	Fair	Clackamas Fairgrounds	Canby, Ore.
Aug. 16	Fair	Polk County Fair	Rickreall, Ore.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Just a reminder that Oregon is the Host State at Weiser this year and it is up to us to keep the entertainment going at the Hospitality House for Weiser Week. Don Gish has taken the responsibility for the Float, anyone wishing to help out either decorating or playing on it should see Don. See you all in Weiser.

FAIR NEWS

August is not far off, and it's time to get ready for the big shows that we put on each year at the County Fairs. Every Fiddler and Accompanist should try to get to at least one of the shows during August that we'll be putting on. With the Canyonville Contest Aug. 23, we'll have a show or contest going on during each week-end of August, so look forward to a busy, fun and fiddling-filled month. There'll be no show in Washington Park in Portland this year. Maybe next year. Remember that when you come to play for one of the shows we put on, you're helping our Association treasury, because at each of the shows listed below our Association will receive a minimum of \$250.00 for our appearance.

SAT. AUG. 2	EUGENE MALL	EUGENE
FRI. AUG. 8	BENTON COUNTY FAIR	CORVALLIS
SAT. AUG. 9	BENTON COUNTY FAIR	CORVALLIS
-- -- --	CLACKAMAS COUNTY FAIR	CANBY

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(Clackamas Show will be either Wed. Aug. 13 or Friday Aug. 15,
the Fair Board hasn't decided yet at this writing.)

SAT. AUG. 16

POLK COUNTY FAIR

RICKREALL

Watch for more details in next month's HOEDOWNER.

Association Show Director
Wayne Holmes.

STATE CONTEST RESULTS:

SENIORS

1st Place Eddie Johnson
2nd Place Fred Hildebrandt
3rd Place Hugh Samples
4th Place Walter Langlitz
5th Place Cliff Buker

JUNIORS

1st Place Jess Cooper
2nd Place Steve Bennett
3rd Place Grant Wheeler
4th Place Pat Reed

OPEN

1st Place John Melnichuk
2nd Place Don Gish
3rd Place Bill Warwick
4th Place Wayne Holmes
5th Place Al DeLorme
6th Place Fred Virtue

INTERMEDIATES

1st Place Carol Wheeler
2nd Place G.L. Moore
3rd Place Dave Moffitt
4th Place Linda Danielson
5th Place Jim Morris
6th Place LeRoy Sim
7th Place Bob Fast

ACCOMPANISTS

1st Place Fred Samples
2nd Place George Cooper
3rd Place June Secor

PENDLETON CONTEST RESULTS

SENIORS

1st Place Roy Edwards
2nd Place Walt Landis
3rd Place Fred Hildebrandt
4th Place Leon Stephens
5th Place Wally Ralston

JUNIORS

1st Place Connie Bonar
2nd Place Jess Cooper
3rd Place Loretta Brank
4th Place Kathy Cordova
5th Place Mike Parsons

INTERMEDIATES

1st Place Carol Wheeler
2nd Place Penny Mead
3rd Place Dallas Goff
4th Place L.D. Daniel
5th Place Bob Fast

2nd OPEN

1st Place Jim Ropp
2nd Place Ivan McDaniel
3rd Place James Herd
4th Place Jack Darland
5th Place Kenneth Brank

1st OPEN

1st Place John Francis
2nd Place John Melnichuk
3rd Place Loyd Wanzer
4th Place Bill Yohey
5th Place Sam Sloan

DISTRICT 1 REPORT

April 30th the Fiddlers were asked to play at the Winema Motor Hotel for the Home Extension Fellowship Day Luncheon. Fiddlers and Accompanists were Irven Johnson, Cliff Tunnell, Doc Bowman, Anne Johnson and Doris Clark.

Remember to stop at Burns, Sunday, June 15th, on your way to Weiser, for a Jam Session at the High School. See you there.

Doris Clark, Reporter

DISTRICT 4 NEWS

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A Pot Luck and Jam Session was held in Drain, Sunday, May 18th at the Sunnysdale Grange Hall. A small but appreciative audience attended. The P.A. system was furnished by Susan Rosenberg and Tim Withfor. Fiddlers that played were Paul Lakoy, Jim O'Bryant, Bud Bishop, Floyd Harmon, Jim Cloud, Suzan Rosenberg, Richard Schlegel, Linda Danielson, Morse Mitchell, Don Gish, Jim Rose and Ralph Huston. Guitar Accompanists were Deloris Lakoy, Richard Schlegel, Suzan Rosenberg and Will Stomp. Richard Schlegel also played the Banjo. Several special numbers were played by the R.S.V.P. (Retired Senior Citizens Volunteer Program) with Casey Jones on the Sax, Mae Samsel on the Fiddle and a Piano and Accordionist whose name I did not get. Several other specials were played by those present and later they played requests and then everyone danced. An enjoyable afternoon was had by all.

Deloris Lakoy, Reporter

PORT ORFORD CHAMBER OF COMMERCE - District 5 Area

All Fiddlers are invited to attend our Jetty Jubilee, Fourth of July celebration in Port Orford. We have elected a "Golden Years" Queen and two attendants. There will be a crowning ceremony on July 3rd at the Beachcombers Hall and square dancing and old time music. Wish to have a Fiddlers contest and if we can be assured of enough attendance will have a contest, probably at the dance. There will be a full day of fun and entertainment on July 4th, beginning with breakfast, a big parade and all kinds of entertainment and a salmon feed from 12 noon until 4 p.m., fireworks and a battle at Battle Rock also.

Maude Weir, Program coordinator
Jetty Jubilee, Port Orford, Ore.

DISTRICT 6

****CALLING ALL FIDDLERS AND ACCOMPANISTS**** Come to the Brownsville Pioneer Picnic. This event will be on June 14th in the Brownsville City Park. Our part of the entertainment will take place at 7 p.m. This is on the Saturday preceeding the National Contest. This would be a good opportunity for you fiddlers to have a final "Dress Rehearsal" for your contest tunes. Travelling east from the freeway when you get to Brownsville turn left (north) on Park Street, and the park is two blocks N.

Wayne Holmes.

The Lane County Historical Society invites Fiddlers and Accompanists and Families to the Annual Lane County Pioneer Picnic, a potluck to be held June 21, Saturday from 10:30 a.m. to about 3:00 p.m. Bring your table service. Fiddlers will play casually through noon meal, and participate in the program afterwards. The picnic is to be held at the old Cal Young property, an interesting and well known pioneer home in the area. The address is 1610 Cal Young Road. Leave I-5 at I-105 exits into Eugene, then take Coburg Road north off I-105. Turn left onto Cal Young Road, about 1 to 1½ miles up Coburg Road.

Linda Danielson

DISTRICT 7

Penny Mead was asked to furnish some music for the Railroaders Oldtimers Club dance at the American Legion Hall, May 18th. These people really seemed to enjoy our music as they danced away the evening. Those helping her were Stan Gleason on the Guitar, Wayne Walter, Bob Fast, Gladys Braskett on Fiddles, Jim Braskett, Guitar and Ed Mead on the Big Bass.

Bob Fast, Reporter

DISTRICT 8 NEWS

A little rain could never dampen the spirits of determined Fiddlers headed for a jam session on a spring day.

The Lincoln City grange hall was crowded to capacity May 18th, and after a sumptuous pot-luck dinner, the Fiddlers with their accompanists entertained in their usual fine form.

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During the program the audience was treated to some songs by Princess Ramona backed by Bill Yohey and accompanists. She graciously donated the proceeds from the sale of her records to the association. Many thanks to the Kylers and Bukers who worked very hard to make the gathering the huge success it was.

How good it was to hear the deep basso voice of Cliff Buker who, clip-board in hand, announced the Fiddlers and Accompanists as the program proceeded. His many friends honored him as the "Father of the Old-time Fiddlers Association" by giving him a standing ovation. We'll all be looking forward to another jam session in Lincoln City.

Minnie Bennett, Reporter

Beginning with this issue, Minnie Bennett is going to write a history each month about people in our organization, Fiddlers and Accompanists alike. This has been done in the past when Edna Yohey was doing the paper and we thought it would be nice to revive it. We are going to start this out with a biography of Cliff Buker, one of the Founders of this great organization. All members have been asked to send their history to Minnie Bennett, our Historian, so if you have not done so, please do it now. If you have sent your biography and picture please update it with your latest picture and what you have been doing, the contests you have been in and how you have placed. Thanks.

CLIFFORD BUKER - FIDDLER OF THE MONTH

Cliff was born in Alpine, Utah, March 22, 1893. He came to Oregon at the age of one year and has lived here ever since. At the age of 12 Cliff started playing Fiddle and at 15 began playing for dances. He chorded on piano, played fiddle and also played coronet in the local band.

After his retirement from Georgia Pacific where he was construction foreman, Cliff played for dances until the Oregon Old-Time Fiddlers Association was organized. He has since continued entertaining at Veteran's organizations, nursing homes, etc. Always ably accompanied on piano by his wife Bessie.

Cliff has twice won Senior Championship in National competition at Weiser, Idaho, first in 1965 and again in 1967. In 1972, at Pendleton, he won State Senior Championship. He also has won many trophies from other contests in Washington and Oregon.

Cliff and Bessie are the parents of 10 children; 3 sons and 7 daughters. They have lived in their present home at Waldport, Oregon over 45 years and are still active in attending jam sessions and contests over the state.

Minnie Bennett

We have received a letter from the National Folk Festival Association, Inc., stating they have for sale a Calendar of Folk Festivals and Related Events. This is a detailed calendar listing about 465 Festivals in the United States and Canada. You may get one by mailing \$2.50 for each calendar to NFFA, Suite 1118, 1346 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

We had a nice thank you from Cecil Bobell, District 4. He says that his broken leg is coming along good, and that he hopes to see us all at their picnic at Indian Mary Park, July 20th.

MORE NEWS FROM MARTHA WARWICK:

June 8th at Central Point Legion Hall they will have their usual monthly pot-luck and business meeting. It will be open to the public at 1:00 p.m. Also on June 28th at 7:00 p.m. there will be an anniversary party for any of the members who have an anniversary in June. Please bring your own refreshments.

Martha said they have been very active this past month, playing at the Rogue Comm. College, Ashland Senior Citizens Dance and several rest homes around the area.

There will be a fiddlers picnic at Indian Mary Park in Grants Pass on July 20th, sponsored by Cecil and Bernice Bobell. Please come.

1975 STATE CONTEST FINANCIAL STATEMENT
ROSEBURG, ORE. MAY 10

EXPENSE

INCOME

Rent-----	\$200.00	Registration-----	\$ 183.00
Kitchen(Jim Deaton, groceries)---	200.00	Door and Kitchen-----	1265.40
Trophies-----	240.00		<u>\$1448.40</u>
Prizes-----	685.00		
Judges-----	375.00		
Margaret Cox(programs, etc.)-----	87.70		
Jack Link, Emcee-----	201.00		
Martha Warwick(phone calls, stamps)	15.87		
Bill Yohey(calls to obtain judges)	7.77		
Gynn Deaton (kitchen)-----	18.71		
Total-----	<u>\$2031.05</u>		