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<u>COMING EVENTS</u>		February 1980		<u>DISTRICT</u>
Feb.	3	Jam Session	Merrill Comm. Hall	Merrill 1
	3	Jam Session	Sr. Citizens Hall	Bend 3
	3	Jam Session	Grange Hall	Central Point 4
	10	Jam Session	Clackamas College	Oregon City 7
	16	Special Jam	Eiks Club	Forest Grove 7
	16	Jam Session	Coquille Comm. Hall	Coquille 5
	17	Jam Session	Grange Hall	McMinville 8
	24	Jam Session	Grange Hall	Lowell 6
March	2	Jam Session	Fairgrounds	Klamath Falls 1
	9	Jam Session	Moose Hall	Lebanon 6
	8	FIDDLE CONTEST	High School	Forest Grove 7
	21 & 22	CONVENTION	Fairgrounds	Eugene

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE:

We had a tremendous turn out at Salem. Both in Fiddlers and Accompanist, also the crowd packed out the Senior Citizen Center. It was great to see many of you again. We are looking forward to a good convention in March.

Please be sure to read the following information for it is very important.

God bless you and keep fiddling
Les

IMPORTANT

THUMBNAIL RECAP OF QUARTERLY BUSINESS MEETING JANUARY 20, 1980

1. Poll of Districts indicates majority wants 5 judges for the State Contest. Advised same.
2. Poll of Districts indicates majority reporting back prefer fall Convention instead of March. This will be brought before the Convention for a vote. Standing Rule IX.
3. Report on banquet facilities at Convention-due to new policy of no outside catering at the Fairgrounds and a price of \$6.00 to \$9.00 per plate for in house catering we will be making arrangements to go to Norths for our banquet.
4. We will have 3 - 30 minutes work shops Saturday AM at the Convention. 1. FIDDLIN', led by Carol Ann Wheeler, 2. GUITAR, led by John Melnichuk, 3. BASS, led by Dave Boyd. We will try and have a printed agenda for the Convention with times of events.
5. Executive Board Recommending change in By-Laws Article III membership section (2)

The state shall be divided into eight (8) Districts. To constitute a District there shall be no less than (25) twenty-five members - Recommended striking the number or word EIGHT to read the State be divided into Districts. To constitute a District, there shall be no less than twenty-five (25) members.

6 Report on Contest Rules Revision Committee.

C General Contest Rules

Contestants must be a [permanent] resident of Oregon for six (6) months prior to State Contest and be a member of the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association [for six (6) months prior to the Contest date]. All Contestants must qualify for competition by payment of entry fee as established by Contest Chairman. Contestants may play in one division only.

NOTE: Bracketed [] words are the changes to be inserted.

The following are items to be added to the General Rules

2. Contestants who participate in the Championship Division shall be expected to actively participate at fiddling functions during the year including fairs, shows and the State Convention.
3. The first place winner in the Championship Division will be expected to represent the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association at the National Contest at Weiser, Idaho in June. In the event that the reigning champion establishes residency in another state, or for other reasons cannot represent the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association during the year in the state of Oregon or at the National Contest, a Reserve Champion will be selected by the Board of Directors as a substitute. This reserve champion will be the second place winner in the Championship Division. Should the Reserve Champion not be able to attend, then a Reserve Champion will be selected in top order of placement in the Championship Division at the state Contest.
- 4 All other considerations, such as payment of registration fee at the National Contest and determinations regarding residency and eligibility will be made at the discretion of the Board of Directors of Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association.

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DISTRICT 1

Our January meeting was short but interesting. A nominating committee was appointed. They are; Dale Meints, Martin Arnold and Bob Coleman. There will be election of officers at our February meeting.

The meeting will be at the Merrill Community Hall on February 3rd. That will be a Sunday afternoon meeting at 1:00 pm. Come out and vote, and see the new improvements on the building.

Your reporter, Bob Coleman

DISTRICT 3

District #3 held their second Jam Session on January 6th at the Senior Citizens Center, in Bend.

There were over fifty people in attendance, the majority being Senior Citizens. We held a membership sign-up for The Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association, and had eleven people register (four of those were renewals). We would like to remind everyone in our District that we need at least 25 members, to participate as a bonified chapter in the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association. So..tell a friend and sign them up!

Next Jam Session will be at McMinville Grange Hall, McMinville, Oregon. Location--on old Hiway 99 W., on West side of McMinville. There is a sign on a post that says Grange Hall. The street is between the bowling ally and trailer sales. Date February 17th. Time 10 o'clock doors open. Potluck dinner at 12 noon. Bring own service. Show for public at 1 o'clock.

Main agenda is business meeting and election of officers at 11 o'clock sharp. Come on District #8 in full force for elections. Lets have another capacity crowd and have fun.

SOMEONE LOST A FIDDLE BOW at the State Jam in Salem. Dave has it. Also a dish was left and also a spatula.

Reporter, Jeannette Robinson

THANK YOU NOTES:

I want to thank all who called and sent cards during my illness. Enjoyed hearing from them. Thank you all.....Clara Beckett

I would like to take this opportunity to thank all the fiddler friends for the flowers, cards and thoughtfulness during the illness and death of my husband, George Jenkerson. We miss him greatly.....Grace Jenkerson

I want to thank everyone for the Christmas Cards and letters and always thinking of me. I am working in an upholstery shop. It is interesting work and I like it, but if I had a choice, I would be following fiddlers with L. D. Maybe someday my grandson will be here and I can make myself go with him to play. Love you....Delberta Daniels

ILLNESS:

From District #4, Jim Reed is recuperating and hope he will back with us soon. Hugh Samples is quite ill.

From District #7, Bill Wilson is ill and is in Portland Adventist Medical Center, Room 2212, 10123 S. E. Market Street, Portland, Ore. 97216. He has had gallstone surgery and is improving nicely.

From all the Association our thoughts and prayers for your speedy recovery to all of you. I am sure there are many more that are not listed so this goes for you too!

COMING EVENTS.....CONVENTION AT EUGENE IN MARCH. Watch for next HOEDOWNER for more information and program. There will be a note from Dorsey Griffin on broadcast tapes...no room this time.

EDITORS THOT:

"Two things are bad for the heart--running up stairs and running down people"

Bernard Baruch

We hope you will have a HAPPY VALENTINE DAY!



United States Department of the Interior

NATIONAL PARK SERVICE

Fort Clatsop National Memorial

Route 3, Box 604-FC

Astoria, Oregon 97103

FOCL: #80

OPENING DATE: 01/11/80

CLOSING DATE: Open Until
Filled

IN REPLY REFER TO:

VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENT

Fort Clatsop National Memorial is accepting applications for the position listed below. For historical accuracy a white male or white male with Native American blood would be preferable.

POSITION TITLE, SERIES, AND GRADE

Park Technician (Fiddler), GS-026-04, Seasonal, Appointment: 06/08/80 - 09/01/80, \$4.83 per hour, five days a week, eight hours a day.

DUTIES

Plans and presents talks and living history demonstrations in buckskin costume that relate to the Lewis and Clark Expedition. Represents the members of the expedition that played the fiddle. Researches and performs fiddle music of the late 1700's to early 1800's. Performs living history demonstrations daily that include firing flintlock rifles, making tallow candles, casting rifleballs, tanning hides, and working on a dugout canoe. Gives general talks relating to the Lewis and Clark Expedition, presents campfire programs at nearby state park, and answers questions about fiddle music and the expedition. May be required to construct buckskin clothing from supplied materials or adapt an existing set to fit.

QUALIFICATIONS

Must be an experienced fiddle player and provide own instrument. Must be able to speak effectively for groups up to 200 people. Valid state driver's license is preferred.

AREA INFORMATION

Fort Clatsop is located 6 miles south of Astoria, Oregon. Though no government housing is available, apartment rentals along with all services, including a community college, can be found in Astoria. The climate is wet and cool during the winter with average rainfall of 85 inches and temperatures in the 50's. Summers are warm and humid with temperatures in the high 70's.

HOW TO APPLY

Send a completed Standard Form 171, "Personal Qualification Statement" to the Superintendent at the above address. Forms are available at your local post office, civil service office, or by contacting the park. Applications will be accepted until the position is filled. Depending upon budget restrictions, two positions may be available. For further information, contact Curt Johnson at 503-861-2471.

PRIVACY ACT INFORMATION

The applications you submit for this position contains information subject to the Privacy Act of 1974 (P.L. 93-579, 5 U.S.C. 552a). We are required to provide you with information regarding our authority and purposes for collecting this data, the routine uses which will be made of it, the effect, if any, of nondisclosure. You are entitled to the same information as it pertains specifically to disclosure of your social security number. Any questions you may have regarding Privacy Act regulations and the rights they extend can be obtained by calling 206-442-1013.

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