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CALENDAR (Be sure to read the district news for the specific times, places and activities.)
 2004

July (Check your district news for more dates.)

10-11 Silver Falls Silverton 8
 10 Smelt Fry Yachats 5
 17 Senior Center Coos Bay 5
 24 Jam Garibaldi 8
 31 Antique Caterpillar Show Brooks 8
 29, 30, 31 --1, 2 Aug Diamond Lake Campout
 31 Deschutes Co. Fair Bend 3

Aug.

7 Willamette Valley Contest Corvallis
 12 Polk Co. Fair Rickreall 8
 12-14 Campout Winchester Bay 5
 28 Canyonville Contest Canyonville

Sep.

16,17 &18 Campout 1000 T LaPine State/3

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Happy Birthday to America!

We had a small showing of musicians for the first of this years Saturday Farmers Market, but they had a good time anyway. Hopefully more of us can show up as our schedules allow throughout the summer.

Our performance at the Fairgrounds for the Master Gardeners was wonderfully attended. It seems this group thanked us more than any I can remember in a long time. They certainly enjoyed having us play.

At our June monthly meeting, Grace presented outgoing Chairperson Faye Patterson a lovely potted plant of yellow mums as a small token of our appreciation for her efforts as our Chairperson this last year. Thank you Faye for all your hard work. Our new officers for this next year are: Virgil Schmoe, Chairperson; Fay Patterson, Co-Chair; and Secretary/Treasurer/Membership, Grace Stork. In other business, we voted to send \$200 to the Canyonville Contest to show our support. We agreed not to do either of the retirement homes (Clairmont and Pelican Pointe) for the summer. Too many other engagements, and we certainly don't want to be grouchy when we visit them. Ben Coker asked for a show of interest concerning a possible jam session in Chiloquin at the brand new Chiloquin Community Center. When enough people said they would come, Ben agreed to make the necessary contact. Isom then indicated that the Merrill Community Center is also available for free, with

camping potential, if we would be interested in hosting a quarterly meeting or any other type of get together. Plenty of music playing potential. We were also glad to hear that John & Patti Northcraft's son is doing much better from his cancer treatment.

At our June Jam & Dance, we welcomed fellow fiddler Jack Crowley from Montana and Maynard Thompson from Dist 3. Visiting us again from the previous week was Tom Oden's 2nd cousin, 14 year old mandolin playing Dillon. Glad we didn't scare you too much and that you came back! Also, it was good to see Steve Curry finally wearing both cowboy boots, instead of one foot being in that clunky walking cast.

Our July performance schedule is as follows: Sunday the 4th at Chiloquin Community Center at 10 a.m., and at Villa West Mobile Estates (monthly meeting) at noon, Saturday the 10th – Farmers Market (9th Street between Main and Klamath) from 10 a.m. to Noon, and Sunday the 11th at Shasta Grange (Jam & Dance). Saturday the 17th at Klamath Christian Center 11:30 a.m., and Saturday the 24th – Farmers Market. Sunday the 18th is Guy Hinson's annual Steak Dinner / Barbecue in Keno. Please bring a potluck dish to help out feeding everyone. I do not have final details at this writing, but there might be a performance at Boch Creek (near Silver Lake) on the last weekend in July.

July Birthday Cake and Candles to: John Northcraft, Fran Coker, Jim Lancaster, June Sandusky, and Tom Oden. The only Anniversary we have for July is for Tom and Bernice Oden on the 25th. Congratulations you two.

"All that is necessary for evil to triumph is for good people to do nothing", wrote Edmund Burke. So please everyone - Celebrate America and all her glory and beauty and the freedoms we enjoy every day. From your friendly District1 field reporter – Fran Coker.

District 1E

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Boy, June is always such a busy month! Graduations, weddings, barbecues. too bad we couldn't spread them out to fill in the winter doldrums, but guess we'll make hay while the grass is green :)

The benefit barbecue for the Adel fire district went very well June 12, despite near gale force winds. Actually, the wind noise made it sound like we had some do-wap singers at the mikes. Good music, good food, good cause.

We had a ready made audience at our last jam. Due to a mix-up in the scheduling at the Memorial Hall, we had to share the hall with Nathan McLain's graduation party, so we ended up with a pretty good crowd. I guess we made lemonade again! Gettin' good at it. We had 3 singers, guitar players and a base player come from Alturas, CA for the jam. It's exciting to hear some different music styles from other groups.

A couple of little girls from Adel (that Terry McLain has been giving lessons to), joined us at the jam. Playing fiddle was McKayla Abbe and pickin' guitar was Hannah Abbe. Hope we see them come again, they really seem to enjoy playing the music. Indoctrinate them while they're young and they're hooked for life!!

July's jam is on the 3rd. Next business meeting is on the 12th of July. Hope we have a better turn out for the "changing of the guard" than we've been having at some the business meetings . (guilty!!) Rosa Lee McLain will be taking over for Shorty Stone as chairman and Shorty should be thanked for a job well done this past year. Despite having some serious health issues, he's made it to every meeting. Thank you," Shorts ". Now would be a good time to mention that there have been a few

others in and out of the hospital. Bev Perry has been to the hospital a couple of times, as well as Mary Cathcart, who went into the nursing home for a spell. We wish them all speedy recoveries.

Nursing Home play dates are July 6th and 20th, at Lake District Long Term Care facility from 9:30 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.. Senior Center play dates are July 2,9,16,23, and 30. We play from 10:30 a.m. to noon.

Birthdays this month include Perry Forga - 9th, Doug McLain -12th, Elaine Hampton-16th, Donna Lynch and John Berutti on the 29th.

Th..th...th...that's all folks.

From the Redneck Music Dictionary:

PERFECT FIFTH: an unopened bottle of Jack Daniels

DIMINISHED FIFTH: an almost empty bottle of Jack Daniels

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District 3

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Hope all the fathers out there had a great Fathers Day. :o)

Our VFW show on June 6th turned out great. Allot of musicians and lots of dancers. Thanks to all the musicians playing and performing and keeping the dancers on the floor. :o)

The OOTFA Bi-laws have been revised and if you want a copy talk to your district chairman.

District 3 will be playing again this July 31st 1 p.m. at Deschutes County Fair grounds. Tickets for musicians only will be passed out at the next VFW show meeting in July.

We will have a Redmond VFW show in July 1:30 to 4:00 p.m. All members and musicians are encouraged to be there for the show and meeting to follow.

On July 1st Art Bigelow will be officially Vice chairman and Dale Anderson Chairman. District 3 thanks you both for volunteering to be our new officers. YEAH!

Remember July 24th and 25th District 3 will be having our Crooked River Ranch campout potluck. Bring you instruments and utensils. We will eat dinner on the 24th around 5:30 p.m. and Sunday will have breakfast around 8:30 a.m. Hope to see all there.

The Bigelow family is thinking about a party at the end of August for District 3. More information will follow.

Burns High Desert Jamboree will be on June 17th, 18th, 19th. See you there, Don't forget to bring your mosquito repellent. He! He!

We would like to welcome Bill and Betty Chapman from District 1E. My apologies to Betty. She plays a guitar not a fiddle and we love to hear her sing and yodel.

Thanks to a visitor from Montana, Jack Crawley, who plays great fiddle. Hope you come back soon Jack.

We had a member who joined at Silver Lake, Johnny Swearinger, who plays guitar and lives in LaPine. Thanks for joining.

May God Bless and be with the ones who have lost a loved one and all who are sick and has had surgery. District 3 prays for fast recoveries. We would like to celebrate all birthdays and anniversaries with lots of love and Old Time Music.

Happy July 4th!!! ++++ Bang!. Watch the sky light up and have lots of fun.

District 3 Reporter, Ellen Jakob

District 4

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Meeting has come and gone. This will be a short report because it is coming in early due to leaving for the quarterly meeting and Jamboree at Burns on the 17th, 18th and 19th of June.

We will be having our annual picnic the 3rd of July at Walch Park at Lake Creek. From 11:00 a.m. till 4 p.m. There will be no meeting. There will be lots of eating, visiting and jamming. We have chosen this place due to its privacy, location and beauty. Also, its nearness to Klamath Falls and all OOTFA members are welcome to come and join us. The picnic is like a potluck bring food and something to eat with.

The schedule for the rest of the year is as follows. August is vacation month. September 4th Lake Creek Grange. October 2nd is at Fruitdale Grange in Grants Pass. November 6th Eagle Point Grange. December 4th Roxy Ann Grange at Medford, Oregon. These dates and places have been scheduled ahead

of time to reserve a place to jam. You can please some of the members some of the time but you can't please all of the members all of the time.

Gene says: "My term as chairman and reporter ends this month." I'm grateful for the volunteers whom I asked to serve and appointed for specific duties. Mildred Kelsey publicity agent, Our hospitality agent Jerry Van Foeken, Artie Hammonds sign-up board coordinator, Paul Weller assitant M.C., Don Kimmel Gig coordinator in Grants Pass, Bob Zellman custodian and seating, Judy McGarvey reporter, Lola Williams Cook, and Judy Lyons Cook.

Special thanks for the long service as membership chairman to Marie Mickey. Special thanks to Cathy Serpa for the good cookn'. Special thanks to Ralph Sieger for the long service as our sound man providing his personal equipment and giving us professional quality sound. These 3 members will be missed as they are retiring at the end of the month.

My goal has been to perpetuate old time music and OOTFA with it goals and I want to thank all the members who helped and supported me to do this.

Gene Williams Reporter

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Happy 4th of July!!! Wow, summer is in full tilt!! Plenty of music and sunshine for everyone!!

We would like to thank everyone who came out to play at NACO, and special thanks to those intrepid musicians that came to Brookings and Bullards Beach.

We play again at NACO on July 3rd and at Brookings on July 4th. On July 9th we play at Bullards Beach and on July 10th we play at the Smelt Fry in Yachats. All districts are invited to participate. There are several other musical happening that weekend, so if you can make it over please do. All musicians in Yachats get a free meal!!

Happy Birthday Wishes to Darin Hasley July 6th, Nancy Davis - 7th, Bob Shaffar - 22nd, Clirca Miller and Sharon Gallagher - 23rd, Susan Barrow - 26th, and Alex Sylvester - 31st.

Happy Anniversary to Byron & Carol Marks on the 7th, Cecil & Lucille Davidson - 8th, and Wally & Jean Holder - 25th.

Start practicing your "Blue" tunes for our campout in Winchester Bay, August 12-15th . Prizes will be awarded!! There are still dry camping spaces available. You can still reserve a spot by calling Sharon Gallagher at (541) 572-2742.

Our next meeting will be held at the Coos Bay Senior Center on July 17th. The meeting will start at 11:00 a.m., followed by a potluck and jam session. Every one please plan on attending as several important topics, including more details for our upcoming campout will be discussed.

We are sad to report that Ruth Whaley, one of our long-time members, passed away recently . Our condolences to her friends and family.

Hal Weiner District 5 Reporter

District 6

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District 6 Report for July:

August 18 Lane Co. Fair

August 21 Crow Grange

October 16 Crow Grange

November 20 Crow Grange

July finds our new district board taking the reins: Joe Moyle continues as Chair, Bob Strelow steps in as Co-chair, and Bernie Roberts takes on the Secretary/Treasurer duties. We are very fortunate to have these gentlemen willing to handle the details of our District so the rest of us can just show up and have fun at the jams. And a big thank you to the out-going officers, Oral Robbins, Bob Kaiser and Betty Hawkins-- job well-done!

Don and Ruth Loring's 65th wedding anniversary celebration (and 40 years with the Fiddlers) was quite a bash. Numerous friends from District 6 attended, as did many Fiddlers from other parts of the State, including Dennis and Thelma Allen and jazz fiddler Bus Boyk. Friends, family and Fiddlers jammed and everyone had a great time.

Thanks to Crow Grange for hosting our June jam and potluck. Many thanks to all of you who came early for the district meeting! And thanks so much for all who made the potluck a good one! It was nice to see Harv and Linda Harvey again, as Linda is feeling herself again after a serious heart attack last winter. And nice also to have Helen Tracy present. Don't forget: she is the lady to contact to purchase name tags. We were glad for the visit from Allison and Curly Roberts, now residing in the Salem area. Much love to Jack Walker and Sherry and Rick Dobson--hang in there!

We have no regular jams scheduled for July, but the Eugene Public Library has invited the Fiddlers to play music in the lobby on Friday July 2nd from

6:30 to 8:30 P.M. This will be an informal group jam with no sound, and the Library has asked for instrumental music only--sorry, no singing. The Library is located at 100 W. 10th Avenue, and parking on the street is free after 5:30 PM. Thanks to Scott Herron for arranging this opportunity to present our music to the public. And don't forget District 5's invitation to join them on July 10th at the Yachats Smelt Fry, and also at Winchester Bay, August 12-15.

In August the Lane Co. Fair has asked the Fiddlers to play on Senior Day, August 18th at 3:30 P.M. We have only an hour to play, so Joe Moyle is asking people to contact him if you want to participate, realizing that the time allotted to play is quite limited. Then on Saturday August 21st we have our regular jam and potluck at Crow Grange. September brings 1000 Trails in mid-month; stay tuned for jam information. In October we will again be at Crow Grange on the 16th, and the Thanksgiving jam is planned for November 20th at Crow. We are at the Lebanon Moose Lodge again on December 5th. I've been asked to mention that Dave Boyd's phone number at Ya-Po-Ah Terrace is 342-2115. Feel free to call him with your best (or worst) jokes. Betty Hawkin's new phone number is 747-4428.

We were saddened to hear, rather belatedly, of the passing of Theresa Powell in early May. Our sympathies to her family.

In health notes, Bob Kaiser continues to deal with poor health at home but welcomes visits from friends. Maxine Benson is recovering from knee surgery, and John Steele is recovering from back surgery. Gary Lake is feeling quite well despite his chemotherapy. Ruth and Andy Kennedy--we miss you at the jams! Hope you both feel better soon! And best wishes to Betty Hawkins, too! Best wishes to LoRay Hannah who is still in the hospital.

Happy birthday to: Floyd Frazier 7/3; Samantha Dobson 7/11; Emily Moyle 7/11; Esther Shriber 7/28. Happy anniversary to: Bernie and Marie Roberts 7/18/80; and Mark and Ila Mae Carmickle 7/29/89.

Mark Ratzlaff, Reporter, District 6

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July

6	Sherwood Senior Center	Sherwood
10	Farmington Square Residential	Tualatin
16	American Cancer Society	Portland
17	Lone Fir Cemetery	Portland
29	Providence Laurelhurst	Portland

August

6	Nut and Berry Festival	Cornelius
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14	Sunnyside Four Square	Clackamas
14	4th Annual Bawb Bash	Estacada
27	Estacada Community Picnic	Estacada

September

5	King City Town Hall	King City
7	PDX Air Base	Portland
28	Creekside Retirement Village	Beaverton

Our June jam at the Estacada Community Center was a lot of fun. The center is a wonderful facility to perform in. We all sounded so good.

District 7's new officers will be Chairman: Jim Kuether; Co-Chairs: Dick and Donna Foreman; Sec/Treas: Barbara Petrin; Membership Chairs will continue to be Myrtle Arnold and Jackie Germundson; the newsletter reporter will be Gail Foster and the Events Coordinators will be Ida Colby and Linda Easley. Transition to the new officers will take place the first of July.

District 7 was well represented in the OOTFA Contest in Salem this year and we did well. In Pee Wee Division, Kian Dye won first place and Isabel Hart took fourth place. In Junior-Junior, Brian Shaylor took second place. In Young Adult, Mary Julia Wilson won first place and Daniel Forester took second. In Adult Division, Eileen Witley won first place. In the Open Division, Andy Emert won first place. Frank Moore and Pat and Chuck Gates won awards for Backup. The first place winners are certified to compete in Weiser at the Nationals. District 7's Jack Smith Memorial Fund purchased the Senior-Senior Trophies as per the wishes of Jack's family.

There are four new member families in District 7: Tim and Pam Dierickx live in Forest Grove; Brad and Carolyn Hangartner live in Estacada, their children are Ken, who plays fiddle, Bryon and Don who both play guitar and piano, and Krissy who plays piano and flute; Timothy and Nancy Hart live in Warren; their son Sydney plays the fiddle; and Don and LaVona Schroder live in Canby; their son Joe plays the fiddle. Be sure to make them welcome as our paths cross on the music road. We're sorry to report that recent member Bernie Clark, a real good harmonica player from Beaverton, has passed away. Our condolences go to his family and friends.

There are lots of opportunities to play for folks coming up as the summer progresses. (FYI: There will not be a Multnomah County Fair this year - no funding.)

Tuesday, July 6, at the Sherwood Senior Center at 855 N Sherwood Blvd. from 12 to 12:45. Take 99-W out past Tigard, turn left onto North Sherwood Blvd, and then turn right at the sign for the Library/Senior Center. It's across from Hopkins Elementary School. Public invited.

Saturday, July 10, we need to be at Farmington Square Assisted Living Facility from 1:30 to 3:00. They are at 17950 SW 115th Avenue in Tualatin. Directions from Portland: Take I-5 southbound; take the Tualatin exit, turn right as you exit at the top of the hill with the light; continue straight ahead on the Tualatin-Sherwood Road; go approximately 5-6 blocks to Teton Road at the light; turn right onto Teton Road; continue ahead to the end of this road approximately 4 long blocks; turn left at Tualatin Road and continue approximately 4 blocks; turn right on 115th avenue-notice the corner sign on right is for Farmington Square; turn right again into the parking lot; Enter into the first building on the right.

Friday, July 16 The American Cancer Society invites the fiddlers to play for the 7th annual Relay for Life, at 7:00 p.m. at Reynolds Middle School, 1200 NE 201st (201st and Halsey). Here's the schedule:

6:00 p.m. Opening Ceremony (with Honor Guard) 6.30 p.m. Survivor Lap (with Bagpipes and Drums) - that's once around the track. 7:00 p.m. - Oregon Old Time Fiddlers play during dinner - (free dinner for fiddlers about 8:00 p.m.)

9:00 p.m. Luminaria Ceremony 9:30 p.m. Fireworks show Cancer survivors are honored guests. If you are a cancer survivor and want to be recognized please call Donna Foreman (503-630-3577) or Connie Clausing (503-492-5329).

Saturday, July 17, between 5 and 6:30 p.m. fiddlers are needed to play at a fundraiser for the Friends of the Lone Fir Cemetery at 2115 SE Morrison. The cemetery is between SE 20th and 26th and SE Stark and SE Morrison streets. (Morrison is a one-way heading west.) We will play by the Soldiers Monument. Tell the greeter you're with the Fiddlers and they will tell you where to park and where to assemble. Public invited.

Thursday, July 29, from 12:30 - 1:30 fiddlers are needed at the Providence Laurelhurst Eldercare at 4540 NE Glisan. Parking is on street and can be difficult. The folks sure like us. Enter through the third door on the south side of the building.

Friday August 6 starting at 7 p.m. fiddlers are needed to play at the Cornelius Nut and Berry Festival at Harlemon Park in Cornelius. We'll play a couple of hours. Going west on Tualatin Valley Highway (Oregon 8) in Cornelius, turn left onto 10th Avenue. The park is eight or ten blocks south on the right. The NE corner of the park is at the intersection of S. 10th Avenue and S. Heather Streets. The playground of Echo Shaw School is on the south side.

Saturday August 14, between 12 and 1 p.m. The Sunnyside Foursquare Church at 13231 SE Sunnyside Road needs fiddlers to entertain at their Church Picnic. They will feed us lunch. Then, after playing at the church, Andy and Terry Jorgensen are hosting their fifth annual Bawb Bash at their home at 35795 SE Snuffin Road in Estacada. This will be a celebration of Bob Huffman's 84th birthday and all his friends are invited. The directions to the Bash: Go out Highway 224 toward Estacada, turn left onto SE Folsom and go to the stop sign, cross SE Eagle Creek Road onto SE Currin and go 3 miles up the road. Turn left onto SE Snuffin Road and the third driveway on the left is theirs. The gate will be open. Plan for an evening potluck.

Friday August 27 beginning at 4:00 p.m. fiddlers are needed to play and eat at the Estacada Community Picnic held at the Eagle Creek Foursquare Church at 31121 SE Eagle Cliff Lane. From Portland take I-205 South to Exit 12-A head out Highway 224 toward Estacada. At the Chevron station at Highway 211 turn left and go a short ways to Eagle Creek Road and turn right. Drive a ways, over the creek and up the hill. On the left side you'll see a sign for the Eagle Creek Foursquare Church. Turn in and follow the gravel road. Someone will help us park.

Sunday September 5 begins our monthly jam schedule at the King City Town Hall at 15245 SW 116th in Portland (or King City, out 99W past Tigard). Doors will open for us about 11:00 and we'll jam for the public from 1 to 4. Public invited.

Tuesday September 7 pencil in the evening to play for the retired military officers at the Air Base again this year. Particulars to follow.

Tuesday September 28 from 1:30 -2:30 at the Creekside Retirement Village in Beaverton. It's at 5450 SW Erickson Avenue in Beaverton.

SHAMELESS PLUG FOR ONE OF OUR OWN! Six or seven years ago, Mel Bay, the music publisher, invited District 7's own Carol Ann Wheeler to put together a "legacy" book/CD, a collection of tunes that she loves and has played for years, illustrated with lots of pictures of musical friends and fellow fiddlers. It's not a methods book, but a collection of her own arrangements of her own favorite fiddle tunes. Anyone wanting to purchase an autographed copy of "*Carol Ann's Collection of Fiddle Tunes for Shows, Contests and Parking Lots!*" call her at 503-646-1152.

District 8

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Welcome new officers! Marie Bailey takes the helm as our district chairperson. Aiding her will be Ray Cunningham, co-chair and Christine Lang, secretary-treasurer.

Many thanks to outgoing officers, Dennis Brutke, chairman, Jackie Stephenson, co-chair, and Chris Lang secretary treasurer, who is staying on in her office.

Lew and I stopped to see Ace Wehus on June 7th. He is feeling better, and gaining strength. Keep it up Ace! Dorothy reports that he has gained five pounds.

We recently played at a retirement home in Salem where Jim and June Secor live. Jim served two terms as OOTFA president (1975-1977), and June played great back up piano. We're going to have her play with us if we go back. They sent their greetings and asked about some of the "old timers".

We hope Joyce Crump is recovering nicely from her back surgery in June. And Phil Ringle who had shoulder surgery. We missed him in Aurora at the Strawberry Festival.

The District 8 picnic at Colebanks was a great success! The weather cooperated, too! About 40 District 8 and 7 folks came, bringing tasty food. Of course the instruments were out of their cases, and music was flowing most of the afternoon, with only a short break to eat. The barn proved to be fireproof during the playing of Barnburner's Reel, however, "firemen" with extinguishers in hand were standing by just in case! We were glad to have Barbara Bartholomew travel all the way from Newport to join us. Good to have Paul and Alice Bourgeois join us also. Paul has a top of the line "gut bucket" and does a great job playing it too.

Some of us will be traveling to Burns for the High Desert Jamboree, and then on to Weiser. Safe travels, everyone!

More play dates: Pack up your RVs, or just come for the day for the campout at Silver Falls State Park, east of Salem. Many years ago, Al Faucett went over the falls in a canoe. He survived, but his partner absconded with the money they charged people to watch. The park has an annual Al Fauscett Days celebration. It's a beautiful park, and we have a great time playing music for the visitors. The dates are July 9th, 10th and 11th. Check with Marie or Dale or Lew for directions.

July 10th is the annual Smelt Fry at Yachats. The fiddlers have put on a show there for many years to an appreciative audiences. District 5 is handling the show (even though Yachats is in district 8). They would be happy to have any musicians from District 6 or other, join them. The fried smelt are good too, whether you eat the bones or not!

July 24th, Saturday, we'll have a jam in Garibaldi, on the coast. Garibaldi is a few miles up Hwy 101 from Tillamook. We will be playing from 1 to 3 as a part of their week end celebration. Where are we playing? We don't know just yet. The person who could tell us is out of town. But Marie and Lew should have the specifics by the time the Hoedowner comes out. Garibaldi isn't that big, there will be advertisements and we'll put out signs on the highway. Have faith. But we really would like to see you there.

July 31st, Saturday, Antique Caterpillar Show at Brooks, north of Salem. Here are the directions to get there: Take the Brooks exit from I-5 -- exit number 263- toward BROOKS., go west about 1/4 mile and you will see a big sign for the Steam Up/Museum on the right. Drive into the gate and show your membership card (the gate is about 400 feet north of where you turn in). Keep driving straight past the gate on back to the Caterpillar Museum which is on your right. You will see a number of cats outside. Also, the Museum is the next building after the fire engine display on the right. Plan to get there about 5 P.M. or a little before and playing an hour and half to two hours. Dinner for musicians is part of the deal.

August 12th Thursday is our day to play at the Polk County Fair in Rickreall. It's senior citizens day, and many of them come just to hear us! We'll be playing from 1:15 until 2 PM and they will pay District 8 \$250. More next month on admission passes.

Putting music in our lives: Remember to take TIME to enjoy yourself. NOTE the fun things, and REPEAT them. Don't forget to REST.

Alice Holt, reporter

District 9

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We had 17 players for our Mother's Day show at the Senior Center. This will be our last program at the Senior Center until next fall. Our out of town guest were: Annie Schlupe, Vale ;Phil Drain Salem(D8) ; Bill and Betty Chapman Christmas Valley (1E) (1E); Tom and Vivian Tucker from Mt. Vernon and Ron Phillips from San Bernadino, Calif. who came with the Tuckers. Ron played banjo and mandolin. The Wingfields who moved here from California enjoyed the potluck and dancing.

A card was signed for Ray Hayes who had surgery in Bend and a card was sent to Punk McDaniel of John Day who underwent recent surgery. We celebrated Freda Tubbs Birthday. Walt sang her favorite song "Truck Driving Man."

Walt left immediately after the jam for the hospital in Bend to have 2 stints put in his arteries. What a surprise to have him home on Tuesday.

Ruel and Margaret Teague, Annie Schlupe and Julia Milleson had a great time the Silver Lake campout. The McLains are wonderful hosts and the jam circles were gigantic. Julia also had the opportunity to visit with Tillie McFee who now lives in College Place, Washington and attend a jam in Walla Walla and visit with Amos and Bonnie Fine. Amos has been on oxygen since last July but still plays a mighty smooth fiddle.

Thanks to the generosity of Anita (Enneberg) Hunt who has moved to Elgin, we now have her home to use for our Friday night jams. So.....if you don't have enough room at your place or live out in the country, you can still host a jam at Anita's Just get the key from her Mother, Mickey Enneberg, and let Julia know so she can put your name on the calling schedule.

Janet Brayman and Joan Suther played a special program in Redding, Calif. recently. Roy Reed is off to Alaska for a month and Julia is going to Vancouver Island , B.C. on a rail tour.

On Thursday June 3 we've been asked to play at the Elks Club for a medical benefit for respiratory therapist Al Jenson who is undergoing throat cancer treatments . We will play during the dinner hour at 6:00. A silent auction will follow. If you wish to make a bid on any of the donated items the building will be open at noon.

Saturday, June 5, we will be at the airport playing for the Lyons Club Fly in. They start serving breakfast at 6:00 a.m. Come early and eat before we start playing at 6:30.

Aspens will be June 11 at 7:00 and Ashley Manor is Monday the 21st at 6:30.

Hope we saw you all at the Jamboree June 17-19.

Julie Milleson , Reporter District 9

District 10

Chairman: Lyneatte Werlinger (541)957-8616

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255 Raintree Ave. Sutherlin, OR 97479

Treas. Glynn Deaton (541-839-4501)
Secretary: Flo Sangsland (541-863-6109)

Greetings from District 10, this Spring has been rather busy for us. We have been playing at Rose Haven Nursing home and Mercy Care Center. We were asked to play for Avon Travelcade, We received a nice card expressing their enjoyment of our music.

Guests at our June 5th jam , were Shorty and Charlotte Dow, District 5 also Willie and Edna Carter, Lebanon, OR from District 6. We All enjoyed their contributions to our listening pleasure.

Our new Officers are: Chairman Lyneatte Werlinger, [542] 957-8616
Co-Chairman/Membership: Joe Barnes [541]459-4522
255 Raintree Ave, Sutherlin, OR 97479
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District 10 will be having a fun potluck picnic July 17. We will be meeting at Amacher Park , 5750 N.E. Stephens , Winchester. The park is located Southwest of the Winchester Bridge. We will eat at 12 noon and play until 4 p.m. Please bring chairs, table service, drinks, potluck dish and be ready for a great time. Guests are welcome.

Our next regular meeting will be July 10th at the Winston Senior Center, 11 a.m. meeting, potluck at noon and jam 1-4 p.m.

Have a great Summer.

Reporter: Doris Dilbeck 541-672-6266 (doris042049@msn.com)

ED SED: This will be the last in a series of "Ed Sed", for the past 24 issues of the Hoedowner. I would like to once again thank all of the chairperson's, Hoedowner editor, secretary, membership chairwoman, committee members and everyone who has done their best to help promote and perpetuate our Oregon Old Time Fiddler's Association. I have thoroughly enjoyed being your President the past two years and I did my best to do what the membership wanted. I couldn't have managed without the blessing of my wife, Marie, who stood beside me all the way. Thank you Marie.

We had another very successful State Contest this year. Thank you Starr McMullen and Lew Holt for all your organizing and hard work. It was a pleasure working with both of you. Each category well represented with contestants and all of the first place winners were certified to compete this year at the National Old Time Fiddle Contest in Weiser, ID. There was some wonderful fiddle competition and many people said they sure wouldn't want to be a judge and have to make those decisions. How heartwarming to see so many of all ages compete and isn't it great to have so many young people take up fiddling and be a part of our organization. Several of us once again considered turning our fiddles into toothpicks after hearing and watching our up and coming young fiddlers make it look so easy.

At this time, congratulations again to all the new officers. I ask that each of you please give them all the support and help you have given me. Thank you. Until we meet again, keep fiddlin'

ED

And now Bob Sez: WHOOPIE!!!! Here we go, the beginning of another year for the OREGON OLD TIME FIDDLERS ASSOSICAION.

We have new officers both at district level and the state level. I just hope you all are as excited as I am to assume the duties of your office.

We have a wonderful organization, one that I am proud to be a part of, and I am looking forward to serving all the members as I know you are.

As you assume your new duties, if you have any questions about anything please feel free to contact me at anytime. My email, address and phone number are on the front of the Hoedowner, also in the roster.

Some of you I know and some of you I don't, but I am looking forward to meeting all of you sometime in the future.

I would like to take this opportunity to thank our outgoing president Mr. Ed Nelson and all of his crew for an excellent job, well done to all of you.

Until we talk again keep playing that OLD TIME MUSIC and practicing the art of OLD TIME FIDDLELING.

Your humble servant, Bob Ervin President O.O.T.F.A.

From the editor: Hanneke Cassel, Laura Weber Cash, Rudi Booher. . . . How many or which ones of the 53 young fiddlers in our contest, will be a future Hanneke, Laura, Rudi, Stacy, Jason, Sheri, Brendan, Meriwyn, Gabriel, Justin, Andy, Dan or will end up in Nashville or Branson or Pendleton or our state champion fiddler? It was nice having Laura Weber Cash as one of our judges. She came out from Nashville to be a judge. Nice CD, too. Memorial Day Alice and I sat in an audience that we estimated to be 400, to see and hear Hanneke Cassel play. She draws a huge crowd every year at the Folk Life Festival in Seattle. The Booher brothers playing for their sister's wedding was unique. Meriwyn must have been proud. It was a beautiful wedding for a beautiful young lady/fiddler.

Last month I wrote about the positive attitude I experienced at the Washington Contest. I am pleased to write that I had many positive experiences at "our Oregon" contest, too. The volunteers worked and worked. Starr and I have received "a whole stack" of comments from the parents of the young fiddlers, thanking us for work involved in putting on a contest and thanking for the opportunity for their child to have the opportunity to participate. Of course, we in turn, must thank them for participating. (And after Ed's letter came in this evening, we thank him for his kind words, too.)

The dates of the Diamond Lake Campout or High Mtn. Old Time Fiddlers Jamboree July 29, 30, 31, Aug 1 and go home the 2nd of Aug. Irene Ruddock

ATTENTION ACTIVE AND POTENTIAL SCARLET LADIES!

We will be convening at the OTF campout at Thousand Trails in September! Don't forget to pack your finery! If you have program thoughts please let Shanna Burchell know. A post card can be sent to 1800 Hamilton Lane, Grants Pass, Or. 97527 or you can use e-mail a skittlery@terragon.com . Let's wow 'em again!

Starr McMullen reminds us that the Willamette Valley contest will be held August 7th at the Benton County Fairgrounds in Corvallis. Contributions gladly excepted. More details next month.

Chris Lang brought a cardigan sweater home from Silver Lake that somebody thought was hers but it tws'n't was hers. Maybe it is yours. If you lost a cardigan sweater at Silver Lake, give her a call.

A bit of reminiscing about our contest. People often ask, "How many years have we been at Chemeketa? I have compiled a "History of fiddle contests" for Oregon. It shows that 1998 was our first year at Chemeketa. Must be six years. My how time flies.

"It takes a village to run a contest." In my experience, it is a dangerous to list names of volunteers because I will inevitably leave somebody out – but here goes. Starr and I are grateful for those who volunteered and for those who were drafted. The Gabels have been in the judges' room year after year timing each contestant. Errin McMullen handles the judges' room "extra ordinary." It would take two or three of us "older folks" to replace her. Her brother, Sean, stepped in to help out Saturday evening. Paula Jakayan volunteered to help. She was in the judges' room, too. Out front Darlene Bryant and Joetta Chrissakis helped with registration. Marie Nelson – membership. Charlotte Hardin, Elaine Conners and Jean Hanson sold tickets hour after hour. Bob Erwin emceed the jams on stage. Fred Hardin, bless him, stood up on that stage for the whole contest. Hal Weiner sold cook books. Chris Lang sold T-shirts. Earlene Erwin sat on the stage behind the curtain during the contest keeping a count of the accompanists. Bless here. Peg Tucker was there to help when needed. Gerry Sanders was everywhere, helping Ken carry the sound, putting away chairs. Don O'Brien came down from Oregon City to set up the sound to the judges' room as he has done for many years. Dale Colebank took care of the amp in the judges' room. Bob Erwin helped run wires and moved a million chairs. What would we do with out Scott Phillips and Dick Derry – getting the contestants on and off the stage? Wow! Irene Ruddock and Judy McGarvey set up the stage – with helpers. Ken Cartwright goes beyond the call of duty with the sound. Ed Nelson was there moving chairs and helping anyway and every way he could. Saturday night at midnight I called security to tell them that we were leaving. They came to lock up. Don O'Brien, Marie, and I were the last ones out of the hall. The contest was over for another year. I was pleased with the way the contest went.

Thanks to district six for their recent contribution. And to District 7 for their "Jack Smith Memorial" contribution to pay for the Senior-Senior Trophies. I bet Jack smiled.

I try to keep a record of all of those who made financial contributions but again, I may have left somebody out – here goes.

Contributions to the 2004 Contest: District 4, Burt Diamond, District 4, Jack Bloom, Don Halverson, Anne Huber, Steve Kenyon, Clarence. Medack, Ernie & Joyce Lovgren (Hazel Walker and Carol Real Memorial), District 5, Viva Cornet, District 4, Don Maddox, Jeanie & Gaylan Morris, District 4, District 8, District 3, Ernie & Joyce Lovgren (Red Miller memorial), District 4, District 1, Gayl Ratigan, District 9, Alice McDowell, Don Lindsey, District 7, District 6, Wally Bloom, Andy Shelton, Don Hanna, Leroy Sims, Howard Marshall, Lew & Alice Holt, Vivian & Phil Williams. Yes, I know that I listed District 4 several times. They made all of those contributions!

You old timers will remember "little Sheri West" years ago entering the contest, or playing while Tommy Grissom backed her up or Bud Brown being so proud of her. Sheri grew up, joined the navy and was gone for all these years but she never gave up the fiddle. She now lives in California and may be moving back to district 4. I write to her quite often. Recently I asked her to send me her CDs because I would be pleased and proud to sell them. She sent me a dozen. I will have them with me as I travel about this summer and would be glad to show you one or better yet, "sell you one."

Ruth & Don Loring wish to thank all of the fiddler's and families who attended and sent cards to the party and jam for their 65th Wedding Anniversary Celebration. "We had such a wonderful time & the music was *exceptional*. There were so many comments from the guests about the *great music!*" Some of the best fiddlers in the state were there, along with several from out of state, with a total of 31 musicians that played to the 120 guests. Also, many thanks to all of the help in the kitchen....we couldn't have done it without you!

LeRoy Sims -- new CD, the price is \$15 plus \$2 shipping. LeRoy & Shirley Sims, 831 Village Circle, Chino Valley, AZ. 86323. Or contact Lew -- that's me.

Eileen Witley is now teaching fiddle at her studio at 11825 SW Greenburg Road #2A in Tigard. Morning, afternoon, and evening appointments are available. Children and adults of all skill levels are welcome. Please call Eileen at 503-701-1578 or email her at ewit@juno.com for further information.

The other day Tillie McFee's daughter in law, Marlene McFee stopped by. As we visited, she mentioned that she had two half size fiddles for sale. I volunteered to mention them in the Hoedowner. One half size is a student model, the other is a nice one set up by Sheryl Roth. If you are interested, contact Marlene at 503-393-8912.

New Members for July Hoedowner

1. Brad & Carolyn Hangartner---Estacada
2. John & Linda Borelli--Drewsey
3. Vic & Roberta Nelson---McMinville
4. Alex & Sandy Dreyer---LaPine
5. Richard Nosiglia & Julie Masters---Salem
6. Alex & Marie Blevins---Salem
7. Stephanie Smythe & Roland Casad---Salem
8. Terry & Patti Case---Helix
9. Charlene Slovin---Independence
10. Todd Schneider & Connie Newman---Eugene
11. Kirk & Cindi Jarvie---Salem
12. Jonathan Franke---Monroe
13. Timothy & Nancy Hart---Warren
14. Gregory & Rebecca Sharp---Sisters
15. Don & LaVona Schroder---Canby
16. Andy & Pat Hilverda---Aumsville
17. James & Marilyn Sams---Salem
18. Steve Currie---Klamath Falls
19. John & Patti Northcraft---Malin
20. Tim & Pam Dierickx--Forest Grove
21. Dick Jones---Eugene
22. William Zinskey---Central Point
23. Allen Levas --- Pendleton

Participation, 2004 State Contest

Twin Fiddle Division

- 1 Alex & Tatiana Hargreaves
- 2 Eileen Witle & Donna Reuter
- 3 Alex Carlson & Kodia Haddock
- 4 Willie Carter & Alice Holt
- 5 Taj & Kit Morton
- 6 Les Tucker & Clara Murphy
- 7 Jim Hockenhull & Roland Apperson
- 8 Benjamin & Kodia Haddock
- 9 Mary Julie Wilson & Malala Falatico
- 10 Joseph Haddock & Karen Case
- 11 Linda Easley & Chris Lang
- 12 Melina Platt & Tissa Tadlock
- 13 Judy McGarvey & Mary English

Open Division

- 1 Andy Emert – Portland
- 2 Dan Emert – Pendleton
- 3 Amy Booher – Salem
- 4 Starr McMullen – Corvallis
- 5 Jeanine Orme – Beaverton
- 6 Donna Reuter – Hood River

Senior – Senior Division (70 and older)

- 1 Willie Carter – Lebanon

- 2 Don Maddox – Ashland
- 3 Les Tucker – Woodburn
- 4 Lew Holt – Salem
- 5 Ed Nelson – Bend
- 6 Dale Colebank – Woodburn
- 7 Irene Ruddock – Klamath Falls

Senior Division (60 – 69)

- 1 Judy McGarvey – Medford
- 2 Jim Hockenhull – Sheridan
- 3 Donna Foreman – Estacada
- 4 Chris Lang – Woodburn
- 5 Alice Holt – Salem
- 6 Carolyn Marstall – LaPine

Adult Division (37 – 59)

- 1 Eileen Witley – West Linn
- 2 Bob Heineth – Portland
- 3 Steve Haddock – Pilot Rock
- 4 Jon Franke – Monroe
- 5 Mark Phillips – Philomath
- 6 Russell Read - Coburg

Young Adult (18 – 36)

- 1 Mary Julia Wilson – Beaverton
- 2 Daniel Forster – Gaston
- 3 Angela Thomas – Salem
- 4 Charlene Stovin – Independence

Junior (13 – 17)

- 1 Zach Konowalchuk – Newport
- 2 Bern Youngblood – LaGrande
- 3 Robbie Griswold – Lyons
- 4 Marshall Baker – Portland
- 5 Miles Schneider - Eugene
- 6 Blaise Grant - Pendleton
- 7 Kara Clay - Ione
- 7 Christy Tanner - Lebanon
- 9 Taj Morton - Philomath
- 10 Natasha Conover - Salem

Junior – Junior Division (9 – 12)

- 1 Alex Hargreaves – Corvallis
- 2 Brian Shaylor – Portland
- 3 Alex Carlson – Ione
- 4 Tatiana Hargreaves – Corvallis
- 5 Eric Jepsen – Heppner
- 6 Amanda Tullis - Pendleton
- 7 Mary English - Medford
- 8 Miya Saito-Beckman - Bend
- 9 Kit Morton - Philomath
- 10 Casey Nosiglia - Salem
- 11 Benjamin Haddock - Pilot Rock
- 12 Anne Wynn - Corvallis
- 13 Kodria Haddock - Pilot Rock
- 14 Clara Baker - Portland

- 15 Julian Jones - Ashland
Pee Wee (0 – 8)
- 1 Kian Dye – Portland
 - 2 Kiarra Saito-Beckman – Bend
 - 3 Samuel Payne – Gaston
 - 4 Hannah Sharp – Sisters
 - 5 Isabel Hart – Portland
 - 6 Trevor Whitaker - Independence
 - 7 Jacob Sparkowich - Aumsville
 - 8 Joseph Haddock - Pilot Rock
 - 9 Karen Case - Helix
 - 10 Ava Ludlam - Portland
 - 11 Sam McGee - Salem
 - 12 Audrey Jarvie - Salem
 - 13 Lucy Ann Case - Helix
 - 14 Brierre Marshall - Corvallis

Accompanist

- 1 Frank Moore 56
- 2 Allen Levas 27
- 3 Dan Emert 25
- 4 Chuck Gates 23
- 5 Pat Gates 16

Judges

Margret Brank
Andy Shelton
Laura Cash
Gary Lee Moore
Jay Dean Ludiker

Convention videos. If you are interested in videos of the convention, check with me. I should be able to help you out. (Lew)

Lew, Editor

First Five places for the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Championship Contest
Chemeketa CC
May 21, 22, 2004

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5. Taj & Kit Morton (Philomath)

Championship Division (no age limit)

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CANYONVILLE CONTEST: Registration from 9:00 a.m. - Noon on Saturday, August 28th for a Preliminary Contest to begin at 12:30 p.m. Finals at 7:00 p.m. Contest to be held in the Canyonville Gym behind the Middle School on Main Street. Free camping in self-contained RV's allowed on the school grounds above and behind the gym. For motel information, give me a call at 541-839-4501 or e-mail: gynn@mcsi.net.

Entry Fees: PeeWee (0-8 years of age) \$1.00; Junior-Junior (Age 9 -12) \$1.00 Junior (Age 13-17) \$2.00; Senior (Age 60-69) \$3.00; Senior-Senior (Age 70 and older) \$3.00; Intermediate (No age restriction. Any fiddler who has NOT placed in top 20 at Weiser and who has NOT placed in top 5 in any State or Regional Contest) \$4.00; Open (No age

restriction. Any fiddler may enter this division) \$5.00. Judges will meet with contestants at 12:00 Noon before the contest begins. All those placing in the top 5 of each division will receive a trophy plus a cash prize as shown below:

	1st	2nd	3rd	4th	5th
Pee Wee	\$25	\$20	\$15	\$10	\$10
Junior-Junior	30	25	20	15	10
Junior	60	50	40	30	20
Senior	80	70	60	50	40
Senior-Senior	80	70	60	50	40
Intermediate	100	80	70	60	50
Open	125	100	80	70	60

Jerry Ruddock of Klamath Falls and Nicki Carlisle of Shingletown, CA have agreed to serve as Judges. Sheri West of California wants to do it but must tell me for sure a little closer to contest. And, bless his heart, Ruel Teague has agreed to be an alternate. Margaret Teague is looking for someone to help her at the score computation desk so that Sherry Dobson can take the pictures.

If you can come down early, Alice Holt will be contacting people to play at Forest Glen Retirement Home Friday afternoon. And Lew Holt will be signing up those who want to participate in a jam on the brand new stage at Pioneer Park Friday evening.. Also, the Pioneer Days Committee wants lot of music everywhere so are asking the fiddlers to play on street corners or wherever they want to any place in town.

Thank you to the following districts for their generous donations for the contest: #1, #4, #5, #7, #8, & #10. Also to Bob & LoRay Hannah of Albany and Jasmine Holt of Myrtle Creek. And to Carol Ann Wheeler for her donation of at least 100 trophies. WOW! Lew Holt had fun hauling them to the convention for me to pick up. "Thanks", Carol Ann and Lew.

We are all feeling the loss of so many of our good people which makes the photo albums Hazel Walker put together through the years so precious. Canyonville Contest-2004 is dedicated to Hazel Walker and Homer McLain.

Gynn called just before I sent the Hoedowner off to tell me that the contest will probably be held this year in the church across the street from the Jr High. The chairs have padded chairs, a nice court yard for jamming and other things that make it worth "trying out" this year. We will still park our RVs across the street.