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**From the Prez:** Hi, everybody. Here it comes, what we hope will be one of, if not the best convention we have ever had. Our convention has a new home this year as many of you already know. We did enjoy the nineteen years we were at Roseburg [Douglas County Fairgrounds] they treated us well, but because of the necessity for cutting our expenses, we were forced to make the move. The directions to the Rickreall convention site are: From Salem, go west on hwy. 22 approximately 14 miles to hwy. 99-W. There is a light there. Turn left at the light and proceed through the town of Rickreall; you will see the Polk County Fairgrounds on your left. There are a number of accommodations available, these are:

- Courtesy Inn at 270 N Pacific Ave. [Hwy 99], Monmouth, Or 97361. Ph:503-838-4438. Fax: 503-838-3761. Judy is the contact. Dble Queen, two people @ \$ 65.64 [1% tax].
- Riverside Inn & Suites at 517 Main Street Dallas Or.97338. Ph: 503-623-8163. 1 bed \$55.00, two beds \$65.00.
- Best Western Dallas Inn & Suites at: 250 Orchard Dr. Dallas, Or. 97338-1148. Ph: 503-623-6000, Fax: 503-623-6326. Contact: Rose or Paul. When making reservations be sure to tell them you are with the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association.

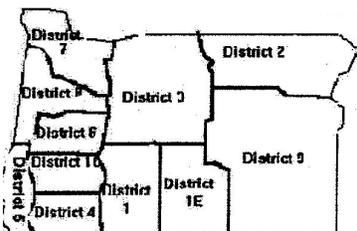
- There will be a cafeteria at the fairgrounds starting Thursday noon.
- Farroll's has a restaurant close to the fairgrounds also.
- There are also 50 RV sites with water and electric and a dump available. Everyone is encouraged to bring their RVs so we can get the less expensive rate of \$10.00 per night.

We are asking each person who plans to attend the banquet to order your choice of meal in March so the caterer will know how much chicken or beef to order. If you do this the cost will be \$ 10.95. You will be able to purchase the banquet ticket at the convention, but it will cost \$11.95 -- ten to five- half price; under five free. Please send your order with a check made payable to: Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association to:

Fred Hardin  
PO Box 1  
Dallas, Or. 97338

The menu choices are: roast beef or chicken, \$10.95 per plate, both with garlic mashed potatoes, salad, vegetable, ranch dressing, peach cobbler with whipped cream, coffee, etc.

Lew Holt is in charge of the Friday night show so contact him with related questions. By the time you read this your chairperson will have the exact schedule of activities for the convention along with the part your district is expected to play. District 8 has been working very hard to make this a success so let's not let them down. This is a once a year opportunity for members and musicians from every corner of the state to renew old acquaintances and meet new members. There will be scheduled activities such as workshops for fiddles, guitar, and other instruments. Times and places for these will be posted. A fantastic fiddle show for the public and members is planned for Friday night; a fee will be charged. Your paid membership card will be your ticket to the show so please have it ready. Also, the board meeting will be at 9:00 a.m. Saturday, followed by the regular business meeting at 10:30 a.m. sharp. All this will end Saturday night with a banquet and dance. We will be voting on the budget and one By-Law change.



**July 2006 through June 2007  
Annual Budget:**

<b>CREDITS</b>		<b>DEBITS</b>	
20% from districts	\$4,200.00	Account fee	\$700.00
Dues	\$15,000.00	Travel	\$1,500.00
Roster Sales	\$200.00	Roster	\$400.00
Book Sales	\$40.00	Hoedowner	\$13,000.00
Jams	\$600.00	Jams	\$125.00
Interest	\$157.00	Office Supply	\$500.00
Convention	\$4,500.00	Convention	\$4,000.00
Raffle	\$1,000.00	Copy/Print	\$400.00
Decals	\$40.00	Insurance	\$1,100.00
Name tags	\$200.00	Name tags	\$150.00
Patches	\$100.00	Taxes	\$100.00
CD`s	\$20.00	Workshops	\$100.00
Contest	\$8,000.00	Contest	\$8,500.00
Misc.	\$300.00	Postage	\$450.00
	=====	Phone	\$100.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$34,357.00</b>	Bank Charge	\$40.00
		Scholarship	\$650.00
		Misc.	\$500.00
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		<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$32,315.00</b>

See you at the convention.

OOTFA  
President  
Bob Ervin

From the Editor Emeritus:

How do I get to Rickreall? Study a map. If you are driving up I-5 from the south, you can take the exit to Corvallis and go north on 99W north to Rickreall. Or take one of the several exits (Exit 253 or Exit 256) into Salem, across town to Hwy 22 crossing the bridge over the Willamette River and on to the junction of Hwy 22 and Hwy 99. Turn left at the junction. You won't get lost in Rickreall. It is just a bit bigger than Brothers and Milligan on the way to Burns.

Please bring your RV to the convention. We need 50 RVs parked so we can get the fairgrounds at a lower rate. Please, even if you only live a few miles away -- we need them to meet our quota.

There will be a cafeteria open starting Thursday noon. It will open during the convention.

Please buy your banquet tickets in March. Don't wait until the convention because we are to turn in a count by April 1 so the cater can order the meat. Your tickets will be held for you at the convention for you to pick up.

Workshops: Friday, April 7

9:00 Guitar Jack Kerr

11:00 Fiddle and bow first aid Lew Holt

1:00 Cajun fiddling plus tips Jim Hockenhull

3:00 Mandolin, Getting started. Rick Reichert

Friday night is our show for the paying public. Participation in this show is by invitation. District chairmen will furnish the names of two fiddlers from their districts and I will create a show around these names. (Filling in with a few specials.) The theme is "You don't have to be old to be an old time fiddler." The 6:30 on stage jam will be just the young people. We'll have sign up jams Wednesday and Thursday nights for us all.

## District 1

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Wow! It's almost officially Spring, yet as I write this, we still have snow on the ground (but not much thank goodness!). Things are still fairly quiet and uneventful here in District 1. We had nine members travel up to the annual Dog Sled races in Chemult in late January. It was a pretty laidback session, but we still had good camaraderie and a fun time. Passed by a big semi being shoveled out of a snow bank, but none of us had any driving problems (except for Bill and Ann Bonser, who had a short police escort -- turned out to be nothing more serious than a tail light out.

We enjoyed having Judy & Bruce McGarvey plus Len and Carol Ferrara join us from District 4 at our Sunday Jam and Dance in February. They helped keep the music lively, and Len and Carol certainly enjoyed the dancing part, even teaching some new steps to our regulars. Our February monthly meeting helped us all to agree that we will focus our energies on promoting the Oregon Old-Time Fiddlers and the type of music that that entails.

The nominating committee also presented our candidates for the 2006/07 officers: Chair - John Northcraft, Dennis Tucker, Co-Chair: Jerry Ruddock, Ben Coker, Treasurer/Membership: Bud Ullman, Secretary: Fran Coker. Please remember that we will be voting at our March meeting. Be there and vote or don't complain next year! Our official schedule for March is the monthly meeting (and voting for officers) on the 5th at Villa West Mobile Estates at noon, the Jam & Dance on the 12th, and Rehab later in the month.

Happy March Birthday Shamrock wishes to: John Blasius 3/23, Cori Currie 3/24, Dennis Tucker 3/25, Faye Patterson 3/30, and Irven Johnson 3/31. And our March Anniversary couple is: Bill and

Ann Boner 3/16 --  
congratulations!

"We are what we repeatedly do. Excellence, then, is not an act, but a habit." Guess that means we need to be practicing our music a lot! Bye for now from your friendly District #1 reporter.

Fran Coker, District 1 Reporter

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## District 1E

Chairperson: Rosa Lee McLain  
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Sec/Treas.: Sharilyn McLain  
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Membership: Bev Perry  
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Hello fiddlers,

It's minus one degree here in Lakeview this morning with the wind chill factored in. It's hard to believe we'll soon we'll soon be playing outside as we often do at State Convention and the Silver Lake Campout. Here are the dates for District 1E's annual camp out in Silver Lake - May 3,4,5,6,and 7. For you early birds, we've been informed that Wednesday, the third, we may not be able to get into the fire hall until 1 p.m. Forewarned is forearmed! We haven't really talked about the itinerary yet, but you can be sure we will do the draw band and hat night. Everyone loves those two events, and you'd be surprised at the creativity of our fiddlers, and the lengths to which they will go to for a few laughs from the audience. We'll have a little more info for you next month.

Here are some addresses of accommodations available for those of you who don't fancy dry camping around the Silver Lake Fire Hall:

In Silver Lake: Silver Lake  
Trailer Park (541) 576-2789  
K&K RV- Trailer Park  
(541)576-2258  
Silver Lake Motel (541)576-2131

Approx. 20 mi. out:  
Christmas Valley Desert Inn  
(541)576-2262  
Lakeside Terrace (541)576-2309  
Summer Lake Lodge  
(541)943-3994

Well, on the 13th of this month we voted in our new officers for 2006-2007. Our new chairperson is Beverly Perry. Mary Ann McLain is co-chair, Sharilyn McLain is again secretary-treasurer and again I will be 1E's reporter.

Last weekend we played for a dance in Fort Rock, and the cavalry came to the rescue in the form of Jan and Jim Lancaster (District 1), Jerry and Irene Ruddock (1) and Ed and Diana Mackenzie from Redmond. Many thanks for helping with a great evening's entertainment.

Next month our business meeting will be on March 13 at 7:00 p.m. at the Lake County Senior Center and our jam will be March 18, 2:30 p.m. at the Lake County Fairgrounds. Every Friday we'll play the Lake County Senior Center from 10:30 a.m. 'til noon. Lake District Long Term Care Facility play dates are Mar. 14 and 28 from 10:30 'til 11:30 a.m.

There are no birthdays for March (in 1E anyway.) Here's a shout out to Shorty Stone, though, who's spent a few days in the hospital. Hope you'll soon be pickin' and grinnin' just like old times.

Remember, folks- the early bird gets the worm, but the second mouse gets the cheese! Bye for now,

Eileen McLain, District 1E  
Reporter

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## District 3

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Howdy from District # 3:

Our last VFW show was February 5<sup>th</sup>, with 17 musicians on stage and; 85 people attending the show. Good music and dancing. Thank you all who attended. The group sessions on stage are going well. Our next show will be March 5th, 1:00 p.m. until 4:00 p.m. Voting for new officers will

be at the meeting. Please be sure to attend.

Name tags can be purchased through our Treasurer / Secretary. That way, people know what your name is, and who you are.

Our circle jams are still going on at the Pine Forest Grange every second Saturday of the month. Our next jam sessions are March 11th and April 8th. Come join the potluck lunch and the jam session. Time: 10:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m.; lunch at 12:00.

We extend our condolences to the Walter Family. Judy's mother passed away recently.

#### Closing Thoughts:

I want to live simply again. I don't want my day to consist of how to survive more days in the month than there is money in the bank, doctor bills, gossip, illness, and the loss of loved ones. May God bless those who lost loved ones, are sick or have had surgery. Happy Birthday and anniversary to all this month.

Rhea Bigelow, District 3 reporter.

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#### District 4

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It was a great day for playing music in Grants Pass. Lee Ferguson and Marv Barney even played "Just Because" in the key of B! (Five #####'s!) I was told that backup was minimal for this one! Keep them duds a-comin'! We again had our "trade or donate" western shirt exchange. It's been a great success, and we'll do it again in March. Shirt donations go to the scholarship fund. Also, the large, six-inch diameter fabric OOTFA patches

are now available for sale. Please contact Judy Lyons for details.

Please mark your calendars for the upcoming state convention at the Polk County fairgrounds in Rickreall on April 6, 7 & 8. District 4 will be manning the front table & registration. The Saturday night banquet promises to be a good one, so please make your reservations early. \$10.95 in advance, \$11.95 at the convention. Rick Reichert will conduct a beginning mandolin workshop on Friday, April 7 from 3-4pm. Please check the final schedule for this and other workshops to be posted in the main building.

The drawing prizes this month covered three themes: the Superbowl, Valentines Day, and Chinese New Year. Prizes included microwave popcorn, an electronic football game, a plastic football filled with nuts, red "Giant Lips", chocolate, heart-shaped cookie cutters, a giant Hershey Kiss, Valentine cards, a valentine coffee mug with candy, and chocolate-covered fortune cookies! (Once again, Lee Ferguson was VERY creative!)

January was a fairly "normal" performance month, but we still provided over 100 hours of community service time. The 2006 schedule and February and March calendars are available on the District 4 website: [www.ootfa4.org](http://www.ootfa4.org). Click on "Calendar".

The District 4 Guitar and Fiddle workshops were a huge success! Larry Gallagher showed us some wonderful guitar techniques, and provided insight on timing, rhythm, and accompaniment. Jon Blasius taught us a bunch about fiddles, bows and tune ornamentation.

Help! Somebody picked up Lee Cushman's "Bausch" bow at the Grants Pass jam. He ended up with one marked "Student". Lee's bow is missing the silver cap on the adjustment screw ferrule. Please check your fiddle cases and give Lee a call if you have his bow.

Lee's home: (541) 878-4102 or cell: 301-5210.

Several of our members were ill or injured this month. Jim Summers and Lee Cushman were in the hospital for a while, and Don Lindsey and Bob Zellman both fell and got hurt. Peggy Hudson has also been ill. We wish you all speedy recovery!

There are many wonderful old-time tunes to choose from. Please try this month's "Old-Time Tune of the Month": Joys of Quebec. This one has great timing, and is played in the key of A. For other great old-time tunes, please visit the tune list on the District 4 website.

"Music has charms to soothe a savage breast, to soften rocks, or bend a knotted oak." (William Congreve, English Dramatist, 1670-1729)

Rick Reichert, District 4 reporter

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#### District 5

Chairman: Larry Gallagher  
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Secretary/Treasurer: Kathy Nash  
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Membership: Karen Weiner  
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PO Box 261, Florence, OR 97439

We have heard back from the Winchester Bay Grange that we will be able to have our campout there this summer, so mark your calendars for August 17-20 for a great time at the beach. We will once again have dry camping on the marina. If you want to get reservations for other RV camping we recommend you do it soon, as spots go very quickly. This year you need to dig around and find a song about trains (other than Orange Blossom Special or Wabash Cannonball) to perform on Saturday night. (Appropriate dress will also be considered by the judges!!)

For more detailed information see our web site at:

[www.winfinity.com/~weiners/jamboree](http://www.winfinity.com/~weiners/jamboree)

At our jam on February 18th we had a fantastic turnout of folks who came in to get out of the cold. We were pleased to have visitors Anne and James Duston from District 7, Don Hamlin, Guy Kinman and Bob & Jean Hanson from District 10, and Brad Hodson from Deadwood.

Our next meeting will be on March 18 at 11:00am at the Winchester Bay Grange. A potluck and jam will follow. Please plan to attend, as we will be having elections.

Best birthday and anniversary wishes to those Marchettes!!

Hal Weiner, Reporter District 5

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### District 6

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Co-chair: Joe Moyle  
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Sec./Treas. Bernie Roberts  
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District Six continues its active program of nursing home gigs, one a week at the many institutions in and around Eugene interested in hearing us play. The February district jam and election occurred February 18 at the Plumber's Hall in Springfield; the biggest surprise at the jam was Caid Sanders, 15, grandson of Paula Sanders, who, after six weeks of lessons, put on a very creditable performance. Bob Strelow was reelected chairman, and Paula Sanders elected vice-chairman, replacing Joe Moyle. Bernie Roberts was voted in as Secretary/Treasurer.

The business meeting also approved donations of \$300 to the State Fiddle Contest; \$100 to the Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest; and \$100 to the Canyonville Fiddle Contest.

The monthly jams on the first and second Fridays of the month at Crow and Central granges

respectively have been attracting increasingly large crowds.

Wayne Carpenter's monthly jam on the forth Thursday at Jasper Grange continues as usual, while a new jam, organized by Bernie Charlebois, held with great success at Central Grange on February 14, marks the start of another monthly jam, the second Tuesday of every month.

Oral Robbins announces that he is organizing a non-OOTFA open jam in cooperation with the Lions Club of Riddle on April 22 at the Riddle Community Center in Riddle. Electrified instruments will be permitted, but accommodation will be made on request for people playing acoustic instruments.

Directions to the March 11 jam at Riverside Community Hall, Albany, potluck, from eleven a.m. to four p.m.: From I-5, take exit 228 (Lebanon/Corvallis) onto Highway 34. Go west on 34 toward Corvallis 4.8 miles; turn right at the yellow light onto Oakville Road. After 2.4 miles, turn left on Pirtle. Go 1.1 miles, then turn right on Meadow. The hall is across from the Kidco Headstart School. The hall address is 35283 Riverside Drive, Albany.

Health Notes. Joy Pitts is under the weather, having broken her leg in two places in a fall. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Birthdays and Anniversaries.  
Birthdays: Wayne Carpenter, 3/1; Curly Roberts, 3/11; Andy Kennedy, 3/13; Buck Milligan, 3/13; Susie Milligan, 3/20.  
Anniversaries: Alan and Carol Ede, 3/17/1957.

Joe Moyle for Judie Eads,  
District 6 Reporter

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### District 7

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Co-Chairs: Dick and Donna  
Foreman 503-630-3577

Sec/Treas: Barbara Petrin  
503-639-1688

Membership: Myrtle Arnold  
2941 SE Llewellyn Avenue  
Troutdale, OR 97060  
666-3529

Two of our District 7 members need our condolences and well

wishes. Our hearts and condolences go out to Bob Huffman whose son died recently. Our musical friend Helen Hockenull recently had some health problems and was in the hospital. She is healing slowly but the outlook is good.

Congratulations are in order for two of Connie Dunnington's students, Matthew McCravey and Emelie Pennington Davis. They were the two youngest contestants at the Gaston Contest. They have been playing for about four months. Connie is a District 7 member who lives in White Salmon and is understandably proud of her young students.

District 7 hosted a very successful six-hour workshop with Carol Ann Wheeler, on Feb 11th. It was attended by 24 people aged 9 years to 76. Students learned some great fiddle techniques and some fiddle contest "secrets". Everyone learned a lot and really enjoyed themselves.

Please warmly welcome our new members joining us from around the district: Ryan and Judy Fleck and their two musical children, Adam and McKay, are joining us from Tigard. Calvin Grimm lives in Aurora; Israel Kameron, a fiddler, comes from Eagle Creek; and Allen and Nancy White are from Portland. Be sure to welcome them when your musical paths cross in the coming months.

Sunday March 12 will be our OOTFA Jam at the Lake Oswego Adult Center 11 - 4 p.m. at 505 G Street in Lake Oswego. We can get in the building at 11 for informal jamming then the sign-up jam will start at one and we'll finish at 3:45. This is the jam that Jack Smith set up and is so much fun. Come!

Friday March 17th is St. Patrick's Day! At 12:45 we'll play for an hour at Providence Laurelhurst Elder care facility at 4540 NE Glisan. They love us there. Even tho' the parking is on-street and chancy, this is really a fun one.

Sunday April 2 from 11 - 4 come to the regular OOTFA Jam at the

Laurelhurst Club at 3721 SE Ankeny Street in Portland. Ankeny is the first street south of Burnside and the Club building is on the north side of beautiful Laurelhurst Park. This is the first time we have been here so let's make it a good one!

Sunday May 14th will be our regularly scheduled monthly jam at the Corbett Grange at 37393 Corbett Grange Hall Road in Corbett, Oregon. Take I-84 east from Portland to the Corbett Exit - Exit 22, go all the way up the hill to the Scenic Highway and turn left. Go less than a mile just past the fire house on the right. The highway curves right then left again. At the left curve, go straight ahead onto Grange Hall Road and go up the road to the grange, the only building on the road. Informal jamming will start about 11, with a formal sign-up jam from 1 - 4.

Gail Foster, Reporter District 7.

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### **District 8**

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Sec/Treas/ Chris Lang  
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Woodburn, OR 97071

Begorra! St. Patrick's Day is coming! Everyone is Irish on St. Paddy's Day. We'll be playing from 12 to 3 at the Keizer-Salem Senior Center on Saturday, March 12th for their Irish Stew Dinner and dance. The center is at 930 Plymouth Drive. It's on the corner of Cherry and Plymouth. This is fun, and the stew is yummy! Come any time after 10 AM.

Twenty seven musicians signed up to play at the jam on January 21st. Welcome to Kelly and Dana Smothers and their children, our newest members! Dana is a fiddler and Kelly plays mandolin.

Paula and Gerry Sanders brought their two grandchildren, 13 year old Paige, who has played with us on several occasions, and 15 year old Caid, a beginning fiddler.

Several of our District 7 friends were there too. I think some of us in the northern part of the state consider ourselves "members" of more than one district! More jams! More fun!

Good to have Don Simons there. And Norm McGrew is well after a bout with pneumonia. That's why he missed the December jam. Wally Case made his playing debut. Wally and Betty are new members.

Lee Jones is still having some health problems. Get better soon, Lee! Winston Grant is improving and hopes to go home soon.

February 18th was our jam day at McMinnville. Jim Hockenhill gave a very good workshop on cajun style fiddling. A one hour DVD of the workshop is available -- contact Lew.

We accomplished a lot at a short meeting led by our chairperson, Marie Bailey. New officers beginning July 1 will be: Darlene Bryant, Chairperson, Marie Bailey, co-chair, and Christine Lang, secretary-treasurer. Continuing will be: Jackie Stephenson, membership, Lew Holt, scheduling and Alice Holt reporter.

In other business, District 8 voted to give \$500 to the OOTFA contest, \$250 to Canyonville Contest and \$250 to Willamette Valley Contest. The fiddle contests are the equivalent of a recital for our young fiddlers taking lessons. Therefore, we believe supporting the contests is a great way to encourage young people (and others) to learn and improve their fiddling. And that of course is the purpose of OOTFA.

We were pleased to have Dale's students at our jam. Also new member Gloria Andresen-Moss, and Cheryl Maahs (Leonard and Faythe's Granddaughter) Welcome Gloria and Cheryl!

Plans are well underway for the OOTFA convention. It's a new location, so if you have questions, just ask. We'll do our best to see that you all have an enjoyable time. You'll find more information on the convention elsewhere in this issue.

I like this quote: Music isn't just learning notes and playing them, You learn notes to play to the music of your soul. -----Katie Greenwood

Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter

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### **District 9**

Chairperson: George Sahlberg  
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Co-Chair: Ruel Teague  
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Secretary/treasurer/membership:  
Rose Johnson 541-573-6237

We had a nice turnout for our Feb. jam at the Senior Center and the potluck tables were simply groaning under the weight of all that good food. Betty and Bill Chapman from Christmas Valley (Dist. 1E) were with us once again and Warren Lamd sat in with his guitar. Newest member Sally Lovins and her mom were in the audience. We only have three Senior Center gigs left so come join the fun while you can. The dates are March 12th, April 9th and May 14th. We have the potluck at 1:00 p.m. and play music from 2:00 p.m. until 4:00pm

A card has been sent to Thad Geer who had hip surgery and on a sadder note a card went to Thad and Joyce on the passing of her mother. Faithe Rudd was also sent a card on the death of a grandson. Madelyn Henderson has had heart surgery and her husband spent a few days in the hospital getting his potassium levels back in sync. Hope to see you at our next jam.

Janet Brayman had the good fortune to spend a long visit in Washington, D.C. with Joan Suther, taking in lots of shows and a few sights.

A reminder: We are asked to donate raffle items for the convention in April so if you have something suitable to give please get it to George Sahlberg before convention time. Thanks.

We will be playing at the Aspens on the 10th of March at 7:00pm and at Ashley Manor at 6:30 pm on the 20th so please mark your calendars. Got any Irish tunes to brush up on?

Julia Milleson, District 9 Reporter

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**District 10**

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Treasurer: Glynn Deaton  
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Secretary: Barbara Sullivan  
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Membership: Lyn Smith  
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Winston OR 97496

February 11th was a fun day with lots of good music, good food and lots of visitors. Bob and Jean Hanson came back after being gone for close to three months. They were in Arizona, Texas and where ever. We are all very happy that you are back with us again. Hope you had a fun trip.

Among our guests were Norma Johnson and Lester Fabrizius. They are OOTFA members. Also Dorothy and Robert Meadows were there. Zane Albey came and played his guitar with Brent Foster with his banjo. Bud and Flo Starr played and sang. Scott and Janet McAdoo came. Scott plays both banjo and guitar and sings. Judy Stensland came and sang to us. The Garden Valley Retirement Center brought a bus load of retired people. Our member, Jan Castillo, brought her Mother with her and Jan had her mother on stage to sing a couple of songs. It was a Great Day with people tapping their feet and singing along to the music. Thank you everyone for coming -- all the members that came as well as the visitors.

At our meeting, we elected the new officers for the new year starting in July. Bob Hanson will be Chairman with Don Hamlin as Co-Chairman. Jo Barnes will be our Secretary and Glynn Deaton will remain as Treasurer. Chuck Hasty will remain our Program Coordinator and Lyn Smith is our Membership. We all appreciate the time and effort you people are putting forth for District 10 and the OOTFA. THANK YOU.

Lyneatte Werlinger was sick at our last meeting but is getting better. We wish you a speedy recovery. Happy Birthday Wishes and Anniversary Wishes to all in

March.

Saturday, March 11th will be the next time we meet at the Winston Community Center. 10:00 a.m. for practice - learning or jamming with your friends; 11:00 a.m. for the meeting, 12:00 potluck and at 1:00 p.m. the programmed jam begins with Chuck as master of ceremonies. Come everyone, we hope to see you there.

Clare Eaton, District 10 Reporter

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**Notes from the Editor-Emeritus**

OOTFA History Book Two is at the press to have 100 copies printed. They will be available at the state convention. (378 pages of newspaper articles and photos.)

We are working on History Book Three. Jack Kerr has donated a very nice Martin D-18 1978 guitar. (Printing fund.) I want to thank Jack for his very generous donation. He brought the guitar to the contest at Gaston and presented it to me.

We will have a nice keyboard and stand to raffle. Frank Geelan donated it for the printing fund. Thanks Frank. We have a 12 string guitar, too. And maybe another guitar.

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Gaston Contest. My figures show 81 contestants. There were twice as many young contestants as there were those of us over 18. OOTFA members were there to help out. Chuck Gates was a new emcee. Fred Hardin took his turn as an emcee. And an "unsung hero" was Dick Derry from Salem who corralled and herded the contestants. There were contestants from Oregon, Washington and Idaho. The judges were Starr McMullen, Donna Reuter and Margret Brank.

Lew.

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**From the Editor:**

Jerry and Irene Ruddock have set the dates for this year's Diamond Lake Oldtime Fiddlers Jamboree: August 3-4-5-6 at Diamond Lake. For more info call Irene at 541.882.6418 or e-mail her at [irene@cvc.net](mailto:irene@cvc.net).

Darla Miller reports that David Boyd is now living at Riverpark Nursing and Rehabilitation Center, 425 Alexander Loop, Eugene 97401, tel. 485.2554.

Starr McMullen writes: I just wanted to publicly acknowledge District 7's generous donation to the 2006 Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest. OOTFA is a very important sponsor of this contest which will be held on Saturday, August 5, 2006 at the Benton County Fair in Corvallis, Oregon. This will be the contest's ninth Year; we are in the process of having the contest certified by the National Oldtime Fiddle Contest for this year!

Thanks to all for the support over the years and to District 7 for their most recent contribution to this event! Hope to see new faces this year. Starr McMullen and Dory Eldon, Co-Chairs, Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest.

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**New Members to Welcome:**

Jerry Smithwick, Lockeford CA  
Sandy Hayes, Lancaster CA  
Elizabeth Pratt, Klamath Falls  
Ryan & Judy Fleck, Tigard  
Sally Lovins & Marge McRae, Hines  
Faith & Merlin Rupp, Hines  
Israel Cameron, Eagle Creek  
Dale & Barbara Johnson, Silverton  
Joe & Mary Jones, Roseburg  
Dave & Shawnie LeBleu, Roseburg  
Lynette Kristine, Florence  
Calvin Grimm, Aurora  
Kelly & Dana Smothers, Dayton  
Linda & Edd Boddy, Portland  
Allen & Nancy White, Portland  
Steve & Kathy Simpson, Terrebonne  
Chris & Angel Cornilles, Wolf Creek  
Gloria Andresen, Newberg  
Bev & Jack Gischel, Springfield  
Earlyn & Bill Tannhauser

Mark Ratzlaff, State Membership Chairman

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By the time you read this, the Gaston Contest will be over. The results will be on our website as soon as possible.

Lew

## CALENDAR

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

### March, 2006

4 Community Center Paisley	1E
4 Bellview Grange Ashland	4
5 VFW Show Redmond	3
11 Pine Forest Grange Bend	3
11 Riverside Community Hall Albany	6
11 Winston Community Center Winston	10
12 Keizer/Salem Senior Center Keizer	8
12 Lake Oswego Adult Center Lake Oswego	7
12 Shasta View Community Hall	1
17 Providence Lauralhurst Eldercare Portland	7
18 Winchester Bay Grange Winchester Bay	5
18 Lake County Fairgrounds Lakeview	1E

### April, 2006

1 Roxy Ann Grange Medford	4
2 Laurelhurst Club Portland	7
2 VFW Show Redmond	3
8 Pine Forest Grange Bend	3
9 Senior Center Burns	9
6, 7, 8 State Convention Rickreall	
15 Central Grange Veneta	6
22 Pine Forest Grange Bend	3

### May, 2006

7 Lebanon Moose Lebanon	6
7 VFW Show Redmond	3
13 Pine Forest Grange Bend	3
14 Senior Center Burns	9
19, 20 State Contest – Chemeketa Salem	

### Gaston Old Time Fiddlers Jubilee Contest Results February 4, 2006

#### Pee Wee

1. Kiarra Saito-Beckman	Bend, OR
2. Samantha Manhard	Corvallis, OR
3. Brierre Marshall	Corvallis, OR
4. Willeke Frankzerda	Blodgett, OR
5. Deter Voetberg	Chehalis, WA

#### Junior - Junior

1. Tatiana Hargreaves	Corvallis, OR
2. Miya Saito-Beckman	Bend, OR
3. Kian Dye	Portland, OR
4. Tucker Voetberg	Chehalis, WA
5. Lilja Voetberg	Chehalis, WA

#### Junior

1. Eric Jepsen	Heppner, OR
2. Brian Shaylor	Portland, OR
3. Alex Carpenter	Chehalis, WA
4. Bethany Carpenter	Chehalis, WA
5. Lexi Garrity	Chehalis, WA

#### Adult

1. Amy Booher	Salem, OR
2. Daniel Forster	Gaston, OR
3. Beth Weber	Cocolalla, ID
4. Callie Carpenter	Chehalis, WA
5. Bob Heinith	Portland, OR

#### Seniors

1. Jim Hockenhill	Sheridan, OR
2. Donna Foreman	Estacada, OR
3. Darlene Bryant	Turner, OR
4. Ron Windsor	North Plains, OR
5. Paula Sanders	Sweet Home, OR

#### Super Seniors

1. Les Tucker	Woodburn, OR
2. Alice Holt	Salem, OR
3. "Bus" Boyk	Portland, OR
4. Lew Holt	Salem, OR
5. Papa Spain	Portland, OR

#### OPEN Division

1. Liddy Voetberg	Chehalis, WA
2. Elisha Peter Voetberg	Chehalis, WA
3. Andy Emert	Portland, OR
4. Eileen Walter	Portland, OR