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## FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Thank you very much to all who worked so hard to get everything together for the bi annual convention in Merrill. Gayle Clarity and Evelyn Horner put on very good fiddle classes and Jerry Ruddock put on a banjo class, thank you for those good classes. Everyone had a great time, sorry more of you couldn't come but we all know that sometimes other things do have to come first. It will be in Merrill again next year, so hope you can arrange to come then.

We voted on the two amendments that were stated in the Hoedowner. ARTICLE V MEETINGS Sec 1 line g. to be changed to read: "State and District Officers, because they are expected to attend all State Meetings will be reimbursed for mileage at the rate of thirty five cents (.35 cents) per mile. State to reimburse State Officers, and Districts to reimburse District Officers. The proposed language for Article V Section 1 f was: " Along with input from the Finance Committee (appointed by the President) prepare a budget annually for the next fiscal year and present to the Executive Board for their approval at the summer meeting". Both amendments were approved. Remember to get your nominations for the "Distinguished Service Award" in before we have the next quarterly meeting in January. The election of officers is coming up at the convention in April. If you have any nominations give them to the Executive Board. Chris Lang has had her two years as Vice President and I have had my two years as President, so both offices will be open. The prices on name tags are going up due to higher costs, the magnetic ones will be \$ 9.00 and the others will be \$ 8.00.

Don't beat yourself sitting on the bench by saying "I can't play that well, I get nervous, I'll forget my tunes" Try saying "I can do it, it may take a little work but I can do it"

Your President, Irene Ruddock

## From the Editor Emeritus:

UFF DA! If I were Norwegian, that is how I might express this last month. Someone suggested a tune should be written for me, "Bartlett's Revenge." "High on a Ladder" the tune begins, reaching for the last Bartlett pear, the ladder turned and the next thing I remember was the ride to the hospital in an ambulance. A broken wrist and a sore back won't allow a trip to Merrill for sure so I am writing this while a jam is on stage. Sigh. Enough whining.

I hope you read and enjoyed Kodria Haddock's article in last month's JR. HD as much as I did. And this month a fine article written by Hannah Beth Kearney. They sure make us proud of our young fiddlers -- for sure. They certainly lead busy lives.

When I started mentioning 90 plus year-old fiddlers recently, I heard of more and more out there. We are proud of every one of them.

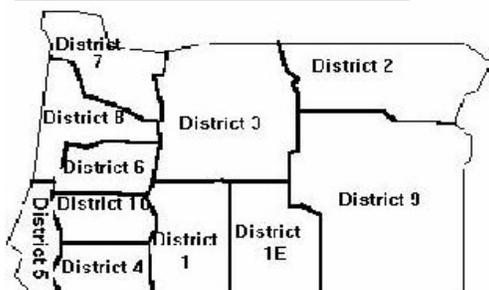
Last month I was able to return a fiddle that once belonged to Paul Williams to his granddaughter 18 years after Paul died -- one happy granddaughter to have her grandfather's fiddle. A long story.

Those of us who have been around a while were saddened to hear of Dorothy Settle passing away. Alice signed the guest book in the Coos Bay paper. She received a letter from Dorothy's granddaughter -- named after her grandmother -- wondering if we had any pictures of her grandmother playing. I sent her a DVD of grandpa John, her father and her grandmother playing at Dew Valley south of Bandon in 1990. I would like to be back in Oklahoma when she sees the DVD. Hopefully I will find some more video for her.

Alice and I were saddened to hear of Tommy Grissom passing away. We had some very good jams at his house with Joyce and him years ago when we would park our RV at their place, stay all night and then on to the Potato Festival in Merrill the next day.

For many years at the campout at LaPine, Jack Bloom would slip me a check for a donation for the fiddle contest. Since we don't

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## A Nonprofit Organization Article II:

"Purpose - To perpetuate and promote Old-time fiddling and Old-time music. To encourage everyone, especially young people, to play the fiddle and appreciate Old-time Fiddling and Old-time Music. To provide regular times and places to meet to play this

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To go back a bit, the month of August was a busy month for District 1. I believe this to be a first for several members from District 1: we performed on at the State Fair in Salem. We were joined by District 4, even had a few locals helping us out. The stage was a bit crowded and Mr. Bill Bonser was the star of the show for a few seconds. A big show stopper, Way to go their Mr. Bill, something to remember, huh?

As for September we were kept busy also starting on the 1st we had two events, one out at Moore Park Marina for a birthday send-off on the big paddle wheeler boat. We played about an hour there, and I heard the comment that the bugs were getting in a harmonica I think they are called Midgies, Vivian. The next event was playing for the gun club out at Sportsman Park. We enjoyed a good BBQ, and played till dark.

Someone told me that Mr. Larry McLain from District 1 E came over and helped us out with Farmers Market. We happened to be up in Salem

on that weekend, so we missed getting to see you and sure do enjoy your guitar playing; thanks for helping us out. We were planning on coming over to your fair on the second, but we had an important meeting about the State Meeting in Merrill.

We were saddened to hear that Shelia Fry's Mother, Rose Johnson, passed away in late August. She lived in Coos Bay; please accept our condolences from all our members.

We would like to wish Ray Lane a speedy recovery; he is in the hospital at the time of writing this newsletter. Also our prayers and thoughts are with George and Etta Fernland, two other cherished District 1 members. Several members played for a back yard BBQ for Paul Shipman; this is the second year for that event. Then, Friday and Saturday afternoon we picked up four more hours of performing at the Tulelake Fair. The Saturday Market has become an every week event for the rest of the summer. Along comes Sunday Senior dance and Jam at Shasta Com-

October

- 6 Farmers Market, Ninth and Main Street 10:00 till 12:00
7 Villa West regular meeting and some jamming 12:00 till 4:00
14 Senior Dance and Jamming Shasta Community Center 12:00 till 4:00

munity Center. Then Monday several members drove up to Diamond Lake to help out Jim Lancaster for the bicycle riders tour. Then Tuesday we will be headed for Merrill. It will probably take a couple of days just getting ready for the State Old Time Fiddlers Meeting and Jam.

As you can see, this month has been a busy one. By the time you read this in the Hoedowner, we will be taking a well-deserved rest here in Klamath County.

Birthday wishes for this month go to Mr. Don Bell, Mr. Isom Patterson and our District One Chairman Mrs. Ann Bonser. Happy Birthday, ya-all. For what it's worth, I think you are doing a great job; I'm sure most of the members here don't realize how big a job it is.

We have Steve and Cori Currie celebrating their anniversary this October -- congratulations to you both.

Johnny Rodgers, District 1 Reporter

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Hello and goodbye fiddlers, This will be my last Hoedowner report. I've enjoyed doing the report, but it's time to let someone else have a crack at it, and Bev Perry will do a more thorough job I'm sure.

First off, thanks to the following for helping out at the Lake County Fair this year- from district 1 came Mike Foster, Jim Lancaster, Carol Olson, Jerry and Irene Ruddock, and then Bob Hinch came over from district 4. The crowd sure enjoyed those comical songs, Bob.

Tonight (17th) we're playing for a chamber of commerce function. In the last Hoedowner, I reported that

we'd be playing for the governor, and once again, I was misinformed. No governor, but a smattering of political bigwigs will be there nonetheless. It's actually a meeting of Oregon Business Magazine, and representatives from Gordon Smith's office and Ron Wyden's office as well as a rep. From the Department Of Agriculture will be there. Here's hoping they're "rednecks" at heart.

We're going to have a potluck and jam at Bev Perry's place south of town about 6 miles on September 23, beginning at 1:00 p.m. Look for the balloons. On October 19th we'll play an

80th birthday party for Kelton Vincent. I'm not sure of the location yet, (heard 2 different places). Call Larry McLain closer to the 19th, and he'll tell you. Also in October, we'll be having a fiddle/guitar workshop at the Lake County Fairgrounds on the 12th, 13th, and 14th. We don't have all the details worked out yet, but you could call either Larry McLain or Terry McLain after our next business meeting and they'll be happy to tell you all about it, I'm sure.

Birthdays this month go to Clyde Lynch on the 19th and Faith Kersey on the 20th. On a sadder note, Perry Forga lost

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October

7 VFW Show Redmond 1-4 p.m

November

4th VFW Show Redmond 1-4 p.m

Welcome to autumn and the cooler weather months. Thanks to all who performed on stage for last VFW Show. Our last show was on September 2. There was great music to dance and listen to. Our next show will be October 7 at the VFW. A business meeting will follow the jam; please come to the meeting to get updated information.

District 3 performs at the Prineville Eagles each month. Those who want to perform there please contact: Bob Ervin 541-447-5451.

Dues for 2008 are due. In order to get your January 2008 Hoedowner please pay your dues by December 1. District 3 members can contact our membership chairman,

Earlene Ervin, at 541-447-5451. Membership dues are \$20.00 per year per family living in one home.

District 3 thanks District 5 for a great campout at Winchester Bay. Great bird songs on Saturday night.

Spot Light: Ed and Marie Nelson: Ed plays a mean fiddle and sports a handlebar mustache. He has been chairmen for our district and state president, too. Marie has done the sound system for our district and the red hat women's group. Thanks for being there.

Closing Thoughts: In time of stress; remember this: I must withdraw into the cool, dark woods of my mind. Rest under tall thoughts. that shade the memory-carpeted ground on

which my spirit lies. Here there is silence, broken only by the falling leaves of comfort. The bird song of some ecstasy known, the ripple of tears going over the falls of time. I shall come back soon: my soul serene, my spirit healed.

My God bless those who lost loved ones or are sick this month. Happy Birthday/Anniversaries this month.

Rhea Bigelow, District 3 Reporter



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October

6 Eagle Point Grange Eagle Point

Our September 1 jam was great; we had 32 players and singers, and a full-house audience that danced almost every dance. Monica, our favorite cook, broke her wrist. Volunteers pitched in to help get the potluck set up, and then helped with the clean up. Thank you to all that helped.

District 4 sends best wishes to Lew Holt, who fell and broke his arm. We pray you heal quickly.

Because I am a sister-in-law, it

is with difficulty that I tell you that Tommy Grissom passed on August 30. We had his funeral on September 4 at Hillcrest Cemetery. Joyce had Don ask five long-time OOTFA friends play at the funeral. Between the message from Pastor Mack and the music, several commented it was the most enjoyed funeral they had been to. I know Tommy will be "Waltzing with the Angels" he used to sing about.

We play at eleven rest homes every month, and more are calling on us

to play. We also played at the Jacksonville Art Fair. Judy McGarvey graciously took on the Jacksonville Town Garage Sale, and a group played there September 8. Thank you, Judy.

Our next jam is on October 6, at Eagle Point Grange.

Bea Johnson, District 4 Reporter

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his wife Bernice last month, and the fiddlers all wish him condolences, faith, and hope. We're praying for you, Perry.

Next month's regular jam will be on Sat., Oct. 6, and our monthly busi-

ness meeting will be on Monday, Oct. 8. Both will be at the Lake County Senior Center.

I have a few words of advice for the next reporter.

DO NOT use EXCLAMATION POINTS and all caps to emphasize !!!!! Don't never use no double nega-

tives.

Exaggeration is a billion times worse than understatement.

Proofread carefully to see if you any words out.

Well, adios my friends. E.

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Thanks to everyone in District 1 and 1E for a delightful time at Merrill. Those who could not make it missed some great music and comaraderie. After a busy summer, we're going into the fall with a rather light playing schedule. Those of us who play at nursing homes are back at it, both in Coos County and in Florence. New players are always welcome!

The last Hoedowner had an

**October**

27 Thanksgiving dinner and jam Winchester Bay  
11:30 a.m.-4 p.m.

**November**

17 Meeting and Jam Winchester Bay  
12-4 p.m.

erroneous date for our holiday potluck. The following is a correct schedule as far as I know at this time:

October 27, District 5 meeting and monthly jam, Winchester Bay. Meeting at 11:30 a.m.; jam is 1:00-4:00 p.m. This is so close to Halloween, wear a costume if you like. We couldn't get our building on the third Saturday due to a wedding.

November 17, Holiday Potluck

and jam, Winchester Bay. Potluck at 11:30 a.m., jam from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

December 15, Winchester Bay jam from 1:00-4:00 p.m.

There are also open jams in Langlois on first Fridays, and at Farwest Hall in Bandon on second Fridays.

Hal Weiner, District 5 Reporter

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The memorial jam for George Taevs was very well attended. Marlene thanks everyone who came and shared their experiences of George with his music and his encouragement and his bird knowledge. We'll miss him.

We had a great time at Merrill. Those folks sure know how to extend the hospitality. Our own Katherine Allen videotaped all the performances so there is a wonderful record. On the way home she had a deer happening just north of Gilcrest which took out the driver side mirror and smashed the windshield. She couldn't get a new one as there was too much body damage. Then she had the moxie to drive on home through Sisters. The car will be in the body shop for two weeks. No report on the deer.

We had a great time playing at the Oregon Zoo. Fifteen of us showed up to play on Senior Day and they loved us. Elders got out of their wheelchairs to dance to our music and little ones got out of their strollers to dance to our music. Our last tune was led by two guys with a 75-year

difference in their ages: 90 year old Joe Hamm and 15 year old Israel Kammerman. The audience loved it.

We've got nice things coming up so come if you can!

LOGJAM 2007! Saturday October 13, 2007 we'll play the public performance with District 8 in Manzanita in the Pine Grove Community House from 1 – 4 p.m. at 225 Laneda Avenue. Manzanita is 13 miles south of Cannon Beach. Laneda turns right off Highway 101 at the Manzanita Hardware. The Community House is toward the beach on the right. We will have the building from 11 to 3:30, with our advertised free public concert from 1 – 3.

Sunday October 21 We'll play at the St. Helens Senior Center at 375 South 15<sup>th</sup> Street in St. Helens. Randy will bring in the sound at 11 and we'll play for the public from 1 – 4. Take Highway 30 to St Helens. At the first light in town turn right (you'll see Wal-Mart) onto Gable Road which becomes Old Portland Road. Turn left onto 15<sup>th</sup> and the Center is on the left side within the block. They are having a fundraiser with \$5 lunch of some delicious

**October**

13 Pine Grove Community Manzanita  
21 Senior Center St Helens

**November**

3 West End Building Lake Oswego  
9 Deerfield Retirement Milwaukie

food. Everyone come and have some fun and help the senior center.

Saturday November 3 Lake Oswego (West End Building). Fiddlers are needed to play at 1:00 p.m. in the Willamette Room of the West End Building, 4101 Kruse Way in Lake Oswego. Drive to the back of the building where you see the sky bridge. Enter through the doors and there should be a sign directing the group to the Room.

Friday November 9 Deerfield Village wants us from 1:30 p.m. It's at 5770 SE Kellogg Creek Drive in Milwaukie. Mary Jorgensen is our contact and her cell is 503-653-4064.

Linda Easley, for Gail Foster, District 7 Reporter



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**October**

27 *Jam and Potluck Jasper Grange 11 a.m.- 4p.m.*

**November**

10 *Thanksgiving Jam and Potluck Plumber's Hall 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.*

**December**

2 *Christmas Jam Lebanon Moose 10:30 a.m - 4 p.m*

The District 6 Fiddlers played at two venues at the Lane County Fair on August 15. A good time was had by all. District 6 joined Districts 5 and 10 in playing in two time slots at the State Fair, on August 26th. A special thank you goes out to Christine Lang for organizing the program. She did a great job in spite of all the obstacles put before her. Thanks Christi! Fred Hardin was a great MC for the show. He is a wonderful ambassador for OOTFA. District 6 players also performed at the Cycle Oregon stop at Rainbow, near MacKenzie Bridge, on September 14.

While extending thank yous, we would like to say how much everyone enjoyed the Winchester Bay camp out and jam. District 5 did a spectacular job. Personally, this is the first jam like this I've been to and I had a wonderful time.

Earl Knudsen would like to thank everyone who made his 96<sup>th</sup> birthday party so special. He had over 120 guests, including all of his children. Thank You!

Oral Robbins wants to announce that due to previous engagements by some of the members of Hal's Team, the Relay for Life jam and dinner scheduled for October 13 has been cancelled. There will be one scheduled in the spring.

Don't forget other opportunities to jam: Wayne Carpenter hosts a jam on the first Saturday of the month from 11 a.m.-4 p.m., at Jasper Grange, with the grange ladies serving lunch for a nominal fee. Wayne also has a jam and potluck on the fourth Thursday of the month, except for November and December, when it is the third Thursday, at Jasper Grange. Bernie Charlebois

hosts a jam and potluck on the second Tuesday of the month from 10 a.m.-4 p.m. at Central Grange. The Friday night jams are the first Friday at Central Grange and the second Friday at Crow Grange. Both are from 7:30-10:30 p.m. and are finger-food potlucks.

We regret to report that Dee Dee Kaiser, spoon player and wife of for District 6 treasurer Bob Kaiser, has passed away.

Birthdays: Louise Childers 10/6, Ila Mae Carmickle 10/8, Jack Walker 10/9, Frieda Chandler 10/12, Thelma Drayer 10/23, Don Loring 10/26 and Ruth Loring 10/30.

Anniversaries: John and Vivian Steele 10/16 and John and Fran Davis 10/17.

Darla Knudsen, District 6 Reporter

**From the Editor:**

**Vice President Christine Lang** writes: "I want to give a big thank you to the almost 80 OOTFA members from seven districts who showed up and did a wonderful job of playing the four days of the State fair. You each earned the state \$10.00 for a total of \$800.00 to go into our treasury. Now at least 80 of you know where the "cotton-picking" Yellow gate is and where the Picnic Grove Stage. If we decide to do it again next year I will try to get a 2 hour session so that everyone can play at least twice. Maybe even two two-hour sessions.

I really appreciate the distance some of you had to travel for only one day performance.. Now that I know about free dry camping and where to call for RV hookups, maybe we can have more players play for two days in a row. This all has to be thought over before any big decisions are made.

Again thank-you everyone for what you contributed."

**Bob Ervin**, OOTFA past president and Thou-

sand Trails Fiddle Camp Organizer, writes: "Yes, as our president stated last month we did have a great summer. It's always enjoyable when we can get together and play that old time music and listen to our great fiddlers, supported by the excellent back-up we have, and enjoy the comaraderie we have in this organization.

We did have many workshops, but there is one I would like to brag on just a little bit, the Thousand Trails OOTFA Fiddle Camp. Thanks to our great instructors and all the students and others who attended, it was once again very successful. Our attendance increased by ten percent over last year with more young people present, ranging in age from seven years old into the teens. Our age group for all students included people from seven to 90 years.

I could go on and on about what a great time everyone had, but I'd just like to say thank you to everyone that helped make the camp the success that it was. The dates for 2008 will be August 6-7-8 &

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**October**

13 *Jam, Pine Grove Community House Manzanita  
1-4 p.m.*  
20 *District 8 Jam McMinnville  
10 a.m.- 4 p.m.*

Another great evening of fiddling and fellowship! We played our annual fall concert at Providence Benedictine Nursing Home in Mt. Angel on August 21. We had a good turnout with 17 lead players, and several who backed up. Two of our young fiddlers joined us, Hannah Kearney from Silverton, and Brian Stiner from Salem.

The residents enjoyed the outdoor atmosphere as did the town folks who came to listen. Afterward many of us went to The Glockenspiel for dinner. The food was great. Service was a bit slow; they were busy, but that just gave us more time to visit. Capping the evening, the restaurant turned on the Glockenspiel as we were leaving; it has eight life sized figures that move around to the music.

Congratulations to Jack and Darlene Bryant who celebrated their 50th anniversary recently!

Curly Roberts has been having some health problems, but is on the mend and hopes to make the next performance. Paul Schaffer, Linda's husband, fell from a cherry lift while working

on a roof. Lew Holt is resting and healing after fracturing his right wrist and compressing a vertebrae. He's had lots of advice to "Stay off ladders". Thanks to all who called, sent cards and expressed concern.

Twenty District 8 musicians played at the State Fair. Several also filled in on other district's days as needed. Fred Hardin did a great job emceeing both weekends. Thanks Vice President, Chris Lang, for getting us all organized!

Several musicians played at Champoeg Park. Yet to happen, but scheduled for late September are: Capital Manor; a kids jam hosted by Amy and Clifton Booher ; Riverfront Park in Salem; and a Farmer's Market in Stayton.

Here's a report from our scholarship committee, chaired by Ray Cunningham. The District 8 Scholarship Committee has awarded seven one year scholarships for the coming year. Recipients are: Ronnie, Shawnee, and Stephen Doman (Woodburn) - all fiddle; Brian Stiner (Salem) - fiddle; Josh Wood (Turner) -

fiddle; Omar Porras (Mt. Angel) - guitar; Chase Dougherty (Woodburn) - guitar. Our scholarship fund is growing. Thank you to our donors. As a result we are having some pretty "young" Old Time Fiddlers joining us. The audience loves them, and so do we.

Saturday, October 13th will be a jam from 1-4 at Pine Grove Community House on the main street in Manzanita. This always draws a good audience and musicians from several districts.

Saturday, October 20th, we'll open our winter schedule with a jam at McMinnville Senior Center. Doors open by 10 am or so. Brown bag lunch. Sign up jam from 1 - 4 pm. We'll have a short meeting to discuss the Holiday Potluck. We extend a special invitation to all of our scholarship recipients to the jam to welcome you into the group.

Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter

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**October**

13 *Meeting, potluck and jam Winston Senior Center  
11 a.m.- 4 p.m*

We had a good potluck and jam, thanks to those that brought the delicious food. Due to the Melon Festival, we had to have someone go get some chairs for us to sit on to eat.

Don and Bea Johnson from district 4 joined us for the potluck and jam. Glad to see them again. Hope they had a good time. Also Mike Ackley sang some of his songs that he made up, and

he brought his visiting sister from Florida. Bob and Jean Hanson are traveling around the country, also Flo Sagsland was vacationing, hope they all had a good time.

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all that had them. All those that are under the weather, I hope for a speedy recovery.

Our next MEETING, 11:am: pot-

luck at noon, and jam from 1 'till 4, will be October 13th.

Hope you all can make the MEETING and fun afternoon.

Joyce Pickett, District 10 Reporter



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October

12 Aspens
14 Potluck and Jam Senior Center 1 p.m.
15 Ashley Manor

It was a blustery Sunday in August but Ruel Teague, Walt Cooper Janet Brayman, Billie Lanier, Don Williams and Julia Milleson travelled to Drewsey where we met John Borelli and spent a fun afternoon playing at the Drewsey Cafe better known as "Gouge Eye Saloon".

I seldom make it to Ashley Manor but went on Aug. 20th. They were celebrating Joan Suther's mother-in-law, Frieda's, birthday. So we played lots of "Happy Birthdays" and had delicious chocolate cake and ice cream.

We also played a gig at the Burns R.V. park and had quite an audi-

ence. A camper, Robert Martindale, brought his mandolin and played along with us. Stacy DeFord (Ruel's granddaughter) was also down from Canyon City to play some great fiddle tunes and sing.

For the Fair, we had guest players Ivan McDaniel from John Day, Hugh Gallaher from Jerome, Idaho, and Jim Toussaint from Portland. Gordon Black also drove in from Crane and helped us out on his dobro one day. Lloyd Louie also seemed like a guest as his work keeps him from playing with us very often.

We didn't get registered for

the Fair Parade on Saturday but played anyway. Jim Toussaint played on our float, as well.

Play dates for the Aspens are Friday Oct.12th and Ashley Manor Monday Oct.15th. We will begin our fall schedule Senior Center potluck and jams on Oct.14th at 1:00 pm.

Julia Milleson, District 9 Reporter

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Earlene Ervin writes: "Due to the increase in material and postage costs, I need to increase the price of name tags. Name tags with pins will be \$8.00 and those with magnetic back will be \$9.00. When ordering tags, please be sure to include your district number, which will appear on the tag."

Oregon Trail Music Festival. For all you folks who can't get enough old-time music, the Bureau of Land Management is sponsoring a music festival at the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center in Baker City on October 6. Featured performers will be Ali MacLeod, Hank Cramer and Kilts Askew. The event will run

from noon to 4 p.m.; there will be an "open mike" segment, a "sing-along," and dancing. No mention of ticket prices was made on the announcement that I received, so it may be that there is no charge for admission.

January State Quarterly Meeting. It may seem a ways off, but here are the directions on how to get to the Winston Grange Hall (to be repeated in coming issues) for the January State Quarterly Meeting : Going north or south on I-5 take exit 119 to highway 99 south and highway 42 west. Stay on Highway 99 south through Winston to Thompson Street. Turn left on Thompson street and go approximately seven blocks to Grape Street. Turn left on Grape street; the community building is on the immediate right.

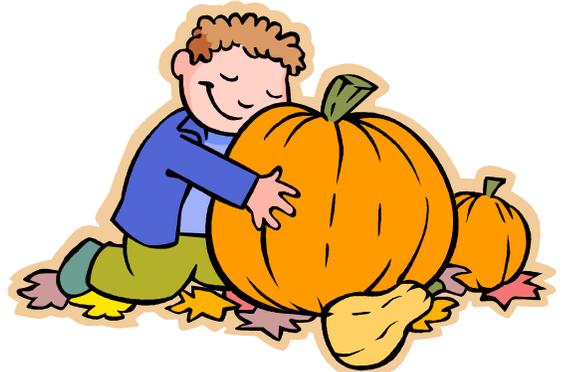
Joe

From the Editor Emeritus: cont.

have that opportunity any more, I received his yearly contribution in the mail the other day. Thanks Jack.

I enjoyed a nice visit on the phone the other day with Wally Bloom. We miss Wally when he is back home in Canada but have many good memories.

Lew





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January

12 State Quarterly Meeting, Winston Grange  
Winston 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

## New Members to Welcome:

Gary Baran, Eugene  
Peter Ferrero, Springfield  
Doug & Vicky Wood-Teeters, Salem  
Joshua Wood & Family, Turner

Mark Ratzlaff, State Membership Chair



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