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Greetings From your President

By the time you read this all of the Trick or Treater's will have been gone and the frost will be settling in on any remaining pumpkins. As we prepare for Thanksgiving, I started thinking about fiddle tunes that could go along with that turkey and fixings. Ones that I know are Turkey In The Straw, Mashed Potato Rag, Soppin'. The Gravy, Please Pass The Biscuits, Buttered Peas, Dill Pickle Rag and Gooseberry Pie. You can't gain weight just playing a song about food!

Please submit applications to your District for nominations for our 2008 Distinguished Service Award. Even if you have submitted in the past, please re-submit as prior years applications may have been misplaced and I want to make sure that everyone has the ability to submit their candidates. Each district Chairperson will submit names of candidates to me. I will appoint a committee to recommend the person or persons to receive the award. This is an opportunity for us to recognize those key people who have been responsible for the success of our organization over the years.

The criteria for selection is as follows:

1. A candidate should have given outstanding service to meet OOTFA's goals.
2. The candidate should have been a contributing member for a minimum of 5 years.
3. Their contributions should

have strengthened the OOTFA organization

4. The candidate should have done more than just holding office.

I have had questions regarding if the applicants have to be an individual or if a couple can be nominated. My feeling is that if the contributions have been equal as a couple, then the recognition can be as a couple.

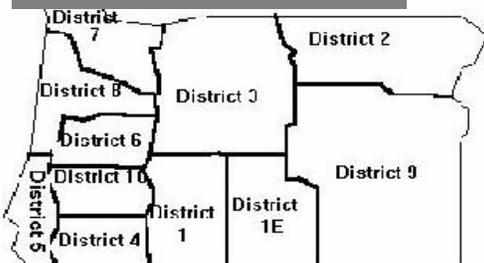
Submissions are due in my hands by January 1. You can download a copy of the application form at www.ootfa.org/announcements. The application is self-explanatory. For those of you who are computer savvy, you can fill out the application on your computer and print it. You need to succinctly describe the candidate's accomplishments and specific contributions to OOTFA and why you feel that candidate is deserving of the award. For those of you who do not have access to the Internet, please ask your District Chairperson for a copy.

I have also made the most current copy of our By-laws and Standing Rules available for download at the same link as above.

Happy Thanksgiving
Hal

Thanksgiving

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 kind of music".



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This is the shortest schedule we have had in months. John Northcraft is looking to adding Plum Ridge Care Center in to our schedule each month. He said he would try to get it on a Tuesday once a month.

Irene and Jerry Ruddock have volunteered to let us use their old saw shop to practice in, and for some workshops, until they get it rented out. Remember to bring a chair. We have already met there a couple of times. It was agreed by the members to try to play there each Saturday around 2:00 p.m. Hopefully we will try to learn new songs, and practice them there.

The picture albums and history info that John Northcraft was looking for have been found, I had

put it in the Hoedowner last month that it had been misplaced after the Merrill State Meeting.

Jake and Ali brought a couple of friends from Washington to the Sunday meeting. Lois played guitar and sang and Larry sort of held his fiddle in his lap and played it there. Sure was different to watch him play it that way, sounded the same as other fiddle players, and looked a lot easier to me. I might try it that way some day.

Remember the yearly dues are coming up soon, before the New Year. If you don't pay them ahead of time, you may not get you name in the State Membership Roster. Please try to get it done soon. Bud Ullman, our secretary/treasurer, will gladly handle

November

2 Meeting, jam, and potluck Shasta Community Hall
12-4 p.m.
9 Senior dance and jam (finger food) Shasta Community
Hall 12-4 p.m.
20 Gig Shasta View Care Center 1:30-2:30 p.m.
20 Gig Linkville House 3-4 p.m.

that job. The rate is still \$ 20 bucks; it didn't go up like everything else.

Birthdays for this month : Bud Ullman, Lisa Pratt, Carol Olson and Bob Laurin. Have a good one.

Johnny and Darleth, Les and Lois Tucker, Lowell and Jeri Weatherford, and Marie and Bob Laurin will celebrate anniversaries.

November 27 is Thanksgiving Day. Have a happy one, eats lots of Turkey and thank the one that makes it possible.

Johnny Rodgers, District 1 Reporter
Time to renew for 2009! Get your \$20 renewal to your District membership person.

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Our last jam was October 5 at the Pine Forest Grange, 63214 Boyd Acres Road, Bend. We had a good turnout of dancers and musicians. Music was very good. Betty Chapman from District 1-E was our only guest. We all enjoy hearing her yodel.

Happy Thanksgiving to all!. Daylight savings time ends on November 2 so remember to set your clocks back.

Bob Says: "Hello District members. As I reported to you at our September meeting, I did attend the State Board Meeting and the semiannual general business meeting as your representative at Merrill, Oregon on September 11-13

"There were several important pieces of business that came to

the floor that required a vote of the members. At our October 5 meeting, I made that report to the members present, but since we now have 62 family members in District(3) three and only (16) sixteen members present at the meeting, it is obvious most of you were not there. One of the changes made was how the mileage paid to State and District officers was changed. It will now state: The mileage will be adjusted according to what the Federal Government does. When they adjust their mileage rate, we will also adjust our rate per mile and at the same rate per mile. The present rate is 58 1/2 cents. I didn't agree with some of this, but the members voted for it so we are stuck with it. Another change was concerning the State Fiddle Con-

test. It now says the contest will be held annually instead of April or May."

By the way, if you have moved or your e-mail was changed let us know, so we can make sure you get your Hoedowner and e-mails. If you have left a forwarding address at the post office, we have to pay extra postage to get your Hoedowners to you. It cost OOTFA well over \$100.00 a year to forward Hoedowners to people who haven't provided us with an address change. These changes I mentioned above, should be made to your present By-Laws, if you have some, that way yours will be up to date until the new ones are available.

Don't forget to pay your 2009 dues by December 1 so you will get your January Hoedowner. Pay them to Earlene Ervin she is District 3 Membership Chairperson, Well, that about does it for now. Hope to see some of you at our meetings sometime. Keep playing that old time music we all love so much."

May God bless those who are

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November

1 Jam Senior Center 4 - 10 p.m.
10 Business Meeting Senior Center 7 p.m.
Thursdays Jam Rosa Lee McLain's 6 - 8 p.m.

We had an all-day jam and workshop. Had a great pot luck. Mary Ann McLain's chili and biscuits were to die for, as was Rosa Lee McLain's Banana Pudding. There was a lot of food.

Johnny Rodgers and Mike Foster made it over from Klamath

Falls. Laura Williams was here from Alturas, California. Buddy Harlan came to play music too.

Merrill was a great time for all of us at District 1-E. Thank you all again.

Been having some players show up at Rosa Lee's workshop; a

good time for us.

Bev Perry, Reporter, District 1E

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November

1 Jam Fruitdale Grange

December

6 Jam Roxy Ann Grange

January

3 Jam Eagle Point Grange

The monthly jam at Eagle Point Grange had a smaller group than usual, but there was lots of great music, and dancers to enjoy it, too, in spite of intermittent showers. We had some folks learning to set up and operate the sound system, and the audience responded positively.

Our schedule is getting into the fall season, and we still need more musicians to play the Retirement Home and Nursing Home assignments. We play several times a month in Grants Pass, and then Medford and Ashland for a few more. It's really fun to see the happy faces when we play the familiar old time music!

Our sympathy goes out to Cathy Frutchev and her family in the death of her mother. Don Lindsey is still at Springbrook Cottage, and several of our members

have visited him to play music. He has his fiddle available, and really enjoys playing with someone.

On a brighter note, Lola and Gene Williams celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary this month. Wow - 50 years!

A small group played in Ashland for the Friendship Force and their visiting New Zealanders. There was a caller for "native" contra-dancing, and we played the good old hoedown stuff. One lovely Kiwi lady, Heather, told me they were "having a blast" (pronounced blohst)!

Linda Chambers just returned from a trip hiking the Grand Canyon, and Judy McGarvey is back from a trip to Germany and Scandinavia. Back to playing music again!

We need to think about our Thanksgiving/Christmas dinner the 6th

of December. Be ready to sign up with Judy Lyons for your favorite holiday dish to bring! Always a good feed! As usual, turkey and ham will be provided.

Don't forget, it's membership renewal time again, and you don't want to be left out! Contact your district officers.

Music is the only language in which you cannot say a mean or sarcastic thing. Take a music bath once or twice a week for a few seasons, and you will find that it is to the soul what the water bath is to the body.

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District 3 cont.

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sick or have lost loved ones.

Happy Birthday/Anniversary to all this

month.

Joyce Wallace, District 3 Reporter

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November

5 Gig	Oerdings, Coquille	1:20 p.m.
5 Gig	Myrtle Point Care Center	3 p.m.
12 Gig	Baycrest Memory Care, Empire	1:15 p.m.
12 Gig	Ocean Crest,	2:30 p.m.
15 T-Day Potluck	Winchester Bay	11 a.m.
15 Monthly Jam	Winchester Bay	1 p.m.
19 Gig	Heritage Place, Bandon	1 p.m.
26 Gig	Hearthside	1 p.m.
26 Gig	Baycrest	2:30 p.m.

Let's all turn out for the holiday potluck dinner preceding the monthly jam on the 15th. There will surely be lots of delicious food to share and good friends with whom to enjoy it. Those whose names begin with letters A through M are asked to bring salads and vegetables and the remaining people are asked to bring desserts. Except for the dinner, there are no extra events, other than the nursing homes, scheduled for this month at the time of writing.

Our congratulations to Barb and Oren Pruitt who celebrated

their 50th wedding anniversary on October 25 with a party and jam in Bandon.

We are saddened by the death of Cecil Davidson of Lakeside, a fine old fiddler and a long-time member of the District 5 group. He had suffered from a major stroke in March of 2006 and had been partially disabled since. Under the able care of family and caretakers, he was able to remain at home until his death. Services were held on Friday, October 17, in North Bend.

The party on the 7th at the Coquille Community Bldg. was not a birthday as stated in last month's

schedule but was a meeting of the After Five Club.

Here's wishing you all a Thanksgiving full of love and sharing, family and friends, and lots of happiness.

The only job where you start at the top is digging a hole.

Anonymous

Mary A. Weist, District 5 Reporter

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November

9 Gig	Harding Grange, Estacada
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December

14 Xmas Buffet and Jam	Estacada Senior Center	12-5 p.m.
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November 9 we are scheduled to play at Harding Grange at 21552 South Fischers Mill Road out of Estacada at the intersection of Harding Road and Fischers Mill Road, one block south of Spring water. To get there from I-205 take exit 12 or 12A and travel east for 3 miles on Hwy 212. Turn Right on Hwy 224 and go one mile to Carver. Turn right and cross the bridge. Then go left toward Mclver Park. Go 5 miles on Springwater Road just past Indian Springs Trout Farm to Harding Road. Turn right on Harding Road. The

Grange should be in front of you facing Fishers Mill Road.

This year we have found a new place for our annual Holiday Buffet, on Sunday December 14, from noon to five (12-5) at the Estacada Senior Center. The price of the buffet has not been negotiated yet. It should be something between \$10.00 and \$12.00. Details to come later.

We have three new members: From Fairview we have Bonnie Bonar and Barry Greenberg. Bonnie plays fiddle and Barry plays guitar. Vic and Karen McGraw are joining District 7

from Portland. I Vic plays banjo. From Aloha Garry White and Jeanette Noble join us from Aloha. Garry plays guitar and Jeanette plays viola. Be sure to offer a warm welcome when you see them at our fiddling events.

Gail Foster, District 7 Reporter

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October

18 Jam and Potluck Central Grange 11 a.m. - 3 p.m..

Our September meeting and Jam went well. Several items of business were taken care of. The potluck was delicious as usual (I always eat too much). Due to the amount of business, the jam didn't get started until after lunch. As always, the music was good with several of the newer members taking part. Ila Mae combined her beginner class with the intermediate class and gave us treat with the good fiddlers and fiddle music that is coming up.

We will be playing several gigs during the months of October and November. Including three Saturday afternoons at the Northern Lights Farm "Harvest Festival"

We are seeing some musicians from out of district at some of our special fun gigs and practice sessions. It was a pleasure to see Our state president, Hal Wiener at one of these.

We also had the pleasure of seeing Larry Gallagher of District 5 at our Thursday morning session at Campbell Senior Center.

The Thanksgiving Jam and Potluck is coming up, on November 15, at the usual location in recent years, the Plumber's Hall, 2861 Pierce Parkway, Springfield.

It is with great sadness we report the loss of one of our newer members. Kerry Kinman collapsed at Central Grange Friday October 3 and passed away the next day of a massive brain hemorrhage. He was the pastor of Lost Creek Grace fellowship Church. He will be sorely missed.

There were a whole bunch of people born in October??????
Wayne Carter, Lucille Childers, Ila Mae Carmickle, Jack Walker, Frieda Chandler, Thelma Drayer, Don Loring, and Ruth Loring

November

15 Thanksgiving Jam Plumbers Hall Springfield 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

December

7 Jam and Moose-provided dinner Lebanon Moose 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

For other district 6 gigs (Nursing homes, special performances, etc.) call Joe Moyle 541- 343-5894

Other Events (non-OOTFA):

Acoustic:

Jam/Finger Food, 7-10 p.m. -- Central Grange, first Friday; Crow Grange, second Friday.

Bluegrass Jam, 12-4 p.m -- Second Sunday, Willakenzie Grange

Acoustic/Amplified:

Wayne's Jams, potluck, 11 a.m.-4 p.m. - Jasper Grange, first Saturday and third Thursday.

Bernie's Jam, potluck, 10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. -- Central Grange, second Tuesday.

Relay for Life cancer fundraiser, Saturday, November 1, lunch provided noon-3 p.m., \$6 -- Jasper Grange.

Oral Robbins, District 6 Reporter

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From the Editor Emeritus:

I would like to share a story with you. It is from notes I wrote years ago.

Many years ago Paul played the fiddle but one day when he was working on the fan belt of a tractor somebody tried to start the tractor. Paul's left hand was caught between the fan belt and the pulley. He lost three fingers. His fiddle was put in the closet. After his hand healed he started playing the bass just using one finger. Paul died in his upper 80s. His granddaughter wanted her grandfather's fiddle badly but Paul's wife bowed her neck and refused to give it to Paul's granddaughter. She

gave it to another fiddler to hide it from the granddaughter. He didn't want anything to do with the fiddle so I took it -- hoping that someday I could get it to the granddaughter when Frankie died.

When I received word of her death, I went to the Coos Bay phone book to try locating Paul's son. After a couple calls I located Paul's daughter-in-law who gave me the granddaughter's name and address. The granddaughter lives in Washington State. When I called her, she was ecstatic. A year or so went by and we were not able to get together so she could get the fiddle. But finally, one day the phone rang and it was Anne. She and her husband were passing

Salem on I-5 and she wondered if they might stop. In a few minutes a car pulled into the driveway. Anne and her husband came in. I took out "grandpa's fiddle" from its case. Anne glowed with excitement. Alice played a tune for her. Grandpa's fiddle came alive, it was real, it had music. Anne held it. After 18 or more years she was actually holding the fiddle she had longed for but never thinking that someday she would have it in her possession "for keeps." I can imagine the happiness as they drove 60 miles home, carrying the fiddle into the house and admiring it all evening. There is one less fiddle in my basement. Isn't it great to be a fiddler!

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November 15 T-Day Potluck and Jam McMinnville Sr. Center 10 a.m.
December 20 McMinnville Sr. Center
January 17 McMinnville Sr. Center

It's been a busy summer and fall for District 8. We played again at Salem Saturday Market, and again had good audience response. The director said she'd be contacting us about playing next year.

The program at Whaler's Rest campground was a great success. Reports from those attending are that all had a good time. The audience loved the program, some saying they came that weekend just to hear the fiddlers. Many thanks to Ila Mae and Mark Carmickle, Gary Epperly from District 6, and Sharon and Larry Gallagher from District 5 for coming. District 8 players were: Barbara Bartholomew, Fred Hardin, Darlene and Jack Bryant, Gayle Clarity, Les Tucker, Dennis Brutke, Wally and Betty Case.

October 5 was the first of four performances at French Prairie Gardens. The showery weather made for a thin attendance, but we had fun anyway. Players were: Wally and Betty Case, Brian Stiner, Loita and Dale Colebank, Darlene and Jack Bryant, Gene Stephenson, Dale Emery, Chris

Lang, John Shaffer, Ted Hunt, Les Tucker, Chuck and Pat Gates and Lew and Alice Holt. We really appreciated having our "groupies" spouses Betty Emery, Peg Tucker, Jackie Stephenson and Pauline Hunt, who made up most of the audience.

Linda Easley arranged the annual jam at Pine Grove Community Center in Manzanita. A full house of listeners and a great bunch of musicians made a great combination! This is always a multi-district event. Lots of fun sharing tunes and playing together. We thank Linda for sharing her log cabin for friends and food.

Coming events: District 8 will host a free kid's jam workshop for beginning/intermediate fiddlers aged 12 years and younger on Sunday, November 9th from 3 - 5 p.m. To sign up for attending the jam, contact Ginny Hollon (instructor) at: 503 589-1420 email: ginyhollon@q.com . The kids have been working on common jam tunes.

Our Holiday Potluck will be November 15th at McMinnville Senior

Center. Turkey, ham, potatoes, gravy, and dressing will be furnished. Please bring your favorite salad or other side dish and dessert, and your tableware. Dinner will be at 11:30, followed by a sign up jam. The door should be open at 10 a.m. Here are the directions to the Senior Center. If you are traveling from the south through McMinnville going north on the main highway -- after you have gone through the business district and start to go out of town, there will be a McDonald's on the left (north side of the highway), right there you turn right (south) on to McDaniel St. and the Senior Center is a couple of blocks on the left (east).

Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter

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From the Editor

A bunch of us District Sixers got together October 17 and went down to the Shedd to hear bluegrass great Ralph Stanley (and the Clinch Mountain Boys) perform. The band was completely acoustic -- no electrified instruments. It was quite a treat. Dr. Stanley is 81 years old but still played clawhammer

banjo and sang, among other songs "Oh, Death" which he performed in the movie "O Brother, Where Art Thou." Hope I'm doing as well when I'm 80

With end of the end of the year drawing near, those of you looking to make year-end tax-free contributions might consider the Old Time Fiddlers. Contact your district secretary/treasurer for instructions. Joe

From the Editor Emeritus: cont.

If I might, I want to make a plug for a friend of mine in Missouri. Years ago I met Howard Marshall through email. He came to Oregon to visit his father in Portland. Howard came to our house in Salem. His interest in the history of fiddling and mine combined to cement our friendship and we have been in con-

tact over the years. Howard in conjunction with Vivian and Phil Williams has revised the book "Now That's a Good Tune: Masters of Traditional Missouri Fiddling." The fiddlers featured all contributed to the vitality of Missouri fiddling traditions and helped younger players carry on these traditions. They are all master fiddlers. The two accompanying CDs

contain 49 tunes, and several stories. The book may be purchased by writing to Phil and Vivian Williams at Voyager, 424 35th Ave., Seattle WA 9 8 1 2 2 . Lew



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November

9 *Jam and Business Meeting* Senior Center
14 *Gig* Aspens 7 p.m.
17 *Gig* Ashley Manor 6:30 p.m.

Six players were available to play for one and one-half hours for the Experience Oregon tour. It was scheduled for an hour but those people really enjoyed the music and wanted to hear more.

Ashley Manor planned a patient and family B.B.Q.potluck picnic but rainy weather kept us indoors. Joan Suther, Ruel Teague and Julia Milleson entertained and were treated to a good meal.

Janet Brayman spent a couple of weeks away on fire duty and barely got enough stuff moved into her new house to hold a special jam. She has a great new music room. The special jam was set up so we could play with Mary Jo Higgins and Bob Kowing of Baker City who are wending their way south for the winter.

They had been here for a jam in the past. Some of the other guests present that evening were Dona and Rhonda Williams of Corvallis who were here to visit their folks Don and La-Wanda Williams and since they came by way of Milton-Freewater they brought Julia a care package from her kids and we had a nice visit as well.

A new face at our jams is Virginia Hatfield (Judy Martin's mother) who comes to play cards and enjoy the music. Bob Yonker is a new guitar player with the group. Always great to welcome new people.

We had a good turnout for our Senior Center potluck and jam on October 12th. Betty Chapman of Christmas Valley and Ivan McDaniel of John Day

came and played with us. Flo Krueger's daughter, Karen, was also here visiting.

Following the Nov. 9th jam at the Senior Center we will have a short business meeting.

Aspens will be November 14 at 7:00 and Ashley Manor will follow on Monday November 17 at 6:30.

Have a great Thanksgiving.

Julia Milleson,
District 9 Reporter

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November

8 *Thanksgiving Jam and Potluck Buckaroo Barn*
9 *11 a.m. - 3 p.m.*

When the sun came out and it warmed up some, we had a nice crowd for the October jam. After the meeting we had a very nice potluck, thanks to everyone for the delicious food. There's always enough for all. We had a real good jam, lots of players and singers, and a real big audience. A bus load of residents from Garden Valley Retirement Center came out. They just loved it, and we always enjoy having them.

We played at Rosehaven Nursing Center, Umpqua Valley Nursing Center, and the Senior

Center. They really enjoy it.

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all that had them.

All that's been under the weather, hope you're feeling better soon.

Our Thanksgiving potluck and jam will be November 8th. Potluck at noon, jam at 1 p.m. The district will furnish the turkey, and we have a list of who-ever wants to bring different things. If you don't know, just bring salads or desserts. At the BUCKAROO BARN--- Hope to see you all there.

The State quarterly meeting

will be held in Roseburg, January 10th 2009, at the Riversdale Grange out Garden Valley road. Same place as last year. Doors will be open at 8:am for coffee and rolls, and meeting will follow, and potluck at noon then the jam. I'm not sure about the times, I'm sure it will be in the next Hoedowner.

See ya next month.

Joyce Pickett, District 10 Reporter
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State Calendar

January

10 State Quarterly Jam
Riverdale Grange, Roseburg

March

20 - 21 State Fiddle Contest
Chemeketa Auditorium

April

9 - 11 Annual Convention
Rickreall

New Members to Welcome:

Vic & Karen McGraw, Portland

Doug & Cindy Wise, Springfield

Tom & Darlene O'Connor, Aurora

Dennis Brewer & Jennifer Lacy, Malin

Mark Ratzlaff, OOTFA State Membership



Your Name
Here



These name tags are yellow with blue trim with the OOTFA emblem and district number. The name tags with pins are \$8.00 and those with a magnetic back are \$9.00 mailed. Please send a check to , Earlene Ervin made out to her.

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