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From Your President

Hope you are enjoying summer, now that it has finally arrived.

At the Board meeting in Burns on June 19, several items were approved that will affect our membership. The first you may be holding in your hands or reading on-line. We now have a new Hoedowner design, publisher and printer. The Board appointed a committee, chaired by Joe Moyle, to investigate ways to reduce the cost of publishing the Hoedowner. The committee's proposal, which was accepted by the Board, will save OOTFA over \$6,000 annually. As part of this change, members may now request that they receive a PDF copy of the Hoedowner automatically e-mailed to them monthly, rather than having to go to a web site and download it. If you want to opt-in for this free service and receive your Hoedowner as an Email, please contact Mark Ratzlaff at mark@octoberdesign.com and let him know. This will also save OOTFA the cost of printing and mailing the Hoedowner to those who sign-up for this service. I strongly urge those who have a high-speed internet connection to sign-up. Please let Mark know by September 15, so we can be sure that you get your October Hoedowner.

The Board was concerned that many people are not paying dues because they can get the Hoedowner free on-line. The Board felt that we should remove the Hoedowner from our web site so that only members are able to access it. Starting with the October issue, it is planned that only information about calendars and events such as meetings, convention, campouts and contest will be accessible to the general public. This will be discussed further at the September biannual meeting in Merrill on September 18. My further recommendation is that we still provide the full Hoedowner in a format that is readable on-line, for those who have a slow dial-up connection and want to get Hoedowner on-line, rather than via mail or Email. I plan to create a web site that will require that the user enter a membership password to gain access. The password will be provided, upon request to Mark Ratzlaff, to members who have paid their dues.

I am also pleased to announce that our Distinguished Service Award has been re-named in honor of Norm Nash, as the Oregon Old Time Fiddler's Association Norm Nash Distinguished Service Award.

My appreciation to all of the Oregon fiddlers who entered at the National Fiddle Contest in Weiser! Andy Emert is the 2010 Adult Champion, Rolland White won the Certified contest as the Best Male Entertainer and Tatiana Hargreaves for Best Costume. Isacc Calendar took 3rd place in the Young Adult Division, Miya Saito-Beckman took 5th place in the Junior Division and Gayle Clarity took 4th place in the Senior-Senior division. Congratulations to all of you.

This month is the Winchester Bay Fiddle on the Beach campout from August 19-22 at the Winchester Bay Community Center. More information can be found at: www.fiddleonthebeach.info Hope to see many of you there.

Also, don't forget the OOTFA Fiddle Camp from August 11-14, 2010 at 1000 Trails in Bend. Bob Ervin has a fine group of instructors lined up this year. This is an excellent opportunity for both beginner and intermediate players to hone their skills while having a fun time. For more information call Bob at 541-447-5451 or Email him at ptranck@crestviewcable.com

I will not be able to attend the meeting in Merrill, but am sure that Larry Gallager will do a fine job in chairing the meeting.

~Hal Weiner

From the Editor Emeritus

This month I was pleased to be able to share with you in the Junior Hoedowner the story of Isaaiah and Gabriel Baltzell at Weiser. They will have some great memories years from now of their camping, the contest and friends at Weiser "way back in 2010."

If you have some young people in your area, we would like to hear about them. Perhaps they would write a paragraph or two about their fiddling -- maybe not at Weiser but in your district. If you would encourage them, or let me know about them, then we could read about them in the Junior Hoedowner. Yes, beginners just getting started are good stories, too.

I'll mention the state fair again. A group of us will be playing on August 31 from ten o'clock until four o'clock. We would like to have you join us any time during those hours. Please let me know a week ahead if you would, then I could add your name to the list at the gate. It sure makes it a lot easier to get you in if I have your name on a list.

Youtube can easily take up hours of our time with all of the interesting fiddlers and fiddle tunes. There is no end to the great entertainment and even instruction on Youtube. Picking and choosing we can find the very good ones and skip the ones that don't "grab us." There is something for everybody -- if you have the time.

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unless something else is going on that day.

August

1	Meeting, potluck, jam	Shasta Community Hall	12 to 4 p.m.
3	Gig	Plum Ridge nursing home	10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
3	Gig	Crystal Terrace	12:30 to 1:30 p.m.
5	Gig	Klamath County Fair Grounds, during the fair, big stage.	See Irene for time.
8	Senior dance, finger foods and jam		12 to 4 p.m.
11-13	Fiddle Camp	Thousand Trails	
14	Farmers Market	Ninth and Main Street	10:00 to 12:00
19	Gig	Shasta View Care Center	1 to 2 p.m.
19	Gig	Linkville House	3 to 4 p.m.
21	Gig	Farmers Market, Ninth and Main	

August has rolled around again, and we here in District One will start planning for the OOTFA convention in Merrill. The dates have been set for the 16th 17th and 18th of September. Irene has asked that each district bring a flower arrangement for the banquet tables, which will be raffled off same as last year. Nice raffle items will be welcome from anyone who would like to bring them. Also Irene has set the time for the potluck to be 1 p.m. Both Irene Ruddock and John Northcraft have been trying to get a price on the banquet meal, but have not connected with them yet. Irene says maybe she can get this information out through Lew Holt. Then again we can always get our meal tickets during the convention, but it would be nice to have a head count for the food preparation folks.

RV Parking should remain the same, first come first serve. Bring a Y and extra hose for your water hookup and electrical cords because it may be a far reach, as you may have seen before. There is no charge for hook ups, but remember that luxury

Alice and I missed being at Burns this year because of my brother's illness. Going back 20 years ago I remember pulling into the parking lot at the high school in Burns for the contest. Before I even got out of the car, Ruel Teague came up to ask me if I would emcee the contest that evening because he was backing up several people. Easy enough but then Saturday morning he had to back up some more contestants, "could I emcee this morning?" It went that way all day. Nope, didn't mind a bit. Next year I was asked "months in advance." Then the next year we were on a stage down town. Then in the theater I think for several years and then to the fairgrounds. One year at the contest a couple won a plane ride in Ruel's plane with Ruel as the pilot. They could seat two more so Alice and I were invited to "ride along." It was a great trip out over the country side. We have always had a "soft spot for Burns." And many good friends.

~Lew Holt

during the collection for the city donation. We hope to have another great convention again this year, so make reservations early with motels and I believe there is a RV Park near by, if you choose to stay with them. Oh, please clean up after your dog, because football players often hit the grass, and you get the picture. Thank you, come have a good time.

At our seniors dance and jam on July 11 we had a special guest show up to join in the fun: Betty Chapman from Christmas Valley -- thank you for coming.

Birthdays for the month of August are Jerry Ruddock, Helen Meyers, Vergil Schmoe, and Carrol Fulbright. Have a good one. Anniversaries for August are Vergil & Jackie Schmoe and Richard & La Vonne Vaughn

~Johnny Rodgers, District 1 Reporter

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August

7 Jam and potluck Lake County Senior Center 4 p.m.

September

5 Gig Lake County Round up 12-6 p. m.

I'm going for the record. This is undoubtedly the shortest report in OOTFA history !

We have no gigs this month, and no birthdays. Next jam will be what some like to call our 'Ham Jam" . We use up the ham we didn't use for the Silver Lake campout as our base for the potluck supper we'll have Aug.7th. It's become quite a tradition. 4 o'clock until "who knows?" at the Lake County Senior Center. Labor Day weekend we're scheduled to play on Sunday from noon until six on the stage at the Lake County Round-up. District 1 has been a lifesaver in the past years by helping us out with that one. We're hoping they'll again step up to the plate? We've got nothing but grateful appreciation for their help.

Tonight we had an informal jam on Mary Stone's big shady lawn. Mary's feeling poorly lately, and hasn't been to a jam in a while, so we took the jam to her. Great fun until the skeeters carried us off!

The joke that follows pretty much sums up all the news I have in this report. Question? What is it that rich people need and poor people have? Answer: NOTHING

~Eileen McLain, District 1E Reporter.

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August

7 Jam and meeting Pine Forest Grange

September

5 Jam and meeting Pine Forest Grange

11 Jam and potluck Pine Forest Grange

Bob Ervin has requested that I include the following letter to the District 3 membership as part of my monthly report:

"Dear fellow members, you may have heard by now that I was elected once again as chairman of District 3. Also that Ron Odegard is the Vice Chairman and Earlene Ervin is continuing as Secretary/Treasurer. I would like to keep a positive attitude where District 3 and the OOTFA are concerned. So, as we go into late summer and fall months, I have some ideas that I think will spark more interest in District 3 activities. However, I also welcome any ideas that you may have and need your help to promote mine. One idea I think would be fun for all is to have a parking lot barbecue and pot luck along with jamming as long as anyone wants. This would be for members and guests only. If you plan

to attend please RSVP at 541-447-5451 or email me at ptranch@crestviewcable.com by September 1st. Our next meeting and jam will be September 5th, so I invite all our members to come out and support our new officers and get acquainted. See you then. The pot luck would be on September 11th." ~ Bob

We all wish Bob Ervin the best of luck for the coming year. Several of our members played music for the City of Redmond Centennial on July 2nd.

Our next regular jam will be at the Pine Forest Grange on August 1st. A short meeting will follow.

~ Ron Odegard, District 3 Reporter



Ila Mae's fiddle class, District 6

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Our July 3 monthly jam was part of the 4th of July Celebration in Butte Falls. A small group played in the parade, followed by playing in the lovely shaded park for the many celebrants. About twenty musicians were present, and lots of music was presented. The weather was perfect, getting hot only as we finished. Butte Falls wants to book us for next year's 4th of July, too.

We were greatly saddened to learn of the death of Ivan Delman. Ivan played his wonderful homemade "gut bucket" with enthusiasm and always a big smile. Our sincere sympathy to his wife Arlene and their family.

Libby DeWees is recovering from severe blood poisoning from a freak encounter with her dog's tooth. She is home from the hospital and will hopefully be playing fiddle again soon.

Marty Davis ended up getting stabbed in an encounter with a tenant at his home. Fortunately he can still play his guitar in spite of a wound to his hand (and some other sites). He is currently "on the road" in the Western U.S. doing gigs at numerous locations.

July was a busy month for us, playing for many different groups. We played for the Southern Oregon Historical Society/ Rogue Valley Genealogical Society at historic Hanley Farms for their

August

7 Jam Fruitdale Grange, Grants Pass

September

4 Jam Roxy Ann Grange

October

2 Jam Eagle Point Grange

Pioneer Days. Folks loved the "old time" music, even dancing on the grass! Britt Children's Festival saw about 6 of us strolling the grounds and interacting with the children. It's always fun to watch the little girls trying ballet steps to a hoedown -- and loving it! "Old MacDonald Had a Farm" and "Coming 'Round the Mountain" got the most audience participation. Our two appearances at the Jackson County Fair are always a highlight of our summer -- playing for the opening "Senior Day" and closing on the last Sunday.

The city of Medford has asked us to play for the salmon barbecue for sister city visitors from Alba, Italy. They wanted a program including the Virginia Reel, and the Italian National Anthem (not the easiest to learn!). Along with some of our usual retirement homes we are playing for several others for their Western Days, BBQs, or whatever.

Lots to look forward to in August -- Willamette Fiddle Contest, Fiddle Camp, Winchester Bay Campout (got your state song?), and lots of hot weather.

And in closing: I don't suffer from insanity -- I enjoy every minute of it! You're just jealous because the voices only talk to me.

~Judy McGarvey, District 4 Reporter

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August

4	Gig	State Park, Bandon	6:30-8 p.m.
12	Gig	Sunset Bay State Park	6:30-8 p.m.
14	Gig	NACO, Florence	7-9 p.m.
19-22		Winchester Bay Camp Out	
27	Gig	Bullards State Park, Bandon	6:30-8 p.m.

We are looking forward to seeing all of you at the Winchester Bay Camp Out August 19-22. It's always fun to see and visit with old friends, interesting to meet new ones and very enjoyable to hear and see all the musicians performing. The theme for the Friday night stage presentation is a song with the name of a state in it. Hope you've found yours and have it all polished up.

There will be a free chili dinner with cornbread and salads for everyone on Thursday evening. There are a number of excellent restaurants in the Winchester Bay area where you can find other meals during the camp out. There is a wide variety of fresh seafood available in most of them. If oysters are your thing, as they are mine, there are none better than those grown locally. This is due to the unique way in which they are raised where they are never out of the cool ocean water during their growth cycle. Yum!

On Sunday morning, starting at 8 a.m., breakfast will be available at the Eagles Lodge in downtown Reedsport at 5th and Greenwood, one block to the left as you are eastward bound on highway 38. Best breakfast bargain in the area.

Among those from District 5 who attended the national convention in Weiser were Ella Savery, Harold Householder, Pat Weyer, Hal Weiner, and Sharon and Larry Gallagher. Hope I didn't miss anyone.

Our musicians are staying busy during the summer with several gigs on the calendar before getting back to the regular schedule in the fall and winter months.

There's always a lot to be thankful for if you take time to look for it. For example, I am sitting here thinking how nice it is that wrinkles don't hurt.

~Mary A. Weist, District 5 Reporter

Junior Hoedowner

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Junior Fiddlers at Weiser

Gabriel and Isaaiah were cautiously optimistic about competing in the Jr-Jr division this year in Weiser for the National Old Time Fiddle Contest. They knew that it is a great honor to make the second round and that they are fine fiddlers no matter what their standings were. Both kids played an amazing first round! Gabriel made the second round and Isaaiah missed the second round by just 2 points. Isaaiah was sad at first but she was also very proud for her brother. I was very proud of her winning attitude in supporting her brother and congratulating him. Gabriel played a fine second round, but he got caught in a loop in the hornpipe...struggling to free himself from that loop, he finished the round with great style and determination -- he was 13th overall. Both kids played well in the twin, and their mother was gratified to see them smiling sweetly at each other on stage. Gabriel was very proud of his rounds, and so was Isaaiah!

Jeff Walters and Rod Anderson faithfully backed up Gabriel and Isaaiah for their rounds and their twin. Frank Moore stepped in to help with Gabriel's Certified Performance of a Tom and Jerry Medley featuring Tabby Gholi as Tom the cat, and Isaaiah Baltzell as Jerry the mouse. (Tabby Cat and Geraldine Mouse) Gabriel played the tune very solidly despite the antics of Tom and Jerry on stage! Great Job Gabriel!

The kids enjoyed seeing and playing with friends that they met in other years at Weiser, and new friends were also made. Isaaiah met Sedra Bistadeau in the practice room and they bonded over their love for Bach. Sedra went on to place 4th in the Open! I think she is 13 or 14 years old! Gabriel played squirt guns with Matthew McCravey and enjoyed having his friend and stepbrother Jason Adams along for the camping trip. We camped next to Eileen and Jeff, and Lisa and Tabby Gholi and we enjoyed many fun community moments together! The kids also renewed friendships with Andrew Wilson, Gayle Clarity (who taught them many new tunes), and Judy McGarvey. The kids were even lucky enough to get a quick lesson (on a non-contest tune) from Deena Bistadeau who was judging this year.

Gabriel and Isaaiah are interested in writing their own music and becoming stronger improvisational musicians, they are hoping for more opportunities to jam with the grownups, and learn about jamming and improvisation in the years to come.

Thanks Russelle for sharing Isaaiah's and Gabriel's experiences at Weiser this year with us.

Tune of the Month: Sailor's Hornpipe

This tune, sometimes called College Hornpipe, goes back at least to the 1790's, when it was first published in England. It later became famous as the theme music for the "Popeye, the Sailorman" cartoons. For a very high octane version, listen to Mark O'Connor/Edgar Meyer/Yo Yo Ma do it on Youtube, or on their CD "Appalachia Waltz."

Sailors Hornpipe

Traditional

The image displays a musical score for the traditional tune "Sailors Hornpipe". It is arranged for Fiddle and Mandolin. The score is organized into four systems, each consisting of a fiddle staff and a mandolin tablature staff. The key signature is one sharp (F#), and the time signature is 2/4. The fiddle staff includes various musical notations such as slurs, accents, and dynamic markings. The mandolin tablature staff uses numbers 0-7 to indicate fret positions. Chord symbols (G, C, D, A) are placed above the fiddle staff to indicate the harmonic structure. The piece concludes with a double bar line and repeat dots.

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August

14 Jam, Potluck

Long Tom Grange

10:30 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

19 Jam, Performance

Senior Day Lane County Fair

2 p.m.

September

11 Jam, Potluck

Santa Clara Grange

10:30 a.m.- 4:00 p.m.

Ken Luse started off his term as chairman with a bang. He and "vice" co-chairman John Gent and secretary/treasurer Bernie Roberts began their new terms at the quarterly meeting July 10th. Retiring chairwoman Darla Knudsen passed out certificates of appreciation to: Phyllis and Zane Coffin for managing kitchen supplies, Lloyd and Esther Schriber for announcing jams for 25 years, Lynne Baran for Hoedowner reporting, Joe Moyle for organizing gigs and fundraising, Ila Mae Carmickle for mentoring and encouraging, Bernie Roberts for accurate bookkeeping and managing accounts, Ken Luse for securing outside fundraising, and Jesse Knudsen for support and encouragement. Thanks, flowers and cards were then given to Darla for her hard work and creativity as chairwoman.

Yes, there will be a potluck. Members voted to continue with the potluck lunches at monthly jams -- so on Aug. 14th we will have a jam and potluck held at the Long Tom Grange. To get to the grange take Hwy 99 north through Junction City, then go toward Monroe on Hwy 99 west, turn left on Ferguson Road and go about 5 miles. The grange is on the right at 25855 Ferguson Road.

Be sure to mark your calendar for Senior Day at the Lane County Fair on August 19th. Trillium is hosting an Acoustic Music Tent Jam from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. All OOTFA members are welcome and encouraged to play on stage at the Performance Center at 2 p.m.

Crow Grange, which for many years has hosted District 6 events, is replacing its roof. To this end, a chicken barbecue fundraiser, with live music by the Poodle Creek Pickers, will be held at the grange on Saturday, August 7, beginning at 4 p.m. \$9.50 gets you a chicken dinner and some really fine music. Let's get out and support this event!

Enjoy the Eugene Celebration Parade and cheer on the OOTFA float entry hosted by Trillium on Aug 28th. Float participation is by invitation only because of limited space.

The jam and potluck on Sept. 11 will be held at the Santa Clara Grange. So set your GPS and join in the fun. To get to the Santa Clara Grange drive .5 miles north from the Beltway on River Road toward Santa Clara. Turn east (right) just past the Chevron Station on Azalea Drive. 295 Azalea Drive is a short block down on the left.

August Birthdays: Louise Hamilton 8/8, Joe Canaday 8/11, and Bernie Roberts 8/31.

August Anniversaries: Ken and Della White 8/4, John and Lucille Childers 8/27 and happy 20th to Rick and Sherry Dobson 8/26.

Happy Fiddling,
~Lynne Baran, District 6 Reporter

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Summer is finally heating up both weather-wise and music-wise.

Saturday, Aug. 14th be sure to attend the Bawb Bash. It's Bob Huffman's 90th birthday! This potluck party to be held at Andy & Terry Jorgensen's farm near Sandy at 50995 SE Baty Road. Festivities start a noon. Bring food, your instrument and a chair. Directions: If you are heading out from Portland, go east on Hwy 84 and follow the signs to Mt. Hood. This will get you on Hwy 26. Travel east on Hwy 26 and turn left on Cherryville Drive. Go 1 mile and turn left on Baty Road. Travel 1 mile to their driveway. Contacts#: 503-668-3917 Home; 503-702-0460 Cell; terryjorgensen112852@gmail.com or atjorgensen@gotssky.com

Wednesday, Aug. 18th we are scheduled to play from 2 to 4 at the Clackamas County Fair in Canby. Same stage as last year. Contact Ron Zabudsky for free parking passes in late July. rdzinstruments@msn.com

August

14 Bob Huffman's Birthday Bawb Bash

Sandy

18 Clackamas County Fair

Canby

29 Tri-City Baptist Temple

Gladstone

31 Oregon State Fair

Salem

September

12 Windfield Village

Wilsonville

19 King City Senior Center

King City

21 Oregon Zoo

Portland

24 Tanner Adult Center

West Linn

25 Phillip Foster Farms

Eagle Creek

October

7-9 Log Jam

Manzanita

17 Harding Grange

Estacada

Sunday, Aug 29th we are playing at an outdoor potluck for Tri-City Baptist Temple, at 18025 Webster Road in Gladstone. Playing time is 5 to 7 pm. It should be a large crowd. We are invited to share food with them on our break. Hope to see many of you there.

Tuesday, Aug 31st is Senior Day at the Oregon State Fair in Salem. Fiddlers will be playing from 10:00 to 4:00. Notify Lew Holt if you plan to attend so he can leave your name at the gate. The more fiddlers, the better. And back up, too.

Sunday, Sept 12th we are playing in Wilsonville from 12 to 1 p.m. at Windfield Village, 8170 SW Vlahos Dr. They enjoyed our jam from last May.

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District 7, Continued...

Sunday, Sept 19th we are jamming at King City Senior Center in King City, west of Tigard on Pacific Hwy. Turn right at the Arco station and look to the right for the flag pole at the Community Center. This is the first of our monthly jams. The building opens at 11 a.m. with sign-up playing from 1 to 4 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept 21st, let's go to the Oregon Zoo on Senior Day, our annual event at the zoo in Washington Park, Portland. We are scheduled to play from 1 to 2 p.m.

Friday, Sept 24th we are scheduled from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. at the Tanner Adult Center, 23000 Horizon Drive in West Linn.

Saturday, Sept 25 we are playing at Phillip Foster Farms, Hwy 224 and Hwy 211 in Eagle Creek. Time for playing has not been determined.

Thursday thru Saturday, July 7-9 The LogJam in Manzanita. The jam will start at noon on Thursday October 7 at 146 Merton Lane in Manzanita. This is Linda's big log house. We will play music and everyone adds food to share for the "Stone Soup". Friday we play and eat. With good weather we'll play on the new back porch. Friday night we can play at a local assisted living facility. On Saturday the 9th, we'll play at the Pine Grove Community House on Laneda Street from 1 to 3 p.m., for the community. Everyone is invited to join in all or part of the fun at the LogJam!!!

Sunday, Oct 17 the Harding Grange in Estacada has invited us to play for our monthly jam. The Grange is located out Springwater Road at 21552 South Fischers Mill Road. Doors open at 11 am with sign-up playing from 1 - 4 pm.

~ Gail Foster, District 7 Reporter

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August

12 Gig

25 Gig

28 Gig

31 Gig

October

9 Gig

Polk County Fair

Benedictine Nursing Home

Saturday Market

State Fair

Rickreall

Mount Angel

Salem

Salem

2-3:30 p.m.

6 p.m.

10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Pine Grove Community Building

Manzanita

tba

I don't know what happened in the transmission/printing of the tune in the July Hoedowner. If anyone wants music to Crooked Stovepipe, send me an e-mail (aliceholt@aol.com) and I'll send you a PDF copy. It's the tune I had prepared to teach at Burns, until Lew's brother's illness kept us from going. Brother is waiting for back surgery on July 15th. Hope that will solve the problem. And many thanks to Gayle Clarity for doing the workshop at Burns!

District 8 made lots of music on the last weekend in June. Saturday, Thirteen of us played at Salem Saturday Market on a beautiful summer day. Lots of fun to see the booths of crafts, fresh flowers and veggies. People sat at the tables near our stage and relaxed while enjoying the music. Dale Emery was a hit with the audience and sold several of his CDs. Betty and family sat in the shade. Dale pointed out that there were 5 generations of his and Betty's family present!

The next day was the Strawberry Social at historic Aurora. Again a good group of musicians. We also enjoyed hearing a group of young people playing the old stringed instruments that belong to the Aurora Colony Museum. As usual, the strawberry shortcake was delicious!

We had to cancel playing in Independence. Too many out of town or sustaining injuries. Tim Moynahan didn't get the cancellation message, so he entertained for 20 minutes or so. Thanks Tim!

Marion County Fair. This was a new playing opportunity for us. Even though the temperature was in the upper 90s, we had a good turnout. Sixteen District 8 musicians gathered on the big stage inside. The promised sound system was not there, so we

sat in a semicircle on stage and played. We had a good audience, which enjoyed the music. The guys figured out how to make the little one-mic-no-stand PA work. That was helpful for the vocals. We had a good time!

On the injured list this month: Darlene Bryant broke her arm at the shoulder and has been unable to play her fiddle for awhile. She is having physical therapy, and should be back in the game soon. Loita Colebank had an accident with a barbed wire fence. Both ladies are sporting colorful bruises, and Darlene has her right arm in a sling. Best wishes from all of us, Darlene and Loita.

Polk County Fair is coming. Our play date is August 12, Thursday. This is Senior Day and we'll play at the main stage as usual. Time is 2 - 3:30 pm. Come and join us! Let Lew know if you are going to be there, so he can let the gate people know. lewholt@aol.com or 503-291-5377

Our annual outdoor concert at Benedictine Nursing Home in Mount Angel is Wednesday, August 25th. We'll play starting at 6 pm. Then those who want to join us for dinner will meet at the Bavarian Haus at 115 E. Church St.

The Oregon State Fair people asked us to play again this year. They commented on how much people loved our music last year! It's along one of the walkways on the north side of the fair. Kind of under the chair lift. We'll have a shade cover. We're scheduled on Tuesday, August 31st, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. That's a long gig, but we don't have to all be there all the time. Come when you can. Be sure to let Lew know if you're coming. They need a list of names at the gate. It will help arrange a schedule too.

~ Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter

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The High Desert Fiddlers would like to thank all the folks who lent a hand to make the Country Music Jamboree successful. 2010 marked the 20th anniversary of the Country Music Jamboree. From the initial jamboree in 1990 on the vacant Arrowhead lot downtown, to the Desert Theatre and now at the Harney County Fairgrounds, musicians have trekked to our community to share their talents. We thank them all for the delight and they bring and the talent they share. This year's Jamboree was thrilling and different for us all. We wanted to make it special by creating the Memory Book (hope everyone got one), we gave out door prizes to create a little excitement, and members of The High Desert Fiddlers wore a commemorative shirt with our new logo on the back. Plus Dennis and Dona Townsend wrote a new Jamboree song that expresses the joy we all feel when everyone comes to share the Jamboree with us. Rhea and Art Bigelow from Bend also contributed numerous photo collages of previous Jamborees which were proudly displayed around the main building. Rhea wrote a poem about "The Fiddle" and dedicated the Jamboree to the memory of Annie Schupe who passed last year. The High Desert Fiddlers played "Little Annie" after Rhea finished reading her poem. Janet Braymen also provided a timeless collection of photos from the past.

We played at numerous restaurants around town the week before the Jamboree got officially underway. On Thursday, we tried something a little different by having three different types of music jams around the grounds instead of hosting a stage show in the afternoon. We had a folk music jam in the exhibition hall, a Celtic Jam in the Sale Barn and a old time music jam in the main building. The evenings and other afternoons were the traditional sign-up for performing on the main stage. Friday evening we had dance bands.

We also had several workshops in the mornings. Included were fiddle, banjo, backup singing and this year we had a "Unique Instruments" workshop in the Sale Barn. This workshop was entertaining as well as educational. Some unusual ways of playing the fiddle were demonstrated--using "fiddle sticks" as well as a fascinating demonstration of the "mouth harp" by John Davis. Other instruments shown were the hammered and mountain dulcimers, and concertina.

We all worked and played hard. Hope everyone had a great time. The Jamboree was well attended this year, lots of folks brought their RVs and camped, plus each evening show had an attendance of well over 150 people. Janet Braymen and Dona Townsend co-chaired the planning and all of the High Desert Fiddlers contributed to making the Jamboree a successful event. The Sunday after the Jamboree concluded and after we cleaned up the grounds, we went out to Wilda Toussaint's home to have a wonderful pot luck and, of course, play some more music. Other activities this past month included at the beginning of June, we played for the "Fly-in" and partook in the Lion's Club pancake breakfast, yum.

On the Fourth of July, we all got together at Micky and Joe Enneberg's house to have a barbecue, play music and watch the fireworks from their back deck. We've done this for the past three years now and enjoy it immensely, even if the mosquitoes join us.

~ Dona Townsend, Acting District 9 Reporter

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August

14	Meeting, potluck, jam	VFW Hall, Roseburg	11 - 4 p.m.
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I didn't think many would show up this month, but there were enough for a very nice jam. Just a few of us for the potluck. It was nice to see Joe Ross again. It's been awhile. He'll probably come to more of the jams now. We had lots of visitors, listeners and dancers. Also, it was a very nice surprise to see Don and Doris Dilbeck again, after a long siege of illnesses.

Didn't see some people that were under the weather, hope they are up and around soon. Chuck and Margie, Bruce W.-- And, July is a month of a lot of vacations.

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all that had them.

Not much news this time. Our next potluck and jam will be August 14th from 12 to 4 at the VFW hall, 1127 NE Walnut St. Roseburg. There will probably be a MEETING at 11 a.m. Hope to see everyone there to have lots of fun. If nothing else, get out on the floor and dance, or jig or whatever.

See ya' all later!!!

~ Joyce Pickett, District 10 Reporter



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State Calendar

August 7	Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest	Benton County Fair, Corvallis
August 14	Bob Huffman's 90th	Sandy
August 11-14	Fiddle Camp	Thousand Trails
August 19-21	Winchester Bay Jam	Winchester Bay
September 16-18	State Meeting	Merrill

From the Editor

Although Cheryl McKenzie will no longer be doing the Hoedowner, our heartfelt thanks go out to her for all hard work she has put in over the years. For more information on the shift, see the President's column.

Irene Ruddock reminds us that the upcoming state quarterly meeting in Merrill will run from the September 16-18. Early birds, she says, are welcome to come on the 15th.

Peg Willis writes: "I'm no longer able to teach and am selling all my fractional size fiddles (and a couple of 4/4's). There are 23 of them - assorted prices. The only size I have absolutely none of is 1/4. I have all other sizes: 1/16, 1/10, 1/8, 1/2, 3/4, 4/4. I bought most of these instruments new for between \$300 and \$400. A few were second hand or less expensive when I bought them. They have been used by students - some used a lot, some only a little. The cheapest is \$20, most expensive is \$150. Quality - you get what you pay for.

Peg Willis - fiddlepeg@oregontrail.net ~ Joe

New Members to Welcome!

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Steven & Carmen Kropf, Brownsville
Ann Lanthrop, Springfield

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