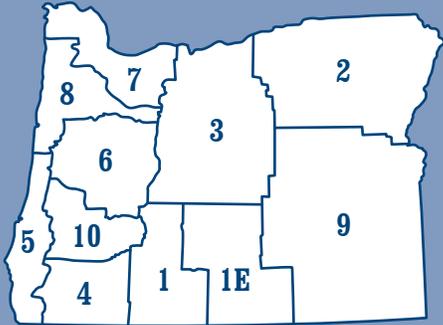


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From Your President

We came home to find that we had no internet. So we have this expensive computer served by one of America's major corporations and after a day or so of wrestling with the problem we finally discover that the solution is: ta da ta da, crawl under the computer table and jiggle the wire. I'm feeling absolutely technical.

Watch your Hoedowners for the fiddle contest schedule change.

District 5 has received several compliments on their method of separating the performance procedure from the jam protocol. The problem was people would come on stage and not leave for the next performer. Often the performance was confused and turned into a bad version of a jam with out of time discordant music nicely amplified.

The chairman removed all the chairs from the stage. The show was opened with the announcement that if you are not part of the performing group, please stay off the stage.

About halfway through the afternoon when every one has had an opportunity to perform a circle is formed off the stage for the jam.

People who do not perform can now join in and performers who do not want to jam can go get some coffee or whatever. Try it, nothing is perfect but it works more smoothly this way.

~ Larry

From the Editor

We here in District 6 have just concluded a very successful state quarterly jam and meeting at Crow grange. We were pleased to be able to show off our new Fishman sound system which was purchased with the aid of a Keilhorn grant. It is much simpler than the preceding system, and has almost no problem with feedback, even with the speaker stack directly behind the musician. District 5, also using a Keilhorn grant, has just purchased a similar system by a different manufacturer, Bose. We will be interested to see how they compare.

Fiddle contest Saturday, March 23rd. In a discussion at the recent state meeting, the board approved holding the contest this year for one day only -- on Saturday, the 23rd. All divisions will play the same day. No contest on Friday. Check Oregonoldtimefiddling.org for the schedule. The contest will be held again at the Chemeketa CC in Salem.

Patti Luse, our state membership chair writes:

"2013 DUES ARE DUE NOW!!! If you have not paid, you need to pay by February 5 or **this WILL be your LAST HOEDOWNER!**

The 2013 MEMBERSHIP ROSTER will be printed in mid March so register by the end of February to be included.

EMAIL ADDRESSES are very important in our communication efforts. On February 15, Patti will send an email to all members with emails she has. This will ensure they are correct before printing in the 2013 Roster. If you do not receive an email by that date and want your **CORRECT** email address in that Membership Roster, email pattiluse@comcast.net by February 28."

~ Joe

From the Editor Emeritus

I have to warn friends when I take them to my basement that they aren't covered by OSEA – they enter at their own risk. Alice and I joined OOTFA in 1979 or 1980. Since then I have been collecting many boxes of memorabilia relating to OOTFA. I have stories, pictures, many many cassette tapes and many, many, many VHS tapes and many, many 8mm tapes. I am talking about literally hundreds of each kind. And now I have added literally hundreds of DVDs and CDs. Does a CD of the contest at Banks in 1965 have value? Does a cassette of the Cranberry Festival in Bandon in 1981 have value? Does the video of the first jam that District 10 held have value? Do all the VHS tapes of interviews of many fiddlers that Ace Wehus took have value? Do all the cassettes, VHS tapes, 8mm cassette tapes and DVDs of practically every state contest since 1984 have value? Do the many tapes I have of the Canyonville Contest have value? And the boxes of newspaper articles, scrapbooks, picture albums, etc. have value?

I'll be 84 this spring. I intend to be around for quite a while yet because I have a bucket full of projects I want to get done. But it is time that I start thinking about all of the collection that I have. Do I saddle Alice and the kids with all of the OOTFA material someday? Do my heirs or I dump all of it in the trash? Do I give it away – maybe even the cassettes to one person, the VHS tapes/8mm tapes to another, the DVDs and CDs to another? Or all to one person with the interest and space for storage. Or to

some historical society where the boxes would be stored and probably not available. One more question. Is the value in the collection today or does it become valuable 30 years from now when most of us are gone? What are your thoughts?

I would like to share this note I received recently: "Dear Mr. Holt, I just wanted to let you know that our dear mother, Maxine Benson, passed away on Dec. 28th at 8 p.m. She became ill so they admitted her into McKenzie Willamette Hospital in Springfield. . . . on the 27th of Dec. and the Lord took her home the next evening. She will be greatly missed by all of us and there will be a large hole in our hearts for quite a while. Thank you so much for all of your precious e-mails over the years and we will always have fond memories of her days in the Oregon Oldtime Fiddler's Assoc The family of Maxine Benson"

I share this letter with you because Maxine was a dominant force in our association back in the early 80s. Because of her guidance and understanding of our association, she guided and allowed three earlier state presidents to succeed. In 1985 when she ran for president of our association, she asked me – an unknown – to run for vice-president. It was like jumping off a high diving board not knowing how far it was to the water. It has been one adventure after another one since then.

~ Lew (On Valentine's Day Alice and I will be celebrating our 60th wedding anniversary)

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February

3	Meeting & Pot luck	12-4 p.m.
5	Gig Plum Ridge	10:30-11:30 a.m.
5	Gig Quail Park	12:30-1:30 p.m.
10	Gig Shasta Community Center Dance	1-4 p.m.
12	Jam Senior Center 1	10:30 a.m.-12 p.m.
21	Gig Shasta View Care Center	1-2 p.m.
21	Gig Linkville House	2:30-3:30 p.m.
26	Jam Senior Center	10:30A.M.—12:30P.M

Practice every Saturday unless something else is scheduled. Call or contact Irene Ruddock for any questions. I am sure there will be more on the schedule later, for updated information call either Sheila Fry or John Northcraft.

A special thanks to all the ladies for our holiday dinner; it was excellent. Thank you Cherie Lane for organizing it. That was a very good way to start a New Year, with lots of food, friends & music. It was nice that Isom & Faye Patterson were able to join us, Faye has had some health issues but is doing better. A total of twenty-nine members attended.

Congratulations to Tim & Laura Dabil -- they recently were married. We all wish them lots of luck, and many happy years.

I asked Fred and Loraine to write something for this month's Hoedowner:

"The community of Klamath Falls certainly appreciates our Old Time Fiddlers. As many of our members that can get together, play at four different nursing homes, also the Senior Center twice a month for two hours during the noon lunch. It is enjoyable for the club to be playing together, and also enjoyable for the seniors having lunch.

The monthly dance for the community is not only enjoyable for the club to sponsor, but for the community people who like to dance and visit."

Thank You Fred & Loraine for your thoughts, and for rarely missing a fiddler event.

Let us start thinking about the election of officers; the reporter position will also be open.

February birthdays: Ben Coker, Lynn Foster, Don Reese, Delbert Sparks, Elle Larson, Asher Larson.

For some unknown reason I forgot last month's birthdays. Sorry, but Happy Belated Birthday to: John Rodgers, Phil Fry, Thelma Nelson, LaVonne Vaughn, Atlas Bodie, & Darin Larson.

I didn't have any anniversaries for February. Hopefully we didn't miss anyone.

~ Ali Swartwood, District 1 Reporter

District 1E

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Reporter: Mary Ann McLain

We had a nice jam on January 5th. Nice circle of people to play.

We had our monthly business meeting on the 14th. Many thanks to Bev Perry and Rhayanna McLain for the last two years of leadership. Bev and her brother Max will be leaving us in the spring. They have decided to move up around Redmond; they will surely be missed.

We have our people nominated for chair and co chair. We will get them voted in February 11th. The nominees are Terry McLain as chair and Jerry Light as co-chair. Sharilyn McLain will be secretary-treasurer. Laura Light will be taking over reporting duties next month.

Thursday nights are now going strong again. Sorry about the wrong time in the last report. It starts a 6 p.m.

The next jam will be February 2, as always at the Senior Center. There will be a workshop at 5 p.m. and jamming at 6 p.m.

The next business meeting will be held February 11 at the Senior Center at 7 p.m.

District 3

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Vice Chair: Ron Odegard, 541-447-7395

Sec/Treasurer: Vivian Tucker, 541-420-5793

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District 3 had a great time at the January 13th Jam. The cold weather kept some folks away but there was still plenty of music played and danced to. Several fiddlers had a pre-program jam playing some fiddle tunes while Jack Kerr played guitar.

The 1 p.m. dance program was well attended with both dancers and listeners. The musicians sang and played to an appreciative audience. We had fun playing music with OOTFA member Katherine Allen who visited us from District 7. She played a couple of tunes on her fiddle and accordion that thoroughly entertained the Sunday audience

A few of our members are having some work done on their knees in the next few weeks and months. We all wish Dale Anderson, Tommy Tucker and Peggy Hudson all the best for speedy and pain free recoveries.

Chairman Roland attended the state quarterly meeting at the Crow Grange in Eugene Oregon on Saturday January 12. He reports that the state organization provided membership and financial updates showing the OOTFA in good condition. There was a nice program of fiddlers from nearly all OOTFA Districts.

The next jam is Feb 10 and we will have a short meeting following the program. Its time to get the leadership organized for the coming term. If we start early on this process then we will be all ready to go for the coming year.

Silver Lake Campout

The dates are May 2-5. Terry's phone number is 541-219-0896, if you need more info. Terry says we will play till the cows come home. That will be Sunday around noon. Get your rest ahead of time.

There are a limited number of electrical-only sites for trailers around the outside of the Silver Lake Fire Hall -- first come, first served for \$10 per night. Dry camping all around the hall is free. Please stay away from the helicopter landing zone. We don't want to disrupt emergency services.

A couple of blocks north, right on the highway is Silver Lake Motel (541) 576-2131. Here's a couple more options: Silver Lake Trailer Park (541) 576-2789; K&K RV Park (541) 576-2258; and, approximately 20 miles out are Christmas Valley Desert Inn (541) 576-2262; Lakeside Terrace (541) 576-2309; and Summer Lake Lodge (541) 943-3994.

Everyone take care

~ **Mary Ann McLain, District 1E Reporter**

February

10 Circle Jam VFW Hall, Redmond 1-3:30 p.m.

March

14 Circle Jam VFW Hall, Redmond 1-3:30 p.m.

Note: second Sundays at Redmond VFW Hall • 1836 SW Veterans Way Redmond

The sound system is working great so come on out and sing and play some fiddle tunes. The "welcome mat" is out for all District 3 members. We have the main program from 1 to 3:30 p.m. There is a fiddlers jam from 12:30 to 1 p.m. Don't forget, for those of you who don't like microphones, we have a circle jam available in the auxiliary room that will be available from 1-3 p.m.. See ya all soon!

~ **Roland White, District 3 Reporter**



**The moment may be temporary but the memory is forever:
District 1's Fred Stiverson & Loraine Degnan.**

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What a great jam we had at Eagle Point Grange – a big crowd! Visitors Pat Weyer, Larry Costa and Hal Thompson added to the great music that was enjoyed by all. Lots of interest, and good comments from the new members in the audience. Five kids from the fiddle class played their new song, "Peach Blossom", that they learned from the Hoedowner. They played several more songs, too, to an appreciative audience.

Judy Lyons has been having major back problems and has been unable to get out – we miss her!

Dottie Birkett is hobbling around (but hobbling pretty well) on her broken toe. She fell while fighting a GI infection. Annette McGregor is back after a round of serious surgeries. She came close to not making it, but fortunately she pulled through and is back playing again. We want you folks to be well soon! It was good to have Clyde Pugh back after a long absence – he plays a mean fiddle!

District 5

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Vice Chair: Larry Costa, 541-404-6343

Secretary: Jolly Hibbits, 541-347-2229

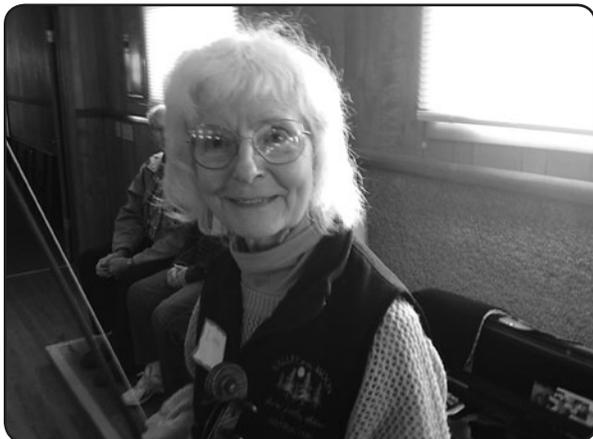
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Well, those crazy Polar Bear Plungers are at it again!. I cannot imagine the circumstances under which swimming in the ocean on New Year's day could be fun. Bob Schaffer and the Weyers, along with a host of other people, were all participants in the activities at Sunset Beach and I believe they all survived to do it again next year. Guys, my caution from last year still stands. Brrr, shake and shiver!



Linda Danielson at the state jam.

February

2 Jam, snacks Fruitdale Grange, Grants Pass 11:30 a.m.

March

2 Jam, snacks Eagle Point Grange 11:30 a.m.

April

6 Jam, snacks Roxy Ann Grange 11:30 a.m.

Our membership chairman, Carol, reports that we have ten new family memberships, and 48 paid renewals for 2013. With our additional 14 Life Members, that brings our total to 72 member families, if my math is right! Thanks Carol for your good work.

The fiddle class has resumed after taking December off. They loved having Lennie Ferrara teach them "Bear Creek Hop". They are working hard, and seemingly having fun doing it.

By popular demand we are repeating our "Songs of the Oregon Trail" program with music and tidbits of historical info for the "Friends of the Library". We also have a request to do it again for the Eagle Point High School show about the pioneers on the Oregon Trail. Such good old music – fun to play and to listen to.

Had to give this quote from Mark Twain, "A gentleman is someone who can play the banjo – and doesn't!

~ Judy McGarvey , District 4 Reporter

February

6	Gig	Oerdings, Coquille	1 - 2 p.m.
6	Gig	Myrtle Point Care Center	3 - 4 p.m.
13	Gig	Bay Crest, North Bend	1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
13	Gig	Ocean Crest, Coos Bay	3 - 4 p.m.
16	Business meeting before jam		11:00 a.m.
16	Monthly Jam	Winchester Bay	1 - 4 p.m.
20	Gig	Heritage Place, Bandon	1 - 2:30 p.m.
27	Gig	Memory Care, Empire	1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
27	Gig	Hearthside, Coos Bay	3 - 4 p.m.

There will be a business meeting at 11 a.m. preceding the jam at Winchester Bay on the 16th. Bring finger food to share for lunch.

Traveling to the Eugene area to attend the quarterly meeting and jam at the Crow Grange on January 12 were Sharon and Larry Gallagher, Larry Costa and Pat and Ruth Weyer. Other recent travelers include Larry Costa and Pat Weyer who were accompanied by Hal Thompson, from District 10, as they all journeyed to the Eagle Point Grange to jam with District 4 members. All report having had a good time.

The new sound system has arrived and has been set up and tested and seems to be in good working order. This should make a big improvement in the sound quality of all the music. All of you musicians must be anxious to try it out if haven't already had that chance.

The latest new members to join District 5 are Marlene and Steve Betts from Colfax, CA. Welcome and we hope to see you soon at some of our jams. Speaking of new members, where are those of you who have joined in the past few months? We are looking forward to meeting you and hearing you play. Grab

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Photos from the Quarterly Jam at Eugene



Caption: At the Eugene jam, clockwise from upper left: Dave Altman, Ken Luse, Linda Danielson, Alan Ede; Gary Davis holds up the list; Joe Grivell, Les Tucker, Larry Costa; Ila Mae Carmickle; Amy Burrow, Les Tucker; Phyllis Coffin, Shirley Humphreys, Kathy and Galen Ness; Darla Knudsen, Mark Ratzlaff; Phyllis Coffin sings "Bye, Bye Blackbird"; Arlo Hamilton, with Shirley Humphreys in the background.

Fiddle Tips by Eileen Walter – the Pivot

When you play a note on one string, and the next note is not on an adjacent string, how do you accomplish this without “unwanted” sounds occurring? I call this maneuver the “pivot”. To move the bow over a string without sounding that string, lighten up the bow arm, stop the bow (but do not lift it off the

string), and rock (or pivot) the bow to the string your next note will be played on. If you don’t move the bow sideways across the string, you won’t produce a sound during the pivot. Once you get used to it, pivoting only takes a fraction of a second and will not disrupt your rhythm.

Tune of the Month -- The No C Polka

Donna Foreman got this tune from Pat Weyer, who got it from Lauren Osbourne. Lauren is now in a nursing facility in Coos Bay, and we wish him well. The tune is so called because there is no “C” section.

The image shows a musical score for 'The No C Polka' in G major, 2/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The first two staves are identical and feature a melodic line with a G chord marking above the first measure and a D chord marking above the fifth measure. The last two staves are also identical and feature a G chord marking above the first measure and a D chord marking above the fifth measure. The music is written in treble clef with a key signature of one sharp (F#).

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your instrument and come on along to one of the monthly jams -- always on the third Saturday of the month in Winchester Bay at 1:00 p.m.

Our sympathy and best wishes go out to the family and companion, Ella Savery, of Harold Householder whose death from cancer occurred in early December. Harold was a long-time member and supporter of the fiddlers. We shall miss his smiling face passing out the cookies.

Our sympathy and best wishes also go out to Loren Osborne,

one of our fiddlers, who continues to be confined at the Hearthside nursing home in Coos Bay. We miss you and your fiddling, Loren. Hope you will soon be out of there and fiddling again.

The fart is a pleasant thing,
It gives the belly ease,
It warms the bed in winter,
And suffocates the fleas!

~ Mary A. Weist, District 5 Reporter

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Effective next month, Sandy Wallrich will replace me as the District 6 reporter. Please forward all information to her from now on. She can be reached at 541.485.7981 or via email at sandy4beachsky@yahoo.com.

That state jam and meeting at Crow grange January 12 was quite a success. The food was good, and the company better. Phyllis Coffin wants to thank Leah Canaday for all her hard work in the kitchen, and Mike Wallrich and Mike, Josie and Jackson Slaven for their help in setting up the chairs and tables downstairs.

The basic fiddle class will be held Feb 25th, March 25th, and April 29th at Bethesda Lutheran Church from 1-4:30 p.m. The intermediate fiddle class next class is scheduled for February 23rd, none in March, but gathering again April 27th, at the River Road Annex, 1055 River Road 1-4pm. For Info, contact Darla Knudsen (jdkkjc@q.com or 541-998-2064.)

The February monthly jam and potluck will be held at Santa Clara grange on February 9. The March monthly jam, on March 9 at Santa Clara grange, will be a jam, potluck, and a meeting, to include election of officers.

We had a nice Lebanon turnout for the annual Christmas jam, and a great ham dinner! There were several guests from District 8 attending. It was nice to see Les and Peg Tucker, Lew and Alice Holt, Christine Lang, Dave Altman and C. R. Rule. The music was great, the pies were wonderful.

Proper Sitting position - I get home from work, grab my banjo from the stand, and lean back into my easy chair with my feet up and a tall lemonade. Oh Boy! . . .Hardly the proper sitting position for serious practice. I noticed a habit of cradling the banjo in the saddle between my thumb and index finger. This habit restricts movement of my left hand when playing up and down the neck. Conversely, using the pad of my thumb on the bottom of the neck as a stabilizer, increases my stretch for hard, quick reaches. Standing position and sitting position should get equal practice time. Poor posture leads to bad habits and bad habits are difficult to correct! Review your basic mechanics regularly. Practice right and practice often. Thumb and Twang

February

1	Jam	Eugene Hotel Lounge	7-10 p.m.
8	Jam	Crow Grange	7-10 p.m.
9	Jam, & Potluck	Santa Clara Grange	10-4 p.m.
16	Barn Dance	Spencer Creek Grange	7-10 p.m.
22	Jam	Santa Clara Grange	7-10 p.m.

March

1	Jam	Eugene Hotel Lounge	7-10 p.m.
8	Jam	Crow Grange	7-10 p.m.
9	Jam, Meeting & Potluck	Santa Clara Grange	10-4 p.m.
16	Barn Dance	Spencer Creek Grange	7-10 p.m.
22	Jam	Santa Clara Grange	7-10 p.m.

Jam Venue Addresses: Crow Grange - 85994 Territorial Hwy, Eugene (in Crow); Eugene Hotel - 224 E. Broadway, Eugene; Santa Clara Grange - 295 Azalea, Eugene; Spencer Creek Grange - 86013 Lorane Hwy, Eugene.

February birthdays: Kathy Ness 2-5, Maxine Benson 2-10, Phyllis Coffin 2-20, Arnold Canning 2-23, Dave Stubbs 2-25.

February anniversaries: Arnold & Betty Canning 2-3

~ Gary Davis, District 6 Reporter



District 6's Amy Burrow at the state jam. In the background: Gary Davis.



Shirley Humphreys and Kathy Ness, at the Eugene jam.



District 6's Sandy Wallrich, at the Eugene jam.

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HAPPY VALENTINES DAY! It is time to play all those wonderful "romantic" tunes for your loved ones. The folks at the senior centers and care facilities seem to really appreciate those oldies. And, to be honest we all love to play them, as well!

We started the New Year with a packed audience at the Gladstone Senior Center on January 6th. Thanks so much to everyone who made this event such a success. We are looking forward to a lot of fun and encourage everyone to support all of the OOTFA activities during the coming year. There are many educational opportunities as well as just plain enjoyment for players of all experience levels.

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The Salem group played at Tierra Rose nursing home on January 8th. Jerry Janzsen played "Eighth of January" for one of his tunes. Very appropriate! Others playing that day were: Ray and Marie Cunningham, Darwin Wattles, Darlene Bryant, Dale Emery, and Lew and Alice Holt. The residents requested a few tunes and their toes were tapping to the music.

Our first regular jam for 2013 will have been January 19th in Dayton. The community building there is a new location for us. We have scheduled jams at various locations in the district. It seems to be working well.

The February Jam will be February 19th, at the Oak Grove Grange west of Salem on Highway 22. Oak Grove Road is at the east side of Restlawn Cemetery. Follow the road several miles to the Grange Hall. Turn right at the junction just before you get

Our February playing lineup to date includes:

Friday, February 8 – Eagle Creek Grange, 24491 SE Eagle Creek Rd.,

Saturday, February 16 – Leedy Grange, 835 NW Salzman Rd., Portland – 9:30 AM. We are invited to enjoy breakfast with them, so come hungry! This is also where we will have our monthly jam, starting at 1:00 PM, playing until 3:30 PM. Come for one or both!

Saturday, February 23 – Laural Parc Senior Living Community, 15850 NW Central Drive, Portland – play from 3:00 - 4:00 PM. They just got our name from Elder Audience, an advertising service, so we would like to really wow them!

Sunday, February 24, - Eagle Creek Grange, 24491 SE Old Eagle Creek Rd., Eagle Creek (Corner of Wildcat Mountain Drive & Eagle Creek Rd. off Highway 224, 5 miles from Estacada). This is their annual banquet, and they will provide dinner starting at 5:30 pm. We will play for their dinner from 6:00 – 7:00 PM.

As usual, please watch your emails for future gigs!

~ **Marcella Easley, District 7 Reporter**

February

16 Jam Oak Grove Grange -- west of Salem

March

23 Jam OOTFA fiddle contest, Salem

to the grange. We've played here before, and always had an appreciative audience.

It's time to elect new or returning officers for the district. We will hold an election at Oak Grove. A short meeting at 11:30 a.m. Marie Bailey is the nominating committee chairman.

The Oregon State Fiddle Contest will be March 23 at the auditorium of the Chemeketa Community College campus in Salem.

The OOTFA Convention is April 10-13 at the Polk County Fairgrounds at Rickreall on Highway 99.

Hope to see you at any or all of these events.

~ **Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter**

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Sec./Treas./Membership: George Sahlberg, 541-573-6517

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Brrrrr!

It's been a tad bit on the chilly side in District 9 this last month. Fortunately the music is hot and the hardy souls who have journeyed out have enjoyed some jams with good music, companionship and food.

Robin Gadbury fell shortly after Christmas and broke her hip. After an unplanned trip to Bend in the ambulance and surgery, she is recuperating in Lakeview with a daughter. George Sahlberg is still down and out with his knee but hopefully gaining in the process. LaWanda Williams is reported to be gaining strength and is staying in out of the cold.

Condolences to Ruel Teague whose brother Nate passed away and to Micky Enneberg whose older sister passed away in December.

District 10

Chairperson: Don Hamlin, 541-673-5689

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Reporter: Joyce Pickett, 541-643-2995

We didn't have a jam and potluck in December. The VFW had something going on and didn't bother to call anyone.

Anyway, there's been lots of people down with the flu etc., Margie Hastey has been in and out of the hospital, hope she's feeling better now. Chuck seems to be doing pretty good. Hope anyone else out there is doing okay.

---We've been playing at the two nursing homes and practicing once a month, but things should be getting better now, I hope.

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all that had them, there were lots of them in December.



District 8's Loita Colebank at the Eugene jam. In the background: Les Tucker

February

8	Gig	The Aspens	7 - 9 p.m.
10	Jam and Potluck	Senior Center	1- 4 p.m.
18	Gig	Ashley Manor	6:30 - 7:30 p.m

Thanks to all the folks who have come out to the various places to perform on these cold nights. Thanks to those who have graciously hosted Friday night jams. For many, the jam is the highlight of the week.

We will have a short meeting on February 10 at the monthly jam, at 1:20 p.m.between the potluck and jam. In February, the Aspens will be on Friday, the 8th from 7 – 9 pm. Sunday, the 10th is the jam at the Senior Center with potluck at 1 pm and music from 2- 4 pm. Ashley Manor is Monday, the 18th at 6:30 for one hour.

~ Janet Braymen, District 9 Reporter

February

23	Jam	VFW Hall, Roseburg	1- 4 p.m.
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Our next jam will be Feb. 23rd at the VFW hall in Roseburg, from 1 to 4 p.m. There will be finger foods for you to snack on during the day. Hope to see you all there with your instruments or your listening ears.

By the way, we need to get our 2013 dues paid, \$20.00 per family per year.

Hope everyone had an enjoyable and healthy holiday

~ Joyce Pickett, District 10 Reporter



At the Board meeting in Eugene (l-r): Joe Moyle, Larry Galleger, Ken Luse, Sharon Thompson, Patti Luse, Jim Keuther, Bob Hanson, Ruth Weyer, John Gent, Roland White.



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State Calendar

March 23	State Fiddle Contest, Chemeteka Community College, Salem
April 10-13	State Convention, Rickreall
May 2-5	Silver Lake Campout, Silver Lake
June 13-15	Country Music Jamboree, Burns
July 22-25	West Cascades Fiddle Camp, Oakridge

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Dann & Fay Houghton, Eagle Point
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Darwin Wattles, Salem

- Patti Luse, OOTFA State Membership