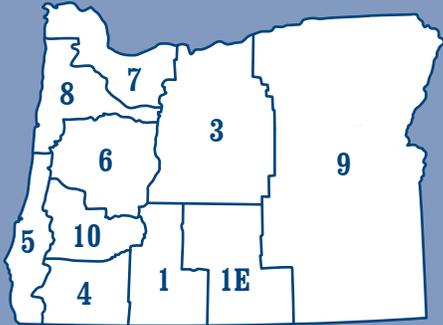


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From Your President

Greetings,

As fall is now seriously upon us and with the winter months not far away it's always a good idea to take a moment and size up ones accomplishments for the year and to stay on task in finishing projects and setting new goals. Since starting our new OOTFA year in July members have been busy living up to our mission statement by spreading their music all over the state and teaching more folks to fiddle, young and old alike.

After visiting with district leaders at the Merrill state meeting I'm convinced that OOTFA members spread more goodness in music per capita than members in any other state. I'm happy to report that over the past month there have been over 36 gigs played throughout the state at granges, libraries, community centers, schools and senior centers, with District 5 topping out at 10 performances throughout the month. Several districts are already promoting the 50 Year anniversary and purchasing new signs for their districts. There also have been several new informal jam sessions and circles that have been started. We can be proud of our state wide efforts, so keep up the good work.

More folks than ever are learning fiddle as a result of OOTFA with my most recent count of over 60 people throughout the state involved in free fiddle programs. A special thanks to Donna Foreman, Ila Mae Carmickle, Judy McGarvey, Irene Ruddock, Eileen Walter and Bob Shaffer for their generous donations of teaching talent. (Please let me know if I left any teachers out.) Another accomplishment for 2014 is over 100 children that have benefited from the Kielhorn Endowment attending fiddle camps and workshops.

During the winter months there will be much planning to keep our Celebrate 50 Years Media Blitz and campaign going plus preparation for the upcoming State meeting in January, the State Fiddle Contest and Concert in March and the State Convention in April.

There is a new membership drive starting this month by offering the remainder of 2014 for free plus a full membership for 2015 for one joining fee. Be sure and keep telling your OOTFA story to people and try to bring in a new member as soon as you can. Membership Chair Patti Luse is revising a welcome package to include all the information needed for new members to enjoy OOTFA.

I'm excited to report that the Merrill State Meeting and Campout was a great success with District 1 members promoting OOTFA's 50 Year Celebration and receiving more attendance from the locals for the programs that can be remembered in some time. A big thank you to new district leader Chairwoman Ali Swartwood and her fine crew!

~ Roland

From the Editor

Joe remains silent this month since he is in far off Cambodia.

~ Joe



From the Editor Emeritus

As the old tune goes, "I am back in the saddle again." Joe and his wife are off traveling in some exotic land. With the help and cooperation of many of you, I think we have the November HD pretty much in shape. Joe became editor of the HD when he took over from me – with one stipulation – that I would sub for him when he was traveling. Fair enough.

Last month's HD came out too late to write about Merrill. The gathering at Merrill this year has received many plaudits for a job well done. Just think of all the hours of work that went into ensuring that we would enjoy being there and have a good time. A big pat on the back for the kitchen crew, Ali Swartwood, District 1 chair, and everybody. I was complimented to have the honor to introduce three fine ladies; three wives of very early District 1 fiddlers, i.e., Mrs. L.D Daniels, Mrs. Homer McLain and Mrs. Sandy Sandusky. They were presented bouquets of flowers – well deserved.

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As I write this for the month of November, I find it hard to believe the holidays will soon be here. We have had a beautiful fall here in the Basin. We just had our first frost today, the 12th of October, this is so usual for us. Time to put away the gardening tools; we are looking forward to having record snow this winter. We are enjoying getting back into our usual schedule playing at the different care centers. We are trying something new at an assisted care house, playing and having a sing-a-long. We just have room for about four of us. The folks really enjoyed it and didn't want us to quit.

Our meet the member of District 1 for November is Sherman Taylor. Sherman was raised in Malin, OR. and grew up as a farm boy. His first introduction to Old Time Fiddling was the Merrill Campout back in 2007. At the annual Potato Festival in Merrill, Sherman who is a guitar player, met John Northcraft, and Jim Lancaster, the start of a great friendship. The winter of 2007, when we actually had snow,

I have received a handful of letters from various people who saw the list and pictures of all of the OOTFA presidents on our web. They questioned me, wondering if I had mislabeled Les Tucker's name. Nope, I was correct. Many of us know two Les Tuckers. Les, who was state president back in 1979-81. And we know Les Tucker, a mighty fine fiddler, guitar back up and vocalist who lives in Woodburn – when he is home and not off down the road fiddling.

Plans are underway for a big "Folk Life Festival" at the Polk County fairgrounds in Rickreall in early March of 2015. Check them out, if you would, at www.polkcountyfolklife.com. I just did.

~ Lew

November

2	Monthly Meeting/Potluck/Jam	Shasta Grange	12:30-3:00 p.m.
9	Jam and Dance	Shasta Grange	1:00-4:00 p.m.
13	Plumridge Care Center		10:30-11:30 a.m.
13	Quail Park Care Center		12:30-1:30 p.m.
20	Pelican Point Care Center		10:30-11:30 a.m.
23	Linkville Care Center	(special holiday music)	1:00-2:00 p.m.

Practice on Saturdays: Luther Square, check with Irene Ruddock for dates and time. 541-882-6418

they got cabin fever and went to play at Jerry and Irene Ruddock's. It wasn't long until he began playing with the Old Time Fiddlers. His favorite tune is Milk Cow Blues. Sherman brings to District 1 a great guitar player with a smile and will play until the cows come home.

We are planning on having our holiday dinner December 7th. The district will provide the meat and potatoes. There will be no meeting in December.

We don't have any November birthdays. The Anniversaries for November are: Johnny and Darlith Rodgers, Les and Lois Tucker, and Marlon and Lois Jannuzzi. We wish all the districts to have a Happy Turkey Day.

~ Noranne Sparks, District 1 Reporter



District 1 (LR) Darla Rogers, Ali Swartwood, Noranne Sparks.



District 1 Mandolin Dean Oliver, banjo Don Hensley, ?, guitar Johnny Rogers.

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There were about 10 members from here who went to Merrill to enjoy the fun, food, and great music. Thank you to all the folks who worked so hard to make it all happen.

I'm sad to report the death of Perry Forga. Perry was a Life Member who started playing music with the fiddlers in 1994. He leaves lots of friends and great memories. I think Perry knew most everyone in town. The Fiddlers will be playing music to honor him.

We've been blessed with a beautiful fall, cool nights, warm days, and beautiful Aspen Trees turning color. I love the vibrant colors of the Aspen Leaves but I'm always a little sad when all the leaves are gone. It means coffee break is over, make way for winter.

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Howdy: Welcome to cooler nights and pretty fall colors. Our last show was a full house with lots of: dancing, music and friendship. The weather was warm and sunny.

District 3 is creating a website that will be up and running hopefully next month.

District 3 is setting up a campout for 2015. This will be at Crook County Fairgrounds for July 30th, 31st and August 1st, 2015. It turns out that OOTFA member Robin Lindsey is a graphics artist by profession and has offered to help us design our logo, posters, and other promotional materials for the event. We sure are blessed with some high quality professionals in OOTFA. What a pleasure they are to work with! There are 50 RV sites for \$20 per night or \$50 for 3 nights. More info to come.

Dues of membership must be in by December 15th, in order to get January 2015 Hoedowner.

Our monthly jam/dance was held Sunday Oct 12 at the Powell Butte Community hall. We had a large crowd of dancers and around 12 musicians. Vivian Tucker brought homemade apple pie that was a big hit; thank you Vivian. Guitar player Robin Lindsey from Eugene joined us for the jam so we had a good combination of music to offer our dancers. We had the photographer from the Central Oregonian newspaper at our jam doing a photo shoot for an article he is working on. We'll keep you posted on the article when it's printed.

November

1	Jam	Senior Center	2 p.m.
9	Business Meeting	Senior Center	7 p.m.

There was a great Jam tonight (Oct. 8) at Rosa Lee's. We had 8 musicians, a couple of "designated listeners", and several kids. Lots of old songs and memories of Perry Forga rounded out the evening.

I'm not mentioning any names but: You May Be A Redneck if you've ever used the red dot laser sight on your pistol as a cat toy.

~ Keith Steward, District 1E Reporter

October

12	Jam	Powell Butte Community Center	1-4 p.m.
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November

9	Jam	Powell Butte Community Center	1-4 p.m.
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Powell Butte Community Center is located at 8404 Reif Road, Powell; the hall is opened at approximately 11:30 to 12 p.m. by Jack and the set-up crew.

Happy Birthday and Anniversary this month. God bless those who have love ones serving our country. May god bless those who are sick or have/ had surgeries. May god bless those who have lost love ones.

We hope you keep Old Time Fiddle Music in your heart.

~ Rhea Bigelow, District 3 reporter



District 3 Fran, Ron Jackson

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Our monthly jam at Eagle Point Grange had, as usual, a lot of good music. It was good to have a couple of the kids, Nolan and Paige, come and play with us! We are starting to sign up new and renewing members. Don't be late, or you won't be in the roster next year! Carol Ferrara will be happy to take your membership. Now is a good time to apply for Life Membership, too.

Please note the change of location for December. As Roxy Ann Grange is now closed, we will meet on Dec. 6 at the Eastwood Baptist Church, 675 N. Keene Way – only a few blocks away from Roxy Grange. Naomi Bruhns' husband is still quite ill following surgery and a difficult diagnosis. Our thoughts and prayers go out to them. Mark Carter opted out of our jam and then explained he had an emergency visit to the hospital to get a pacemaker. He's back playing with us and feeling much better, he says.

We played for the "Pork and Jeans" barbecue and hoedown at a lovely barn out in the country. This event was auctioned by the Craterian Theatre at their money raiser. It was a beautiful evening and we played outside under a big tree, then went inside the barn and did a Virginia Reel and a "cake walk", which the folks really enjoyed! Good food, too, and an appreciative audience. Our "Celebrating 50 Years & Going Strong" sign was prominently displayed and noticed.

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Happy Thanksgiving to everyone! Enjoy your turkey and when you make a wish with that turkey wishbone may all your dreams be realized! Wonder how that tradition got started. It was always a ritual at our house when my mother cooked turkey or chicken when I was a kid. The one with the biggest piece of bone was supposed to get their wish.

Turkey and ham will be provided for the family holiday dinner before the monthly jam on the 15th. Members whose last names begin with A through L are asked to bring salads and those with names M through Z are asked to provide desserts for the feast.

Several new fiddles have been obtained, for use by the pupils from the home-schooled group from the Alleganey area whose families recently joined District 5, and several more are still needed. Learning to play the fiddle is a part of their curriculum this year and Judy McGarvey, from District 4, has graciously volunteered to teach them. She will be traveling from her home in Medford on a regular schedule for classes with the young folks. There may also be an adult or two who will be learning with them.

November
1 Jam Fruitdale Grange, GP Snacks
December
6 Jam Eastwood Baptist Church, Medford

The Dist. 4 group playing for the "Meet the Pioneers" tour of Jacksonville cemetery played pretty consistently for 3 hours – a good workout, and much appreciated by the folks getting on and off the trolley tour.

If you didn't get to Merrill you missed a great musical weekend and good food. It's so much fun to see and play with folks we haven't seen for a while. They ordered great weather, and it was hot!

Our weekly fiddle lessons are continuing, as well as the following "slow jam" on Wednesdays. Lennie Ferrara did a great job of taking over while I was in Indiana. He's a great favorite with the kids.

We continue our regular gigs and always need musicians to come out and play. Our audiences are enthusiastic, and we are getting more requests all the time. If you are in our area when we are playing, come and join us! Our schedule, as well as directions and maps, are on our District 4 website under "Calendar".

And . . . I want you to know: I'm not a complete idiot – parts of me are missing!

~Judy McGarvey, District 4 Reporter

November

5	Gig	Oerdings, Coquille	1 – 2 p.m.
5	Gig	Myrtle Point Care Center	3 – 4 p.m.
12	Gig	Baycrest, North Bend	1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
12	Gig	Evergreen Court, North Bend	3 – 4 p.m.
15	Holiday dinner,	Winchester Bay	11 a.m.
15	Monthly Jam,	Winchester Bay	1 – 4 p.m.
19	Gig	Heritage Place, Bandon	1 – 2 p.m.
19	Gig	Westwind Court, Bandon	3 – 4 p.m.
26	Gig	Memory Care, Empire	1:30 – 2:30 p.m.
26	Gig	Hearthside, Coos Bay	3 – 4 p.m.

The featured musician for October is Bob Schaffar from Bandon. He started playing music when he was about 25 years old after hearing some really great oldtime fiddlers around Coos County. He learned the tunes by ear, never had lessons and has been fiddling around ever since. He even made his own fiddle which he still plays today. He also plays dobro guitar, lap steel and standup bass and has been teaching beginning and advanced fiddle lessons. He has played in a number of different bands, notably Hudson Ridge, known for it's excellent bluegrass music, and now Big Creek Rendevous and Bottom Rung. When not playing music Bob manages the city of Bandon's electrical systems. To hear some fine oldtime fiddling come and listen.

Our chairman, Pat Weyer, and Ruth, along with Sharon and Hal Thompson, from District 10, are off on what sounds like a very enjoyable month's vacation to Branson, MO where they attended 9 different shows before traveling on to visit relatives and friends along the way. At last report they were visiting relatives in Michigan and having a great time. Pat and Ruth, along with several others, earned the right to a vacation after all the time and effort they put into our

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Barrett Amacker



Rachel and Tyler Eickhoff, at Winchester Bay.

Barrett Amacker is a 9 1/2 year old from Lakeview, OR and a member of District 1E. He is a typical young boy, a magnet for dirt, with a gift of music. He started playing the fiddle when he was about 7 years old. Idolizing his Papa (Terry McLain) only made it easier to take on the challenge. With encouragement from his mom, Barrett was on his way playing at district 1E jams. He also participates at many other activities including music night at grandma Rosa Lees, Lake county Fair & Parade, Silver Lake Campout (district 1E puts on), O.O.T.F.A State Convention , Lakeview talent show, Merrill, Cascade Fiddle camp and the Tulelake Fair . He has been a great influence on young kids around him; they love to see him play. Barrett plays by ear and is trying to learn to read notes by taking piano lessons. This has been a challenge for both him and his teacher; his handy ear overrides learning the notes. His teacher finally put ear muffs on his ears and a book over his hands! He is also an active member at the 1E business meetings providing a report on all activities during each month.

Barrett has been blessed with many special friends through O.O.T.F.A. Not to many 9 year olds have many friends over 60 all over the state. Jesse Knudsen, Jerry and Linda Parks, Phil and Sheila Fry, Mike Foster, and many more. It was this summer after the O.O.T.F.A. state convention when Barrett's mom heard him in the shower singing Fred Hardin's version of Detour.

Now the proud owner of three fiddles, Barrett has big shoes to fill, being a 4th generation fiddler of the McLain family. His papa Terry and great grandpa Homer McLain ahead of him.

Barrett also enjoys playing baseball, football, playing with his trucks, building, hunting , and socializing . His football team is undefeated and going to the state playoffs at Reser Stadium in Corvallis . Barrett will continue learning new songs and he looks forward to the next gathering with his O.O.T.F.A friends.

Fiddle Tips, by Eileen Walter – Trading Rhythms



This is a fun exercise I do when I teach a group class:

I set the metronome somewhere around 80 and I play a simple rhythmic pattern on an open string - usually a pattern that takes up 4 beats; for example:

Long (1 beat), short (1/2 beat), short (1/2 beat), short (1/2 beat), short (1/2 beat), long (1 beat)

Then we go around a circle and the person sitting next to me copies what I played and then makes up a new pattern for the next person to copy, and so on around the circle so that everyone is copying the person before them and making up a new one for the next person to copy.

This is a good way for people to practice listening and remembering rhythmic passages. If the group is more advanced, the metronome can be set at a faster tempo and the patterns can be longer and/or more complex.

More advanced musicians can also incorporate different notes as well as rhythms.

Try this with a friend!

Tune of the Month - The Cuckoos's Nest

The tune has been extremely popular in both Britain and North America since at least the 1700's, when it was included in several New England songbooks. The version shown here is taken from O'Neill's "Dance Music of Ireland: 1001 Gems", published in 1907.

Cuckoo's Nest, The [14]



Rhythm: Hornpipe

Source: O'Neill ~ Dance Music of Ireland: 1001 Gems (1907), No. 913

Transcription: AK/Fiddler's Companion



Norwegian fiddle Einar Elmhjallen

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annual Winchester Bay campout in August. Have heard and read so many compliments about what an enjoyable time everyone had and how they plan to be back again next year. We all thank you, Ruth and Pat, and all the others who so generously helped to make it the success it was.

Happy birthday and best wishes to Larry Costa and Pat Weyer, both of whom will be a year older on October 17. Ruth Weyer will also be

celebrating her birthday in October and we wish her and any others with October birthdays the happiest!

As long as there are tests there will be prayer in public schools.

~ **Mary A. Weist, District 5 Reporter**

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Our October has been a very busy month here in the southern Willamette Valley and District 6 has had the 6 regularly scheduled events plus our Basic and Intermediate Fiddle Classes and extra events at the Northern Lights Fall Festival.

We had a wonderful visit from Einar Eimhjellan of Naustdal, Sogn og Fjordane, Norway. He held a workshop on traditional tunes from Western Norway in addition to participating in a jam where he played the hardanger fiddle, harmonica and durspill (accordion). There were about nearly 20 OOTFA fiddlers who participated.

District 6 Scholarship Committee is up and running with Darla Knudsen as chair and members Doug Wise and Chris Sytsma. They are planning a "White Elephant Sale" at our Saturday, January 10, 2015 Potluck and Jam to help build up the district's Scholarship Fund. Various musical instruments and any other music related items members would like to donate for this sale will be appreciated. Monetary donations to this fund will be accepted at any time. The committee is also accepting applications from District 6 members for a scholarship. So, if you need an application or have any questions, contact Darla at jkdkjc@q.com or 541-998-2064.

Our November Potluck and Jam will be our annual Thanksgiving celebration. The district will provide the Turkey and Ham and members will bring the other hot dishes, salads and desserts. We hope everyone will try to join in the festivities. Something new this year, we would like to get a tentative headcount. This will give us a better idea of how much Turkey and Ham to have. Therefore, please let Patti Luse know at pattiluse@comcast.net or 541-915-3231 by November 6 if you are PLANNING TO ATTEND. To encourage you to RSVP, your name will be entered for a chance to win a 1 pound SEES Candy Gift Certificate.

Our December Jam will be held at the Lebanon American Legion Hall on Saturday, December 13. Please put this on your calendar NOW!!! More information will be given in the December Hoedowner.

The planning for the West Cascades Fiddle Camp 2015 is just beginning with Jerry Parks at the head. He will guide the committee through the important tasks of selecting classes, workshops and instructors for next year. The tentative date for the camp is July 20-23, 2015.

November

7	Friday night jam,	Eugene Hotel	7-9:30 p.m.
8	Thanksgiving Potluck & jam,	Central Grange	10 a.m – 3:30 p.m.
14	Friday night jam,	Crow Grange	7-9:30 p.m.
15	Intermediate Fiddle Class,	River Road Annex	1-4 p.m.
17	Basic Fiddle Class,	Bethesda Lutheran Church	1-4 p.m.
21	Friday night jam,	Ya Po Ah Terrace	7-9:30 p.m.
28	Friday night jam,	Central Grange	7-9:30 p.m.

We enjoyed having Bob and Jean Hanson visiting from District 10 in addition to three residents from YaPoAh Terrace where we jam the 3rd Friday of every month. According to reports, Darlene Fiducia made sure these gals had memorable experience.

November Birthdays: Marie Roberts, Peggy Mulder, John Gent, Darlene Fiducia, Jim Hoots, Vickie Clark, Benjamin Cooley, Roseanne Spann, Shirley Humphrey, Galen Ness

November Anniversaries: Ken and Roseanne Spann

Our District report this month is by the Darla-Patti Duo. Our regular reporter, Karen Johnson, is out of town and we hope she will return quickly to continue doing the splendid job in reporting.

~ **Darla Knudsen-Patti Luse DUO District 6 Reporting**



Joyce, Rick, Jeff

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On September 24 Canby and Clackamas County celebrated the 100th anniversary of the Canby Ferry. The Canby Ferry has been transporting people and vehicles across the Willamette River since August, 1914. About 125 people attended the celebration and District 7 OOTFA members were invited to play. During the celebration the fiddlers played on the ferry while dignitaries and the public gathered for the ceremony. After the official ceremony started the ferry crossed the Willamette River as the fiddlers "appropriately" played Napoleon Crossing the Rhine.

Once the ferry returned to the other side participants walked up the embankment for the unveiling of an interpretive panel overlooking the ferry landing. A photograph taken of the event was on the front page of the Canby Herald and showed Ron Zabudsky, Ron and Ella Beatty, and others playing as they walked up to the dedication of the interpretive panel. This was quite a historical moment and the fiddlers were very happy to be part of it.

We had a good time at the Harding Grange on October 12. The grange hall is a very good setting for playing out in the country. Great opportunities for food prepared by the grange ladies, too. We were pleased to have Dave Emmenegger and Lew and Alice Holt from District 8.

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The Buckaroo Ball is an annual event in Salem. Held in a huge old cannery building, the inside is like a town in the wild west. The Ball is to raise funds for children's services. Many attendees dress like cowboys, sheriffs, or dance hall girls. A wide variety of tasty tapas (small servings) are available. We played outside as the paying folks came in. Then we sat at our reserved table and enjoyed the food. I believe this is our 5th year playing there. Lots of fun!

Oct 18th we will have played at United Methodist Church in Falls City. Another annual event for us. Those who arrived early enjoyed a potluck dinner with the church members. Then we played for a couple hours.

Dale Emery fell and sustained some injuries. He is home and loves to have company. We miss you Dale and look forward to seeing you at a jam soon.

Saturday, November 15th we'll be playing in Newberg at the Masonic Lodge. The address is 402 East Sheridan St. Some of you

November

16 Jam Estacada Public Library

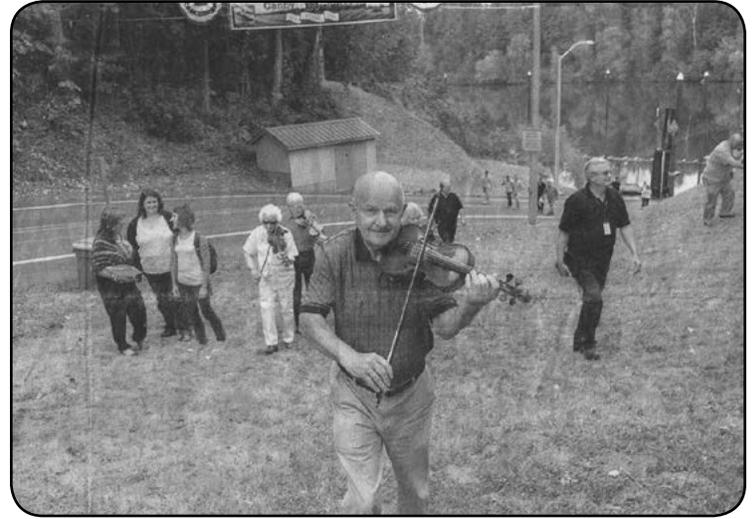
2:30 – 4:40

28 Jam Tanner Springs Assisted Living

3:30 – 4:30

Mark your calendars for Dec. 14th at the Estacada Community Center where we will have our annual Christmas jam. A Christmas lunch will be served at noon for a fee followed by sign up playing from 1-3:30.

~ Elaine Schmidt, District 7 Reporter



Ron Zabudsky leading up the hill from the ferry at Canby.

November

15 Masonic Lodge

Newberg

December

20 Senior Center

Dallas

have been there before. It's the place we play for the chicken and dumplings dinner. The building will be open by 11 AM. Bring a brown bag lunch. Coffee will be furnished. If you choose, bring some cookies to share. Our jam will begin at 1:00. Let's have a brief meeting at 11:30.

Our December jam will be at the Dallas Senior Center where we always have a good time and are made to feel very welcome.

Those of us from our district who went to Merrill had a very good time. Ali Swartwood, chair and her crew went to a lot of effort to see that we were glad that we were there. You bet, it was great.

Are you enjoying the rain? Really just showers so far. Oregon may not have the autumn leaf colors of the Northeast, but we do have some great yellows, browns, and a few reds from our native trees. And the non-natives add even more color and charm.

~ Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter

District 9

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Reporter: Marianne Andrews

Rose Roberts celebrated her birthday party with fiddlers, friends and family. Rose out danced all in attendance, including her 70 year old children.

George Sahlberg and Pearl Perry were married in September and celebrated with a reception in October. Congratulations!

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The September jam was great, so many players, singers and dancers, and all the chairs were full. It sounded like everyone had a good time.--Jesse and Darla Knudsen, from district 6, Neal and Verna Jones from district 4, and Robin Nelson from district 6 were there. Sure is nice to see people from other districts come in. Hope I didn't missed anyone.

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to all that had them. Don't have a list.--

Anyone that's under the weather hope you're up and around soon.

This is the time of year a lot of people are on vacation. Hope you all have a good time. We did.--A big black cloud followed us all the way back to Wisconsin; we brought them the rain they needed.

Our next jam will be November 22nd at the Sutherlin Grange, 851 Comstock, Sutherlin OR---from 12 to 3---We'll have finger foods, donations will be welcome.



District 7 (L-R) Joyce Bergeron, Ed Bergeron, Donna Foreman, Dick Foreman, Phyllis Elston, Don McLaren, Jeff Walter.

November

7	Jam	Friday Night Jam	
14	Gig	The Aspens	7-9 p.m.
17	Gig	Ashley Manor	6:30-7:30 p.m.
21	Jam	Friday Night Jam	
28	Jam	Friday Night Jam	

We had a great opening to our first Sunday potluck and Old time fiddlers' jam. We had a guest musician, Wayne Worthen, who has just moved to town. New comers are always welcome, so are old timers!

~ Marianne Andrews, District 9 Reporter

I want to thank Sharon Thompson for writing the news for last month while we were gone. It was very good.

See ya'll

~ Sharon Thompsen, for Joyce Pickett, District 10 Reporter



Left to right (taken at Merrill 8-Les Tucker, 5-Hal Weiner, (8-Alice Holt, Loita Colebank, Lew Holt,) 10-Bob Hanson, 8- Dale Colebank



In line for the banquet. They fed us well Merrill.



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State Calendar

Quarterly State Meeting	Sutherlin	January 24
State Fiddle Contest	Salem	March 21
State Convention	Rickreall	April 9-11
Silver Lake Campout	Silver Lake	April 30-May 3

New Members to Welcome!

Holly, Trevor, Cody and Cassidy Arnold	Medford	John and Sandy Stewart	Chiloquin
Patricia Newton, Miles & Patience Hankins Bonanza		Mary Norman and John Turngren	Eugene
Doug Haydter	Florence	Darlene Warren	Prineville
Dawn Maupin	Merrill		

Patti says: It's never too early to pay your 2015 Annual Family Membership DUES now! Your District Membership Chair is ready to accept your dues by mail or at your next gathering. There are two choices of payment which runs from January 1-December 31:

- \$20.00 You will received "The Hoedowner" directly from the printer in a PDF format. Email
- \$25.00 You will received "The Hoedowner" via the US Post Office.

As part of our Membership Drive and PR strategy, we are welcoming any NEW MEMBERS into OOTFA with FREE MEMBERSHIP for November and December 2014 when they register for 2015 during this time. Many of us know people we would like to get into our organization so what better time to get them registered than NOW!

Also...if you don't have a Name Badge, think of getting one NOW! It is so nice to see everyone wearing them. It also is good Publicity for our 50th year! Many of us leave an OOTFA event wearing them and people ask..."What is Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers?" Ordering information is found at the top of this page.

- Patti Luse, OOTFA State Membership Chair