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Festive, Fun & Fantastic Fiddle Camp 2022

by Patti Luse

We had about 150 participants at Emerald Christian Academy in Pleasant Hill July 18-21 for the 2022 return of West Cascades Fiddle Camp. About 37.5 percent were youth. There were 11 classes, from the youngest youth learning to play the fiddle with instructor **Miya Saito-Beckham**, up through all ages and skills to the very advanced fiddle with instructor **Aarun Carter**. In addition, we had the two Guitar Classes, a Mandolin Class and the "All About The Bass" Class.

Thanks to the amazing WCFC Camp Committee led by Jerry Parks with Linda Parks, Amy Burrow, Ken & Patti Luse, Jenny Jonak and Linda Danielson. The average age in this group is about 74 and you would not know it. They do

everything...put the classes in order, some teach a class and others step in where needed and then at the end of camp, they put everything back as it was...and even better.

Emerald Christian Academy campus was sooooo perfect; safe and peaceful and a wonderful intergenerational camp, especially demonstrated at the dance.

All Pictures will be on the website at www.fiddlecamp.net by mid August. If the participants have pictures to share, please send to **Patti Luse** at pattiluse@comcast.net



Holly Brewster, Gideon Mathias, Caylin Haffner, Asher Brewster & Aaron Brewster doin' the Virginia Reel



Members from several OOTFA Districts provided music for the Wednesday Night Dance



From the top: Dayne Ropp, Eliza Mathias, Caylin Haffner, Asher Brewster, Henry Hood, Gideon Mathias, Saxon Ropp



**Mothers & Daughters, Fathers & Daughters, Sisters & Brothers
Husband and Wife (20th wedding anniversary), New Friends & Old Friends**

Greetings everyone!

OOTFA President's Report

What an event filled month; Fiddle Camps! Contests! Jamming! Performances! Every district is up and active, which is so good to see and experience. Although that curmudgeon, COVID still lurks around, and there is yet a new variant poking its ugly head up. So just please be careful for your sake and those around you.

As we all know, a main key to success is visibility, and we all have different ideas as to how to get the word out about our events and association. **Joe Ross** is our excellent **Publicity Chair**, and has included a very helpful article, which I encourage you to read and implement as much as you can. Thanks so much to Joe.

According to the current bylaws, this is an official notice of a bylaws change to be voted on at the general membership meeting on September 17th. They have a different look, but the changes will ensure OOTFA is in compliance as a 501(c)(3) non-profit entity with IRS, and with Oregon State non-profit laws.

Just one more month before the **Central Oregon Acoustic Music Gathering** and semiannual meetings, Sept. 16 & 17. Volunteers are still needed to help, so please let **Joan Coleman** (503-798-6286 or joanmarie.coleman@gmail.com) know what you can do to help.

They are too large to be included in the **Hoedowner**, so the actual documents will be emailed (or mailed if you don't have email) to you separately. Please review the changes with an open mind, knowing that our organization is regulated by Federal and State laws. The State non-profit laws were updated a couple of years ago regarding **Directors of Corporations**, so that is one of the major changes to our bylaws. And, removing the **Standing Rules to a Procedures** document so we don't have to vote on every small change to them.

If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to the **Bylaws Committee: Marie Bailey** (503-835-7185 or bambaily36@yahoo.com); **Phil Drain** (sherpa@binarytechinc.com) **Dave Altman** (daltman@ipgroup.net)

~ Hugs, Marcella

I'm pretty sure in my older years, I'll be doing old-time flavored folk-mountain music. ~ Dolly Parton

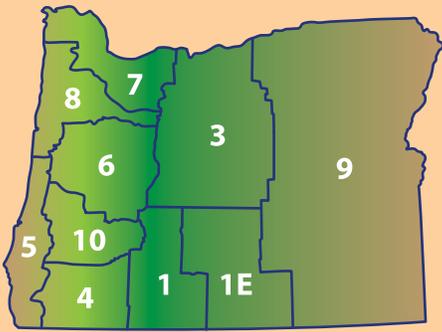
WILLAMETTE VALLEY FIDDLE CONTEST
FRIDAY, AUGUST 5

Benton County Fair 110 SW 3rd in Corvallis
Registration starts at 8:15 with the Contest beginning about 9 am under the Oak Trees
Open to Everyone!

All Divisions are CERTIFIED FOR WEISER except for Novice and Accompanist. Never competed before...NO PROBLEM. A great way to see what it is like to play a "Hoedowner, Walz and tune of choice" in 4 minutes in front of fairgoers!

- NOVICE DIVISION is for a fiddler of any age who has never played in a contest before.
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| PEE WEE DIVISION - 8 YEARS & YOUNGER | JUNIOR DIVISION - 9 - 12 YEARS |
| JUNIOR JUNIOR DIVISION - 13 - 17 YEARS. | YOUNG ADULT DIVISION - 18-36 YEARS |
| ADULT DIVISION - 37- 59 YEARS | SENIOR DIVISION - 60-69 YEARS |
| SENIOR-SENIOR DIVISION - 70 YEARS & ABOVE | ACCOMPANIEST - BACK UP PLAYER |

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August Events

11	Pelican Pointe	2:30 - 3:30 pm
25	Rogue River Place	1 - 2 pm
	Johnny Rogers every Wednesday	9 am

Greetings All from District One,

As I write this, I'm saying "I can't believe it's August"! Oh my goodness, where has this year gone already! Even though the year is flashing by, things are at a slower pace here in District One. The jam at **Johnny Rodgers** is still on and going great. They have a good core group of around 8 people who get together each week to learn new tunes, new instruments...guitar, ukulele and mandolin...and they are all having a lot of fun! I need to convince one of them to take some pictures of "said" fun...take some pics guys, we need pics!

We also had a **Farmers' Market** on our schedule for August 6th and I will write more about that in our September issue. As summer is just starting to wind down, I think I can speak for everyone in our district



Terry McLain from District 1E joined in a driveway Jam right before the July 4th Holiday here in District One

by saying we are all very happy and thankful that we have had an actual summer this year (so far!). Clear skies, beautiful blue sunny days, hot temps, and beautiful air to breathe. I hope it's here to stay for the rest of summer!

God Bless and Keep Fiddlin'

~ Jenny Dreyer, District 1 Reporter

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The summer is flying by too fast, guess that means we are busy!

We had another 2nd Saturday Jam. **Arlene Henry** opened the doors once again. She is great! News has it that it was a great time for those there.

Jams at **Rosa Lee's** Thursday night are a kick. Same little group, always fun. E Street on July 16 sounds like it's going to be well attended. More on that next month. The **Paisley Mosquito Festival** will have happened on July 30.

Hope all is well though out the State and looking forward to **Prineville Jam**.

~ Terry McLain, District 1E Reporter

Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers

Fiddle at the Beach

AUGUST 18-21
Winchester Bay Community Center
See District 5 Report for More Details!

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The regular **Monthly Jam Session**, scheduled for the 3rd Sunday of each month, is August 21, from 1:00 – 4:00 pm at the **Powell Butte Community Center**, 8404 SW Reif Road, Powell Butte. This is a great opportunity for folks who are new to playing with other musicians. Since mid-2019 we had been unable to use PBCC when a remodel project resulted in acoustic problems. Thanks to **George Bretz, Jack Kerr** and the folks at PBCC, they have installed sound absorbing wainscoting and will soon add a few other finishing touches.

Blue Mountain Old-Time Fiddlers are playing at the **Grant County Fair** August 10 to 13, 2022. In prior years several of our District 3 (and District 9) members have participated. This is more like a 4-day jam, and we are advised to play American-style old-time music, which is easy for accompanying musicians to follow.

Be sure to tell them at the gate that you are an old-time fiddler so that you can get in free. For more information contact **Ron Phillips** at 541-575-1927. Sometimes calls to this phone will transfer to his other phone number, so be patient.

We are looking forward to the **Central Oregon Acoustic Music Gathering**, September 16-17, 2022, to be held at the **Crook County Fairgrounds** in Prineville. Our last Gathering was held in 2019, then down two years due to COVID. It'll be great to see our musical friends from other districts. Please let **Joan Coleman** (503-798-6286 or joanmarie.coleman@gmail.com) know what you can do to help.

~ Karen Bennett, District 3 Reporter



Anne Chouinard & Marcel Potvin at West Cascades Fiddle Camp



General Membership Meeting
1:00 pm, Saturday

September 16-17, 2022 Crook County Fairgrounds Prineville

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**More Info to
Come in
September
Hoedowner!**

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Our summer is warming up here in our little valley and District 4 is humming with activity! Several members from our district attended the **National Fiddle Contest** this year in Weiser Idaho. **Judy McGarvey**, District 4 Chairman, attended this year for her 21st time. She also attended in 2021, virtually, from her home in Medford with **Carol Ferrara** on back-up guitar. This year she received the award for the "**Oldest Fiddler Competing**". She's a young 86, and she had the honor of opening the evening program with her rousing performance of "12th Street Rag" with **Ken Luse** on bass. Good Job Judy!!

Lenny Ferrara has been working diligently for months with the **Jackson County Arena** entertainment manager and successfully managed to book our district to play for the **Boomfest** fireworks display at the Jackson County Fair Arena on July 4th and the district will also play for the Fair on July 15. Thanks Lenny for all your hard work!



Judy McGarvey, District 4 Chairman, received the "Oldest Fiddler Competing" award at the National Fiddle Contest held in Weiser, Idaho

Many members are eagerly awaiting the Winchester Bay Campout on August 18-21, sponsored by District 5. It's always a long weekend filled with music, jamming, friends and good food on the **cool** coast!

There will be no monthly meeting or jam in August. Just a note to remember there are 2 gigs in late July. On the 30th is the **RV Park Bonfire/Wiener Roast**, 7-9 pm and **Hanley Farm** on the 31st, 1-3 pm. Scheduled gigs for August are **RV Park Bonfire/Wiener Roast** on the 27th, 7-9 pm and **Fiddle Fest** on the 3rd, 11-2, sponsored by the **United Methodist Church** in Medford, in their parking lot. Check the online calendar for any additional gigs. We



District 4 playing for the BoomFest at the Jackson County Arena on July 4th

The **District 5 Monthly Jam** was held on the 9th of July. There was no meeting so the members enjoyed hot dogs, chili, chips and cake and had time to fellowship with each other. The jam, open to the public, was well attended with many in the audience from local assisted living facilities. It was also great to have some dancers enjoying the music.

will resume our regular slate of meetings and jams in September on 9-3 at the **Fruitdale Grange** in Grants Pass: meeting 11:30, warm-up jam 12:30, sign up jam (open to the public) 1-3. Bring snacks to share and please try to come early to help with chair set up.

See y'all there! ~ Judy Lyons, District 4 Reporter

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Tune of the Month

Special Thanks to
David Altman
of District 7
for providing
Tune of the Month
for August

Playing Tam Lin is also a teaching tool for how to modulate fiddle tunes from one key to a second one without changing fingering. Of course you could always make it more difficult by modulating with totally different fingering, but maybe this is how you might start. A great video of this technique is from Peakfiddler: You will find a YouTube video by typing clicking here:

[Tam Lin Peakfiddler](#)

Peakfiddler gives a free lesson on how to play it in Dm. If you move this fingering to start on the D rather than the G, or modulate to Am, you can get an effect that drives the beat even more. In addition, for any liberal-leaning fiddlers, there's another story about Tam Lin originating from the band Fairport Convention with their folk rock version. Peakfiddler's video and Fairport's, along with an explanation about how this impacted modern Celtic romance novels, is here:

[Tam Lin Vox](#)

Tam Lin Reel in Dm, Am, Em and Bm

The musical score for Tam Lin Reel is presented in four systems, each with a different key signature and chord progression. The first system is in D minor (Dm) with chords Dm, Bb, C, and a first ending of Dm C and a second ending of C Dm. The second system is in A minor (Am) with chords Am, F, G, and a first ending of Am G and a second ending of G Am. The third system is in E minor (Em) with chords Em, C, D, and a first ending of Em D and a second ending of D Em. The fourth system is in B minor (Bm) with chords Bm, G, A, and a first ending of Bm A and a second ending of A Bm. Each system includes a main melody line and a bass line with slurs and accents.

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Greetings from District 5!

July was another fun and musical month for our district. In addition to our two **Bullards Beach** performances and **Inland Point Retirement Community** performance, we had the opportunity to play music at the **Pony Village Mall Art Show** on July 16th. A great time was had by all, and the turnout from the local community was impressive! This was a 4 day event, beginning July 14th and ending July 17th, and District 5 was honored to be chosen as part of the entertainment. Lots of local artists joined the fun, which coincided with **Friends of Coos County Animals "Caturday"** event featuring local kitties up for adoption.



District 5 members at the Pony Village Mall Art Walk

August we will be playing our regular retirement community and **Bullards Beach** performances, but we are very excited to be revisiting our "**Fiddle at the Beach**" annual event after a long hiatus due to the pandemic. This long awaited event will be from August 18-21, at **Winchester Bay Community Center**. Admission is free and doors open 9 am daily for all day jams. Friday and Saturday nights will feature a stage show at 6 pm. Contest night is Friday at 6 pm, with costumes welcome. The theme this year is "**My Favorite Oldtime Song**". Sunday morning will feature gospel songs and more. Join us for this fun event and enjoy some coastal camping while you are visiting!

~ Al & Nicole Pierce, District 5 Reporters



Sharon & Larry Gallagher at the Pony Village Mall Art Walk

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August Events

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| 1 | Beginning Fiddle Class | 1 - 3 pm |
| | Bethesda Lutheran, 4445 Royal Ave., Eugene | |
| 6 | Intermediate Fiddle Class | 1 - 3 pm |
| | River Road Annex, Eugene | |
| 13 | Central Grange Jam | 11 am |
| | 87200 Central Rd (across from Perkins Peninsula Park, Fern Ridge) - Bring own lunch | |
| 19 | Ya-Po-Ah Terrace | 7 pm |

After bouncing around at various venues it seems **West Cascades Fiddle Camp** may have found a new, and hopefully permanent, home. After a couple years of no Fiddle Camp (you know why), **Emerald Christian Academy** in Pleasant Hill opened their doors for us to conduct a very successful event this year. From July 18-21 folks from all over the state convened to learn new instruments, new techniques and add some new friends to complement the old ones they hadn't seen in a few years.

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We had people come all over the state at Fiddle Camp, as well as Alaska, California, Florida, Washington, New York and Texas. One of the exciting things about Fiddle Camp is the large number of young people who come. I saw an awful lot of happy kids and teenagers and we all would like to see more of them at OOTFA events throughout the year. Our organization skews older and so it is a challenge to get younger people interested in hanging out with us, It seems one of the strategies would be to establish a core group of youth so that they would attract others. Fellowship comes easier with one's peers. Young people have an awful lot on their minds, after all.

It is wonderful that we are gathering at **Central Grange** on second Saturdays but there is something missing. We may be having a ball circle jamming and enjoying good conversation, but we don't have anyone to tend to the kitchen. At this time we are not having our beloved potlucks, so it is not a demanding position to fill. We need that volunteer!



Some of the District 6 members who played at Coburg Days

On July 23 OOTFA members entertained outdoors at **Coburg Days**. It is a lovely little fair that celebrates the city of Coburg, a small town with a big history. Coburg is the town to visit if you like antiques (they also have a fair for that). The weather was perfect and the sound was quite good for an outdoor event. Everyone sounded great and all instruments were clearly heard and nicely balanced.

The **Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest** is happening August 5 at the **Benton County Fair**. Register morning of the event! See the ad on page 2 for details.

August 5 is also the date for the **First Friday Art Walk** in downtown Eugene. We have group that will be playing from 6-7:30 in the lobby of the **Eugene Hotel**, 222 East Broadway. The talented residents and staff of the Eugene Hotel display watercolor, collage, pen and ink, textile arts, and photography and we provide the beautiful music.

Jenny Jonak is going to start a monthly youth jam in her barn beginning on September 9. Come join us once a month for a family oriented fiddle jam in SW Eugene. It's a great opportunity for kids who want to practice playing in a jam, as well as more advanced youth fiddlers. Second Friday night of every month starting Sept. 9 at 6:30 pm. Email jenny@jonak.com for directions. All are welcome.

Birthdays: **David Elliker-Vagsberg** (8/8), **Jim Ford** (8/14), **Bertie Gilbert** (8/18), **"Addison" Talbot** (8/20), **Bernie Roberts** (8/31)

~ Robin Lindsey, District 6 Reporter

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August Events

- 6 Circle Jam** 1 - 4 pm
Sunnyside Grange
13130 SE Sunnyside Road, Happy Valley
- 17 Clackamas County Fair, Canby** 2 - 4 pm
Main Lawn Stage

Hello OOTFA Members. I am sure you are enjoying our nice sunny weather; hopefully it won't get too hot this summer like it was last year. We are looking forward to playing at the **Clackamas County Fair**, Wednesday, August 17th. There are 20 admission and 20 parking passes again this year. Please contact **Marcella Easley** or **David Altman** about these if you will need them. Marcella is organizing

the music and you will hear shortly about the group music we will be playing—so far we have about 20 musicians coming to play! Please let Marcella know if you will be able to play (if you have not done so already). As always, it is best to get there at least 30 minutes early. Rest Rooms are nearby, and we will have a place to tune up and to leave our music cases.

Our **Sunnyside Circle Jam** continues on August 6th. It will be fun to play together again! In July we did not have our regular circle jam because we had the **Youth Fiddle Contest**. There were 14 fiddlers who entered the contest. There were three divisions: 8 and under, 9-12, and 13-19. The students arrived early along with the volunteers, instructors, and coaches. District 7 members also volunteered at the head table in order to share information about OOTFA, to donate food, to help set up the chairs and stage, to coach the contestants, and to cheer on the youth when they competed. Before the contest the students practiced their music, and it was fun watching them play with their coaches. It was especially fun watching their parents beaming with pride as their children practiced.

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The students came from Bend, Eugene, Sherwood, Kaiser, Estacada, and Portland, and the judges were three Vancouver teenagers who were outstanding fiddlers themselves. We enjoyed hearing them play along with all the contestants. **Grant Wheeler** was the emcee and did an excellent job of introducing the contestants and helping them feel at ease by joking and teasing with them. The students had to play a jig and a waltz for their first time through, and then during the second round they could play two other pieces of music or repeat their previous music. We were all very impressed at how well they did! The students received a cash prize and I think really loved playing in the contest. I know we loved listening to them.

This event was put on by **Sherry** and **Joey Mackenzie** who direct the non-profit, **Fiddles on Wheels**. They run various contests around the country and look forward to putting on another youth contest next year at the Sunnyside Grange. We certainly look forward to that.

~ Elaine Schmidt, District 7 Reporter



Mary Ann Clausen relaxing after clogging at the Sons and Daughters of the Oregon Pioneers Celebration

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August Events

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| 4 | Slo-Jam at Marie Bailey's home | 1 - 3 pm |
| | Opportunity to learn or review District 8 jam tunes | |
| 12 | Jam at Marilyn Owen's home | 1 - 3 pm |
| | RSVP 503-560-1258 | |
| 18 | Jam at Rae Parlier's home | 1 - 3 pm |
| | RSVP 503-560-1258 | |
| 27 | District 8 Monthly Jam | 1 - 3 pm |
| | Marie Bailey's home | |

Martha Hughes has started a new series of classes clustered together as a 5-6 week courses; 10 am at the **Willamette Valley Lutheran Retirement Center** starting with easy tunes. She's interested in having some new people join in, so if you are interested – call her at 503-393-2271 or e-mail her at: mh.hughes8@gmail.com.

August 6th, at 2 pm; 2022 a **Celebration of Life** will be held for **Ray Cunningham** at the home of his daughter and son-in-law; Address: **288 Maple Hill Dr. NW in West Salem**. Please call his daughter, **Sue Rusconi**, if you plan to attend; phone: 503-551-9371. Ray was one of our longtime fiddlers and also served as our Scholarship chair many years. His guitar playing wife, **Marie**, preceded him. They both were steady supporters of District 8 events and activities.

There will be no live music at the **Polk County Fair** this August as they had to cut back expenses due to the long shut down period. There is a good possibility for 2023 though, so note on your calendar that Thursday is **Senior Day** to play for this fair. This is always a fun gig and we invite all districts to come join us.

Note that our Slo-Jam for the 18th will be held at **Rae's Parlier's** home. Some of us will be going to **Winchester Bay** that weekend for the **Fiddle at the Beach** event. So nice to have these happening again. Our July events turned out a fair number of young people for the first **Youth Contest** organized by out of state members, **Sherry** and **Joey McKenzie**. It was a welcome treat for all. Look on **FaceBook "oregonold-time fiddlers District 10"** web page, for pictures and articles. This was sponsored by District 8 and held in District 7 with many helpers from District 7, and open to all Oregon youth. Thank you everyone who stepped in to lend a hand and all the young players, teachers, judges who contributed to making this a success.

Our only other July event was held at **Champoeg Park** as guests of District 7 for their performance request from the **Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers** annual picnic on July 9th. Seventeen of us played from 11-12:30 in perfect weather. The acoustics at this gazebo were amazingly great which saved our bacon when the sound system failed. A touch of Grace we were thankful to receive.

August is the month to think about getting registered for scholarship assistance. District 8 program will help with a percentage of the cost of lessons. Contact **Marie Bailey** if you need this help or just wish further information.

~ Gayle Clarity, District 8 Reporter

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Reporter: Marianne Andrews

Howdy all! District 9 had a wonderful time at the High Desert Music Jamboree. Thanks to all who came over and participated. Overall attendance was a bit lower this year which we attribute to the high fuel prices. As a result, those who attended got a whole lot of play time! **Phil Drain** did a great job providing sound for all the shows. **Mike Schneider** and **Judy McGarvey** joined **Janet Braymen, Randy Gibson** and **Don Greenfield** and braved the elements for a short program in a downpour at the **Skull Grinder Bike Race** stage across town. One thing about Harney County is you never can count on the weather to do anything expected.

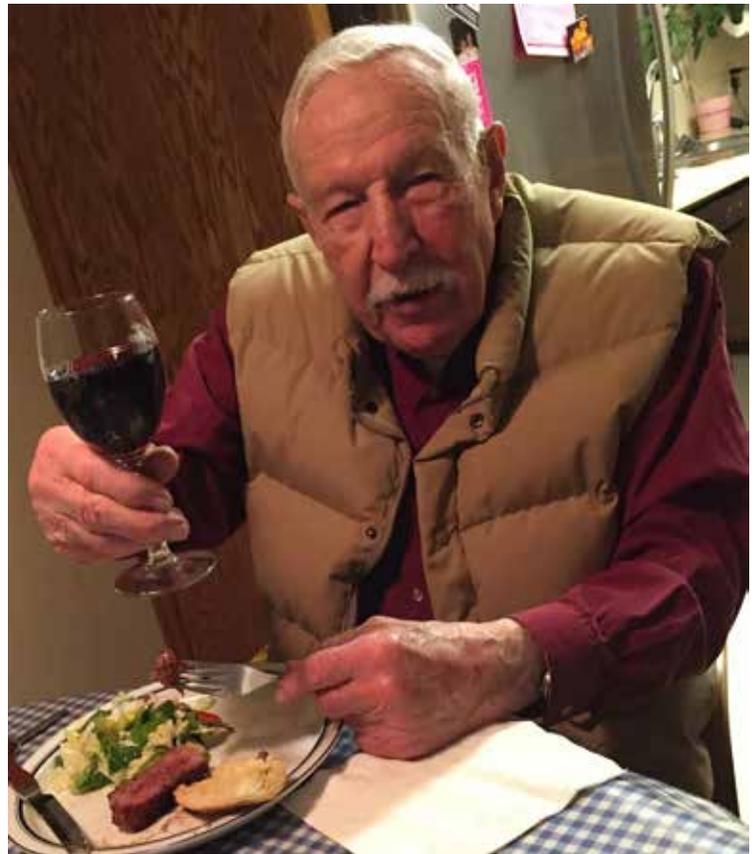
We found a black women's jacket at the jamboree and are looking for the owner. Someone found a set of trailer keys and a pair was lost on Friday. The only problem is the found and the lost have not been resolved. If you found the keys (and brought to registration desk), please contact **Janet Braymen** so we can figure out if there was a 2nd pair lost and found it's home or perhaps get the keys to the right person.

We had a tremendous Friday night jam on July 8 with 6 visitors including **Jeanette Bondsteel, Marlene Stevens** and **Sidney Pierce** from District 3 and **Edna Jenkins** from District 1 along with a couple of ladies from Yuma. So much fun!!! We are almost always at **Hines City Hall** from 6:30 to 9 pm on Fridays, so stop by if you are passing through or give someone a call to find out where we might be.

Ian Dawson was the recipient of the **Boys Scouts of America's** highest award of **Eagle Scout** in a ceremony in July. The fiddlers are so proud of Ian and his accomplishments. He was valedictorian of **Crane Union High School** this year and is headed to Purdue to the school of engineering next month. Ian was a student of **Ruel Teague** and plays many of Ruel's tunes in the same style.

We are excited to be invited to play at the **Aspens** on August 23 from 6-7 for a cupcake concert sponsored by the **Harney County Cultural Coalition**. It is the first time we have played at the **Aspens** since the onset of the pandemic.

~ Janet Braymen, Substitute District 9 Reporter while Marianne is playing with grandkids



A shout goes out to **Dan Suther** who turned 92 years young in July. Dan has been to the jamboree many times and is the father of District 9 chairperson, Joan.



OOTFA favorite, **Les Tucker** and friends in Sandpoint, Idaho

Les Tucker is a longtime member of OOTFA. He lived in Woodburn and belonged to District 8. Many around the state know and love Les. He now lives in Sandpoint, Idaho where his enthusiasm for playing music has led him to start an Idaho old-time fiddle group. Anyone who would like to reconnect with him can contact him at **Les Tucker, 510 S. Olive Ave., Apt. 326, Sandpoint, ID 83864** and his email is lespeg@msn.com.

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August Events

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| 2 | The Landing | 12 - 1 |
| 4 | Sutherlin Senior Center Lunch | 11 - 1 |
| 10 | Douglas County Fair | 2:30 - 3:30 |
| | Garden Park Stage (possibly again from 4 - 4:45) | |
| | Details coming soon. Seniors (age 65+) get in free on Wednesday. Southern Rock headliner band, The Boondock Boys, play that evening | |
| 26 | Canyonville Pioneer Days | 12 - 1 |

“Fiddle in the Park” is happening on Monday mornings at **Fir Grove Park** in Roseburg for a great group of young fiddlers. The **OOTFA** community is stepping up, and we will be getting a few more fiddles and have hopes for more. The classes are going great, with the kids learning a new tune each week. Kudos to **Kelly Wadsworth**, her daughter and granddaughter for the hard work they are putting in. If you have a fiddle to donate, please contact **Jude** at jude999s@gmail.com or call/text at 541-430-2080.

Monday Jams will rotate around to various members' homes during the summer months. Please sign up for **District 10's Googlegroup** and **Facebook group** to stay updated about jams & gigs as they come up. To subscribe, contact Jude and she'll email you the links.



District 10 at Rosehaven Nursing Home



Joe Ross with some aspiring musicians at "Fiddle in the Park", Monday mornings at Stewart Park

On July 2, I attended the **Sunnyside Youth Fiddle Contest** in Happy Valley. It was a blast. On July 18-21, several district members went to the **West Cascades Fiddle Camp and Workshops** in Pleasant Hill. Some of us plan to attend the **Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest** at **Benton County Fairgrounds** in Corvallis on Friday, August 5. We're also looking forward to District 5's "Fiddle at the Beach" on Aug 18-21. I'm staying at **Windy Cove Campground** (B Loop) if you want to stop by and jam!

Our regular monthly jam is planned at **Sutherlin Senior Center** (202 E. Central Ave.) on Saturday, August 27 from 12-3 pm. Y'all come!

In August, we celebrate birthdays of **Barbara Willhoft** (8/1), **Jim Leininger** (8/12), **Hal Thompson** (8/13), and **Chuck Stayer** (8/19). **Joe and Kathy Ross** celebrate their 40th Anniversary on August 7. Congrats to **Frank Moore** and **Karen Bennett** who celebrate their 6th Anniversary on August 25. Event updates will be sent around via email, text messages and posted on District 10's Facebook page.

I'll be teaching a Wednesday evening **Wernick Method Bluegrass Jam Class** in Roseburg from Sept 7 – Oct 12. It will meet weekly, for six weeks, from 6 – 8:30 pm at **Oran Mor Meadery** (305 W. Melrose Road). For more info, give me a holler. To sign up, go on-line to wernickmethod.org

Keep on Pickin! ~ Joe Ross, District 10 Reporter

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- [District 3 Website](#) Central Oregon, Bend, Redmond, The Dalles
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To encourage everyone, especially young people, to play the fiddle and appreciate Oldtime Fiddling and Oldtime Music.
To Provide regular times and places to meet and play this kind of music.

We're on the Web! www.ootfa.org

2022 Summer Events

- Aug. 5 [Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest](#)
Benton County Fair
- Aug. 18-21 [Winchester Bay Campout](#)
- Sept. 16-17 [Oregon Acoustic Music Gathering](#)
Prineville
(Includes Fall Board & Membership Meeting)

We are optimistic that we will be able to enjoy these scheduled events, but we must follow OHA guidelines on public gatherings as they may change.



New OOTFA Members August 2022

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| Rick Fleischman | Sitka, Alaska (OS) |
| Chris Knight | Tigard (7) |
| Michael McClung | Portland (7) |
| Amanda Clark | Portland (7) |

In Memoriam

Ray Cunningham an OOTFA Lifetime Member from Salem in District 8 passed away on July 2nd. He played fiddle and his wife, **Marie**, who passed away several years ago, played guitar.

Ray was an active supporter of events while able and served many years as **Scholarship Chair** bringing in many new students. His favorite tune was "Endearing Young Charms."

Condolences can be sent to his family c/o of his daughter, **Sue Rusconi** at 288 Maple Hill Dr. NW, Salem, OR 97304.

A celebration of life will be held at Sue's home on August 6 at 2 pm.

If you plan to attend, phone:
503-551-9371