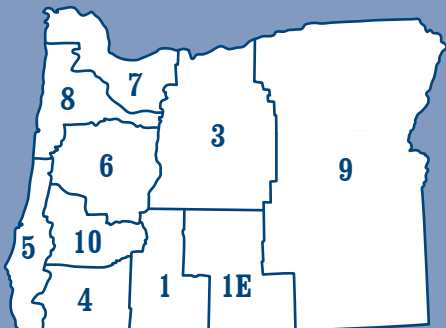


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From Your President

Once again Joe punched me in the ribs as a reminder that the Hoedowner is due.

I don't know about you, but for me I put business out of mind between Thanksgiving and New Years. Aren't retirees supposed to do that? I have become enormously good at ignoring business at this time or year --- hence Joe's "ribbing". So in a very un-business like way I'll just say:

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

Do not forget to come to Sutherlin in January

~ Larry

From the Editor

We have received a very nice message from Gynn Deaton regarding the passing of Isom Patterson. Here it is, in part:

" (Isom) and his wife, Faye, were always among the first to arrive for the Canyonville Pioneer Days Oldtime Fiddle Contest that we organized for nearly 40 years. We could always count on Lew and Alice Holt, Isom and Faye Patterson, and Homer and Rosa McLain to show up on Friday before the Saturday contest. They would jam outside their RV's and this is when Jim and I would have the time to pull up a chair and enjoy the music and visiting.

" Isom knew how much we enjoyed the potatoes from the Klamath Falls area and never failed to bring us a sack of those wonderful gems. Goodbye old friend. You left us with a lot of good memories."

Remember that membership dues are due, and that the system has changed. It is now \$25 if you wish to receive a paper copy of the Hoedowner, but \$20 if the e-mail version will do, or if you download it from the OOTFA website. The final deadline for payment is January 31, after which you will not receive the Hoedowner, and your name will be removed from the 2014 edition of the membership roster, which will be available at the convention in April.

Melinda Grant, of District 4, writes to remind us of the Portland Oldtime Gathering in (where else?) Portland, January 15-19. Lots of events, workshops, jams and square dances with live music and callers. For more information, consult the Gathering website:<http://bubbaguitar.com/gathering/>

The box published last month announcing the the state jam/board meeting in Sutherlin January 25 is reprinted below. Note the revised driving directions.

Speaking of which, see you there

~ Joe

From the Editor Continued on page 2

The January state jam/board meeting will be held in Sutherlin, Saturday, January 25th at the Sutherlin Community Center, 150 South Willamette, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The board meeting will be at 10:30 a.m., with potluck at 12 noon. The jam, open to the public, will begin at 1 p.m.

Directions: take exit 136 from I-5. Travel east on Central (the main street) approximately one and a quarter miles. The community center is on the left just past the train. There is ample, paved parking.

Put it on your calendar!! Plan on attending with your instruments, a potluck dish, and bring many smiles and hugs to greet old friends you haven't seen since September. Be prepared to have a good time!!

Plates, silverware, and beverages will be supplied.

From the Editor Emeritus

Now I must get used to 2014. Remember the big fuss when it turned 2000! But now it is time to look forward to 2014 and the obligations that we must deal with. First I would like to remind all districts to be thinking about donations to the fiddle contest. And individuals, too, you are encouraged to donate. Without your donations, there would be no contest. The big plus is that half of our contestants are Pee Wees through Juniors. We reach and motivate a lot of young people to practice and prepare for the contest. It has been suggested that it is like their recital. Practice, practice, and more practice for that March 22nd date at Chemeketa Community College in Salem.

Of course there is always that invitation for returning contestants to enter again this year but I want to, also, encourage those of you who have not entered before, no matter what your age, to consider entering this year. No, we all can't be first place winners. It makes me think of "Use what talents you possess: The woods would be very silent if no birds sang there except those that sang best." – Henry van Dyke

Now let's skip on to April and the state convention. President Larry Gallagher has asked me to again be in charge of the Friday night April 11 show. I will be asking each district chairperson to furnish me with the names of two fiddlers from their district for the show. I must remind you that participation is by invitation only – not a sign up jam. I am not in any hurry for these names but district chairpeople, be thinking about the ones you want from your district. A couple of weeks before the convention will be soon enough.

I was reading in some of the archives recently that somebody was being quoted that said that, many years ago, they met with the then state president Friday afternoon to plan who would be on the show that night. I believe it was president Maxine Benson who designated two people from each district to fairly cover the state. This is a public performance. We like to demonstrate that we are a state association with many of our better musicians performing. It is early but not too early to be thinking about the contest and the state convention.

~ Lew

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Secretary-Treasurer and Membership: Marlon Jannuzzi, 541-850-2387

Newsletter: Johnny Rodgers, 541-591-2004

Correspondence: Cherie Lane, 541-882-1595

January

5	Meeting, potluck, Jam	12 - 3:30 p.m.
7	Gig Plum Ridge care center	10:30 - 11:30 a.m.
7	Gig Quail Park nursing home	12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
12	Senior dance Regular meeting hall	1 - 3:30 p.m.
16	Gig Shasta View nursing home	1 - 2 p.m.
16	Gig Linkville House	2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

The new year has come, and the old one is history. We hope you all had a good Christmas and a happy new year. As I write this issue we are having a real cold spell -- it has been below zero at night, and never above freezing during the day. We had snow and crunchy snow packed roads. Of course, the rest of the northern part of the nation is having similar problems, too. It was so bad that only five dancers showed up for the senior dance yesterday.

The only other thing on the agenda is that John Northcraft will appoint a committee to select officer nominations for the coming year.

January birthdays: Phil Fry, Johnny Rogers and Dryin Larson.

No January anniversaries that I know of. If I missed anyone, please let me know

~ Johnny Rogers, District 1 Reporter



District 3 members circle up for a post Christmas dinner oldtime music Jam.

District 1E

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MERRY CHRISTMAS EVERYONE!!!!!!

We all got though another month. Not a whole lot going on.

We had our jam on December 2 at the senior center. We had fun; had a few people show up. This was our new time, 2 p.m. We didn't have a business meeting this month, but moved it next month: January 13. It has been cold

The Christmas Fair was great, the old time fiddlers played and we had some great singers Alexis, Berrett, Raven, and little Lilly, they were great.

We had some birthdays this month and some coming up...
HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO YOU ALL: Alexis, Berrett, and Reba and Connie.

Our next jam is January 4 (first one of the year) at the senior center on "G" St in Lakeview. At 2:00 til ????? Come and enjoy yourself.

Jerry Light and Don Thomas are still playin' for the folks at the nursing home; it so cool to see the faces of joy when they play. They also are playing at the Senior Center on every Wednesday, from 11 a.m. To 12 p.m. The seniors are enjoying it. Thanks guys.....

Happy Holidays everyone --- see you all next year!!!!!!

~ Laura Light, District 1E Reporter

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PLEASE NOTE: NO REGULAR MONTHLY JAMS TILL SPRING

Seasons Greetings to All District 3 Members:

To bring you all up to date, it was decided at the District 3 Christmas party to take a break from the regular monthly jams over the winter -- starting up again next spring.

As a result of the VFW treating us indifferently and not opening the hall over the past 4-5 months we will be looking for a new location during the winter months. We have members looking for replacement locations in the various communities so we all need to be open to new ones that work for the majority of the members.

There may be some one-time-only jams over the next few months to try out some of these new locations and to keep playing music together. Some of you in outlying areas, such as La Pine and Prineville, can organize jams for your area but be sure and invite the other members to come over and play with you.

Jeanette Bondsteel is coordinating the effort to find a new hall and is sending out the memos to let folks know what is happening. So be on your toes: you may be called or emailed about a jam to try out a new hall. Once we have decided on a place that fits our needs, I can start a PR campaign to let the public know when and where to find us with a new startup date in March or April.

We had a nice Christmas Party with really good food prepared pot luck style by the members with the turkey and ham done by the Tucker families. Jack Kerr gave us a nice blessing & prayer before dinner.

It was great to welcome back Marcel and Anne Potvin with their two lovely daughters, and to see other members celebrating the

holidays. After the food and brief meeting members circled up and played some tunes together.

We still need some fresh faces for our duties with District 3, such as a publicity person to replace Don Hendrix and a reporter to replace me; this is my third year.

Be sure and send me your birthday, travel and health announcements. Merry Christmas everyone!

~ Roland White, District 3 Reporter



Marcel Potvin, Anne Chouinard, Louisiane & Lilly, at a District 3 jam

District 4

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Reporter: Judy McGarvey, jmcgarvey97@charter.net

District 4 Website: www.OOTFA4.org (Check us out!)

For the first time in my memory we had to cancel our monthly jam. With 4-10 inches of snow throughout the valley, the decision was made to cancel. Thanks to the many folks who got on the phone and e-mail to let folks know, as we cancelled on Saturday morn! This was to be our holiday season feast, so some of us have freezers full of good stuff for the next party! It's rescheduled for the January jam at Eagle Point.

We've been continuing our regular gigs, and also played for the Northwest Seasonal Workers turkey dinner put on as a senior project at South High. Coming up is new gig at Rogue River Estates, and a New Year's Eve afternoon party at Barnett Woods. The unseasonal cold weather that we've had has limited some folks mobility, so those who can get out need to come and play.

Avi, our "fearless leader" wants to thank all the folks who have been coming out to play. Thanks to Melinda Grant who has taken on the task of making sure we have musicians at our scheduled gigs. The reminders are wonderful – but continue to check the schedule on the website.

Don Evans is still recovering but not getting out much. Don Maddox came out to play with us at St. Vincent de Paul. Good to have him back following his illness. Delsa Corder is still not up and about much, but is getting better. Lots of colds and other sniffley stuff this time of year – let's all try to stay well and wish the rest good health!

It was fun to have Irene and Jerry Ruddock from Klamath Falls join us in our montly jam. We always have fun sharing tunes!

January

4 Jam, Snacks Eagle Point Grange

February

1 Jam. Snacks Fruitdale Grange

March

8 Ashland Community Center

We're looking forward to seeing folks in Sutherlin at the quarterly meeting – always a good day of music.

I don't know – I used to be indecisive, now I'm not so sure. I'm supposed to respect my elders, but it's getting harder and harder for me to find one now!

Wishing all a wonderful holiday season. Stay warm and dry, and enjoy all those goodies!

~Judy McGarvey, District 4 Reporter



Musical Fun in District 3.

District 5

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Treasurer: Sharon Gallagher, 541-572-2742

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Hope you all had a very merry Christmas and are looking forward to a happy and prosperous new year. The annual holiday dinner preceding the November jam was delicious and bountiful with a wonderful array of traditional holiday dishes. Our thank-yous go out to our chairman, Ruth Weyer, who does such a good job managing the kitchen, and all her helpers. And thank-you to all who brought dishes to contribute to the feast. The dinner was wonderful!

Please note the playing schedule is back to normal this month with all gigs on Wednesdays.

I trust you all survived the freezing weather and snow last month without any major damage. Not what we expect here on the Oregon coast. Should have gotten you into the Christmas mood, however! I sympathized with the poor doves skating around on the ice in the bird bath, which they use as their drinking fountain,

January

1	Gig	Oerdings, Coquille	1 - 2 p.m.
1	Gig	Myrtle Point CareCenter	3 - 4 p.m.
8	Gig	Baycrest, North Bend	1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
8	Gig	Evergreen Court, North Bend	3 - 4 p.m.
15	Gig	Heritage Place, Bandon	1 - 2:30 p.m.
18	Monthly Jam	Winchester Bay	1 - 4 p.m.
22	Gig	Memory Care, Empire	1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
22	Gig	Hearthside, Coos Bay	3 - 4 p.m.

and had to keep putting out warm water for them as well as the neighborhood stray cats. The outdoor animals and birds are no more prepared for that kind of weather than we are.

Here's another reminder to get your dues paid if you have not already done so. If you don't get it done by January, your name will not appear in the annual roster. For those wishing to have the Hoedowner mailed to them the dues are \$25.00 and for those who want to have it e-mailed to them the dues will be \$20.00.

Mapril Combs is recovering nicely from the surgery she underwent in November at OHSU in Portland. The tumor removed was non-malignant and was located behind her ear, not on her brain, as I stated last month. She is feeling better but is still quite weak. Hope you'll soon be back fiddling, Mapril.

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Mila Butler

Pleasant Hill High School is known for its annual jazz festival, but lately the school has been producing young artists from various genres.

Sophomore Mila Butler has been getting noticed for her musical versatility and her mastery of multiple instruments. Trained in piano and fiddle in her early years in Eugene, Mila started playing upright and electric bass at the request of Pleasant Hill band director Jonathon Light upon her arrival in seventh grade. Using the string skills she learned during her previous fiddle lessons with Jenny Humphrey and at the annual Booher Family Music camps, Mila quickly acclimated to the bass, though the instrument offered a challenge to her petite frame.

Private lessons with Tyler Abbot at the University of Oregon helped to cement her fundamentals, and soon Mila was performing with advanced musicians at both the Booher and Old Time Fiddlers camps. Shortly after seeing Mila perform on the bass in Oakridge this past summer, John Gent and Sandy Wallrich of Eugene folk group Back Porch Soiree invited Mila into their fold.

In addition, Mila and her high school classmate/guitarist Jim Pray have been performing together (often accompanied by his younger brother Jacob and freshman vocalist/guitarist Bailee Carroll) as Pray Mila Pray, giving Mila a chance to stretch her musical wings by

playing multiple instruments (violin, bass, mandolin) specializing in classic country and swing.

You can catch Pray Mila Pray perform at the January 11th edition of the Emerald Valley Opry. It will be her third appearance there after previous gigs with the Opry house band and Back Porch Soiree.



Pray Mila Pray (l-r): Bailee Carroll, Jim Pray, Jacob Pray and Mila Butler.

Fiddle Tips, by Eileen Walter -- A Metronome Exercise

Set your metronome on 120 or whatever's comfortable for you.

Warm up by playing one bow stroke for each beat (or metronome click) on an open string, without emphasizing any particular beat.

Then begin counting 1,2,3,4,1,2,3,4,.....along with your bowing.

Then emphasize beat 1 for awhile – 1,2,3,4,1,2,3,4,.....

Then switch and emphasize beat 2 for awhile – 1,2,3,4,1,2,3,4,.....

Then switch and emphasize beat 3 – 1,2,3,4,1,2,3,4,.....

Then emphasize beat 4 – 1,2,3,4,1,2,3,4,.....

Next emphasize beats 1 and 3; then beats 2 and 4.

Then do the same thing with a different metronome speed.

Tune of the Month -- Gil's Schottische

This lively tune comes from the Washington State Old Time Fiddlers website. Although presented here in D, in District 6 we tend to play it in G (move the starting note from the D to the G string).

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Gil's Schottische

by Gil Kiesecker
Seattle, WA
ca 1983

The musical score for "Gil's Schottische" is written in D major (two sharps) and 4/4 time. It consists of four staves of music. The notation includes various fiddle techniques marked with 'V' (bow) and 'V' (finger). Chord symbols D, G, A, and D are placed above the staff. Measure numbers 5, 6, and 7 are indicated. The piece ends with a double bar line.

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There will be a business meeting preceding the monthly February jam in Winchester Bay. More details next month.

Visiting members at the November dinner and jam were Jean and Bob Hanson and Sharon and Hal Thompson from District 10.

Happy New Year to everyone!

I don't think we get smarter as we get older. We just run out of stupid things to do!

~ Mary A. Weist, District 5 Reporter

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Well, Eugene OOTFA members sure received a surprise when tons of snow were dumped on us, on Friday, December 6th. From then, the temperature remained very low for nearly a week. The roads were undriveable, schools closed and jams and gigs were cancelled. Some of us, I'm sure, developed cabin fever, while others just really enjoyed the "snowed in" feeling.

A few of our Friday night jams were cancelled, due to the weather. Our district jam, which was to be held in Lebanon had to be cancelled. We want to thank Jerry and Linda Parks and anyone else that helped coordinate the Lebanon jam. Hopefully, we won't receive snow in May, when we are again scheduled to play in Lebanon.

Before the snow storm hit us, we had a couple of fun jams, here in Eugene. At the Ya-Po-Ah Terrace, we had a fun time with a few of us there. Among us, John Gent sang and played "My Old Kentucky Home." That song really fits his voice. At the Santa Clara jam, David Larsell picked out "Red-Haired Boy," on his guitar. It's wonderful to hear a guitar picker!

Just a reminder, to please wear your "name tag," if you have one, so that everyone knows your name. These name tags are yellow with blue letters, OOTFA, your name and your district number. To order, please specify "pin" or "magnetic back" and send your name, address and district number, along with a \$10. check made payable to: Ken Luse, 979 Ascot Dr., Eugene, OR 97401.

Enjoy playing 1800's and earlier tunes (well, OK and the ones that sound like it)? The annual Frontier Heritage Fair is Feb. 15th and 16th at the Lane Country Fairgrounds in Eugene. It features pre-1898 focus (mountain men, civil war, etc.) and OOTFA folks are invited to add some sparkle to the fun. Musicians get in free and are encouraged to allow time to look around, instrument sitting provided. Show times are Saturday 9-5 and Sunday 9-4, with music welcome between 10 on Saturday and 2:30 on Sunday. Players from other districts and juniors are all welcome. Random small groups are OK. Just three of us had folks smiling once. So if you're interested, gather some nimble fingered friends, pick a time and come on down. Contact: Melody Morrell, 541-689-4281.



Ernie Connelly, District 6. In the background (l-r), Wayne Carter and Jesse Knudsen.

January

3	Friday Night Jam, Eugene Hotel	7 - 9:30 p.m.
4	Intermediate Fiddle Class	1 - 4 p.m.
6	Basic Fiddle Class	1 - 4 p.m.
10	Friday Night Jam, Crow Grange	7 - 9:30 p.m.
11	Monthly Jam, Santa Clara Grange	10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
17	Friday Night Jam, Yapoah Terrace	7 - 9 p.m.
18	Barn Dance, Spencer Creek Grange	7 - 10 p.m.
24	Friday Night Jam, Santa Clara Grange	7 - 9:30 p.m.

We hope that all who are lucky enough to make it to the state quarterly jam in Sutherlin, have a safe trip and a great time. Also, hope everyone has a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!!!

January Birthdays: Joe Moyle 1/1, Gerald Clark 1/1, Galen Ness 1/14, Allan Ede 1/16, Mike Wallrich 1/17, Ane Coffin 1/18, Ken Spann 1/20, Cal Montgomery 1/21, John Childers 1/22, Ken White 1/22, Leah Canaday 1/26

January Anniversaries: Willie and Edna Carter 1/11, Galen and Kathy Ness 1/12

"Haven't I seen your face before?" a judge demanded, looking down at the defendant.

"You have Your Honor," the man answered, hopefully. "I gave your son violin lessons last winter."

"Ah yes," recalled the judge. "TWENTY YEARS!!!"

~ Sandy Wallrich, District 6 Reporter



At the District 6 Senior Companions gig (l-r): Keith Barr, David Elliker-Vagsberg, and Ken Luse.

District 7

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Co-Chair: Roger Germundson, 503-663-6851

Secretary/Treasurer: Ron Zabdsky, 503-630-7499

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Well, here it is another new year – HAPPY 2014 to you and your families. Hoping your year will be blessed and healthy. It has been fun playing all the Christmas holiday songs, but now on to the rest of the year.

District 7 is losing our talented and wonderful chair, Jim Kuether, as he is moving to Roseburg. Our loss is District 10's gain. We will miss Jim, and hope to see him at OOTFA events. As a result of the move, Donna Foreman moved up to chair, and Roger Germundson is our new vice chair. Congratulations to our new officers!

We had a fun Christmas party this year, and I want to especially recognize Eileen Walter's students who performed so well: Aurora Bitans, Josh Ashcraft, Natalie Smith and Kelsey Smith. These young fiddlers are the future of OOTFA, and we are so blessed to have them join us. Thank you Eileen and youngsters!

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Reporter: Alice Holt

Happy New Year to everyone. We hope you are all getting some rest after the hustle and bustle of the holidays. But let's not rest too much. Perhaps you made a resolution to practice more and to learn some new tunes. Now is the time to start!

We will have met at the community center - senior center in Dallas on December 21st. News of that next month.

The Salem area group played for the multiple sclerosis annual dinner. They always have lots of door prizes and the musicians each came away with some nice winnings. We played informally, playing Christmas songs as well as other favorites. Those attending were: Darwin Wattles, Jim Wallace, Jerry and Donna Janzsen, Lew and Alice Holt, Ray and Marie Cunningham, Darlene Bryant.

Our January jam will be Saturday, January 18th at the community center in Dayton. The address is 606 4th St., Dayton. We'll be in the second floor auditorium. Thanks to Frank Dummer for arranging for the facilities.

OOTFA dues at \$25 for a mailed printed Hoedowner or \$20 for and online version.

District elections for officers will be soon. Have you considered volunteering for chair or co-chair position? Or do you have suggestions?

January

12	Jam	Gladstone Senior Center, Gladstone	11 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
24	Gig	Tanner Springs Assisted Living, West Linn	3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Note – those who attend Donna's Monday classes in Gresham: they are suspended until after the holidays, and will resume January 13th. We always have so much fun learning new songs and techniques, so please come and join us if you can!

January's play list so far includes:

Sunday, January 12 – Gladstone Senior Center, 1050 Portland Ave, Gladstone. Doors open at 11 a.m., sign up playing from 1–3:30 p.m.

Friday, January 24 – Tanner Springs Assisted Living Center, 23000 Horizon Dr., West Linn. Playing from 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.. Watch your emails for future gigs

~ **Marcella Easly, District 7 Reporter**

Smile for the day, courtesy of Peg Willis:

Thirty days hath September, April, June, and no wonder!
All the rest eat peanut butter,
Except for grandmother,
She drives a Buick.

~ **Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter**



Gordon and Marianne Andrews, District 9, volunteered to cook the turkey and did a fine job.

District 9

Chair: Ruel Teague

Co-Chair: Janet Braymen

Secretary/Treasurer: George Sahlberg

Reporter: Janet Braymen

Happy New Year!

Wow, did District 9 ever have a feast at our holiday potluck and jam. Food galore and a great crowd of over 50 folks were in attendance. Thanks to the cooks, Marianne and Gordon Andrews for the turkey and gravy, George Sahlberg for the dressing and Wayne and Rose Johnson for the potatoes. And of course, thanks to all the attendees for filling out the potluck with sides, salads and desserts.

It was good to see Margaret Teague out and about as she has been feeling under the weather of late. It's easy to do when it is -25 outside. Fortunately, the weather has crept up to above freezing for a few hours a day, the sun has been shining and the roads have mostly cleared of snow.

Phil and Toni Drain put Burns on their itinerary and joined us for the day from the Salem area. Phil plays bass and is sure appreciated when he can stop in. Paul Arrington from the Hawaiian island Kaua'i was able to join in on the ukulele. We sure do appreciate our visitors!

In January, The Aspens will be on the 10th from 7-9 p.m. Ashley Manor is Monday, the 20th at 6:30 p.m. for one hour. The

January

10	Gig	Aspens	7-9 p.m.
12	Potluck, Jam		1-4 p.m.
20	Gig	Ashley Manor	6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

monthly Potluck and Jam is January 12 with potluck at 1 p.m. and music and dancing from 2 - 4 p.m.

Stay warm and winter well!

~ Janet Braymen, District 9 Reporter



Florence Krueger leads the way through the buffet at the District 9 holiday jam.

District 10

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We didn't have much of a crowd at our November jam, guess everyone was on Thanksgiving vacation, or out hunting. But, we had enough for an enjoyable day. We were glad to see Pat and Ruth Weyer, Pat Fraser, and Fred Grove and friend, from District 5. We did have enough to put on a nice jam.

Thanks to everyone that helped clean up afterward.

I don't have a list of birthdays for December, except for Whitey Kelm. Happy birthday and happy anniversary to anyone else that had them.

Hope everyone is well after this cold spell we had. Should start to warm up soon.

We won't be having our jam at the Sutherlin Grange in January: Instead, we will be at the community building on WILLAMETTE ST. in Sutherlin. There will be the state meeting about 10 a.m., and then a potluck about noon, followed by a public jam, from 1 to 4 p.m. Hope to see you all then.

By the way, you might check to see if you paid your dues for 2014. If you want the Hoedowner to come in the mail, it will be \$25; if you want to get the Hoedowner via email or download from the OOTFA website, it is still \$20.

January

25	State Meeting and Jam	Sutherlin Community Center	10 a.m - 4 p.m.
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See you in January.

~ Joyce Pickett, District 10 Reporter



Ian Dawson, District 9, backed up by teacher Ruel Teague, plays a tune.



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State Calendar

State Quarterly Jam	Sutherlin Community Center	January 25
State Fiddle Contest	Chemetketa College, Salem	March 22
State Convention	Rickreall	April 10-12
West Cascades Fiddle Camp	Westfir	July 21-24

New Members to Welcome!

Shelzza Deaton

Monroe

- Patti Luse, OOTFA State Membership