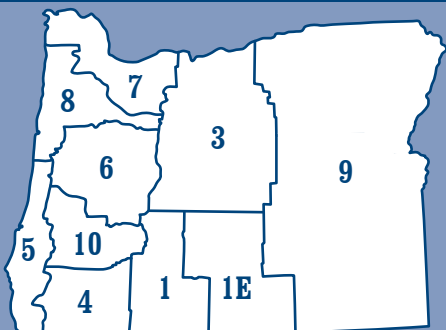


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From Your President

The Silver Lake gathering was a joy as always. As one listened to the circle jams through the day and into the night, a full range of American musical influences could be heard. A touch of the European, a pinch of blues, western swing tweaked by Hollywood of the 30's and 40's, solid country, a bit of tin pan alley and great gospel with a southern tilt. Truly American in its wonderful fullness of time and style. A gift to us from the very wise founders of the oldtime fiddlers who did not put a marketing label on "old time" music.

This will be my last input into the Hoedowner as president. There are people to thank and I hope I have done that sufficiently so as to not use the space to do it again here. The people to thank at this time is the membership who by unanimous approval accepted the product of the very hard work of a few dedicated people so we could move on to new things and more old music. What a super thing to do for our 50th year.

We will have an executive board meeting at 10:00 on June 14 at the Jamboree at Burns. Hope to see many district chairs or reps at the meeting.

Roland White and Jim Kuether assume office on 1 July. The fiddlers could not have made a better choice. Good fiddlers and good people. Give them your support as you have me.

It has been an honor to serve. See you in Burns.

~ Larry

From the Editor

With the convention and the Silver Lake campout now history, we look ahead with anticipation to a busy summer season. First up is the Country Music Jamboree in Burns and a state quarterly meeting on Saturday, June 14. The Jamboree is always well attended, and an attractive place to stop off for those going on to the national contest in Weiser, the Jamboree promises to be a fun place to play music and socialize with friends.

Also on the agenda is the Wes Cascades Fiddle Camp in Westfir, July 21-24, and the Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest in Corvallis on August 2. Check with Starr McMullen if you have any questions.

Then there is the Winchester Bay campout, August 14-17, in Winchester Bay. This well-run event is always enjoyable, and a good place to take a break from the August heat inland. Into September the folks from District 1 will treat us to a special week end September, 18-19-20 in Merrill.

As I will be absent for the next month, Lew Holt has kindly agreed to take over Hoedowner editing duties for the June and July issues. Reporters should send their materials directly to him for the July issue. Thanks, guys.

Many new district officers will step onto the stage on July 1. Reporters, be sure your headers are correct for the July Hoedowner. Thanks in advance.

I am advised by Lew Holt that his roster phone number is incorrect. It should be 503.391.5377, not 503.398.5377.

~ Joe

From the Editor Emeritus

Story time. A young lady at our local pharmacy is the daughter of a sixth grade student in my classroom in North Bend about 1960. She told me the other day that she had wanted to go to the convention show but didn't make it. The next day I took her a DVD but she wasn't there. I left it with another clerk, telling him what it was. He told me that the grandfather of a friend of his was a champion fiddler. Naturally I asked what his name was. He replied, "Jimmy Miller." "From Tillamook?" I asked. "Yep." Jimmy was one of our charter members. Later when I was straightening upstairs I ran across an envelope with several CDs of the Banks, 1965 contest. Jimmy was on the CD. I took a copy down to the pharmacy to be given to the grandson of Jimmy Miller. The grandson called me saying that he was very pleased. I have found several newspaper articles, too, in the archives about Jimmy Miller which I will share. I just got off the phone

with Jimmy Miller's son, Jim Miller, who lives in Tillamook. I hope to have met him before you read this.

Another example of the value of archives is the old cassette tape I found ten years after Bunky McFee died -- telling about D-day, June 6, 1944. It is on our web site, Oregonoldtimefiddling.org. You can imagine the pleasure it brought the family ten years after Bunky died to hear him come back to tell his story of D-day. And twenty years after he had made the cassette for his family but never telling them. On May 25 the Statesman Journal will have featured Bunky and his cassette tape as a part of the recognition of the 70th anniversary of D-day, June 6, 1944. Those with a computer should find Bunky's document and pictures on the Statesman's Journal web. And perhaps the article in the Statesman archives. I hope you have checked out our web.

~ Lew

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June

1	Meeting/potluck/jam	Shasta Community Center	12:30 - 4:00 p.m.
3	Gig	Plum Ridge	10:30 - 11:30 a.m.
3	Gig	Quail Park	12:30 - 1:30 p.m.
8	Senior Dance	Shasta Hall	1 - 4 p.m.
14	Anniversary BBQ	Doris, CA.	2 - 4 p.m.
19	Gig	Shasta View	1 - 2 p.m.
19	Gig	Linville House	2:30 - 3:30 p.m.
25	Gig	Pelican Point	10:30-11:30 a.m.
26	Gig	Eldorado Care	1:30-2:30 p.m.
28	Gig	Alturas Library Fund Raiser BBQ	

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Practice on Saturday: Luther Square, check with Irene Ruddock (541-882-6418) for dates and times. We will be playing at the Farmer's Market Saturdays again this year but as of right now we don't know the dates. We also voted at the May meeting to keep playing for all of the nursing homes throughout the summer. We know some members will be gone during the summer, but there should be enough of us to play. For the two gigs that we will be playing out of town, it has been suggested that we car pool; please check with your fellow members. Well, Silver Lake just keeps getting better every year. All of us thank you District 1E for such a wonderful time.



Dancers at the District 3 Mothers Day jam (top)
Marcel Povin & Anne Chounaard. (right)



We are very excited that we have gotten our paperwork in to apply for grant money for a new sound system; thank you Marlon, Shelia and Phil. Our "meet the members of district 1" this month is Aline Swartwood. Ali was born in La Junta, Colorado. She grew up there, even marrying her sweetheart of 62 years there. Jake and Ali moved to Utah in the 50's then back to Denver, finally settling in Ventura, California, as there were three girls now in the picture. Ali worked for a phone company for eighteen years then for a doctor for eight before retiring. Ali and Jake then became full time RVer's in 1993; they have truly "been everywhere", as the song says. They were camping in LaPine and were offered a job for the Recreation Department. While staying in LaPine at the RV site they heard the Old Time Fiddlers for the first time. Ruel Teague was among them. Several of the group would travel to Quartzsite, Arizona in the winter time, where Ruel got Ali playing an old fiddle that had been their daughters. Her favorite song is "Where the White Lilies Grow." Ali and Jake have made a lot of friends in their travels and especially in OOTFA. District 1 is very glad that Ali and Jake decided to make their home in Klamath Falls in 2009. Ali keeps us all laughing; she is so short that we can't tell if she is standing up or sitting down when she plays. Ali will be our new chairperson starting in July; things will certainly be lively with her in charge.

Can you believe it is June already and time for the Burns Country Music Jamboree? There are so many upcoming events to look forward to. We are already in District 1 getting excited about Merrill, which is September 18-19-20.

June birthdays: Marie Kliewer. Let us know if we are missing any one. June anniversaries: Ben and Fran Coker, Allen and Helen Meyers, Sherman and Jacque Taylor, and Richard and Mary Knapp. We wish all to have a nice summer — we are sure our paths will cross during the next four months.

~Noranne Sparks, District 1 Reporter

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Thanks to all who came to Silver Lake! We had great weather, great music, and great people. Every district in Oregon was represented along with visitors from Washington and Idaho. We had about 110 people total attend, plus the Silver Lake Folks. It was very nice to read the cards and notes from those who came and had a good time and were thanking those who worked so hard to make it all possible.

Whoever was in charge of keeping the McLain Brothers up all night did a great job. Terry's grandson, Barrett, said that when Grandma Sharilyn was getting up at 5:30 a.m. to cook breakfast they were just straggling in. Be forewarned: they are already plotting revenge.

Hat Night on Friday was a big hit. Best Match was Cathy Frutchey with "Turkey In the Straw." Originality winner was

June

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

Carolyn Marstall and Silliest was Matt & Rachel Wilson. It was reported that the "Can Bands" on Saturday were a big hit as well.

Another great event, "Rope For Hope" a fundraiser to help Rural Breast Cancer Patients, will be held in Denio, Nevada on July 19. District 1E will be there.

Paisley Mosquito Festival will be held on July 26. Fiddlers will play at 11 a.m. Feel free to come join us at either or both of these worthwhile events.

"If you would make a man your friend, let him do you a favor."
R.A. Long

~ Keith Steward, District 1E Reporter

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Beautiful weather accompanied a nice turnout for the Jam which fell on Mothers Day. For this special Sunday District 3 members and local folks shared a delicious potluck with the program beginning at 1 p.m.

A good sized crowd showed up as well as a good turnout of musicians. Our new format is working well, and the crowd loves it. Thanks Rita Daley for taking on the MC duties; it makes the crowd happy to know what is happening and the players like the introductions.

The potluck was a great success, thanks to all for the great food. It is the consensus to have another one on June 8th for our regular second Sunday jam. Welcome new members to District 3, Dave and Janet Lockwood and Susan Mitchell.

Upcoming events include the Music Jamboree in Burns from June 12th through the 14th. This is on the way to the National Fiddle Contest, third week in June, in Weiser Idaho.

The WCFCW fiddle camp is coming up in July from the 20th to the 24th. There are 50 people registered already, so go online to www.fiddlcamp.org for online registration, schedules and information. Scholarships are available for the kids and also for the adults from our own district. Sign up, learn some new tunes and tips and have fun.

New District 3 officers officially start on July 1st. They are: Ron Jackson, chairman; Jeanette Bondsteel, vice chairman; Teri Tucker, membership; Vivian Tucker, Secretary; and Jack Kerr, interim treasurer. Our District is splitting the sec/treasurer

June

8	Jam and potluck	Powell Butte Community Center	1 to 4 p.m. • potluck 12 p.m.
13	Jam	Powell Butte Community Center	1 to 4 p.m.

2014 JAM SCHEDULE • 2ND SUNDAYS

All jams are at:

Powell Butte Community Center (PBCC)
8404 Reif Rd • Powell Butte OR 97753

position into two roles — so anyone who wants to help with the finances please let your new officers know as soon as possible.

Thank you all District 3 members for revitalizing our group with the new hall and stepping forward with necessary leadership to keep us going. I have enjoyed being your chairman and Hoedowner reporter for the last 2 years. This will be my last Hoedowner report so one of you will need to step in and take over for the July issue as I'm going to relieve Don Hendrix of the PR job along with my state president job. Cheers!

~ Roland White, District 3 Reporter



District 4's Everett Costa (L) and Scott Phillips (R) at the Butte Creek Village Fair

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

It was a rainy spring day for our monthly jam which we held in conjunction with the Butte Creek Mill Vintage Faire on May 10. With the musicians and much of the audience under cover, we had a good turnout of happy people in spite of the weather. It was good to see Sheri West, but unfortunately she was unable to stay and play.

We were saddened to hear of the death of Bonnie Dennis. Jack and Bonnie have been regular attendees for many moons, always an appreciative audience with their big smiles. Our sympathy goes out to Jack and family.

Judy Lyons is bopping around on her new hip – at long last! She is doing well following her hip replacement surgery. Don Evans is “recovering slowly” from various ailments. Delsa Corder is still not joining us, but hopes to soon. We’ve missed these folks!

Playing for the Central Point Presbyterian Church’s monthly “concert” brought out their best crowd ever. They plan to have us back again next year.

We played for the Friends of the Library at Rogue River Library to an enthusiastic overflow crowd that enjoyed the “Songs of the Oregon Trail” program. There was a good turnout of musicians, and we got several more requests for gigs, as well as coverage from the Rogue River Press. We had more requests for our schedule than we had cards, but informed them of the website to find out more.

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The summer schedule of play dates starts this month with two gigs at Bullard’s Beach plus our regular monthly jam on the third Saturday. We are expecting that there will be more in the following months. And then there is our annual four-day campout and jam in Winchester Bay from August 14 - 17. The theme this year is “Hills and Valleys”. It’s time to start thinking about your choice of songs and costumes for the occasion. We are looking forward to enjoying some really clever ones, as usual.

For all you “inlanders”, this is the place to come to cool down a bit in August. While it does get quite warm at times, but never over 100 degrees, at least as yet, it doesn’t last long and always cools at night. Then there is all the delicious seafood available at several restaurants in the area, the thrilling ATV riding on the ocean dunes, the great fishing for salmon and other fish both in the ocean and the river, the elk herd to watch just outside of town, our Umpqua Discovery Center down on the waterfront and many other things to see and do. You may have to stay longer than four days!

June
7 Gold Dust Days, Gold Hill Park
July
5 Emigrant Lake Picnic
August
No meeting or jam.

Cathy Frutchey and crew won a prize at the Silver Lake campout for their “Turkey in the Straw” hat – you can imagine! Way to go, Cathy!

Madrone Trail May Fair was a nice outdoor event with great weather and good food. They had a maypole with dancers, and many interesting activities and booths. This is Yoshe Zohar’s school, so, of course, he was the “star”.

We’re looking forward to playing for the “Gold Dust Days” in Gold Hill on June 7. They’ve been wanting us to come for some time, and we finally were able to do it.

Fiddle camps are coming up this summer, so get ready. All kids under 18 get a full scholarship to the West Cascades Fiddle Camp, and adults can apply for up to a \$75 District scholarship for camp. Pay your fee, then fill out a scholarship form (from any district officer) for reimbursement.

Ron Bolstad’s great work as publicity person, and Melinda Grant, getting out reminders of our gigs, has made us much more visible in the community. Our schedule is pretty full – and we love it! It’s such fun to entertain folks of all ages with our good old time music! We still need all our musicians to come out and play – especially as we have so many folks coming and going in the summer.

A thought for the day: An apple a day will keep anyone away – if you throw it hard enough!

~Judy McGarvey, District 4 Reporter

June
13 Gig Bullards Beach State Park, Bandon 6:30 - 8 p.m.
21 Monthly Jam Winchester Bay 1 - 4 p.m.
27 Gig Bullards Beach State Park, Bandon 6:30 - 8 p.m.



Mapril Combs is recovering nicely from her recent surgery which became quite complicated, is regularly playing her fiddle again and is the featured performer for the May monthly jam in Winchester Bay. Her fiddle was made by OOTFA member Wally Case of Aurora. The sides and back are from a big-leaf maple which grew in Dora, where she lives, survived the fire of 1936 and was uprooted in 2000 when it was about 200 years old. The tree was milled into lumber by Noble

Adamek of Powers. The pegs, chin rest and tail piece are made of Coos County myrtlewood. The top is spruce of unknown origin. This fiddle, besides being beautiful, has a wonderful tone which is improving as it ages and she is very proud of it. Wally is also making a cello with some of the wood.

There was an added gig that was not included in the May Hoedowner schedule when the group played at the Coquille Community Building on May 10th for the Anna Crosby Art Show.

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SPOTLIGHT ON MICHAEL CHRISTOF



Elaine Connors graciously shared the following information about Michael Christof who is our featured Junior Hoedowner this month.

Elaine writes -- I made a couple of new friends as recently as six months ago; young lads, two brothers; 13 and 12. And, yes, they are both fiddlers. I met them at the weekly Friday night music jam at the Guthrie Park old school house south of Dallas.

Their boundless energy as well as their enthusiasm for music is so refreshing. I want to share this secret with readers - or may be you already know this and just need a reminder - one is never too old to make friends with the young folks. Just watching them is revitalizing and uplifting for your spirit.

The brothers are James and Michael. They live in Salem and attend Judson Middle School. The spotlight for the Hoedowner this month is on Michael Anthony Christof. He just turned 12 on May 6th. He is in the 6th grade.

Michael keeps a very busy schedule. He is involved in track & field, and soccer. Practices and away-matches have him going here and there. He is an avid soccer fan and follows FIFA, World Cup games, the Olympics and the Timber games.

Michael and his family love to travel and they've been on several trips around the globe. Already, he's been to Singapore (where yours truly is from originally so we have a special bond there), Malaysia, Australia, the Cook Islands, England, Ireland, even Egypt. In a few weeks, he and his family will be taking off for the Scandinavian countries, Poland, the Czech Republic (to visit their relatives), and, hopefully, Ukraine if it's stable enough for a visit.

Besides sports and travel, Michael loves music. He was in the school orchestra during his 4th and 5th grade until he discovered fiddle music. His fiddling instructor, and a family friend, is Ty Springer. Michael entered the recent State contest in the Jr-Jr Division and did well. He's experimented with the piano, the guitar, the mandolin, and his weapon of choice is the fiddle. He is eager to learn more tunes, both Old-time as well as Irish. He attended Hanneke Cassel's Scottish workshop at the Convention in April.

In his spare time, Michael loves to take apart electronic gizmos to see how they work. He would like to be an engineer and keep on playing the fiddle.

Michael has been active in recent events such as the state convention, the Ag Fest, and the Sheep to Shawl event. He and his brother also play at farmer's markets around town so say hello when you run into them. The future is promising for young Michael and we look forward to some great fiddling and great tunes from him.



Everett Costa, District 4, and a "fan" at the Butte Creek Mill Vintage Faire.

Tune of the Month -- Sierra Swing

SIERRA SWING

Moderately, with a swing

by Marvin Standiford

1 - WHEN I HEAR SIERRA SWING AND THEN OLD TWIN FIDDLES
2 - WHEN I HEAR SIERRA SWING IT TAKES ME BACK TO MY YOUTH
RING IT S ROB WILLS AND SANANTONIO ROSE
AGAIN IT S TOMMY DUNCAN SINGING COTTON EYED JOE
WE WOULD DANCE ALL NIGHT LONG WHEN THEY PLAYED THOSE FIDDLE
THOES GUITAR S SOUND SO GOOD WITH THE SONGS THAT THEY
SONGS MISTER BANDMAN PLAY SIERRA SWING
2 - LET THEM OLD TWIN FIDDLE S PLAY SIERRA SWING
REFRAIN
I LL NEVER FORGET THE SONG CALLED FADED LOVE IT BRINGS BACK
THOSE SWEET MEMORIES WE WOULD DANCE ALL NIGHT LONG WHEN THEY
PLAYED THOES FIDDLE SONGS LET THEM OLD TWIN FIDDLE S PLAY SIERRA
SWING

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At the District 6 Eugene Hotel jam (l-r): Elena Rae, Deborah Weese, Keith Barr, Ken Luse.



Hoedowner editor Joe Moyle.

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District 5 members attending the annual campout at Silver Lake in May included Ruth and Pat Weyer and Sharon and Larry Gallagher and they report enjoying it very much as they do every year.

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Our last Barn Dance of the season took place at the Spencer Creek Grange on April 19. What a great turnout!!! We had roughly 100 dancers, and at one point counted 72 dancing the Virginal Reel. It was a HIGH ENERGY crowd in a room filled with young people and children. The "action" photo shows the "cinnamon roll" dance, to the tune of Old Joe Clark, which is always a big hit at the Barn Dance! After that, the band played a slow waltz to let folks cool off if they wanted to, or just come back down to earth gently.



Spencer Creek Barn dance



Alan Ede receiving thanks photo from Spencer Creek.

Kids in the back seat cause accidents.
Accidents in the back seat cause kids.

~ Mary A. Weist, District 5 Reporter

June

6	Friday night jam, Eugene Hotel
12-14	High Desert Jamboree, Burns
13	Friday night jam, Crow Grange
20	Friday night jam, Yapoah
21	Monthly jam, Central Grange
27	Friday night jam, Central Grange
28	Intermediate fiddle class

We had several people who weren't ready to quit dancing that night! Alan and Ila Mae were both honored with gifts of framed photos of the dancers (photo). We so appreciate both their contributions to keep the intermediate classes and the barn dances going in our district! Thank you Ila Mae and Alan!!!

At our Saturday practice, we discussed the problem which sometimes occurs when we have a room full of dancers and not enough fiddlers! To make sure it never happens again, we decided that next year, we will send out a monthly email reminder to all the potential fiddlers and a signup for those who are planning to come. When it looks like there won't be enough fiddlers, we'll send out an email urging folks to join.

Our monthly jam was a success, with 25 musicians on the list and a nice potluck lunch to boot. Originally scheduled at the American Legion Hall in Lebanon, the jam was moved on short notice to Central Grange due to a booking mix-up. The Legion was apologetic about the booking problem; new Lebanon dates have been set for December 2014 and May 2015. We were pleased to see Cal Montgomery with his bride, Marilyn, and daughter Carol at the jam. Carol, a pretty good fiddler, played a couple of tunes for us in her patented "Texas swing" style.

June Anniversaries: None to report – If you'd like to have your anniversary listed in this section, contact our District 6 Reporter, Karen Johnson.

June Birthdays: Ken Luse (June); Lena Stubbs (June 6); Bob Strelow (June 10); John Steele (June 19); and Linda Parks (June 28).

~ Karen Johnson, District 6 Reporter



At the District 6 Eugene Hotel jam: Sue Cooper.

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This news from District 7 is being written on a beautiful day in Gresham when it's supposed to turn 88 degrees! I know we are all looking forward to jamming outside as the temperatures start heating up. Today I would like to write about Donna Foreman's Monday evening fiddle class which ended on May 12th. Her class has been held in the basement of Trinity Lutheran Church for about three years, most recently on the second and fourth Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. It will resume on September 22. Usually we have about 12 people attending the class but there are 20 or so who attend at one time or another.

In addition to the fiddles in the class, we have several guitars and a bass. Donna, her husband Dick, and my husband, Pete play the guitar and Nilda Miranda plays the bass. Nilda says she enjoys the chance to play her bass by ear without looking at the music. She and the guitars help the fiddles play with good rhythm and make us sound more beautiful! Students attend the fiddle class for a lot reasons but the most important one is to learn many of the fiddle tunes which are common in our state. We have worked on about 70 tunes in the last three years!

Here are some comments from other members of the class: Marcella Easly said that she hadn't played her violin for many

June

1	Gig	Estacada Community Center	1-3:30 p.m.
4	Gig	Cherrywood Village	2-3:30 p.m.

years before she started to play it again and that by attending Donna's class she has boosted her confidence when playing old time tunes. Roger Germundson and Myrtle Arnold enjoy playing harmony with many of the tunes and, when there are lyrics, Roger often sings with us. Phyllis Elston and her son Mike attend the classes regularly. Mike plays the guitar and has been learning the fiddle over the last two years and is doing an excellent job. Phyllis says that Donna is an excellent teacher with a lot of patience. I would agree with that!

We all enjoy Donna's teaching techniques and in addition to learning all the fiddle tunes we practice bowing exercises in various keys, new harmonies, and we play in small groups where each group plays a section of the tune. Donna often begins teaching us a new tune by ear alone. She breaks apart the tune in small sections and we play it over and over until it sticks. After we are pretty sure we know the tune she gives us the music and we can fine tune our playing. Donna supplies all the sheet music but always encourages us to play by ear whenever we play in class. A number of people in our class will be attending the West Cascades Fiddle Camp in July; I look forward to attending Donna Foreman's class that week

~ Elaine Schmidt, District 7 Reporter

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We played at Oak Grove on April 19th for the Old Car Poker Run and Blossom Drive. The cherry blossoms were gone from the orchards by the grange, but it was still an idyllic country setting. There were 21 musicians signed up. A very good turnout for a holiday weekend.

The following Saturday we played for the Ag Fest at the fairground in Salem. Once again, we had a good turnout of musicians. Lots of people sat and listened during each of our one hour sessions. Maybe their feet were tired from walking, but they seemed to enjoy our music!

May 10th we played at the Sheep to Shawl event at Willamette Heritage Center at Mission Mill here in Salem. We were very pleased to have Vivian and Phil Williams from Seattle join us there. They were in the area to research old music transcriptions held in the Aurora Colony museum. The day was a mix of showers and sun, mostly the latter. Our stage was the porch of the old church. Again a great turnout of musicians. Vivian ended the session by teaching some of us a new tune, "Buttered Peas".

Saturday, June 7th, we'll meet at Dale and Loita Colebank's home near Woodburn for our annual picnic. We can meet in the large barn building. Bring potluck food to share. Also bring you own

June

7	District 8 picnic	Colebank's, east of Woodburn	
22	Gig	Strawberry Social	Aurora Colony
Museum			

July

12	Gig	City Park	Aumsville
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chairs if you have them. The address is: 4785 South Elliott Prairie Road, Woodburn, OR. If you need directions, give Lew a call.

Some will be traveling to Burns for the High Desert Jamboree and then on to Weiser for the National Fiddle Contest. The Holts will miss both events this year as we'll be attending our granddaughter's graduation from Southern Oregon University.

Sunday, June 22nd, we're scheduled to play from 2-4 p.m. at the Aurora Colony Museum for the annual Strawberry Social. This is always fun.

Saturday, July 12th, we'll be at the City Park in Aumsville for the annual evening at the park concert. Hot dogs furnished by the city. Come at 4 p.m. for a free hot dog; we play from 5 to 6 p.m.

Lew Holt and Elaine Connors have 2014 rosters for sale. See them if you want a copy. Please note, though, that our phone number is wrong in the roster: Lew and Alice Holt 503-391-5377.

Sending good wishes for healing to Christine Lang who started chemo last week.

~ Alice Holt, District 8 Reporter

District 9

Chair: Ruel Teague

Co-Chair: Janet Braymen

Secretary/Treasurer: George Sahlberg

Reporter: Janet Braymen

Our last Senior Center Potluck of the school year was graced by a Boise mandolin player, Pat Reed; new listeners, the McBrides; and Ian Dawson as our youth representative, flanked by grandparents and lots of encouragement. We had officer elections, but mostly--- fun singing, dancing and playing.

Jane Jones and Janet Braymen had a most enjoyable, although short, visit to the Silver Lake Campout.

We play at the Aspens on the second Friday, and in homes around the county the rest of the time. Ashley Manor is the third Monday.

We would love to see you all at our Country Music Jamboree--June 12,13 and 14th. Contact Janet at 541-573-1323 for more information.

~ Janet Braymen, District 9 Reporter

June

13 Gig

The Aspens

16 Gig

Ashley Manor



Gene Hodson, District 10 bassist.



District 10's Diana d'Ablaing.

District 10

Chair: Don Hamlin, 541-580-7520

Co-Chair: Bob Hanson, 541-672-6929

Treasurer: Gynn Deaton, 541-839-4501

Membership: Barbara Sullivan, 541-673-8981

1257 Washington, Roseburg, OR 97470

Reporter: Joyce Pickett, 541-643-2995

Our April jam was marvelous!! Lots of players, visitors and guests. Mostly standing room only, had loads of fun.--Don and Bea Johnson from District 4 were there, so were John Gent and Sandy Wallrich from District 6. Was sure nice to see them. It was Joe Ross's "60"th birthday; he's catching up with the rest of us. It was also Chuck Hastey's 97th birthday, April 16th. He wasn't there, so happy birthday Chuck!!

I don't have a list, so happy birthday and anniversary to all that had them.

Would like to thank Hal and Sharon Thompson for the brand new sign-up board they bought and donated to our district (10). It was badly needed, and very much appreciated. Thank you.

If there's anyone out there that's under the weather, hope you're up and around soon.

Our next jam will be June 28th, at the Sutherlin Grange, 851 S. Comstock, Sutherlin, from 12 to 3 p.m.; we'll have finger food — donations welcome.

See ya'll next time.

~ Joyce Pickett, District 10 Reporter

June

28

Potluck and jam

Sutherlin Grange

12 - 3 p.m.



Rosalee McLain backed up by Terry McLain at Silver Lake.



Joe Ross, District 10, with his 60th Birthday cake.



Hal Thompson and Sandy Harter, at the District 10 Jam.



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State Calendar

Country Music Jamboree	Burns	June 12-14
West Cascades Fiddle Camp	Westfir	July 21-24
Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest	Benton County Fairgrounds	August 2
Winchester Bay Campout	Winchester Bay	August 14-17

New Members to Welcome!

Teresa and Jim Bowers,
Naomi and Bob Bruhns,
Jessica Eaton and Roger Cusick,
Lee Easter,
Jasmine and Cindy McLean,

Creswell
Keno
Bend
Salem
Klamath Falls

Elena Rae,
Kelly Riggle,
Daiman Russell,
Pat and Bill Winfrey,

Eugene
Eugene
St Maries, Idaho
Keno

Patty Says

The 2014 Rosters are \$2 each. You can get one through your District OR if you would like to have one mailed directly to you it costs \$3.75. Mail this request and money to Patti Luse at 979 Ascot Dr., Eugene, OR 97401.

An update of the Additions and Corrections to the 2014 roster will be available for free in mid- June. You can request that a PDF of the 2014 roster June update be emailed to you after June 15 or pick one up at your district event, and in Burns.

- Patti Luse, OOTFA State Membership Chair