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Bob Huffman with his sister, Ginger

OOTFA President's Report

This is being written on June 20th after your state board of directors had its first meeting via **Zoom**. The meeting went very well and we look forward to using the internet again as needed. The biggest thing missing was the jamming and socializing. Plans were made to have the fall board meeting using Zoom. Time to be announced.

It is time for submitting nominations for the **Norm Nash Distinguished Service Award** for 2021. The 2020 and the 2021 awards will be done during the state membership meeting at the convention in Roseburg next spring. We are thinking positive and **Jude Stensland** has agreed to chair the convention as she has most things in place for it.

Sure will be glad when this pandemic is history.

One last thing. **Hal Weiner** finds that it will not be possible for him to serve as president next year. Therefore, we are looking for candidates for president and vice president for the coming 2021 elections.

~ Scott

100 Years Young

Bob (Bawb) Huffman, long time guitarist and member of OOTFA, turns 100 this August!

Bob's story began on August 14th, 1920, in the small northern Minnesota town of Bungo Township. Bob joined the Navy during WWII where he was an aircraft mechanic, maintaining the fighter planes and bombers flying in and out of the US Naval Base in Hawaii. During the war, Bob would marry the love of his life, **Rosemary**, whom he called Rosie. They would have two children, a daughter named **Bonnie**, and a son named **Jeff**. After a family visit to Oregon for his father's funeral in 1961 he decided to move his family from Minnesota to the Portland area. It was not long after the move that they bought the house that Bob still lives in today! Bob has 3 grandchildren and 4 greatgrandchildren.

Bob, who had a love for music right from the start and taught himself to play the guitar in his early teens. That means he has now been playing for over 80 years! Bob's skills on the guitar are widely known by the

> Oldtime Fiddlers and he has driven all over the state to play music. Just up until a few years ago when he gave up driving,

you could still find him playing music at Winchester Bay, Rickreall, or Burns and camping in his van he'd outfitted with a mattress and camp stove.

What's the secret to Bob's longevity? Keeping busy of course! Even now at almost 100 you'll still find Bob to be very independent. No doubt his love for music and many



Bob with Delette Huffman

friendships have also played a part. Over the years Bob has considered so many OOTFA folks to be like family. Let's wish him a very happy 100th birthday and if this pandemic cooperates perhaps some of us may even be able to give Bob a birthday hug at the annual "Bob Bash", a birthday party thrown every year by his dear friends Terry and Andy Jorgensen. Stay tuned for details!

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Fiddle is quiet during the current crisis but over the years interesting things have happened. Perhaps you would enjoy reading this story.

Editor Emeritus by Lew Holt

Earlier I may have shared the story of "Benny" with you. Several years ago at the state fiddle contest here in Salem when I was filling in at the ticket table, a man came up to the table to buy a ticket. We greeted each other, and he handed me a one hundred dollar bill to buy his ticket. When I started counting out the change, he said, "Keep it, I don't want any change." I thanked him, expressing our appreciation for his donation to help us finance the contest. I thought nothing was out of the ordinary when he went into the auditorium but was surprised when just a few minutes later, he came walking back out of the auditorium, went out the front door into his car and drove off.

Little did I know who he was until it dawned on me that he must have been the mysterious "\$100 Bill Benny" that for some time had left \$100 bills in groceries, in clothing, anywhere around Salem. I had read such articles in the paper: The man tucks neatly folded \$100 bills in stores or at festivals, the Statesman Journal reported. Though his identity is secret, he's become known around town as "Benny," a nod to Benjamin Franklin's appearance on the bill. "Whoever does this for people is truly amazing," said Medina, a 23-year-old Salem resident. "He has blessed a lot of people." Benny Bills, each of them signed, have been found in 26 stores and eight events (at that time). They're tucked in items...

But at the contest that afternoon, he didn't enter my mind. The \$100 bill amazed me, so later as I pondered, it dawned on me that it was Benny who had left the \$100 bill. Beyond the fiddle music and our many friends, such an incident makes **OOTFA** even more interesting; never knowing what is around the corner!

~ Lew, Editor Emeritus

Oldtime Fiddle Music is as American as we are. However, like us, oldtime music has generational roots from many different parts of the world.

Editor's Notes by Robin Lindsey

Much like researching a person's geneology, there can be many surprises when it comes to finding out about the roots of the songs we play, the instruments we use and the dances we do to oldtime music.

When we play oldtime music we are celebrating what those before us brought to America. People back then didn't have radios, televisons or computers to entertain them. No movies, cars...l could go on. Social activities were limited by available technology. Making music or dancing to music were very important social activities because there just wasn't a lot of choice.

So here we are in 2020 with so many things we could be doing with our time, yet we choose, and even prefer, to do something that people have been doing since they got off the boat. There are many things to be grateful for when it comes to honoring the founders of the good ole USA, but certainly bringing music is one of the more important ones. When we celebrate Independence Day, let's do it with an oldtime song in our hearts! ~ Robin

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Greetings All from District One, I hope this July issue of the Hoedowner finds everyone healthy and protected from the recent, renewed surge in Corona cases. Things here are still slow and distant. One of our District One members, Irene Ruddock, had a recent Social Distant Jam at her house. It was well attended by some of our core members here in District One. Any and all times we can get together to play music is very meaningful during this difficult pandemic, even if our chairs are 6 feet apart and we have masks on.

I've made it a point to learn some new tunes...my current newest one is *Ozark Moon*, and I love it. I want to wish you all healthy vibes and please keep fiddling...take this time to learn new tunes; when we get together again, we will be stronger for it. Make this time meaningful and worthwhile, **We Can Do All Things Great Together!**

July Birthday's: Fran Coker, Lorraine Degnan, Rebecca Hazen, Bill Hazen, Aline Swartwood July Anniversary: Mike and Lynn Foster

~ Jenny Dreyer, District 1 Reporter

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The McLain Family drove up to Prineville last week to present District 3's Jack Kerr with the Homer McLain Memorial Award. They stayed and jammed with Jack for several hours, rehashing memories, and sharing the love of playing music together.



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District 3 is slowly coming out of the COVID coma as we start the summer. Our new members, Joan Coeman and her mother Corine Fraser, hosted a good jam at their home last Saturday. We had 13 folks attend with Melissa Stolatz from Sisters joining us, Carol and Kent Craig all the way from The Dalles, and new member Lori Prime from Redmond. It was a fun jam filled with new tunes and lots of laughter. I have to say – our host Joan plays a mean accordion! She knows so many fun new tunes and plays great base chords on tunes she isn't familiar with as she ferrets out the melodies. Thank you for hosting the jam, Joan and Corine.

District Three members met at **Powell Butte Christian Church** this past Sunday for our first jam at this new location. It is a lovely venue with ample room, nice dance floor, particularly good acoustics, and easy accessibility to a wonderful building. We had

We will be having a dance band playing for our July 14, 2nd Sunday Dance. The *Just 4 Fun* band will play from 1 – 4 at the Powell Butte Christian Church.

18 musicians in the circle jam with 6 visitors. Our youth fiddler **Chance Mott** showed off his new accomplishment playing and singing **Rocky Top** while new member **Denise Pinkerton** experienced her first ever jam and played her grandfather's fiddle. It was a magic time.

Word from the Marine front: Recruit Garitt Bondsteel has finally made it to boot camp. He writes that he is loving Marine life and can't wait to hear about all the music, travels, jams and updates on his music family. He would love to hear from you (cards and letters only):

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~ Jeannette Bondsteel, District 3 Reporter

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District 4 Website: OOTFA4.org Check Us Out!

The calendar proclaims it's summer. The flowers in their beds are in splendid bloom. The bees are busy in the vegetable garden where the tomatoes hang green with promise to blush into delicious orbs to grace our tables. Yet it's too quiet, too calm for summer. There's something missing. Where is the music of OOTFA? The many instruments uniting in one voice. The laughter of friends from the distant realms of our lovely state reuniting. This year it's all in the memories of our last summers, waiting to hopefully be realized next summer. Until then keep the music resounding at home and our friends in our hearts.

Peggy Hudson, who with her lovely voice and skill with her guitar, won her way into the hearts of all the older



Jim Winslow with friends from District 4

Long time District 4 member, Jim Winslow, recently passed away at age 104. He managed to stay active and enjoyed playing his guitar and singing until about two years ago. After several several falls he was forced to limit his activities.

Jim was born in Texas into a musically talented family. His dad played the fiddle and his mother the piano. Together they began an Oldtime Fiddle group in their county. In 1985 Jim joined OOTFA and District 4. He played back-up guitar at many jams and often for the fiddle contests. When he joined he was playing a Martin guitar that he bought in 1933, which had become very valuable. Using the guitar every day he knew the possibilities of damaging it were growing greater with his age so he sold it for quite a large sum and bought him one he felt more comfortable playing and he soon grew to love.

District 4 members as well as folks from around the state, is not active now but stays in touch with the district's activities. Peggy's mother, the late **Edith Duckworth**, also was a member of District 4 and played the piano for gigs and jams and especially loved playing for the residents at the assisted living facilities. She was in her late 90's and often older than the ones she played for. She on the piano and **Judy McGarvey** on fiddle and Peggy on guitar would have them clapping and stomping feet to their rollicking rendition of *12th Street Rag*. Peggy had been looking for a new home for the piano she and her mother played. She especially hoped it would go to a family with children that

would learn to play it, and she found that family with Christa, Sidra and Jubal Price. Christa and Sidra both play the fiddle. Recently the family visited Peggy to move the piano to their home. The children brought bouquets of hand picked flowers for Peggy, along with a card they made to thank her for the wonderful gift. Peggy was so blessed by their thoughtfulness. The piano has a new family. What is old became new to them!



Peggy Hudson with the piano she gifted to the Price Family

If you are looking for an

hour of fun playing the old tunes, **Judy McGarvey** is still giving a street performance to her neighborhood on Brookdale, every Thursday, 2:30, weather permitting. Social distancing is practiced and everyone is welcome!

Happy July 4th to all from District 4. Have fun. Stay safe, stay well. ~ Judy Lyons, District 4 Reporter

For his 104th birthday, his best friend, **Dottie Birkett**, gave him a party that was attended by many of his oldest friends. A small group of musicians played some of his favorite tunes. Jim sat in his wheelchair, holding his guitar, and sang along remembering the words to *Sierra Swing*, *Springtime in the Rockies*, *Crawdad Song* and many others. Shortly before he passed away, Dottie and another close friend, **Jim Howe**, visited him. Sitting at his bedside Mr. Howe played while Jim lay in his bed holding his guitar and listening to the old music one more time. He passed away peacefully two days later. And one more precious leaf fell from the **OOTFA Family Tree**.

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Our first OOTFA Board Meeting was be held on June 20 via the **Zoom** application. As our District 5 Chair, **Kriss** Fenton prepared for this groundbreaking meeting, she reminded us that we still have to take precautions and thanks us for our compassionate understanding about having to cancel our Fiddle at the Beach event in August. She says, "This is so sad, but many of our members are seniors and many like me, have underlying conditions which makes us vulnerable. Please be safe wherever you are. God bless. Virtual hugs from D5."

It is ironic that we are an oldtime organization and we identify with oldtime music and oldtime ways and here we are conducting a meeting over a very modern web conferencing program. Pretty high tech for us oldtimers!

And now, a real treat for all of us. The Personality Profile for this month will be presented by a guest reporter: Al Pierce. Al, the subject of the column today, agreed to send me some information for his profile. Reading it, I thought it was so good and I certainly could not do better, so I asked to use his story, unedited. I discovered after talking with him that he earned a Master's in English, which definitely shows in his writing! You will know Al as the quiet, unassuming gentleman in our group, often wearing a cool bowler hat and carrying his mandocello, which looks like a guitar,

except the top is arched like a violin and it is tuned like a cello. Al makes lovely music with his mandocello. He is glad to share his knowledge and introduce anyone who is interested to the instrument. And now, I am happy to give the rest of the column to our Al Pierce:

New OOTFA Members July 2002

Joan Coleman	Bend (3)
Ted Engstrom	Bend (3)
Corine Fraser	Bend (3)
Joe, Julie & Quinn Larson	Canyon City (9)
Ben Maisel	Bend (3)
Denise & Tim Pinkerton	Redmond (3)
Susan Staneway	Bend (3)

by Al Pierce

I come from a musical family. My father was a hi-fi addict with an appreciation of many musical genres, and my mother was a professional opera singer. I grew up with equal amounts of folk music and other styles, from Woody Guthrie to the The Weavers to Dylan, to Bach and Mozart, and lots of Broadway musicals.

Since I most definitely did not inherit my mother's talent for singing, I turned to instruments, beginning with the recorder and the Trapp Family method when I was nine. By the time I was ten I was playing the cornet, and by the age of thirteen had added the piano. At about sixteen, I discovered the guitar and developed an addiction to folk and oldtime country music. Somewhere in my mid-twenties, I added the banjo and mandolin to the instruments I didn't play well. Most recently I discovered the mandocello.



Al is a many-faceted scholar, learned musician and a darned nice guy. He is shown here with his Mandocello.

Though I have played with a country-western group, a bluesrock-band, and a community orchestra, my longest musical love affair has been with what we now call "Americana," though I mostly stick with the older stuff, and have been about 99% "unplugged" since about 1978.

I have had other hobbies, of course, and when I lived in northeastern California, I picked up astronomy and astrophotography as a hobby, but since that isn't very practical in foggy North Bend, I went back to another old hobby - model railroads.

I am enjoying playing with the Oldtime Fiddlers about as much as I have ever enjoyed anything, and continue to relearn old songs and pick up new ones. This is great bunch of folks.

Thank you, Al. You make a splendid guest reporter and subject! Stay well and happy everybody. Keep the music and friendship (sometimes from a distance) flowing and we will see you one day soon!

~ Barbara Scheirman, District 5 Reporter

HOFFOWNER Tune of the Month



This tune has been credited to Arthur Smith of Tennessee, but it was widely played around Appalachia in the early 20th Century. It was one of Jim Winslow's favorites.

Walking In My Sleep

Many good versions around; but (WARNING!) it's been adopted by the bluegrass crowd. You can hear Arthur do it in his early bluegrass style on slippery-hill. Or Hazel Dickens and Alice Gerrard sing it here on YouTube.



Lyrics:

Now, if you see that girl of mine Tell her if you please Before she bakes her bread To roll up her dirty sleeves

(Refrain:)

Walkin' in my sleep, baby,
Walkin' in my sleep
Up and down that Dixie line
Walkin' in my sleep
Bake them biscuits baby
Bake 'em good and brown
When I'm done with breakfast
I'm Alabama bound.

* Refrain

Pain in my finger
Pain in my toe
Pain in my ankle bone
I ain't a-gonna work no more.

* Refrain

Yonder comes that gal of mine, How do you think I know? I can tell her by them golden curls Hanging down so low.

* Refrain

Walking In My Sleep



Thanks to Melinda Grant for bringing us Tune of the Month for July 2020!

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May JUNE be KIND to EVERYONE!

It has now been 4 months since we have been able to have a jam or potluck or meeting or social event and a lot of things have been cancelled, which is really, really sad. Most of the state's counties will relax some of the tight guidelines, so we might be able to start making short term, low key plans.

The first check from the **Bottle Drop Program** was received on May 27th for the amount of \$200.15. This was a very nice addition to our bank account. The efforts of **Vicky Megowan**, **Jessie Kurtz**, **Lisa Ponder** and **Chuck Roehrich** who collected and deposited the recyclable containers are greatly appreciated.

If you need to pick up the blue collection bags for the Bottle Drop fundraiser contact: Vicky Megowan (vmegowan@hotmail.com), Jessie Kurtz (jessiefeliz@yahoo.com), Lisa Ponder, or Chuck Roehrich (lponder@efn.org or chuckr8620gmail.com)

Birthday Greetings: Lynne Baran (7/3), Emily Moyle (7/11), Amy Burrow (7/14), Sal Fiducia (7/26), Jerry Parks (7/31)

Wedding Anniversary: Bernie and Marie Roberts (7/18)

~ Shirley Humphreys, District 6 Reporter

District 6 Notes

Ken Luse: People have been asking when the first Friday Eugene Hotel jam and others will start up again and the answer is "until the elder communities allow more than one visitor per resident in the facility, we need to protect them and ourselves".

Bob Strelow: I am going to be making a move to Northern Idaho if suitable accommodations can be found which will be closer to my daughter. With that in mind, I have a number of vinyl lip records featuring recordings of Carol Ann Wheeler, Dick Barreto and other fiddlers of note and many tapes of fiddlers that I would like to make available to anyone who would like to have them. Even have an operating turntable for the LPs.

If interested contact Bob at fiddleinist.48.rs@gmail.com. Bob is a Lifetime Member, currently lives in Oakridge, is an excellent fiddler He will be missed but will continue to be a member of OOTFA.

Ernie Connelly, District 6 Chair:

Changing Times for ALL. Lets keep our music standards going as much as we have in the past. Regardless of all of the changes in our lives, music will always be dear to our hearts. The Oldtime Fiddlers must carry the torch! We have to adapt to the changes in society, our organization, our home, and ourselves. Yes, we might have to wear a mask and keep more distance, but we still have our music! That's ok, we are more vulnerable and we must be safe. At least we don't have to play a wind instrument while wearing a mask!

Speaking of changes, nothing is happening as far as group playing goes. One change that has been in the works for sometime is the changing of the guard in District 6 officers. Elections were called off which led to an unforeseen direction in the bylaws on how to handle the election process. At the present time I will be Chairperson until the election. However, the Vice Chair, Jessie Kurtz, resigned with no big surprise. She notified me a few months ago and was expected to be replaced during the District 6 elections. I want to thank Jessie for an outstanding job as Vice Chair. Jessie covered for me several times with the skills of organizing, following through and keeping me in line with several projects in the district. I would like to thank Betsy Janeczek who has agreed to fill in as the interim District 6 Vice Chair. Again, let's stay safe, get some practice in on some new tunes, keep refreshed on old tunes and look forward to the new world norm.

In Memorium: One a sad note, Joanne Clark, our long time member from Eugene passed away on Monday, June 1. Her husband Gerald Clark survives her. If you would like to send a card, his address is 893 Club Way, Eugene, OR 97401.

OOTFA STATE TREASURER'S REPORT as of: 6/12/2020

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State Checking Account	17,178
State Scholarship (inc.in above)	1,897
General Certificate of Deposit	12,000
Contest Certificate of Deposit	4,500
Kielhorn Money Market	8,455
TOTAL CASH ASSETS	\$42,133

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Happy summer everyone! I hope you all are doing well and enjoying your homes and gardens. We still are not playing in groups anywhere but there is a possibility of a jam at the **Yamhill Valley Vineyard** on August 8 from about 1:00-3:00. **David Altman** is in charge of this. Please save that date

We look forward to meeting at **Terry** and **Andy Jorgensen's** home for **Bob Huffman's 100th birthday** on August 15th. There will be a potluck at noon. Bring a chair for the jamming after we eat. The address is: 50992 SE Baty Road in Sandy. Terry's number and email are: 503-702-0460 terryjorgensen112852@gmail.com.

I have been "attending" a number of gatherings on-line in the last few months and have enjoyed learning a lot of new music especially two lovely waltzes: *Michael Turner's Waltz* and *Sir John McDonald's Waltz*. You can find both of them on YouTube. I have also heard from David Altman who is playing music during his on-line church service. He likes to play along with the hymns and other music with his mandolin or fiddle. He says it is definitely different and sometimes even inspiring. I have also heard from Truman Price from District 8 who loves *Flowers of Edinburgh* like I do. He learned it from an old 33 1/3 LP of

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Martha Hughes is making an effort to start her beginner's fiddle class using **Zoom**. She reached out to her existing class last month to see if we could continue lessons on line. If you are interested please call Martha at 503-393-2271. She will help you get set up. Martha's class is open to all OOTFA members and public.

We also have the Slo-jams again which started in June on 1st and 3rd Thursdays from 1-3 pm, with spacing and precautions. We will be limited to 12 until further

the **Scottish Fiddle Orchestra**. He also likes the Scottish tune **72** *Highlanders Farewell to Aberdeen*. His current favorite tune, that he has played for decades, is based on JP Fraley's **Dusty Miller**. He says in his rendition he hears a little insect or trout fly, not Fraley's miller grandfather. Thanks for sharing this with District 7, Truman.

In the last two Hoedowners I have mentioned a few on-line venues and want to add a couple of things you might be interested in knowing about. First of all, another **Neighborly Music ZOOM** class will be starting up in July again. If you are interested you can look at the website or contact Maggie Lind at maggiebanjo@gmail. com 503-756-2579. There will be seven weeks of oldtime music with three teachers-- Maggie on banjo, Patrick on guitar, and Sophie on fiddle.

Another venue I have enjoyed is the **Fiddle Hell** Massachusetts gathering. I have now attended three jams, all with great players who usually played at a moderate speed. The jams are on Wednesdays at 2:00 PDT and now Sundays at 5:00 PDT. At each session the musicians list the music that they will play. Today I was on the Fiddle Hell Facebook page and saw a jam offered by Jay Unger and Molly Mason --what a treat to be able to play along with them. You can find out what is going on with this group by going to their Facebook page. You do not need to be a member of Facebook. Just type into your facebook.com/groups/fiddlehellmassachubrowser: setts. Scroll down the page and you will find interesting things that you can be a part of. There is a large on line three day workshop coming up on November 5-8.

Enjoy all these long summer days. ~ Elaine Schmidt, District 7 Reporter



Gayle Clarity and Truman Price sharing a story at Sheep to Shawl

opening of group gathering numbers, due to space available. If you are well and interested please call Marie at 503-835-7185, or e-mail. First come until we're full is the rule. This jam is restricted to D-8 members. One guest attendance is welcome. Our first one was attended by nine members and it was so nice to get together and play music again.

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District 8 continued

One of our new members donated to our scholarship for the teaching from this fund in exchange for one of our un-used fiddles. Thank you, **Kim Rudolph!**

Tim Crosby at **Up Town Music** in Keiser is also offering on line lessons which will include our District 8 jam tune list. If you need extra help this is a great resource.

Our members report they have been catching up on their "To Do" lists and pursuing a variety of interests that have been neglected, plus learning new tunes and practicing the old ones. We'll have much to share in future. So far no reports of illness, accidents, surgeries or other lost members so all is good here.

Respectfully Submitted

~ Marie Bailey, District 8 Subsitute Reporter

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Reporter: Marianne Andrews

We had a dandy jam on Friday night (June 12). Ron Phillips, Carl Stinnett and Ben Richardson joined us from John Day and so we had 10 musicians. Great music and fun times! We have continued to meet in large indoor spaces for good opportunities for social distance. Call Joan or Randy to find the meeting place, and the protocol, like no snacks, no card playing, etc. Musicians are welcome if you are both healthy and comfortable.

We are looking for opportunities to play outdoors in the community, of course following the state's guidelines.

Julia Milleson called to notify us of a new fiddler who has moved to Burns, so we will learn more specifics later. Julia herself is doing well in Milton-Freewater, however is doing no music and is avoiding being exposed to COVID-19. She sounds good and would welcome any calls.

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On Wed, July 15, from 11 am–1 pm, we'll play at the Canyonville Farmer's Market, held in the south parking lot of Seven Feathers Hotel and Casino. Please be there at 10:30 am. The market's hours are 9:30 am–1:30 pm.

We miss everyone with no Jamboree but are hopeful for next year. To move to greater integration with OOFTA we have taken down the High Desert Fiddlers email and website. Check your roster for a valid email or phone number.

Our next Potluck and Jam will be announced when the governor says we can go back



Randy Gibson uses a state of the art impromptu music stand

to life as we knew it. We are looking forward to seeing everyone return and bringing your friends and your instrument.

~ Musically Yours, Marianne Andrews, District 9 Reporter

We'll have a business meeting on Saturday, July 25 at 11 am before the Noon Jam at the **Sutherlin Senior Center**, 202 E. Central, Sutherlin. It's the building next to the library, and the parking lot is in the back. We'll elect officers unless the state decides to maintain the status quo for a year. Please try to attend. There will be no food so eat lunch beforehand. Coffee will be available. If you can wear a mask, lovely. Maintain proper distance.

Physically distant jams are continuing outside from 4-6 pm on Mondays and Fridays. Check the **OOTFA googlegroup** emails or call Jude for location.

In July, we celebrate birthdays for Richard Poelstra (July 4), Kelly Wadsworth (July 6), Colleen Hanks (July 22), Liz Crain (July 26), Mary Oswald (July 26) and Jerry Ashford (July 28).

~ Joe Ross, District 10 Reporter

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Please contact me if you would like to add an appropriate website to the list or have suggestions. Robin gat_boy@msn.com

We're on the Web! www.ootfa.org Facebook Group: Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers' Association



Crista, Sidra and Jubal Price enjoying some time in the mountains

They recently received the gift of a piano from Peggy **Hudson of District 4**



Jake Dreyer on harmonica for a District **One Covid** Garage Jam

> Liz Crain of **District 10** Celebrates a birthday in July





It's great to be back playing music in small groups in large spaces with Ron Phillips, Joan Suther, Jim Schultz, Ben Richardson, and Carl Stinnett. Randy Gibson hosted in his new workspace at Outlaw **Wood Products**