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District 7 Spring Jamboree 2024 Charbonneau Clubhouse



Nancy Christie, John Tricola, Curt Cassingham,
and Larry Vining



Greg Baker conducted a Fiddle Class at the Charbonneau Spring Jamboree which was part of the City of Wilsonville's 2024 Festival of the Arts

West Cascades Fiddle Camp

There are still openings in all classes!
Get your registrations in soon.

This is our 12th year and the camp runs Monday, June 22 through Thursday, June 25 at Emerald Christian Academy in Pleasant Hill.

For more information and registration, check out our website,

fiddlecamp.net



District 9 at a May 12 potluck and open jam. Join them June 13, 14 & 15 at the High Desert Music Jamboree!



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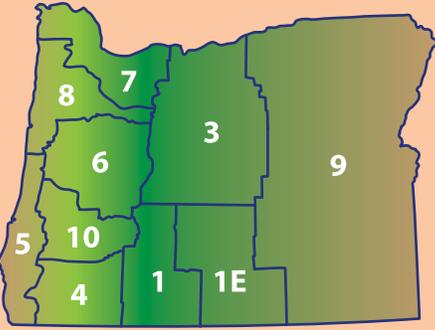
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Hello All,

The **McLain Family Campout** held in Christmas Valley was a great time again this year! Lots of good music and friends there as always. Looking forward to the **High Desert Music Jamboree** in Burns, June 13-15! Hope to see you there.

Keep making music, having fun and supporting each other! ~ Cindy



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Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest ~ Starr McMullen

Greetings! Summer is coming soon! Lots of events are ahead, including the Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest (WVFC) August 2, 2024 at the Benton County Fair in Corvallis. This will be the 24th annual contest and we expect it to be another great one!

Every year this event attracts people who come to see, hear, and play traditional American old-time fiddle music in an outdoor country fair environment. Fiddlers come from all over the country (and even from as far as Italy and Japan!!) to compete at one of the longest running fiddle contests in the Northwest, and a tradition at the **Benton County Fair** for over 20 years!

Our three distinguished championship judges:

JayDean Ludiker, Spokane Washington
Dani Jo Meeks, Spokane Washington
Alex Sharps, Rio Vista California



This contest includes a **Novice Division** for those who have never played in a contest before---so it is a great opportunity for newcomers to get on stage and see what it is like! In addition we have **PeeWee** (8 years and under), **Junior-Junior** (9-12 years old), **Adult** (18-59 years old), **Senior** (over 60) and **Grand Championship Division** (open to anyone!). This is now a certified contest, which means winners of all age divisions and the **Grand Champion** will be certified to play at the **2025 National Old-time Fiddle Contest** in Weiser, Idaho and will have their entry fee for that contest paid! In the **Adult** and **Senior Divisions**, we will certify with highest placing **Adult** (37-59) and **Young Adult** (18-36) and the **Senior** (60-69) and **Senior-Senior** (70+) winners.

All contestants must play a hoedown, waltz and tune or choice (other than a hoedown or waltz) in each round unless time constraints limit play to just one or two tunes. This will be determined on the day of the contest and depends on the number of contestants. Contest begins at 9 am and concludes by 5:30 (we must be off the stage!) Judges meeting (where you can ask questions!) takes place at 8:45 am at the **Oak Grove Stage** where the contest takes place.

As of January 1, 2024, the **Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest (WVFC) has become an official OOTFA function sponsored by OOTFA District 6!**

We are only able to continue this tradition through donations from various sources, including the very welcome contributions from various OOTFA Districts, individuals, and businesses over the years.

I hope you and your District will consider helping support this event.
Donations can be sent to:

Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest c/o Starr McMullen
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Please join the Facebook Group
(Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest in Facebook)

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District 1 June Events

5	Introduction to Old-Time Fiddling	8:40 am
	Ponderosa School	
12	Luther Square Practice	9:30 am
13	Pelican Pointe	2:30 - 3:30 pm
19	Luther Square Practice	9:30 am
26	Luther Square Practice	9:30 am
27	Rogue River Place	1 - 2 pm

We are changing our practices to **Luther Square on Wednesdays**; our group is getting larger and we need more room. We will be starting June 12. We have a new member that has started with District 1. We welcome **Debbie Cornelison**. She is a great guitar, mandolin player as well as a singer, a real addition for our District. Debbie jumped right in and went to **Christmas Valley** and has signed up for fiddle camp. **Welcome Debbie!**

We are now enjoying days of Spring it has been a long time coming.

Special wishes for all of our June Birthdays, have a special day.

Happy Trails and Best Wishes from District 1

~ Noranne Sparks, District 1 Reporter



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Enjoying non-OOFTA jams at **Rosa Lee's** on Thursday nights, 4 to 7. Always a good time! We also play second Saturdays at the **Chamber of Commerce** from noon until we give out,

Now on to **Christmas Valley**: we had a great time thanks to all that came you make it work. We sit in a circle and play for days. Then, on Saturday night, we had a sign-up jam, playing a song to match your hat or hat to song. We had 8 participants.

Cathy Sweetman did "My Old Man" and took home "Most Original" with the help of **Edna Jenkins, Elizabeth Bigelow, Larry McLain** and **Terry McLain**.

Hal and Bev Weiner did the "Chicken Dance" song to win the "Silliest".

Ron and Cindy Crane did "Twinkle Little Star" for "Best Fit".

LeRoy Newport and **Gloria Egan** did "Gray Bonnet".

Paula Sanders, with the help of **Rosa Lee** and **Larry McLain** did "Paper Moon".

Jude and **Jim Kuether** with **Chris Cormack** performed "Play Fiddle Play".

Luke VanHagen with **Edna Jenkins, Dean Oliver** and **Terry McLain** played "The Way I Am".

Jim Toussaint with **Larry McLain** played "Just Because".

Rosa Lee McLain with son, **Terry** and **Larry**, played "My Mother's Eyes".

We did have a great time. If ya make it to this part of the world, contact us, we love to play!

~ Terry McLain, District 1E Reporter

New OOTFA Members • June 2024

Stan Avery	Bandon (5)
Corri Geffen	Myrtle Creek (10)
Jeff Hazel	Rogue River (4)
Dave Newman	Myrtle Creek (10)
Steve & Kay Tanner	Lebanon (6)

Edna Jenkins with new District 1 member, **Debbie Cornelison**

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District 3 June Events

23 Dance at Terrebonne Grange 1 - 3 pm
8286 11th Street, Terrebonne, just a block
off Highway 97, behind the Pumphouse Grill
Open to the public!

It's amazing; the fun, enthusiasm and quality of music at our monthly dances. At our April 2024 **Grange Dance**, there were 14 musicians and 15 guests. Thanks to our members and to Grange members for providing coffee and snacks. All our members are encouraged to participate by playing music, dancing, and socializing.

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The month of May rolled in a spring storm with days of cold rain and blusters of wind for our valley and snow for the mountains. Afterwards, the hills appeared washed and clean, preparing the stage for Summer.

Several District 4 members attended the **Brookings Jamboree** on the coast sponsored by District 5 and some had so much fun they just headed east to do some more jamming, playing the old-time tunes at the **Christmas Valley McClain Family Campout**. District 4 musicians played the old-time tunes while the students and family members celebrated **Earth Day** at the **Outdoor School** in the beautiful Applegate Valley.

The April monthly jam was held at the **Phoenix Grange** and was a fundraiser for the grange. Many musicians filled the stage and the room with music while grange members served delicious treats to the guests. May Day, unfortunately for the students, family members and musicians, dawned cold and rainy. But they all performed beautifully in spite of the conditions.

A new gig for the district, at **Sunset Place**, was added for May and the musicians serenaded the residents.

How about sharing your favorite tunes and songs with other members? Chord charts for instrumentals? Write up lyrics & chords? Easy-to-follow sheet music with chords? Also, check out the tunes on www.ootfa.org/songpicker.html.

Planning for the **Central Oregon Acoustic Music Gathering** is already in the works, and will be here before we know it! It's scheduled for September 12, 13 & 14 at the **Crook County Fairgrounds**. This has been an annual event since 2015, except for years 2020 and 2021 due to the COVID pandemic. Volunteers are needed to help with the event. Please contact **Ellen Jakab** to discuss. Phone 541-548-2387 or email iamejs@webtv.net.

District 9's annual **High Desert Music Jamboree** in Burns is happening June 13, 14 & 15 at the **Harney County Fairgrounds** in Burns. Camping is available upon arrival.

Happy Birthday and Happy Anniversary to our members whose special day is in June. We wish a speedy recovery to those with health issues.

~ Karen Bennett, District 3 Reporter

The **Vintage Fair**, in Eagle Point, was well attended by the local residents who wandered around checking the many vendors displays. The district musician entertained everyone as they played in a gazebo in a garden while the Little Butte Creek raced by down the hill from the newly restored Butte Creek Mill.

The district calendar for June is quite full of opportunities to play old-time tunes around our glorious state. The **High Desert Music Jamboree**, June 13-15, will find many district members enjoying all the fun activities and a few will drive further east to participate in the **National Fiddle Contest** in Weiser Idaho, June 17-22. June 22 will also be the first gig of the summer at the **RV Park** in Prospect which is one of the favorite gigs of the summer, playing 7-9 pm. On June 28 district musicians will perform for visitors at the **Hanley Farm**, a large working farm maintained by the **Jackson Historical Society**. Time TBA. June 29 district musicians will perform for the **Rooster Crow Festival** in Rogue River. They will play under a huge gazebo in the park. Time TBA.

The **Tuesday Jammers** meet every Tuesday, 4-6 at the Methodist Church in Medford. For more info contact Judy McGarvey 541-779-8145.

The Wednesday evening practice and tutoring jam is held every Wednesday 6-8 at the **Roxy Ann Grange** in Medford. Contact **Melissa Taylor** for more info 360-269-4288.

Check the calendar for all gigs, meetings, jams their times, dates and maps or call a district officer.

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



District 4 musicians filled the stage for a performance at the March monthly jam in Rogue River

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District 5 June Events

- 9 Dora Potluck/Districts 5 & 10 2 - 5 pm
Dora Community Center
 - 12 Amphitheater at Bullards 6 - 7:30 pm
Beach State Park (North of Bandon)
 - 26 Amphitheater at Bullards 6 - 7:30 pm
Beach State Park (North of Bandon)
- Other performances TBA

District 5 will jam and potluck with District 10 on Sunday, June 9, from about 2-5 pm at the **Dora Community Building** on Goldbrick Road, beside the library and fire hall. There will be signs! This is on Sitkum Lane, east of Myrtle Point 20 miles, or on the old Coos Bay Wagon Road (AKA Sitkum Lane) 40 miles west of Roseburg. Directions for Roseburg folks: Follow signs to Iverson Park, then keep on going! Winston people can go out to Ten-mile, then take the Reston Road to Iverson Park, which is on the Coos Bay Wagon Road. There are no tourist facilities in Dora, fill your gas tanks before you come!



We will miss you, Gayle Triplett, a fine mandolin player who sang beautifully

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Tune of the Month

Thanks to
Dan McNamar of
District 6 for this
month's tune

Dave Hart was a multi-instrumentalist, composer, teacher and friend. Nothing would give him more pleasure than making music. I first met Dave at the Walnut Valley Festival (AKA, Winfield in Kansas). He was playing a custom built mandolin but he didn't like the feel of the neck. So, in front of the luthier he reshaped the neck to his own liking.

He graduated from mandolin to self taught old time fiddle He collected some tunes, transcribed others and wrote some amazing pieces of his own. He shared all of his music freely; copyrighted none of it because for him the joy was hearing the tunes. Unfortunately, Dave died a few years back. His friends all agree he would be honored and happy for his tune to be shared and enjoyed by fiddlers far and wide.

Search YouTube for "Valley Forge" and Brian McNamar (my cousin). Dave is the fiddler in the blue shirt. [Watch Here](#)

"Precious Waltz" does have lyrics written by my cousin, a friend of ours and myself. On SoundCloud search for "When Your Heart Skips a Beat", It's a waltz. Brian plays the fiddle break at the end of the song. ~ Dan McNamar

The Precious Waltz

Dave Hart

D A D A

G D Em A D

A D G Bm A

G D A G

D Bm D Em A

D A F#m G Bm

A G D

District 5 continued

The suspense is over! After long deliberation, District 5 has settled on a **theme** for the **Fiddle at the Beach** campout the third weekend of August: **"Funny Songs that Make Me Laugh"**! What an excellent theme for such a happy group as ours. Find a tune and create a costume to go with it, and plan your performance for the Friday night contest. Judges will be looking for the best theme tune (funniest) and best (funniest) costume. There will be truly exciting prizes for the winners!

You have made your reservations for **Winchester Bay** that weekend, haven't you? The community center and the areas around outside will be filled with folks jamming and socializing all weekend. Shows are Thursday, Friday, and Saturday, with a gospel circle on Sunday. **Ruth Weyer** is planning great food and no one leaves without a smile. August 15-18.

Meanwhile, District 5 is making camping fun for the many folks who come out to hear us on the second and fourth Wednesday evenings at **Bullards Beach State Park Campground**, just north of Bandon, 6 to 7 pm. If you are close by, please join us, we love visiting musicians.

~ Linda Sweatt, District 5 Reporter



Barbara Scheirman and Mapril Combs

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District 6 June Events

- 1 Intermediate Fiddle Class 1 – 3 pm**
River Road Annex, Eugene
- 6 Dave & Jim's Acoustic Jam 1 - 3 pm**
Corvallis Community Center
- 8 District 6 Monthly Jam 10 - 3 pm-ish**
Central Grange, 87200 Central Road
- 10 Basic Fiddle Class 1 - 3 pm**
Bethesda Lutheran, 4445 Royal Ave., Eugene

June is here! May brought the blooming Rhododendrons, the best Northern Lights in decades, and Sun and Warmth remembering where Oregon is.

The **Intermediate Fiddle Class** (1st Saturday of month) for May was well attended. Four guitars, one mandolin, and one banjo played backup for the 10 fiddlers. The theme for class was "Getting to Really Know a Tune". After warming up on a half dozen tunes, time was spent diving into "Harvest Home", experimenting with tempo, string crossings, and various ways to make it your own.

There is a new team in place to teach the **Basic Fiddle Class** on the second Monday of each month, now that **IlaMae** is wishing to back off from teaching (she is still attending!). **Donna O'Neil, Steve Robare** and **Linda Danielson** are the new team. Donna's been a class member for over the last decade, and knows the tunes. Linda will still be doing "closet coaching" for individuals, as well as leading a 5-minute mini workshop during each class on some ways to improve our fiddling! Steve, who is new to our class, is learning fiddle and also plays guitar and bass, and has a plethora of skills in teaching band, so his musicianship is already helping us out. With the team in place, there will not need to be breaks due to anyone's travel plans or illness; we'll always have class, 1:30-3:30 pm. Though the level is Basic, come join the fun, and support us with your fiddle skills or back up playing!

After the celestial light show Friday night, the 2nd Saturday of May dawned blissfully bright and beautiful. Perfect for the wonderful Thanksgiving style **Celebration Potluck** honoring **Phyllis Coffin** on May 11 at the **Central Grange** jam. Four of her 6 children were there and at least fifty people came to make music, sing some of her favorite songs, and share stories and remembrances about **Phyllis** (& her late husband **Zane**).

After a couple of hours of music **Patti Luse** summoned all for the turkey, ham, mashed potatoes, and much more potluck feast. And I haven't even mentioned the dessert table. I really enjoyed the home made steam extracted pear juice. No one went home hungry.

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After the feast there was a jam. A dozen impromptu groups sang or played; many selections were 'Phyllis Songs'. "Dream" "Bye, Bye, Blackbird" "We'll Meet Again" "The Water is Wide" "What a Wonderful World" "I Get the Blues When it Rains" and "Button up Your Overcoat" were among them. After, **Bill Coffin**, one of Phyllis' sons rose and thanked OOTFA, saying this was exactly the type of remembrance she would have liked. A true Celebration of Life.

Star McMullen (Corvallis fiddler), recently returned from a multi-week trip, reports that she won the **Texas State Senior Fiddle Championship**, judged an Arizona contest, and plans to play at **Folklife** in Seattle Memorial Day weekend. A wonderful ambassador for fiddling. A reminder that the **Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest** is coming up August 2nd.

From Amy Burrow: We have regularly-scheduled performances at **Churchill Estates** on 6/13, from 2:30-3:30, and **Waterford Grand** on 6/17, from 2-3. On June 14, **Evergreen Senior Living** is hosting a special BBQ lunch to celebrate **Father's Day**. We will entertain beginning at noon and could use more performers. **Solvang** honors each month's birthday celebrants with cake and live music. We are scheduled to brighten their day on June 26, from 1-2 p.m. A venue that is new to our players is **River Grove Memory Care** in the Santa Clara neighborhood. They are kicking off summer with a **Western Hoedown** in their courtyard on the 28th, from 2-3. Please let **Amy Burrow** (aru.bur6294@gmail.com) know when you can help round out an ensemble.

Birthday Greetings: **Ken Luse** and **Lena Stubbs** (6/6), **Peggy Schneider** (6/16), **Linda Parks** (6/28)

Wedding Anniversary: **Lisa Ponder & Chuck Roehrich**

~ Tony Dandurand, District 6 Reporter

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District 7 June Events

- 1 **Sunnyside Grange Circle Jam** 1 - 4 pm
13130 SE Sunnyside Road, Happy Valley
(Sunnyside Road at 132nd Ave.)
- 9 **Cherrywood Village** 2:30 - 3:30 pm
1417 SE 107th Ave, Portland
- 27 **Cherry Blossom Cottage** 2 - 3 pm
11172 SE Cherry Blossom Drive, Portland

New District 7 officers listed above were elected at our April meeting. Our monthly circle jams continue to be well attended, and we welcome musicians and listeners to join us on the 1st Saturday of each month from 1:00-4:00 pm.

Our **Spring Jamboree** on May 19 was a great success with 30 people attending the six free afternoon workshops (and thanks to **Eileen Walter** for presenting a workshop when a scheduled instructor was unable to attend). The ticketed evening performances brought in about 100 more people from the community. This event was funded by a grant from the **City of Wilsonville** and hosted by the **Charbonneau Arts Organization** as part of their 2024 Festival of the Arts. Ticket sales will benefit music programs at Canby and Wilsonville High Schools.

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District 7 group at Cherrywood Village with Jeff Andrew at the microphone, April 2024

District 7 continued

On Saturday, July 27, the **3rd Annual Sunnyside Youth Fiddle Contest** will be held at the **Wilsonville Community Center**. Mark your calendars to enjoy the fiddling of the upcoming generations. Details will appear in the **July Hoedowner**. The Sunnyside Youth Fiddle Contest is funded by a grant from the City of Wilsonville, and co-hosted by OOTFA Districts 7 and 8.

Put the **Farm Jam Campout**, August 8-11, on your calendar. It will be held at 32260 SE Belfils Rd, Estacada, OR 97023. It will start Thursday night through Sunday. If anyone is interested in helping with organizing or just helping in any way, please contact **Connie Smith** at olfarm@gmail.com or 503-715-7738.

Watch for us performing this summer at the **Clackamas County Fair** on Wednesday, August 14, from 2:30-3:30 pm.

~ Nancy Christie & Larry Vining, District 7 Reporters

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District 8 June Events

- 4 Practice Jam at Marie Bailey's Home 1 - 3 pm**
Guests rotate so call Martha for location
- 6 Martha's Fiddle Class/Jam 9:30 - 10:30 am**
Guests rotate so call Martha for location
- 6 Jam at Monmoth Senior Center 6:30 pm**
arranged by Ted Hunt
- 8 Sons of Norway Lodge 6:30 - 7:30 pm**
625 Brush College Road NW, Salem
- 13 Martha's Fiddle Class/Jam 9:30 - 10:30 am**
Guests rotate so call Martha for location
- 18 Practice Jam at Marie Bailey's Home 1 - 3 pm**
Guests rotate so call Martha for location
- 20 Martha's Fiddle Class/Jam 9:30 - 10:30 am**
Guests rotate so call Martha for location
- 21 Jefferson Lodge Memory Care 3 - 4 pm**
64 SE Jefferson St, Dallas
- 28 District Jam at Yamhill 1:30 - 3:30 pm**
Heritage Center and Museum

Sapphire is a member of District 8 and has been playing fiddle in Martha Hughes' class for the past couple of years. She lives with her family in Salem. She hopes to compete in the **Oregon State Open Fiddle Contest** in the coming year. Sapphire has a lifetime of fiddle experiences ahead of her. Most of us in District 8 are adults, although we are seeing more and more younger folks like Sapphire starting to play. I wanted to share with everyone what she has to say about how she got started.

What is it about the fiddle that made you want to learn?

I wanted to learn the fiddle because it was so... splendid. I loved the sound and the overall feel of the music.



Sapphire says the fiddle is splendid

I asked and asked to learn the fiddle, but my mom didn't know how, and my older sister could play flute, so I learned that first. After two years I was allowed to start fiddle as my charter school was offering online music lessons for fretted instruments.

How did you get connected with OOTFA and Martha's class?

I got connected with Martha's class because we were searching for fiddle opportunities for me and we found it on craigslist. I'm so glad that I joined Martha's class! She is a great teacher and I learn so much there!

What are your favorite fiddle songs?

Oof. That's a tough one. My top favorites are "Florida Blues", "The Growling Old Man and the Grumbling Old Woman", "Cajun Fiddle", "Marching Thru Georgia", "Star of the County Down", and I could go on forever.

Where do you see your fiddle playing in a couple of years?

In a couple of years I hope to be able to teach fiddle for beginners and play around town. I really enjoy playing the fiddle and I plan to play in the state competition in the future. ~

District 8 is proud to welcome **Dick and Patty Carlson** of Dundee as our newest members!

~ Mel Fuller, District 8 Reporter

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[Facebook: High Desert Fiddlers](#)

District 9 members jam on Friday nights at Hines City Hall, with the exception of the fourth Friday of each month, when we play for residents at **Aspens**, the local assisted living facility. We have recently had a variety of visitors and listeners.

On May 11, we held a very successful yard sale at **Lynn Mims'** house. A special thanks to all who hauled items, moved items, worked set up days and the LONG day of the event! We made a nice sum and are much closer to our goal for funds for the **June Jamboree**.

Sunday May 12 was our last potluck and open jam until October. We tried a new thing! A semi-organized taco bar. We held a short business meeting between food and music.



Debbie & Don Greenfield recently moved to Central Oregon

On May 10th, we had to dig out a couple of the old chairs we used before the remodel last winter! That evening was the last Friday night jam for long-time members **Debbie** and **Don Greenfield** who are moving to Central Oregon. They will be missed!

Inviting all to our annual **High Desert Music Jamboree** at **Harney County Fairgrounds** in Burns-June 13,14,15. Lots of jamming and visiting-we are arranging several workshops and will have the usual three nightly shows plus a gospel show on Saturday afternoon. Come join the fun!

~ Lynn Mims, District 9 Reporter

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Fiddling in the Park runs weekly on Mondays from June 10 - September 2 at 10 am at **Fir Grove Park**. There will be two groups: 1) Beginning Fiddle and 2) Advanced Beginning Fiddle. Call **Kelly Wadsworth** at 541-643-7113. Loaner fiddles available.

Election of District 10 Officers took place at our meeting on Saturday, May 25. Results will be in the **July Hoedowner**.

A **Joint Potluck and Jam** with District 5 at the **Dora Community Center** will be on Sunday June 9. Head out the **Coos Bay Wagon Road** to get there. **Mapril Combs** has lined up the venue, and **Ruth Weyer** has agreed to help in the kitchen. Potluck 2 pm. Circle Jam from 2:30 - 5 pm. All OOTFA folks are welcome to join in. If your last name begins with "**A - H**," bring a **DESSERT**. "**I - Q**," bring **SALAD**. "**R - Z**" bring **CASSEROLE** or **MAIN DISH**. Carpool to save on gas and parking.

We will perform at 11 am on Friday June 28 on the **Community Stage** at the **Umpqua Valley Arts Festival** in **Fir**

District 10 June Events

- 3 Monday Jam (Sandy Harter, host) 2 - 5 pm**
2403 NE Edenbower, Roseburg
- 9 Dist. 5 & 10 Potluck & Jam 2 pm Potluck**
Dora Community Center **2:30 - 5 pm Jam**
- 10 Fiddle in the Park 10 am**
- 10 Monday Jam (Frank Moore, host) 2 - 5 pm**
Lookingglass Road, Winston
- 13 Garden Valley Retirement 2 - 3 pm**
- 17 Fiddle in the Park 10 am**
- 17 Monday Jam (Witnauers, hosts) 3 - 5 pm**
514 Standley Road, Glide
- 22 District Monthly Potluck/Jam Noon Potluck**
Sutherlin Senior Center **12 - 3 pm Jam**
- 24 Fiddle in the Park 10 am**
- 24 Monday Jam (Jocoys, hosts) 3 - 5 pm**
221 NW Third Ave, Myrtle Creek
- 25 Bridgewood Rivers 2 - 3 pm**
- 27-30 Booher Family Campout in**
Scotts Valley (more info in report below)
- 28 Community Stage at 11 am - Noon**
Umpqua Valley Summer Arts Festival

Grove Park. We'll also jam acoustically as strolling minstrels in the shade from Noon - 3 pm on Friday and Saturday June 28 - 29 at the festival.

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The **Booher Family's Campout** in Scotts Valley will be on June 27-30, with a Saturday night stage show. Local day jammers are welcome too. Campsites for 3 days (Thurs, Fri, Sat nights) are \$150. Day jammers pay \$20/day. Sunday morning after breakfast will be a Gospel Jam. It also happens to be **Michael Booher's** 82nd birthday! You're on your own for food, but they'll have waffles and coffee served outside at breakfast. **RSVP to Dolores Booher**, text or call 541-849-2171, or email doloresb8@protonmail.com.

Monday afternoon jams are announced on **D-10's Googlegroup** and in Text Messages to update you about times and locations. To subscribe, contact **Jude Kuether** and she'll email you the link.

Later this summer on Friday evenings, OOTFA members play music just before sunset at **Umpqua Valley Art Center** to celebrate the migration of the Vaux Swift. **Umpqua Valley Audubon Society** has counted 2,000 birds that circle and dive into the **Clay Place** pottery shed chimney to roost each night. For info, contact **Sandy Harter** at sandharter@gmail.com or 541-430-3430.

Mark your calendars. Districts 4, 10 and folks at **Azalea Grange** have settled on Saturday Sept 21 for a **Joint Potluck and Jam** in Azalea.

Our sunbirds, **Frank Moore & Karen Bennett**, are now back in Oregon. In June, we celebrate birthdays for **Dennis Oswald** (June 1), **Ann Hodson** (June 15), **Sharon Thompson** (June 23), and **Michael Booher** (June 30).

Keep on the sunny side! ~ Joe Ross, District 10 Reporter

District 10 Celebrated Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers Week (second week in May, by Proclamation of Oregon Governor, Victor Atiyeh in March 1986) with a performance in downtown Roseburg



Frank Moore



Don Jocoy



Jude Kuether



Joe Ross

2024 OOTFA Calendar

- June 13-15 High Desert Music Jamboree
Harney County Fairgrounds, Burns
- July 22-25 West Cascades Fiddle Camp
Emerald Christian Academy
Pleasant Hill
- July 22-26 Medford Fiddle Camp
- July 27 Sunnyside Youth Fiddle Contest
Wilsonville
- July 29-Aug. 2 Medford Fiddle Camp
- Aug. 2 Willamette Valley Fiddle Contest
Benton County Fairgrounds, Corvallis
- Aug. 8-11 Farm Jam Campout
32260 SE Belfils Road, Estacada
- Aug. 15-18 Fiddle at the Beach
Winchester Bay
- Sept. 12-14 Central Oregon Acoustic Music Gathering
includes the OOTFA Bi-Annual
Membership Meeting
Crook Co. Fairgrounds, Prineville

Oregon Oldtime
Fiddlers' Association
979 Ascot Drive
Eugene, OR 97401



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In Memoriam

Gayle Triplett, a Lifetime member from Coquille in District 5, passed away in mid-April. She was a kind, caring person who one could count upon. She was a registered nurse and worked in the Home Health Care field. She was retired and lived up Fairview Road with her husband, **Robert**. She enjoyed quilting, her garden, her family and her kitty cats. She played the mandolin and sang beautifully. She was a dear lady and will be so missed.

Condolences can be sent to her husband,

Robert Triplett, at PO Box 845, Coquille, OR 97423.

(Editors Note: Please send any recent obituaries of OOTFA members or past OOTFA members to Patti Luse, 979 Ascot Dr., Eugene, OR 97401.)



The High Desert Music Jamboree is coming June 13-15 at the Harney County Fairgrounds in Burns. This photo is from the 2023 event.



Jodi Vaughn, OOTFA Webmaster, at the District 7 Charbonneau Spring Jamboree