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District 8

Plan to attend the State Convention Sept. 23-25 in Idaho Falls at the Shilo

Hello to all!

This is the month! Our State Convention is *next week* and we are busy with reservations, scheduling events and participants, centerpieces, door prizes, raffle prizes and on and on. "Be There or be Square!"

The Convention will be held Sept. 23, 24 and 25 at the Idaho Falls Shilo Inn in their beautiful convention area. Cost for the dinner on Saturday night will be \$18 per person.

I appreciated the call from Betty Gull this weekend reporting TEN will be attending from the Meridian district, and Katie Bonn from Salmon told us to expect the same from them. Whoopee! Teresa is going to get on the phone to the rest of you any day now if we are not notified of how many to expect from the rest of the state. Please plan and call one of us: Teresa: 208-528-9483, Gail: 208-528-6498. 'Preciate it!

We have had a good month with some additional plays, i.e., "Alive After Five" for 2½ hours in downtown Idaho Falls, with a wrap up of wind, thunder and rain; Idaho Falls weekly "Farmer's Market," for a couple of hours on the riverbank, following great media advertising and a good reception during the performance.

Being as this is a longer month, and we had no plays scheduled last week, we had our jam last Wednesday night. It was decided it had been a while since we had reviewed our "Code of Ethics" and our "Fiddlers Bylaws." Teresa read thru those with the always good reminder of what the IOTFA represents, that we are a "Group Effort," that we are not about "personal acclaim," but working together to promote the wonderful style of music that has always been represented and remi-

niscant of Old Time Fiddlers. With many new members, and as time goes by, it never hurts to be reminded.

Our group has been so talented, with many of our members playing multiple instruments, and it is inspirational for some of us to maybe just try learning something more.

Well, the shadows are long this evening in Idaho Falls, and this will be a shorter letter. Again, we are really looking forward to seeing all of you that can POSSIBLY make it (bring a friend!) at the IOTFA State Convention at the Shilo in Idaho Falls, Sept. 23, 24, 25.

Happy Music Makin'!

—Gail

District 6

Fiddlers play at Three Island Crossing

August 13 was our play at the Glens Ferry Three Island Crossing. We were well received by a large crowd who blessed us with lots of favorable comments about our playing. Our fiddlers performed well, and added to the celebration. It was nice to see how the early pioneers made the crossing with oxen and wagons. One of the horsemen was swept downstream and ultimately rescued, but it was frightening to many of us.

August 20 was our monthly district IOTF meeting with business as usual except for the yearly elections. The results were: Ken Worthington, chairman; Dolores Koonce, secretary; Zora Fansler, treasurer; Edna Day and Elnore Butler, reporters and June Worthington, historian.

The Labor Day weekend was filled with activity and went very well with Wagon Days Saturday, Sept. 3 and Sunday the 4th and then Labor Day in

Bellevue, with plays and performances and parades — lots of fun for everyone, and appreciated by all.

Upcoming events — Glens Ferry Senior Center at 5:30 p.m., Monday, Sept. 12; IOTF meeting, Saturday, Sept. 10; Gooding Senior Citizens Dance Saturday, Sept. 17 and the State Convention in Idaho Falls, Friday, Sept. 23 and Saturday, Sept. 24.

We will play at the Baptiwed's pie social in Jerome sometime in October, the date is not set yet.

Most of our members are on the recovery list, but Gwen Novarro will have eye surgery in Salt Lake City on Sept. 7. Velma Madden is still recovering and Jim Arbaugh is not very well. We wish all a speedy recovery and hope the rest of the district is well and happy.

Remember, when you smile you help others see the sunshine.

—Elnore Butler

Scrapbook Pages Wanted

Please bring pages for the IOTF Scrapbook to the convention in Idaho Falls. We are trying to finish the 2004 Scrapbook, and we would really like to have all districts represented.

Thanks,
June Worthington
State Historian



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