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District 4 News:

## **FALL IS FAST APPROACHING!**

Don and Beverly Ikenberry, and Ron and I attended the Salmon camp-out on August 9-12. It was lots of fun, good food and wonderful fellowship! Thanks to District 9 for their efforts to put this event together.

We're continuing with our normal Thursday afternoon plays at the local health care facilities. And the monthly potluck/jam at Horseshoe Bend Senior Center is scheduled for the 3rd Saturday each month starting at 5:00. We look forward to having members from District 5 join us for this monthly activity. This will continue through September and then resume next spring.

We had our election of officers for 2013, and the slate of officers remains the same: Ron Moore, Chairman; Ken Tooley, Vice-Chairman; Glenda Rogers, Secretary-Treasurer; and Marlene Moore, reporter. Just a reminder to everyone that dues for 2013 are now payable.

Marlene Moore  
District 4 Reporter

## District 8 News

Howdy Fiddler's

Did I say "Lighter schedule"? Was I ever wrong. We've got to give our Chairperson lessons on saying "NO!" August may be the all-time heaviest scheduled month ever. We played our regulars at Senior Living Centers and apartments as well as a wedding, a political gathering, special picnics, a Rexburg Community Concert and two community gatherings; Iona and Taylor. Plus, the Salmon campout and a weekend jam at Daryl Harris' Island Park cabin. Wheel!!!! I guess I'll have to keep looking forward to next month for that lighter schedule.

Teresa reported that the Salmon campout was good. There were eight from our District there; Val and

his wife, Carlene, Mike and his wife, Paula, Monty and Teresa and Ted came when he could. She said, "good music, good food, good camaraderie". A good turnout from this side of the state.

The business meeting held the end of last month was NOT fun. Some issues and concerns were raised- over and over. Some of the issues were explained at that time, while others were put on hold to allow time to get more detailed and expert information and answers. Needless to say, not all left happy. It's probably more honest to say that no one felt good about the meeting or left very happy. Suffice it to say that we all are doing our best to meet all expectations. Sometimes that's just not enough for some. So, it's upward and onward from here. Ironically enough, the next few plays and specials had a great turnout of members and all had a great time.

Word has it that Ted Kirkpatrick is doing well after his heart surgery and recovering his strength with family in Salmon. We miss him and wish a speedy recovery and return.

My wife walked into the kitchen and saw me holding a fly swatter. She asked me, "Why are you holding the fly swatter?" I say, "I'm killin' flies." She asked, "Well, have you killed any yet?" I said, "Yep, three males and two females." My wife, puzzled, says, "How can you tell what sex they are?" I replied, "Well, three were on a beer can, and two were on the phone."

Adios, David

District 9

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FUN FOR EVERYONE

Wow, this has been a great month with a lot of fiddlin going on. We started the month with our usual visit to Bishop Place, an assisted living facility, where the enthusiasm is always outstanding with participation in some singing and the like. And then we had back to back events with play sites we only do once a year. A local Appaloosa Horse club sponsors a weekend of riding and enjoyment and we play for them their first night after they return from a ride. One of our own fiddlers, Debbie, works with the group and plays along when it's time to fiddle. They include a meal of sandwich fixins, salad

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and cookies for our enjoyment and it makes for a fun evening. Then the following day we head up to Elk River for their Elk River Days which includes a parade, BBQ in the park and lots of events for the kids. We are always offered the BBQ and then we play in front of the local store, Huckleberry Heaven. After our play, a huckleberry ice cream cone is included although some of us go a little further with maybe a shake or something of the sort. Anyway, 2 great events in one weekend make for a lot of fun.

Then we moved on to Sunday and had our monthly jam and meeting. Monday we played at our 3 senior sites, Whitman Retirement Center, Pullman Sr. Meal site and Gritman Adult Care Center. That definitely kept us going for that weekend plus.

On August 24-26 we had our annual 3-Rivers Campout down by Lowell, ID with a great attendance. Friday evening began with a potluck and chicken made by the local restaurant and then jamming went on from there into the night. As I understand, there were around 40 people in attendance for the meal and the playing. Saturday morning and early afternoon, lessons were given by Mabel – fiddle, Sue – fiddle, Bill – mandolin, Dave – harmonica, Scott – ukulele, and Tom – guitar. Then all the “students” performed a song at the jam that evening that they learned in their class. It was a great time and the jam continued well into the night. Sunday morning rounded out the event with a great breakfast presented by the Breakfast Club consisting of Karen and Gary, Barb and Willard, Marilyn and Herb, Char and Jon, Barb B., and Marge along with several others who helped out with various other tasks. Quoting from Dave, “It just doesn’t get any better than this.” For sure!! We even had Bill sighting a cougar and a mother bear with 2 cubs. And now a year ahead before we get to do it again. But what a hoot! Mark it on your calendars – August 16-18, 2013. Hope you can come and join in the fun!

We finished the month with a couple more of our usual play sites making this month fun for everyone. Wishing you a great fall of fiddlin. Glad the weather has cooled some here. Hope your outings will be the best.

Marge Nelson