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## **District 6 News**

Fall is a time for change, and it is true for our group. People come and people go, we gain new players and loose them also. As long as we have enough for a jam we will be ok.

We said good bye for the season to George, who plays fiddle, and his lovely wife Gail. They are our first snow birds to make the escape. This past summer they have graciously opened their home each week for a jam. We sit out back on their patio and have fun, and play some pretty darn good sounding music. Gail, the wonderful hostess she is, always has some yummy homemade goodies.

Well as usual Gary has been fishing and caught some beauties. He decided to share with us since he'd done so well, so he had the entire group over for a feed. I really think he shared with us so that he could go back out and catch some more. At any rate we had a feast, and what a feast it was, Merry Lee out did herself with her favorite salads of her family, a tasty potato casserole and of course dessert. Willy contributed fresh sweet corn from his fields.

After the feast we gathered under the shade tree in the yard and played some great tunes. We had a friend of the family, Ron join us for the first time. He plays guitar and wants to learn our tunes. Hopefully we have a new guitar player.

We were invited to play for the wives of the Masons luncheon. It was held in one the nicest facilities in Twin Falls. We played while they ate and we felt very much appreciated. When we played 'Here We Have Idaho', the ladies all stood and sang along.

We are still playing our monthly jam at Idaho Pizza. We have a good group of people who show up to listen while they are eating great pizza.

Oh I think I see a pattern here good food and good music, what a great combination.

Well until next time, keep those instruments warmed up.

Chris Leazer  
District 6 reporter

## **District 8 News**

Howdy From District 8:  
Oct. 2nd, 2012

We held our Annual Business meeting last night at Leo's restaurant in Idaho Falls. It was well attended. Val Crowe, our treasure, was not in attendance, but he had given a report to chair,

Teresa, who reported it. A concern was raised, again, about the District 8s, ownership of a vehicle. Teresa will get a statement from our insurance agent relative to liability of the general membership of the Old Time Fiddler's organization. In discussion, Teresa relayed that she had already talked to our insurance agent, and OTF president, but some felt that we should have something in writing in hopes of soothing concerns. General discussion reiterated the rationale for buying the vehicle in the first place. The consensus was in support of District 8 owning the vehicle. Stay tuned.

95% of lawyers give the rest a bad name. Be sure to vote! If pro is the opposite of con, then what's the opposite of progress? Congress????

You show me a man that says he can do at 70 what he did at 50; and I'll show you a man that didn't do much at 50.

Charlie Lahm reminded us of the grant we've applied for to upgrade our mike holders and booms. Grant recipients will not be announced until December. We hope the holders keep holding til then.

We have had a very busy summer. This is the first month in quite a while that we do not have

any special plays. We still have nine regular plays this month. We brushed up on Mabel's Boo-gie last night, just because it is the only Halloween tune in our repertoire. For Halloween we announce it with emphasis on "BOOOOOO". Other new songs included "It's Me Again Lord" from Gail, and Daryl Harris brought an arrangement of "Amazing Grace". Mike brought a fiddle tune called "Cold and Frosty Morning", which was a bit foreboding. And I brought a Bob Will classic, "Roly Poly".

The election of officers followed one of my favorite yogism- "If it ain't broke, don't fix it!" Harold and I claimed to be not quite broke, but badly

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bent, but no one bought it. So, Teresa remains chairperson, with a round of applause of appreciation for all she does. Monty is vice chair, Val Crowe remains treasure, Barb Albert remains secretary, Harold Sorenson remains the calendar man, and I will continue as newsletter person. The only new officer is Gail Fielding who will become our chapter historian. So, congrats- or condolences to all and thanks to those who serve.

So Teresa says, "Dave, you're not old, you've just entered the Metallic Age." So I ask, "What is my Metallic Age?" Teresa says, "That's when you have gold in your teeth, silver in your hair, and lead in your butt."

Yours truly,

David Schjeldahl

### **District 9 News**

September 2012

#### **FALL IS HERE, BUT NO RAIN!**

Well, it is officially fall and very dry. But we are still hoping the rains will come. Hello to all and hope your fall play dates are going well. We started our regular schedule in September and picked up several senior meal sites that we don't play for during the summer and everything is back to routine. We always start the month with Bishop Place and move on from there.

A couple of us were gone on a trip back to Iowa – i.e. Gary & Karen and Ray & Marge. The reason why I mention this is because we were entertained by some great ladies at a supper put on by a local farmer where we had been given a tour of his operations. There were 6 ladies including a set of twins and could they ever play bluegrass and old time fiddlin. They even traded instruments and kept on going. Well during the performance they managed to talk Gary & Marge into coming up and playing fiddle and bass with them. We were both nervous, but we did a couple songs and it went quite well. Made us feel back at home and we were glad to be a part of the "entertainment."

The rest of the month was well attended for the different sites and it was good to get back into the routine. We did find out, however, that we are losing our play site where we have our practices and meetings as the funding for the site which is a day facility for seniors has run out and will no longer be available. So now we are looking for a new site and are hopeful there is something out there. One always thinks things will continue as they are. Was a wake-up call.

Other than that, not much more to report for September. We hope your fall will be a music filled event and that you will all enjoy the outings and the colors.

Marge Nelson