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Greetings from Salmon!

We have been enjoying a beautiful Fall here in Lemhi County.

Besides our nursing home commitments and weekly Thursday night jams, Ed, Liz, Jerry, and Katie went to Hoots where a good time was had by all.

Betty Morton welcomed us into her home on the 20th. She does not drive after dark anymore but enjoys it when we bring the jam session to her. That evening we celebrated Eliza Fishers 13th birthday. Eliza started taking lessons a year ago with Dianne Spaeth. Now Alicia Bird and Katie are working with her. We also welcomed 2 new members. Dad ,Eryk and daughter, Erykah. Eryk plays guitar but is learning to fiddle. Erykah fiddles and is 13 years old. We are very blessed to have these folks join us. And the best part is that they are as addicted to this music as we are!

Alicia Bird had invited us to have our weekly jams at her dance studio which is behind her house. We now have more room and better acoustics. Thank you for the hospitality Alicia!

We wish all of you a wonderful Thanksgiving!

And you know what is just around the corner, so we need to start practicing those Christmas tunes!

Katie

## District 8

Howdy Everybody,

I've been asked by our leader Teresa to write the Newsletter for our group until the wondering Norwegian, Dave Schjeldahl and his wife Yvonne return from winter hibernation and their early fall trip back home to Minot, North Dakota where they enjoyed serving and tasting ice cream at the annual Norwegian Hostfest. I'm sure they had a great time and we are looking forward to the details when they return.

We were talking to a nice lady the other night at one of our plays and we ask her if she knew who we were? She looked at us a little puzzled and said: "No, I don't, but if you 'll walk down to the front desk, they will be able to tell you." Thank goodness for the

front desk.

Lots of fun gigs around town this past month but have missed a few of the gang who have been traveling eastbound and elsewhere making new friends. I started bragging about seeing nine shows in four days while visiting Branson recently only to be outdone by Darryl Harris who took in 12 show in four days. He also visited Heber City, Utah to attend concerts by he Bar J Wrangles and Michael Martin Murphy. One

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thing we can say about the visits, great music everywhere. Even enjoyed visiting the music store in Branson where I purchased a new Mountain Dulcimer. Now the work begins learning how to play Whiskey Before Breakfast. Wish me luck.

Ran into Katie Bonn from Salmon the other day at Walmart and had a nice visit. I ask her what she was doing in town. She said Tom had to have some surgery on one of his fingers and it looks like he won't be picking his nose or his bass with that finger for a while. Anyway, get well soon Tom.

Teresa and Monty have been in Pasco, Washington this past week for Monty's work and to also celebrate their fourth wedding anniversary. Hope they had a great time and congratulations.

I suppose we will all be happy when the election is over this Tuesday. At least we can then start complaining about who won and who lost for what it's worth, but at least we won't have to endure all the commercials from the candidates trying to tell us what they have done, or will do, for our well being! Wow, I'd rather listen to, and play Old Time Fiddle Music any day, how about you?

We are looking forward to a busy fall schedule with our usual plays around town along with a few special plays that make this season so much fun.

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone and we'll see you next time around.

Saludos y hasta pronto,

Dave Smith