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MAYBE AN EARLY SPRING? MORE TIME TO FIDDLE!

As I got on the computer this morning I read that the groundhog had not seen his shadow meaning an early spring. Well, that may or may not make for more fiddlin time, but spring weather would certainly make for more fun times to fiddle without having to worry about getting places on icy roads. Yea! So we are thinking spring and once more getting out to enjoy places to share our music with others.

January proved to be a routine month with us playing at 7 senior sites including noon lunch plays and evenings at retirement centers. We are always well received and those listening ask us when we will be back so they can look forward to more of one of their favorite entertainment days. I think we all enjoy these plays.

I also received some news from November that is certainly worth noting in our report. One of our top fiddle players, Mabel Vogt, attended the Western Open Fiddle Contest in Red Bluff, CA and won first place in the Senior Division. Way to go, Mabel!

We are now underway practicing songs at our monthly meeting for our live square dance play in May. We played last year for the local square dance club and it was a real hit. It went so well that the club is moving the dance to a larger play site to accommodate

more people this year and the club has sent notices out to surrounding square dance clubs who are showing interest in coming to the event. It should be a great evening having live music to dance to.

And one of our senior players, Lou who plays piano for us, celebrated her 90th birthday and her church had a surprise birthday party for her. We were invited to play for the event and she was very surprised and glad to see us. She played along for some of the songs and then enjoyed her party which included 90 cupcakes that had been made for the potluck meal. It was certainly a nice afternoon.

Other than that, we continue with our music and look forward to coming events as the weather permits. And there is always spring just around the corner. So happy fiddlin!

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