

## Idaho Old Time Fiddlers

District 5, January 2020

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Hello Fiddlers:

It has been quite awhile since I've had a newsletter posted on the web, so this time we might have some news to report.

First of all, the District 5 fiddlers are only having their monthly meetings every other month, but the jams are still on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of EVERY month. In February the District 5 jam was a great success! The VanBurens brought baked potatoes and everyone else pitched in and brought toppings and etc. They had 14 musicians turn out, so that was super. My husband and I were not able to attend last months jam due to some traveling that we were doing at the time. So, I do hope everyone enjoyed the evening out playing music. We hope to see everyone out for the MEETING AND JAM this 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday in March 5. If anyone needs more details concerning the meeting in March, please call our chairman, Jerry Van Buren 208-546-8232.

Jack Moon has reported that he will have a Facebook page ready by the end of the month of February. It was suggested the co-chairs talk to their groups to see who wants to friend it when it is ready. Jack has also been working on IOTFA District 5 cards for each member to be able to hand out to interested friends or acquaintances to join the fiddlers or come visit or whatever their interest may be.

Our chairman, Jerry VanBuren reported that the May Idaho Old Time Fiddlers state meeting will be held on May 1 & 2. It is determined now to have the Spring and Fall the meetings at the Eagles Facility in Mountain Home, Idaho in 2020. Rv spaces and indoor facilities are available.

The board will finalize the draft of the by-laws at the May meeting then passed along to the membership for a final vote in the September meeting. Any concerns or questions please call our chairman, Jerry Van Buren.

Betty Gull reports the East group will have 3 plays this month. Rich Mathews reports all is well in the West group. Richard also welcomed anyone that would like to come and share their talents.

Bonnie Longstreth is the night group leader and she reports everyone is doing fine.

There isn't too much to report this time on the Web, but I do hope everyone is practicing some new tunes to share with the group. I am working on a couple myself. It's always a new challenge to learn new music pieces.

I hope that this letter finds everyone doing well and ready to come join us, District 5, in Eagle at the Eagle Senior Center at 6 pm for the meeting and later the jam. Let's invite our friends and neighbors to come play or listen, or sing.

We can all have a good time just playing music, it gives a merry heart!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Your reporter

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Love is our true destiny. We do not find the meaning of life by ourselves alone, we find it with another.

Thomas Merton