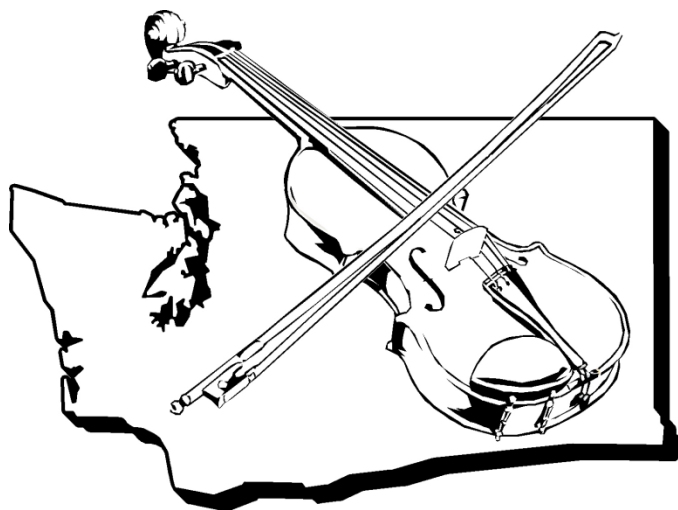


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DISTRICT 2: Ferry, Lincoln, Pend O'Reille, Spokane & Stevens

Counties; CHAIR: Kyle Peterson- email:wotfa.kyle@gmail.com

Monthly Meeting: To Be Announced

Well, dang - August is even slower than usual. At this time, we are usually winding down from the Medical Lake Music Festival. Instead, we have all been grounded, forbidden from playing with our friends. And I wonder how long the lines are going to be when a vaccine becomes available for this terrible virus - hey, that gives me an idea - what's another name for a slow-moving line where no one wants to lose their place? Answer: A captive audience! Yes, I think I'm on to something here, and surely we can extricate something positive from these times. Stay tuned!

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Monthly Meeting: Monthly Meeting: Cancelled until further notice but we have a new location: East Wenatchee Grange (basement)-3400 Sunset Hwy-East Wenatchee

No report received

DISTRICT 4: Skagit, Whatcom, Island and San Juan Counties; CHAIR:/REPORTER: Janie Morgan - Stanwood

Monthly Meeting: Cancelled until further notice

A group of us got together recently to visit our "Super Seniors". We drove to each house for a "FRONT YARD SALUTE"~ a yard display of balloons for each of our Super Seniors. There was no close contact with anyone, and the displays were paid for independently, not out of our District treasury. We found all of them except, regrettably, George, who lives on Guemes Island which is off limits to visitors. We will have to catch up to him some other time. So sorry to have missed you, George, we were thinking of you.

I was voted in as Chair and Reporter back in October, and I am looking forward to us being able to hold meetings again.

DISTRICT 5: Kitsap, Mason, Grays Harbor & Pacific Counties ~

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Kitsap County Coordinator: Kay McCarthy

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Monthly Meeting: Cancelled until further notice

Not much is happening in District 5. Our campout is cancelled for Labor Day Weekend. We hope to see you all next year. It is still to be determined whether or not we will have a meeting in September. We hope you are all staying well and safe. Is anyone else sick and tired of this yet?? C'est la vie!!

DISTRICT 6: King County; CHAIR: Roy Calvert (425) 228-5846; email: r-calvert@msn.com REPORTER: Simon Knaphus (415) 240-1939

Dist. 6 Monthly Meeting: No meetings May through August.

Circle Jam: No Jams in April, May, June, July, August, November & December.

Not much to report from District 6. I guess that these days more than ever "no news is good news." I hope that everyone is staying healthy and happy and home - taking good care of yourselves and each other.

DISTRICT 7: Yakima, Kittitas, & Klickitat Counties;

No longer an active WOTFA District

DISTRICT 8: Pierce County CHAIR: Barbara Peterson, (253)

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REPORTER: Ron Duncan

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Monthly meeting: No meetings May through August

Dorothy Masden, a long time member of District 8, celebrated her 100th birthday on June 23rd. She resides at Brookdale Allenmore assisted living in Tacoma. Unfortunately, she could not have any relatives or friends come there, but the residents at the Facility were able to have a small celebration for her.

We had been planning to attend the Centralia Camp out in August. However the camp out has been postponed until next year.

Like everyone else, we are not doing much, so there is not much else to report.

DISTRICT 9: Lewis & Thurston Counties: CHAIR: Christie

Easter (360) 791-5185~ email: mrwillys@aol.com VICE CHAIR:

Kelvy Brown, 360-388-0124 REPORTER: same as above

Meeting/Open Jam: On hold for now- resuming ASAP

Hi everyone-for the month of August pretty much the only thing we have going on is more cancellations. We were hopeful that the Centralia Campout would be happening in mid-August, however that event has cancelled for 2020 as well.

The Southwest Washington Fair, which is usually the third week in August has cancelled for this year and our regular Colonial Stillwater Estates playdate is on indefinite hold.

The Governor has banned all public entertainment, either indoor or outdoors at this time so we can't have any kind of playdate until things change quite a bit.

In the meantime, don't slack off your fiddle practice!

If you need inspiration check out the 1st ever National Online Fiddle Contest videos. The contest was organized by Aarun Carter from Portland, Oregon. She is the daughter of Denice Carter of WOTFA

District 10 in Vancouver and a fantastic fiddle and guitar player. The Contest took place over the weekend of July 11th and results are posted on their website.

Also, Strings Magazine has many free articles on fiddle technique for something to do while we're waiting to get going again. Go to the 'shop' tab and the 'free' tab.

Be well and we will hope to see everyone soon!

DISTRICT 10: Clark, Cowlitz, Skamania and Wakiukum

Counties-CHAIR:Kathryn Bode –

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Monthly Meeting: Cancelled until further notice

DISTRICT 11: Grant and Adams Counties; CHAIR: Charlie Root, 23 Road M NE Moses Lake, WA 98837 (509) 765-5927

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Monthly Meeting: Cancelled until further notice

We still don't have anything happening in District 11. All of the places we play are still closed to us.

DISTRICT 12: Benton, Franklin and Walla Walla Counties;

CHAIR: Joe Gunter (509) 948-1772

REPORTER: Chuck Hedel, email: cwhedel@gmail.com

Monthly Meeting: Cancelled until further notice

Monthly Jam and Show at Knights of Columbus Hall: Cancelled until further notice

Due to the current Covid-19 restrictions, the Sunday, August 9 monthly District 12 business meeting will not be held

The Benton-Franklin County Fair , which was expected to be held this year from August 25 through August 29 has, for the first time in 72 years, been cancelled due to Covid 19 concerns. This includes the Saturday, August 22, parade through downtown Kennewick, that was

to kickoff the Fair.

All of our senior home playouts, pizza jams and all Knights of Columbus Hall performances remain cancelled until we receive direction from the WOTFA President and Board on how to proceed. While the situation remains very fluid and no one knows for sure where the virus issue will lead, we are hopeful of safely returning to our regular playout schedule sometime soon, and we will inform you either via the WOTFA.org website, Face Book, text message, email or personally when playouts are allowed to resume. In the meantime, stay healthy, and best to you all. Use this time to learn some new tunes or improve upon existing tunes.

We were sad to learn of the passing of Margie Morse, a longtime member of Dist. 12, on June 26, 2020. Margie was a talented musician who played fiddle and piano. She lived in Benton City for many years, and gave fiddle lessons to quite a few children, including several of her grandchildren. She was always helpful and kind and had a smile for everyone. She helped organize the youth fiddlers in our District into the group which came to be known as The Tri City Fiddle Kids, and later had her own band called "Margie and her Sidekicks". She was the District Chair of Dist. 12 for quite a few years and held other offices also. She played at all the area nursing homes and assisted living facilities, both with the Washington Old Time Fiddlers and her own band. She competed in contests around the Northwest, both regional and State and won several trophies. Our condolences go out to her family and friends. Margie was 92.

FROM SHAWN HUGHES:

Hello all! Thank you for the get well card and thoughts! I appreciate it so much. Good to report I am playing again. Slowly but steadily. Also, amongst the Covid chaos I found some old instructional Mandolin DVDs. I have about 5-6. If anyone would like a copy for free feel free to email me. S.m.hughes113@gmail.com. They are not professional quality in anyway and it is a beginning mandolin DVD. Thanks again all! Hope everyone is doing well.

DISTRICT 15: Jefferson and Clallam Counties; **CHAIR:** Scott Holmen, (360)-620-9221, scottpholmen@gmail.com

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WEB SITE: www.d15.wotfa.org

DIST. 15 Monthly Meetings: Cancelled until further notice

Fourth Saturday: Cancelled until further notice

Schedule changes in summer and December. See www.d15.wotfa.org

DISTRICT 16: Snohomish County; **CHAIR:** Noel Lareau (360) 691-5907 – e-mail: Noelula@aol.com **REPORTER:** Noel Lareau

Business meeting Cancelled until further notice

D 16 jams 2nd and 4th Fridays at Sisco Heights Community Center, Cancelled until further notice

Sunshine Chair: Mayves Anderson (425) 334-7988 email: mande93221@yahoo.com

Playdate coordinator: Gary Nordby (425) 334-8331
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IN LOVING MEMORY

Dave Perkins	Dist 9 and Dist. 7	April 2020
Margie Morse	Dist. 12	June 26, 2020

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2020

WOTFA State Workshop— Cancelled for 2020