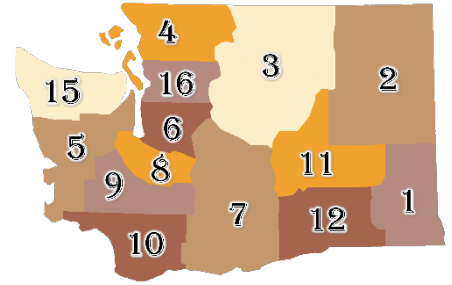




Washington Old Time Fiddlers Association

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Fiddle Camp 2023

4/1/2023 – Author: Corrine Agnew
Happy Spring everyone!

Fiddle Camp registration is under way with a great response so far. With the return of the Hot Shot class and an added Piano class, it's starting to feel like pre-Covid workshop again!! If you haven't registered yet, make sure to do so soon. There is a link on the WOTFA.ORG site once you log in to your membership account. If you have any questions or are having difficulty getting registered, please don't hesitate to give me a call. Corrine 253-720-7703. If I don't answer (I still work full-time) leave me a message and I will give you a call as soon as I am able.

We got GREAT news from the Moses Lake Christian Academy; Their Gym is built! This means that we will have showers available at the school for those of you camping on location. We would love to see more campers at the school this year.

We will also be bringing back Amy Carroll to call our dances on Monday & Tuesday night. Wahoo!!

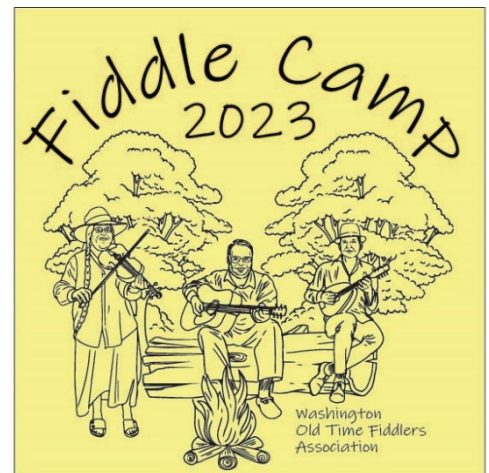
If you would like to pick up one of this year's t-shirts, please visit <https://www.bonfire.com/fiddle-camp-2023/>. As a reminder, t-shirts will not be available at camp so grab them now.

See you soon,
Corrine Agnew

From the President: Spring 2023 Board Meeting

4/1/2023 – Author: Tyler Hagood

The Spring 2023 Board Meeting will take place online at **9am on May 6th**. If you would like to attend, but are not an official member of the board, drop a quick email to Tyler JT-Hagood@outlook.com, and he'll send you a link.



Miss McLeod's Reel

MacLeod's Reel / Hop High Ladies (the Cake's All Dough) / Did You Ever See the Devil Uncle Joe

4/1/2023 – Author: Kitty Steetle

MISS MCLEOD'S REEL

MacLeod's Reel/Hop High Ladies (the Cake's All Dough)/Did You Ever See the Devil Uncle Joe

The image shows three staves of musical notation for the tune 'Miss McLeod's Reel'. The music is in G major (one sharp) and 2/4 time. The first staff starts with a treble clef and a key signature of one sharp. It contains the first five measures, with chords G, D, and G indicated above the notes. The second staff starts at measure 6 and contains measures 6 through 11, with chords C, D, and G indicated. The third staff starts at measure 12 and contains measures 12 through 17, with chords D, G, C, and D indicated. The piece ends with a double bar line and repeat dots.

It is believed that Miss McLeod's Reel/MacLeod's Reel is originally from Scotland and was first printed in Nathaniel Gow's **Fifth Collection of Strathspey Reels** (1809).¹ By 1826, the tune was printed in America in the **New and Compleat Preceptor for the Fife** by William Williams (Utica, NY).² Miss McLeod's Reel also appears in Elias Howe's **Musician's Omnibus No.1** (Boston, 1862, p 44) with contradance steps:³

First couple down the centre
turn half round back (lady on gent's side, gent on lady's side)
cast off
ladies chain
promenade 4
forward and back
cross over to place

It is not clear when Did You Ever See the Devil Uncle Joe/Hop High Ladies (the Cake's All Dough)⁴ started to become popular. The lyrics that I learned from my southern parents in the 1990s and from my southern fellow fiddlers in the 2000s are below but there are many (many) other lyrics as would be expected from such a ubiquitous tune:

Verse:

*Did you ever see the devil, Uncle Joe, Uncle Joe (3x)
Don't mind the weather when the wind don't blow*

Chorus:

*Hop high ladies, three in a row (x3) or Hop high ladies
for the cake's all dough (x3)
Don't mind the weather when the wind don't blow
Did you ever go to meetin',⁵ Uncle Joe, Uncle Joe (3x)
Don't mind the weather when the wind don't blow
How'd ya like the weather, Uncle Joe, Uncle Joe (3x)
Don't mind the weather when the wind don't blow*

1. [https://tunearch.org/wiki/Annotation:Miss_McLeod's_Reel_\(1\)](https://tunearch.org/wiki/Annotation:Miss_McLeod's_Reel_(1)) Nathaniel Gow (1763–1831) was a musician, composer, music publisher, and son of the (arguably more famous) Niel Gow. I could not find the **Fifth Collection of Strathspey Reels**, but many other Gow collections are located here: https://imslp.org/wiki/Category:Gow,_Nathaniel/Collections
2. *Loc. cit.* I found this publication mentioned numerous times on various websites but could not find a facsimile online.
3. All 7 volumes can be found here: [https://imslp.org/wiki/Musician's_Omnibus_\(Howe,_Elias\)](https://imslp.org/wiki/Musician's_Omnibus_(Howe,_Elias))
4. Or the many other titles: Billy Boy, Enterprise and Boxer, Enterprising Boxer, Gigue américaine, The Girl with the Handsome Face, Green Mountain, Knickerbocker Reel, etc
5. *Meetin'* is short for camp meeting, which is a Protestant Christian service dating from the Second Great Awakening in the early 19th century. These were originally held outside in campgrounds because of the large turnouts and lack of large buildings on the American Frontier. You can still attend camp meetings in the southeast (and other US regions) but now they are held in large, air-conditioned buildings.

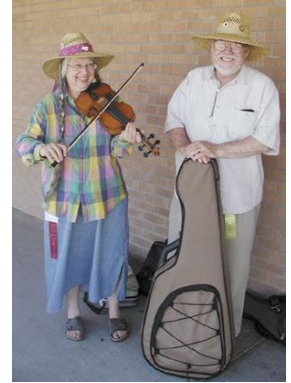
From the Secretary: Honoring and Remembering Vivian Williams

4/1/2023 – Author: Katie Gotshall

I had the privilege of attending the Fiddle Showcase that was dedicated to Vivian at the beginning of this month. It was wonderful and heartwarming to hear so many great stories of her life, her impact, and the Williams's parlor jams. Many performers spoke about the founding of the Washington Old Time Fiddlers, and the dedication of keeping the traditions alive. Stewart Williams even closed his set by talking about the Fiddle Camp 2020 T-shirt campaign and playing Vivian's tune, The Reunion. It brought me to tears.

The Lake City Contra Dance on April 13th was also in honor of Vivian's life and impact with a large, open band and a terrific turnout. The group playing and calling decided to donate all their proceeds from the dance to the Washington Old Time Fiddlers Association.

This year's camp T-Shirt is meant to remind us of our founders and our teachers, and to keep the music in your soul.



District 2 Report (Ferry, Lincoln, Pend O'Reille, Spokane, and Stevens Counties)

4/1/2023 – Author: Kyle Peterson

At last, the snow is melting away and should be gone by the time you read this. With the warmer temperatures, our fingers are moving faster and exploring familiar tunes. At this writing, we are working through the scholarship applications to Moses Lake Fiddle Camp. We will then be in full press, preparing for the NW Regional Fiddle Competition in Spokane Valley, starting Friday, April 28. Two weeks later, Fiddlers on the Peak will take place in Chewelah, May 13.

Scholarship selectees to the Moses Lake Fiddle Camp will be announced the first week of April. Several of the names are familiar, which is good to see!

We are close to restarting a monthly playdate at the Spokane Veterans' Home. A resurgence of COVID unfortunately has put that back a week or two, but if anyone wants to be on the mailing list for the final arrangements or wanting to come play, please contact me at wotfa.kyle@gmail.com.

District 4 Report (Skagit, Whatcom, Island and San Juan Counties)

4/1/2023 – Author: Fred Robbins

March 10, meeting...Barry, and Hilary Cole; Barry shared that his Mother very recently, in February passed on; Barry and Hilary, on behalf of the Fiddlers our sincerest condolences and sympathy in the loss of your Mother / Mother in Law; nothing harder than losing a loved one; we know many are thankful for her 98 years; and that she will be very much missed; may God give you all peace in your time of sorrow as you reflect on her life; and all she meant to so many.

A typical North West Western Washington fading of winter day of rain here and there invited us to brave the elements that promised more of the same; to our mutual destination in M/V at the Sr. Ctr. There big smiles emerged at the door with hands unable to gesture occupied with instruments; eyes focused on the circle of chairs our faithful musicians proceeded to their favorite spot to be for the evening of musical sounds they were to share; coffee on; goodies being unpack-aged for ready hands at break. Music stands up, mic's and stands up; clock approaches 6:30 p.m. we are ready!

A 15 min. meeting brought good participation to the floor; always a positive when we can openly share ideas on how we can be better; discussion points included:

- 1) Meeting at an earlier time for those having to drive a long way in the dark of winter; with the change to Daylight Saving time upon us, and with gaining more daylight in the evening we agreed to revisit the idea in the fall.

2) Re – establish play – outs in Nursing Homes, and Retirement Communities; with the Governor’s obscure restrictions of masking and Covid being unclear; and to avoid any breaking of mandates in place; we will wait till March 31st. and Sarah will make calls to the facilities aforementioned for clarity on playing at those venues.

3) Denise noted; we have a great audience at the Sedro Woolley Sr. Ctr. play-out; and we want to give them our best; she would like to stand up and face the audience to sing and play her instrument; that it seems more professional; noting that I stand to sing; we discussed it and I feel we need to talk a bit more about that; I agree with Denise; I recall in the past we sat and took turns playing, and we always came to the mic and faced the audience at our Jams and play-outs; however we left the discussion with those that want to sit and play their turn or stand up will work; as I look at the video’s below they substantiate Denise’s thoughts; in the video some sat on a stool and sang up front at the Mic; so I suggest we consider at S/W next time that we try it out; place a mic and music stand in a place in front for those wanting to stand; realizing not all can stand; be it a bad back...etc... hope this helps in doing the best we can; Thank you Denise for bringing this important issue to our attention!

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=StJQaW5WgmE> 2 min. 30 seconds Looks like in this one they are all learning the tune; that’s good so at the play -out they can perform it.<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=wFU6o7gSxTk> Oregon Old Time Fiddlers play -out. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=w3X970e3czM> Grand Old Opry Celebration.

4) Fred brought up this years Fiddle Camp; It’s July 10 -14th. at Moses Lake, info... <https://fiddlecamp.wotfa.org/>
<https://fiddlecamp.wotfa.org/faq/> Frequent Q’s. Be nice if some folks could attend and learn, and share. Home site... <https://wotfa.org/>

The meeting ended; 11 ready in the audience instruments poised, ready, who will start? Mic in front of Dwight off we go! The adventure of the unknown tunes to be heard precedes us, building the suspense of the evening; we hear sounds and tunes unheard by many before; proceeding around the circle of 13 musicians; we hear from Barry, Steve, Peggy, Gary, Forest, Carol, Denise, Sirkku and her dancing Ewe; and can she rhythm dance! Welcome back Sirkku! Then we hear from, Danny, Rich, Fred, and Sarah. 8 p.m. arrives, we break for coffee, and sweet treats; conversions continue; and at 8:p.m Sirkku, and Fred are wondering when we are going to start; Sirkku says “they are waiting for you to say come back” So we reflected on how Chuck Page used to sheep dog us, and give us the Sargent command to once again take our places! We smiled, and Fred called the come back cry; and off we went tapping our feet to our finish at 9 p.m. All helped place back chairs and pick up; which made for a speedy departure to our cars, and our home bound intent; happy to once again reflect on our music and song in the night together. Happy Campers! See you all soon. : o)

“May your heart always be joyful. May your song always be sung.” Bob Dylan

March 24th, Jam. at M/V Sr. Ctr. had a pretty good turn out of 11 musicians and about 11 in Audience Sarah shares; also that there was a good variety of music; so all had a nice Jam.

Chair / Reporter- **Chair needed.**

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Event scheduling Phone is # 360-679-6595 email: itsrustyoldhalo@frontier.com

Calendar Fred Robbins email: fred@robbinsmetal.com

Respectfully submitted, On behalf of the Fiddlers,

Fred Robbins

District 5 Report (Kitsap, Mason, Grays Harbor & Pacific Counties)

4/1/2023 – Author: Sandra OKelly

April, National Garden Month, April 10th National Farm Animals Day and April 29th International Dance Day. Potential for lots of tunes there and that's no April Fool's Joke! Let's dance the Schottische, a few Waltzes and some Reels to the Dog and Cat Tunes, Turkey in the Straw, a Clucking Hen and finish off with a rousing Pig Ankle Rag!

District 5 has had 5 playouts in March with fun playing Irish tunes. The audiences sing along with enthusiasm and smiles are blooming all around. Good times. At our March monthly business meeting, 9 young people presented why they want to attend **WOTFA Fiddle Camp** in July and played us a tune or two and then stuck around to jam with the adults. Each will receive a scholarship and we look forward to seeing them at Moses Lake this summer. **Don't forget that registration opens April 3rd. Click here to register!!! <https://wotfa.org/fiddle-camp-2023-registration/>** See you there.

Regular Jams continue the First and Third TUESDAY of each month, 1-4 pm at Silverdale Mall next to Dick's Sporting Goods. Come join us and bring a friend!

A Celtic Jam will follow at the same location on the same first and third Tuesday, 4:30-6:30 pm. Written music is provided. Contact for the Celtic Jam is Sally Camp... ameasureatime@gmail.com Or 360-271-7105

Our next regular 3rd Saturday monthly District 5 business meeting will be April 15th, Tax Day. Bring some finger foods to share, business meeting starts at noon and then jamming until 3 pm. Location: Kitsap Square Dance Hall 6800 W Belfair Hwy, Bremerton.

Our usual **MAY business meeting** on the 3rd Saturday is **changed** due to an event KSDA has planned. **Our LAST business meeting until September will be before the Tuesday, May 16th Jam at Silverdale Mall at 12:30**

Playouts:

- Retsil Veterans Home April 11
- Christa Shores April 26

Respectfully submitted: Reporter, Sandi O'Kelly s_okelly@msn.com

District 5 Chair: Kent McCabe dkmccabe0723@gmail.com 360-830-0317

District Report (King County)

4/1/2023 - Author: Jenny Swanson

Hello everyone! It's hard to believe that it's already April! There are signs in my garden to show that spring is well on its way in spite of the coldish temperatures. Here are a couple of pictures to get your hopes up for warmer weather.



There isn't too much to report for District 6, so this will be short. But, we had a couple of very enjoyable jams in March with good groups of people attending each time.

Our jam on the 18th was well attended and enjoyable with quite a few youngsters playing fiddle. We even had a tiny vocalist named Emma sing some songs she likes. It was also great to have Lia and her friend Elise play several songs on their violins. Of course, Shawna, the mom and Bella, the older sister played and added greatly to the enjoyment of everyone. Shawna took the following pictures and I'm so grateful to her.



Our last meeting/jam until September was held on April 1st. We all tried hard to get to this one and that's no foolin'. I'll include pictures in the May newsletter.

NEWS FLASH: Turns out our last jam until September was not our last. We voted to have 2 more jams (only jams, no meeting) on the first Saturdays of May and June. These will be held on May 6th and June 3rd and will be from 1 pm to 4 pm. Everyone is welcome.

Thanks to all our members who volunteer their time to play in the community at retirement and nursing homes. We have at least 3 dates scheduled every month which keeps us on our toes.

Also, our friend, Terry Huizenga (who brings her father Jack Hadfield to our jams) had knee replacement surgery in late March. We wish her a speedy recovery and encourage everyone to keep her in their thoughts and prayers.

Keep practicing, learning new things, and playing with others. Consider signing up for Fiddle Camp, which happens in July. Meanwhile happy April.

Jenny Swanson, timbuktoe@yahoo.com

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Reporter: Jenny Swanson timbuktoe@yahoo.com

District 8 Report (Pierce County)

4/1/2023 – Author: Barbara Peterson

There are many opportunities to play music with us in Pierce County, Come and See!

Ongoing:

- 3rd Sundays 2PM District 8 Meeting and Jam. We will meet February 19 at the Mid County Community Center (MCCC). We'll have a short meeting followed by longer circle jam at 1025 44th Ave E, Tacoma 98446. Behind the school, there's plenty of parking. Bring a friend and an instrument. Meet some nice people! Finger foods welcome.

- Mondays 1:30PM-3:30 Circle jam at Puyallup Senior Center – 210 Pioneer Ave. Again easy to find, easy to park. This is last year's "6ft Tree Jam" outdoors, now the "Indoor Tree Jam". Come on and try it!
- 1st Fridays 3:30PM-7:30 Gig Harbor Circle Jam. Usually at the Wilco Feed Store. Contact Matt 202.631.34147.

Mark your calendars for these Playouts!

- 3rd Thursdays, 11:00 Mid County Community Center above. February 16 and March 16 – Contact Barbara
- 2nd Thursday 1:30PM Franke Tobey Jones March 9 and June 8. Contact Ron
- March 8, 3:30PM Brookdale Allenmore Ind. Contact Ron
- March 15, 2:30PM Brookdale Allenmore Asst. Contact Ron

Upcoming Events

- Contra Dance every 3rd Sat. 7:30-9PM at Wells Hall – <https://tacomacontradance.org/>
- Annual WOTFA Music Camp in Moses Lake July 10-14 <https://fiddlecamp.wotfa.org/>
Classes are posted and Registration is Open! <https://wotfa.org/fiddle-camp-2023-registration/>
- NW Regional Fiddle contest April 29-30 in Spokane Valley <https://www.northwestregionals.com/>
- Fiddler's on the Peak Contest May 13 in Chewelah <https://fiddlersonthepeak.org>

We would like to see/hear more musicians at our jams and meetings. So why not drop in? Bring a friend and an instrument and give it a try. If you have questions, give us a call! Barbara (253) 926-8457.

Some folks weren't able to listen to the recording of Bob Perry's tune last month, so I've added it again here. You have to click on the hyperlink. <https://wotfa.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/01-Thats-The-Way-Love-Goes.m4a>

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District 9 Report (Lewis & Thurston Counties)

4/1/2023 – Author: Christie Easter

Hi Everyone

We will be having our regular monthly acoustic jam this coming Friday, April 7th from 10am-Noon at Faith Baptist Church in Chehalis. The church is located at 436 Coal Creek Rd. To find the church take I-5 to exit 79, then head East. Turn LEFT on N. National Ave and go 1/3 mile, then turn RIGHT on Coal Creek Rd. Go 1.1 mile, then turn RIGHT into the church driveway. We are usually in the middle building. There will be coffee and tea and some snacks, but it's not a potluck.

And don't forget that FiddleCamp registration will be this Monday, April 3rd and is online this year, but if you don't have a computer you can mail in your registration. FiddleCamp will be July 10-14 this year at the Moses Lake Christian academy in Moses Lake, Wa. Tuition is \$75 for youth and \$175 for adults and all classes are half day. If there is room in the class you can sign up for a second class in the opposite time slot for no extra charge.

District 9 has FiddleCamp tuition scholarships available for anyone under age 18 who is a WOTFA member and lives in the district (Lewis & Thurston Counties), give me a call or text if you would like a scholarship for FiddleCamp. All the money we raise throughout the year goes exclusively to provide youth scholarships for FiddleCamp, and I would like to see that money used to send our kids to Moses Lake if possible.

Dry camping is available at the school, there are one or two electrical hook-ups available but may or may not be available. Both the Ramada Inn and the Inn at Moses Lake are offering a \$99.99/night price for anyone there for FiddleCamp. Also, there is camping at the Grant County Fairgrounds and several RV parks in Moses Lake.

You can link to the registration website directly here: <https://wotfa.org/fiddle-camp-2023-registration/> Or, log into the WOTFA site and look for the tab that says 'meetings and events', then use the workshop/fiddlecamp tab or go to fiddlecamp.wotfa.org In addition to classes, there will be lots of jamming, free mini-classes in the evenings, a dance on

at least one of the nights, a fiddle contest and a band scramble and a lot more. Showers will be available at the school, and there are supposed to be food trucks there as well this year, so if you don't want to cook there will be options.

That's it! Be well everyone and I hope to see you at the jam on Friday.

CHAIRPERSON: Christie Easter 360-791-5185. mrwillys@aol.com

JAM INFO: First Friday of every month 10am-Noon at Faith Baptist Church, 436 Coal Creek Rd, Chehalis

District 10 Report (Clark, Cowlitz, Skamania and Wakiukum Counties)

4/1/2023 – Author: Stephana Johnson

Interview with WOTFA Youth/Family Member Ruby Gunter



How and when did you get started with the violin?

I was in first grade and my mom was trying to get me interested in some sort of musical instrument. I brought this flier home from elementary school, I chose it for the purple color but it was about the violin.

When did you discover fiddling?

I was in the 5th grade and started fiddling when I started with Ms. Denice. We sought out Denice because of Suzuki, and fiddling was an extra thing we both weren't sure about it.

Did you know the violin was a fiddle?

I had a fiddle and I knew that was almost the same as a violin but it's not the instrument, it's the music. There is still a conflict for some people.

What do you like most?

The classical violin is playing for the structure and rules and has to be very proper and I can strive for a specific goal which is rewarding. I like fiddling for different reasons.

There are so many positive reasons, I really like free-flowing, having a whole lot of fun and not worrying about being too proper... and putting more of your own spins on things. I also had a really nice experience when I was fiddling with a group and it is fun to be in that community. I played guitar with my friends and to have everyone be nice and supportive... was a big part of my experience.

Have you been to fiddle contests or the WOTFA Fiddle Contest?

I have been to several including the WOTFA in 7th grade. [I've attended] Some other contests like the NW Regional Fiddle Contest, Oregon, and smaller contests.

The WOTFA contest is my favorite one because of my friends, the people, and the nice community. Denice really knows how to make the contest fun and cool. She knows top people and can get really good players and really good judges. She brings a wide range of people together. Super good fiddlers and also the "little tinys". All of this influence from all the different players is really rewarding and feels like a once-in-a-lifetime experience. It is a niche thing and having so many fiddlers in one place is super important. I'd meet people I'd see at other contests. You know it's a real community and you forget about the actual competition. But it is nice to have a goal to work toward and really preserve the fiddling and a reason to keep playing plus fun when you can win some money.

What are you up to now?

I'm a College Freshman and will minor in music and biology as my major. Two weeks ago found a group of people folk band fiddling. We had a little jam. I really missed it so I hope it will be a regular event. I'm reaching out to the local WOTFA district in Tacoma to see if there are more opportunities to play.

Favorite part of being a WOTFA Member?

The WOTFA Community of people... we would have the monthly jam that was really fun and people would come and pass around waltzes. People played guitar and violin and a couple came in and danced to the waltzes we were playing... Meeting other people from the community. It's very rewarding.

If anyone is on the fence about trying, you can watch, you can participate, and do things with other people and have the social aspect of the challenge of learning new things with just a little bit of time put in. I think it's worth it!!

Ruby and her mom Janet Gunter are long-time WOTFA members and contribute to many of the activities, including the fiddle contest and summer camps. Janet is still very active in District 10 as our Treasurer.

We are looking for sponsors for the Washington State Fiddle Championships at the Clark County Fairgrounds.

Contact Dencie Carter for more information. fidlmom1@gmail.com

District 10 Meeting is the 4th Sunday of each month from 4-5 pm followed by Potluck and Jam Session at The Covington House. Open to the community

May 7th Performance at the Covington House

June 6th Fundraising/Garage Sale

August 5-6th WOTFA Fiddle Contest

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District 12 Report (Benton, Franklin, & Walla Walla Counties)

4/1/2023 – Author: Shawn Hughes

Monthly Meeting: 2nd Sunday at Trios Adult Day Services Building, 10 N. Washington St. Kennewick. (Enter at back) Doors open at 2:00PM for jamming; Finger potluck at 3:00, followed by short business meeting and more jamming.

No Meetings in April (Easter) or May (Mother's Day)

Monthly Playouts

- 1st Wednesday, 6:00m PM: Hawthorne Court, 524 N Ely, Kennewick
- 2nd Wednesday, 6:15PM: Guardian Angel, 245 Van Giesen, Richland
- 4th Wednesday, Starting 3/23, 3PM: Bonaventure, 1800 Bellerive Dr. Richland.

Extras

- 2nd Thursday, 7PM: Knight of Columbus Hall 2500 Chester Rd, Richland, WA

Spring is upon us and hopefully the nice weather is soon to follow! Reminder that there is NO monthly meeting in April or May because of holidays. Our KC hall jam is again the second Thursday, this month is it April 13. Everyone is welcome to the jam, the circle jam is great for beginners to work on their chords and learn new tunes.

District 16 Report (Snohomish County)

4/1/2023 – Author: Dianne Gooch

Our jam sessions continue **with a new time. We will now start the jams on the 2nd & 4th Friday nights, 3:00 – 10:00 pm** (or a bit later) at the Sisco Heights Community Club, 13527-99th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223. This change seems to be working out well with musicians coming and going to fit their schedule. There are several die-hards who stay for all the hours. Thanks to Dave & Noel for hosting all these hours. The group is large but we are featuring Noel & Dave in the attached picture.

Our next **WOTFA Midway Jam** will be **Sunday, April 30, 1:30-4:00 pm**, at the Lynnwood Library (19200 44th Ave W, Lynnwood). We aim to schedule on the 4th Sunday each month but at times the room is already booked so we choose a different Sunday. We have 15-25 musicians at these jams. We have a great time playing fiddle tunes, bluegrass tunes, some swing tunes and being challenged with new tunes. We are thankful to the Lynnwood Library for freely welcoming us to use this great room.



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