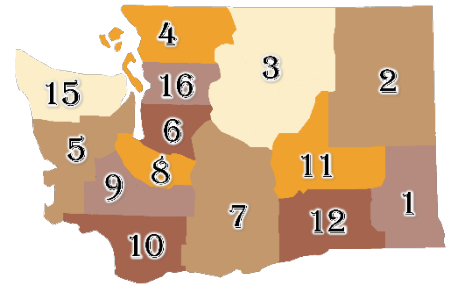




# Washington Old Time Fiddlers Association

Preserving an American Tradition



## Evergreen Fiddler – October 2023

### Westphalia Waltz

10/1/2023 – Author: Kitty Steetle

### WESTPHALIA WALTZ



The western swing waltz, **Westphalia Waltz**, is associated with Texas fiddler, Cotton Collins. Legend has it, in 1946 while performing his so-called, 'No Name Waltz' in Westphalia Hall, in Westphalia, TX, it was suggested Collins name the tune 'Westphalia Waltz' in honor of the town.<sup>1</sup> The tune itself predates Collins in that the melody originated from the Polish folk tunes, Wszystkie Rybki and Pytala Sie Pani (among other names).<sup>2</sup> Various tune origin stories with no solid documentation include Collins hearing the song while serving in the US Army in Germany during WWII, Collins hearing the song performed in Bremond, TX a nearby town to Westphalia with a large Polish community, and Collins hearing a recording of the tune as it was recorded in America several times during the 1930s.<sup>3</sup> Cotton Collins recorded the tune with his band, Lone Star Playboys in 1946, but it wasn't until Hank Thompson's 1955 recording that the tune caught on, eventually becoming extremely popular in the Missouri Ozark region as a fiddle contest tune.<sup>4</sup>

1. <https://secondhandsongs.com/work/235180/all> ; [https://tunearch.org/wiki/Annotation:Westphalia\\_Waltz](https://tunearch.org/wiki/Annotation:Westphalia_Waltz) ; [http://www.joeweed.com/documentaries/westphalia\\_waltz.htm](http://www.joeweed.com/documentaries/westphalia_waltz.htm)
2. According to Joe Weed, "'Pytala Sie Pani' was a unifying and bawdy favorite that the overworked, underpaid, ostracized and homesick Polish-Americans sang to forget the Great Depression." According to Google Translate, Stanislaw Gresiuk's version of Wszystkie Rybki is about fish and drinking alcohol. (See lyrics in video notes of Joe Weed's site.)
3. secondhandsongs, tunearch
4. tunearch, Joe Weed

# From the Membership Chair

10/1/2023 – Author: Noel

[Membership renewal](#) starts this month (October) for the 2024 year.

It still costs only \$25.00 for the first household member plus \$5.00 for each additional household member.

**THE BIG CHANGE is that starting in 2024, the Evergreen Fiddler as we know it will not be printed and mailed.**

Instead, the Evergreen Fiddler will be strictly on line.

For those who do not have access to the internet, or who have other problems accessing it, an abbreviated version of the Evergreen Fiddler will be printed and mailed out for an additional \$10.00 per year.

The new application forms both printed and on line reflect this choice.

(For example, for a household head and two folks who live under that same roof, the yearly dues are \$35.00 if they read the Evergreen Fiddler online and \$45.00 if they wish a paper copy of the abbreviated version.)

To renew online, click the “Login” link in the navigation menu if you aren’t already logged in, then go to the Membership menu and click on [“Pay My Dues”](#).

If you would prefer to Renew via mail, you can click here:

<https://wotfa.org/wp-content/uploads/2023/10/2024-WOTFA-Memb-App.pdf>, to print a Membership Form

If you have any questions, please let me know at either 360-691-5907 or [noelula@aol.com](mailto:noelula@aol.com).



## WASHINGTON OLD TIME FIDDLERS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION



**TO BECOME A MEMBER or renew your membership, complete the form and mail it with a check (not cash) for the correct amount made out to “WOTFA”**

**WOTFA**

16410 84<sup>th</sup> St. NE, Ste. D, PMB 550  
Lake Stevens, WA 98258

☐ **New Membership**

☐ **Renewal**

Membership expires Dec. 31 each year. Dues for the next year will be accepted after Sept. 30 of current year. **Questions?** Please contact: Noel Lareau, WOTFA Membership Chair (360) 691-5907 [noelula@aol.com](mailto:noelula@aol.com)

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Name:	
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City:	State:
County (NOT COUNTRY):	Zip Code:
Phone:	Mobile Phone:
Email:	

Cost for one member \$25. Additional household members \$5 each  
Evergreen Fiddler: E-mail free; Paper copy \$10/year

Dues:	\$25.00
Printed Paper Newsletter:	\$10.00

Name:	Email:	Additional Family Members (\$5 Each)
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**Total**

**OR** Go to <https://wotfa.org>

To apply for a new membership, click on Join

To **RENEW MEMBERSHIP**, login and click on Pay Dues.

If you do not remember your login, click the Reset Password button and follow the instructions.

Rev. 9/21/23

# What's Happening in October and November

Visit <https://wotfa.org/events/> for the latest! Each event should have an address and event details.

Want to see your event posted here? Check out “Meetings and Events > Post my Event” on the website

<https://wotfa.org/events/community/add>

October 2023						
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<b>2</b> 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM 📅 District 8 – Circle Jam at Puyallup Senior Center	<b>3</b> 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM 📅 District 5 Jam (First Tuesday at Kitsap Mall) 6:45 PM - 8:45 PM 📅 Couth Buzzard Weekly Old Time Jam	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM 📅 Weekly Thursday Afternoon Phinney Jam 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 📅 Weekly Lake City Contra Dance	<b>6</b> 10:00 AM - 12:00 PM 📅 District 9 Monthly Meeting and Jam 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM 📅 Columbia City Weekly Friday Jam 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 📅 Weekly Emerald City Contra Dance	<b>7</b> 11:00 AM - 4:00 PM 📅 District 6 meeting and jam	<b>8</b> 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM 📅 District 12 Monthly Meeting and Jam
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<b>16</b> 1:30 PM - 3:30 PM 📅 District 8 – Circle Jam at Puyallup Senior Center	<b>17</b> 1:00 PM - 4:00 PM 📅 District 5 Jam (Third Tuesday at Kitsap Mall) 6:45 PM - 8:45 PM 📅 Couth Buzzard Weekly Old Time Jam	<b>18</b> 7:00 PM - 10:30 PM 📅 Friends of Vivian Williams – South Seattle Monthly Jam	<b>19</b> 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM 📅 Weekly Thursday Afternoon Phinney Jam 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 📅 Weekly Lake City Contra Dance	<b>20</b> Old Growth Oldtime Festival 2:00 PM - 5:00 PM 📅 District 3 Meeting and Jam 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM 📅 Columbia City Weekly Friday Jam 7:00 PM - 9:30 PM 📅 Weekly Emerald City Contra Dance	<b>21</b> 12:00 PM - 3:00 PM 📅 District 5 Monthly Meeting and Jam	<b>22</b>
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## District 2 Report (Ferry, Lincoln, Pend O'Reille, Spokane, and Stevens Counties)

10/1/2023 – Author: Kyle Peterson

Winter is coming faster than I would want, though you can hear the sigh of relief from everyone in this area, that the fire danger has largely ended. I learned today that friends of mine who live in Elk, which is north of the city, were burned out. That tends to bring home the sadness and frustration at the arbitrary nature of such tragedies. As far as I know, however, the members of WOTFA have been fortunate this year and overall, I believe that the fire danger was contained more efficiently this year than last, so I am grateful to the local fire service for their diligence. Speaking of diligence, the nomination process is open for anyone who is a current member and wants to run for a leadership position on the Chapter roster. Some might feel intimidated by the heavy responsibilities of keeping order, maintaining a vision and writing a monthly column. But keeping order is just a matter of keeping your water pistol loaded, maintaining a vision just requires the occasional eye exam, and these columns practically write themselves. Aside from the great challenges and hard business decisions of Chapter Two, I think everyone had fun, of those who came out to play music and trade tunes at the jams and playdate opportunities that we offer. There are a few choices available, between the Fiddle Group Therapy, the Spokane Veterans' Home and the Piney Ridge Pickers, for those who want to come out and play, so come out and be part of it!

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

10/1/2023 – Author: Fred Robbins

Dear WOTFA Members,

I hope this message finds you in good spirits, surrounded by the harmonies of life. As we step into October, I'm excited to share a detailed account of our recent musical escapades and provide important updates for the month ahead.

### **Recap of Recent Events:**

In the warm embrace of September, our musical community flourished. We joined hands and voices in a series of enriching events that truly embodied the essence of our shared passion.

At our jam sessions this summer, the air was filled with the delightful sounds of both familiar and new tunes. The talented ensemble including, Denise, Sarah, Diana, Rohxann, Sirkku, Carol, Saige, Richard, Rich, Barry, Hillary, Steve, Peggy, Forest, Sarah, Jack, Dwight, Danny, Gary, KerryAnn, Corinne, Sally, TJ, Mike, Tom, Fritz, Cristal, Dennis, and Marvin brought life to our melodies. It was heartening to witness the fusion of talents, creating an atmosphere rich with creativity and camaraderie.

Our heartfelt gratitude goes out to Teri, Sarah's friend, whose assistance with coffee and goodies added an extra touch of warmth to our gatherings. These sessions are more than just music; they are a celebration of friendship and the joy of creating art together.

### **Special Recognition:**

I extend my deepest appreciation to Richard from the Blue Grass Group, Irene from the SW Sr. Ctr., Joyce, and David, who graced us with their presence. Each note played and every song sung resonated with the spirit of our musical legacy.

A special mention goes to Cristal and Denise, whose voices echoed with grace and melody. Your singing not only captivated our hearts but also garnered well-deserved compliments. The soulful tunes and harmonies created by each member illuminated our events, leaving a lasting impression on everyone present.

### **Community Support and Connection:**

Our recent outing to the Lynden Sr./Community Ctr. was met with genuine warmth and appreciation. The community's response was overwhelming, with attendees expressing their enjoyment of our music. The memories of Bud Dupenthaler, shared by his wife Mirna, added a poignant touch to the event. The vintage fiddles given by Bud Burgess,

and Old Time Fiddler T-shirts gifted from Mirna to us are cherished symbols of our connection to the rich history of music.

Additionally, a kind member, Bud Burgess of the Lynden Sr. Ctr. shared a fascinating family story of fiddling, bridging the gap between generations and reminding us of the enduring legacy of our craft. These encounters reinforce the importance of our mission to keep the Old Time music tradition alive.

### **Membership Renewal and Important Updates:**

As we approach October, a month of renewal and reflection, I encourage each of you to find inspiration in the harmonies of our past events. Let the melodies guide your thoughts and renew your commitment to this musical journey we share. Membership rates remain at \$25.00, and family membership is available at \$5.00. We are adding an option this year of spending \$10 for a printed and mailed copy of the Evergreen Fiddler. Please note the following membership guidelines:

- Guest musicians are encouraged to participate in the jam circle before deciding to join.
- Musicians must be WOTFA members to perform on stage or register for summer Fiddle Camp.
- Members receive benefits such as the Evergreen Fiddler and other Fiddler news.
- Paid members are eligible to participate in play-outs (part of our insurance rider).

District 4 has implemented a two-time visitor rule for jams, after which individuals are encouraged to become members; we will review this a bit at our Oct. meeting. While we have been flexible due to post-Covid adjustments, we must uphold the requirements listed above entrusted to us by the WOTFA Organization. Your understanding and cooperation in this matter are greatly appreciated.

### **Closing Thoughts:**

Thank you, dear members, for your unwavering dedication and passion for Old Time music. Our community thrives because of your enthusiasm, talent, and commitment. Let's carry this spirit into the coming month, embracing the beauty of music and the warmth of friendship.

Warmest regards,

Fred Robbins On behalf of the Fiddlers Contact: [fred@robbinsmetal.com](mailto:fred@robbinsmetal.com) | Phone: 206-786-3369

P.S. Dive into the melodies of our past events, and let them guide you into October. For further updates and to revisit these moments, visit our WOTFA Home Website. Together, we create music that echoes through generations.

**Chair / Meeting Minute Taker Needed....** Oct. is Membership renewal month, and Election month. Would you like to serve? Please give some thought to serving our community with your talents and gifts. Thank you! : )

**Treasurer and Event Scheduler** – Sarah Buntin, # 360-679-6595 email: [itsrustyoldhalo@frontier.com](mailto:itsrustyoldhalo@frontier.com)

**Calendar and interim chair** – Fred Robbins # 206-786-3369 email: [fred@robbinsmetal.com](mailto:fred@robbinsmetal.com)

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

10/1/2023 – Author: Sandra OKelly

Happy October! Can't believe it will be here by the time you are reading this. We had great fun at our Labor Day Weekend campout, meeting up with friends from other districts, jamming morning, noon and night and sharing a potluck hamburger cookout on Saturday. The Square Dance was lots of fun, watching the dancers and picking up the speed on tunes like "My Bonnie Lies Over the Ocean" was memorable. Hotdogs after the dance disappeared quickly. Gospel Hour on Sunday provided a special ending to a great campout.



We continue to be busy with playouts and will play 2 more Farmer's Markets in September, hopefully before the weather gets too wet or chilly. October not only brings us Halloween, but also National Apple Month. (Q. Why didn't the skeleton go to the dance? A. He had no body to go with?) We have a few polkas and the Autumn Waltz on our Fall tune list. We really enjoyed the enthusiasm of staff and residents recently who sang and danced along to Beer Barrel Polka; a fun rewarding playout! See what we've been up to

<https://www.facebook.com/WOTFA5/>

### Playouts for October

- Oct 11-Country Meadows
- October 26- Liberty Shores

Contacts: Sharon Habener [habs\\_@msn.com](mailto:habs_@msn.com) or Kay McCarthy [kaycmccarthy@gmail.com](mailto:kaycmccarthy@gmail.com)



### We're Jamming

- Jam in the BIG barn at the **Salmon Center in Belfair** each **2nd and 4th Tuesday 1-4pm *through October***  
Address is 600 Roessel Rd. Belfair, WA. We play inside the barn which can be cool or hot but the doors are open wide and we have shade and shelter. Dress appropriately. Take a walk afterwards along the end of the Hood Canal. Lovely setting. <https://www.pnwsalmoncenter.org/>
- **First and Third TUESDAY Jam**  
1-4 pm at **Silverdale Mall** next to Dick's Sporting Goods  
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](mailto:ameasureatime@gmail.com) Or 360-271-7105

District 5 Chair: Kent McCabe [dkmccabe0723@gmail.com](mailto:dkmccabe0723@gmail.com) 360-830-0317

Respectfully submitted: Reporter, Sandi O'Kelly [s\\_okelly@msn.com](mailto:s_okelly@msn.com)

## District 6 Report (King County)

10/1/2023 - Author: Jenny Swanson

Welcome to fall everybody! That seemed like a quick transition from summer to fall weather here in King County. I'll miss the warm weather but I'll try to enjoy the fall colors and not take our fantastic greenery for granted. The rain and moderate temps are the reason we have such a beautiful place to live.

It was loads of fun at our first meeting/jam in early September. We had quite a few people show up and a wonderful time catching up when we ate lunch together after the meeting. We were especially glad to have Michael Harris join us because he adds such energy and fun to any gathering! I've included some pictures from our time together, but unfortunately they didn't include Michael (maybe next time I'll catch him in one). They are shown below:



The most recent jam in September was enjoyable as well. We again had a good group and a couple of newcomers, Chuck and Michael who added to our mix. However, we missed the kids who stayed home so they wouldn't spread their colds to us. Thanks to the Smith family for their consideration. We took pictures at this jam also and they are shown below:



For October, we have two events planned. The first will have already taken place Oct. 7th from 11 am – 4 pm before you read this. It includes jamming, a short mtg (with elections) followed by lunch and then more jamming. I'll let you know in the November newsletter what happened at it.

October's 2nd event will be a jam on the 28th from 1 – 4 pm. For details, see the calendar on WOTFA.org for all events.

Put Sat, the 4th from 11 am to 4 pm on your calendar for our meeting plus jam in November. This is the only event we have during the month because Thanksgiving falls too close to our normal jam date at the end of the month. The November newsletter comes out after the fact so don't forget.

Our playdates to earn funds for District 6 are going along each month pretty well. We've even added a new one each month and we are thinking about adding another as well. We'll have to see if there are people wanting to play at these before we accept more. We are so grateful to all the people who volunteer their time to play in these. And to Bernie for coordinating all of them. Please contact him with any questions at [bernus.turner@comcast.net](mailto:bernus.turner@comcast.net)

The time has come around again to renew your membership in WOTFA. It's a really good organization and your membership includes insurance coverage for you when you play at the playdates. You can renew online or by check in the mail. It's so reasonable at \$25 per year and \$5 extra for each additional household member. If you prefer to renew by mail with a check, contact the membership chair, Noel Lareau at [noelula@aol.com](mailto:noelula@aol.com) or 360-691-5907 to see what information you need to send and where to send it.

Next, some fun, good news. Adam Kimball (a really good banjo player who played with the fiddlers when he was younger) is getting married on Oct. 7th. We send congrats to him and his new wife.

Keep up the music and email me with any questions or nice comments.

District 6 Chair: Roy Calvert [roycalvert35@gmail.com](mailto:roycalvert35@gmail.com) 425-228-5846

Reporter: Jenny Swanson [timbuktoe@yahoo.com](mailto:timbuktoe@yahoo.com)

## District 8 Report (Pierce County)

10/1/2023 – Author: Barbara Peterson

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

Check out the news about the new October OldTime Festival sponsored by the Seattle Folklore Society!



## Ongoing Jams

- **3rd Sundays 2PM** District 8 Meeting and Jam. **NOTE:** We will not meet during the summer months. See you September 17th. We will meet at the Mid County Community Center (MCCC). October is District Chairperson election! We'll have a short meeting followed by longer circle jam at 10205 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.
- **Mondays 5:30-8PM** 1st and 3rd Mondays at MCCC above. Stay tuned. We are starting to get this once popular dance band activity going again! August 7. It's difficult to tell who plans to show up, so it would be helpful if you would send an e-mail in advance. No e-mails might mean no band that day. contact Barbara [bmacleanp@comcast.net](mailto:bmacleanp@comcast.net)
- **1st Fridays 3:30PM-7:30** Gig Harbor Circle Jam. For current location, contact Matt 202.631.34147
- Other Fridays 1PM "Live Music Friday" at the Golden Rose Mobile Park community center. **NOTE:** This is **on hold**. 6220 107th Ave E, Puyallup, WA 98372. Contact Barbara 253.926.8457

## Mark your calendars for these Playouts!!

- 3rd Thursdays, 11:00 Mid County Community Center above. Contact Barbara
- 2nd Thursday, 1:30PM Franke Tobey Jones see below: December, March, June, September
- **Dec. 14 1:30PM** Franke Tobey Jones Retirement Comm. Contact Ron [ronduncan596@gmail.com](mailto:ronduncan596@gmail.com)
- TBA Wednesday Brookdale Allenmore Assisted Liv. Contact Carol [ccgav@msn.com](mailto:ccgav@msn.com)
- TBA Friday Brookdale Allenmore Independent Living Contact Carol
- Dec 21 1:30PM Franke Tobey Jones Retirement Comm. Contact Ron

## Upcoming Events Click on the hyperlinks!

- **THIS IS BIG!** The Seattle Folklore Society is hosting the 1st Annual Old Time Gathering. October 20-22 in Northgate. It's called Old Growth Oldtime Festival: Workshops, jams, dances, performances. <https://oldgrowtholdtime.org/>
- Contra Dance every 3rd Sun. 3:00-6PM starting at a new location in November! Fircrest Community Center, 555 Contra Costa Drive, Fircrest. 3PM is a workshop for new dancers. You should try this. Check their calendar. <https://tacomacontradance.org/>

**FREE:** Is anyone interested in a Yamaha EMX 5000 mixer board with 12 channel capacity? Sticker says it once was ~\$999, but I don't know how old it is.

District 8 Chair: Barbara Peterson [bmacleanp@comcast.net](mailto:bmacleanp@comcast.net) 253-926-8457

## District 9 Report (Lewis & Thurston Counties)

10/1/2023 – Author: Christie Easter

Hi Everyone! Happy Autumn at long last. For the month of October we have two main things happening:

The first is our regular 1st Friday jam on Friday, October 6th from 10am-Noon at Faith Baptist Church in Chehalis, located at 436 Coal Creek Rd. To find the Church, take I-5 to exit 79, then head EAST. Take a LEFT at N. National Ave and go 1/3 mile, then turn RIGHT onto Coal Creek Rd. Go 1.1 miles, then take a RIGHT turn into the Church driveway. We are usual in the middle building. There will be coffee and tea and some snacks but it won't be a potluck.

The second thing happening in October is our regular 2nd Wednesday playdate on Wednesday, October 11th from 4:00pm-5:00pm at Colonial Stillwater Residence, located at 2700 Colonial Drive in Centralia.

To find Colonial Residence from the NORTH: Take I-5 to exit 82 (Harrison Ave) exit, then go straight through the light, staying on the frontage road that runs parallel to I-5. Stay in the right hand lane and follow the frontage road to the Mellen St light, then take a RIGHT. Follow the road over the Chehalis River bridge and past Scheuber Rd, then go about another mile, then take a LEFT into the entrance to Colonial Stillwater (Stillwater Ave), we will be in the big white building on the RIGHT with pillars. The music parlor is just inside the entrance.

To find Colonial Stillwater from the SOUTH take I-5 to the Mellen St exit, turn LEFT on Mellen St, then follow the road over the Chehalis River bridge, go straight for about 1.5 miles, then turn LEFT on Stillwater Ave.

Here is the playlist for our October playdate at Colonial:

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|---------------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| 1. Redwing-G                    | 8. Mansion Over the Hilltop-C  | 15. Pig Ankle Rag-D             |
| 2. In The Good Old Summertime-G | 9. Irish Washerwoman-G         | 16. Old Rugged Cross-G          |
| 3. Liberty-D                    | 10. Happyland Schottische-G    | 17. Turkey In The Straw-G       |
| 4. Centralia Waltz-G            | 11. Southwind Irish Waltz-G    | 18. Cajun Fiddle-A              |
| 5. Sacramento Rag-A             | 12. Girl I Left Behind Me-G    | 19. When We All Get To Heaven-C |
| 6. Lofotingen-G                 | 13. Peekaboo Waltz-G           | 20. Golden Slippers-G           |
| 7. Arkansas Traveler-D          | 14. Whiskey Before Breakfast-D |                                 |

Also, don't forget that there are several other (non-WOTFA) jams in our area that are also fun to go to. The first is the WAMA Hope Grange jam on Saturday, October 14th from 1pm-4pm. It's fun and beginner friendly and is a potluck. The second is the Oakview Grange jam (part of WAMA), happening on Friday, October 20th from 6:00pm-9:00pm. Information for both jams is on the WAMA website at [www.wamamusic.com](http://www.wamamusic.com)

If you need more information or have any questions please call or text me (Christie) at 360-791-5185.

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

## District 11 Report (Grant & Adam Counties)

10/1/2023 – Author: Charlie Root

We had our monthly meeting and jam on September 17th. We had another good jam. Our program at Monroe house on September 17th, was well received by the residents of the facility. It is not a monthly playout, but we may return sometime in the future. We are adding another playout to our monthly schedule in October. We will be playing at Othello Care, formerly Avalon, at 1:00 on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. We are now playing at all the places we did before Covid. We don't have any other events scheduled at this time, other than our monthly playouts.

The George Washington Bluegrass festival went well, and it was good to see some members from other districts again this year.

**Monthly meeting:** 3rd Sunday at 1:30 PM – Jam 2:00-4:00. Moses Lake Senior Center, 608 E. 3rd Ave. Moses Lake

### Playouts

- 2nd Tues. 2:30 PM Coventry House Assisted Living, 430 N. 2nd Ave. Othello
- 2nd Wed. 10:00 AM Pioneer Village, 816 Sharon Ave. Moses Lake
- 2nd Wed. 1:30 PM Avamere, 8425 Aspi Blvd. NE, Moses Lake
- 3rd Tues. 10:00 AM McKay Healthcare & Rehab Center, Soap Lake
- 3rd Thurs. 10:00 AM Brookdale Hearthstone, 905 S. Pioneer Way, Moses Lake
- 4th Tues. 10:30 AM The Cambridge 301 H Street SW, Quincy
- 4th Thurs. 10:00 AM Summer Wood, 830 NW Sunburst Ct., Moses Lakeses Lake

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

10/1/2023 – Author: Shawn Hughes

### Monthly Meeting:

Our next meeting will be held Sunday October 8th 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. Refreshments are finger foods (anything NOT requiring silverware). We will furnish napkins, plates and coffee.

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.

Adult Day Service Playouts this month are October 9th and 23rd. All starting at 10:30 with the location being the same place as our monthly meetings.

### Monthly Playouts

- 1st Wednesday 6:00m PM. Hawthorne Court, 524 N Ely, Kennewick
- 2nd Wednesday 6:15PM. Guardian Angel, 245 Van Giesen, Richland
- 3rd Wednesday 2:00 PM ParkView, 7820 W. 6th Ave.
- 4th Wednesday 3PM. Bonaventure, 1800 Bellerive Dr. Richland.

We do also have a district 12 text thread. There are jams and updates that the get texted through the month, please get ahold of our President Joe Gunter if you are interested in getting onto this.

District 12: Benton, Franklin and Walla Walla Counties

Chair: Joe Gunter 509-948-1772

## District 16 Report (Snohomish County)

10/1/2023 – Author: Dianne Gooch

**We are having great turnouts at our 2nd & 4th Friday night jams.** We begin at 3:00 pm and this allows folks to come and go with a more flexible schedule. The jams continue until about 9:00-10:00 pm at the Sisco Heights Community Club, 13527-99th Ave NE, Arlington, WA 98223. We also have coffee and welcome finger treats to enjoy.

Our next business meeting will be held in **November 24th** when we will have the election of chairperson for the coming year. We encourage all members to be present. Thank you to Sharman Smith for her service as District 16 treasurer. Thanks to Alison Grim who has agreed to take over this important position.

Our next **WOTFA Midway Jam** will be **Sunday, October 22, 1:30-4:00 pm**, at the Lynnwood Library (19200 44th Ave W, Lynnwood). The **November date is also scheduled for Sunday, November 26, 1:30-4:00**. 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. This is a great air-conditioned place to play music on these hot summer days.

We had a great group and lots of good music!

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