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News from District 8

Summer is always busy and fun for our group and this year has been no different. We enjoyed a busy July with our usual scheduled plays and seeing our many friends around town at various care facilities. These folks seem to always enjoy our music and we enjoy playing for them each month.

During August we had several special invitations to play Old Time Fiddle music at different places around town. We had played for an Ice Cream Social in Burton, a had a fun time playing at the Jefferson Country Fair where they hosted us to a delicious dinner. As well, we played at the Republican Summer BBQ in Idaho Falls and ate far too much food at our August Jam at Darryl Harris's new home in Idaho Falls. We also played for an hour at Porter Park in Rexburg on the 29th of August.

Several in our group are enjoying summer vacations in other parts of the world and we are looking forward to their reports when returning home.

For many years now our great friend Val Crow has added to our fiddle section and been an important part of our group. Val also serves as our Treasure and takes good care of our bank account each month. Val has decided to retire from his fiddle playing but we hope to continue to see he and his wife Karleen from time to time as the drop by at one of the our events to say hello. We thank Val for his great contribution to our group and

service to so many people and wish he and Karleen all the best in the years ahead.

That's about it for now. We continue to enjoy our opportunities to entertain and play great music.

Have a great late summer and enjoy the warm days and cool nights, because I sense we will be seeing the start of fall and winter in the not too distant future.

Dave Smith reporting

Obituary

Marian Virginia Brown Wikoff was born Sept. 22, 1932, and went to be with Jesus on Wednesday, Sept. 12, 2018. She was born to William and Elsie Brown at Mesa, Idaho, the youngest of 10 children, and she had a very happy childhood playing in the apple orchards. She attended Mesa grade school and high school in Council, Idaho. She married Robert Wikoff on Sept. 25, 1949, in Weiser, Idaho. They had two children,

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Gwen (Earl) of Boise and Mark (Joan) of Coeur d'Alene; and four grandsons: Chad (Brooke) Parker and children Rhieland and Layla, Craig (Rachael) Juliana, Josh (Jesse) Logan, Coeur d'Alene, and Tyler, Coeur d'Alene.

Marian and her husband worked at Vern's Grocery in Grangeville for many years. She worked at First Security Bank, retiring after many years. She was a longtime member of Grangeville Christian Church, serving as secretary for many years. She also was a member of the Old Time Fiddlers. She served at the state secretary. She also was a backup for the fiddlers competition in Weiser, and assisted with student

recitals. When the fiddlers opened up competition for flat pickers, she took first-place trophies three years in a row. She thoroughly enjoyed her morning paper and doing crossword puzzles.

She is survived by her husband of 69 years, Bob; her children; her grandchildren; her sister, Marie (Bill) Bridge, of Grangeville; two sisters-in-law, Dorothy Brown of Lewiston and Geraldine Brown of Ontario, Ore.; and numerous nieces and nephews. She was preceded in death by her parents; all siblings but one; and one great-grandson, Dawson Lough.

A memorial service will be held at 3 p.m. Monday at Grangeville Christian Church. Send condolences to the family to Blackmerfuneralhome.com.