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Hello from District 8. April showers bring May flowers. April also brought some of our snowbirds back to us along with some more snow and below average temperatures. We welcome back our snowbirds. This is the time of the year when we start to work on new songs and new jokes. We always need new jokes and this year we hope to hear some funny ones. In the past it was also the time to split the group into the A and B groups. This provided some relief for the winter group and provided more diversity for our audiences. We haven't been able to form two groups for several years due to a lack of fiddle players willing to lead a group. Everyone was content to have fewer of their songs at each play and to just play along with what everyone else wanted to do. It is also fun to be a part of a larger group. As a member of the Idaho Old Time Fiddlers organization our stated purpose of promoting and perpetuating old time fiddle music has been neglected. We are also established to encourage young people to develop their musical talents and afford them opportunities to perform in public. Spring is a good time to seek new members who are fiddle players or want to learn fiddle or can play a backup stringed instrument. It is time to bring more fiddlers into the organization and the group. If you know a fiddler ask them to join our organization. Happy fiddling from all is us here in the SE corner.

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