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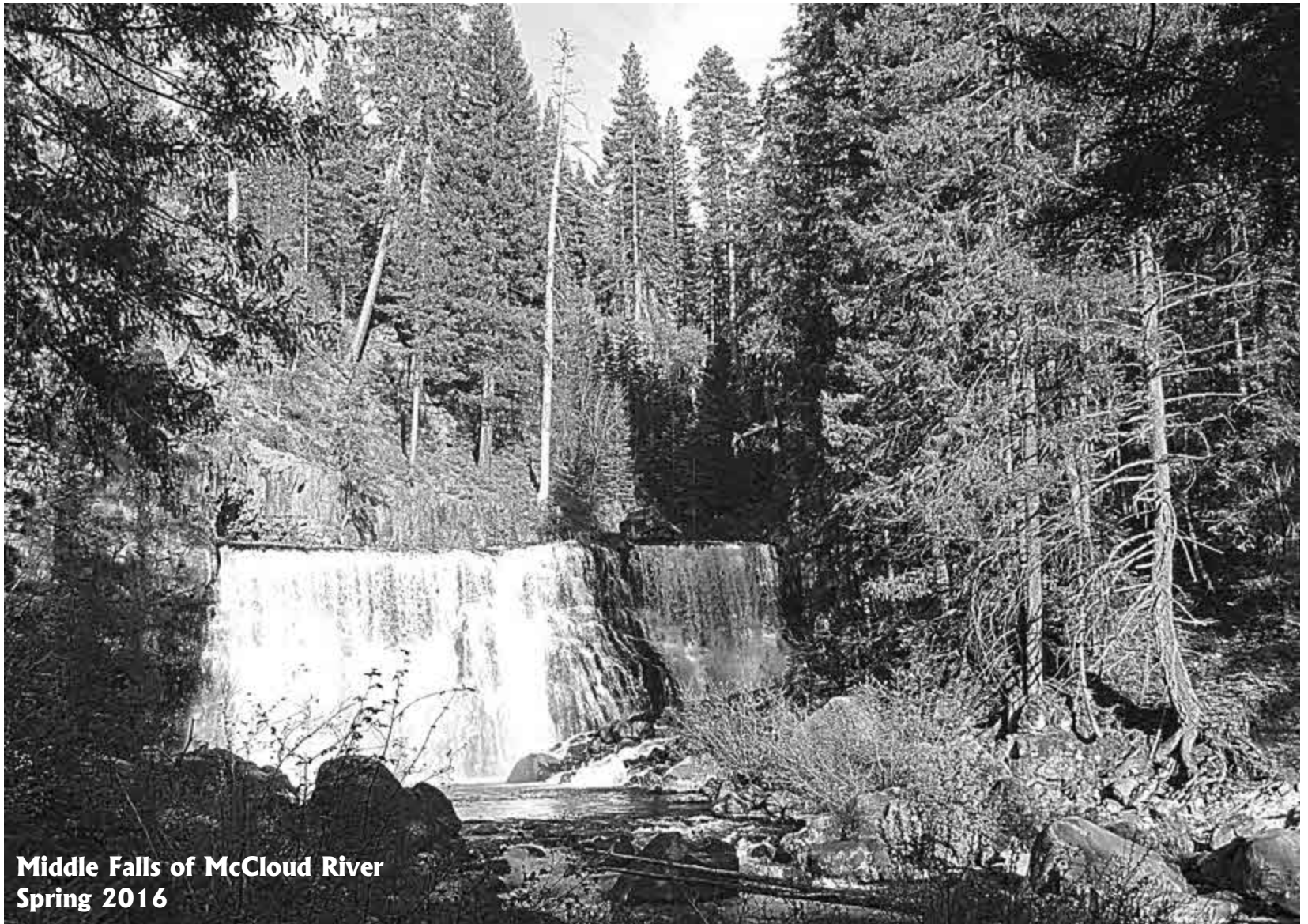
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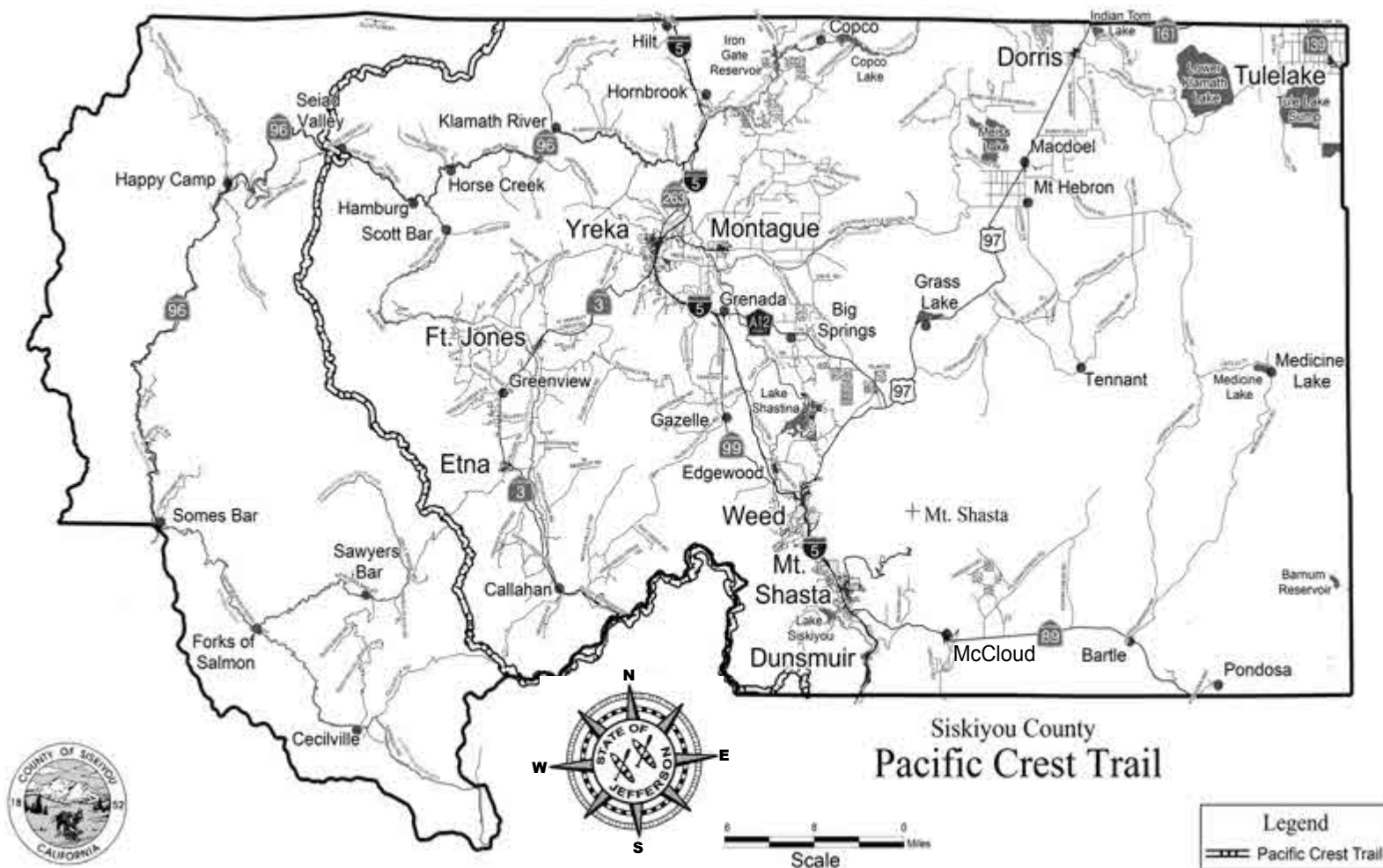


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Saturday June 4, 2016
Scott Valley Yard Sale
EXTRAVAGANZA in Scott Valley,
Siskiyou County California

Sunday June 5, 2016
Portuguese Holy Ghost Festival
Hawkinsville, CA - See Page 42.

June 9-12, 2016
Mt. Shasta Longrifles Trout Creek
40th Annual Rendezvous
McCloud, CA - See AD on Page 13.

June 10-12, 2016
Dunsmuir Railroad Days
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Dunsmuir, California

Saturday June 11, 2016
Klamath River Community Hall
Klamath River Vol. Fire Dept.
Happy Camp - Flea Markets, Food &
Rummage Sales Up and Down the
Klamath River - Highway 96
See AD on Page 5.

June 11-12, 2016
Seiad Valley Volunteer Fire Department
Rummage Sale & Chili Feed
Seiad Valley, CA - AD on Page 5.

Sunday June 12, 2016
10th Annual Taste of Redding
Redding, CA - Info: (530) 224-9292

Friday June 17, 2016
Siskiyou Land Trust Summer Solstice
Celebration at Shasta Starr Ranch
Mt. Shasta, CA - Call (530) 926-2259

Saturday June 18, 2016
Tribute to the Trees in Dunsmuir, CA
See Ad and Story on Page 19.

Saturday June 18, 2016
Gold Rush Days
Yreka, CA (530) 842-1649

Sunday June 19, 2016
CHVA Car Show - Box Car Races &
Father's Day Breakfast in Yreka, CA
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June 22 thru July 19, 2016
Siskiyou County Fiber Arts Show
Snow Creek Studio
Mt. Shasta City, CA - See Page 17 .

Saturday June 25, 2016
Afterglow - A Musical Homecoming
The REC in Fort Jones, CA
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July 1-4, 2016
Mt. Shasta 4th of July Celebration,
Artisan Market & Street Faire
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Sunday July 3 - Siskiyou Motor
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Yreka, CA See Schedule on Page 38.

Monday July 4, 2016
Mt. Shasta Runners 4th of July Fun Run
and Walk Event, Fireworks, Food, etc.
Mt. Shasta, CA
www.mtshastarunners.com

Monday July 4, 2016
Butte Valley Chamber 4th of July
Celebration. See Info on Page 12.

Saturday July 16, 2016
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Gilchrist, Oregon

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Saturday July 30, 2016
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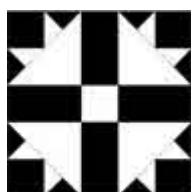
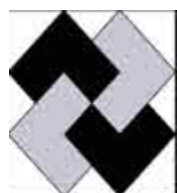
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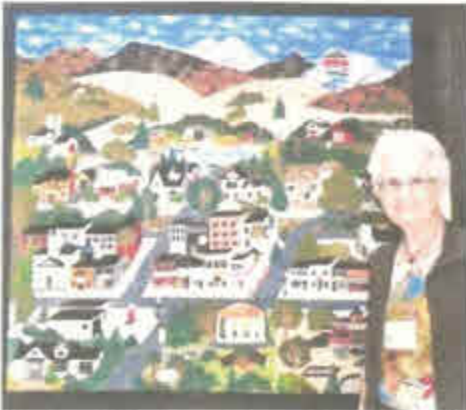
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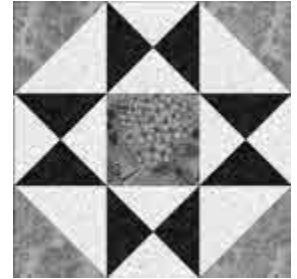
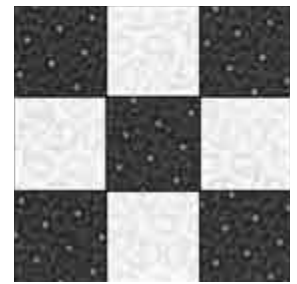
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Backroads Adventures

By Ralph Fain

"Biking the Backroads!"

"Get a bicycle. You will certainly not regret it, if you live."

-Mark Twain

Usually when I talk about my bike, I am talking about my motorcycles. That is not the case here. I am talking about bicycles in this article. Specifically, my new Mountain Bike.

I have always loved riding a bike. From the very first moment I relished the quiet freedom of going where I wanted to go, when I wanted to go, as far as I wanted to go. No boundaries except common sense which was, and still is at times, a fleeting feeling just before the "oh crap!" moment when you ignore your instincts. My first bikes had the banana seat, sissy bar and ape hanger handle bars. In those days these bikes were the mountain bikes, cruisers and ten speeds, we used them for everything.

A month ago I entered a bike shop. I wanted to know more about Mountain Bikes. I also wanted to know what the heck the new Fat Tire Bikes were all about. The choices and information on both these bikes were like everything else these days, mind numbingly infinite until you become less knowledgeable, disoriented, confused then completely dumbfounded. I ended up placing my trust in the folks at the bike shop. I let the pros steer me in the right direction, I just wanted to go bike riding. I want to be able to ride on a paved road, I want to be able to ride on a dirt road, I want to ride single track trails, and lastly, I want to be able to take this bike hunting. Oh, and I want to ride this bike without being an elite athlete.

That is how I eliminated the Fat Tire Bike. Too much work for my easy going nature these days. When I was younger working my tail off, lifting weights and climbing mountains just to see what was on the other side, I lived by the slogan, "what doesn't kill you only makes you stronger." I didn't think about it, I just did it. Now I am a little older and wiser. I much more relate to the slogan, "work smarter, not harder." I repeat, this is all about my easy going nature and has little to do with my older, slower, heavier body which is extremely fond of naps. So now I am the proud owner of a new Mountain Bike!

Now with the theory of "working smarter, not harder" reverberating around my noggin, I have a few special bike rides in mind. These rides do not incorporate hard work but they do immerse the rider in the beautiful country backroads of our area and require little more than a shuttle driver to drop you off and then pick you up. You get dropped off at a summit, any summit. Or head as high into the surrounding mountains as you can get. Right off hand I can think of more places than I can name. For instance Etna Summit, Callahan Summit, Gazelle Summit, Military Pass, Martins Dairy, Scott River Canyon, Lovers Camp or any of the trailheads in the Eddys, Marble Mountains, Trinity Alps or Russian Wilderness. Now ride downhill! Certainly every road has a few ups and downs but basically the ride will be all downhill. You can ride as far as you want with minimal effort and a maximum fresh made mountain air experience!



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Siskiyou County and The State of Jefferson both offer bike riders of every sort a myriad of riding experiences. There are endless secondary paved roads for those seeking speed and distance. There are thousands of miles of dirt roads with little to no traffic for those seeking quiet solitude. And there are miles and miles of trails for those who are a bit younger and crazier. Almost every community now has maps of local trails just for biking. And the number of bike races and organizations promoting biking in our neck of the woods are becoming more prevalent. Check out www.CycleSiskiyou.com or www.GreatShastaRailTrail.org and also watch for upcoming events heralded right here in Jefferson Backroads! Get out, partake and happy biking! *SEE Map below but go to Great Shasta Rail Trail website for all the details and a much more accurate map depiction in full color!!*

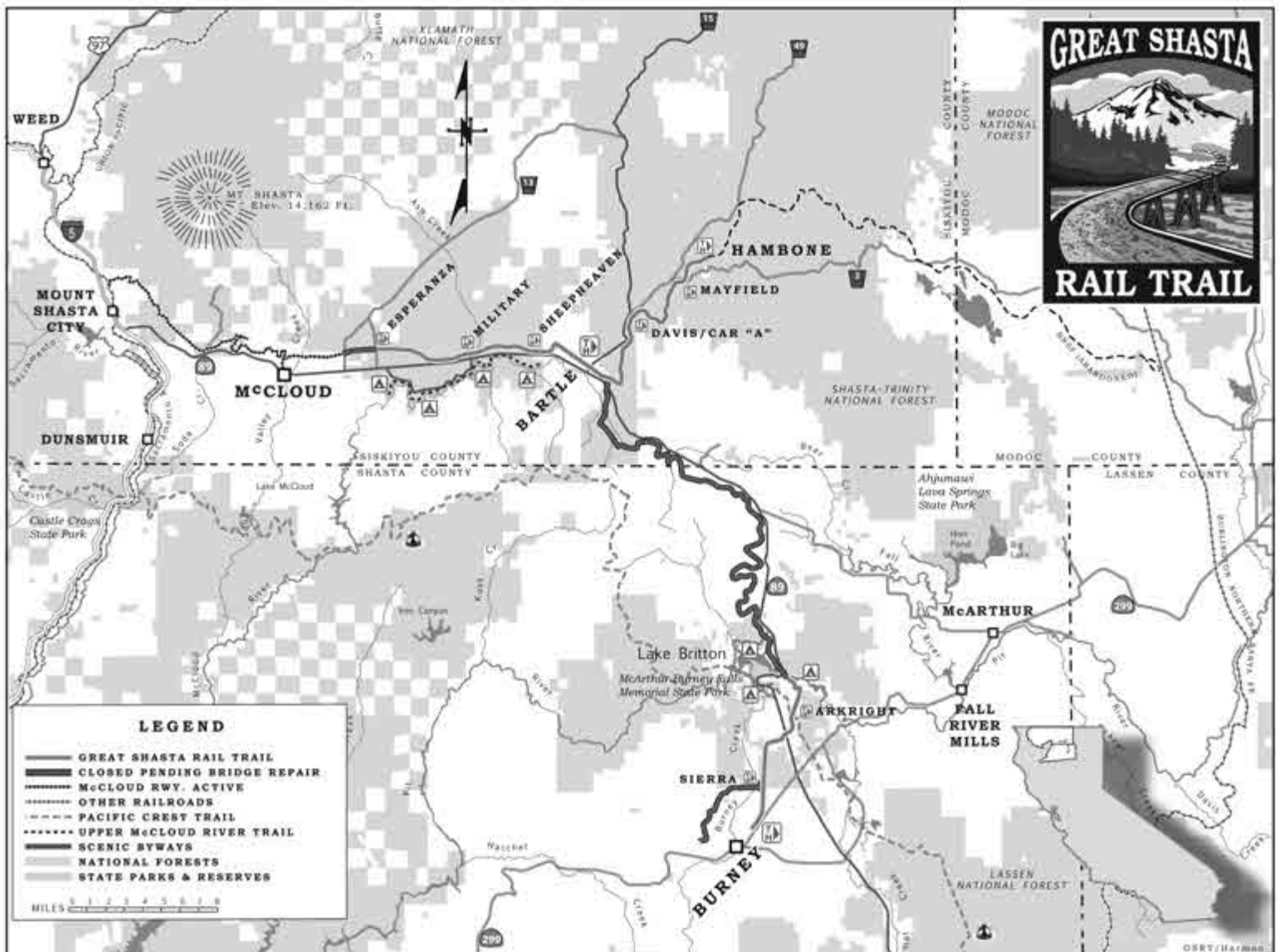
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- Edward Abbey*

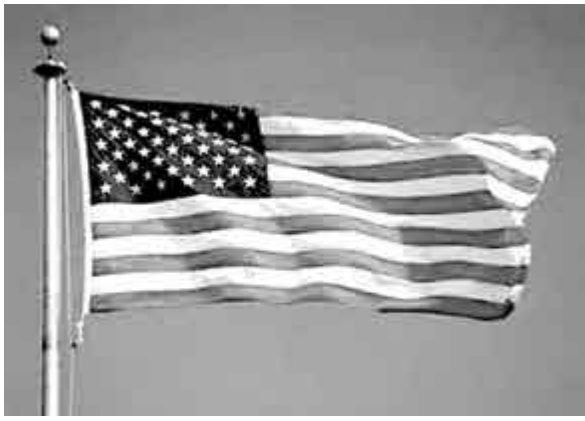
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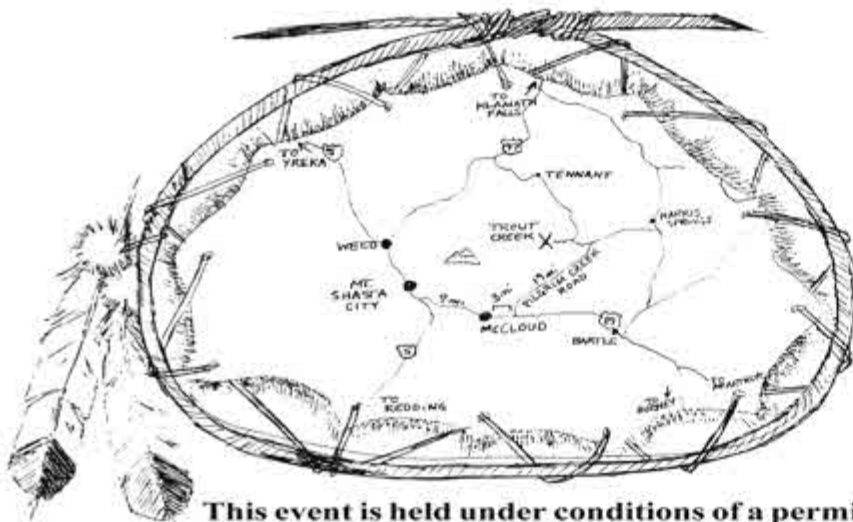
Events

Thursday	Shooter's Meeting All Trails open	8:00a.m. 8:30a.m. - 8:00p.m.
Friday	Shooter's Meeting All Trails open	8:00a.m. 8:30a.m. - 8:00p.m.
Saturday	Shooter's Meeting Rifle Trail Hawk & Knife Trail PeeWee - Seneca PeeWee Long Gong Long Gong; Rifle Specialty Shoots (Squirrel Trail)	8:00a.m. 8:30a.m. - 5:00p.m. 8:30a.m. - Till Dark 4:00p.m. 6:00p.m. After Pee Wee Long Gong To Be Announced
Sunday	Shooter's Meeting Rifle Trail - Adults Pee Wee B.B gun Pistol and PeeWee Trail Hawk & Knife Trail Shotgun (16 Birds) Needle in Hay Awards Ceremony	8:00a.m. CLOSED TBA 8:15a.m. - 10:30a.m. 8:00a.m. - 10:00a.m. 8:00a.m. - 10:00a.m. 11:00a.m. 12:00p.m.

*Rifle Trail Scorecards must be turned in by 6:00p.m.
Saturday to be scored. Pistol and Hawk & Knife Scorecards must
be turned in by 10:30a.m. and PeeWee turned by 11:00am on
Sunday to be scored.

Rifle Trail requires rifle fire start at registration tent
****Rifle Trail is Handicapped Accessible.****

ATV on rifle Trail for Disabled shooters only.
Check with Registration before taking any ATV on Trail.



This event is held under conditions of a permit
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Camping

Designated camping areas:
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There is no reserving of Campsites

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camps MUST be at least 50 ft from
the creek. Private Land North of
North Cattle Guard, No camping.
Please be aware of rule 15 on reverse.

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Campsites will be available Wednesday,
June 6th 2016

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Divisions

Men's Rifle

Women's Rifle

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PeeWee (under 12)

Pistol

Hawk & Knife

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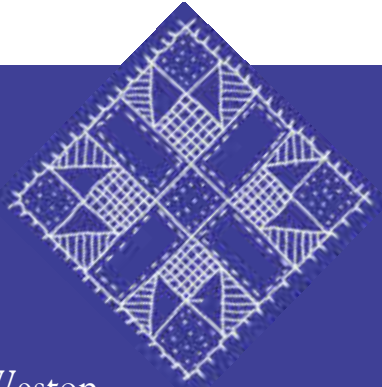
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The June 25, 2016 homecoming event will feature an all inclusive ticket for \$25 that will entitle the patron to a delicious BBQ dinner prepared by the Etna Brewery, admission to the screening of the film and the concert to follow. The festivities begin at 6 PM with the film to screen at 7:30 pm and the dance/concert to follow.

Afterglow is renowned for more than just original music, a unique album cover and legions of fans worldwide. Afterglow is known throughout the music industry as the "long, lost band from Northern California that released one great album in 1968 and disappeared."

The band's legend continued to grow throughout the 70's and 80's. Who are these guys and where did they go? Why didn't they release any more albums? Or did they?

The answer eventually came in 2011 when a series of unlikely events led to an exciting reunion.

The mystery began to resolve when Sundazed Music in Cocksackie, New York released the band's eponymous album on CD in 1997 and again on vinyl in 2001. With these releases, music fans were able to enjoy the music without having to get their hands on the extremely rare original album.

And then in 2007, the mystery was solved when the members of the band found their album for sale on the internet all over the world. "We had no idea that the album was re-released," said Afterglow drummer, Larry Alexander. "We were especially excited to see that we had fans all over the world. It is a real thrill to receive emails and phone calls from fans everywhere."

Once the band discovered that they were famous, they made plans to reunite for the first time in 35 years. The location? Where else but the small homestead in Scott Valley that they spent the summer of 1967 writing and rehearsing the songs for the album.

The reunion was a huge success, with four of the five original members in attendance. The composer of nine of the eleven songs, Tony Tecumseh, was unable to attend due to failing health but did call in to chat with the other band members.

The band members and their families weren't the only people to attend the reunion. A film crew was on site to begin the process of producing the 30 minute, Telly Award winning documentary "Afterglow." The band's improbable story is told in the film, currently airing on PBS television stations throughout the United States, and has exposed the band to thousands of new fans.

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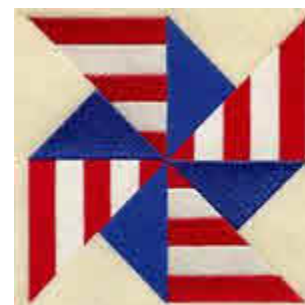
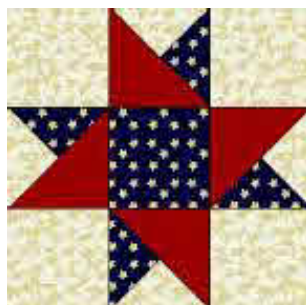
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QUILT SHOWS OF 2016

June 22 - July 19: Siskiyou County Fiber Arts Show, Snow Creek Studio, Mt. Shasta, Ca. See Page 19.

June 24-25: Mountain Stars Quilt Guild Quilt Show in Medford, Oregon. See Page 8 for details.

August 12-14: Hayfork Log Cabin Quilters, Trinity County Fairgrounds, Hayfork, Ca. Featured Quilter Angenett Taft.

September 3-4: Shasta Lily Quilt Guild, "Quilting Around the Mountain," Mt. Shasta High School Gymnasium, Featured Quilter Don Linn. See Page

October 1: Pacific Flyway Quilters, "Farm + Fabric = Family," Colusa County Fairgrounds in Colusa, California.

For MORE QUILT SHOWS: www.quiltguilds.com/

Winner, Winner

Abigail Young has been awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by the Shasta Lily Quilt Guild. Abigail, a senior at Yreka High School, will be attending Azusa Pacific University next fall. You might find this enterprising young woman, a member of Bells and Bows, promenading with her compatriots in Victorian costume somewhere in Yreka!

More News from Weston's

Never content--except in her own store--Michaela Weston will soon be offering linen bag kits featuring abstract layered drawings. We can't wait!

Row by Row Experience 2016, June 21-September 6

The Row by Row Experience is a Shop Hop with a difference. Beginning in 2011, this combination contest/scavenger hunt grew to 2,655 shops in every state and much of Canada in 2015. This year's event will be even greater.

Please refer to www.rowbyrowexperience.com for details and rules.



STITCHING IN THE DITCH

By Judy Sartor of the Mount Shasta Lily Quilt Guild

This is it, quilters, and it will definitely be exciting! Something that we have anticipated all year is about to begin. The Row by Row Experience, spreading to quilt shops across the country, starts on June 21, and it will be huge. Preparations for this year's event, centered around the theme "Home Sweet Home," began months ago.

And the very best place to begin this year's quilting adventure is at our very own Weston's Quilt Shop in Mt. Shasta City. Weston's row this year is even more spectacular than last year's offering.

But how does Michaela Weston do it? Beyond the artistry demonstrated by both design and choice of color, there is much to consider.

Here, from the perspective of a rank novice, is Michaela's process. Checking out the palette chosen by the Row by Row Experience comes first. Then Michaela and her talented niece Jamie Weston take countless pictures--digital photographs. These images are painstakingly layered on top of each other to achieve the desired effect. Layering the photos adds depth to the resulting image. This image, however, does not exist in nature. It is a work of imagination that reflects nature but expresses more.

The meadow might be several different meadows, the forest might be a combination of trees, as are the bird nest, eggs and dogwood. At various points Marlene Ludlow, local fiber artist and skilled artisan, paints the mockup, and Jamie and Michaela return to layering. The result is, to me, nothing short of incredible.

For the fabric Michaela has selected the organic cotton sateen offered by Spoonflower. Michaela has washed the prints and found them totally colorfast.

Michaela next compares the Row by Row color palette to Spoonflower's palette, selecting the best matches and ordering a strike-off on a fat quarter. The colors are tweaked, softened or brightened, and another strike-off is ordered. This can continue several times. Michaela was satisfied this year with the second strike-off. Then the yardage is printed.

But wait until you see the blocks that Michaela has paired with the panel and how they complement the entire image. Her fabric choice for the companion blocks is grunge, and the colors mirror those of the panel.

So that's it, from the perspective of the bird's nest in the design by Michaela Weston and her talented cohorts. And according to Michaela, any of us can do this. At the very least, any of us can design and print our own fabric and perhaps even market it in the Spoonflower store.

Spoonflower, in Michaela's opinion, provides an excellent product at a reasonable price. Quilters, hobbyists, and artists utilize the services of this company. Spoonflower has even provided a path for fabric artists to be hired as designers for the major fabric companies.

But until you reach that point, be sure to buy the year's Home Sweet Mountain kit at Weston's. I would start there, if I were you. You might see me in line. ☺



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Observation and Participation

by Judy Sartor of Mount Shasta Lily Quilt Guild

And what are you doing this summer? You might vacation on the beaches of Crescent City or Eureka or even Bandon, the location of one of my favorite quilt shops, Forget-Me-Knots. Or you might take in a show at the Cascade Theatre in Redding. Or how about a houseboat adventure on Shasta Lake, which is amazingly full at the moment. So plan away!

But now, right now, there are some fantastic opportunities here in Siskiyou County to expand your mind and tickle your creative senses. Fiber arts and the quilting arts are alive and well!

Observation

First up is the Siskiyou County 2016 Fiber Arts Show sponsored by Weston's Quilt Shop in Mt. Shasta. The setting is the Snow Creek Studio, and the show runs from June 22 to July 19. The entry deadline is June 10, which is very soon. However, put this show on your list for this summer. You will be amazed by the ingenuity displayed by these fiber artists as well as by their choice of materials. Dryer lint, now really?

Participation

Now suppose fabric is more your thing, creatively speaking. Perhaps you enjoy playing with it. Quilting Around the Mountain 2016 is a quilter's dream. Sponsored by the Shasta Lily Quilt Guild on Labor Day weekend, this show offers you--the quilt artist--an opportunity to exhibit the product of your imagination.

This is your challenge. We like to exhibit our own work, but we would love to see and to share YOUR creations as well. Do you prefer to play with traditional patterns and motifs? We have a spot for you. Are you more in to creating pictures with fabric? Or flowers with creative thread play? We have a spot for you. Do you work with wool? Or even other fibers? We've got that covered. And how about the modern quilter? Do you experiment with colors and shapes and improvisational piecing? We also have a spot for you. Categories range from miniatures to wall hangings to hand quilted pieces to king-sized quilts.

So give it a try. What have you got to lose? Details and entry forms are available at shastalily.org. Questions? Contact me at sartor@nctv.com. ☞

"I saw the angel in the marble and carved until I set him free."
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Wayyy back when my kids were little I painted quilt designs on wood and used "puff paint" for a stained glass effect...

—Editor ☺

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The car had been modified into a truck by cutting the back half off. It was used to haul hay to feed buffalo on a ranch. When he was 17 he found a town sedan body and offered the lady who owned it all the money he had in his pocket, a grand total of \$4.00 and she took it. With the new body, he now had a car he could drive anywhere and he still is all these years later. Changing the body and maintaining this car over all these years, Bob has become a Model A expert.

CHVA stands for Contemporary Historical Vehicle Association. This is a "fancy" way to say...we enjoy preserving and driving our cars, trucks and any vehicle 25 years or older. We schedule mini tours throughout the year where we can enjoy driving our cars and getting to know the history of each place we visit.

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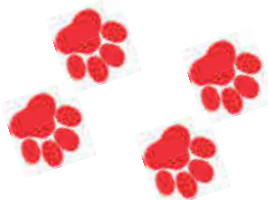
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artwork titled “Calf Roper at the Fair.” The winning artwork was submitted by Mother Barbara from the Convent of St. Elizabeth in Etna, California. Judges for the contest were extremely pleased with all the entries for 2016. The Convent of St. Elizabeth will receive the \$500.00 first place prize and the Siskiyou Golden Fair will have the rights to use the painting for advertising and the 2016 fair poster. “I couldn’t be happier with the judges’ selection,” stated CEO, Cliff Munson. “I am glad I did not have to pick the winner!” The 2016 Exhibitor Handbook will be online and available hardcopy on May 16, 2016 and everyone is encouraged to enter something in the 2016 Siskiyou Golden Fair.

Information about the 2016 fair is available on our website, www.sisqfair.com. The Siskiyou Golden Fair can be reached by email at info@sisqfair.com or by phone at 842-2767. The 2016 fair “Saddle Up Some Memories” runs August 10-14, 2016 in Yreka. 🐾

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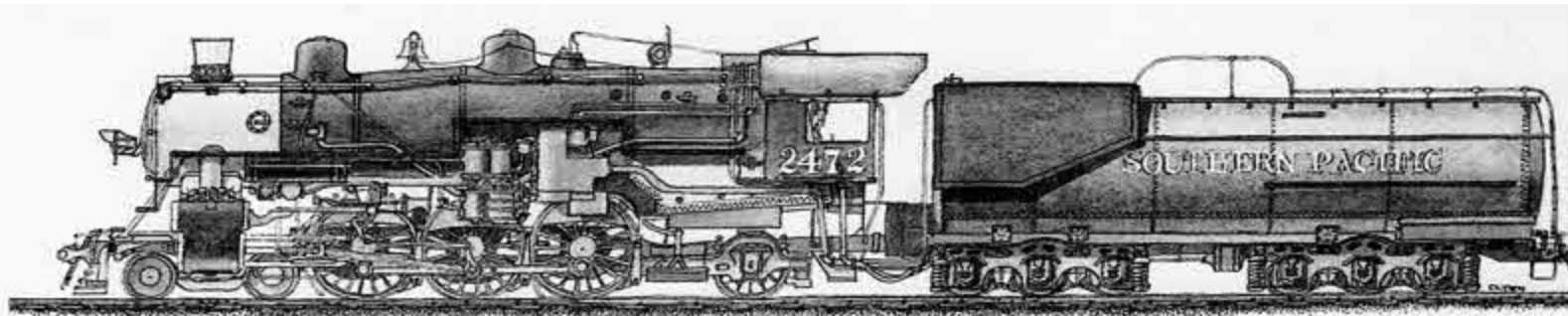
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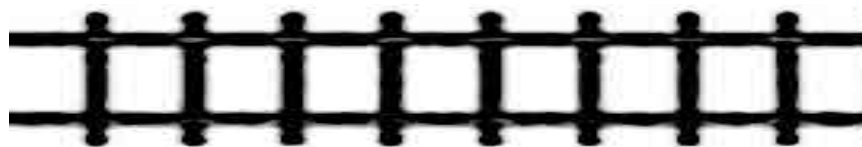
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NAME: SHERIFF ANDREWWILLE SAMUEL 'ANDY' CALKINS

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HISTORY GATHERED BY JEN BRYAN



Our Pioneer this month was a Siskiyou County Sheriff for 16 years. Andrewville Samuel Calkins, known to most as Andrew or Andy was an easy going, fair man. He owned and operated three businesses on Miner Street in Yreka and three cattle ranches on the Klamath River before being elected to Sheriff in 1918. Sheriff Calkins served Siskiyou County until 1935, when he retired.

Andrew Samuel Calkins was born in Washington in 1876, the fifth child of seven children born to Charles H. Calkins and Amanda Johnson. Andrew's father Charles was from Maine and his mother from Missouri. Charles and Amanda Calkins married about 1861 at the beginning of the Civil War. The couple left their families and traveled west. The first four children were born in Nebraska between 1863 and 1874; by 1876 the family had moved to Washington and in 1880 were living in Jackson County, Oregon. Andrew was only 4 years old when they arrived in Oregon. The following year the family moved to Siskiyou County.

The family suffered thru the tragic death of Andrew's older brother Charles Earl Calkins in 1894. Earl was riding a ferry across the Klamath River with his fiancée Hanna Garvey, when the horse pulling their buggy spooked and they all went into the river. Earl was an excellent swimmer and tried several times to save Hanna, but Hanna panicked and fought Earl. When Earl realized that he would not be able to save Hanna, he wrapped his arms around her and they were sweep away by the river, never to be seen alive again.

Andrew Calkins married Frances Waters in 1898 in Siskiyou County; they had 8 children, 5 girls and 3 boys. Andrew was a business man owning several shops and ranches before being elected to the position of Sheriff. Andrew ran against Charles B. Howard the incumbent Sheriff in 1918. Sheriff Howard had been in office for 16 years.

Sheriff Calkins had six deputies during his tenure; they had to deal with Bootleggers, Loggers, Lumber men, Miners and a robber that shot one of his deputies. There were several large lumber mills in Weed and McCloud and the Southern Pacific Railroad was in full operation. The population of the County was also at an all-time high. In 1924 the total population of Siskiyou County was approximately 6,000 and by 1936 the population had increased to about 9,000. The deputies that worked for Sheriff Calkins were paid \$150 per month, had to provide their own vehicles and they were only paid for mileage. There was no jail facility for female prisoners or juveniles, so the ladies and children were taken to the Calkins residence and Mrs. Calkins was in charge of them. Frequent comments from prisoners that where assigned to the Calkins residence with Frances directing them in their cores, stated Mrs. Calkins scared them more than the Sheriff. Frances Calkins was a fearless lady and when a group of armed bandits appeared at the Calkins residence in the middle of the night, shouting for Sheriff Calkins to come out and face them, Frances went out on the front porch with a shotgun, fired a round in the general direction of the bandits and they scattered.

The Calkins children remembered their parents fondly and all became upstanding citizens. Six of the kids graduated from college producing 5 teachers and one business man; one of the girls was the Siskiyou County Tax Collector for many years and one of the boys became an official for Long Bell in Weed.

Andrew and Frances Calkins both died in 1935 - Andrew in June and Frances in October. They had been a great team in life and could not bear to be apart. ♦

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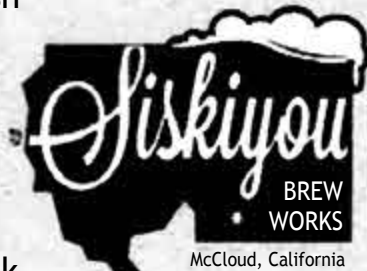
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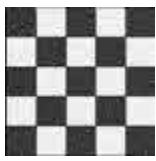
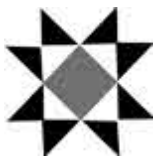
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*By Gail Jenner – Enjoy another new story of the
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ANKLE HIGH AND KNEE DEEP, published by Globe/Pequot in 2014, is a unique collection of 40+ women's personal stories, also known as memoir, about life on a ranch or in the country. Some of the reflections are poignant; some are humorous; some are inspiring. All are honest and provide a refreshing look at life often "from the wrong end of a horse, tractor, or"

Since the book has come out, a number of people have asked me about writing memoir. As I've shared with them, it's a "writing form" that most people can adapt or adopt easily. Specifically, it's a unique form of nonfiction—often called narrative or creative nonfiction—which speaks to readers. We can all relate to stories others write about their lives. Sometimes these memories or reflections can be motivating, healing, and/or just entertaining. And, for many, it's a way to share one's life with family and friends.

So...what makes a memoir a memoir??? It can be about an event from your past or present life (for example, a move to a new place or major life change). An aspect of your life (for example, relationships, a struggle to overcome something in your life). Other possible topics: being a parent, taking care of your parents, a sport or hobby of importance, your career, an important friendship, a decision to change some aspect of your life, a profile of someone who was a great inspiration to you.

It can be a period of time from your life (for example, childhood, parenting years). Sometimes the idea for a memoir is sparked by a song, a photograph, a landscape or visit to some exotic or familiar place, a visit with someone you haven't seen in many years. These "sparks" can evoke a myriad of feelings and memories, thoughts, connections to things now present in your life. In fact, connecting the memory to your present life is often the best way to approach a memoir.

For example, study a photograph of your family. What memories does it bring back? Focus on one of the memories by recalling sounds, smells, and other sensations, as well as what things looked like. Then write about it, recreating the scene for the reader.



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Two other “prompts” for re-creating an episode from your life are ask what's something you were afraid of as a child? Or, what is something difficult you had to do?

As an illustration, I'd like to share one of the four reflections that I contributed to the volume, *ANKLE HIGH AND KNEE DEEP*. It's called “Universal Language.”

Language is the universal means of communication—it's true—but on a ranch, this form of communication is somewhat skewed, especially for the newly married ranch wife who hasn't learned the hidden meanings behind normally simple words and phrases.

It didn't take me long as a new bride to figure out that my husband often spoke in a covert or “coded” form of the English language. The most frequently misunderstood phrases revolve around time. Perhaps, because, in an effort to never offend or create “a scene,” my slow-talking ranching hubby often pulled back from expressing exactly what he intended to do. Today I understand the importance of trusting the words not spoken.

For example, I now know that when my dear hubby says he won't be home “too late,” it does indeed mean he'll be late. When he calls (and I do appreciate the fact that he has agreed to carry a cell phone) and says, “I'll be home soon,” I know he'll return in perhaps thirty minutes, but more likely in an hour. This is especially true in the summer months, when irrigating and cutting hay can mean delays. My response: “Then I won't start supper ‘til I see the whites of your eyes!”

And when he calls and asks, “You busy?” it really means, “I need you.” Of course, I can't always respond to his requests, but if I'm home, I put my chores and to-do list aside. Bottom line: he wouldn't call if he didn't need me.

Asked to run a “quick” errand, or “run an errand or two,” translates to: “You better forget any plans for today.” A quick errand can take me to Medford, 70 miles away, but this ranch can't run if the equipment isn't working, so if and when I can, I simply smile and pack a lunch before heading out.



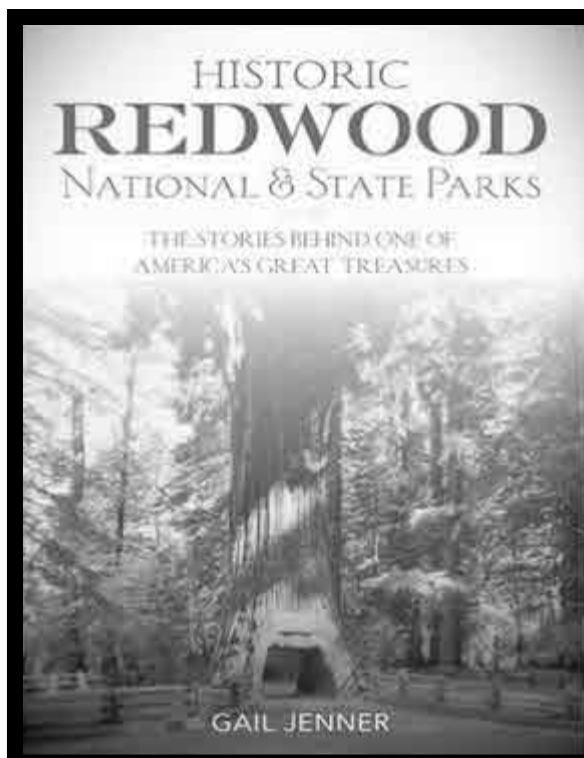
When my husband calls about lunch and says, “Uh, we might have another—or even a couple more guys—to the table,” I have learned not to feel imposed upon. These guests frequently seem to time their arrivals just before noon and many love a “real” home-cooked meal. My husband is always a gracious,

generous host. But I've come to understand—and appreciate—that hospitality is the trademark of ranching families all over the West. I therefore hope to figure out how to stretch the meal. Farm wives are notorious for keeping a pantry full of “possibles,” and I've learned it's the wise woman who does so. Of course, these visitors are ever appreciative and often rave about the great meal for weeks afterward, and my husband generally gives me rave reviews too. In spite of the fact that he doesn't throw compliments around, he does appreciate my willingness to accommodate his requests.

Finally, it's impossible to stay mad when a crisis hits—whether it's a cow in labor or a broken-down piece of equipment or fence. These events lead to greater catastrophe if left unattended, so his, “You go on ahead ... I'll join you later,” most often translates into, “Forgive me. I probably won't make it.” Animal care comes first, even on Christmas mornings when the kids and I wait for his return.

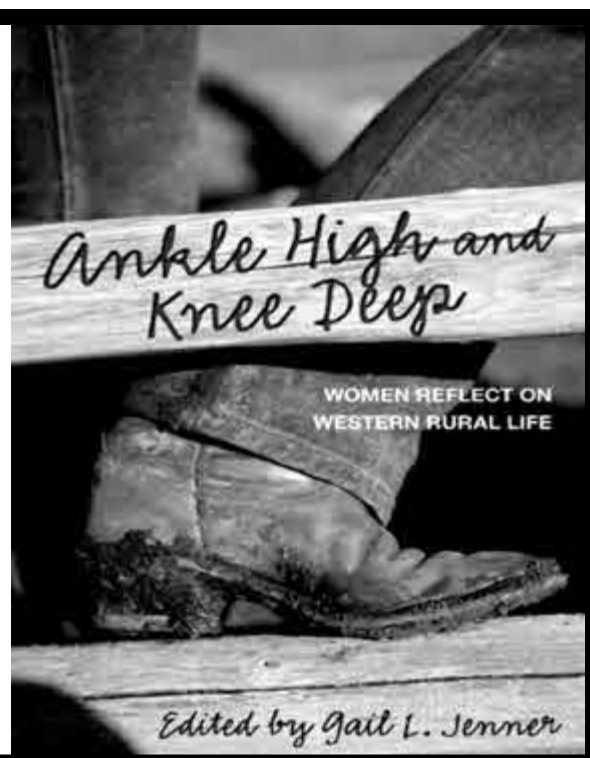
This piece of wisdom, perhaps more than any other, is imperative for any ranch wife to learn. Much like an emergency room doctor, or perhaps more like a mother tending her child, a rancher's creed and dedication to his life as caretaker establishes the foundation for his role as a good steward. The rancher who ignores this credo will one day sorely regret it.

Therefore the issues created by this unique language barrier are important ones to overcome for anyone who hopes to take up life as a rancher's or farmer's spouse. 🐾



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Humbug Chapter No. 73

The forty fourth in a continuing series of
articles prepared by Bill Wensrich

"If you ain't plaque'n, then you ain't Clampin'"

The notion of a two sided historical monument had been discussed for years. Yreka's Humbug Chapter 73 of the Ancient and Honorable Order of E Clampus Vitus finally took action in 2012. Our presiding Humbug (Club President) J.J. Minard met an unfortunate and untimely death in early July of that year. He was murdered; a very sad affair. To keep the club running, Ex-Noble Grand Humbug James "Dirt" Ordway stepped up and assumed the chair of Chapter Humbug again. I assumed the role of Clampatriarch for the year. Together, James and I orchestrated the erection of the Moonlit Oaks Dance Pavilion historical monument.

Years ago after reading numerous Siskiyou Pioneer and Yearbook volumes produced by the Siskiyou County Historical Society, I particularly enjoyed the issue that discussed the dances and touring bands of the 1920s and 1930s. From that volume I crafted proposed wording for a Moonlit Oaks Dance Pavilion plaque. Club historian at the time, Dan Wimers, reviewed and edited the proposed wording and together we honed a final version.

The Chapter approved the idea for a 2012 historical monument. The next step was to obtain permission for erecting the plaque. We wanted to erect the plaque on Moonlit Oaks Avenue on the Black Bear Restaurant property for two reasons:

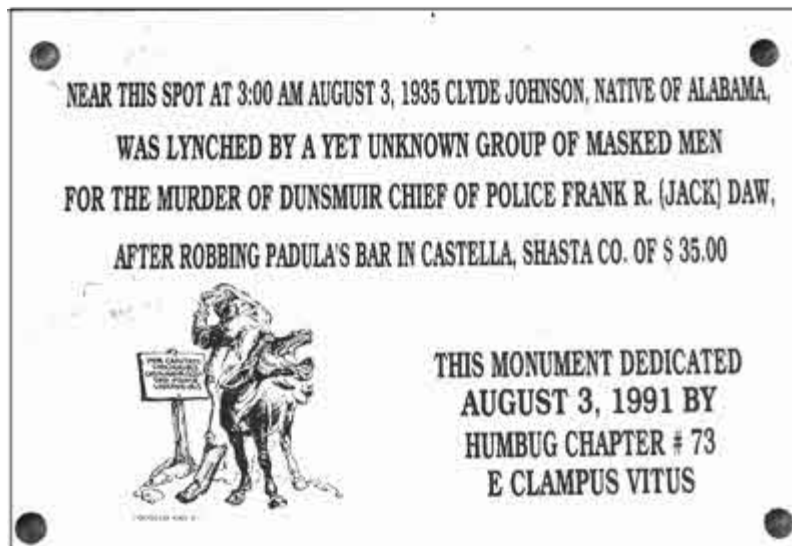
1. The old Dance Pavilion was located there, and
2. The Chapter's previously erected plaque across the street at the closed old Boston Shaft restaurant site had been removed by us about four years prior; we wanted to re-erect it near the same location.

I had been in contact with Black Bear management through eMail for the previous year or two and had been unable to obtain permission. Finally in late 2011 we had a Eureka moment, or more correctly a Yreka moment, receiving permission to erect the monument near the bus stop.



With that piece of the puzzle solved, James contacted our former ECV Outpost in Oregon to help us pour the concrete monument and co-sponsor the plaque. Dirt arranged for our summer Doin's party to be

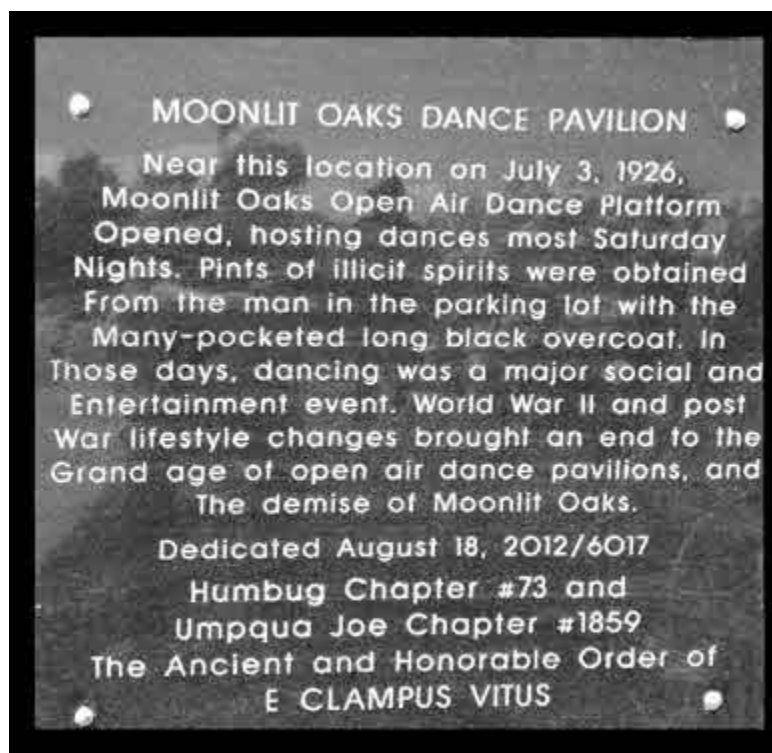
held on Humbug Creek. The dye was cast and the concrete and forms were ready. The weekend of August 18th and 19th we held our summer function. On Friday our Poor Blind Candidates assisted plaque master Glenn Hearrell and his crew with the monument erection. James came up with the notion to mix in 30 pounds of red dye into the concrete.



What turned out to be a spectacular historical monument was given a reddish color. Red and Black are the colors of ECV. Side one of the monument holds the story of the Moonlit Oaks Dance Pavilion (*see below*) and side two holds the relocated Boston Shaft plaque that tells the Clyde Johnson hanging story (*see above*). That plaque, originally erected in 1991, had been held in safe keeping by Dirt from the time we removed it from its concrete monument at the old Boston Shaft Restaurant location across the street.

That Saturday at 12 noon, 20 Clampers came down the hill from Humbug Creek and along with 10 civilians dedicated the two plaques.

A fine example of a two side ECV historical monument, one can easily view these two plaques by driving to the Black Bear Restaurant located on Main Street and Moonlit Oaks Avenue in Yreka, California. Next to the bus stop you'll find the historical monument. 🎵





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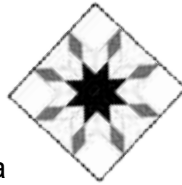
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Gilchrist, Oregon: The Model Company Town

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Gilchrist is the northern most town in Klamath County. At first glance one sees that Gilchrist is a picturesque community that, with its mill pond and sawmill, continues to exemplify all that one expects of a forest town located in Oregon. One discovers upon further investigation that the story of Gilchrist, Oregon has many more facets than one might initially surmise.

Gilchrist, established in 1938, is Oregon's most recently constructed company town and is also one of the most successful towns of its type ever established. Gilchrist was Oregon's first town which was entirely plumbed and wired for electricity at the time of its founding. It was also Oregon's first town to have its houses and businesses equipped with a dial telephone system. Oregon's first mall, perhaps the first mall in the United States, was built in Oregon by the Gilchrist Timber Company. It was designed and decorated in a style known as Norwegian Modern. The town was constructed with amenities which were not often found in larger communities. Gilchrist, following its construction, was routinely described as a "wonder town."

Gilchrist was the culmination of decades of experience that was gained by the Gilchrist family constructing and then operating a succession of communities for its employees and their families. Each one afforded its residents amenities that exceeded those found in its predecessor. The Gilchrist camps, as was the case with Gilchrist, Oregon, provided employees of the Gilchrist family's timber company with access to housing that was equal or superior to residences available in neighboring towns and which rented at rates below the prevailing market price. Company houses were one of the aspects of the Gilchrist family's management practices and leadership which resulted in a work force whose average time with the company was measured in decades.



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In 1941 Hollis Johnston, the architect hired by Frank W. Gilchrist to design the town, wrote the following regarding Gilchrist, Oregon to the editor of the Architectural Forum:

The town is designed with a wood architecture theme and there is a unity of expression running through all the buildings, although they have been designed, at the same time, with appropriate variety.

To my mind, the most important element in the design of this little community is the owner's foresight and desire to make a comfortable place for people to reside. It is the company's belief that workmen who are content have a much better attitude toward the company.

Photo of Gilchrist Mall from 1940s. See Page 25 for upcoming Gilchrist Event.



Photo of Gilchrist homes from 1940s.

The move by the Gilchrist family and their employees from Laurel, Mississippi to Klamath County was also a continuation of the movement of the Scots-Irish from the South to Oregon that began prior to the admission of Oregon to the Union. Many of the town's residents still trace their roots back to Mississippi, to Smith County and Jasper County.

The Gilchrist Timber Company pioneered sustained yield logging. Its forest management practices once set the standard for the Pacific Northwest.

The Klamath Northern Railroad, a 17.1 mile short-line railroad, was constructed by the Gilchrist Timber Company to move its lumber from the mill to the Southern Pacific Railroad's main line. It is Central Oregon's only other short line railroad. 🚂

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BIG CELEBRATION

This article was first printed in May 21, 1919

The Hawkinsville celebration was a grand success this year as is generally the way. There were the usual large crowds and the usual good time from the start to the finish. There was a large attendance at the Friday evening dance, and the music by Pedersen's six-piece orchestra was superb and all present seemed to enjoy themselves to the utmost.

The Sunday festivities were carried out with all the pomp of by-gone years and were very attractive to many who were present who had not witnessed them before. The flag bearers, Tony and Frank Brazill and Americ Perry followed by the Yreka Silver Band headed a procession and next came the queen, Della Perry, and her numerous attendants in gala attire and many followers. The march started at the residence of Manuel Perry and ended at the Hawkinsville Catholic church where religious services were held and then the procession went to the hall where a midday luncheon was served and a band concert, and other festivities were engaged in.

Late in the afternoon the band was allowed to go to Grenada through the kindness of the committee and there advertise the big evening blowout and furnish the Grenada crowd some music while witnessing the airplane stunts. When the band arrived back in the evening supper was served, the queen was escorted home and everything was ready for the evening dance.



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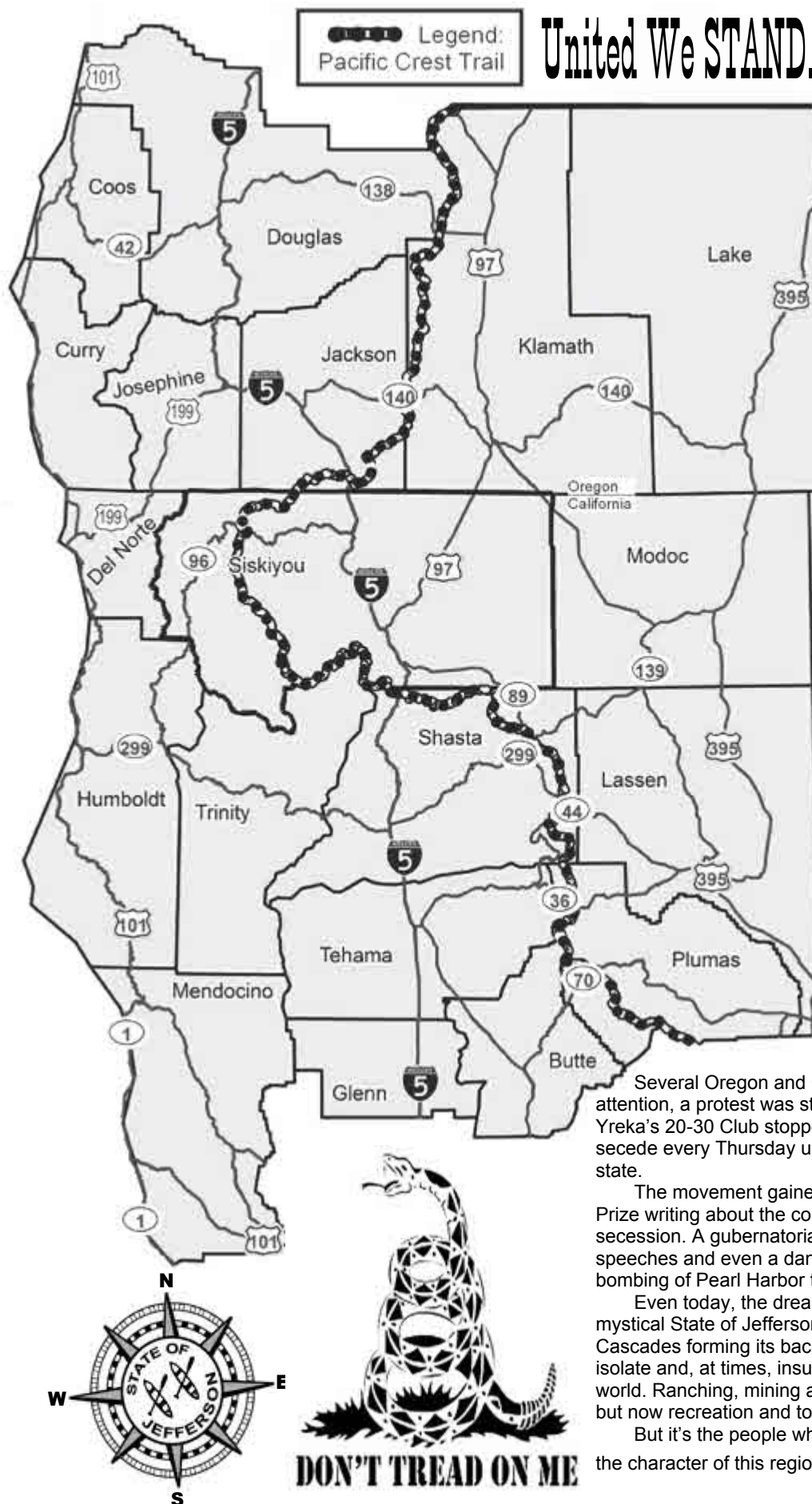
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A Brief History of The State of Jefferson
Written by Gail Jenner

Today's State of Jefferson refers to portions of Southern Oregon and Northern California. Originally this region represented the "second half" or "northern mines" of the famous gold rush of 1849-50, but it never received the kind of historical reference that the Sierra Mother Lode did, even though it contributed as much, if not more, to the coffers of the two states. Moreover, the region was easily overlooked after the gold rush, since it continued to be less populated and more rural than the remainder of the two states.

Because the people who have settled along the northern boundary of California and the southern boundary of Oregon have always been of an independent nature, it seems fitting that this region has attempted, on numerous occasions, to create a new state, not just in name or principle, but in reality as well.

The principle is not a new one, however, but has its roots in the area's history. In 1852, a bill to create a new state died in committee. On Dec. 19, 1853, THE DAILY ALTA OF CALIFORNIA of San Francisco suggested that Northern California and Southern Oregon could both benefit if a 'new state' could be created. Some suggested it be called 'Klamath.' Others suggested the name "Jackson."

At a meeting held on January 7, 1854, in Jacksonville, Oregon, Lafayette F. Mosher spoke about a state of 'Jackson.' Unfortunately, as the son-in-law of General Lane, with well-known pro-slavery and anti-Indian beliefs, the proposed state's identity was tainted by prejudice and unfounded fear.

In 1854-55, the State Assembly tried to split California into three states: "Shasta" to the north, "Colorado" in the middle, and "California" to the south. But the Senate let the bill lapse. In 1877-78, some again pushed for "Shasta" in the north, but the U. S. Congress vetoed the proposal.

By the fall of 1941, most communities in and around the region were behind the idea of secession. In a contest held by the Siskiyou Daily News, the name "State of Jefferson" was officially born.

Several Oregon and California counties joined in. In order to garner attention, a protest was staged along Highway 99 near Yreka. Members of Yreka's 20-30 Club stopped cars and passed out a declaration and pledged to secede every Thursday until the State of Jefferson became recognized as a state.

The movement gained momentum and Stanton Delaplane won the Pulitzer Prize writing about the conditions leading up to The State of Jefferson's "official" secession. A gubernatorial race was held, complete with a parade and speeches and even a dancing bear, but then, on December 7th, 1941, the bombing of Pearl Harbor took precedence over the region's rebellion.

Even today, the dream lives on for this unrealized, some might even say, mystical State of Jefferson. With majestic Mt. Shasta at its heart, and the Cascades forming its backbone, the region's wild rivers and rugged peaks both isolate and, at times, insulate its residents from the more populated outside world. Ranching, mining and logging have been its traditional source of wealth, but now recreation and tourism compete as major industries.

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