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Dunsmuir City Ballpark



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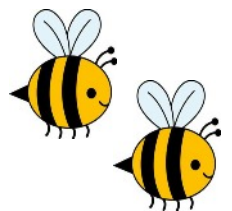
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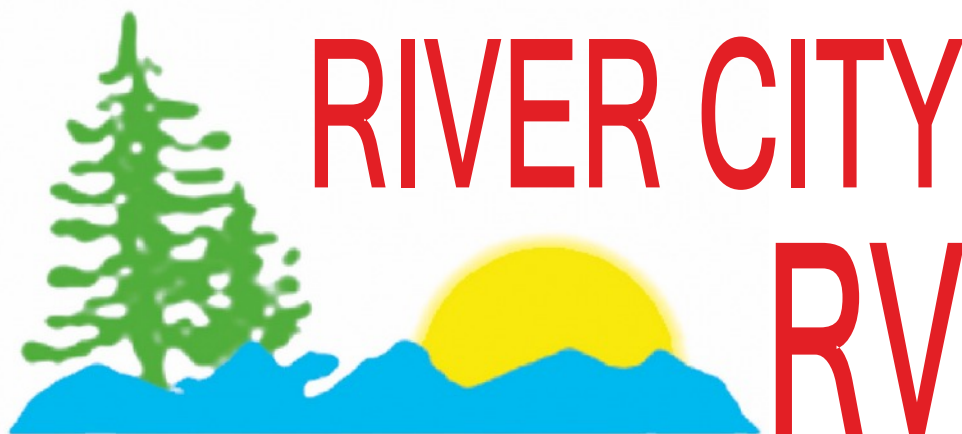
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The Jefferson State FLIXX FEST is returning for another exciting and entertaining weekend of films, friends and fun. For the third consecutive year, this upstart film festival will serve as the signature event for the Scott Valley Film Coalition September 21 - 24, 2017 at the REC in Fort Jones, California.

"The response has been overwhelming and every year we've gotten to add more depth to the program" said Festival Director, Megan Peterson. "Everyone seems to enjoy the location, the films and the ancillary activities that have made this festival so special. I am so pleased that we've had such positive support from the people of Siskiyou County as well as the cast and crew who've made the trip to this beautiful part of the world."

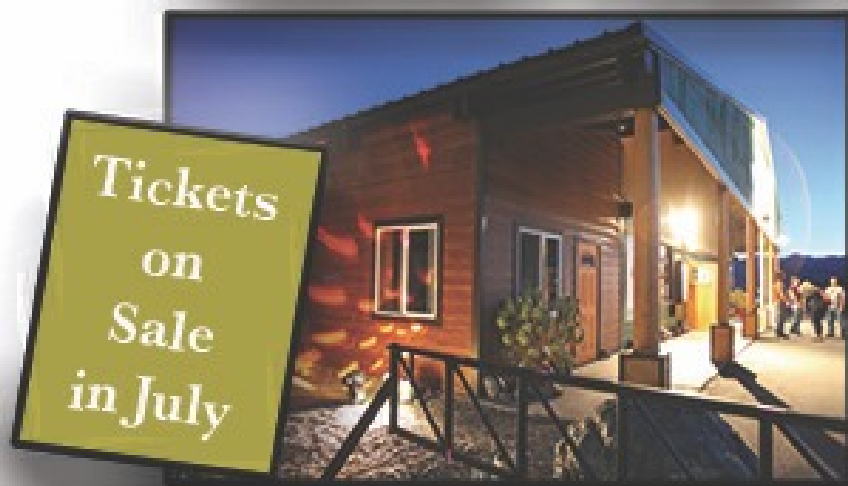
The Jefferson State FLIXX FEST will once again be bringing to Siskiyou County documentaries, feature films, shorts, and compelling comedies and dramas. In addition to the films, FLIXX FEST hosts numerous industry professionals who make themselves available for attendees through formal and informal meet and greets, seminars, script readings and question and answer sessions.

The Jefferson State FLIXX FEST is dedicated to showcasing the independent spirit of the people of the mythical State of Jefferson. As the premier event produced by the Scott Valley Film Coalition, FLIXX FEST helps highlight the many assets and opportunities throughout Siskiyou County.

"It seems as if every film and television professional that visits the valley immediately starts looking for ways to work up here. That is our goal, to generate economic development in film and television production and FLIXX FEST has certainly helped us kick off that process," noted Peterson.

Jefferson State FLIXX FEST tickets are now on sale with a limited quantity of "ALL FEST" passes available. For more information visit www.FLIXXFEST.org. ♦

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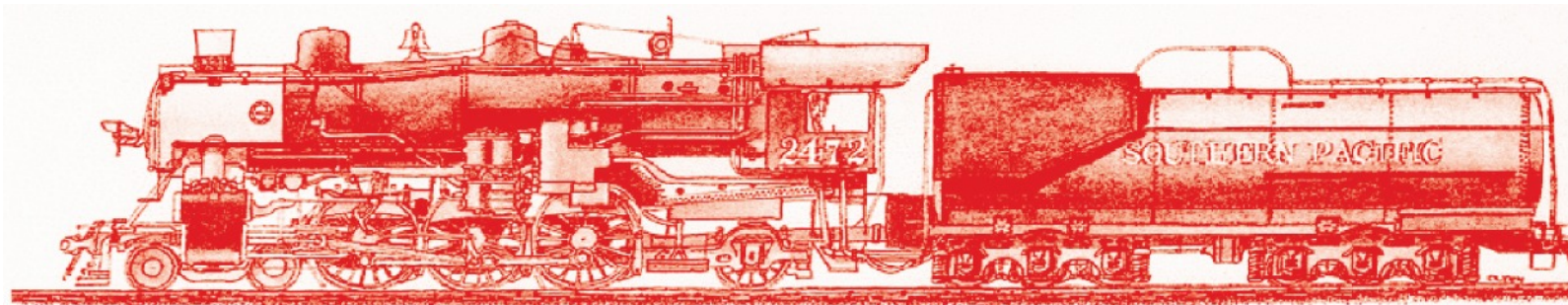
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DUNSMUIR RAILROAD DEPOT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

The Dunsmuir RR Depot Historical Society opened the Dunsmuir Museum at the Dunsmuir Amtrak Depot during the town event. More than 150 visitors viewed the displays, and they wanted to share their Dunsmuir stories.

Children were given Amtrak Jr Conductor hats and were able to select old RR DAYS buttons from the basket. One young man was dressed in Thomas the Train shoes, RR cap, vest and gloves - he was ready to work on the railroad.

Union Pacific displayed four rail cars in the yard - the Jordan Spreader and Flanger (which clear snow), a Southern Pacific auxiliary tank car (full of water) and a Southern Pacific fire train car from Donner Summit. And folks were shown how its water cannon worked and the force of the cannon - quite a show. Thanks to Union Pacific!

The Dunsmuir Museum continues to be open the 1st and 3rd Saturdays from 10-2 until October. Look for the 1727 locomotive mural on the Museum building and follow us at www.DunsmuirDepot.com ...

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Saturday July 15, 2017

38th Annual Hat Creek VFD

Deep Pit BBQ, Craft Fair & Raffle

Saturday, July 15, 2017, marks the annual Hat Creek VFD Deep Pit BBQ, Craft Fair and Raffle. This is a wonderful way to support the fire department in a beautiful setting while enjoying a terrific meal, have a chance to win scads of great prizes and shop the booths set up on the grounds of Hat Creek Hereford Ranch and RV Park, on Doty Road, in Hat Creek.

The dinner is served from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. It includes a generous portion of juicy beef, sauces, salads, beans, bread, a drink and a cookie. Prices are \$13 for adults, \$5 for kids and children under 4 eat for free. You may buy dinners to go as well. You may buy tickets at the event or ahead of time at Annie's Place on Main Street in Burney. Each ticket automatically enters you in drawings for door prizes generously donated by local merchants. Winning numbers are called out all afternoon.

At 10 a.m. the Craft Fair opens up where over 25 vendors offer their wares which range from fine arts, to jewelry, unique wooden items, unusual food stuffs, yard art, ceramics and more. This is an excellent time to start your Christmas shopping early!

During the day you may enjoy the small lake on site which offers both swimming and fishing. The ice cream trailer is always a hot spot and offers the best ice cream you've ever tasted!

Then as the day winds down the raffle prize winners are called out. Prizes this year include a hand made picnic table by a local artist, a fishing gear package of goodies, a 1/2 day guided fishing trip on the Sacramento River, a jet boat ride up the Rogue River, a red kayak and many more wonderful prizes. The more tickets you buy, the better chance you have of going home with one or more of these fantastic items!

Hat Creek Fire Dept. is on Highway 89, near the corner of Doty Rd. Turn down Doty Rd. and go about 1/4 mile to the entrance to Hat Creek Hereford Ranch and RV Park. There is ample parking. You may walk a short way to the activities or you may ride on a trailer pulled by a small tractor into the campground.

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Etna	Thursday	4:30-6:30
Fort Jones	Tuesday	5:30-
McCloud	Saturday	11-3
Montague	Saturday	9-noon
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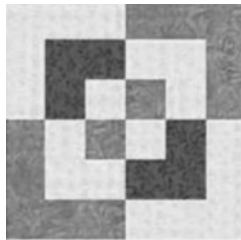
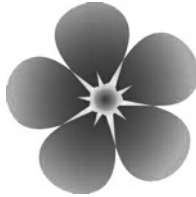
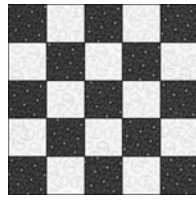
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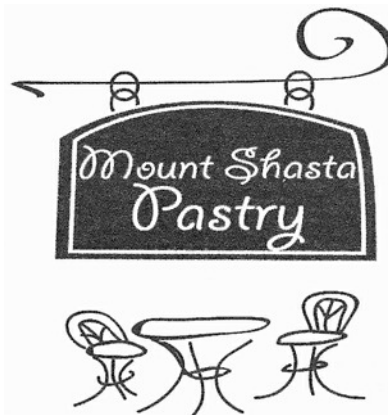
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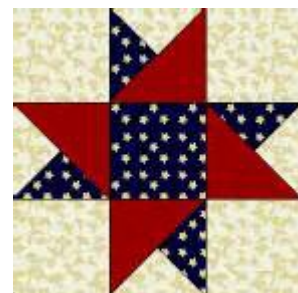
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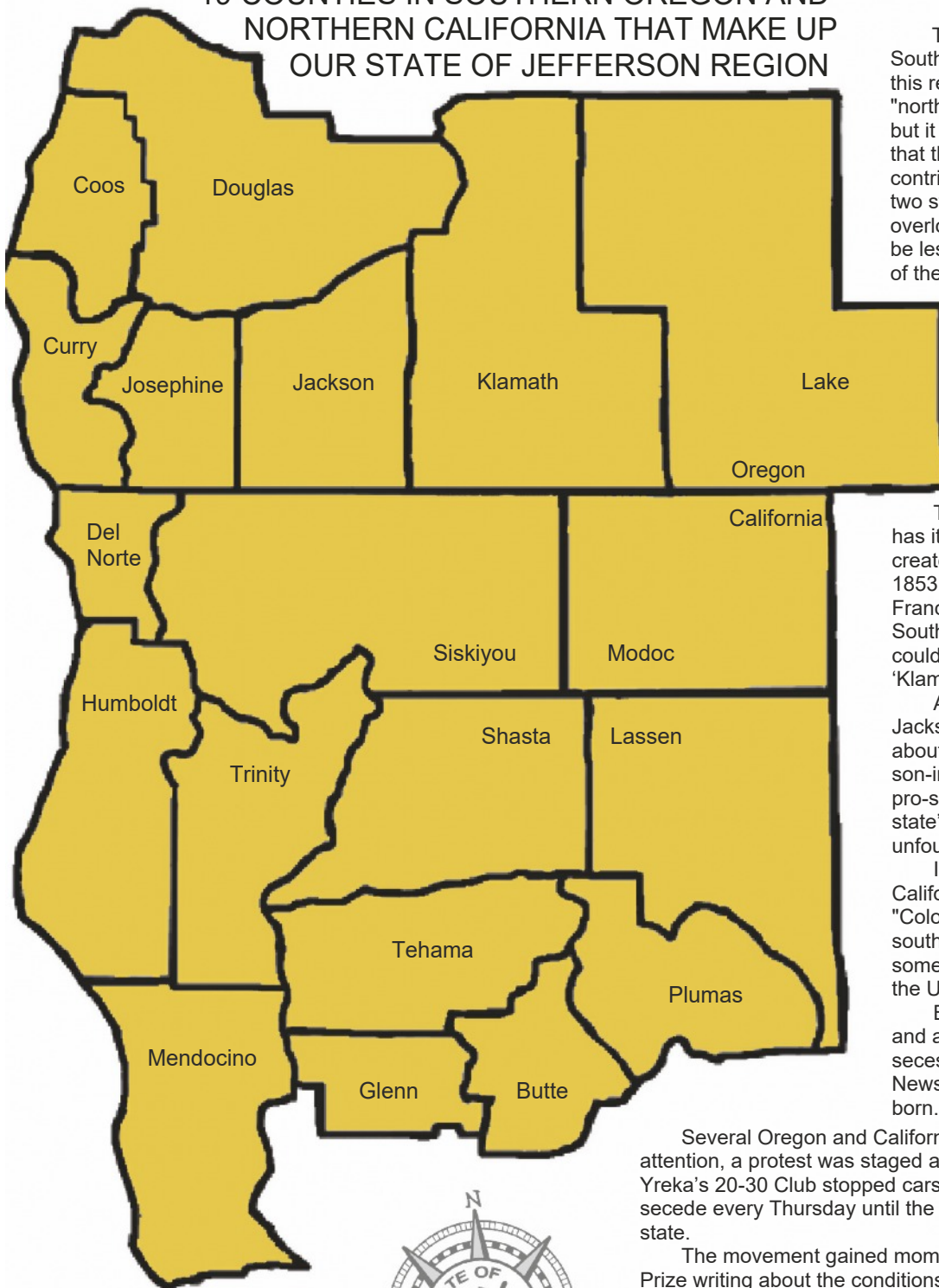


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Our Historic State of Jefferson Regional Map

19 COUNTIES IN SOUTHERN OREGON AND
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OUR STATE OF JEFFERSON REGION



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.

But it's the people who reside here that make the greatest contribution to the character of this region we call The State of Jefferson. 



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SISKIYOU CIVIL WAR MONOLOGUES

Part 3 OF 3: Andrew Soule

By Jill Livingston

This monologue, based on real people and events, is the last one of three presented by the Siskiyou County Museum as period skits during last year's Civil War Days held in Yreka. In Part 2 Julia Churchill, as a member of the Ladies Aid Society, called for Siskiyou County residents to please donate money, rags for bandages and food treats to be sent to Civil War Union soldiers. But this month Andrew Soule can't stop thinking about his brother George, a Confederate soldier.

What about my brother George? He, too is a soldier, but the Ladies Aid Society didn't send him any delicacies! And why not? Because he isn't fighting for the Union!

I'm Andrew Soule and I live out in Little Shasta Valley. My family is from Illinois but we began to scatter a few years back. I settled here in 1854. Came for the gold, but stayed for the ranching.

My brother George left home, too, that same year. But while I headed west, he headed straight south, making his way to Louisiana. He opened a business school in New Orleans, became a teacher and wrote text books.

As for myself, in 1861 I traveled from Little Shasta Valley all the way back to Illinois to marry my sweetheart. Of course I remember my wedding day well but I also remember that it took place only two days after the War Between the States broke out. That would have been April 12th. Let me tell you, this situation was tough for my family, what with George living in the Confederate south and the rest of us being Yankees.

But life goes on, and shortly after the wedding and the outbreak of war, my new bride, my other brother Stephen and two of our aunts joined a wagon train and we traveled together back home to Siskiyou.

A few months after returning I received a letter from George. He wrote that he had donned a gray uniform, that he had enlisted in the Confederate army. My brother a soldier?! He's a businessman and a teacher! Here in Siskiyou County we are far removed from the battlefields but it seems that most of us sympathize with the Union cause. Surely my own brother cannot be my enemy!

Here....I received another letter just yesterday, a letter I was fortunate enough to receive as George writes that he has was wounded at the Battle of Shiloh and taken prisoner! He writes from the Johnson Island Prison Camp, which is located in the middle of Lake Erie away up north, almost to Canada.

He tells me his wounds were minor and have healed. Thank God for that! In camp, he writes, food can be scarce and many men are sick. George longs to return to his regiment and tells me there is some hope he will be part of a prisoner exchange soon.

Even so, I plan to send him a small package filled with his special requests; a sewing kit, a toothbrush, some ink and stationary. If we're lucky the package will reach the prison and the contents won't be stolen by the guards.

If George makes it through this terrible war, my fondest wish, once this awful thing is done with, is for him to come out to Little Shasta Valley to visit myself and our brother Stephen, and to see this fine country for himself. ♦

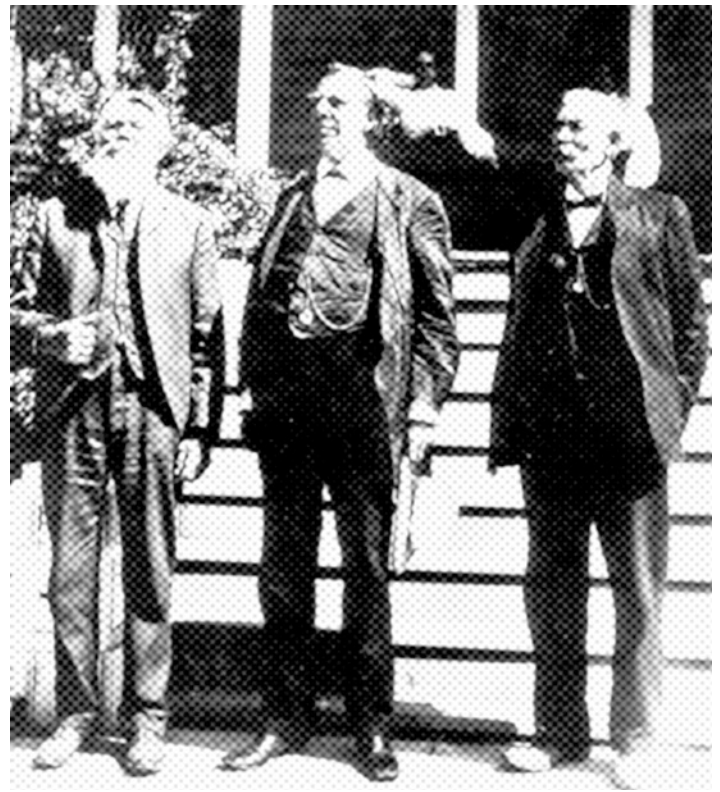
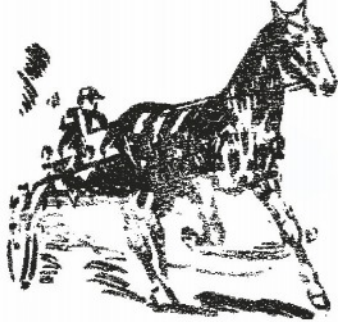
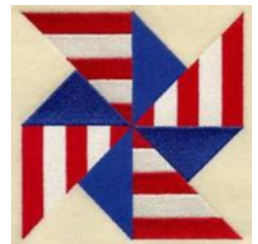


Photo: Soule Brothers
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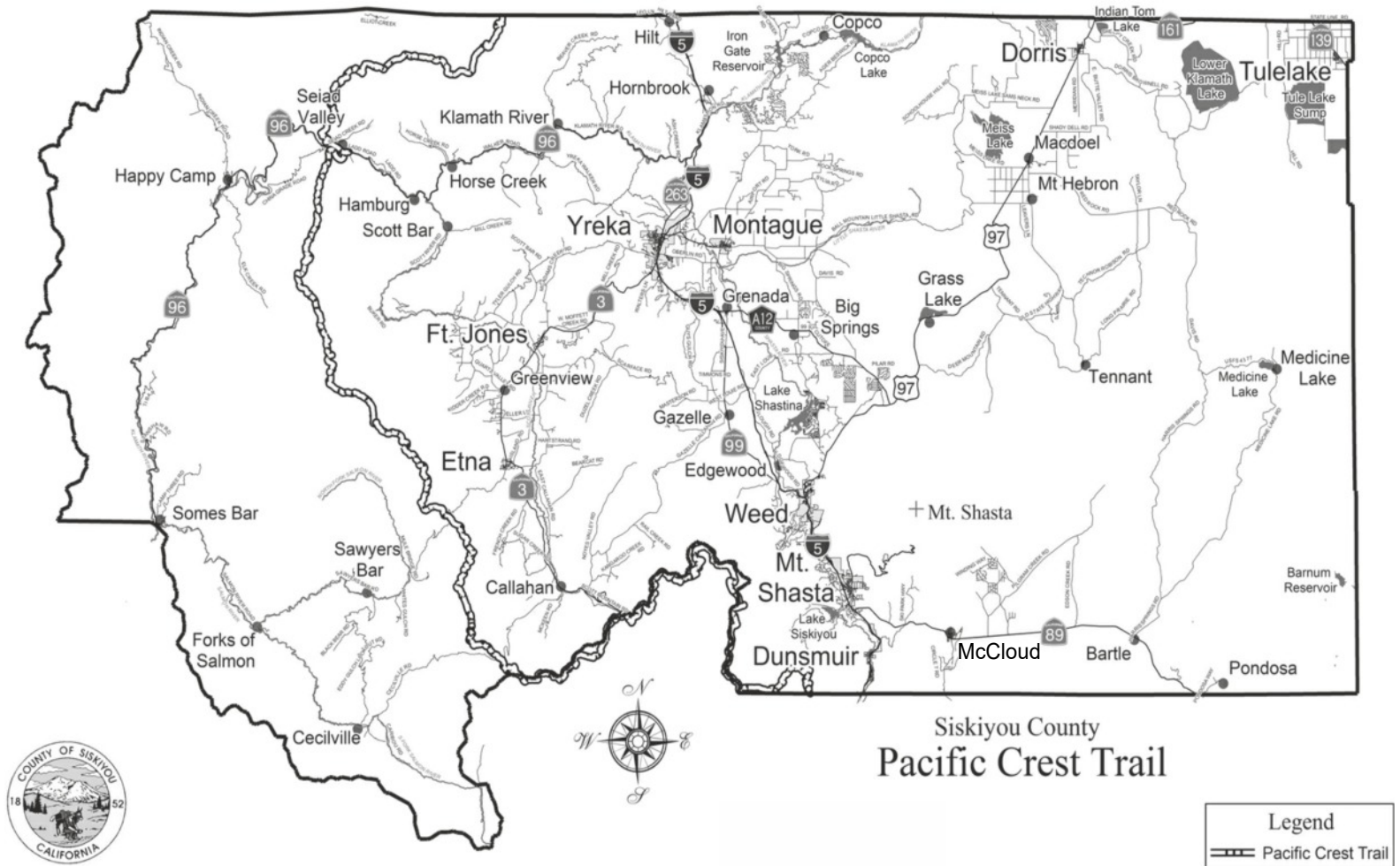
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Honoring The Life of Wilda Mae Trivilpiece Ley

Story Compiled by Brice Martin, Family Ranch Historian

Wilda Mae Trivilpiece Ley, born March 25, 1914, in Merrill, Oregon, passed away at her home in Little Shasta on April 13, 2017 -- at the age of 103. Known to many as "Mammy," this woman was well-known and well-loved. Even into her late 80s, she was ready to take on challenges. One of those challenges was to walk from Yreka to the Little Shasta Church to help raise money for the church's new steeple! Her yard and her flowers, as well as her home, were of great importance to her, and she loved people. She felt privileged to have traveled around the world to several countries. *(See Photo at Left.)*

The Yreka Fire Station, Ley Station, is named in honor of her husband's father, Horace, a local attorney who donated the land. Wilda's husband, John, was supposed to take over the Ley family law business from his father, but dropped out of Stanford law school instead. The wilderness lifestyle beckoned to him and he could not refuse the draw. He preferred a tent, a fishing pole, and his rifle. His decision to leave the law behind him caused a family riff, but John had occasionally played "hookie" from school as a child in order to go fishing, and so perhaps it should not have been a surprise. According to the family, young John often caught sucker fish and sold them to the Chinese who lived in Yreka's Chinatown. Many years later, Wilda gave Brice, their grandson, Captain Horace Ley's hand-inscribed WWI dog tags. Like Horace, Brice also served in the army in the 1970s as a combat engineer.

Wilda grew up on the Happy Hollow Dairy, located between Montague and Yreka and helped milk cows by hand. She attended the local one room school with her siblings, Howard, Fay and Edna, on the Fiock ranch. Her brother, Howard, was the last sibling to pass away in 2014, at age 101.

Wilda's father, James Trivilpiece, was the youngest sibling, born in Stark, North Dakota in 1880. His father, also James, helped lay railroad track for the North Pacific Railway. An asset to the company, he was given a home in a railroad car. His family, however was not given the same privilege. This caused some major friction, Wilda recalled. On another occasion, James' family's safety was jeopardized by a Sioux uprising, but the family's flock of turkeys saved them. As the Sioux war party approached the family in their camp, the turkeys spotted the warriors who were decked out in full feather regalia, and in response, the flustered birds scurried and broke into a wild turkey dance. The potentially deadly encounter was redeemed as laughter and hysteria broke out. In the end, all departed peacefully because of the unexpected interruption.

Wilda's mother, Elsie Dexter, was born in the Montague area on a ranch in 1884. Later, their Montague home was the first in the area to have indoor plumbing, which even included a flush toilet that brought in a horde of curious "testers." Her grandfather, George Deter, owned a ranch in Little Shasta, and he later built the Deter Mill up Ball Mountain-Little Shasta Road. It included a three-story hotel called Forest Vale, which offered accommodations for man and beast, plus a large cattle holding pen, and even an ice skating rink. At that time, all cattle from eastern Siskiyou County and beyond were taken down this route to the railroad shipping town of Montague.



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One of Wilda's favorite childhood stories was when she was two years old. She had noticed where her brother Howard had stashed his hard rock candy. Though it was a climb to get to it, she persisted. The day she finally reached it, she heard him returning and could only leave scrape marks on the candy from her few spaced teeth before she retreated and hid. Howard immediately noticed the unusual tooth marks and howled in annoyance. To protect his cache, he set out rodent traps. Wilda managed to circumvent the traps in order to reach her brother's personal stash.

Wilda and John Charles Ley met and married in 1931. They had three daughters: Virginia Marie; Elizabeth Patricia; and Mary Lynn. They resided in a large Victorian home on Howell Street in Etna, California. The family later moved to Little Shasta in 1970. Their grandchildren include Glenn (Chris) White, Laurie (Mark) Fowler, Shari White, Brice (Heidi) Martin, JT (Linda) Martin, Jess Martin, Rance Martin, Janna (Scott) Gliatto, Cory (Heidi) Crebbin, Robert (Alisha) Crebbin, Patrick (Tonya) Crebbin, Michael (Toni) Crebbin, plus granddaughter, LeeAnn (John) Bergreen and grandson, Alan (Lettie) Farmer. They had 25 great grandchildren and 18 great, great grandchildren.

As she grew older, Wilda often reminisced about her early years at Happy Hollow. She spoke of the neighboring dairy, located just west of the Shasta River called the Kleane Dairy which was owned by the Coopers who had moved west from Flemingsburg, Kentucky. Wilda noted that they were often annoying. She said, "They would borrow but not promptly return things." Ironically, a frequent instigator, Aaron Cooper, eventually became family. His grandson, Brice, married Wilda's daughter, Pat.

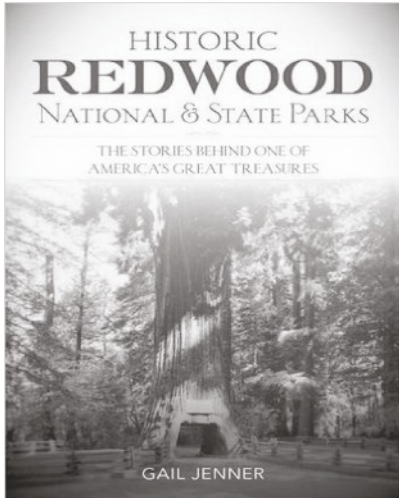
Wilda passed away in the home she so loved, with her caregiver, family members, and her dog Missy, by her side. ♦



Photo of lovely rainbow over Little Shasta Church

Photo: Left to Right: Carolyn Martin McWright, Heidi Martin, Wilda Trivelpiece Ley, Elizabeth Patricia Martin, Brice C. Martin






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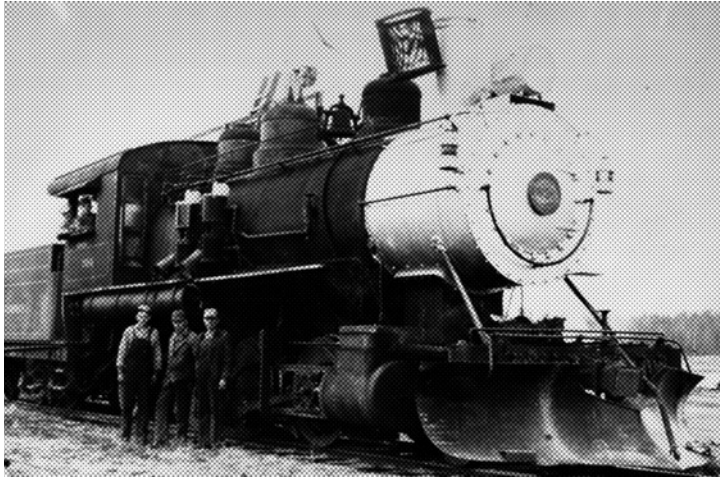


Photo: Engine 204 front view.

Engine 204: Gilchrist Timber Company's Steam Engine

By John C. Driscoll
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For almost fifty years, Engine Number 204 served the Gilchrist-Fordney Timber Company, then the Gilchrist Timber Company. Engine Number 204 was built for Gilchrist-Fordney by the Baldwin Locomotive Works at Eddystone, Pennsylvania. The locomotive came out to Oregon in 1938 where it served the Gilchrist Timber Company until 1955. The tender, now a snowplow, remains in service.

Engine Number 204 was selected for use in Oregon when Gilchrist Timber Company moved from Laurel, Mississippi to north Klamath County. Locomotive Number 204 was rebuilt then and for the next eighteen years, the locomotive would haul lumber out to Southern Pacific Railroad's main line then haul freight back to the Gilchrist Timber Company and Gilchrist. Locomotive Number 204's tender was equipped with fire-fighting equipment, provided with new brass fittings and was then painted Gilchrist Brown. Gilchrist Timber Company was emblazoned on the sides of the tender with aluminum paint which was also used on the smoke box, stack, and for the striping and all other lettering.

Frank W. Gilchrist wrote to Benjamin V. Wright on March 9, 1938, that the work on Engine Number 204 had been completed, that he anticipated departing for Gilchrist on March 18, 1938, and that he expected to have eighteen or twenty men on the job by April 1, 1938. During the winter of 1938, Curtis Breazeal loaded three boxcars with machine tools and office furniture. Also loaded in the boxcars were household goods belonging to individuals who had previously been employed by the Gilchrist-Fordney Company and who had decided to move to Central Oregon to join the Gilchrist Timber Company. By the middle of March 1938, preparations were completed for the departure of Engine Number 204 and its three boxcars for Central Oregon.

Engine Number 204 departed Laurel, Mississippi, on the morning of March 20, 1938. Throughout the trip, Engine Number 204, because

of its colors, attracted considerable attention. On the 16th of April, the train at last reached the tracks of the Klamath Northern Railroad.

Klamath Northern Railroad operated three days a week, on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays. Engine Number 204 hauled out to Gilchrist Junction ten to twelve lumber-laden boxcars, then brought back empty boxcars and the occasional tank car of gasoline for Crescent Oil Company. These fuel shipments were discontinued after shippers turned to trucks.

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Engine Number 204, after 46 years of service with the Gilchrist-Fordney Company (then the Gilchrist Timber Company) was sold for scrap in 1955 when the decision was made to change Klamath Northern Railroad's motive power from steam to diesel.

Louie Jordan, who knew Engine Number 204 from growing up in Gilchrist, then as an adult employed by Klamath Northern Railroad, said of the engine's fate:

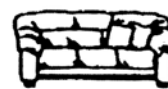
When they brought in 205, the GE diesel electric, 204 was cut up for scrap. We all thought it should have been put on the lawn in front of the mall, but when you do that there is a tremendous liability for people climbing on it and getting hurt. ♦



Photo: Engine 204 in all her glory!

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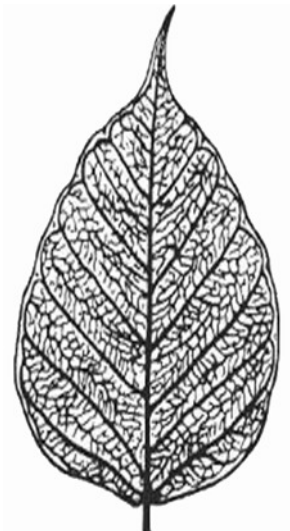
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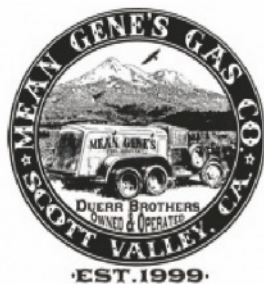
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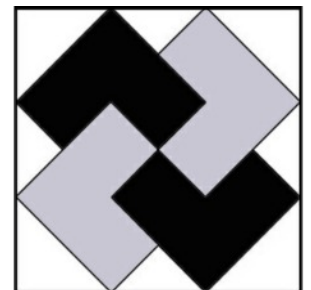


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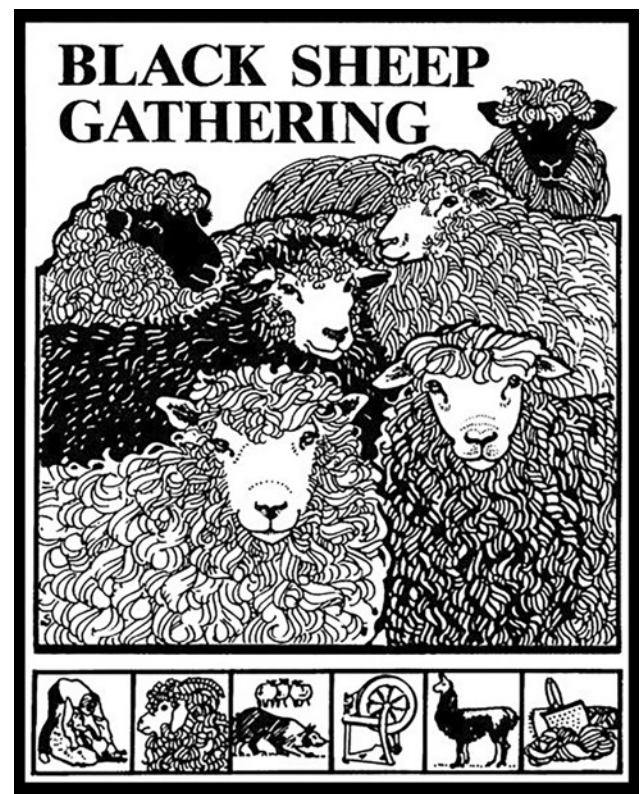
As I write this, many, many owners of ranches, farms and back yard flocks of sheep and goats in the western states are preparing to make the trip to Eugene, Oregon for Black Sheep Gathering. On the last weekend in June, these owners pack up a group of their best animals to show other owners how their animals are the best. There will be sheep shows of many different breeds. The goat owners will also show their animals. At the end of two days of shows, there will be one grand champion ram or ewe who will be the best in show. All of this is hard work, but fun and exciting. It is also a wonderful learning experience for the children involved in these flocks.

Spectators come from all over the west to see the animals, even buying some new breeding stock to add to their flock at home. There are many small shows and fairs in Washington, Oregon, California, and Nevada, but Black Sheep Gathering is THE show of the west.

In addition to the animals, there are many craft vendors. They sell spinning and weaving equipment as well as fiber to use with this equipment. There are thousands of yards of yarn and thousands of knitting needles for sale to knitters. Those of us interested in these crafts laugh at ourselves about how much money we can unintentionally spend.

The other plus of this wonderful gathering is getting to see friends we only see once a year. It is also a great place to meet new breeders or to interest a family in becoming breeders of a particular breed of sheep or goats.

By the time you read this, Black Sheep Gathering will be over for another year. If you are at all interested in the activities I've outlined, mark your calendars for the last weekend in June 2018 and plan to attend. It is truly a fun time.



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The high elevations of Mount Shasta receive an average of about 420 inches of snow each year and yet there are only a few permanent streams on its slopes. Mud Creek is the only stream on the mountain that flows into another body of water.

The mountain acts like a giant sponge. Nearly all of the rain and snow that falls on Mount Shasta seeps into the ground. This water finds its way into fractures and other openings in the underlying bedrock. The waters seep down to the groundwater table and supply nearby towns with pure drinking water. While the precise science is not well understood, it is known the mountain's volcanic soils act as a filter, keeping the water very pure.

It might come as a surprise that some of the water that percolates into the mountain encounters hot rock at certain depths. This water rises back to the surface to form hot springs on the summit of the mountain. The water stains the adjacent snow and ground surfaces a dirty yellow. This is a reminder that Mount Shasta is a dormant volcano, inactive but not extinct.

A written account of the first ascent of Mount Shasta, made in August 1854, suggests that thermal activity at the summit of the mountain was then more vigorous than it is today. According to a climbing party from Yreka, "a cluster of boiling hot sulphur springs, about a dozen in number, emitting any amount of steam, smoke gas, etc." was sputtering on the edge of a snowfield just below the summit pinnacle.

These same hot springs kept John Muir, famous author and naturalist, alive on one of his ascents of Mount Shasta. He and his companion, Jerome Fay, were caught in a snowstorm. According to his story about the climb, Muir said, "We can lie in this mud and gravel, hot at least on one side." In that way, they survived the storm without freezing. Today, thermal activity on the summit of the mountain seems to be less. There are only a few fumaroles and hot springs that remain active.

The rainfall, snowmelt and glacial melt water also comes out as hundreds of springs around Mount Shasta. The springs have attracted international water bottling companies to the small mountain towns surrounding the mountain, stimulating both the local economy and local controversy.

One of the most popular places to see local springs is "Big Springs" at Mt. Shasta City Park. Many people visit this historical point of interest, known as the headwaters of the Sacramento River. According to a 2009 study commissioned by California Trout, water in this springs fell high on the slopes of Mount Shasta more than 50 years ago.

As Mark Twain said long ago, "Whiskey is for drinking, and water is for fighting over," and that continues to be true. The water on Mount Shasta continues to be appreciated, used, and studied in order to protect this amazing resource and to understand it better. ♦



Caption for above photo
Some of the water on Mount Shasta emerges at springs around the base of the peak. Here we see Big Springs, McCloud, California.



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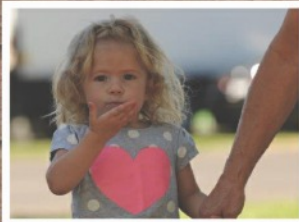
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Here are three simple ways to avoid probate costs by avoiding probate:

1. **Name a Beneficiary.** The probate process determines who gets what when there is no beneficiary designation. So, naming a beneficiary is the easiest way to avoid probate. Common beneficiary designation assets include:

- Life insurance
- Annuities
- Retirement plans

2. **Create and Fund a Revocable Living Trust.** A revocable living trust owns your property, yet you remain in charge of all legal decisions until your death. After your death, your named trustee manages your assets – according to *your* wishes. A trust works well if properly created and funded by an experienced estate planning attorney.

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- Community property – property obtained during a marriage in some states;

State laws play an important role here. We can help you determine which form of joint ownership, if any, is a good fit for you.

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Photos:

Top Left: Mickey Weston's piece for the Row by Row Experience. The block on the left is named Crossroads, while the one on the right is Roundabout.

Below Left: One panel of the landscape exhibit hanging at the Sisson Museum. Check it out. Raffle tickets available for a donated Quilt.



Below Right: Anna Chilson from Weed High School, winner of Shasta Lily Quilt Guild Scholarship, presenters, Thera Affleck and Wendy Murray



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Stitching in the Ditch

By Judy Sartor of the Mount Shasta Lily Quilt Guild
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A sense of community is comfort itself. It is a promise that like-minded people can come together to achieve a common goal—no politics involved, no arguments, no egos—and accomplish something meaningful.

And what does that equal? A feeling of contentment and a warmth of well-being, both sorely missing from the modern scene.

So where do we find that sense of community? Where has it existed for generations? Come on, you know the answer! A quilt guild, of course.

And here is the game plan. Or, at least this is how we do it in the Shasta Lily Quilt Guild.

Say we are working on an Opportunity Quilt—we are, by the way, but that's beside the point. Or maybe it IS the point.

Step 1: An organizational committee of volunteers chooses or designs the pattern and selects the fabrics.

Step 2: The same committee makes kits for the group. This eases the flow between the committee and the other guild members.

Step 3: Encourage all members of the guild to participate, depending on skill level. Our Opportunity Quilt has appliqué, paper piecing, and regular piecing. This is a good opportunity for members to stretch their limits. After all, every stitch does not have to be absolutely perfect. It's an Opportunity Quilt, people! I would much rather listen to excited ladies chattering about which part of the quilt they made than talking about Agnes Butterwright, the world renowned quilter who made their quilt for them.

Step 4: Give your members some time to actually complete their kits. Like an idiot, I signed up for an appliqué kit, a pieced kit, and a paper-pieced kit. Talk about a Wanna-be Over Achiever. But I do enjoy the opportunity to work with techniques that I am not currently using. Which part am I doing now? If it escapes me, I can pick up another kit. I'll find them all by the end.

Step 5: In a further group setting—if possible—construct the quilt top from the completed kits. And, yes, with a bit of encouragement, all of the pieces do come back. A major minor miracle. There are horror stories out there, but there are usually two sides to every story. Just think positive!

So there you have it: team building, consensus, collaboration, satisfaction, and that warm, fuzzy feeling—with no nuclear option. 🎵

Quote:

"Alone we can do so little, together we can do so much."
Helen Keller

Timeline:

June 21: Row by Row Experience begins

June 22-July 22: Fiber Arts Show, Snow Creek Studio, Mt. Shasta

July 29: QGNQ Meeting: Mt. Shasta, First Baptist Church, Meet the Teacher

August 9-13: Siskiyou Golden Fair, Pioneer Days to Modern Ways.

Both the Scott Valley Quilters and the Yreka Quilt Guild provided raffle quilts to support the Fair

August 11-13: Heart of the Basin Quilters Quilt Show, Klamath Falls, OR

August 19: Heritage Quilts, McCloud

September 2-3: Mountain Quail Quilters Guild, McArthur, Intermountain Fair

September 16-17: Sutter Buttes Quilt Guild, SYO Building, Sutter

November 4-5: Annie's Star Quilt Guild Quilt Show, Fairground, Chico



Bits and Pieces:

The Shasta Lilies will host the ladies of the Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter on July 29. This group of quilt guilds meets 4 times a year at various locations in the north state. Besides the valley guilds and the 3 guilds of Siskiyou County, member guilds come from as far away as Ukiah and Woodland, Fort Bragg, and Klamath Falls. Mt. Shasta will offer--hopefully--cool weather and fantastic views. We will be serving lunch. This is a Meet the Teacher affair, where local presenters explain their skills and offerings. In other words, we have talented ladies who offer workshops for a little less money. Think local!

The Row by Row Experience is back! The theme this year is "On the Go." Please plan to go on the road to as many quilt shops as possible to pick up their free patterns or to purchase their kits.

See Photos on top of Page 32. You will see Weston's Row. It's really lovely, isn't it? The creative geniuses in that shop are astounding. As usual, countless photographs were layered together through the wizardry of Jamie Weston, Mickey's niece. Marlene Ludlow then painted the scene, creating the flowers as she went. I'm sure that there is a line of poetry that I could use to describe Marlene's progress, but it is not coming to me at the moment. (But watch out, Marlene!). With some editing, printing and reprinting, you see the finished result. The simplicity of the companion blocks, dubbed Crossroads and Roundabout by Mickey, only adds to the allure of the main piece. And while purchasing your kit—no other way to go here—ask Mickey about the new fabric not designed by Marlene that goes beautifully with the panel. No, Marlene did not copy the fabric. The fabric copied Marlene. I have that on good authority.

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