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A dear young lady went looking for her grandma's banana bread recipe recently and it struck her

hard that all their family recipes were lost when her momma's house burned in the Carr Fire. The realization is tough that all the family recipes many of these people had that have been passed down from generation to generation are now, sadly, gone. We cannot replace what has been lost... But together, we can create something new.

If you are interested, please email or mail us your favorite delicious recipes: breads, rolls, main dishes, soups, casseroles, desserts, sauces, breakfast dishes, salads, snacks, drinks, etc. Let us know your name and the city/state you are mailing recipes from. Our hope is that, together, we can create something AMAZING to unite and help heal our communities... We all thank you, very much!!

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# Scott Valley Turkey Trot

Story by Deni Duncan

The beginning of the new year is the perfect time to make a resolution, to start something new, or to make plans to improve on last year! Whether you want to change something up, try something new or challenge yourself I can recommend event.


The Scott Valley Turkey Trot has been an important tradition for my family for about 7 years now. Not only is it a growing fundraiser for the ASB of both Etna and Ft Jones Elementaries, but it makes me feel better about pie. I've done the math and by my calculations one SV Turkey Trot is equivalent to one bite of my mom's delicious pecan pie.

The course itself is an easy grade up and back. It begins at the crossroad of Eastside Road and Hamlin Gulch in Fort Jones. Starting at the big barn on the paved road the race course continues up Hamlin Gulch through fresh air and into a grove of oaks and pine trees. The course is clearly marked with a large turn-around arrow at the 1.5 mile spot as the 6 mile runners continue on. On the way back the view is majestic! This year the sky was clear blue and the Marble Mountains had a fresh dusting of snow. The path was decorated with pink and smiling faces, rosy from the cold and exertion.




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Fourteen years ago Joy Isbell began this fund-raiser with literally 10 willing participants. The funds raised have contributed to a recent playground makeover. This year, even under the threat of rain, approximately 300 people registered, of all shapes and sizes.

The first year I ran the 3 mile course was with some girlfriends from work, Team Raley's. Since then, I use the group registration to enlist out-of-town family members, cousins home from college or grandchildren to fill my team.

I once asked a gentleman friend from Scott Valley which sports he played in high school and he replied with humility, "All of them. We had to to. Their wasn't enough kids to make a team if we didn't all play." I have always thought that the most beautiful women in the world come from Scott Valley and this is probably why. I asked another Scott Valley gentleman if he could dance like I'd seen many others do at weddings. He most assuredly did! "There's a lot of competition out there."

That first year we saw a woman with a walker cross the finish line with a smile on her face. Grandma Hammond claimed the award for the most senior participant! There are always families with strollers, groups of teenagers, bundled toddlers and joggers with dogs. So many familiar faces keep the occasion social and for many, including most of my family, the run becomes a stroll.

For the past few years I've kept pace with a certain runner. When Becker Mendenhall comes into view he's my target. We vie for position in a friendly manner, charging ahead or falling behind. I always warn him that I'm going to challenge him at the end. This year I jogged with my husband and Becker stayed just ahead of us. As we approached the finish I abandoned my husband and made my break. I shouted, "Come on Becker, let's see what you've got!" He's a tough guy and competitive. I was gaining on him but we crossed the line in a tie. When the names were posted his was above mine and he told me privately. "I beat you."

So here it is, my resolution to improve on the Turkey Trot. I've picked up a good used treadmill. I figure with practice I can keep a faster pace and save my power for the end and give Becker a run for his money.

I know I'll need to fully commit to succeed, next year. Becker turns seven. •

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# Yreka Lodge #1980 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks News

On November 15th, 2018, the Yreka Elks Lodge #1980 held their annual free Veterans Dinner with just under 100 attendees. The MIA's were honored with a table, seat and patriotic place setting, located at the front of the room and remaining empty for the evening. The honor guard was provided by members of the local Marine Corps League – Siskiyou Detachment #936, who smartly marched in and presented the flag honors. Elk Chaplin PER Ernie Ladd gave the blessings.

As the dinner conclude, several guest speakers told stories of their military experiences. Elk member Kevin Sheckels spoke about his recent Afghanistan experiences as an Army soldier. Local Yreka boys and Elk members Jim Scott and Charles Harrison told of serving in different branches of the Armed Forces, but meeting each other while walking down a street in Vietnam the 1970's.

Carrie Chase from the Siskiyou County Veterans Leadership Council spoke of the adventures and challenges of serving as a female in the 1980's as an enlisted Combat Medic and later as an officer in Signal Communications unit. Her favorite memories were of rappelling from helicopters as an air assault soldier.

Vietnam Navy Flyer Veteran Brian Favero spoke about being present for the splash down of Apollo 16, after its April 1972 lunar landing, and the "lost" moon rocks (a story for next issue). There were many Veterans present from the current war, numerous from Vietnam service, a few from the Korean Conflict, and the oldest admitted Veteran was Elk PER Dwight Roberts from WWII. •



Photo: Brian Favero, Leading Knight, talks about being a Navy Air pilot and Apollo 16's "Lost" Moon Rocks.



Photo: Left to Right: All Veterans and All BPOE #1980 members Brian Favero (Leading Knight and Vietnam-Navy Air Pilot), Dwight Roberts (PER and WWII) & Jim Scott (Loyal Knight and Vietnam-Navy)

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Recently, the Yreka Elks Lodge #1980, of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, held their annual George Meek Memorial Pork BBQ and Auction. The BBQ is held in honor of George Meek, who in conjunction with Gerry Stresser, Dave Tyler, and a few other Elk members, started holding an annual "pig roast" to raise funds for projects around the lodge. In addition to the wonderful BBQ, of which Dave Tyler is still instrumental in producing, many donated items were auctioned off to the 100 plus crowd of well-fed buyers.

The funds raised at the BBQ specifically support the lodge, as much of the Elk's funds go to assist local charities such as scholarships, youth activities and athletics, drug awareness programs, Veterans' services and other organizations in need.

The Yreka Lodge #1980 of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks sponsored pool team has been practicing for the tournament season. This is a ten member coed team of the Siskiyou 8 Ball Pool League.

Pictured here is Steve Mathews making an easy called shot, as George Serrano and Steve Neesby look on.



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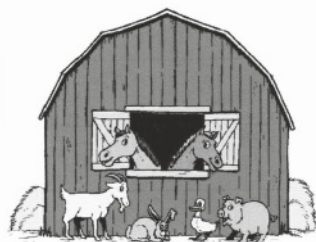
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by Ralph Fain

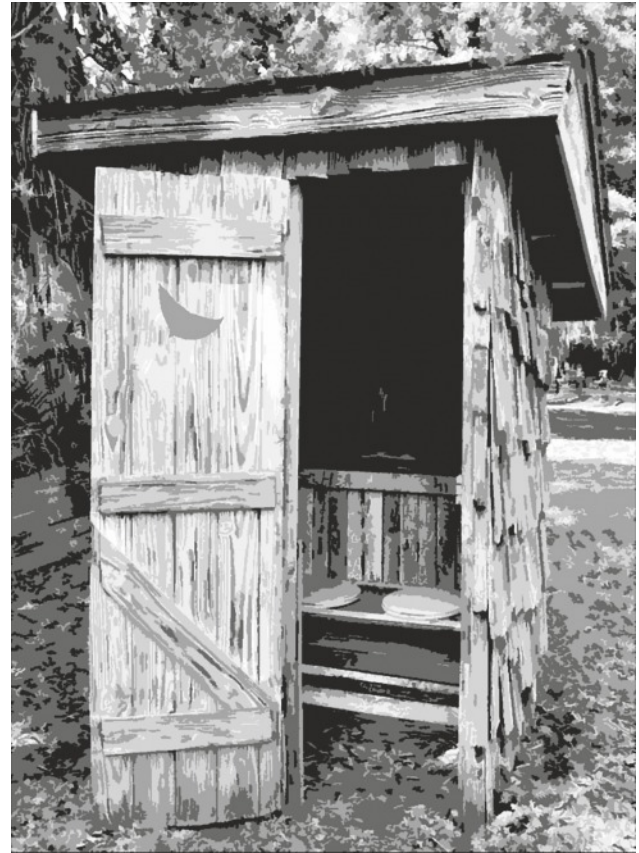
## “All in a Bidet”

I’m sitting here with my arm in a sling. It’s been that way night and day for the last two weeks. It will continue to be that way for another four weeks. Sixty years of a myriad of sports, hundreds of miles rowing whitewater rafts, a weightlifting workout that was heavy on brawn and short on brains, shooting thousands of arrows thru my compound and recurve bows, packing meat from deer and elk off the mountain etc. etc. etc.....I have worn out my right rotator cuff. A couple of screws, sutures from the torn rotator cuff and torn biceps to those screws and six weeks in a sling night and day. THEN I can start physical therapy. It will take another four of five months to rebuild the strength in my shoulder. A happy little six-month recovery to 100%.

So, what in the world does all of this have to do with a bidet? (For those who do not know what a bidet is, I will leave you to your dictionary to educate your uncouth, unrefined self.) If you are right handed and your right arm is immobilized, a bidet is a solution to a problem.

Prior to surgery I anticipated the loss of use of my right arm. I experimented with my left hand. I ate with my left hand. It was harder than I thought it would be. I couldn’t easily cut my food. I couldn’t shovel spoonful’s of food into my mouth without the food falling off the fork or spoon. It was like using chopsticks on rice. I was very hungry before I was very full. Every spoonful reached my mouth spoon empty. Frustrating for me but happy times for our little doggie sitting at my feet waiting for manna from heaven. Give it a try, eat your whole meal left handed. I challenge you.

I tried brushing my teeth left handed. It was like patting my head and rubbing my stomach at the same time then reversing the process. I had no toothpaste in some parts of my mouth yet pools of it gathered in others. I frothed at the mouth, I put toothpaste highlights in my mustache and drew the most wonderous arc of toothpaste from my nose, across my cheek and to my ear. I tried brushing up and down. I tried brushing back and forth. It didn’t matter, no matter what I did it was like handing my three-year-old granddaughter a toothbrush and free access to my mouth. It was perilous. Give it a try, brush your teeth one morning left handed. I challenge you.



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We have been blessed to find so many amazing writers and contributors over the years... we are truly fortunate to have such a large group of amazing and loyal advertisers. Thank You ALL!

The funnest part of doing Jefferson Backroads for me personally is for the opportunity of working with so many great people. Thank you to all you wonderful people who greet me as I walk in to deliver papers each month. Thank you for giving us space to provide these happy little crazy publications to your customers, month after month. Thank you to all you cool people who send me a check once a year to have me mail a copy of Jefferson Backroads every month. Thank you to the phenomenal people who I meet while I am out and about who smile and compliment me on what we do.

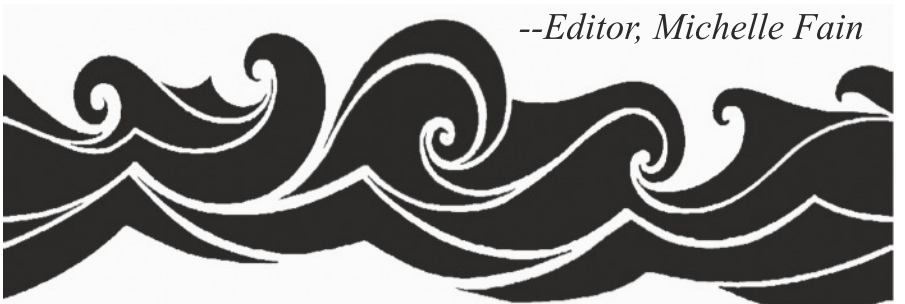
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I have PROUDLY lived in The State of Jefferson Region since 1984. To me, The State of Jefferson is much much more than just some "political statement" to let the corrupt and controlling big city governments know that I believe differently than they do. The State of Jefferson, to me, is THE WAY of LIFE I BELIEVE IN. The State of Jefferson in my mind is old fashioned. It is old school. It is a part of my utter existence to take care of and nurture my own little piece of Small Town America. It is rebellious and strong and it means I will ferociously hold ON to the CORE VALUES that create a happy and safe and peaceful way of life for my family. In my belief, The State of Jefferson DOES exist -- all over America. Its essence exists and thrives in the hearts of all of us hard working, independent, conscientious and free-thinking individuals who BELIEVE in it.

The State of Jefferson to me displays a sense of solid resilience, fortitude, resourcefulness and tenacity. Within the borders of The State of Jefferson, no matter which counties a person wants to include, the most common factors of Truth, Justice and the American Way still ring true. Thanks, Superman. I love these words! Utilizing creative ideas and clever "outside the box" methods and thinking... the sky is our limit.

May God Bless and Watch Over ALL The Honored Superheroes who protect and serve the Law Abiding Citizens of Our Great Nation called The United States of America. May each one of you have a happy, safe and prosperous New Year. WE NEVER FORGET & UNITED WE STAND. •

*--Editor, Michelle Fain*



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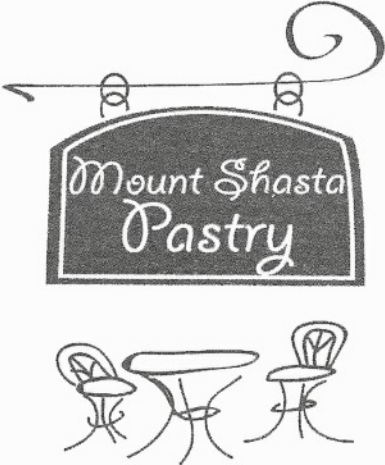
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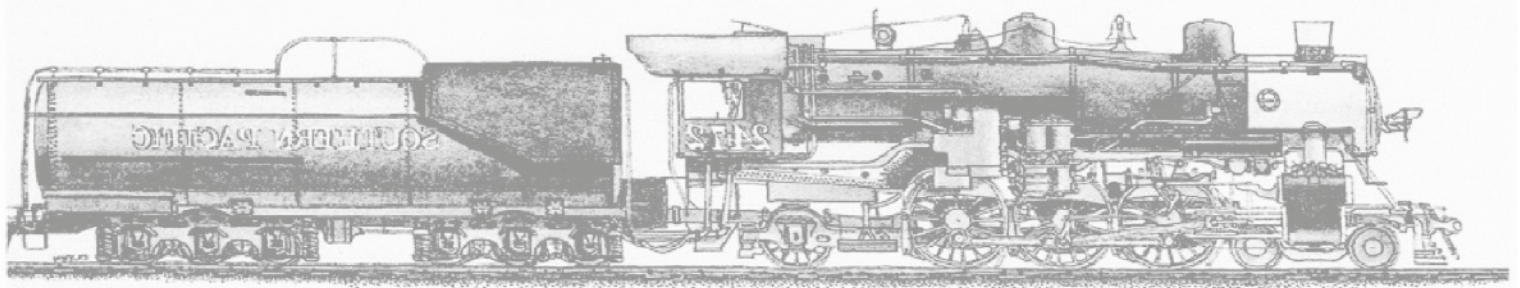
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Looking back on 2018, our May's 10th Annual Pie Social had to unfortunately be cancelled. We will be checking with the County to determine if the newly enforced cottage food operation regulations will allow the Society to have future Pie Socials.

During the June Railroad Days, staffers welcomed visitors from California cities and from Arizona, Florida, Maryland, Missouri, Nevada, Oregon, South Dakota, Texas, Vermont, Massachusetts, Washington and also Ireland! In June and July, Pat O'Conner had three Road Scholar groups visit the museum.

In October Depot members Ken Armstrong of Oregon won the lovely quilt donated by Bev Loper. The Shasta Division Archives team continues to catalog their files. They can be reached at

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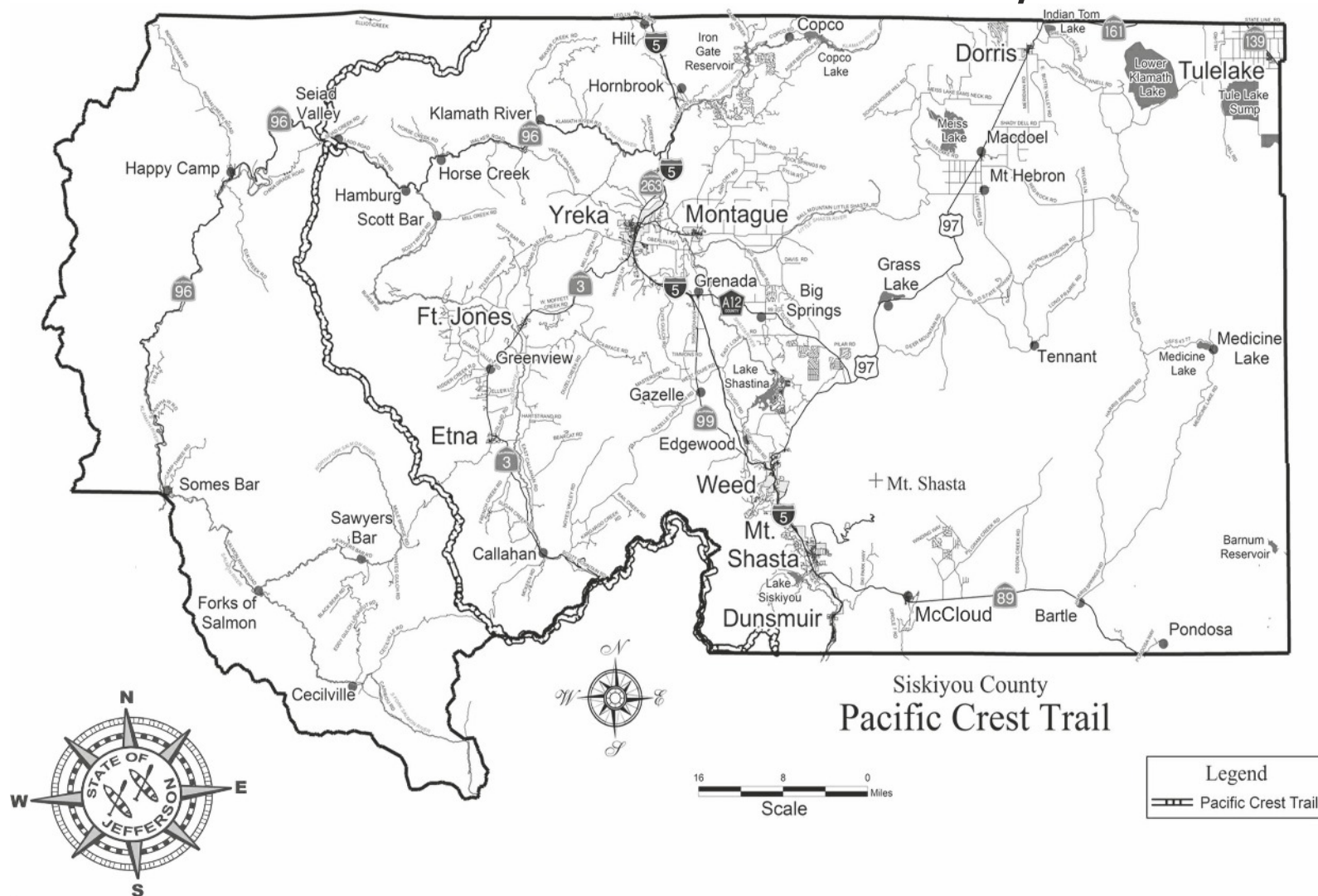
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So, while standing there gazing stupidly at the carnage of toothpaste in the sink, on the counter, across the mirror and across my face, I suddenly focused on the toilet. Uh oh.....I still hadn't cleaned up the mess with the toothpaste. I have a vivid imagination. Suddenly I viewed the toothpaste disaster in terms of left-handed wipe up/clean up at the toilet bowl. This wasn't going to have a happy ending. But I was there, the toilet bowl was there and I had already destroyed the bathroom so I plopped down. I quickly finished my business and prepared for step two.

Humans are creatures of habit. I have a preferred number of squares I use. I have a preferred way of folding the toilet paper, heck I even have a preferred side I want facing up. No problem so far. Next step is to leisurely roll to my left hip and align the target with the paper in my right hand and finish the graceful dance. Not this time. This time I roll to my right hip and try to get a correct alignment with my left hand. I need to do yoga. I don't stretch this direction, in this manner, ever. My arm is too short, nothing lines up. I start to panic but this experiment has to be completed. Much depends on its success or failure.

I quickly feel like I am spearing at fish in a pool along the river. The spear is never aimed where I think and the fish are deeper in the pool than you would imagine. This wasn't a graceful dance, this was hopscotch. This was a craft show where the ladies dip their wadded paper in paint then dab it on their canvas in pretty patterns. Failure. Utter, horrible, complete, graphic failure. I panicked and dove into the shower. You give it a try left handed, no cheating, and go to a complete sanitary squeaky clean finish line. I challenge you. I dare you.

Now back to the bidet. A solution to a problem. My daughter and gonna be son-in-law suggested I install one on my toilet. They have one and love theirs. He won't poop anywhere but home now so he can always gently wash his sensitive, delicate nether regions. This also explains the strange look I see in his eyes when he spends the night at our house. No worries Jerad, we now have a bidet. They passed on their worthy experiences with good advice such as, "Turn the water stream on slowly, it will be kinda strong," and, "Don't worry about the warm water models, cold water is fine." Cool. Surgery was in a couple of days and I had to get this thing ordered and installed. So I went to the Amazon website.

I had no idea you could buy and install an aftermarket bidet on your toilet. You can, and not only that, there is a mesmerizing choice of niceties to pamper your bum with while flushing dingleberries from your backside. You can spend hundreds of dollars and get a bidet with a remote control, heated seat, heated water for your private places, dual nozzles including one for your backside and one for the frontside of the little lady in your life, blow dryer and even lights to light up the toilet bowl at night. This was all a little too fancy for my "country a\$\$" so I went with the standard version. Dual nozzles, manual control, cold water and easy installation.

The package arrived a couple days later and installation was easy. Now for the final experiment. I conducted my business and grabbed the manual control and turned the water stream on low and slow. I don't know who calibrates the angle and aim of the bidet nozzle stream and I really wouldn't want their job but they are good, very good! First time user and I had a direct shot to the sweet spot. Now this thing is so accurate that had Jerad and Laura not warned me of the fire hose water pressure of this thing, I would have turned it on much too strong and given myself an ice water enema.



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Sled dog racing has a rich history in California dating back to the early 1960's. Most of the races were held in the northern part of the state, technically in The State of Jefferson region. Truckee, California hosted a race in which the famous Iron Man Johnson participated. He is the man the Disney film Iron Will was loosely based on. Over the years the sport of sled dog racing has disappeared from our area, due to laws passed regulating how many dogs people can have and how we are allowed to house them.

There were numerous races all up and down the Sierras. Today, only one race remains in the state, the Chester Winterfest Sled Dog Race put on by the dog sledding club: Sierra Nevada Dog Drivers ([www.sndd.org](http://www.sndd.org)).

It will be held January 12-13, 2019, in the lovely, quaint town of Chester, California. The race used to attract as many as 40-50 mushers, some of which brought 2-3 teams.

Spectators can have a great time coming to watch the race and are welcome. But please leave your pets at home. It starts early morning around 8 am and usually finishes up around 2-3 pm. After the races, some mushers will hook one dog up to a small sled and let kids (and sometimes adults if they want) ride a short distance to get a thrill!

I personally love this race and have attended it almost every year for the past 10 years or so. It is a rush, as I train for long distance races, but when we run a short 9 – 13 miles, my dogs cross the finish line and want to keep going. Sometimes, I swear they look at me as if to say, "That's it?"

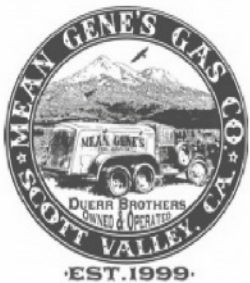
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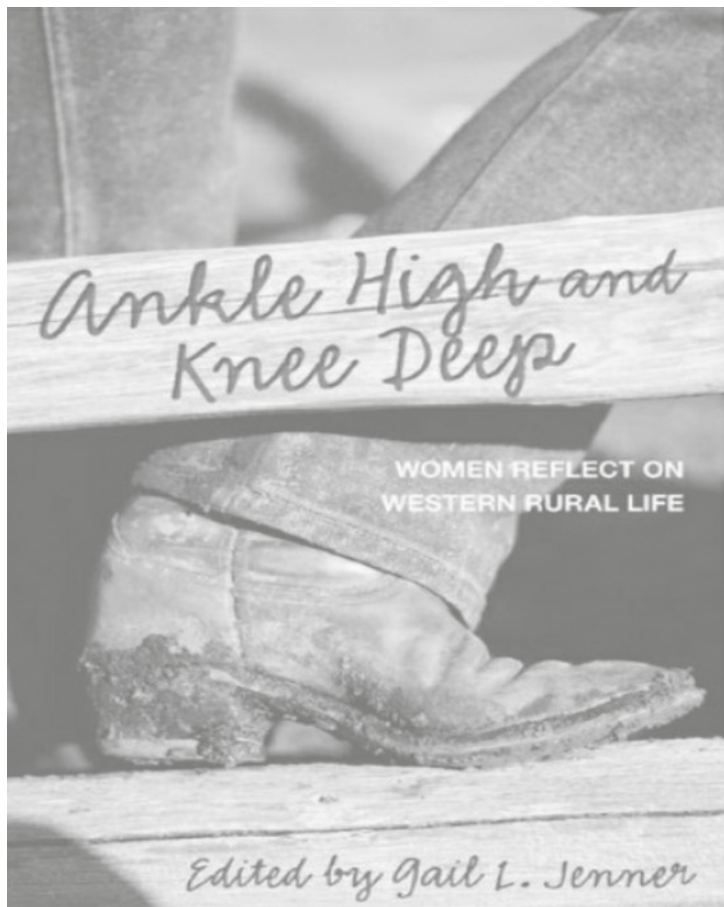
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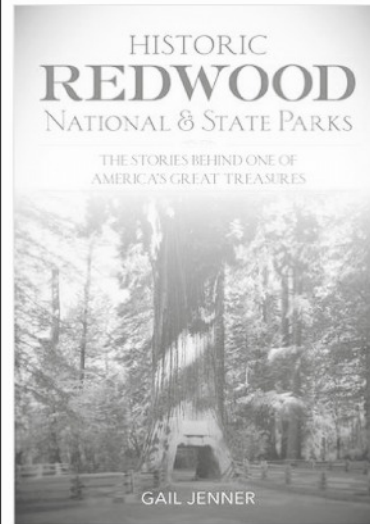
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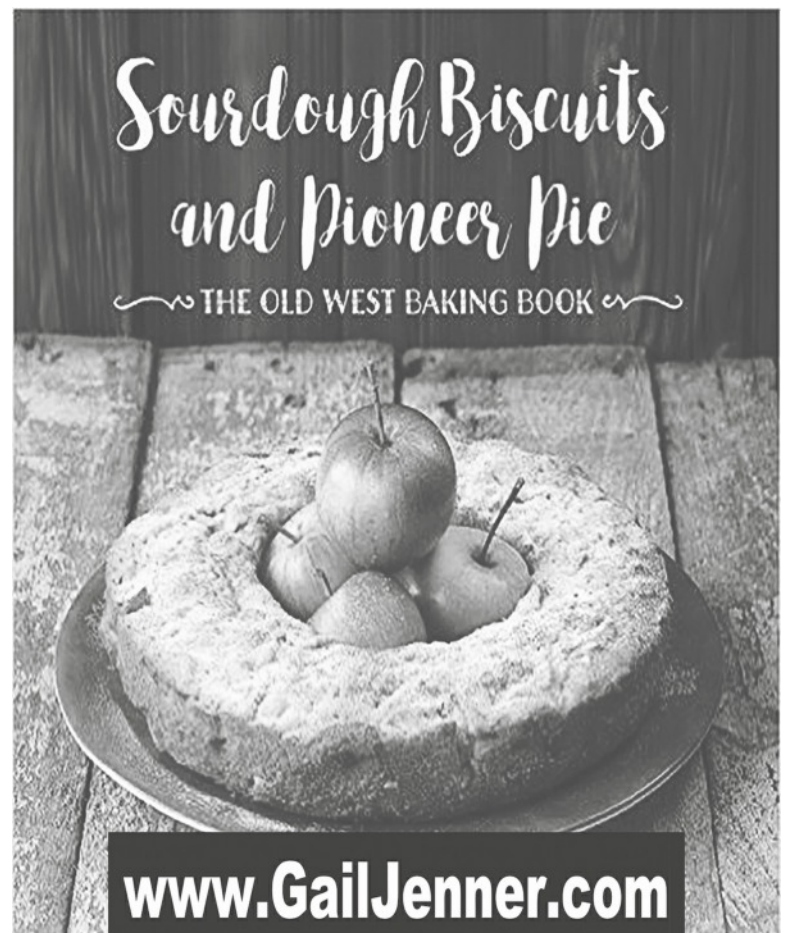
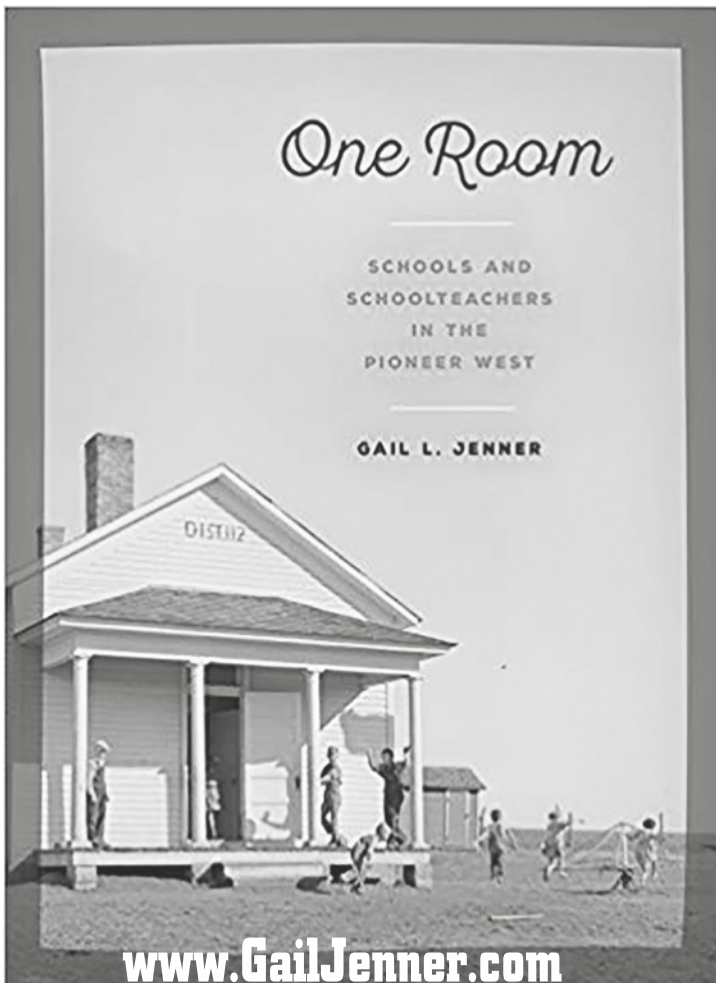


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# Northern Klamath County Oregon News, History & Events

## Washington Federal Bank Awards Generous Grant to Gilchrist School Backpack Food Program

By John C. Driscoll  
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Washington Federal Bank's grant to the Gilchrist School Backpack Food Program, coupled with generous community support, assures the continued operation of the Gilchrist School Backpack Food Program. The Backpack Program supplies supplemental nutrition to youth who need extra assistance during the school year, specifically on long weekends and holiday breaks. The Gilchrist School Backpack Food Program is sponsored by the Crescent Community Club.

Said Ann Hall, Vice President, Community Relations, for the Washington Federal Foundation, "It is our pleasure to partner with Crescent Community Club to support the Gilchrist School Backpack Program and provide children with non-perishable food when school meals are not available."

Vali Jaeger, Gilchrist School kindergarten teacher and liaison with the Backpack Program, stated, "The Backpack Program is wonderful. It definitely fills a need. This is the time of year when families struggle. The community has been great stepping in with the program. Lots of time, energy and love go into it."

The Backpack Program is very cost effective. The cost per bag ranges from as low as \$1.28 for a 3 day weekend to \$10.46 for an 18 day holiday day break. The longer the weekend or holiday break, the more food items go into each bag. During the 2017-2018 school year the amount spent per child averaged out to \$0.57 per child per day.

The Backpack Program was started during the 2015-2016 school year by Karen Shaw, a volunteer who was participating in the Ford Family Foundation North Klamath County Cohort. The Crescent-Gilchrist Lions Club inherited the program in March of 2016. During the 2016-2107 school year, the Backpack Program was adopted by the Crescent

Community Club.

With each successive year, the Gilchrist School Backpack Program has grown. In the Spring of 2016, during the first months of the program, total of

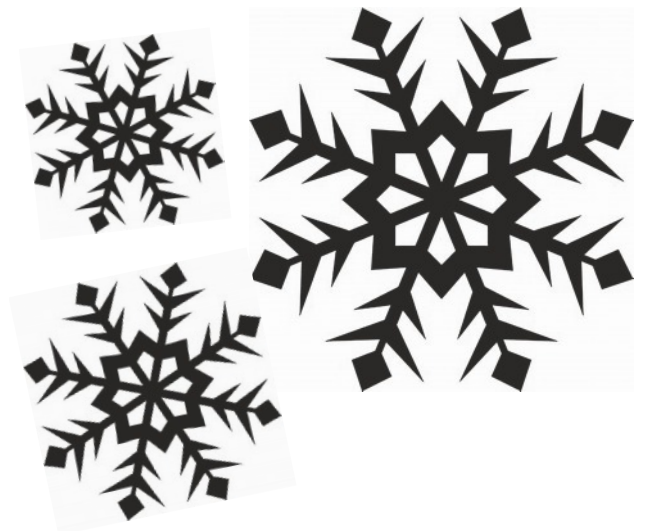
110 bags were distributed. The Backpack Program increased to 480 bags during the 2016-2017 school year. The total number of bags distributed during the 2017-2018 school year was 600.

Lil Cross and Deb Leslie are the driving force behind the Gilchrist School Backpack Program. Said Deb Leslie regarding the Backpack Program: "The Backpack Program gives a boost to the children who need it." The Backpack Program is an excellent example of a cost effective program that originated at the community level, that is carried out by community members and that effectively responds to an immediate need in the community. •



Photos:

(below left) Bag packing crew: L - R: Dave Fowers, Vali Jaeger, Lil Cross, Deb Leslie and Joy Fowers  
(above) Washington Federal presentation:  
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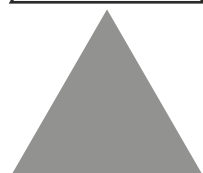
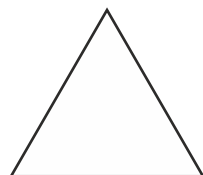
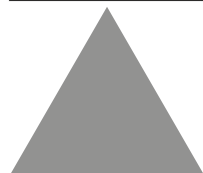
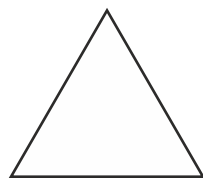
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Today my arm is slowly healing and I am better at feeding myself and brushing my teeth left handed. The bidet is under control. I'm getting kind of fond of the thing and even thinking of giving it a name. Happy trails! •



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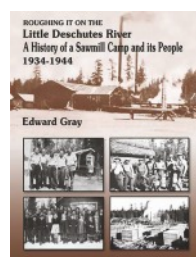
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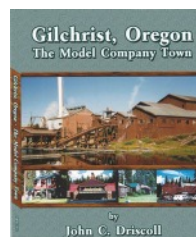
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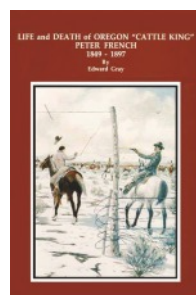
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# STITCHING IN THE DITCH

Stories by Judy Sartor of Mount Shasta Lily Quilt Guild,  
Mt. Shasta, California [www.ShastaLily.org](http://www.ShastaLily.org)

The end of the year is like being at the exact center of a vortex. The world spins around you, but the silence is absolute. That's because the end of the year represents both an ending and a beginning.

It is an ending in that it gifts you with the opportunity to look back at your accomplishments for the year. Your Quilt Show has come and gone and it was a smashing success. You identified and completed your UFO's, or you at least let them go. You hosted a Quilt Guilds of the North Quarter meeting. And guess what? It was really fun. You learned a new quilting technique, perhaps how to apply that perfect binding that the Quilt Show judge expects. You donated quilts to the children of the Klamathon Fire. You sewed together with friends, for that is one of the joys of quilting. You made a quilt for a Veteran and noted the tears in his eyes as he received it.

Now for the beginning of the New Year. It is a beginning with much to contemplate.

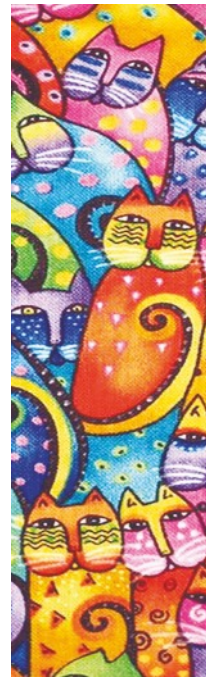
We at the Shasta Lily Quilt Guild are in the process of rebooting our website, so please bear with us. We have reinvented the starting time of our monthly meeting to provide a greater continuity to our Art Quilt group. So our Art Quilters—the majority of our membership, really—will meet at 9:30. The business portion of our meeting will commence at 11:00.

Scrappies will still be the 3rd Wednesday, and Anything Goes will continue on the 4th Wednesday. We will meet on the 5th Wednesday with special programs or workshops.

Since this is not a Quilt Show year, our intent is to explore more options as far as workshops are concerned. As an example, we will create our own Barn Quilts. We've got some other ideas too.

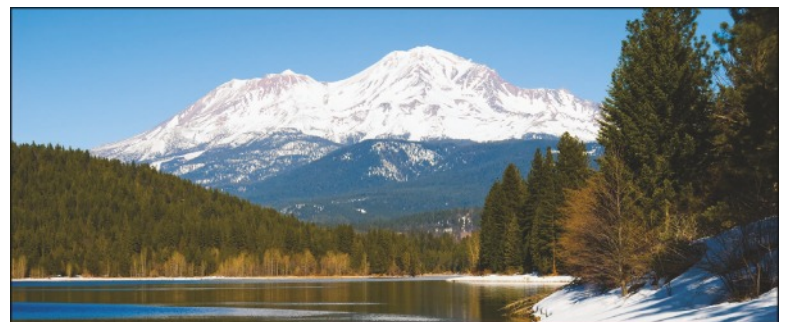
As with most of you, our stocks of charity quilts are depleted. We need to make more Caring Friends Quilts and Project Linus Quilts. And we must not forget our Veterans, some of whom were also victims of the local wildfires. We have plans there too! And what else? That's the unknown.

Someone once said that the past is over, the future hasn't happened yet, and that leaves us only the present. And, no, I'm sure that someone else said it before Dr. Phil. And we, the quilters of Siskiyou County, intend to make the most of that Present! •



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