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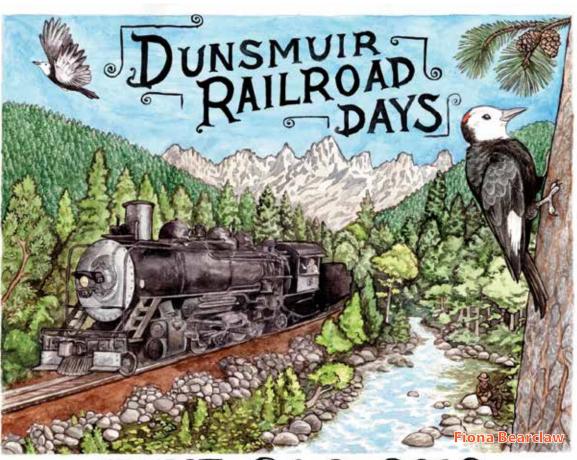
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10 am Dunsmuir Museum

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11 am Main Stage Entertainment

12 pm Parade

1 pm Kids' Zone - Children's Park

1 pm General Youth & Adult Soap Box Derby

2 pm Pine Street Entertainment

3 pm Fiddle Contest

6 pm Battle of the Bands

#### **SUNDAY JUNE 9**

10 am Vendors Open

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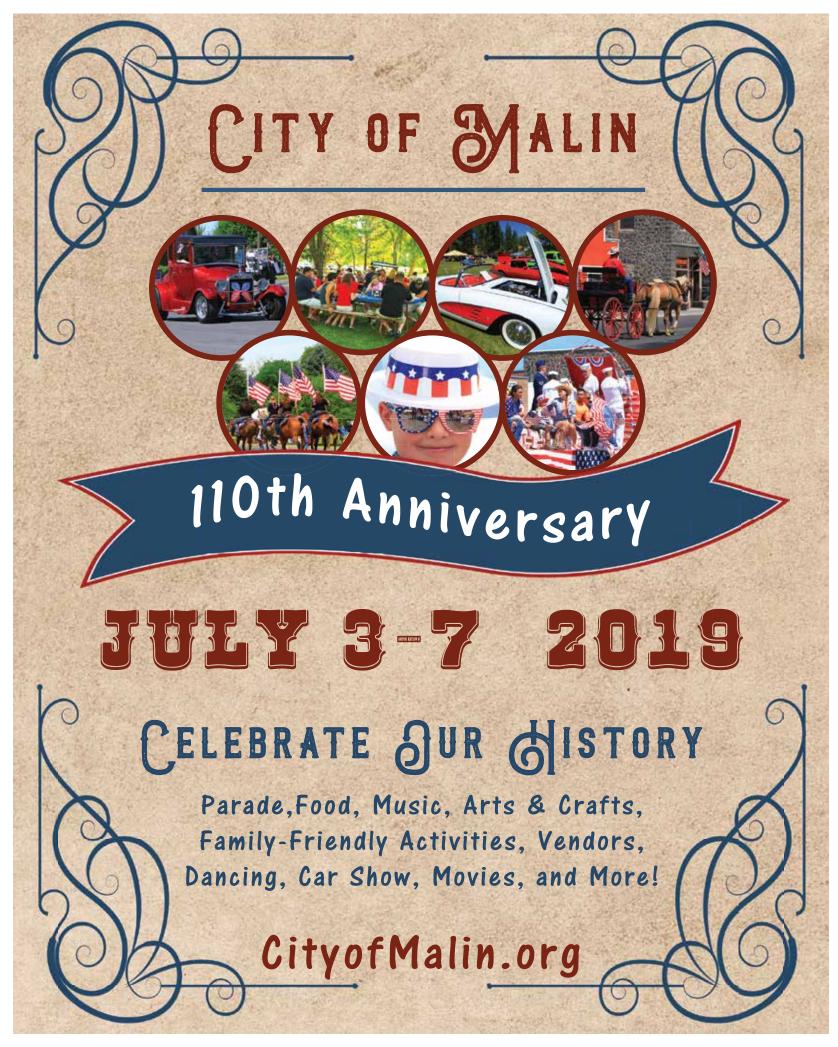
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The City of Malin along with Malin Park will be celebrating their 110th year of the city and the 75th year of the park **July 3-7, 2019**. Historically, this event has drawn thousands of people from Oregon, California, Washington and Idaho, and this year should prove to be no exception.

As Malin celebrates its 110-year anniversary as a city and Malin Park celebrates its 75-year anniversary as Oregon's first ever park district, there are a series of events scheduled for July 3-7.

Events will commence July 3rd with the Malin Royal Firecrackers Pageant, hosted by the Malin Community Service Club. The Malin Royal Firecrackers is a program developed to instill within our elementary-aged youth, the idea to give back to the community through community service projects. This is their 2nd year of being celebrated as a group who serves the community.



Celebrations continue on July 4th with a merchant breakfast, swap meet, parade, 25th Annual Show-n-Shine Car Show, raffle, live music in the park and a dynamic firework show at dusk.

July 5th begins with Historical and Agricultural Tours, a matinee movie at the Broadway Theater, the museum will be open from 4-8pm, and Downtown Cruise Night and Street Dance/Concert in the Park with the Kurt Van Meter Band from 5-10pm.



Families enjoy lunch in the beautiful Malin Park after viewing the Show-n-Shine Car Show.

July 6th events start with the 1st Annual Disc-Golf Tournament, Historical and Agricultural Tours, Free Lunch at Noon, talent show, All-Class Reunion, Czech music, Beer Garden, and fun games for the kids.

Celebration events will come to close July 7th with a community breakfast at Malin Country Diner and a joint-church service in the park.

The City of Malin has already begun preparations for the event, working with local vendors and securing entertainment acts. A collaborative effort between the City of Malin, Malin Park, Rural Klamath Connects and Discover Klamath for marketing is underway. Details regarding this event can be found by calling 541-723-2021 or visit the City of Malin online at **www.cityofmalin.org**.

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday June 29, 2019 2nd Annual Far North Summer Music Fest See Flyer on back page of this publication.

#### MORE EVENTS ... BINGO

Wednesday Night Bingo at Yreka Elk's Lodge - See Page 32.

Quilting and Handcrafting Events & Cycling Events on Pages 4,6,21,33 & 41.

Check out Page 12 for our NEW COMMUNITY BULLETIN BOARD with listings for local histories, local services, farmer's markets, facility rentals, music lessons, handcrafted items and hobbies.

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June 1-2, 2019

Valley Wide Yard Sale, Fort Jones, California. See Page 39.

June 2, 2019

Portuguese Picnic in Hawkinsville, California.

June 8, 2019

Knitting in Public Day in Bandon, Oregon. See Page 4.

June 8-9, 2019

Dunsmuir Railroad Days, Dunsmuir, California. See Page 7.

June 15, 2019

Kids Fishing Day at Juanita Lake, see Page 14.

June 16, 2019

CHVA Father's Day Car Show and Pancake Breakfast, Yreka, Ca. See Page 4.

June 21-23, 2019

Susanville Bluegrass Festival, Susanville, Ca. Call (530) 251-8900 for info.

June 22, 201

Dunsmuir Botanical Gardens Tribute to the Trees, Dunsmuir, California. See Page 6. for more information.

June 29, 2019

Annual Meek/Stresser Memorial Pork BBQ and Auctions in Montague, California. See info on Page 32.

June 29-30, 2019

Far North Summer Music Fest, Etna, California. See back page of this issue.

July 3-7, 2019

Malin, Oregon's 110th Anniversary Celebration, see Page 10-11 for story.

July 4, 2019

Butte Valley 4th of July Celebration, Dorris, California. See Page 14.

July 12-14, 2019

Lost River Bluegrass Festival, Merrill, Oregon. Call (541) 891-3178 for info.

July 27, 2019

Wing Wars, Bonanza, Oregon. See Pages 26 and 36 for story and info!

August 3 2019

26th Annual State of Jefferson Brewfest, Dunsmuir, California. Call Dunsmuir Chamber of Commerce at (530) 235-2177 for info.

August 8-12, 2019

Siskiyou Golden Fair, Yreka, California. Call (530) 842-2767 for info. See Flyer on Page 37.

September 19-22, 2019

Jefferson State FLIXX Fest Film Festival, Fort Jones, California. See Page 39 for pre-sale ticket information.





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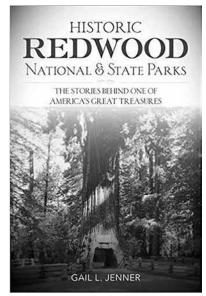
Etna United Methodist Church: 467-3612

Scott Valley Family Resources: 468-2450

Scott Valley Berean Church: 467-3715

#### **DISCOVERING THE STATE OF JEFFERSON**

By Gail Jenner - Enjoy another new story of the many historical towns and unique realms which can be found scattered about The State of Jefferson.



Four of California's northern counties—Del Norte, Humboldt, Mendocino, and Sonoma—are home to 88 percent of the surviving coastal redwoods. Though redwood forests once covered over two million acres, today Redwood National Park, in conjunction with three California State Redwood Parks: Del Norte Coast Redwoods State Park, Jedediah Smith Redwoods State Park, and Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park, currently protect

131,983 acres (federal: 71,715; state: 60,268). Out of that, old growth forest acreage totals 38,982 acres (federal: 19,640; state: 19,342).

And because more than 90 percent of the redwoods that once ranged from above the Oregon border down to the central California coastline are gone now, Redwood National and State Parks is even more important than as just a tourist destination.

E. C. Williams, one of the first men to pursue the commercial value of redwood, reminisced in 1912 about his first journey through the redwood wilderness in the spring of 1850. He remarked that the groves of redwoods were, in fact, "God's first temples," as declared in Bryant's Thanatopsis.

As Minnie Reeves so elegantly explained: "The redwood trees have a lot of power: they are the tallest, live the longest, and are the most beautiful trees in the world. Destroy these trees and you destroy the Creator's love. And if you destroy that which the Creator loves so much, you will eventually destroy mankind."

Two distinct physical regions characterize the park: the coast and the mountains. The coastline is typically rugged and rocky and difficult to travel on foot, although there are some grassy and/or brushy slopes. Around Crescent City, there are broad flat beaches. Broad alluvial valleys spread out from the mouths of the Klamath River and Redwood Creek.

At Prairie Creek Redwoods State Park, an eight-mile stretch of beach lies at the base of the one hundred to four-hundred-foot vertical Gold Bluffs, known as Gold Bluffs Beach. The park's elevation rises from sea level to over three thousand feet; the steep slopes of the park, averaging 40 percent to 70 percent, are thus susceptible to erosion.

Interestingly, for forty years, from 1859 to 1899, there was one homestead located between Gold Bluffs and the mouth of the Klamath River: the Johnston's. Travelers knew the site after Anthony and Julia Johnston settled the property in 1851. The Johnstons raised cattle on what became a 1,000-acre ranch, as well as mined for gold, and travelers knew they could always find a place to board. Their home was set a half- mile up on the bluffs above the ocean's shoreline.

Originally the trail that connected Crescent City and Humboldt Bay passed along the beach below the Johnston's homestead. Traversing the bluffs meant, however, that travelers often had to hang onto their horses' tails as they climbed the steep bluffs. The trail was treacherous, and the waves crashing onto the shoreline were equally risky. Sadly, in 1891, Johnston's two sons were caught along the beach when a rogue wave caught them, throwing them against the bluffs. One son survived; the



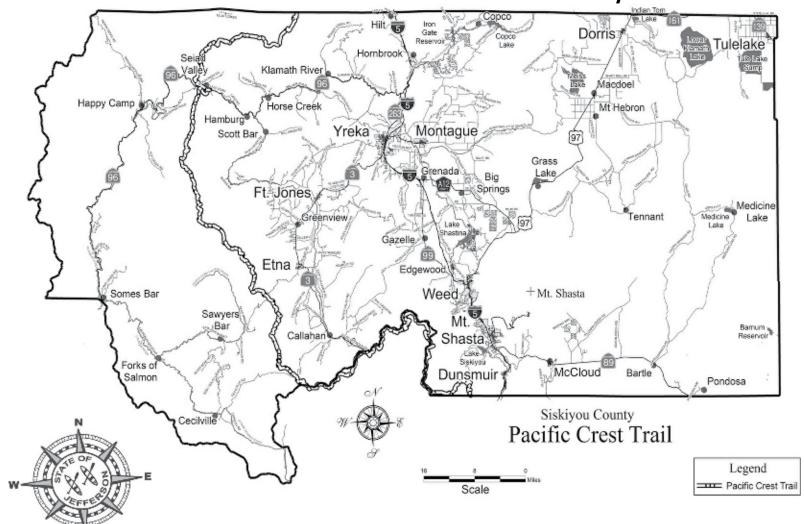
other was washed out to sea. Eventually the county completed a wagon road that passed along the ridge rather than along the shore and up the bluffs. In addition to geography, weather and rainfall create the moist, cool habitat redwoods require. They do not tolerate much snow or frost, nor can they survive harsh or long cold seasons. Coastal temperatures range between forty and sixty degrees Fahrenheit year-round, while inland winters are colder and summer temperatures hotter and drier. Although redwoods can be made to grow in a variety of environments, the giant

redwoods need a specific habitat and are thus found in a 250-mile-long north—south belt that stretches from 1 to 2 miles offshore to not more than 50 miles inland. Here the trees are protected from heavy salt air while thriving on the fingers of fog that creep in and along the coast almost daily.



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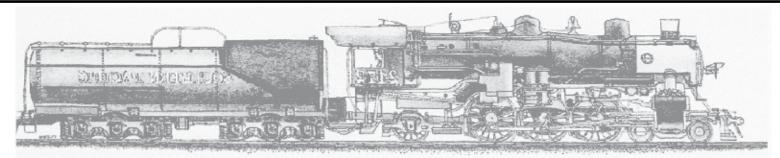
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#### DUNSMUIR RAILROAD DEPOT HISTORICAL SOCIETY NEWS

#### 'PASSPORTS' at DUNSMUIR MUSEUM

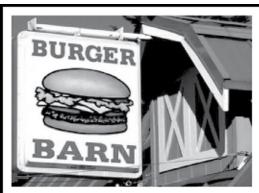
The Dunsmuir Railroad Depot Historical Society advises that the Dunsmuir Museum is part of Siskiyou County's museum PASSPORT program.

The PASSPORT project was the idea of Siskiyou County Museum volunteer Twyla Morford with thanks to a grant from the Pacifi-Corp Foundation. Fourteen Siskiyou County museums have PASSPORTS that can be purchased for \$3.95. The PASSPORTS will encourage folks to explore the county.

The Dunsmuir Museum is open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the 1st and 3rd Saturdays as well as during the town's RAILROAD DAYS. Take note of the three murals; take a selfie in front of Joe Vella's #1727 Locomotive! See you at the Museum.

June 8th (10 a.m. - 1 p.m.) The Dunsmuir Museum will feature a book signing by Dunsmuir resident Robert Morris of his Photobob's Espee. It's an extraordinary record of the changing face of the Espee from the 60's to the final days of the 90's and includes some of Photobob stories behind the photos.

See the FLYER for Dunsmuir Railroad Days on Page 7...



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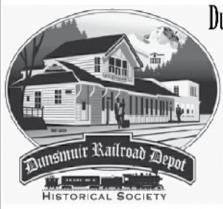
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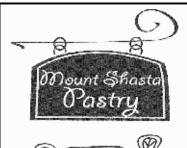
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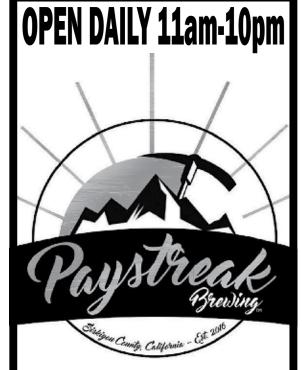
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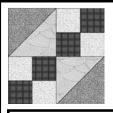
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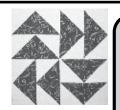












#### **UPCOMING QUILTING EVENTS**

June 20-22-The Quilt Show Reno, Grand Sierra Resort, Workshops, lectures/demos.

June 21 - July 20 - Weston's Fiber Arts Show - See Page 6 for info...

June 21-September 3–Row by Row Experience, Taste the Experience.

July 28-29–Heart of the Basin Quilt Guild, "Quilts from the Heart", Sacred Heart Gym Hall and Parish, 815 High Street, Klamath Falls.

June 29-30—Chiloquilters Quilt Show, Chiloquin Community Center, Chiloquin, Oregon, 10:00-4:00, Contact Linda Wood, (541)281-7101.

June 29-30–Ocean Waves Quilters, Fort Bragg Quilt Show, "Magic Dreams," Dana Gray Elementary School, 1197 Chestnut Street, Fort Bragg, 10:00.

July 27- QGNQ hosted by Hayfork, California.

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August 9-11 Log Cabin Quilters, Exhibit Building, Trinity County Fairgrounds.

August 31-September 1–Long Valley Quilters, outdoor show by the Fat Quail Quilt Shop, Highway 101, Intermountain Fair in McArthur, California

October 12–Make A Blanket Day: Klamath Community College, 9 am start, Klamath Falls, Oregon.

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## The Saga of the Lost Moon Rocks

Story by Brian Favero

#### Part 4

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the U.S. Navy Equatorial Ship Crossing Initiation, aka "Crossing the

Last month's Apollo 16 mission narrative was all about cheating the

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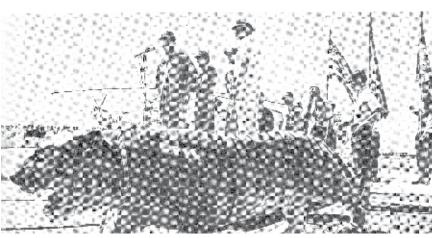
PO Box 1166 1019 South Main Street Yreka, CA 96097 (530) 842-1226 Fax (530) 842-7344 spot for one wild, memorable day. But more were fast coming toward us! CVS-14 was now underway with an intensity that foretold the true reason for its mission, capsule recovery. TICO headed further south, to Latitude 20-30S and Longitude 167-00W to be on station in the event of an early abort of the Apollo 16 lunar landing mission. The entire ship was ready for such an abnormal situation, as it was practice, practice, practice of the daily SIMEXes, training periods for the recovery team. This required the NASA provided practice capsule to be in the ocean daily, with the UDT frogmen doing their drills assisted by the helo squadron support overhead. With the ship this far south of the equator, our COD aircraft flew many logistics flights to and from Pago Pago, Western Samoa. Important NASA equipment, U.S. Naval personnel, NASA scientists, and the all important mail were typical payloads.

Pago Pago was a beautiful place then, and begged for some maintenance induced R & R. Magneto problems seemed to be the prevailing culprit for our aircrew/mechanic. And since we all had our skin diving gear handy, the 2 day grounding of the aircraft was not too much of a nuisance. It just so happened that the Intercontinental Hotel was hosting the American Soma Independence Day celebration on their man made beach, and the gorgeous hotel veranda was the perfect place to catch all the action. The war canoes coming into the horseshoe shaped harbor, and the celebrations of the Samoan's that went into the night, were very colorful and fun to be part of. Downtown in the night spots, I've never seen so many huge people. No wonder the Samoan rugby teams do well!

Whenever it was known around the ship that the COD was going to Pago, lists of merchandise that the ships company wanted would proliferate. Duty free shopping pretty much cleaned out the shop at the airport. Then there were the alcohol requests. One such "mail run" is very memorable. Since the airline connection bringing in passengers, cargo, maintenance parts, and mail did not arrive, this seemed the perfect time to honor the alcohol lists we were given. Everyone knows that all U.S.

Navy ships are dry except the Brandy in the doc's dispensary. COD pilots are always held in high regard around the boat, not necessarily for their exceptional aviator skills, but for all the swag and good stuff they can bring to the sea going, deprived crew. So we filled up the mail sacs with just about every bottle of liquor on the island, and headed for the boat. Since on arrival we were the only flight that day, off duty personnel were gathered on vulture's row to watch the landing. Then came trudging the laden mail sacks across the flight deck. Of course everyone saw the copious amounts of mail coming aboard.......





Photos Submitted by Brian Favero. Above: Success Tiger

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Only trouble was, at the 1800 mail call, not one fresh envelope on the entire boat!!! Needless to say, we had quite the time in the Skippers state room getting dressed down about #^\*!###\*!^#/\*!!! The scene from Top Gun when Maverick and Goose were braced against the wall while the Ops Boss railed them, would be a close second to our little set to. They were threatened with flying rubber dog ---- out of Hong Kong. We were threatened with our careers. A memorable time in the company of one's commanding officer, to say the least. We certainly were heroes to all the Jack Daniels and Tanqueray drinkers on the ship, believe me!

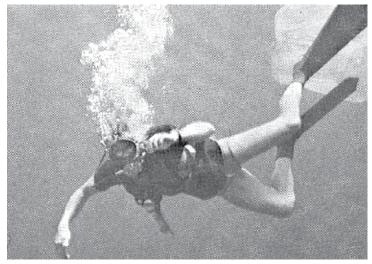
Well, the next trip to Pago, Gordy and I redeemed ourselves to the powers that be. Inbound to the ship loaded with cargo and passengers, I noticed we had zero hydraulic pressure in all systems. This could be a big problem on a ship. We communicated the situation; the flight deck crew rigged the barrier/net, and prepared for a real ugly afternoon. This is not a drill. Vulture's row was packed on this occasion, as nobody wanted to miss a gear up landing of a twin engine aircraft on an aircraft carrier flight deck. No siree! As things progressed, we came in sight of the boat, checklist, tried lowering the landing gear with the normal system, and it went down like nothing was wrong. We had already sight checked the reservoirs, gauge fuses, etc., so this was a puzzlement. Flaps? OK. Hook? OK. How about that!!! A hydraulic system that doesn't need hydraulic fluid.

Remember the earlier reference to the Sky Gods? Good old pilots are humble. You can see why. It turns out that an incorrect plastic soft dust plug was put in the end of tail hook hydraulic line instead of a standard hard plug, during the previous night's maintenance event. It had finally blown out on our return to the boat. There was just enough trapped hydraulic fluid to get the gear down, and the return fluid provided enough for flaps extension. Had we put the flaps out first, gear would not have come down. We never did figure out how there could possibly be any fluid left for tail hook deployment. So the Sky Gods were good to us that day, we were still humble, and Jack Daniels never tasted so good!

Although the vulture's row spectators were disappointed, the Skipper gave us an ATTABOY, and probably enjoyed his own libation, which we had undoubtedly brought aboard the day before.

Next month brings us to an even more incredible day than all the rest: 27 April 1972, one of the proudest days in TICONDERO-GA history. Splashdown of Apollo 16.





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Above is recovery scuba diver.

Below is helicopter landing in front of TICO crew.



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#### INSPIRATIONS FROM THE FOREST



## A Continuing Saga ... Real Life Logging Stories by Hank Nelson of Wasilla, Alaska

#### "LOG JAM AT BLUE LAKE CANYON DAM"

Spawned centuries earlier, fed by glacial runoff, Blue Creek coursed through a narrow canyon deep below precipitous rock-ribbed cliffs, emptying into Silver Bay. In 1959, the confluence would become the site of Alaska Lumber & Pulp Company. (see photos on Page 25, submitted by Hank Nelson.) The Blue Lake Canyon Hydro Project, completed in 1958, spanned the deep narrow ramparts of the Blue Canyon Gorge. Clearing and harvesting the valley timber had been Clarence Kramer's first contract logging operation in Alaska, the task and location later commemorated by a plaque. Swirling undercurrents of the Blue Lake Dam, plus wind and spring runoff, all agitated windfall, floaters, broken limbs and debris from the bottom, which carried over the brim into a jackstraw pile at the base of the narrow canyon.

In every log-jam there is a culprit, a log that is a bone in the craw. The trick is to somehow dislodge the obstruction holding the whole thing together without collapsing the pile all at once. In the old days, nimble-footed "Jacks," more cat-like than human, armed with peavey, pike-poles and wearing hob nail boots, ran the gauntlets to dislodge those "Key-logs" -- then ran for their lives across bobbing logs as the "jam" gave way in a twisting, swirling torrent of logs and foam.

So it was that this task at hand at Blue Lake was allotted to Porky Bickar. No one was better qualified, a consensus shared by one and all throughout the industry. He wore the mantle of Sitka's "Mr. Chain Saw" and other accolades with humility, dignity and self assuredness, as one who tested in the furnace of trial and error... and Porky was accustomed to tough, hair raising, dangerous tasks.

When Porky got the news he hopped around like a flea on a griddle of hot grease, happy as a jaybird in a sack of acorns, smiling gleefully, rubbing his hands together. This was just his kind of meat and potatoes. Porky and wife Patty discussed things.

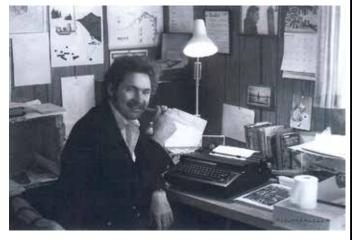
"Do you have everything you need?"

"Yeah, I'l I swing by the shop, grab my saw and tools."

"Wear something warm. Got your long handle woolen underwear?"

"Don't worry, I wouldn't leave home without them, in case I get dunked."

"Well-- just be careful!"



"No problem, no problem." Porky smiled. He had to give it to her... she was as good a wife and partner as any man on God's green earth could wish for... and then some! Patty understood the perils of tip-toeing atop as-slippery-as-an-eel, water-logged trees across the icy waters of Sawmill Creek, where perhaps just one slip could mean disaster.

"Why don'tcha take along your float-coat... just in case?"

"Okay, just in case!"

"And supper will be waiting for you when you get back."

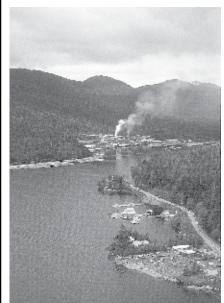
It wasn't exactly what you'd expect, a simple mountain of logs piled high in the narrow canyon, but actually a jumble of interlocking limbs, broken tops and root-wads. The stream— with its more or less usual meandering course, was a series of narrow channels, compressed by sheer walls of churning, contentious white water cascading over submerged boulders with occasional deep eddy pools.

It was hard to imagine that anyone other than Porky would accept the task and possess the same fleet-of-foot agility, resourcefulness, self confidence and coordination of a log birler. Why indulge himself in frivolity and pull an impromptu trick on his pals by riding the break-away log— in a single afternoon— all the way through the Canyon? His answer... "Why not?" While arduous, it might be augmented here and there with refueling, like a ham and cheese sandwich and candy bar. His "survival kit" consisted of matches in a water-tight container, small flat flask for emergencies, pocketknife, fish-line, leader and hook and insect repellent. A willow branch cutting could become a fish pole—limber, just the right length so a crafty fisherman might stealthily inch the pole out over a cut-bank with lurking trout below... a periwinkle, grasshopper, salmon fly or a fresh salmon egg could be bait.



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At just the right time, evening twilight mingling with the shadows of nightfall, he'd leisurely appear atop the log as if it weren't nuthin' at' all. A bit of tomfoolery balanced out by "bringing



home" the goods, the bacon... so to speak, yet another notch on the axe handle of daring-do!

Porky looked things over with the judicious eye of one who has seen it many times before. In days of yore, it was said "Jacks" could toss a bar of soap into the whirling vortex and then tip-toe across to safety atop the bubbles! From experience, the river-men adjudged the species and temperament of each log or tree length and knew how to narrowly avoid catastrophe. They knew which logs could stand the stress of the prevailing currents, and so they

listened intently to the nearly indiscernible whispers of creaking wood as the ax men and sawyers "V-notched" each log. Porky understood the ramifications: his chain saw was faster but the noise had to be considered, and the sawing would require patience, discernment, a surgical delicacy, that of an artistè or physician.

Porky walked gingerly out on the Spruce log stretching from embankment to the center of the jackstraw pile he was to clear from the base of the dam, sending it downriver to the sea. No problem, he mused. Spruce made the best spar trees. Tough, sinewy and resilient, the high climber and tree topper were confident that the tree would not buckle or snap off beneath them when the top gave way; and everyone knew and understood why the US Navy and the United States Air Corp. preferred Sitka Spruce above all others for ship hulls of PT boats and airplane wings. A sawyer could notch Spruce without fear of it breaking in two... but Hemlock and Cedar and Alder, that was another matter. Porky gauged the current, then, reading the log, considered leaving a tad bit more holding wood. The eventual run-off needed to carry the logs away incrementally instead of en mass, which might threaten the hydro works downstream.

Much later, when Porky hadn't returned to the shop in time for supper, a bunch of the boys headed out of town to have a look. Evening came, casting an ominous pall with lengthening shadows across Blue Canyon, the moon rising over tops of darkened crags at the end of Silver Bay. Finally, logs began appearing beneath Sawmill Creek Bridge. A straggly treetop with a forked branch holding a tattered sweat shirt with gloves draped together... then, a floating gas and oil jug. Fearing the worst, the assemblage murmured amongst themselves, half expecting to see "Old Blue," Porky's signature pickup truck with the logo of the eruption of Mt. Edgecumbe on the door, rounding the bend at any moment.



"Hey-listen!
Didja hear
that?
Yeh...
right over
there,
that's it,
cast your
light over
there.
Think I

hear something. Shine a beam over on the bridge."

A faint but discernible, familiar sound, someone singing, slowly growing louder. It was unmistakable. A shout went up. There was Porky, standing leisurely atop a log, holding his chainsawsaw with one hand and gripping a limb with the other, belting out a singing-in-the-shower kind of song. "Floating down the river... on a Sunday afternoon... the sky above with the one I love, waiting for the moon."

Porky grinned and waved at the boys lining the bank. It was a forgone conclusion that he'd toss his hat through his door that night before entering with a hastily gathered bouquet of forget-me-nots, wildflowers as a wifely peace offering... just in case! He was late for supper.

"What's the matter... looks like you're staring at an old ghost or something? Here, let me pinch myself just to make sure; Yep, it's me alright!" Porky laughed. "Com'on boys, give me a hand, help me scrounge up a fistful of flowers, guts, feathers and all... its the thought that counts."

"Ya had us worried, Pork. Why the hell did you do it?"

Porky shrugged his shoulders. "Well... why'd the chicken cross the road? The bear go over the mountain... all in a day's work." He tossed a rope in the direction of willing hands. "Here, boys, grab ahold and tie'er off!"

"That Porky, he's as sly as an old fox."

"Yeh, a little sugar never hurts. It's the logger way."

"That Porky's cagy alright... he could slip into a
pile of fertilizer and come out smellin' like a rose."

"You said it."

To be continued next month...



#### BONANZA'S EXTRAVAGANZA



The Town of Bonanza along with The Bonanza Big Springs Park and Rec District and the Bonanza Lions Club will be hosting their 15th annual Bonanza Extravaganza! The event is scheduled for Saturday, July 27, 2019.

The parade will start the event on Saturday morning at 10am with opening ceremonies starting shortly after with the Civil War Society, presentation of the flag, and the National Anthem. The event officially opens at 11am. Although, those that are there early to set up or just to take in the beautiful park can enjoy \$1 donuts and \$1 coffee from the Lion's Club at the cookshack starting at 8am!

During the event, visitors will enjoy the morning Parade, WING WARS, Car Show, Hobby Festival, Free Children's Art

Festival, Bounce Houses, Sack Races, Watermelon eating contests, Evening Talent Show, Quilt Show, food vendors, concerts including Michael Quinn & Cherry Wine and Black Cadillac Kings during the day, town-wide garage sales, and much much more!

We are already receiving numerous requests for registration forms and entries for the parade, wing wars, car show, talent show, quilt show, and hobby vendors, but there are still spaces available so contact Bonanza Town Hall at 541-545-6566 or email bonanza97623@gmail.com for a registration form and more information. Cash prizes and winner's plaques for the "Wing Warriors" are: 1st place \$350, 2nd place \$250, and 3rd place \$150 (all are People's Choice). The prizes for the talent show are as follows. 1st place \$200, 2nd place \$100, 3rd place \$50 along with winner's plaques. The quilt show People's Choice award this year is \$200 and a plaque. The parade awards will be as follows: a winner's plaque and \$50 prize money will be awarded to the best entry in the Animal Category, Group/Organization Category, Vehicle Category, and Best Overall.

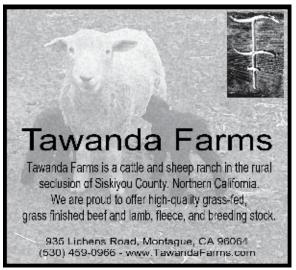
Tasting kits will be available at 12:45pm to vote for the best WING WARRIOR and ballots will also be available to vote for People's Choice for the Quilt Show and Car Show. The Lions club will serve hot dogs, hamburgers and tri tip sandwiches throughout the day and during the evening Talent Show. The Lion's use money raised to help finance the local student scholarships, their Sign & Sound Projects (buying glasses & hearing aids for those in need), and many other community events and projects.

Our biggest sponsors of the event are: Avista, Klamath County, Big Springs Park & Rec District, Rogue Credit Union, and the local Bonanza businesses. Our biggest volunteers come from Benefit of the Basin, Lindsey Hamar, a coordinator, the Bonanza Lions Club, Bonanza Park & Rec District, and a ton of local help including Mayor Betty Tyree. We couldn't do the event without the help from our sponsors and volunteers since we fund this event solely through sponsorships & donations.

Come one, come all and enjoy this family friendly event! Let us show you what our little town is all about, "A community committed to helping each other".

For more info contact Cheri Stewart, Event Coordinator, at (541) 545-6566, email tobtreasurer@gmail.com.

#### **TAWANDA FARMS**



I would like to tell you about Sangria. Sangria is a registered Romney ram who was born here at Tawanda Farms in 2010. He is 9 this year. He was pretty special from the start, friendly as a lamb and a good grower. He is recessively colored and beautiful. (See photo)

His first act of kindness was here on this farm. We had purchased a ram lamb from a breeder

back east; he had only known a rich, grain mix as food. We had only had him a very short time before we realized he didn't know how or what to eat. He lost weight, got sick and we thought he would die. On a whim we isolated him and put Sangria in with him with alfalfa. Sangria taught him how to eat.

Sangria was then purchased by a breeder friend who lives in Oregon

and he went to live and make babies there for about 4 years. The breeder's husband didn't get along with Sangria, so he came back here to live.

Once again we purchased another ram, this time a full on adult. The other rams we had at the time were going take the new ram to task and kept trying to start fights. Sangria stepped in and let them



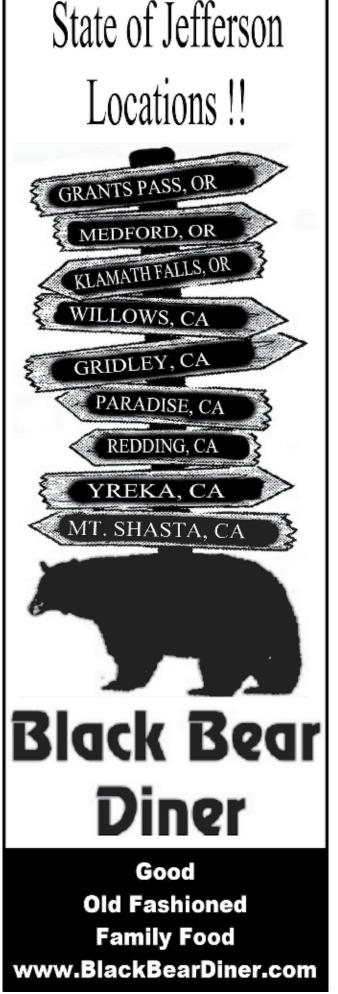
all know the new ram was here to stay and to leave him alone.

Soon after and before we had a chance to use him for breeding, a breeder in New York needed a ram with Sangria's particular color patterns (a whole other subject). So Sangria and a friend traveled to New York, via Ohio and Kentucky. He did good work for the breeder there and put lots of beautiful babies on the ground. When the New York breeder could no longer use him, he sent him home to Tawanda Farms. This time he and his friend had to winter over with a breeder in Iowa.

The Iowa breeder has rams that are a little aggressive and she has to be very careful when she feeds. She doesn't want to get hurt. Sangria to the rescue. While he was there, he would put his body between the breeder and the nasty rams. If any of the nasties even looked like they were going to approach the breeder, Sangria let them know in no uncertain terms that their behavior was unacceptable. Once more, he was taking care of someone.

Here at Tawanda Farms, we recently had an incident where neighborhood dogs packed up and were in our ram field. The rams all gathered and ran. Not Sangria. He stood his ground and stamped his feet and lowered his head at those dogs. They left the property and have not been back.

What a special boy. He gave us some beautiful lambs this year and we are proud to have them and him. Nine is old for a ram so we don't know how much time we have left with him. We honor him.



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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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by Bruce A Duncan Edgewood, California

"The Fighting Duncans of Dunsmuir" was a catch phrase coined by the Dunsmuir News in the January 15,1943 issue and in several other News articles in the 1940's and early 1950's. These articles told about the children and extended family of John and Hazel Duncan of Dunsmuir who served in the military for their country. John, himself, was a U.S Army Sergeant retired.

Seaman 2nd Class Norman Rustt, nephew of John and Hazel, was raised by them. A Dunsmuir High School Alumni, Norman was fondly known around town as Norman "Duncan." He spent much of his time with his cousins. Enlisting in the United States Navy in January 1942, he received training in San Diego. He would be assigned to the USS Saratoga CV-3. That would be the last home he ever knew. "Norman Rustt Loses Life On November 8," was the caption in the Dunsmuir News in November 20, 1942. As a gunner and radio man on a dive bomber, his plane was shot down near the Solomon Islands. Rescued from the ocean waters, he was deemed fit for duty and assigned to another plane. The pilot in flight lost communication with Norman and returned to the carrier only to discover Norman dead, not from enemy fire, but natural causes probably caused from being too long in the icy waters. He is buried along side his Duncan family at the Henely-Hornbrook Cemetery in Hornbrook, California.

John "Jack" Duncan Jr and Edward "Edd" Duncan, Norman's cousins and Dunsmuir High Alumni, enlisted in the United States Marine Corps shortly after Pearl Harbor. A rare candid photo of Norman, Jack and Edd in uniform appeared in the Dunsmuir News on February 12,1943, after Norman's death. Jack and Edd would participate in the second wave of the 1st Marine Division at Guadalcanal under the command of their Uncle, Hazel's brother, Colonel Albert Cooley. Fighting up the island chains the brother's paths eventually diverged. Jack would continue in the Pacific Theater to the war's end, rising to the battlefield rank of Captain. After the war he would leave the Corps. In a story in the December 1, 2010 issue of the Dunsmuir News, Jack received his Purple Heart, 68 years after being wounded at "the fray of Bloody Ridge." Jack flew the American and Marine Corps flags from his porch until the day he died in 2014. He is laid to rest in Fair Oaks, California. Edd, with his brother Jack, participated in the Battle of Bloody Ridge and the Battle of the Tenaru River. While in the Pacific, Edd contracted malaria and pneumonia and had to be sent back to the States for treatment. After his recovery his Uncle, Brig General Albert Cooley, provided him with the opportunity to attend the Naval Academy. Upon graduation from the USNA, Edd became a 2nd Lieutenant in the Corps, as noted in the Dunsmuir News June 11,1948. He would soon find himself in the Korean War where he earned a Silver Star and a Purple Heart. David Douglas Duncan (no relation), a photographer for Time Magazine, snapped a shot of Edd while wounded on a stretcher. It made page 30 of the September 25, 1950 issue. Edd would go on to a full career with the Corps, including serving in the Security Office for U.S. Embassies in Central and South America, and serving at the Pentagon. He retired in 1972 as a Lt Colonel. His remains have been at the Santa Fe National Cemetery since his passing in 2016.

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In 1943 big sister Laura Duncan enlisted in the United States Army Women's Auxiliary Corps, newly created for the Army. Rising to the rank of 1st Sergeant, Laura would serve the duration of the war performing her duties at Camp White, just north of Medford, Oregon. Laura, like her brothers and cousin, was awarded numerous awards and citations. In 1977 she was laid to rest in the Veteran's Cemetery in Sacramento, California.

Too young to serve during WWII younger brothers William "Bill" Duncan and Lyle Duncan both joined the Service when they came of age. Bill would start his military service at 17 by joining the Mount Shasta Unit of the California Army National Guard. Articles with names appeared in the Dunsmuir New June 16, 1950 and the Mount Shasta Herald June 29, 1950 which correspond to a 1950 unit photo in the November 12, 2014 issue of the Dunsmuir News of everyone in the unit, including Bill. By the mid 1960's he was Company Commander of the Yreka Unit. For many years he was also the CANG State Pistol Team Captain. He served overseas in Germany and Italy during the Cold War. Bill would serve four decades with the CANG and USAR, finishing his career at Camp Roberts, California. 1st Lieutenant William "Bill" Duncan joined his parents, Norman and family in Hornbrook in 2016. Bill and Lyle were both Dunsmuir High Alumni. Lyle would enlist in the United States Navy following high school graduation in 1950. He attended training at San Diego, same as his cousin Norman. Lyle would eventually be assigned to Naval intelligence. During his career he found himself helping the Air Force on a Project Blue Book case. Nominated to the Naval Academy by his Uncle, Maj General Albert Cooley, he was unable to pass the vision requirements. He would finish his tour and then leave the Navy to raise a family. Earlier this year Navy Airman Lyle Duncan was laid to rest in Hornbrook with military honors including bagpipes, like his brother Bill. Lyle was the youngest and last surviving sibling of what the Dunsmuir News coined "The Fighting Duncans of Dunsmuir."

Even today in the Looking Back section of the Dunsmuir News, mention of the Fighting Duncans or Edward Duncan on the cover of Time Magazine appear. There are no more Fighting Duncans in Dunsmuir, but branches can be found as close as Mount Shasta and Edgewood and as far away as Roseburg and Chico here in the State of Jefferson.

You can read more about Carlos and Maude in Jefferson Backroads December 2011 page 2 by Ron McCloud. •

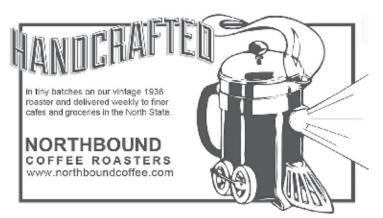




Photo - Christmas 1948 in the present day house on the SE corner of Dunsmuir Ave and Branstetter Street in Dunsmuir.

Left to right - Lyle, Bill, Edd, Jack, John, Hazel, Fannie & Johnny (Jack's wife & son), Beth Duncan Silva (eldest sister),

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## YREKA ELKS NEWS

#### PIG ROAST AND AUCTION

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The Yreka Kiwanis is sponsoring the Siskiyou Historical Society funded event. The Yreka Elks Lodge is participating with a hot dog, chips and beverage booth.

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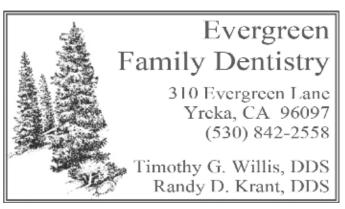


American Legion "Ross Neilon" Post 122 of Yreka are holding a fundraiser Bingo on



Wednesday, June 5th at 6:30 PM, at the Yreka Elks Lodge on Miner Street. There will be bingo, door-prizes and raffle items. All monies raised will go to the American Legion and various Veterans related programs in Siskiyou County.





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Left Photo: A Tea Party anyone? Right Photo: Scott Valley Quilters Guild Opportunity Quilt for 2019, made by Jeanne Welch





Thanks to an invitation from the Scott Valley Quilters Guild, May 11 brought area quilters to Etna for their biannual Spring Tea.

The scenery was spectacular on the route from Yreka to Etna. That's part of the fun. The bright greens of newly leafed trees mingled with the clean darker greens of the permanent evergreens. Bolstered by an excess of winter rain, the white "blossoms" of dogwoods splashed onto that green background. You can't quite capture that in a quilt, let alone in a painting. But we always try.

Approaching Fort Jones brought in the pinks and whites of orchard trees and ornamentals. Lilacs abounded, branches bent by heavy spires of purple and white blossoms gently swaying in the breeze.

Then on to the United Methodist Church of Etna, where we were greeted by smiles and hugs in a welcomingly decorated hall. Michele Estrada narrated an interesting program beginning with the Drummers Caliente. Yes, I said it—drumming quilters. Then we experienced their tap dancing prowess. Quite a talented group. And they still have time to quilt! The hall was amply decorated with evidence of their work. We enjoyed their luncheon. Excellent cooks out that way. Following lunch, we were treated to an exceptional trunk show by Nancy Barnes, one of the star quilters of the State of Jefferson. A personal Thank You from the ladies of the Shasta Lily Quilt Guild who were privileged to attend.

As I write this, the wind is tearing new leaves and branches off of the trees; but by the time that you read this, the weather will doubtless have shifted to full-on summer.

--Story by Judy Sartor, Shasta Lily Quilt Guild





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#### REFLECTING ON THE LOST RIVER BLUEGRASS FESTIVAL

By Joyce Furlong

On the Monday morning after the 2018 Lost River Bluegrass Festival, Greg Matthews and I stood on the field watching the crew take down the stage cover. Greg turned to me and said, "We did it." Exhausted and happy we knew we had pulled it off, a success for a first-year festival. We paid all of our bills, made a great first impression on festival-goers and musicians alike, and had a stack of feedback surveys saying that folks had a fun time and many would be back next year.

We took a little break to recover, then we dived into the after-action reports and the suggestions from our surveys. Some of the things people liked about our festival: the bands (of course!), the stage, our pricing, the sound quality, pie and ice cream on Saturday afternoon, camping close to the audience area, friendly food vendors, kids' activities, the jam tents, the instrument petting zoo, the quilters' room, the beer garden and the shaded food court.

We had done a good job, but we could do better and we had lots of suggestions there, too. At the top of that list was "more shade", "more vendors" and "more food choices" – we are definitely doing all of those things. Something new will be a shaded pet area in the audience for those with well-mannered dogs. And a change of date: we are moving the festival up one week to the 2nd weekend of July. Next festival is July 12-14, 2019 – put it on your calendar!



Blue J's are a traditional bluegrass band hailing from the Bay & Central Valley of Northern CA.

We want to especially thank our band lineup from 2018 for more than just outstanding performances. Many of them helped us launch our first festival both financially and by helping us to spread the word. As Dave Gooding (bass player for The Central Valley Boys) said, "We love these small festivals and helping them get started, it's good



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We can't close without some big thank yous: To the City of Merrill that has again provided us with a generous grant to help fund the 2019 festival, and to the Merrill Parks District for again providing the venue at no charge. Thanks to our generous sponsors, they really came through for us. And with many thanks to our all-volunteer staff, we should be right on track to repeat our success at the 2019 festival.

The best way to keep in touch with us and find out when tickets go on sale is to like us on Facebook. We are the Lost River Bluegrass Festival in Merrill, OR (not the one in Kentucky). To find us on the internet, please go to our website at www.lostriverfestival.com.

See you at the festival July 12-14th, 2019!





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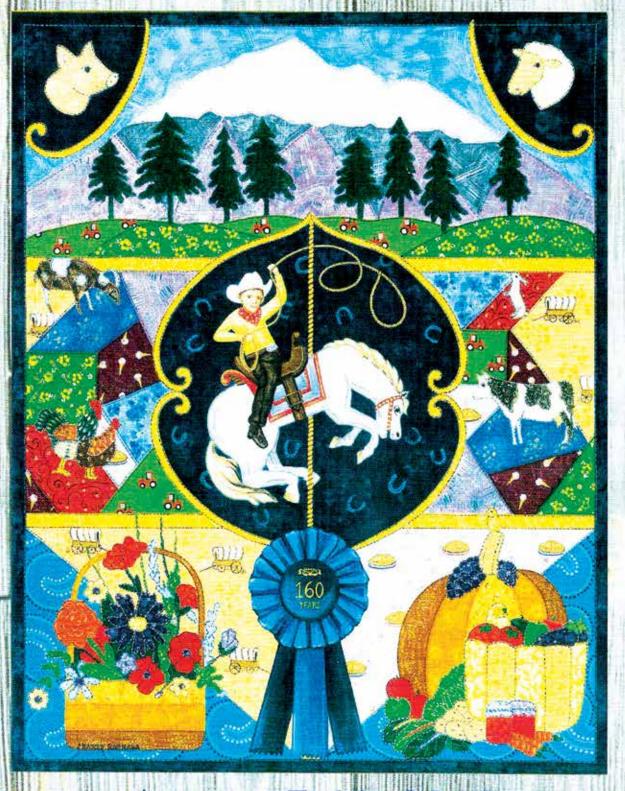
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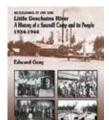


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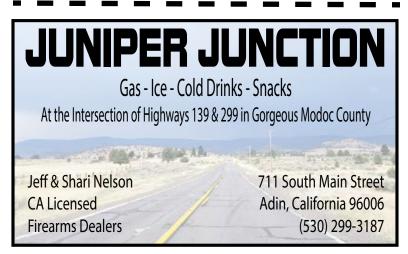
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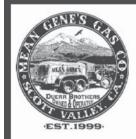
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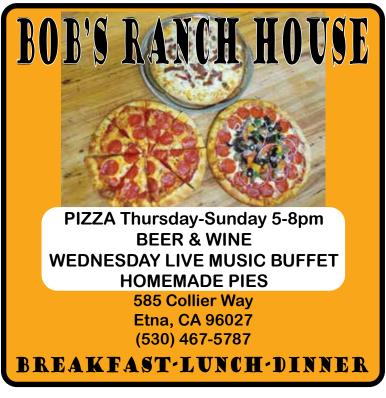
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