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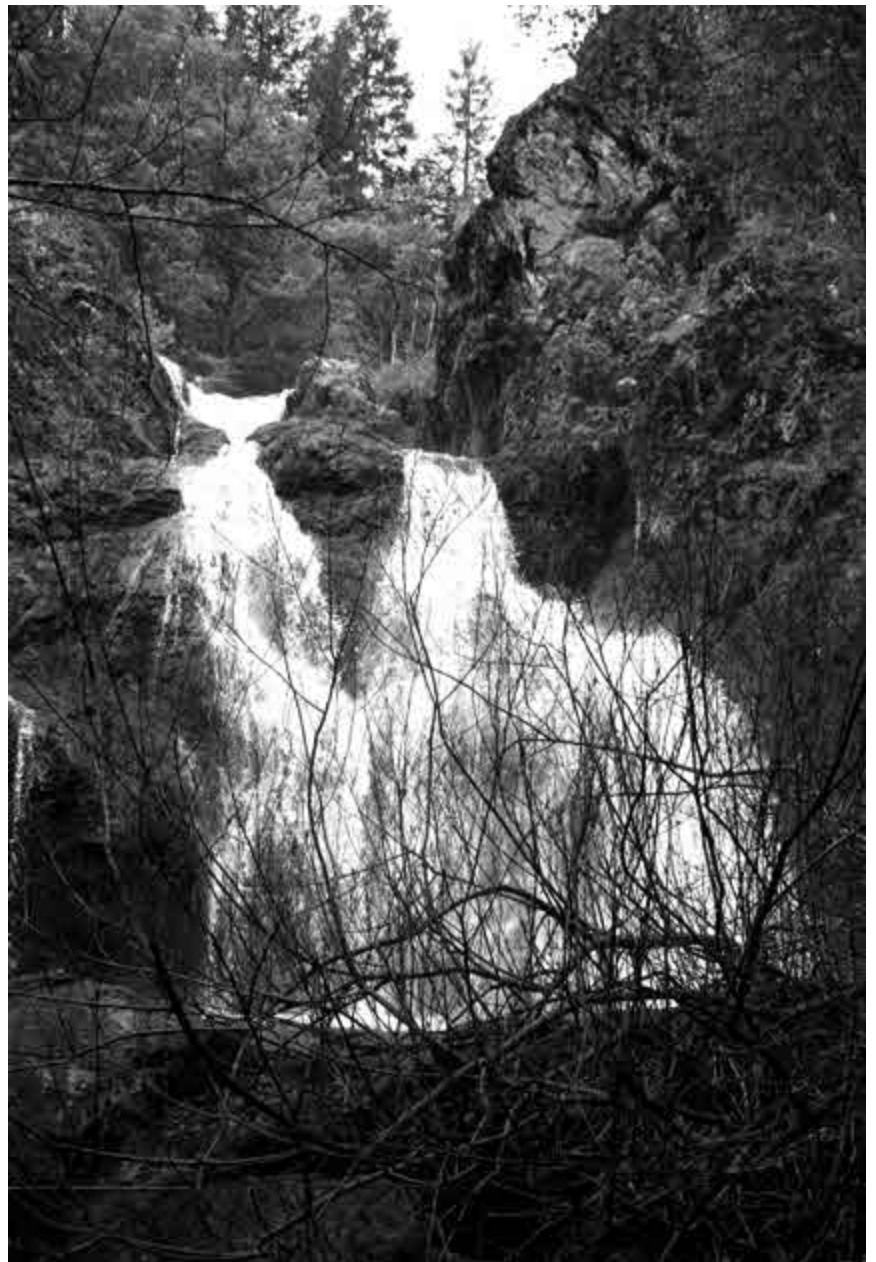


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# DUNSMUIR HISTORY

By Ron McCloud

*Ron McCloud is the owner of Dunsmuir Hardware – which dates from 1894.*

## JOYLAND

The story of Joyland can't really be told without telling about Frank Talmadge. Frank Talmadge was a promoter who came to Dunsmuir in 1900 from Lodi, California with only a quarter in his pocket. He used his quarter to buy two loaves of bread and slices of ham and then made sandwiches for sale to other train travelers arriving at the station. By reinvesting his profits and expanding his "menu" he made enough money to invest in a coffee stand which in a short time evolved into a restaurant and saloon. He continued to invest his profits and soon also owned a livery stable, a lumber yard and a warehouse. He also owned the "Northern California Music Company" of Dunsmuir and sold pianos, phonographs and "talking machines." By 1908 his estimated wealth was over \$100,000.

Frank Talmadge was very influential in the night life, entertainment, tourism, restaurant and lodging business in Dunsmuir. He was associated with the operation of a variety of entertainment establishments contributing to the gaiety of social life in Dunsmuir. One of his early ventures was a center of activity in early Dunsmuir known as the Auditorium. It was a large community hall, theater and movie house just south of the Travelers Hotel. His Palm Café on Sacramento Avenue was a popular eating place for many years. His biggest venture however was Joyland.



The Corral Resort was a part of Frank Talmadge's Joyland complex. The restaurant, lounge and dance hall was a popular spot for many years. It was located approximately where the Siskiyou Avenue overpass now crosses Interstate 5. Photo courtesy Ron McCloud.

In 1928 Frank Talmadge purchased the Shirley Auto Camp which was just north of the Dunsmuir Bridge and he also leased the Dunsmuir City Park property – not including the ball park - from the City of Dunsmuir. This meant that he had control of property which extended from the ballpark south all the way to the 800ft bridge on the west side of what is now Dunsmuir Avenue. The agreement was that Talmadge would pay the city \$100 per year for five years, he would install a swimming pool and develop the park as a recreation center with accommodations for picnickers and children's playground equipment. The agreement was honored and Talmadge installed the 75 by 150 foot swimming pool adjacent to what was then Highway 99. He improved the

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roads to the city park and put in picnic tables and a playground with slides, swings, see-saws and ponies. His Corral Resort, restaurant, and dance hall near the swimming pool along with a miniature golf course, outdoor dance floor, and roller-skating rink then formed the promised recreation center.

The swimming pool was spectacular for its day. The *Dunsmuir News* reported the grand opening of the "mammoth Joyland swimming pool and amusement park" on June 22-23, 1929. The Dunsmuir Eagles Lodge 25-piece band plus clowns and comedians entertained those who attended. Two lifeguards were in attendance at all times and a swimming teacher was available. There were "ample dressing rooms" and diving facilities ranging from a three foot springboard to a 20 foot wooden diving tower. "Kiddies" could wade and play in a special section of the pool separated by a wall from the main part. A trained nurse was on duty to care for children. There were sand boxes and play tables for children and cookies and milk were served free of charge. The pool was open from 8:30am to 11:00pm and there were lights for night bathing.

The open air dance pavilion was open for dancing on Wednesdays, Saturdays and Sundays. Featured performers were "Wally Landis and his Sacramento Senators" and "Chas. C. Locke, vocal recording artist." Other dance bands advertised were the "Gulf Coast 7 - The South's Finest," Sam Mazzei and the Hottentots, the Cascadians, Duke Ellington's Orchestra, and Ted Fiorito's "Big Band of Great Renown" with his lead singer, an 18 year old Betty Grable. Admission was \$1.50.

Frank Talmadge played a little known role in Babe Ruth's famous exhibition baseball game at the Dunsmuir Ball Park in 1924. The game was promoted by the Dunsmuir Lions Club but the club was only able to raise \$300 of the \$1000 charged by the Babe's publicity manager. Talmadge donated \$750 and the event was a grand success.

Joyland closed after 1938 and was not open during the war years of 1941 through 1946. In 1947 public donations and funds raised by the Dunsmuir Lions Club helped to buy the pool, re-open it managed by the Dunsmuir Recreation District and pay its initial operating expenses. The Corral continued operating into the 1950s but was taken out when the Siskiyou Avenue overpass was built over Interstate 5. Today the only remaining signs of Joyland are the Shirley Camp office building which is now a part of the Hitching Post Restaurant, and the Dunsmuir swimming pool. It still exists today and is one of Dunsmuir's most visible and valued assets.

*Ron McCloud is co-author with Deborah Harton of a book on the history of Dunsmuir published by the Arcadia Publishing Company in 2010. ♦*



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## Backcountry Skiing in the State of Jefferson

Submitted by  
Dane Brinkley

Backcountry skiing adventures lies beyond the boundaries in the State of Jefferson. Backcountry skiing and riding offers an alternative to the monotony of crowded lift lines, tailored runs, parking lots and lodges. It's the promise of cutting fresh powder tracks, solitude, and a true sense of the word adventure. Where else can you tour and cut powder through mossy covered old growth trees, or skin your way up knife edge ridges to find the perfect powder or corn snow stash. Not to mention the spectacular panoramic view of the State of Jefferson. For the more adventurous; there's "sled skiing" taking a snowmobile and your backcountry gear to spots even further into the backcountry landscape.

In the heart of it all is Mt. Shasta, along with Eddies, Scott Mountain, Etna Summit, Carter Summit, Castle Lake, and Crater Lake to the north. The front door to any one of these locations is accessible by plowed public roads. Always park well off the road to allow for snow plows to pass. From these jump off locations you will generally find a skin track; someone who has already beat you to the best powder, although there is always plenty of secret uncut powder shoots. However, there are risks associated with backcountry touring and that of course is the danger of avalanche, entrapment, or personal injury from a fall.

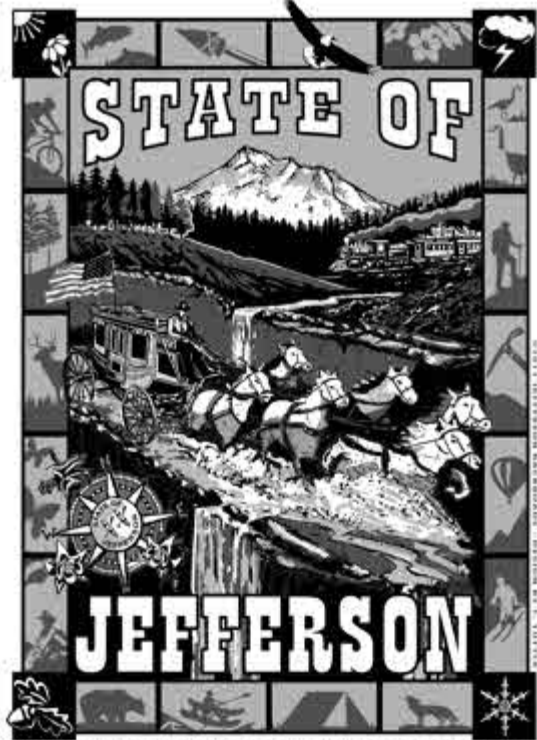
It's always suggested to tell a friend where your destination will be, prepare for the unexpected, ski with a partner, and know and recognize avalanche danger before and during your touring adventure. The Mt. Shasta Avalanche Center provides a daily avalanche forecast for the Mt. Shasta and surrounding mountains. You can obtain this avalanche hazard information from [www.shastaavalanche.org](http://www.shastaavalanche.org).

In the State of Jefferson you can get all your backcountry gear, local tips, and expert advice from any one of the local ski shops in the area. If you are an entry level backcountry enthusiast, the Mt. Shasta Ski Park along with Shasta Mountain Guides offer "Beyond the Boundaries", an all inclusive backcountry guided tour program. A guide will take you into backcountry on Grey Butte adjacent to the Ski Park. The guide will take you to a backcountry cabin for shelter with the warmth from a pot belly stove, hot drinks, lunch, and plenty of laughter. You will be provided with equipment use instruction, entry level use of a rescue beacon, avalanche recognition/ avoidance, along with backcountry rescue techniques.

For more information about backcountry skiing in the State of Jefferson check out these links: [www.shastaguides.com](http://www.shastaguides.com) & [www.skipark.com/the-mountain/beyond-the-boundaries](http://www.skipark.com/the-mountain/beyond-the-boundaries). ♦

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# Shop Local Philosophy

By Steu Mann

Numbers are a language we all share. Understanding the impact of shopping local is easy to see in numbers. And, keep in mind, developing a shop local practice happens in steps. The goal of this article is to provide you with “numbers awareness” to inspire your actions in taking two or three steps in your shopping habits - now - and keeping ‘em as a ‘don’t think twice about it’ habit.

**3** What three local businesses would you miss if they were not around? How about stopping in and saying hello; better yet, making a purchase in them? Your spending habits will make or break your local merchants.

**68** When you spend \$100 in a local merchant, \$68 returns to the community in taxes, payroll, and other expenditures. If you spend that amount at a national chain store, then only \$43 returns to the community. If you spend it online then little, if any, returns to the community.

Recent research shows that when there is a visible and vocal campaign about “shopping local” then consumers do shift their shopping habits. This held true in slowing economies and especially in small cities and communities covering different geographic areas. As you probably already know, when local merchants have more sales that translates into 1) fresh revenue which can be spent on 2) improving infrastructure and other community projects; all of which create 3) various local jobs.

I admit I don’t always shop local, yet I do always think “shop local” before I make a purchase. This week I spent twice as much on a book I wanted at the local book store downtown, instead of doing amazon.com. I believe that when each of us does a little more local shopping there will be a significant and visible community benefit. ♦

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# "From Over The Hill"

By Che'Usa Wend

*Che'usa loves writing stories about the amazing people and places she has discovered in beautiful Scott Valley. You can find more on her website: [www.fromoverthehill.info](http://www.fromoverthehill.info).*

*Join her each month ....*

Everyone has a story . . . whether it is remembrances of growing up as a native of this Valley or whether it is how you found this Valley and decided to make it your home.

I found Scott Valley by chance in 1997. I was looking for a place . . . not as rainy as the Pacific Northwest (which I was about to leave) but not as dry as Arizona (where I owned a tiny rural winter home). I was 'betwixt and between' until a man I hired in Arizona to help build a small patio happened to say one day: "If I could live anywhere in the world, I'd live in Scott Valley". Of course, my question to him was . . . 'then WHY are you here in dry, hot Arizona'????!!!!!! But that's another story.

He showed me on the map where Scott Valley was and I decided I should check it out on the way back up I-5 to the wetlands. Making the loop from Ft. Jones to Etna on Hwy 3, out to Horn Lane then to Eastside Road, just driving along enjoying the beauty, my mouth opened and these words rolled out . . . 'within a year, I will live here'. I looked around to see who said that! Within 6 months, I lived here.

Lady Synchronicity was alive and well and led me to a house in 'Old Etna', advertised as needing TLC. Some of the world's greatest residences are known by their addresses alone . . . and mine was known as . . . 'you bought that place'??? as they would shake their heads in disbelief having seen the 'before' of it! However, when you 'surrender to Synchronicity, magical things happen to and around you!

I did a little research on the area of 'Old Etna' and discovered it was originally 'Aetna Mills.' Supplies for the miners came from Humboldt Bay, a long and dangerous route, making prices extremely high. A closer source of supplies was needed so in 1854 McDermit, Moore & Davidson built a flour mill on Etna Creek near the foot of Salmon Mountain. Said to be the first in northern California, it was called Aetna Mills. A distillery was also built on what is still known as Whiskey Creek.

The story goes that the little town named after the mill grew quickly. A road was built connecting the town with the Ohio House (now the Fowle Ranch). A hotel was built, along with a sawmill, blacksmith shop, machine shop, two stores, a furniture store and saloons. They also had a Post Office.

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The prosperity of this little town was cut short by a flood during the winter of 1861-62. Whiskey Creek raged and much damage was done to homes and property. Most of the residents then moved to nearby Rough & Ready (what we now call Etna). In order to have a Post Office they had to use the Aetna Mills name as there was already a Post Office established in 1851 in the town of Rough & Ready in Nevada County.

Somewhere along the line the 'A' was dropped from Aetna and it became Etna Mills, and then later, it became just Etna.

After I learned the history of Aetna Mills and Etna, it became my theory that when the 'A' was dropped from Aetna, they also dropped The Arts!

There has been a movement afoot in the past 10 or so years to bring the Arts back to Etna! And in the past few years, a 'prime mover' in this has been the purchase of the historic Avery Theatre by the Scott Valley Theatre Company [www.scottvalleytheatrecompany.org](http://www.scottvalleytheatrecompany.org). Their dedication to this historic Theatre is truly a gift which has enabled us to enjoy all forms of The Arts here in The Valley.

Many of you supported the very first performance of Siskiyou County's own 'Clarence Barger's Big Band Fun Orchestra' at the historic Avery Theatre in Etna in December, 2011. Go to [www.fromoverthehill.info](http://www.fromoverthehill.info) then scroll down to the Dec. 11, 2011 posting for photos and stories.

We are excited to announce that the 'Big Band Fun Orchestra' (now 26-piece!) is returning to the historic Avery Theatre on Thursday, April 19, 2012. Doors open at 6:30 pm and concert starts at 7:00 pm. With the response to their December performances in Etna and Yreka, we expect a sell-out crowd so get your tickets early. You won't want to miss this special treat!

Tickets are available at Scott Valley Drug in Etna and Scott Valley Banks in Etna and Fort Jones while they last! Or you can call Che'usa & Eb at 467-5815 for info.

Thank you for continuing to support The Arts at The Historic Avery in (A)etna!!!!!!

Until soon . . . Che'usa . . . from over the hill..... ♦

This July 4, 1905 photo shows what an active and alive place Aetna Mills was back then ~ parades, bands, social and community-spirited events. Note the electric power poles also!



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# On the Road to Stolen Loot, Buried Treasure & Lost Mines - Part 4 of 4 by Bob Pasero

*Bob writes for the Sacramento Valley Mirror and we will be re-printing some of the fascinating articles from his column: "On the Road - Adventures in the State of Jefferson." Bob is also the State Chaplain for an organization called The Missing in America Project, a Veteran Recovery Program. Please go to [www.miap.us](http://www.miap.us) for more information.*

Today we will visit Siskiyou, Butte, and 'Colusi' County as we travel the Road to buried treasure and lost mines in the state of Jefferson.

By 1844 Danish emigrant Peter Lassen was living in Jefferson. He secured a Mexican land grant (Rancho Bosquejo) in present Tehama County. He would later move to the Honey Lake Valley in Lassen County. Lassen fancied himself a trailblazer and pioneered the infamous "Lassen Cutoff" into California. In 1859 Lassen, with Edward Clapper and Lemerich Wyatt headed to the Comstock silver mines. In the Black Rock Desert in northern Nevada the three were ambushed. Clapper and Lassen were killed but Wyatt was able to escape. The bodies of Clapper and Lassen were buried at the ambush site. Lassen, a respected Free Mason, was entitled to a Masonic burial. A party of Masons from Susanville recovered his remains for a proper burial in Susanville. The years passed and the ambush site and the remains of Edward Clapper were lost, seemingly forever.

In 1990 skeletal remains were found protruding from a hillside in the Black Rock Desert. Law Enforcement initiated a murder investigation. Through the efforts of the FBI laboratory and forensic anthropologists the bones were identified as those of Edward Clapper. Clapper's remains were interred in Lassen's plot in Susanville. Everybody from Northern Paiutes, disgruntled



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pioneers who had taken the Lassen Cutoff, and even Lemerich Wyatt were suspected of the murders. It remains a 131 year old unsolved murder. But, that isn't Lassen's only mystery.

Dependable banks were nonexistent. To protect his disposable coins and gold he buried them in iron pots on property near his home along Deer Creek where it joins the Sacramento River near Vina. Lassen's buried treasure, hundreds of thousands of dollars, has never been located.

Another luminary in California history had his roots firmly planted in American soil. Granville Swift was the great nephew of Daniel Boone. Swift, just 19 years old, migrated to California in 1840. Within 6 years he had established himself. During the 1846 Bear Flag Revolt he was a Captain of C Company and helped design the flag for the new Republic.

Following the Bear Flag Revolt Swift settled in Colusi County. He and his cousin Franklin Sears were successful ranchers and mined gold from the streams of Colusi County and the Feather River in Butte County. Two Historic Markers in old Colusi County honor Swift. The first is near Maxwell in Colusa County. It is a corral that Swift/Sears constructed entirely of flat stones. The second marker is near Hambright Creek in the City of Orland marking the location of the "Granville Swift Adobe," the first permanent dwelling in Colusi County.

Swift was a gifted miner. A contemporary said, "Swift was one of the best miners I ever knew. It seems as if he could almost smell the gold. He made an immense amount of gold." Swift, like Lassen was in the habit of burying his gold. It is believed that between his two home sites; the Swift Adobe in Orland, and a palatial home near Petaluma, that Swift buried hundreds of thousands of dollars in gold in earthen jars, and tin boxes. Unlike other buried treasures, Swift's hand written directions to his gold caches still exist. Following his directions has proven to be extremely difficult and his treasure has never been found.

Jefferson State has a number of 'Lost mines.' There is the Lost Cabin Mine in Modoc County, the Lost Humbug Mine near Yreka, and the Lost Somes Bar Mine northeast of Somes (or Sommes) Bar in Siskiyou County. But the one that has always intrigued me is the story of the "Lost Hawkins Mine."





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In the 1850s Hawkins and two other miners were making their way to Shasta City the "Queen City of the Northern Mines." They were unsuccessful in the Yreka district and hoped for better fortune in the Shasta mines. They traveled south on the east side of Mount Shasta. Each day they would run a few pans to see if their luck had changed.

Near a water fall on the McCloud River (photo at right) they found substantial amounts of gold in their pans. Significantly, the gold was angular and rough indicating it had not been in the river long. They worked their way up stream and continued finding gold. Just past a small tributary the gold played out. They surmised that the gold must have washed down the tributary. While working the banks of the tributary they found the vein. Hawkins would later describe the gold as "jeweler's rock," very high quality gold. They worked the mine for several days bagging and burying their gold at their main camp. Each morning one or the other of the miners would take their livestock out to a meadow away from camp and each evening they would bring the animals back into camp. One afternoon Hawkins went to retrieve their animals. As he made his way back to camp he heard gunfire. He cautiously peered over a rise and looked down into camp in time to see both of his companions had been killed by what he believed were Modoc Indians. There was nothing Hawkins could do. He took the horses and mules and rode out hoping to reach Shasta City, get help, and return to recover the gold and bury his friends. Hawkins returned within a few days but could not locate the tributary, the buried gold, the bodies of his companions, or the vein of nearly pure gold. Over the next several years Hawkins returned several times to search the Lower, Middle and Upper Falls on the McCloud River trying to locate the gold and the mine. He never did. Eventually Hawkins would return east a broken man.



Just after the turn of the twentieth century a hunting party hired a member of the Pit River Nation to guide them on a hunting trip to the McCloud River. While camped near a water fall the guide told the hunters a story of a raid on a mining camp by the Pit River Indians a half century earlier. The raid had taken place in the area where they were camped. The guide said that two white miners had been killed in the raid but they never found the miner's horses or mules. To avoid reprisals a Shaman cast a spell over the area to prevent the gold and the mine from ever being found. The bodies of the miners were dismembered and left for wild animals to devour. It is intriguing, to say the least, that an Indian "legend" and a miner's "tall tale" of a lost mine would so closely parallel. Neither Hawkins' gold, nor his mine has ever been found.

There are a number of such stories from the 19th century. Perhaps one day we'll run into each other on the road to stolen loot, buried treasure & lost mines. ♦

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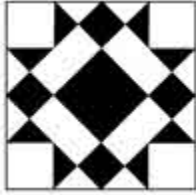
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Klamath Falls, Oregon, is the county seat of Klamath County, the fourth largest in Oregon, with over 6,000 square miles. It sits beside Upper Klamath Lake and under the Pacific Flyway. Originally called Linkville by George Nurse who founded the town in 1867, the city's name was changed to Klamath Falls in 1893. In 1890, its population numbered 2,444; in 2000, it reached 64,000. The town grew as a result of the construction of the Southern Pacific Railroad in the 1880s. Klamath County is home to Crater Lake National Park.

Klamath Falls is also the home of the Favell Museum, considered by many to be one of the three best Western museums in the nation. It contains over 30,000 Indian arrowheads and points, and more than 475 baskets.

Crater Lake National Park is located halfway between Bend and Klamath Falls, Oregon, on Highway 97. It is 100 miles east of the Pacific Ocean, 110 miles north of the California border on I-5 and is part of the Cascade Mountain Range. It is the nation's fifth oldest national park, having been signed into law by President Theodore Roosevelt in 1902.

William Gladstone Steel first saw Crater Lake in 1885, after hiking to its rim with a friend. In 1896, he took a group of men, including John Muir, to Crater Lake; Muir reportedly called it "the one grand wonder of the region."



Early Photo of the Crater Lake Lodge courtesy Betty Jane Young Collection.



The two men became deeply involved in protecting the lake and its environment. On May 22, 1902, President Theodore Roosevelt then signed the bill protecting the lake; it became the seventh National Park in the National Park System.

In 1907, Steel formed the Crater Lake Company and set up a small tent city near the lake that offered visitors hot meals and shelter. He then sought funding for the construction of at least one grand hotel. Designs for two lodges were completed, one by Portland architect Raymond Hockenberry, the second by the Portland firm of Fletcher Farr Ayotte.

After years of stalled attempts and soaring costs, the Crater Lake Lodge opened in 1915. In 1922, some additions were made, but by the 1930s, the lodge grounds were still "mud or dust, depending on the season." In 1989, the old lodge was closed.

Because it had been listed on the National Register of Historic Places, however, the building was rehabilitated rather than destroyed. It opened in May 1995 and featured 71 new guest rooms. Renovation took six years, at a cost of \$15 million.

Tourists still tour the lake via the Rim Drive, which was completed in 1918. Rimmed by 20 miles of conifer-covered cliffs, the startlingly blue waters sit 6,173 feet above sea level in a basin that plunges to 1,943 feet below the surface. The lake is the deepest in the United States and the seventh deepest in the world, and the water is so clear that one can see down to 100 feet. Interestingly, the depth of Crater Lake was measured in 1886 with a simple machine consisting of a crank and piano wire. Sonar testing in 2000 found that the 1886 geological survey was off by only 75 feet.

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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.

The name Jefferson was selected after Yreka's local paper, The Siskiyou Daily News, ran a contest. J. E. Mundell of Eureka, California, submitted the winning name. A seal was created: a gold mining pan etched with two Xs to signify the double-cross by Salem and Sacramento politicians. Today the seal is still used on flags, banners, and State of Jefferson memorabilia.

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.

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

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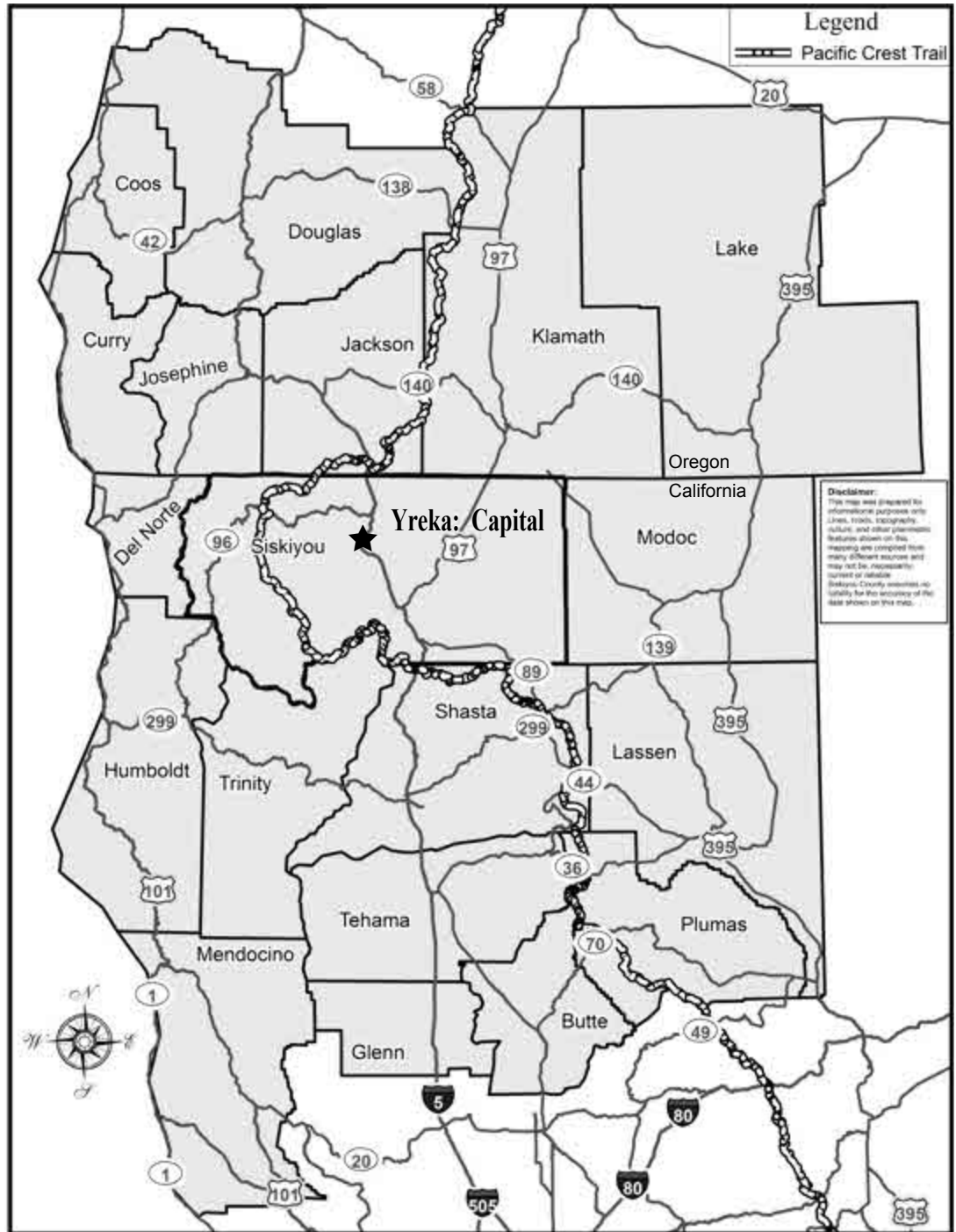
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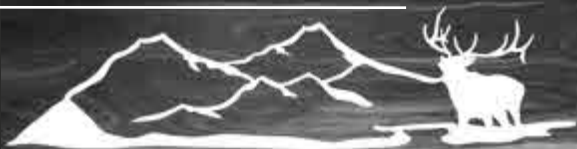
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Gail is a contributor to NPR's Jefferson Public Radio series, "As It Was: Tales From the State of Jefferson." At left is her newest book, coauthored with Bernita L. Tickner.

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## HISTORY OF YREKA

by Claudia A. East

Join us each month for Claudia East's fascinating historical stories of the town of Yreka, California.

Feel free to read and follow Claudia on her blog at: <http://yrekahistory.blogspot.com>. -Editor

## The Bella Union Saloon and Grace Hospital

Sitting at 325 West Miner Street, Yreka, California in the heart of our National Historic District is a building with a unique and varied history. Today we view a two story building, but for many years a single story building was home at this location. On old fire maps from 1885 to through 1908 we find this building listed as a "saloon and billiard parlor." It was clearly a saloon earlier than 1885 from other historical records. As early as 1852 "The Bella Union" was a local "watering hole" and in 1859 early local pioneer Charles Iunker and a Louis Rapi became the owners. Iunker also operated a brewery on Oregon Street. According to a plaque located on the building today, it states that the former Bella Union building was replaced by a two story residence and provided space on the ground floor for businesses. It is curious to note, however, that photos of this section of Miner Street there isn't a two story building at this location before 1900. It appears further research is in order to determine the actual date of the addition of the second story.

It is known, however, that in late 1916 this building on the top floor became the Grace Hospital. It was in 1916 when the original county high school burned to the ground and the students were relocated for the remainder of the year to the building on Oregon Street known as The Mount Shasta Hospital (built by H. B. Gillis, and currently known as the DeClerk Offices). *The Siskiyou News* dated October 19, 1916 ran an article on page one about the new Grace Hospital. Local Doctor G. W. Hathaway decided to open this hospital to fill a need since the Mount Shasta Hospital was given to the high school.



The Bella Union Saloon building in 1897. Location would be the fourth building on the right, or directly behind the flag pole towards the center of the photo. Photo Courtesy Claudia East.



The article describes the accommodations for this new 12 room hospital. It had an operating room as well as maternity room which both faced Miner Street. In addition it hosted an "optical dark room" and two wards for men and two wards for women, as well as private rooms. There was also a large sun room, nurse's room, Dr. Hathaway's office, reception room and living rooms. The newspaper article described the new hospital as a "model of convenience." The hospital was expected to be opened about November 1 of 1916. How long this particular hospital operated is currently unknown, but we find on the fire maps of 1927 that the lower section of this building contained a millinery store and an office.

At this time Yreka also was home to the County Hospital as well as other private hospitals in operation. It was not at all uncommon for a physician to open their own hospital for the treatment of their private patients. Small hospitals like this were not uncommon up through the 1950s. During the 1960s many small hospitals found it difficult to obtain expensive equipment and laboratories and the end of the small private hospital soon became a thing of the past. Today the lower portion of this building is home to the Siskiyou Gallery and Frame Shop that features local artists and does excellent custom framing as well as home to Miner Street Antiques and Decor. ♦

The former Bella Union building and Grace Hospital Building as seen today. Photo Courtesy Claudia East.



At the left, photo of Grace Hospital On Miner Street after the second Story was added. Photo circa 1920. Photo Courtesy Claudia East.



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We invite you to check on every page of this publication for many other Community Classes and Events that are included. Deadline is 20th of the month for upcoming events. Thank You!

## BUTTE VALLEY EVENTS (also see Page 31)

Saturday April 7 - Easter Breakfast and Egg Hunt sponsored by the Butte Valley Lion's Club at the Butte Valley Community Center from 9am to Noon.

April 7th!- Macdoel Firebells are doing an Easter Egg hunt in Macdoel at the Macdoel Middle school, 1:00PM! Prizes will be given for most eggs and the prize egg! Come and have fun! Ages 1 to 12!

Saturday April 14 - Abalone Feed sponsored by the Butte Valley Lion's Club at the Butte Valley Community Center in Dorris. Call 530-397-2800 for info.

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# ELK IN THE STATE OF JEFFERSON



by Ralph Fain

## Applying for Elk Tags in The State of Jefferson

Ok, so if you think sitting down and trying to figure out how you apply for California big game tags of any kind is confusing, try to condense this information into a brief synopsis for folks to read and ponder. I am writing this article with a big ol' disclaimer, "read and become familiar with California's fish and game regulations prior to applying for tags and licenses and going afield!" This article is for informational purposes only and in no way guarantees that I have read, interpreted, or have been accurate in my reading of the regulations. Good luck to you my friend in your efforts to do the same!

It would appear that there are approximately 358 elk tags available by drawing for 82 hunts in California for the 2012 season. These hunts have varying tag quotas from 1 to 35 tags each. The top tag quota of 35 is right here in our backyard in the Marble Mountains. These numbers include tags for apprentice hunts for junior hunters. You may choose between Tule Elk, Roosevelt Elk or Rocky Mountain Elk. The 2012 Big Game Hunting Digest is now available online. The hunts contained within the book are proposed hunts with final approval coming from the California Fish and Game Commission on April 11, 2012. If you are lucky enough to be drawn, the California resident elk tag runs \$404.00 for

2012. Get your information together and submit your choices to Fish and Game prior to the June 2, 2012 entry deadline.

Another way to procure yourself a California elk tag is to enter the random fund raising drawing for an Owens Valley elk tag which (if drawn) allows you to hunt any of the Owens Valley zones. The entry fee for the Fundraising Random Drawing tag is \$5.66 per application and you may apply as many times as you wish.

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The most fun way to get you a California elk tag is to attend a RMEF Banquet that may have these very landowner hunts available.

The Siskiyou Chapter of RMEF will have two of these hunts available at their banquet on May 19, 2012 in Yreka. One hunt will be offered via raffle and the second hunt will be sold through live auction.

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# Food That's Gold

By Chef Caroline White Brask of  
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## “The World of Pastries”

We were discussing how foods have come to the U.S. from all over the world and blended into our Culinary World. My friend Michael was describing a hardy Welsh Pastry that his Irish Mom used to make that was filled with meat and vegetables. It has a light and flaky crust and this rich satisfying interior.

He was talking about the Welsh Dragon Pastries that celebrate the patron Saint of Wales, Saint David, who actually was a vegetarian. The little Dragon pastries have cousins all around the world as many cultures make a similar type of pastry that has a flaky exterior and a sometimes very spicy interior. In Florida we sampled the Pastelillos, from Puerto Rico and the Empanada's in L.A., from Argentina and so on. The weather in Wales must be similar to the miserable wet cold that we have had here in Siskiyou County lately so this is a hearty little pastry to make this time of the year that can be vegetarian or with meat added for a hearty little lunch or appetizer.

## “Little Welsh Dragon Pastries Colonized” Dough

- 2 Cups all-purpose flour (this can enriched with some whole grain or whole wheat pastry flour)
- 2/3 cup of butter cut into small pieces
- 2/3 cup of vegetarian suet (find at the health food markets or use margarine) cut into small pieces
- Salt pinch
- 1 egg
- Small individual tart pans or a pie dish
- Rolling pin and flour to roll out the dough

- Place dry ingredients in the food processor fitted with a blade and mix. While running add the butter and suet until it forms small pea size pieces. Add the egg and bring it together in a ball. If you don't have a food processor cut the shortening into the flour with two knives or a pastry cutter.
- Remove and knead into a disc and wrap with plastic wrap until ready to roll out or for about half an hour.
- Roll out a piece to fit the bottom of the container and also roll out a piece that is a little larger than the container for the top of the pastry.

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## Little Dragon Vegetarian Filling

2 Cups of Yukon Gold potatoes peeled, diced and cooked with a little salt till fork tender.

1 Tablespoon Olive oil

1 small onion sliced very thin

1 leek slice thinly only the bottom up to where it turns a dark green

2 cloves of garlic finely chopped

Salt and black pepper

1 Tablespoon Dijon Mustard or coarse ground Sierra Nevada

1 Cup of Caerphilly Welsh Cheese or Monterey Jack Cheese shredded

- Cook the potatoes until tender and drain
- Sauté the onions, leek, and garlic in a pan with the olive oil until shiny and add the salt, pepper and mustard.
- Place the rest of the ingredients all together in a large bowl and mix well.
- Roll out the dough and place the mixture in the pan and wet the edge with water and place the top of the pie dough and seal the sides by pushing down all around the edge with the tines of a fork. Egg wash brush the top of the pastry and poke a few air holes in it for ventilation.
- Bake in a 350 degree F oven for about 35 minutes until a rich golden brown.

## A Meat Filling

1 large onion sliced

1 jalapeno pepper cleaned and sliced

Purchase a Chuck Roast or a Pork Roast and roll in a

Jerk spice mixture that contains: 4 T Ground Cumin, 4 Oregano,

2 T Garlic powder, 4 T Salt, 2 T ground black pepper, 1 T Cayenne Powder and 1 T Paprika.

- Pat the meat dry and roll in the mixed spices. Heat a large skillet or Dutch oven over medium high heat and add several tablespoons of canola oil. When hot lay in the meat and brown on all sides. Add the onions and pepper when browning the meat.
- When all sides are brown add enough water to cover the meat and place on the stove on high. When boiling cover the kettle and let it simmer for at least an hour add all of the ingredients for the vegetarian pastry and let it cook together. When the meat is fork tender thicken the gravy with a little flour roux and fill the crust and bake.
- Little pastries can be made and used for lunches or even made smaller for a tasty appetizer. Chef's note: this can be an all-day affair in the crock pot and ready to go when you get home.



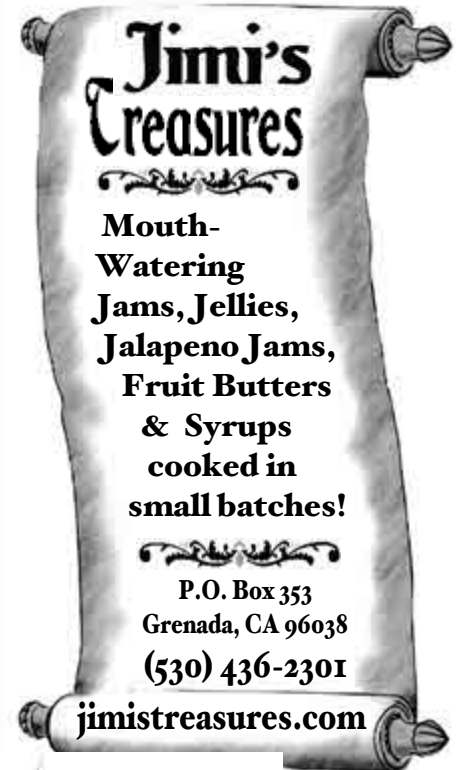
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## Backroads Adventures by Ralph Fain

### Abalone in the Coastal Waters

*"The reason I love the sea I cannot explain — it's physical. When you dive you begin to feel like an angel. It's a liberation of your weight."*

*Jacques-Yves Cousteau*

Along the southwestern boundary of the State of Jefferson are coastal waters with the most delicious of sea snails, the Abalone, Red Abalone.

I was first introduced to abalone diving about eight years ago in Mendocino County by my good friend and mentor, Rich Bettencourt. Of Portuguese descent, Rich is knowledgeable about the oceans' bounty and the best way to harvest, store, prepare and eat what the ocean offers. In his early 70's, Rich also out dives my behind while making it appear easy. He will have his three abalone in hand while I am still looking for number two and three.

Abalone diving is not easy, a tremendous amount of fun and a great adventure but not easy! Imagine putting on a 7mm wet suit including hood, gloves and boots, strap on a 30 pound weight belt, grab your float tube and snorkel, mask, dive fins, ab iron and ab gauge then climb (or as we do in some places) lower yourself by rope down the rocky cliff like accesses to the beach below.

We like to dive on a good minus tide. When diving in the spring, usually April and May, it seems the best and lowest tides are always between 6:00 a.m. and 7:00 a.m. We get up early and have a cup of coffee and listen for the surf. Rich lives a bit inland and if we can hear the surf pounding from his house we know the ocean is too rough for diving. No sound of pounding surf then off we go to one of our favorite spots.

A 7mm wet suit is great protection in the 50 degree water; you can dive for a couple of hours without freezing. But, I am here to tell you, when you enter the water and the first bit of 50 degree ocean enters your wet suit down the back of your neck, travels down your spine then continues along the crack of your butt, you shudder. Not the little mamby pamby shudder you get when eating something you don't like, I'm talking full on shudder like you do when ice cold water is dumped onto places of your body where there really shouldn't be anything but warmth and happy thoughts. Once past that little invasion of your privacy, a whole new world opens for your enjoyment.

Abalone are hard to see. They are well camouflaged, sometimes having bits of kelp growing on their shell or even barnacles. We dive in the spring before the kelp grows thick making it harder to see and harder to swim. They tend to congregate in narrow cracks and ledges, also under and behind rocks.

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Many people “rock pick.” This method entails wading and crawling along the rocky shore in waist deep water, sticking your hands and arms into rocky crevices, and feeling for the abalone. I have done this, I do not like this. Imagine sticking your hand and arm up to your armpit into a deep crevice you cannot see in, your face brushing the surface of the water. I don’t know about others but I see visions when sticking my precious fingers into these types of areas. I see teeth, big teeth, sharp teeth, lots of teeth on every imaginable sea monster I have ever read about. I shudder like I do when cold water goes down the crack of my butt. A needless fear I am sure, but fear none the less. I like my fingers so I prefer diving and prying the abalone I can see from the rocks with my ab iron.

I like to dive in 4 to 15 feet of water. The big dogs will free dive to 40 feet or more but I hear there are great white sharks in 40 feet of water. And seals too which have the same effect on your heart as a great white when they go zipping by. I guess there COULD be a shark in 15 feet of water but they must be smaller and in fewer numbers, right? At least that’s what I keep telling myself before I get into the water. After entering the water I don’t worry about sharks, that just takes all the fun out of diving when the theme from Jaws is bouncing around your noggin’ while you are trying to relax and enjoy the underwater world.



Photo of Ralph Fain, Rich Bettencourt and Tom Chambers with their abaloneys in Fort Bragg, CA. Taken by Mfain.

In all seriousness, when you enter the ocean, you enter the food chain and you are no longer at the top. You have to pay attention to your surroundings. There has been one fatal shark attack in the area I dive during the last eight years. You also have to play close attention to water conditions. Several people drown every year while abalone diving. Folk’s lack of respect for the ocean takes many more lives than sharks ever will.

I could talk forever about abalone diving, I love it! And some of the best eating of the ocean is a freshly beaten, battered and fried abalone steak!

Thanks Rich for teaching the rookie! ♦

*“I can only think of one experience which might exceed in interest a few hours spent under water, and that would be a journey to Mars.”*

*William Beebe*



Photo of Jeremy Fain with his 10 inch TROPHY abaloney in Fort Bragg, CA. Photo by Ralph Fain

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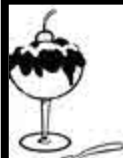
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This display features historic locomotive photos of equipment that ran thru Dunsmuir, railroad memorabilia and artifacts.

Please plan on attending the Dunsmuir Railroad Depot Historical Society's May 12th NATIONAL TRAIN DAY at the Railroad Display Room, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and the Society's ever popular 4th ANNUAL PIE SOCIAL on May 26th from 10 a.m. til sold out at the Amtrak Depot Parking Lot! Last year we had 37 different varieties of PIES backed by 52 bakers!

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# DUNSMUIR RAILROAD HISTORY

## DUNSMUIR, AN HISTORIC RAILROAD TOWN

By Neil Chichizola



Photo of a cab forward locomotive of the type used in this area in the 1940s.

Most visitors and tourists coming to Dunsmuir these days probably don't realize the significance of the railroad to the local economy since its arrival here in 1887. The Central Pacific Railroad, soon to become Southern Pacific, arrived at campsites called Nutglade, then Cedar Flat and finally the town's name became Pusher before being named Dunsmuir in honor of Alexander Dunsmuir. The Depot building was simply an old boxcar. S.P. built a more permanent Depot in the 1880's which survived into the mid 1970's. After that time, the S.P. Depot was demolished, and the Depot was moved to the current AMTRAK Depot building.

The Dunsmuir S.P. Division offices were set up in 1900 and expanded in 1907. Also in 1900, S.P. set up the Dunsmuir shops, yards, division stores, and division offices thus becoming the largest single employer until the mid 1950's in Northern California north of Sacramento. The locomotive shops were shut down in 1959. This ended the labor intensive maintenance shops in Dunsmuir which employed approximately 300 people from the turn of the century til 1959. The town's population plummeted from 5000 to 2300 when the shops were shut down due to the arrival of diesel-electric locomotives. On December 15, 1966 the city pulled down and set fire to remnants of the roundhouse built in 1886.

In 1888 the railroad widely publicized the Shasta Route with the colorful publication called "The Road of a Thousand Wonders." Because of this publicity, tourism grew quickly in Siskiyou County.

Timber and mineral resources generated most of the Shasta Division traffic at that time. There were, at one time, more than 45 saw mills operating between Dunsmuir and Igerna. The healthy local lumber industry loaded S.P. cars at Division points such as Hilt, Thrall, Montague, Weed, Coggins, Igerna, Upton, Sisson, Barnard, Pioneer, Mott, Contara, Dunsmuir, and Dirigo.

With the railroad now running regularly, the possibility of mining the many minerals in the area on a large scale became a reality. Copper mining was the most significant industry in the area by 1896.

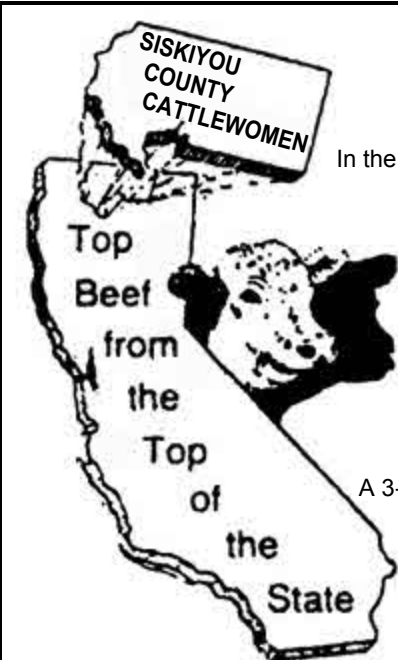
When the Dispatch Office moved from Ashland, Oregon to Dunsmuir at the turn of the century, the telegraph offices to regulate train movements were established at Delta, Sims, Castella, Dunsmuir, Mott, Sisson, Upon Dietz, Edgewood, Gazelle, Montague, Ager and Thrall and further to Ashland. Today, the two



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buildings from the 1950's which once housed the crew quarters and Dispatch Office still exist in Dunsmuir. They now contain the AMTRAK Depot and the Dunsmuir Railroad Depot Historical Society's RAILROAD DISPLAY ROOM as well as the future Dunsmuir Museum.

With the start of WWII, passenger train traffic increased to eight scheduled trains plus many more "troop extras" each day.

In late 1941, fifteen dispatchers were busy working at Dunsmuir which was divided into five districts, Gerber to Redding and Modoc line, Redding to Dunsmuir, Dunsmuir to Black Butte, and Black Butte to Ashland, Black Butte to Klamath Falls and Klamath Falls to Crescent Lake.

By 1944, the Shasta Division was moving 47% more traffic through Dunsmuir than in 1941. The Division employed 429 trainmen, 406 enginemen, and 108 switchmen. Over 300 men alone were assigned to the Dunsmuir shops.

Many of the railroad employees at the time referred affectionately to the Dunsmuir Hotel as the "Upside Down Hotel" because the entrance on Dunsmuir Avenue brought you into the lobby on the top floor!

Next month I'll talk about the Dunsmuir railroad maintenance and repair shops. ♦

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## COFFEE CONCERT IN FORT JONES APRIL 21

Article Submitted by Harriett Rivallier

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The idea of a Methodist Episcopal Church in northern Scott Valley was conceived by individuals who contributed funds to begin building this church. Among them were A.J. Goodnoe, A.B Carlock, J.A. Davidson, Rev. I. Reynolds, J.K. Luttrell, Geo. E. Evans, and many others. The church was dedicated on June 24, 1874. The cost was \$1,600, half of which was donated throughout the construction, and \$500 more was raised at the dedication, with \$330 still due at that time. Over time, there have been many baptisms, marriages, celebrations, and funerals held in our church, which has seen fluctuations in membership and finance. We are now part of Scott Valley United Methodist Parish, with both Fort Jones and Etna Churches served by one pastor. We participate together in fund raising, site upkeep, worship, and celebrations.

Our congregation invites you to our 10th Annual Coffee Concert on April 21. There will be musicians from Scott Valley, with refreshments and a pie sale at intermission. Come enjoy a night out for a \$10.00 donation. Seating is limited, so get tickets starting April 1.

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## Fort Jones Students Rise to the Occasion

Article Submitted by Larry Ratkoviak

Mother Nature arrived in a timely manner to provide an opportunity for higher education to preschool students at the Koinonia Preschool in Fort Jones during the first significant snow event in the winter of Leap year 2012.

Administrator and teacher Mrs. Laura Dysert delighted students on February 29th with a science lesson about weather. Little did she know the weather gods would cooperate by enhancing their experience. Retired educator and veteran science teacher Mr. Larry Ratkoviak presented an exciting interactive program for both students and teachers alike combined with numerous demonstrations designed to help participants understand the earth's dynamic atmosphere including topics such as atmospheric pressure, temperature, wind, rain, sleet and snow just to name a few.

The presentation was one of several educational and informative programs that the school officials and Mr. Ratkoviak have provided to the preschoolers and students attending the Scott Valley Christian Academy. This school year our efforts are to reach beyond the confines of a structured curriculum and classroom and in turn, broaden their horizons. ♦





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Butte Valley Resource Center in partnership with Madrone Hospice will begin providing a Meals on Wheels program for elderly persons, shut-ins, and disabled. This service will begin on April 17th and is limited to 30 people. Meals will be provided twice a week and will be available to Dorris, Macdoel, Mt. Hebron and surrounding areas.

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# HAPPY CAMP CHAMBER NEWS

Recently, Robert "Javabob" Schmalzbach was elected as President of the Happy Camp Chamber Commerce at its 26th annual election. Javabob returned to Happy Camp with his wife, Vikki, last summer after a number of years of other activities including researching Bigfoot sightings across the country! He also publishes: an e-zine, "Footprints in Your Mind" on the "Web" and broadcasts an

internet radio program each Thursday evening from Happy Camp. You can find links to these activities at [www.footprintsinyourmind.com](http://www.footprintsinyourmind.com).

Dolly Elston is another new member of the Happy Camp Chamber Board of Directors and has been elected to serve as the Vice President. Dolly is a Karuk elder and has been an active participant of the Chamber in the recent year. She also makes fabulous strawberry lemonade and other food at Dolly's Deli. Roberta "Bobi" Arneson who was secretary when Javabob was president some years ago will be serving in that capacity again, assisted by Judy Bushy of Happy Camp News ([www.happycampnews.com](http://www.happycampnews.com)).

Returning as Treasurer is James Buchner, owner of Klamath River Resort Inn which is beautiful historic little lodging right on the banks of the Klamath River. James also provides rafting and kayak trips at the Klamath River Resort Inn as the Klamath River in this area is one of the best places in the world for family rafting.

Rosemary Boren who led the Chamber's project to send care packages to local servicemen who were serving around the world in the military earlier this year is also returning to the board.

For further information, contact the Happy Camp Chamber of Commerce (530) 493-2900. ♦

## LONG LIVE THE STATE OF JEFFERSON!

## Brave Heart West Coast Men's Rally



**Coming to Weed, CA Saturday  
May 12, 2012 - 9 am to 3 pm**

### Featured Speakers:

- Assemblyman Jim Nielsen
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**Wednesday April 18th  
from 9 to 11am**

Please join Yreka Fish and Wildlife Office biologists Brian Woodbridge, Jan Johnson and Dave Topolewski for a FREE 2-hour Guided Nature Walk to learn about local and migratory songbirds. Meet at Upper Greenhorn Park (rain or shine) in Yreka. Please bring warm clothing and water.

\*Come see the Yreka phlox in bloom at the next Nature Walk on Saturday May 5th from 10am to Noon at China Hill.\*

For more information, please call (530) 842-5763 or visit our website at: <http://www.fws.gov/yreka/cpwn.html>

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# BUTTE VALLEY AREA



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(530) 397-2273

## UPCOMING EVENTS

Annual Lion's Easter Breakfast  
Saturday April 7 starts at 7:30 am at Butte Valley Community Center. FFA Easter Egg Hunt to follow at the school in Dorris.

Lion's Abalone Feed Saturday April 14.  
For info and tickets call 530-313-8927.

Community Garden Workday  
Saturday April 14 - call for more info.

Senior Bingo & Lunch  
Monday April 16 at 1pm at BVCRC.

Friends of NRA Prime Rib Dinner  
Friday May 25.  
Call for more info and tickets  
(530) 397-4770.

MEALS ON WHEELS SERVICE  
starting SOON in Butte Valley Area!  
Call BVCRC at 397-2273 for info!

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