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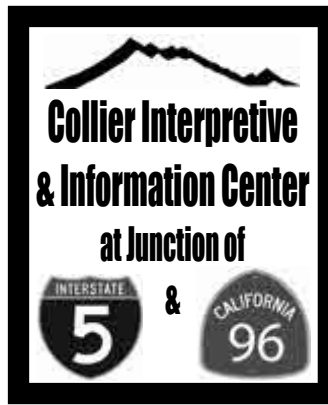
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Don't book your Friday and Saturday nights because Friday night food and entertainment is hosted by Scott Valley Rotary with a BBQ chicken dinner and entertainment. Saturday brings a full day's activities of the balloon lift off at daybreak, 9am to 2pm is the Farmers and Crafters Market, 12:30pm is the Parade through downtown Montague, 5pm begins the steak and chicken bbq at the launch site and the last event of the evening is the "Night Burn" (weather permitting).

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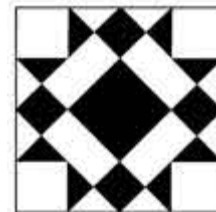
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*"Life loves to be taken by the lapel and told:  
I'm with you kid, let's go!"  
~ Maya Angelou*

Early in August last year, Marjorie Clay Bluder sent me an email which said: "When I was a senior at Etna High School in 1963, I had a job as waitress in a little restaurant run by Mrs. 'Can't Remember her name right now.' The tiny restaurant was about a mile out of town up a little lane and had a summer cottage group attached to it which was old even then. The Restaurant was known for the steaks that were wonderful and bigger than the plate they came on."

"Rusty Coleman lived in one of the little cottages and had board and room and 'mothering' by Mrs. ?? (maybe Buchanan??) He would come in and talk and play board games with me if we had a slow night. I remember the one time Rusty and I got in trouble was when we ate too many dill pickle slices. Mrs. ?? made them 'off-limits.' She claimed we were eating up all her profit in the gallons of dill pickle slices we ate!"

I emailed Larry Wells as I thought he or his mom might know where this was. The next morning he emailed: "Ask Eb if he remembers a place referred to as the 'Chicken Shack' near where Tyke Meek lives. There was no Buchanan in high school, but there was a Bohannon who graduated in 1961."

I asked Eb and he said they served the best prawns he has ever eaten! Well, that began 'the hunt.' We figured out that the restaurant was at the house where Bill & Betty Morrison had lived since about 1965! Unfortunately, Betty passed away in August, 2010. I called Bill and he agreed to show us around. I was soooooo excited! I *grabbed Life by the lapel* . . . and Eb too . . . and off we went.

I got to chuckling on the short drive there. It (all of a sudden) came back to me that when I came to Etna in 1997, I had met Betty at a Rock Garden Club meeting. We drove together to an evening event and on the way she pointed out where she lived and said, "When we first moved into the house, it reeked of fried food, especially chicken. It took forever for that smell to go away!"

At the time, I laughed with her and had no idea that 14 years later I would be driving back to her home to get the real story on the fried chicken smells!!!!!!



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He and Betty moved to the valley in 1965, relocating here after selling their Dairy and buying a few cattle. They rented the house for 10 years from the Bohannons. Mr. Bohannon was an equipment operator who had moved away for jobs but kept the house thinking one day he'd return. One day in 1975 he called Bill and asked if they wanted to buy the house . . . and they did.

Bill said the front of the house is the same except for the cedar tree. When they moved there, it was planted in front of the window too close to the house so he moved it, thinking that one day it might make a nice Christmas tree.

The parking lot was where the garden is now. We walked to the back and sure enough . . . there was the 'cabin' complex! *See Photo of Cabins on top of Page 6.* The chicken house had been there up until about a week before we visited. A big wind blew down an old limb and crushed it, so Bill took it down. Bill said the story he heard was that these cabins were rented out during the winter to Salmon River kids so they could go to school in Etna. Then - for the 'piece de resistance' - Bill took us in to the shop and it was there that *Life took me by the lapel again!* The original sign lives on! *See the image of the Sign, above right . . .*

Bill told us it was painted by Carol Maplesden, Eb's sister-in-law. I had no idea Carol painted! He said her signature was on the sign, and they liked her work so much they tracked her down and had her paint a sign on their truck.

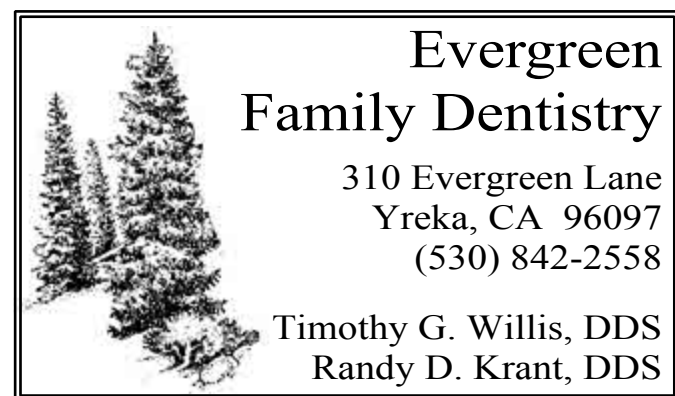
You just never know what you will learn next. Unfortunately, a few months after I posted the August 26, 2011 story on [www.fromoverthehill.info](http://www.fromoverthehill.info), Marj suddenly passed away. We never met in person, however, the few short emails we exchanged on this great

story, I felt like I lost a dear friend. And then, in early July of this year, Bill passed away. They are surely missed by many.

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# Discovering The State of Jefferson

by Gail L. Jenner

Follow along with Gail each month and enjoy another new story of the many historical towns and areas scattered throughout The State of Jefferson.

## Pioneer Photographer Preserves History

Louis Herman Heller emigrated from Germany in 1839, then moved from New York to California in 1862, after a brother died in the Civil War. A lithographer, he had assisted Julius Bien, a fellow German immigrant, in producing the chromolithographic edition of Audubon's famous BOOK OF BIRDS.

Heller settled in Yreka, California, where he set up a photographic studio in May 1863. The studio was located on Miner Street, one door west of the Yreka Brewery.

For several years, Heller traveled around the region, including Happy Camp, Rough and Ready (present-day Etna), Sawyer's Bar, Callahan, and Fort Jones. Heller traveled extensively, carrying his "gallery" all over the back country. Many of his studio prints remain as part of local family histories and a number of them have found their way into the local museums. One massive chair, ornately carved, was often used in his studio portraits. In addition, Heller photographed the region's emerging towns and communities, including Black Bear Mine on the Salmon River.

Heller is most noted for his photographs of the Modoc War, although he received only modest recognition because he sold his images to Carleton Watkins, who was credited for them when they appeared in Frank Leslie's Illustrated Newspaper. The terrain of the lava beds was so rough and hard to map that the military called in the Corps of Engineers to photograph the topography and make maps and sketches. Heller was called in to photograph and do the sketches. Heller was also the first one on the scene to photograph the captured Modoc warriors, although Eadweard Muybridge, a San Francisco photographer, came later and received greater recognition than Heller.

Of the nearly 100 images that exist of the infamous Modoc War, a set of Keller's original 24 stereographs are kept at the University of Oregon, and a number of his over-sized photographs of the Modoc warriors are held at the National Anthropological Archives.

According to the Yreka Journal: "Louis Heller returned from lava bed last week, and is now busy finishing up some beautiful and accurate views of the country in that section, including pictures of Jack's cave, Scarfaced Charley's hole, groups of Warm Spring Indians, soldiers camps, Tule Lake, and the lava bed in sections and in full. Mr. Heller intends getting a copyright for his views, which cannot be excelled for beauty, shade and artistic finish, he being one of the most accurate and ingenious photographers on this coast. When they are ready for sale, they will undoubtedly sell with a rush, as everyone wants to see what the lava bed looks like, and to form an idea of the hard place soldiers have been obliged to fight the Indians in." [Yreka Journal, May 14, 1873].



Studio Photo by Louis Herman Heller, photographer who preserved local history. Photo of Mary Wagner Jenner, Etna, 1887. Courtesy Jenner Family Collection. Note the studio props.



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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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Heller's photographs were then mass-produced at Watkins' Gallery in San Francisco where ". . . 20 women and a number of Chinamen (are) being kept constantly at work." [Yreka Journal, June 25, 1873] The photographic postcards sold for \$4 per dozen.

After the Modoc War of 1872-73, Heller returned to Scott Valley and his private studio. He continued to travel all over Siskiyou County and beyond, but he also served as a Justice of the Peace for the valley from 1878-79 and as postmaster for Fort Jones from 1894-98. A long-time bachelor, he eventually married Alice Daggett, the sister of John Daggett (owner of the Black Bear Mine who also served as CA Lieutenant Governor and Superintendent of the Mint in San Francisco). Heller opened a pharmacy in Fort Jones, alongside his studio, noting that he had been "a thorough druggist of many years' experiences previous to locating in Fort Jones."

To keep up with the times, he added several photographic services usually available only in metropolitan studios. One of these was the hand-painting of imperial-sized portraits.

Heller gave up photography in 1899, and in 1900, his home, studio, and private property, including his photographic equipment, were sold at public auction. His wife died before him and he spent his remaining years in the King's Daughters' Home in San Francisco, where he died in 1928.

Sadly, Heller's role in documenting the history of the Modoc War was almost permanently overshadowed by Muybridge's fame as a photographer and by Carlton Watkins who purchased some of Heller's Modoc photographs and took credit for them in his publications.

The fact remains that Heller was the first to photograph a Modoc War-related event, the first to arrive at the lava beds with his camera, the first to publish Modoc imagery in a national publication, and the first to photograph the Modoc captives. In addition, he captured hundreds of family portraits that are an integral part of Siskiyou County and local history. ♦



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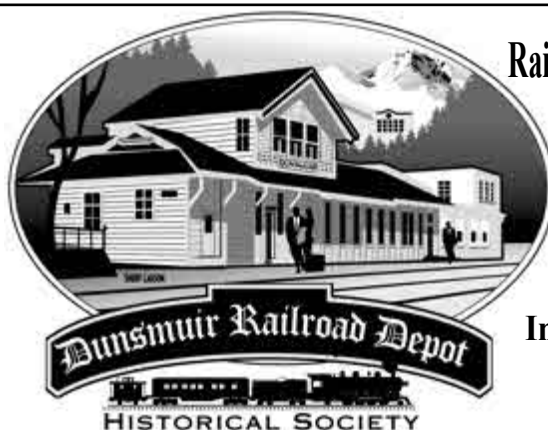
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# FIRE LOOKOUTS OF SISKIYOU COUNTY

By Jaime Tarne, President  
FireSafe Council of Siskiyou County

Editor's Note: A Fire Lookout can be the building OR the person.

Where does one go for the most outstanding and breathtaking views in the region? Forest Fire Lookout Towers. They sit atop the world designed for one thing, spotting smoke and fire! We are one of the areas that still utilize Lookout Observation Towers to detect and report those wildfires. Our remote and mountainous terrain makes them an indispensable part of the successful fire operations in our beautiful area. They are the unsung heroes that go about their day diligently looking out for all of us. You will find the folks who fill these jobs to be dedicated, diligent, helpful and friendly.

In the coming months we will cover different lookouts in our area, some easy to visit, others you will find much more of an adventurous trek. There are active lookouts being utilized full time during fire season. Other lookouts are staffed on 'as needed basis' during lightning or high fire danger. Then there are the sites where little remains of the buildings, yet the incomparable vistas remain for all to enjoy.

Our first visit will be to Herd Peak Lookout. It is staffed full time during fire season. The road to the Lookout is maintained and makes for a wonderful day trip, to enjoy birdseye views of Mt. Shasta, Lake Shastina and Shasta Valley.

Herd Peak is on U.S. Forest Service land administered by the Klamath National Forest on the Gooseneck Ranger District. Elevation: 6908', Coordinates: N41.62801 and W122.2314. It has been listed on the National Historic Lookout Register since 1999.



Herd Peak Lookout. Photo Courtesy FireSafe Council of Siskiyou Co.

Herd Peak is a classic 14' x 14' L-4 ground house with wooden catwalk, constructed in 1933 and used for fire detection ever since. The lookout is well maintained and in near-original condition. It has been in use continuously since that time. Like most lookouts they are built to be self sufficient. There are cooking facilities, heating, lighting and 'running water' for drinking.

Being a fire lookout is not for the faint of heart. Bathroom facilities are not handy and they usually involve quite a walk of distance, or numerous stairs. One needs to enjoy the solitude that the remote locations bring. Lightning storms can be an experience of a lifetime when sitting in a small room full of windows, and strikes occasionally hitting the tower while standing on a small insulated stool. Lookout personnel have many stories to share of their own.



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You can experience the history and vistas for yourself. Drive north on Highway 97 from I-5, past the A-12 cutoff. Turn left onto Forest Road 45N22, and make another left at the Y of 44N39Y to the parking area, approximately 5 miles. Parking and turn around space is limited. There are stairs to navigate from here just to get to the lookout itself.

Please remember that this is a working lookout. Personnel try to be as helpful as possible and answer all your questions, but they have a priority job to do. It is proper lookout protocol to always call up and ask permission before walking up to or entering. As a reminder if you find yourself visiting and run across a closed gate, please be respectful of the closure. You can call ahead to the Gooseneck Ranger District for operating and visiting hours at 530 398-4391.

Here is to hoping you too can enjoy what so many have over the years. ♦

Inside the Lookout. Photo courtesy FireSafe Council of Siskiyou Co.



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# DUNSMUIR HISTORY

By Ron McCloud



High School Bldg, Dunsmuir, Cal.

Photo Courtesy Ron McCloud

As soon as the town of Dunsmuir began to develop from a railhead camp in 1886, railroad workers brought their families. Construction of the railroad facilities progressed and the first businesses appeared, supplying the needs of the railroad, the workers and their families, and passengers. Retail shops, restaurants, and hotels opened. Businesses themselves brought more new residents and their families who in turn brought new needs, one of which was the need to provide education to the town's children. With the town barely a year old, community leaders and the Siskiyou County Board of Supervisors recognized the need and founded the Dunsmuir Elementary School District on July 8, 1887.

Photo above left is of a winter scene showing the first Dunsmuir high school building. Classes were held in this duplex residence from 1912 to 1922, when the school moved to the present location on the west side of town. The building looks much the same today.

The first elementary school classes were held in the fall of 1887. Temporary classroom space was provided in two private homes – 319 Florence Avenue and 615 Florence Avenue. Some years later with the coming of the interstate highway, Florence Avenue became Dunsmuir Avenue and the numbering system was changed. 319 Florence Avenue is now 5319 Dunsmuir Avenue, still stands and is a private home. 615 Florence Avenue would now be 5615 Dunsmuir Avenue but was destroyed by a fire in the 1980s.

Those two locations provided classroom space until a proper structure could be funded and built. Voters approved a bond issue in June of 1888 for a Dunsmuir School District school house and it was dedicated in time for classes in the fall of 1891. The original school structure was ambitious for its time. It was located between Florence Avenue and Sacramento Avenue in what is now the 5500 block – north of the present Dunsmuir library. It was a two story frame structure with the main entrance on the north side. It measured 64ft by 32ft and had a 12ft by 12ft bell tower 26ft high. The first floor consisted of two classrooms - one for the “primary” grades which would today be first through fourth grades, and the other for “grammar” grades which would today be fifth through eighth grades. Each classroom had a wood stove. The second floor was a library, laboratory and an open hall used for assemblies, educational and social functions. The first principal – who also taught the upper grades - was J.S. Osborne. Primary grades were taught by Miss Lou Hellmuth. When the school house was dedicated on September 25, 1891, enrollment was 79. In 1895 Mrs. J.J. Sheafor started a kindergarten which was privately funded.



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The major fire that struck Dunsmuir in April of 1924 somehow spared the school even though structures all around it burned. Ironically however, another fire a year later – June 5, 1925 - burned it to the ground. In an amazingly fast recovery, a new school building was built on almost the same spot and opened for classes in October of 1925. It was a two story, eight room concrete structure. Six classrooms were added to it in 1928, and in 1948 four more classrooms, a library and an auditorium were added. The present Elementary School complex on Siskiyou Avenue in north Dunsmuir was dedicated in September of 1968 and the structure on Dunsmuir Avenue was razed. Only the auditorium survives today, housing the Benson Roofing business.

The need for “higher education” had been increasing as the town grew, and in 1911 a bond issue was passed to fund a high school. It provided for the employment of one principal/teacher with classes to be held in a vacant room in the elementary school. In 1912 – at the end of the first year of classes – the principal, Professor Briggs, reported an enrollment of 26 students and he pleaded for more teachers and separate facilities. Parents presented a petition to the county superintendent of schools and as a result a duplex home at 980 Florence Avenue was leased. That building still stands and is a private residence. Classes were held there for the next 10 years during efforts to find a location and fund a facility.

Various sites were considered and there was much effort by the school board and a very involved mothers organization. The present high school property on the west side of the town was eventually secured and after a high school construction bond issue passed in February of 1920, the cornerstone for the new high school auditorium was laid. That building included class rooms, band room, library and office and was completed in 1922. A stage with dressing rooms, steel student lockers, and a separate girls’ restroom were added. All was not well however; the hillside location was plagued with earth slides and drainage problems which were so severe that there were proposals to move to a different location. Drains and retaining walls were installed but did not completely solve the problems. There was increasing pressure to move the school to another location but the superintendent of schools would not approve the move since so much had already been invested. In 1927 the Castella and Sweetbrier school districts merged with the Dunsmuir School District to form the Dunsmuir Joint Union High School District. That merger greatly improved the financing of the district with added revenue for needed improvements and expansions.

Town residents were very supportive of the school and approved high school expansion bonds in 1927 and 1928. The state architect would not approve addition to the existing auditorium however, so a separate six room building was constructed, connected to the auditorium by a corridor. In 1936 a new gymnasium was completed and a home economics room was added in 1952. By the late 1960s the need for a new high school structure was evident. The old buildings were showing their age, earth movement and drainage were still a problem, and state earthquake laws mandated change. It was decided to keep the gymnasium building and replace the others with the two story structure that stands today. In the spring of 1974 a moving day was declared. Students, teachers and parents joined in to physically move books, desks, furniture and equipment from the old buildings to the new and the 1920s structures were

demolished.

Dunsmuir is proud and supportive of its schools. The bright and modern facilities we see today are a result of over a hundred years of effort to provide our young people with the best education that we can. Those years have not always been easy and many people have devoted much energy toward that goal.

*Ron McCloud is co-author with Deborah Harton of a history of Dunsmuir published by the Arcadia Publishing Company in 2010. He is the owner of Dunsmuir Hardware which dates from 1894. ♦*

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# Backroads Adventures by Ralph Fain

## And Then It Was Fall

*"By all these lovely tokens  
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And autumn's best of cheer."  
- Author Unknown*

September, already, good bye Summer, hello Fall! I don't know who came up with the saying "the older you get, the faster time goes," but really, can we get them to stop coming up with these nuggets of wisdom? I am finding the older I get, the more truth I see in these old sayings and I don't want time to go faster. I enjoy each season. But sometimes I'm not ready for Summer or Fall to end. The four distinct seasons are some of my favorite reasons for living here in the heart of The State of Jefferson. I just don't want them to pass by in the blink of an eye.

Happily I love Fall, maybe the most. Dove season opens, berries ripen for picking, the nights cool down and best of all bow season opens! I would love to report that I have an elk tag here in our neck of the woods, but no such luck this year. Therefore, I am off to Idaho for bugling bulls! (Photo below is of a Yellowstone Elk.)

I relish the anticipation of an upcoming adventure almost as much as the adventure itself. I find myself extending the enjoyment of the trip for many months before it actually occurs. I can look at a map and mentally travel every route to and from my destination even though I already know the best way there. With Google Earth, I actually visit my hunting area and scout terrain to my hearts' content. I will mentally revisit all my favorite spots and replay events with past elk, moose, bear, hunting partners and weather. And the gear, man, there is always new gear you just have to acquire before hitting the woods this year! Then there are the phone calls and evenings with your partners planning, researching, preparing and trash talking each other over who will be most successful and who crashed and burned in the past... who is shooting well and who can't hit their own backside with both hands. And you have to practice your calling. Your calling is not perfected until your wife, neighbors, and your cats and dogs are all thoroughly annoyed from your bugling and cow calling.

See what I mean? Anticipation, it's a fine art and if you have not perfected it yet, get on board! You will enjoy your trip far beyond the actual journey!

It's been a couple of years since my last out of state elk hunt. I enjoy the ritual of hauling out my gear, gathering my calls and laying out everything I want to take. Somehow looking at your gear is like looking in a mirror. You see yourself in each piece. New, old, patched or refurbished; these are things that are important to you, part of you. Each scratch, dent or missing lens cap has a story to tell. Even the new gear has a history as you must have researched and discussed with friends why you should have that item. The gathering of your gear is the gathering of memories. More intimate to you than anyone else.

And so now it is Fall. Good luck to you, in your harvest, your hunt, your gathering and your winter preparations! ♦

*"Memory is a way of holding onto the things you love, the things you are, the things you never want to lose."*

*-From the television show The Wonder Years*

# DUNSMUIR RAILROAD NEWS

## Dunsmuir Named TRAIN TOWN USA

Union Pacific Railroad honored Dunsmuir with a Train Town USA designation August 6, 2012 as part of the railroad's year-long 150th anniversary celebration. Dunsmuir City Manager Brenda Bains and City Council Member Chris Raine had submitted an essay on why the train is important to Dunsmuir.

Liisa Stark, UP Director of Public Affairs, advised that Dunsmuir is the first city in Northern California to be designated Train Town USA. City officials received a copy of a Train Town USA resolution by Union Pacific's Chairman Jim Young, a colorful Train Town USA plaque and a commemorative coin at the Dunsmuir Depot.

Dunsmuir Railroad Depot Historical Society President Rita Green said, "The designation gives more recognition to our town." ♦



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We invite you to check out every page of this publication for many other Community Classes and Events that are happening. Deadline to place items on these pages is the 20th of the month. Thank You!

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[www.tbvfair.com](http://www.tbvfair.com) or call (530) 667-5312

**Fairchild Medical Center - Scott Valley Guild**  
Annual Luncheon and Fashion Show  
Saturday Sept. 8 - See Page 29 for AD & details

**ABBI & PBR Touring Pro Bull Riding, Sat. September 8**  
at 6pm at Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds in Yreka.  
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**Fairchild Medical Center 18th Annual Golf Tournament**  
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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 & follow Claudia on her blog at: <http://yrekahistory.blogspot.com>.

## The Henry Egbert Building

Take a look at 320 West Miner Street in the Yreka National Historic District at the Henry Egbert Building. Just looking at it makes one wonder what all has happened here through its lifetime. This building, like many others of its time, has walls that are common to the adjacent buildings, but the roof is supported on sides and in the middle with post and beam construction. When one enters the building, or peers through the window one can see a wall located about half way in the building. Not visible to the street side, but plain to view when in the back of the building is an old sandstone wall. A long time Yreka and Siskiyou historian, Bernice Meamber, said that in her research this wall marked one of the walls from one of the first homes in Yreka, that of Dr. F. G. Hearn, who was one of the people in the original party along with Abraham Thompson that found gold on Yreka Flats! However, because this was an early building prior to land records for the area there are no official documents to substantiate this.

There are gaps in the history of this building that haven't been recorded or found, but we do know that once this building served as the New England Bakery and Temperance House and was operating here as early as 1855. In old photographs dated around 1870 one can view two large shade trees that were in front of this building. In 1871 a massive fire hit Yreka and most of the business section of town was lost, this building along with a few others survived.

In 1885 this building appears on Sanborn Fire Maps and it is identified as almost two structures or as a "split building" with two businesses, a grocery store in one half and a saloon in the other. In 1888 and 1890 the building is shown to house three businesses, a grocery, a saloon with billiards in the back and a very small barbershop. The first public record at the county level shows Henry Egbert as the owner of the property in the Book of Deeds in 1894.

By 1897 the Egbert Building served as offices on one part and a saloon on the other, with the small barbershop being replaced with a tiny bakery. In 1901 the building houses two saloons and a small bakery and one of the saloons located here was named the "Dew Drop Saloon". It is currently not known the exact time frame, but it is told that a bakery here served hot coffee and toast every morning at 6:00 a.m. By 1908 the bakery was gone, but the two saloons remained! Information for the next 20 years is unknown, but by 1927 the building was home to an undertaker on one side and a tailor with cleaning and pressing services on the other.



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The Henry Egbert Building as it is seen today. Copyright: Claudia East

Around 1928 or so the new grocery store chain, Purity Stores called 320 West Miner home for the Yreka store and they utilized the entire two part structure. At this time the building was about half the depth it is today -- a portion in the back was added in the 1930s on the east side of the building. Purity operated their store here for about 10 years and then they moved to a new larger store on Broadway that exhibited the distinctive barrel type roof for which the chain was famous.

Sometime between 1938 and 1949 the Yreka Seed & Grain Company called this building home and it operated here perhaps up into the 1960s. During the 1950's a second portion was added to the building making it the size it is today, approximately 4,000 square feet. Following the Yreka Seed & Grain Company the building became home to Black's Appliances and served the community until 2006. Today the City of Yreka owns this building and it is utilized during special events, various plans for the structure have been in the works, but a final plan has not yet been initiated. ♦



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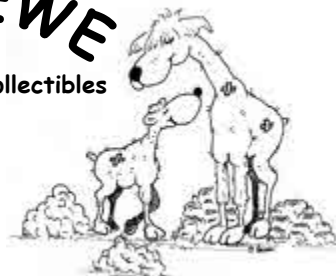


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**"On the Road to Merlo Park"**  
 by Bob Pasero

*Bob Pasero is Orland's retired Police Chief. Orland is in Glenn County which is at the southern end of The State of Jefferson! Bob writes for the Sacramento Valley Mirror and we will be re-printing some of his fascinating articles from his column: "On the Road - Adventures in the State of Jefferson."*

*Bob is also the National 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 info.*

There are hidden treasures in the south end of Jefferson and we recently had the opportunity to share one of those treasures with friends who were visiting from Nevada. Our friends live in the desert east of



Reno. Although they were used to high daytime temperatures the humidity is different there than for those of us who live in the agricultural rich Sacramento Valley. The term, "it's a dry heat" is cliché but it makes a difference. Our friends were uncomfortable in the high heat and 35% humidity. When our friends come calling we always have a "day trip" planned to share one of our local treasures. So, we packed some snacks, loaded up some water bottles, got on our motorcycles and headed east. Not far mind you, but far enough to

avoid the heat and humidity that seemed to have wilted our friends.

We followed Highway 99 to the south end of Chico and exited at the Skyway Off Ramp. We headed up the Skyway toward Paradise. The temperatures began to drop immediately and the road became interesting for those of us on 2 wheels. The Skyway is nice, wide, well paved but still has enough turns to make it at least a bit interesting and some of the views from the Skyway are wonderful.

Continuing through Paradise the Skyway takes on a real personality. However, just as you get into the turns you find yourself entering the community of Magalia requiring a slow down. Magalia and Paradise are rapidly growing together and it will not be many years until the two communities are one.

The next 10 miles east of Magalia gets down right fun. Leaning into the turns with pine trees whizzing past and the fresh clean smells I have always associated with higher elevations combine to make this portion of the ride very enjoyable. Some nice sweeping turns combined with a couple of 15 and 20 mile per hour switchbacks and before you know it the miles have drifted past and you see a sign telling you that you will be soon be entering "Stirling City" our destination.

"Why Stirling City?" you ask...there is no shopping, no theatres, and there doesn't appear to be anything to draw one to this fair community in the pines. However, appearances can be deceiving. Stirling City's 3500 foot elevation puts it fully 3,300 feet higher than the surrounding larger communities in the Sacramento Valley. The higher elevation, deep forestation, and lack of traffic, give Stirling City a quiet, peaceful, rural setting yet still close to the metropolitan pleasures of Chico just down the Skyway.



There is one more little known but beautiful advantage. Stirling City has the “Clotilde Merlo Park” and Clotilde Merlo Park is a Jefferson State hidden treasure. It has been described at [www.paradisedirect.com](http://www.paradisedirect.com) as, “perhaps one of the most beautiful spots on the Ridge.” Dorothy Hardin of Magalia describes Clotilde Merlo Park this way, “Words are inadequate to describe this perfect spot...It envelops you in a peaceful blend of sky, trees, and reflecting ponds of pure water.”

Clotilde Merlo Park...often shortened to, “Merlo Park” is a beautiful man made park set in the high pines just off the Skyway. The Park is a day use park with many picnic areas, built in barbecues, and even a chapel nestled quietly in the pines that is a favorite for weddings. Harry Angelo Merlo, one of the founders of Louisiana Pacific built the park, dedicated it to, and named it for his mother, Clotilde Merlo. Merlo Park offers one of the most tranquil and serene one day getaways in the entire south end of Jefferson.

At just 25 acres the park is microscopic compared to Bidwell Park in Chico. However, what Merlo Park lacks in size - it more than makes up for in beauty, serenity and tranquility. In the park you may see blacktail deer, grey squirrels, and many kinds of birds that live among the ponderosa and sugar pine, incense cedar, white and douglas fir, black oak, quaking aspen, and manzanita. There are three large ponds that reflect the surrounding landscaping in the still water giving the park a much larger and more spacious feel.

Stop and invest a few cents to feed the lunker trout that call the reflecting pools their home. Surprisingly, even though I enjoy fishing, just watching them swim gracefully and without fear is very relaxing. There are group and individual picnic areas, nature trails, improved trails, horseshoe pits, a bocce court, and restrooms. Eventually a museum of the ridge is planned as well.

Throughout the park one can find beautiful bronze and



Photos on Page 22 and above are of Park Sculptures by Bob Pasero

copper sculptures. The statuary has been placed strategically in the park and blend into the natural setting so completely that it is quite easy to take them for granted - please don't. Take the time to look carefully at them. The sculptures are stunning and feature children in contemplative reading as well as children harkening back to happier times playing leap frog, laughing as they teeter totter, arm wrestle and play baseball. Some have taken on the characteristic patina common with copper sculptures.

This park was built to honor Clotilde Merlo; and to dignify the foreigners and pioneers who built the Diamond Match Lumber Co. and settled the ridge. The solitude, dignity, tranquility and serenity of Merlo Park make me wish I had the opportunity to have known Clotilde Merlo. I would like to think that we would have become friends. Like my grandparents, who immigrated to this country from Northern Italy during the last century, so too did Mrs. Merlo. The courage and strength that took are inspiring. Harry Merlo became a successful businessman, entrepreneur, and philanthropist based largely on hard work, and the ethics he learned at his mother's knee. The park is a fitting remembrance and wonderful introduction to Clotilde Merlo. I highly recommend that you take the time to get On the Road to Merlo Park. ♦

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By Ralph Fain

The old saying "They are where ya find em" holds true for our State of Jefferson elk. September brings the annual rut and it's a bit easier to find them now if you head out in the general area of elk and listen for their autumn bugling. The best time is normally early morning or late evening. Heck, ya can even head out after dark and hear them at night if you have a sense of adventure!

If I were heading out to hear elk bugling, I would start on the east side of Shasta Valley by driving up Willow Creek Foothill Road, turn east onto York road and drive to the forest boundary. Elk may be seen or heard from the valley floor ranches on into the timber in this area from now thru February.

A bit later in the year elk may be seen in the south end of Scott Valley between Etna and Callahan. Right now you can drive out Highway 89 east of McCloud to the Pondosa area and have an excellent chance of hearing a bugling bull elk. Hiking in the Marble Mountains? Keep your ears peeled as elk are scattered throughout the area and especially down river around the Ukonom country. Driving the Highway 96 corridor between Happy Camp and Somes Bar? Keep watch along the canyon walls, especially early morning and evening. If you are traveling along the Northern California/Southern Oregon coast, pay close attention and you will most likely run into a bugling Roosevelt elk.

If you enjoy seeing and hearing bugling elk in September, ya might want to contact Mike Ford at 530-842-2021 or [mford@rmef.org](mailto:mford@rmef.org) and join the Rocky Mountain Elk Foundation! Your membership supports elk and their habitat throughout North America and right here in Siskiyou County! ♦



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# The Heart of the River

A Poem by Carol Skalko

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Where is the heart of the river?  
It is in the days we have sat beside her and watched  
her swirls and listened to her voice give us peace.

This river has lots of time.  
More lifetimes than you and yours and theirs.  
Her endurance keeps taking that last breath, the one  
you think at times that you can not.

The many before you who have gazed upon this river,  
looked upon these waters as you do now.  
The heart of the river is beating in them through you.

This river never stops.  
It is the hope and promise of tomorrow.  
She will always be there like your best friend.  
And if you are lucky enough to live beside this river,  
then you understand her heart, you too have heard  
her voice and your heart has rested in hers.

*Carol has been a part-time resident of Dunsmuir for  
28 years. She is an avid flyfisherwoman who dearly  
loves our Upper Sacramento River. ♦*



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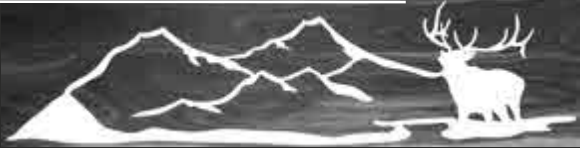




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# DUNSMUIR RAILROAD HISTORY

## RAILROADING IN THE FUTURE Neil Chichizola

This month we will look a bit into the future of the railroad in Siskiyou County and Dunsmuir. Union Pacific (UP) is celebrating its 150th anniversary this year with all sorts of events throughout the system. While UP was part of the original transcontinental railroad, it is only recently a part of Siskiyou County railroading. UP recently sent up a special train to Dunsmuir and ran an excursion from Dunsmuir to Black Butte and back to foster railroad safety programs. Prior to the train ride, UP announced that Dunsmuir had been designated as Train Town USA and presented the town with a colorful plaque.

There was a joint rail conference in Philadelphia in mid April where a new design of the train horn was shown that digitizes the familiar horn sound, then modifies the sound waves to direct the sound where it needs to go (at crossings, etc.) and decreases it where it doesn't (anywhere outside crossings). This may be a way to protect crossings and resident's sleep at the same time.

On the safety issue, one company has developed a warning system for track workers to wear on their arms. When a train enters the work area, the bands give a visual and audio alarm warning workers to clear the tracks where they are working. Because of our mountain railroad, track maintenance is frequent and critical, and we often see track workers busy with maintenance work.

Researchers have developed a new method of making wheel axles to improve their resistance to fatigue damage, thus preventing derailments. Researchers are looking for ways to reclaim locomotive fuel vapors. Currently, vapors sit in tanks and are a fire danger or evaporate into the air. Reclaimed vapors could be reliquified and used in the tank instead of polluting the air.

As you know, UP operates several monitoring devices throughout Siskiyou County. They are looking at a device which will detect heat from brakes coming down a grade or lack of heat if the brakes are not applied on a car. It will also detect hot brakes where they should be cool.

Researchers are finding ways in which track geometry can be checked by systems installed on some freight cars traveling throughout the system at track speed and relay data to a server thus significantly improving the number of miles inspected annually and the frequency which would prevent many



track-caused derailments. Engineers are also looking into how to keep engine crews safer in the event a locomotive does derail.

You have probably noticed a lot of dark blue stack containers on trains these days. These new containers marked "UMAX" were purchased in a joint venture between UP and CSX. They have purchased over 9000 of these for transcontinental use. Look for them as the next train passes through Dunsmuir.

The future holds a lot of changes in railroading that include more of a role in the movement of goods and material by the railroad running through Dunsmuir and Siskiyou County. ♦



# BIGFOOT LIVES . . .

## In The State of Jefferson

### Bigfoot Sighting Near Happy Camp

Original report was written by: **Linda Jo Martin**

As found in the June 27, 2005 issue of  
**The Happy Camp News**



*A large, dark-haired creature thought to be Bigfoot was seen crossing Highway 96 then ascending this hillside on June 25.*

June 25, 2005 - A commuter driving to work Saturday morning, rounded a turn in Highway 96 a few miles east of Happy Camp. The commuter pulled into the south lane to pass the car ahead and noticed a large dark creature stepping over a guard rail next to a culvert. The creature crossed the road and started to climb up the steep incline where the hillside had been cut away to create the roadway years before.

Looking up while passing a 25mph sign, the commuter got a good look at the creature. This witness, a well-known and credible member of our community, told us this: "It was upright and ran like a man, its long arms swinging. It was about eight feet tall, looked like an ape, and was covered with dark hair."

Later that day, while at work, this person called a friend to relate the incident. The friend, drove to the scene of the incident between mile markers 47 and 48, and got out of the car. Standing next to the guard rail on the south side of the highway and looking up at the slope on the north, it was hard to imagine that anyone or anything could climb such a steep incline. At that time there was a rustling sound at the top, and this person saw the creature standing there. It raised it's head and turned to walk away. This witness could see the creature so clearly that when it lifted its foot to leave, the lighter-colored heel-pad was visible.

A moment later the witness heard voices which could have drifted up from the river. This site is in close proximity to the China Point River Access. Thinking it could be the voices of teenagers who'd been playing a trick, dressing up as a Bigfoot to frighten people, the witness drove around to the other side of the hill where there's a clearing and parking area used by Cal-Trans. The place was deserted.

These two witnesses decided to have lunch at JavaBob's where they told him what they'd seen. JavaBob, knowing these people to be extremely credible, made the decision to call the "Great American Bigfoot Research Organization." GABRO.

After hearing about the sighting, the Bay Area based GABRO team packed up and headed directly to Happy Camp. At the site of the incident JavaBob and the GABRO team looked up at the hillside, amazed that a Bigfoot would climb such a steep incline. The team eventually found a way around to the back of the hill and hiked in, on an aging, leaf-covered trail. Around them grew abundant pine, madrone, oak, deer brush and poison oak. Mosquitoes swarmed but the beauty of the forest was enough to make one almost forget the insects.

About fifty yards into the forest they came across a set of large footprints, which have since been set in plaster.

JavaBob had his first ever experience with a sighting reported by credible and professional people, that was actually supported by physical evidence. This was an event that changed the direction of his life.

Come back next month as JavaBob and Linda Jo Martin share their experiences with BIGFOOT in the Jefferson Backroads. ♦

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The Plaques of E Clampus Vitus--Humbug Chapter No. 73

The fifth in a continuing series of articles prepared by Bill Wensrich  
"If you ain't plaque'n, then you ain't Clampin'"

The E Clampus Vitus Greenhorn plaque is located in Yreka's upper Greenhorn Park. You can find the rock and bronze marker at ground level adjacent to parking along the west side of the park's picturesque 30 acre lake. The historical monument compliments original gold rush era buildings, and various mining artifacts on display.

The local ECV Chapter's fifth plaque commemorates a joke local nineteenth century miners unknowingly played on themselves by telling a stranger who asked where gold was to be found to "go dig over there by that oak tree." Greenhorn soon became one of the richest gold discoveries. Mined through the early nineteenth century, some claim Greenhorn Creek produced \$11 million in gold from a five mile segment. With gold priced at \$1,600 an ounce today, I may get my pick, shovel and pan out of the moth balls.

The concept for this plaque was overseen by Yreka ECV Chapter Humbug (club president) Walt Goldthorpe. He was one of the founding fathers of Humbug Chapter along with Carroll Pepperdine, Don Biss, George Meek, Tom Laustalot and Bill Haas from Yreka. Those men along with Mel Cramer, Irv Semas, Bob Crabtree, Mac McKellar and Ernie Deppen from Fort Jones were most involved in Chapter affairs at the time, insuring historical plaques would be erected each year.

Walt was a great big man who stood six foot five inches. He got help from the local historical society with the wording and approval from the City Council to place the monument in the park. Phil Pepperdine recalls "Walt was extraordinary. He got things done. Once you met him, you'd never forget him." Greenhorn was definitely Walt's plaque. Organizations need people who can get things done. Those who rise to take office in the local clubs are usually the ones who do much of the work. ♦



**Guided  
Nature  
Walk  
Wednesday  
September 19  
Wildlife  
Images**

**Please join Erin Williams and Darla Eastman from the Yreka Fish and Wildlife Office for a guided nature walk on Wednesday September 19 from 12 to 2pm to capture wildlife images at Greenhorn Park. Meet at the upper Greenhorn Park and bring water and your camera.**

**\* Learn about fall colors at the next nature walk on Wednesday October 17 from 12 to 2pm at Greenhorn Park.**

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



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**8:30am - 1:30pm at Medford Market  
Medford Armory - 1701 S. Pacific Hwy  
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**9am - 2pm at Ashland Saturday Market  
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May 5 - Nov 3, 2012**

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# SISKIYOU COUNTY FARMERS MARKETS

<p>Butte Valley 2nd and 4th Thursdays 2 - 6pm Dorris City Hall Lawn - 397-2273</p>
<p>Dunsmuir - Certified Market 235-4034 Saturdays 9:30am - 12:30 pm Children's Park on Dunsmuir Ave.</p>
<p>Etna - Certified Market 643-7876 Fridays 4 - 7 pm Dotty's Parking Lot</p>
<p>Happy Camp 493-2900 Thursdays Call Ahead for Times &amp; Locations</p>
<p>Miner Street Market - Certified Market Fridays 3:30 - 6 pm 496-3393 300 Block of Miner Street, Yreka</p>
<p>Mt. Shasta City - Certified Market Mondays 3:30 - 6 pm Mt. Shasta Blvd., Mt. Shasta City</p>
<p>Montague 459-5051 Saturdays 9 am - Noon Railroad Park, Montague</p>
<p>McCloud Market - Certified Market Saturdays 11 am - 3 pm 605-6817 McCloud General Store parking lot</p>
<p>Scott Valley - Certified Market 468-5133 Tuesdays 5:30 - 7 pm Ball field parking lot Hwy 3, Fort Jones</p>
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Thursdays:	Scott Valley Berean Church 134 Church Street, Etna - 467-3715

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I would like to share with you some significant dates we should all be familiar with that take place in September.

Sept 2, 1945 VJ Day, Japan signed Formal Surrender  
 Sept 11 Patriot Day  
 Sept 14, 1814 The Star Spangled Banner was written  
 Sept 17, 1797 The US Constitution was approved  
 Sept 18, 1947 The US Air Force was established  
 Sept 21 POW/MIA Recognition Day

While most of these dates are significant in our history, I would ask that you take a moment on Patriot Day to reflect on those who perished and not forget the heroism of our EMS, Law Enforcement and Military Personnel that fateful day. I would ask that you also take a moment on POW/MIA Recognition Day to reflect on those who have not yet returned home to their loved ones.

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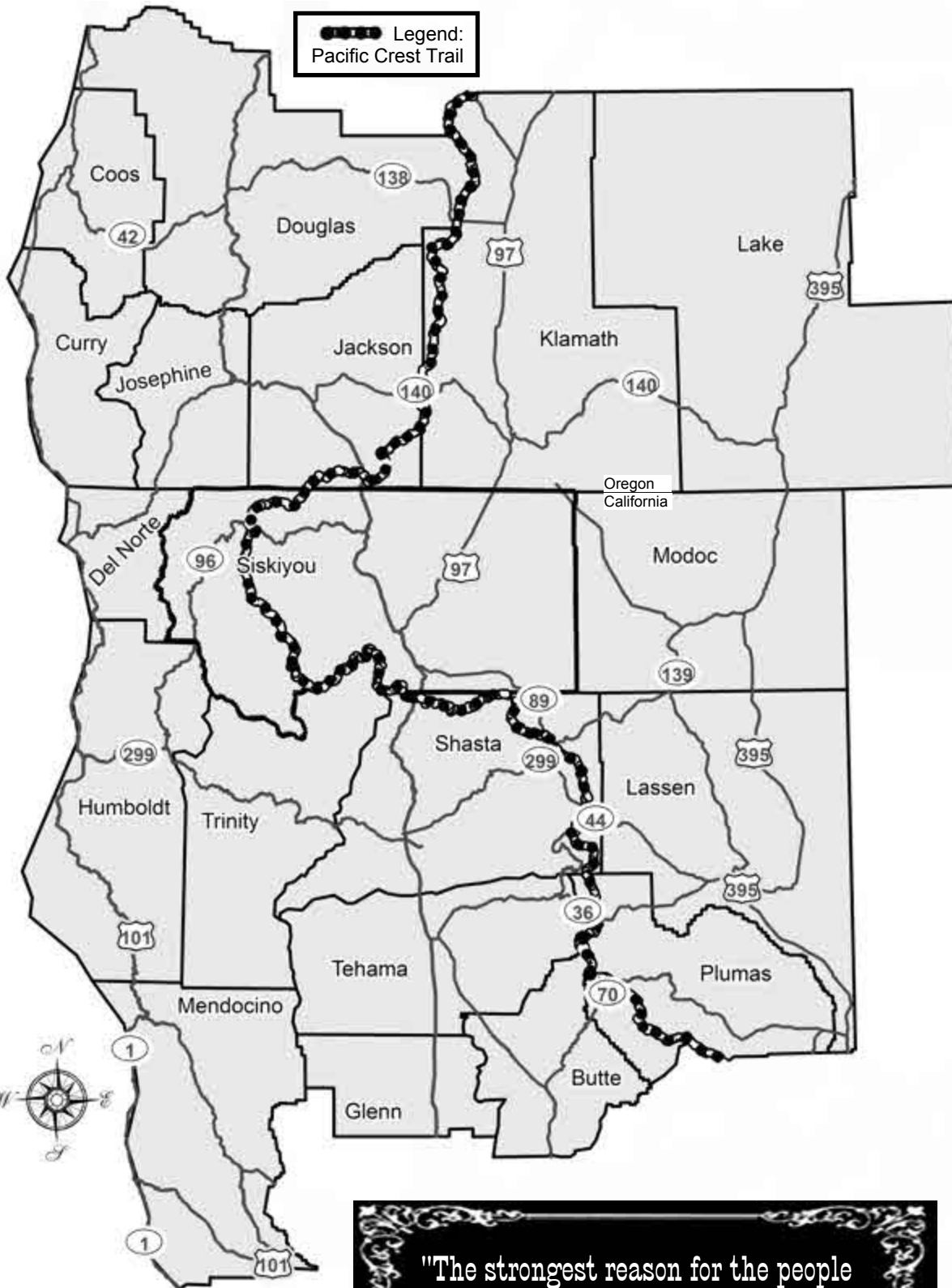
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# What IS The State of Jefferson? By Gail Jenner

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

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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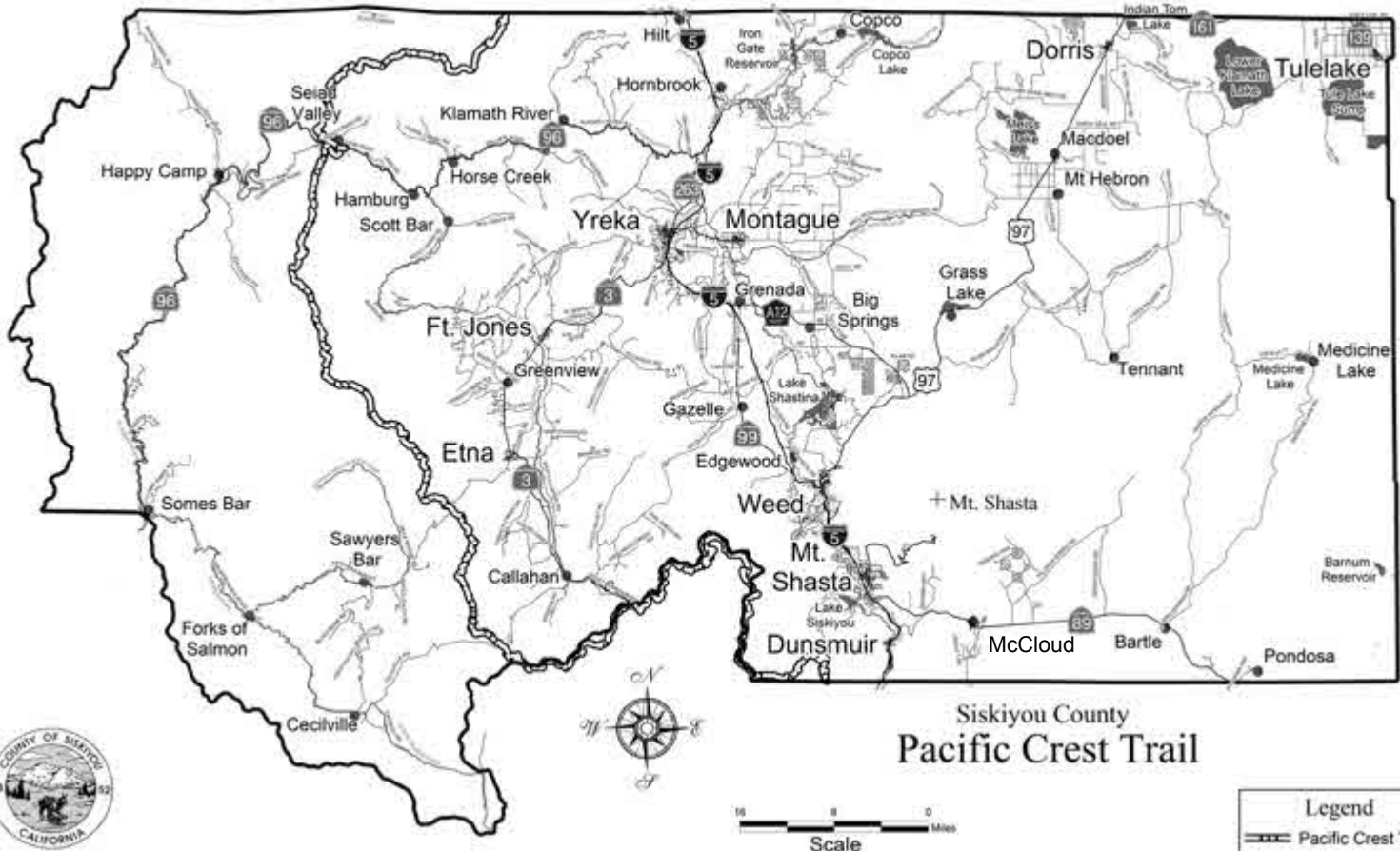
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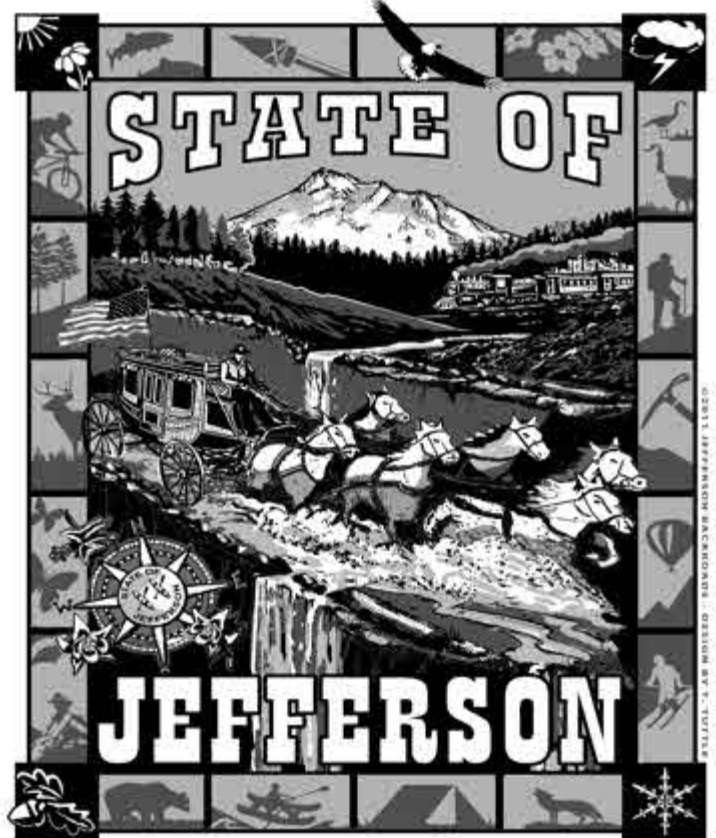
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