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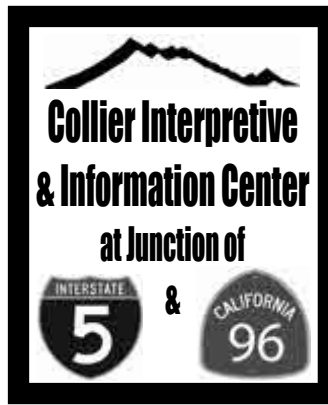
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An alliance of local non-profit organizations is working to develop 80 miles of rail-bed into a multi-use trail. Trail developers are writing grant applications, raising funds in the community and planning the trail. The initial stage of development has been a resounding success and GSRT is now gearing up for stage two.

For more information, please visit their website: [www.GreatShastaRailTrail.org](http://www.GreatShastaRailTrail.org).

# “On the Road to . . .”

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.*

## “Does anyone really know what time it is?”

With a, not to subtle, nod to “Chicago’s” 1970 hit song of the same name I admit that I must often ask that question. The screen on my cell phone is entirely too small to read and I took off my wristwatch the day I retired. Combine these unrelated factoids with the awe inspiring “solar clock” we will visit today and hopefully this will make sense to you.

The “Clock” we are visiting is HUGE! This “clock” combines 580 tons of steel, 200 tons of glass and granite, is held in place by 8/10ths of a mile of steel cable, is supported on a foundation of more than 115 tons of steel, 1,900 cubic yards of concrete, was constructed at a cost of \$23,000,000.00 and is completely powered by the sun. The “clock” is actually a sundial and is undoubtedly the largest and most expensive “clock” you will ever walk on. “Walk on?” you ask? Yes, today we will get on the road to Redding’s Sundial Pedestrian Bridge and Turtle Bay Exploration Park.

Most often I write about unique, obscure, and out of the way places. The Sundial Bridge is unique but it is hardly obscure or out of the way. Redding is one of the 250 biggest cities in America. It is the most

populace city between Sacramento and Eugene, Oregon and sets on Interstate 5. The Sundial Bridge dominates the river skyline in Redding. The bridge is an architectural amazement. The bridge is 700 feet long, 23 feet wide and the pylon is 217 feet tall, requiring a red beacon to warn off low flying aircraft.

The Sundial Bridge is a “Chamber of Commerce Post Card” for Redding. It has been written about in many national magazines including “Sunset.” However, before the bridge was built some local residents, ecologists and sportsmen mounted strong opposition to it. There were serious concerns that the construction of the bridge would damage the delicate riparian habitat along California’s longest river and that the bridge would negatively impact fishing. A major concern for wildlife biologists were the gravel beds used by spawning salmon in a stretch of the Sacramento River known for its salmon run.

The forward thinking founders forged ahead with these ecological concerns foremost in their minds. The result was a bridge that is stunningly beautiful. It is an enormous, functional piece of art that does not negatively impact the gravel beds for spawning salmon, has glorified the riparian habitat along the Sacramento River and is a boon to the local economy. The Sundial Bridge is a tourist attraction that brings millions of dollars to the Redding area annually. It has proven to be a WIN, WIN for sportsmen, salmon, ecologists, AND Redding’s economy.

The Sundial Pedestrian Bridge was designed by world renowned architect Santiago Calatrava. It is an integral component of the Sacramento Trail complex and the Turtle Bay Exploration Park. Construction of the bridge was a collaborative effort of the McConnell Foundation and the City of Redding.



## Guided Nature Walk - Yreka Phlox

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\*Join Jodi Aceves, Deputy Agricultural Commissioner with the Siskiyou County Department of Agriculture, to learn about invasive noxious weeds at the next walk on Wednesday, June 19th from 12-2pm at Greenhorn Park.\*

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As a “sundial” the bridge is functional as well. Most of us can tell approximate time by the sun’s position in the sky. However, real accuracy with a sundial is based on the Summer Solstice, the first day of summer. The bridge was designed to pinpoint the 12 o’clock hour precisely on June 21st (Summer Solstice) each year. Brass plates have been installed to mark each succeeding hour as the sun progresses through its arc in the summer sky.

The Bridge is certainly the most visible, but is hardly the “be all, end all” of the experiences at the Sundial Bridge - Turtle Bay Exploration Park complex. At the complex one can enjoy the serenity and beauty of the McConnell Botanical Gardens and Arboretum featuring 20 acres of gardens and 200 acres of wild, undeveloped habitat. They are in the process of removing invasive, non native plants and restoring 340 more acres along the banks of the river.

On the museum side of the river one can visit the “Paul Bunyan Forest Camp.” All exhibits in the “camp” are designed to be entertaining and educational. The Museum itself contains permanent and changing exhibits. The permanent exhibits include a large aquarium, a recreated Native American bark house, the ‘hands on’ science displays, and art creations related to the area’s natural and cultural history. I’ve enjoyed many of the changing exhibits including artifacts from the wreck of the Titanic and a dinosaur exhibit.

If walking is not your style you can rent a bicycle. However, I would recommend a guided “Segway Tour” of the Turtle Bay Sundial Bridge complex. A Segway is a two wheeled, battery powered, personal transportation device that provides a fun and unique way to enjoy your visit to Turtle Bay.

For over half a century the area was known simply as “Turtle Bay, where the ‘monolith’ is.” The ‘monolith’ is a large concrete structure and is the last vestige of one of the largest construction projects in California history. Gravel, rocks and sand were mined from the Sacramento River to build Shasta Dam. Due to World War II fuel rationing, trucking the gravel to the construction site wasn’t viable. To resolve the issue one of the longest conveyor belts in the world was constructed. Between 1940 and 1945 the conveyor belt transported millions of tons of rock, sand and gravel to the construction site 9½ miles away. Between 1945 and 2005 the monolith sat abandoned, used occasionally as a photo backdrop or ‘haunted house.’ In June of 2005 the monolith took on a new life as a living work of art created by internationally known artist Lewis “Buster” Simpson. It is an exhibit at Turtle Bay Museum that should not be missed.

The Sundial Bridge and the Turtle Bay Museum is a “must see.” Someday, someone may ask, “does anybody know what time it is?” Now you can answer, “It’s time you got on the road to the Sundial Bridge.” ♦



Photo of Sundial Bridge by Bob Pasero.

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# BUTTE VALLEY HISTORY

Story By Miss Emily P. Taylor  
Butte Valley Historical Society

What is the heart of a town? Of a community? Main Street, of course! On that sentimental note, lets take a stroll down the main street of Dorris, now known as Highway 97. It doesn't have the same poetic ring to it, now does it?

The main street of Dorris has seen an awful lot - nearly our town's entire history. It was one of the first streets to be built when the town was moved from Picard. Well, it actually started as a dirt road, so perhaple 'built' is too strong of a word. In fact, one of the original buildings, formerly known as Mrs. Silver's Boarding House, still stands on the corner. (NOTE: See modern day photo below.)



Photo of Historic Main Street, Downtown Dorris, California - Courtesy Butte Valley Museum & Historical Society and the Butte Valley Chamber of Commerce.



The street has lived through both deep freeze and fire. It survived the winter of 1890 that caused the debilitation of several local ranches and trapped people in their homes for weeks. Perhaps an even more impressive feat, the street was re-built after the fire in July of 1934. The fire ignited in the Associated Lumber & Box Factory, which is on the curve of main street. Because of the harsh Butte Valley winds, the fire was carried down main street, destroying the original City Hall, George Otto's General Store, Dorris Bakery, Ace's Barber Shop, Lang Hotel, Hiland Theater, Pastime Pool Hall, the old Butte Valley Clinic, nearly 30 homes as well as 9 train cars which were parked nearby.

The main street, or Highway 97, is still indeed the heart of Dorris. Our little stretch of 97 houses all the stores and restraunts in town and is the vein in which out of town traffic comes through our little corner of Jefferson. And while we certainly hope that we will never face such a devastating fire again, I have no doubt that the town would rise up around this same stretch of road as it has done for many decades. ♦

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# Backroads Adventures

by Ralph Fain



## “Spring into Summer”

*“Spring is nature's way of saying, let's party!” ~Robin Williams*

It's here! With the blink of an eye winter is over and spring is here! Time to shed the lethargy of those cold, dark days of winter and get outside! Time to tell Facebook to “face off,” and close the ol' laptop. Time to shed the tedious, quarrelsome, tragic, media hyped negative propaganda, whose only object is to further their own agenda, create controversy and make us feel as if the world is all a mind-numbing calamity. Then they want to feed us their daily dose of calming, curing medications to “help us cope.” (Ya think I'm kidding? Pay attention to the commercials who sponsor the six o'clock news.) If you want to cope with this world, drop the nasty pharmaceuticals and get your butt outside and breathe some fresh air!

Remember as a kid when we would sit around the house whining that there was nothing to do? Mom or Dad or both would tell us to get off our butts and go outside and play. Folks, it ain't just for kids, get off your butt and go outside and play! Outdoors you will find life is not nearly as negative as our government and the news would lead us to believe. And do you want to do a kid a favor? Tell em' to drop the gaming console, smart phone, (isn't that an oxymoron?) computer and get off their butts and go outside and play!

Springtime is the time to head outdoors to play. Whether abalone diving in Mendocino, fishing, rafting and kayaking one of our many rivers, boating, motorcycling, mountain biking, prowling the Pacific Crest Trail, kite flying or just sitting on top of a mountain watching the clouds float by, our beautiful State of Jefferson is the perfect place to shed the negative influences and have a little fun!

For those who like water and especially rivers, the Upper Sacramento River in May is the premier rafting adventure. Beautiful scenery, water flows that are perfect for just the right amount of adrenaline rush and normally warm, sunny days provide for a perfect day of fun. Check in with one of the local rafting guides/companies to provide you with a quality trip.

Motorcycle enthusiasts will find numerous beautiful, fun day trips in our area from the Klamath River corridor on the west side of Siskiyou County, thru Etna and Scott Valley, to the high desert country of eastern Siskiyou County. At the base of Mount Shasta enjoy the ambiance of the mountain communities of Mt. Shasta City, Dunsmuir and McCloud. Stop and have a meal in one of our many wonderful rural communities. There are great eateries along the way to make your stomach stop growling. Let em' know Jefferson Backroads sent ya!





For those that like the high country solitude, the trails and lakes will be accessible with the warming weather. Try the Eddies, the Marble Mountains, the Russian or Trinity Alps wilderness areas. Keep your eyes peeled for Bigfoot. Numerous sightings have been found throughout our area and he has yet to be verified as fact or fiction. And speaking of Bigfoot (I am a firm believer till proven otherwise) how come it is always a "he?"

Why has there never been a female Bigfoot sighted? It is always a big, hairy, muscular creature. Although that does describe some human females, nobody has ever given those attributes to a feminine Bigfoot nor has anyone that I am aware of, spotted a Bigfoot with breasts. I mean think about it, wouldn't a female creature that large have the same large physical characteristics of the female species? I was just wondering. You would think it would be obvious. I digress.

The whole point is that whatever springtime adventure you seek, you will find it here in Siskiyou County, the heart of the State of Jefferson! Get outside and always remember to play and have fun!

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Contact Denise Weikert at (530) 842-2021 for questions or to purchase tickets. Additionally, you can go online to <http://events.rmef.org/!A&S> and purchase banquet tickets online.

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# DUNSMUIR HISTORY

by Ron McCloud

Owner of Dunsmuir Hardware, Dunsmuir, California

## “WHAT REALLY HAPPENED UP THERE IN THE CRAGS ?”

From the distance of over 150 years, the story of the Battle of Castle Crag is confusing. There are conflicting reports, few accurate records, and sketchy details. The plaque on a historical landmark placed at Castle Crag Park in 1984 tells a brief story;

*“Battle of the Crag was fought below Battle Rock in June 1855. This conflict between the Modoc Indians and the settlers resulted from miners destroying the native fishing waters in the Lower Soda Springs area. Settlers led by Squire Reuben Gibson and Mountain Joe Doblondy, with local Indians led by their Chief Weilputus, engaged Modocs, killed their Chief Dorcas Della, and dispersed them. Poet Joaquin Miller and other settlers were wounded.”*

Those four sentences surely can't adequately describe what was a dramatic and violent clash of cultures. Some references say that it was the first battle in the Modoc War which culminated with Captain Jack in the Lava Beds in 1873. Others state that the battle was the last one in which Native Americans used only primitive weapons – no

firearms. Reports of casualties vary. Memoirs of participants in the battle in later years complicate the story with fictions and embellishments. Piecing together a totally accurate account is probably impossible – but the following is an attempt.

The jagged Castle Crag which rise almost 3000 feet above the valley floor were formed under an ancient sea and thrust upwards by a giant convulsion of the earth. They were then shaped by glaciers, erosion and exposure to the elements. According to early records, Wintu Indians in the area called the formation the Abode of the Devil. They viewed it with awe and superstition, rarely venturing up into its heights. Spanish explorers called it Castle del Diablo, Castle of the Devil. In 1832 a Hudson's Bay trapper and explorer, Michael LaFramboise called it The Needles. Later explorers called it Castle Rocks and Castle Crag.

What events led up to the conflict? The California Gold Rush of 1849 brought miners and traders to the Siskiyou Trail, following the Sacramento River through the area which became Dunsmuir, and passing close to Castle Crag on the way to and from the gold fields. After gold was discovered near Yreka by Abraham Thompson in 1851, many of them chose to settle in that area and came into contact with native inhabitants of the area, including the Modocs. Relations between the two cultures were not good. The Modocs greatly resented the flow of strangers through their homelands which drove away wild game they depended on. The 1855 Battle of Castle Crag was not the first battle of the Modoc War. After some settlers near Klamath Lake were killed by warriors of the Pitt River Tribe in 1851, civilian militia erroneously attacked an innocent Modoc village in retaliation and killed men, women and children. In response, Modocs ambushed a wagon train of settlers near the Willamette Valley in September of 1852 and killed 65 men, women and children.

The situation was aggravated by a flamboyant character named Mountain Joe. He maintained a rustic trading post at Lower Soda Springs and guided travelers on the trail through the area. Mountain Joe was noted for his tall tales, including one about a rich gold deposit called the Lost Cabin Mine located somewhere in the vicinity. It drew many miners to the area, patronizing Mountain Joe's trading post, and searching for gold in the Sacramento River and its tributaries, Soda Creek, Castle Creek and others. Their efforts disturbed the stream beds, polluted the waters, and ruined the salmon runs which were so important to the Modocs.

The Modocs – angry and in need of food – struck back. They took refuge in the Crag and ventured out to attack settlers' cabins, miners' claims and trading posts. They effectively stopped all traffic on the trail so that mail and supplies could not reach the mining camps. Troops of the U.S. 4th Cavalry stationed at Fort Jones, led by Lieutenant George Crook – who later became one of the greatest Union generals of the Civil War – attempted to drive the Modocs away but they evaded the troops and again took refuge in the Crag.

On June 26, 1855, some of the Modocs stole food supplies from Ross McCloud's cabin at Lower Soda Springs, burned Mountain Joe's cabin, and fled toward the Crag - their trail marked by flour spilled from their stolen goods. Mountain Joe, accompanied by an 18 year old Cincinnati Heine Miller – who later changed his name to Joaquin Miller and became a famous poet – recruited miners from camps at Dog Creek and Portuguese Flat. In particular, he enlisted the support of Reuben Gibson, a


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miner at Portuguese Flat. He had married the daughter of Shasta chief Wielputus and had great influence with the local Indians. Gibson – who is memorialized by Gibson Road along Interstate 5 in the Sacramento Canyon – recruited 29 white miners and about the same number of Shasta Indians who were sworn enemies of the Modocs. He then led this hastily organized militia up Castle Creek and into the Craggs.

The Modocs made a stand in the area between Battle Rock and Castle Lake in the northwest corner of the rugged crags. The fighting was face to face and the Modocs finally fled, leaving two of their number dead, including their chief, Dorcas Della. Following the battle, on August 11, 1855, The *SHASTA COURIER* newspaper reported;

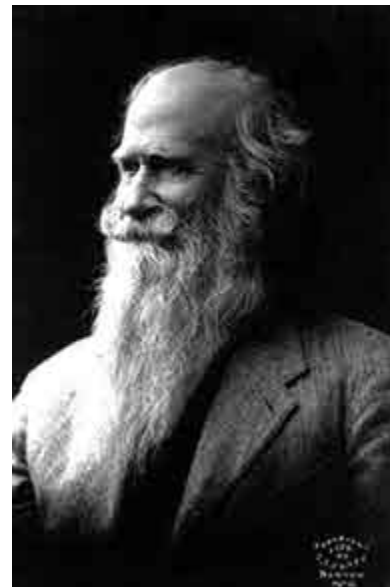
*“The Indians on the Upper Sacramento have recently exhibited quite a degree of hostility towards the whites. We learn from Mr. Bradbury, a trader on Shotgun Creek, that a party of whites attacked a party of Indians near Castle Rock, some days since, for stealing flour, etc., from Mr. McCloud and killed two of them certain, and wounded other two severely if not fatally. Friendly Indians say this party is the same that stole the mules of Mr. Greathouse on Trinity Mountain some time since. They also formed a portion of that large band that committed so many murders and robberies in 1851-52. In this encounter two of the attacking party were severely hurt. A Mr. Miller was wounded in the right corner of the mouth by an arrow entering there and coming out below the left ear. A Mr. James Lean received a still more dangerous wound. In his case the arrow struck below the left eye and severed an artery leading over the head, which come very near resulting in death. He is at present, however, fast recovering.”*

Joaquin Miller and James Lean were carried from the field of battle and taken to Ross McCloud’s settlement at Lower Soda Springs and their painful but not fatal injuries were cared for by Ross’ wife, Mary McCloud.

In the 1870s Joaquin Miller published his famous *“LIFE AMONG THE MODOCS”* which included his telling of the battle. Then in 1892 37 years after the battle - Joaquin Miller and Reuben Gibson revisited the battleground along with one of the Shasta Indians who had fought alongside them. Miller later published a pamphlet – *“THE BATTLE OF CASTLE CRAGS”* retelling the story, including the Shasta warrior’s description of how the bodies of the two Modocs who had been killed were thrown into Castle Lake.

The Modocs are gone from the Craggs, the salmon are gone from the Sacramento River, and the Lost Cabin Mine was never found. Today, visitors to Castle Craggs Park look up at the rock formations and in the peaceful setting cannot know the violence and the drama that took place up there that summer day in 1855.

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 has roots back to 1894. ♦



Joaquin Miller was just 18 years old when he fought against the Modocs at Castle Craggs. In later life he was an outspoken champion of Native American causes. His colorful adventures included being a mining camp cook, lawyer, judge, newspaper writer, pony express rider and horse thief.

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The Montgomery Wards Building as seen in 1941, with the Broadway Theatre sporting its original Moorish Design. Photo Courtesy Claudia East.

# 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>.

## “Montgomery Wards Building in Yreka!”

It was June 7, 1929 (four months before the stock market crash of 1929) a welcome news article appeared in the *Siskiyou Times* explaining that the new “Ward Structure” was now underway as groundbreaking was imminent. Local capitalist, Victor Warren financed the building and had it built specifically to be home to the Montgomery Wards store (Founder, Aaron Montgomery Ward). Founded in 1872 and up until 1926 the company only operated a mail order business, but that year broke tradition and opened its first retail outlet. Within only 3 years the very popular stores had grown rapidly and boasted 531 outlets! Yreka wanted in on the opportunity and Victor Warren seized the opportunity. He also constructed the large “Warren’s building” located adjacent to the Wards Building that took the length of the city block from Center to Miner Streets along what was then known as Second Street. (Today known as Broadway) Sister to Victor Warren, Bernice Warren built the Broadway Theatre that still sits next to the former Montgomery Wards Building.

The building was under the supervision of J. P. Brennan, a Redding builder who won the contract for the job. The *Siskiyou Times* article explained that the building would be located on the corner of Second and Center Streets and would have an investment of approximately \$50,000 ~ no small change for 1929! Further explanation of the structure said it would be one story in height with a mezzanine and have a frontage of 101 feet on Second Street and 102 feet on center. All together the building was to provide 17,000 feet of floor space. The building completion was set for August 1, 1929. The news article went on to explain that to fill the store with stock it would take between 10 to 12 train carloads of merchandise! It was anticipated that the new store would employ from 20 to 39 persons and they would be local hires with the exception of the chief executives. Originally the main floor was one large room with a center staircase that lead up to the mezzanine level. It was an impressive department store in its day!

Because this building project was given only 2 months in which to be completed some “fancy footwork” had to be accomplished. The first order of business was to seek a new place for the Chautauqua tent that currently occupied the spot and find a place for their next performances. The tent was subsequently removed and according to the news, the next performance was actually given in the former Agricultural Hall which sat directly behind this lot on the corner of Fourth and Center Streets in Yreka.

Montgomery Wards came and went but served Yreka for many years; the building also served as a Rasco’s Department Store starting sometime approximately in the 1960s. Currently the building serves as offices for Choices for Children and the Broadway New to You Thrift store that helps fund the Choices for Children programs. The



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building has had at least two face lifts throughout the years; the first likely being shortly before Rasco's opened and covered the mezzanine windows. The second being around 2003 – 2004 when the building had major interior renovations as the Choices for Children's Program moved into the building.

An interesting tidbit about Montgomery Wards is that in 1939 as part of an advertising and promotional campaign for the company staff copywriter, a Robert May, created the character and poem of "Rudolph the Red Nosed Reindeer." ♦



The former Montgomery Wards Building when it served Rasco's Dept. Store, 1965. The building is flanked by the Broadway Theatre and the former Warren's Building that burned in 1966. Photo Courtesy Claudia East

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This annual fund-raiser saw its conception simultaneously with the Gardens themselves. Former Music Director and Conductor of this prestigious student group, Bill Whitson, kept a fishing get-away in Dunsmuir. And as plans for the new gardens got under way, he proposed a benefit concert to raise the much-needed funds for this exciting addition to the community he loved. That tradition continues.

This year's concert features two student conductors, Jared Pabilona and Aku Sorenson. In addition, it highlights four student soloists in the performance of Vivaldi's Concerto for Four Violins in B Minor, who will be joined by 12 young members from our region, The Siskiyou Violins. This ensemble, based in Ashland, Oregon, is a group of exceptionally talented young violin students from southern Oregon and northern California. The program also includes the world premiere of the Youth for Youth Commission "Adagio and Allegro", composed by Stephen Spies, as well as works by Puccini, Gershwin, and Donizetti. A jazzy special treat, "The Penguin," by American composer Raymond Scott accentuates the evening's theme. ♦



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NATIONAL TRAIN DAY promotes USA train travel. How it was then and how it is now encouraging families to "take the train for your next family vacation." We will have Amtrak travel brochures and route guides available for detailed information on what Amtrak has to offer. An exhibit on train travel advertising from the 40's to the 60's showing how railroads promoted the benefits of traveling by train. Free Amtrak conductor paper "hats" and train coloring books will be given to children. Refreshments will be served.

The Depot Society's 5th ANNUAL PIE SOCIAL May 25th will be held at the Dunsmuir Amtrak Depot during Dogwood Daze beginning at 10 a.m. until the pies are sold out.

Last year 71 bakers donated 44 different varieties of pies for a total of 161 donated pies which were sold out by 2:30 p.m. Pie slices are \$3 each and whole pies at \$20 may be purchased. Come for homemade pies, pies, and more pies.

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# DOGWOOD DAZE READY TO BLOSSOM

Blossoming dogwood trees, green grass and blue skies are in the offing for the annual Dunsmuir Dogwood Daze, May 25, 2013, in the little Victorian town in the canyon called Dunsmuir. Looking for a spring festival, something for the whole family, a Pie Social, art and music, art, plants and flowers? A doggie parade, soapbox derby, Botanical Gardens tours, and a city wide yard sale? Look no further. This year's Dogwood Daze will offer all of these and more. Music and art will be enjoyed at several locations. The local Dunsmuir Growers' Market will sell produce and started plants and vegetables as well as potted landscaping plants, crafts, leathersgoods by Shirley Magnusson, books by local author Tim Holt and local photos and coffee table books by local photographer Jenny Signor. Popular north state musician Gerry Smida will stroll through downtown and lead the Doggie Parade playing a variety of instruments, including accordion and fiddle. The Doggie Parade is free and no registration is required.

The ever popular and growing Pie Social begins at 10:00 until all gone. Slices and whole pies may be purchased. Last year's event sold out by 2:30, and had 166 pies baked by 71 local men and women. Slices are only \$3, whole pies \$20. All located in Dunsmuir's historic Amtrak Depot.

Kids' activities include a costume Doggie parade, which will kick off the new and popular Soapbox Derby to run in the afternoon. A new addition last year, the Soapbox Derby is for kids of all ages and sizes. The Derby cars come down the hill to the cheers of the spectators, and trophies and prizes are awarded. For more information call Big Dave at 925-9365. The Dunsmuir Community Resource Center will have games for kids as well. They will continue their delicious outside BBQ lunch and offer donuts and breakfast items too.

A new activity this year will be the opening of the Victor Martin Cultural Center on Sacramento Avenue. Music will be featured in the lovely outdoor patio as well as activities inside. This lovely space has recently been remodeled both inside and out and will be a wonderful addition to Sacramento Avenue.

The Dunsmuir Garden Club will feature its annual flower show in the Community Building with prizes in many categories. People wishing to enter should call 530 235-4025. A great variety of species will be exhibited. This year the Garden Club will also feature a tour of small space gardens, some residential and some in the business district. Tickets with maps will be sold for only \$10 at the Flower Show in the Community Building. The Garden Tour will include a tour of a historic working farm located within the city.

Beautiful native dogwood trees will be on display around town with concentrations on Sacramento Avenue, the Children's Park, and Hedge Creek Falls Park. Native species will be on tour in the Dunsmuir Botanical Gardens at 1:30 and 2:30. Merchants will offer several specials and it will be a shopper's paradise with the traditional city-wide Yard Sale.

The new Siskiyou Arts Museum which opened to more than 300 people March 8 will join the event on Dunsmuir Avenue. It will feature work by well known Bay area artist Raymond Howell who painted well-known portraits of African

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Americans. Howell's work has appeared in New York, Oakland, San Francisco and other large cities. A Bonsai cutting demonstration will be given and statues will appear in the garden.

This event grew from a desire of Cindy Foreman, former Brown Trout owner, to honor the parents of her husband and herself. In 2009 she planted four dogwood trees, the official tree of the city of Dunsmuir, in their memory on Sacramento Avenue, and the idea blossomed. More than 52 dogwood trees have been planted on Sacramento Avenue, Dunsmuir Avenue, the Childrens' Park on Dunsmuir Avenue, and Hedge Creek Falls Park at the north end of town. All were planted in memory of a loved one, by individuals and businesses. Many of the trees should be in vivid bloom with colors ranging from white to pink to salmon to dark rose. Permanent rosters listing the trees and honorees are located on Sacramento Avenue and at Hedge Creek Falls Park. "This event is a wonderful way to honor our loved ones and our town," said Cindy Foreman, one of the original four to start this festival. The other event originators are Linda Price, Cheryl Petty, and Barbara Cross. "There is something here for everyone," added Barbara Cross. "All events are free and beautiful and we have wonderful food in this town as well as a historic Victorian downtown area."

Events start at 10am and continue in the evening in local restaurants and shops. Further information may be obtained from the Dunsmuir Chamber of Commerce at 235-2177 or [www.dunsmuir.com](http://www.dunsmuir.com).

This event is sponsored by the Dunsmuir Chamber of Commerce, the city of Dunsmuir, and Pacific Power. ♦



## Economic Growth Group Inviting Bicycle Tourism to Siskiyou County

by George Jennings - (530) 598-8887

May is National Bike Month across America and with flowers blooming, many cities including Yreka and the County of Siskiyou are supporting cycling and health initiatives. The Mayor of City of Yreka proclaimed May as National Bike Month and Bicycle Safety Month. The week of May 13-17, 2013, is Bike to Work Week, and Friday, May 17 is Bike to Work Day. We encourage the residents of Yreka to support bicycling and to participate in the events planned. We hope all road users share the road safely with bicyclists. The County Board of Supervisors declared their support for initiatives and activities throughout Siskiyou County.

April was a busy month for the EGG and the Siskiyou County Bicycle Tourism Partnership (SCBTP) with our website going live at CycleSiskiyou.com, and the Facebook page receiving new "Likes" (feel free to go LIKE us). We held our Master Planning Workshop at the recently upgraded meeting facility at Sisson Museum on April 11th, and the Train the Trainers workshop was completed on April 18th in Yreka at the Holiday Inn Express.

A new category of cycling (at least to us) called Gravel Grinder occurred with the Honey Badger Ride starting from Greenhorn Park on April 21st. We received word in early April the Klamath River Volunteer Fire Department was holding their first Century fundraiser called, Fire Trek 2013 on April 27th in the same footprint of the Siskiyou Century. We hope to have the Brochure Map project in print and ready for distribution by the end of April. Be sure to check at hotels, restaurants, Chambers, visitor centers and bike shops for your copy of the map designed to help travelers locate and navigate this big beautiful County of Siskiyou to find the activities and resources available to them.

Realizing so much is going on, the EGG/SCBTP is scrambling (no pun, ok maybe) to make sure every event is on the calendar on our website at CycleSiskiyou.com. For this to happen we need your help. The EGG/SCBTP requests all cycling groups and events please feed your information to us by email at siskiyouegg@gmail.com. Also if you have a favorite ride let us know - we will add it to our extensive inventory database of rides already downloaded.

May 2nd-5th will see activity at Lower and Upper Greenhorn Park as IMBA Trail Care Crew and JMBA will team up to hold trail building and cycling community training.

Following the Train the Trainers Workshop many chambers across the county will be planning and holding trainings with businesses in May to spread the word of the benefits to business from being "Bicycle Friendly." Our goal is to see increased benefits from this summer and fall's tourist season. For more info: email to siskiyouegg@gmail.com.

All this progress and activity reminds me we need to thank all our partnering organizations, the large army of volunteers, supportive government officials, funding foundations and businesses, and just plain lovers of the outdoors and cycling. Without them this activity could not be possible. Within our organization it would be impossible (believe me, I am trying) to track all the countless hours of volunteer time devoted to increasing cycling and visitors coming to Siskiyou County.

One last word to all the great people of Siskiyou County: when you see these bicycle riders across this State of Jefferson coming here to enjoy for a short time what we get to see every day, please give them a little more room as you pass in your car. Also, wave and make them feel welcome. If you get a chance to talk with them, show them the kind of welcome we give to each other. We are all connected by this need to make the "economic pie bigger" in Siskiyou County and the State of Jefferson.

So please remember this: when you need to slow down, give directions, or wait on these bicycle riding visitors at a restaurant, YOU are the impression they will take home when they leave. Let's all make it a great first impression!! ♦



## UPCOMING BICYCLE EVENTS

Slush Bike and Hike Challenge	Mt. Shasta Ski Park	May 11, 2013	<a href="http://www.active.com/mountain-biking/mt-shasta-ca/slush-bike-and-hike-challenge-2013">http://www.active.com/mountain-biking/mt-shasta-ca/slush-bike-and-hike-challenge-2013</a>
Castle Crag Century	Mt. Shasta City Park	June 22, 2013	<a href="http://www.castlecragscentury.com/index.html">http://www.castlecragscentury.com/index.html</a>
Humbug Hurry Up	Greenhorn Park, Yreka	June 29, 2013	<a href="http://jeffersonmountainbike.com/8.html">http://jeffersonmountainbike.com/8.html</a>
Mt. Shasta Century	Mt. Shasta City Park	Aug. 4, 2013	<a href="http://shastasummitcentury.com/">http://shastasummitcentury.com/</a>
Siskiyou Century	Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds, Yreka	Sept. 7, 2013	<a href="http://www.siskiyoucentury.com/index.html">http://www.siskiyoucentury.com/index.html</a>
Mt. Shasta Pedali Bi-Weekly Rides	Weekly rides from Fifth Season in Mt. Shasta	Starts March 12th	<a href="http://www.mountshastapedali.com/weekly-club-rides.html">http://www.mountshastapedali.com/weekly-club-rides.html</a>
JMBA - Jefferson Mountain Bike Association	Tues: Upper Greenhorn Park, Yreka Wed: Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds, Yreka	Every Tuesday & Wednesday	<a href="http://jeffersonmountainbike.com/4.html">http://jeffersonmountainbike.com/4.html</a>



Since its founding in 1968, the Siskiyou Humane Society Adoption Center in Mt. Shasta has provided rescue and refuge for hundreds of homeless cats and dogs every year. The shelter's staff and volunteers take special pride in getting to know the animals as individuals. Because they are familiar with the personalities of the shelter cats and dogs, they can help potential adopters find the best matches for their families and lifestyles. From kittens and puppies to previously trained adults, all pets adopted from SHS are spayed and neutered, given permanent micro-chip identification, and adult dogs are assessed for behavior using a nationally known behavior evaluation. Since SHS is a "no-kill" facility,



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As a private, 501(c)(3) non-profit animal welfare organization, the shelter receives no funding from government agencies or national humane organizations. All of the funding comes from private donations, bequests and sales from the Society's two thrift stores. Even with that support we still need to cover approximately \$10,000 per month that currently must come from our savings.



We have a goal of reaching that \$10,000 in monthly automatic payment pledges. Our current pledge amount is \$847.00 - just \$9,153.00 to go! We are asking you to use the following form to help meet this goal with a pledge of \$5, \$10, \$20 or whatever you can afford each month. We need your help, we need you to care!

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# EVENTS & CLASSES

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## St. Mark's Preservation Square Upcoming Events & Workshops

**Sculptor Workshop** Wednesday Evenings: 7 to 9pm. Each session \$4 plus materials. Beginners to Advanced welcome! Join at any time! For info call (530) 340-5587.

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(530) 340-5587

## SCOTT VALLEY THEATRE CO.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Saturday May 11 at 7pm  
Scott Valley Songwriters Festival  
sponsored by the Siskiyou Arts Council and the Scott Valley Theatre Company. Tickets \$8 in advance and \$10 at the door. Call for Info: (530) 938-0130

### Avery Memorial Theatre

430 Main Street - Etna, CA 96027 (530) 598-0989  
[www.scottvalleytheatrecompany.org](http://www.scottvalleytheatrecompany.org)

May 17-18 & June 21-22  
**RUN-2-WIN BARREL RACING**  
Dorris, CA - (541) 891-7468



Saturday May 4, 2013

Kids Fishing Derby at Greenhorn Park, Yreka  
Info: (530) 842-4984

Saturday May 4, 2013 Jefferson State Maidens of Mayhem  
Roller Derby event at Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds, Yreka  
See Pages 22-23 for Story, Info & Schedule

Saturday May 4, 2013 - Free Nature Walk in Yreka  
Info: (530) 841-3126 See AD on Page 4 for All the Details

Saturday-Sunday, May 4-5, 2013  
Ravenswood Faire & Celtic Gathering in Anderson, California  
[www.ravenswood-faire.com](http://www.ravenswood-faire.com) or Info: (707) 502-6290

May 3-4-5, 2013  
66th Annual Scott Valley Pleasure Park Rodeo in Etna  
Many FUN ACTIVITIES. SEE AD ON PAGE 10  
Info: (530) 475-2656

Sunday May 5, 2013  
Scott Valley Rodeo Ham Dinner in Greenview  
Info: (530) 467-4067

Saturday May 11, 2013  
National Train Day in Dunsmuir  
Info: (530) 235-0929 SEE PAGE 16 FOR MORE INFO

Sunday May 12, 2013  
Mother's Day Brunch or Dinner at Bob's Ranch House  
Reservations: call (530) 467-5787 SEE AD ON PAGE 28

Sunday May 12, 2013  
Annual Mother's Day Wildflower Show at Siskiyou Golden  
Fairgrounds. Info: 530-221-0906 or 530-841-4425

Saturday May 18, 2013  
Armed Forces Day at Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds, Yreka  
Info: (530) 842-8010 SEE PAGE 33 FOR ALL THE INFO

Saturday May 18, 2013  
RMEF Siskiyou Banquet in Yreka  
Info: (530) 842-2021 SEE PAGE 11 FOR STORY & INFO

Saturday May 18, 2013  
WeedFest 2013 SEE AD & STORY ON PAGE 23  
Info: [www.WeedFest2013.com](http://www.WeedFest2013.com) or (530) 471-3423

Friday May 24, 2013  
Friends of the NRA Dinner in Dorris  
Info: (530) 397-4770

Saturday May 25, 2013  
Dunsmuir's Dogwood Daze & Annual Pie Social  
Info: (530) 235-2177 SEE STORY & AD ON PAGE 17

Saturday May 25, 2013  
63rd Annual Montague Junior Rodeo  
Info: (530) 436-2428

May 25-26, 2013  
McCloud 6th Annual Mushroom, Wine & Music Festival  
Info: (530) 964-2431

Monday May 27, 2013 - SEE PAGE 33 FOR MEMORIAL DAY  
Services in Scott Valley, California

# EVENTS & CLASSES

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Wednesday May 29, 2013

Siskiyou Welcome Center at Collier Interpretive & Info Center  
10am Open House - Noon Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for the GRAND  
OPENING - Newest California Welcome Center!  
Reception to follow. Info and RSVP: (530) 842-4037

Friday May 31, 2013

1st Annual Yreka Kiwanis Dinner Dance featuring  
Siskiyou Big Band - Info: (530) 340-1426 SEE AD ON PAGE 37

Saturday June 1, 2013

Fort Crook Historical Society Pioneer Day Dutch Oven Cookoff  
Fall River Mills, California - Info: (530) 336-6997

June 1 - July 27, 2013

Sisson Museum Quilt Show at Mt. Shasta, California  
Info: (530) 926-5508 SEE PAGE 27 FOR MORE QUILT SHOWS

June 1-2, 2013

McCloud Fire Dept. Firemens Muster and Annual Flea Market  
Info: (530) 925-0029 or (530) 964-3113

Sunday June 2, 2013

Portuguese Picnic & Holy Ghost Festival in Hawkinsville  
Info: (530) 842-3997 SEE AD & STORY ON PAGE 26

June 7-8-9, 2013

Mt. Shasta Longrifles Trout Creek Rendezvous  
Info: (530) 926-6942 SEE STORIES & AD ON PAGES 34-35

June 7-8-9, 2013

Dunsmuir 74th Annual Dunsmuir Railroad Days  
Info: (530) 235-4034 FIND MORE INFO ON PAGES 16-17

June 8-9, 2013

Siskiyou Music and Art Festival at Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds in  
Yreka Info: (530) 842-2767 www.sisqfair.com

Saturday June 8, 2013

Happy Camp 3rd Annual Arts/Treasure Garage Sale Weekend  
Start at I-5 and head down-river on Highway 96 - Info: (530) 493-2909

Saturday June 15, 2013

Sip & Dip Music & Yummies at Stewart Springs Resort - SEE PAGE 15

Saturday June 15, 2013

Yreka 6th Annual Gold Rush Days In Yreka  
Info: (530) 842-1640

Saturday June 15, 2013

Dunsmuir's Tribute to the Trees Concert SEE PAGE 16 FOR AD  
Info: (530) 235-4740



FOR LOCAL BICYCLE EVENTS  
SEE STORY & CHART ON  
PAGE 18

FOR A FEW STATE OF JEFFERSON  
QUILT SHOWS THIS SUMMER  
SEE LIST ON PAGE 27



Friday May 10, 2013 - 7pm  
Concert Band and Siskiyou Serenaders  
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Christian Motorcycle Association (CMA)  
Monthly Meeting & Motorcycle Ride -  
Info (530) 841-3000

Siskiyou Wanderers Hike Every Thursday.  
Call Leslie Hart at  
(530) 277-0741 for info.  
See Schedule at: www.siskiyouwanderers.com

Yreka Tea Party Patriots Meet Tuesdays at 6:30 pm at  
the Decision Life Church in Yreka Corner of  
Main and Oberlin

# JEFFERSON STATE MAIDENS OF MAYHEM

The beginning of 2013 was the birth of Siskiyou County's Women's Flat Track Roller Derby team, Jefferson State Maidens of Mayhem. You're invited to come and watch our first Home Bout on Saturday May 4th at the Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds at 6pm, May the 4th Be With You (Star Wars). A portion of our May the 4th Be With You bout's proceeds will be donated to Stable Hands Therapeutic Riding Program of Yreka. (see schedule on top of page 23)

This team is the home for women (and a few good men) all over the county; Etna, Fort Jones, Yreka, Weed, McCloud and Mount Shasta. We are fortunate to have not one but two different cities to practice in Mount Shasta on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday at the Siskiyou Ice Rink (Shastice Park) 6pm- 8pm and Etna at City Hall on Monday 4:30pm-7:30pm, Wednesday & Friday from 6pm to 9pm.

We are recruiting new skaters, all the time! The Maidens have extra gear for you to try out and see if the sport is a fit for you. Anyone over 18 can join, and being able to skate is not a requirement, we can teach you that! Not only are we looking for new skaters, we are also in the market for non-skating officials, anyone that is looking to be a part of our team's success!

Roller Derby is one of the fastest growing sports in the US. It's intense, a workout, a joy, a hobby but mostly it's just plain fun! All of us enjoy the camaraderie that the sport brings, it's like having 18 sisters. "Though the sport can be rough at times" says Jessica Vickers aka Diva Destruction, who is also the team's on skates Coach and Captain.



stick by as we build our team.

Roller derby is a fast paced, contact team sport that is played on a flat track. Though roller derby of today is much like the roller derby so popular in the 1970s and '80s, the action is real and is not staged.

To play, there are two teams of five ladies. Each team consists of one girl in the scoring position (called a jammer), three blockers and one pivot. The blockers form a skating pack. In accordance with the new 2013 WFTDA rules the blockers, pivots and jammers all start skating and sprinting with the whistle. The jammers then have to skate through the pack.

The first girl through the pack is called the lead jammer. Both jammers continue to sprint around the pack a second time and get through the pack again. On their second and future trips, they get a point for every opponent they pass. Everyone else tries to stop the other team's jammer from passing and help their team's jammer get through. The jam goes on for two minutes or until the lead jammer calls it off.

The Maidens are currently sponsored by the State of Jefferson Brotherhood and Roller Doll Skates in Bend. They're looking for more sponsors to support their team.

If you are interested in joining, sponsoring or getting more information about Jefferson State Maidens of Mayhem, please contact Regina "Reckless Reg" Weston at 530-925-1385. Logan "Locked and Logan'd" Castle at 530-864-3347 or e-mail us at [maidensofmayhem@outlook.com](mailto:maidensofmayhem@outlook.com). If you'd like to purchase tickets to our opening home bout at the Fairgrounds, go to [www.brownpapertickets.com/event/354687](http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/354687). ♦



**JEFFERSON STATE SISKIYOU COUNTY'S OWN  
WOMEN'S FLAT TRACK  
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## California Native Plant Society Scholarship Opportunity



\$1,500 scholarship is being offered to local high school or community college students entering a bachelor's degree program with a life science major. Eligible students must be graduating or transferring from a school within Shasta, Siskiyou, Lassen or Modoc Counties.

Applicants must have a 3.0 (B) grade point average and must submit their application to CNPS by May 10, 2013. Applications can be picked up at any high school or community college, or from our website: [www.shastacnps.org](http://www.shastacnps.org).

Contact Jay Thesken at [thesken@snowcrest.net](mailto:thesken@snowcrest.net) or call for info: (530) 221-0906.

## JEFFERSON STATE MAIDENS OF MAYHEM 2013 SCHEDULE

Date	Event
May 4, 2013 "May the 4th Be With You!"	Home Bout vs. Shasta Derby's Hit Squad at the Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds in Yreka
June 8, 2013	Railroad Days Parade in Dunsmuir
June 22, 2013	Away Bout at Red Bluff Derby Girls at the Tehama District Fairgrounds, Red Bluff
July 4, 2013	4th of July Parade in Mt. Shasta
Sept. 7, 2013	Home Bout vs. Battle Born Demons of Reno at the Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds in Yreka
Nov. 23, 2013	Mixed League Double Header at Sis-Q Rollerz The Meat Locker in Medford

## WeedFest 2013

WeedFest 2013, a FREE concert, will be "happening" Saturday, May 18, from 11am to 8pm at Bel Air Park in Weed, California, adjacent to the campus of the College of the Siskiyous. There will be 14 musical acts on 2 stages, food and drink available, plus arts and crafts vendors, and games for the kids (of ALL ages), including horseshoe, bocce' ball and kickball tournaments.

There will also be a drawing with prizes donated by local merchants. All profits from the concert will be going to buy a handicapped lift for the Weed Community Swimming Pool, and for the construction of Parker Plaza in Mt Shasta, honoring Dr Jim Parker who is dying of Lou Gehrig's Disease ... [www.ParkerPlazaMtShasta.org](http://www.ParkerPlazaMtShasta.org).

Concert promoter Jimmy Limo staged last year's "Mt. Shasta Eclipse Concert," and says he hope to draw up to 1,000 people for a day of music and fun supporting two great causes.

"Last year's ECLIPSE concert was like a big 'Love-In' at Golden Gate Park circa 1967. Even the DOGS got along ! We still need more vendors, sponsors, donors and volunteers," Limo says. "This will be a great chance to have a ball on a beautiful spring day, and leave something that the people will use and enjoy for years to come."

You can check out the concert website at [www.WeedFest2013.com](http://www.WeedFest2013.com) or contact Jimmy at 530-471-3423 for more information. ♦

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# DISCOVERING THE STATE OF JEFFERSON

By Gail Jenner – Enjoy another new story of the many historical towns and areas scattered throughout The State of Jefferson.

## “Baseball in Siskiyou County: Part I of II”

With the 2013 baseball season unfolding, it’s interesting to note that Siskiyou County has long been baseball country. Even Babe Ruth visited Siskiyou County to play exhibition ball. But whether it was Greenhorn vs. Yreka, Edgewood vs. Gazelle, or Fort Jones vs. Etna, teams competed all over the county. There were even teams comprised of miners from down the Klamath and Humbug Creek.

The McAdams’ Creek Baseball Team of 1883 included: George Lincoln, Wm. Davies, Frank Hegler, Ted Lincoln, Horace Mitchell, George Stage, John Hart, Tom Hegler, and Ed Mathewson. Interestingly enough, the team sported red shirts with black velvet trim.

According to the YREKA JOURNAL, on June 2, 1875, the EARLIEST game on record took place between the Butteville Ball Club and the Greenhorn Club. The Butteville club arrived in a four-horse stage the night before, and the umpire, A.D. Helman, of Ashland, had to be telegraphed and “induced to come.”

The game got off to a fairly even start, but in the fourth inning, Greenhorn made 15 runs; in the fifth inning, they scored another 14; and so on; in the final inning, Greenhorn added 38 runs “without a man being put out.” The final score was 99 – 27. Incredibly, the game lasted more than 5 hours.

Baseball was certainly one of the most popular attractions around Siskiyou County in the 1880s, 1890s, and 1900s. From the middle of May til the first of August, matches were held on Sundays everywhere, and Fourth of July was a BIG baseball day.



McAdams Creek baseball team about 1883. Uniforms had red shirts with black velvet trim. Top row, left to right: George Lincoln, William Davies, Frank Hegler, Ted Lincoln, and Horace Mitchell; second row: George Stage, John Hart, Tom Hegler and Ed Mathewson. Photo Courtesy Gail Jenner.

According to a story written by Frank Herzog, “On the Fourth of July, each town would turn out en masse to sit on grocery boxes, nail kegs, rocks and improvised benches under umbrellas, parasols and any kind of shade out of sun or rain, backing their home team to the last pitch with either blood, money, or presperozins.”

In contrast to the sophisticated equipment players use today, these die-hard players did not use gloves or mitts. The catcher lacked all but minimal protective covering, and that was not even introduced until the end of the nineteenth century. The pitcher’s box was 50 feet from home plate, and it took six balls or bad pitches to walk a batter. There were no fancy pitches, but the 9-inch, 5-ounce ball was thrown fast and hard. Frank Herzog reported that in Yreka, “one boy in particular threw a ball on Oregon Street from the corner of Oregon and Miner up toward the County Court House 124 measured yards—yes, 124 yards.”


Some changes were made in the equipment during the 1890s. Gloves came into use, but were limited to catchers and first basemen. The catcher’s glove had to be 9 inches or less “around the fingers from thumb to little finger over the outside of the glove.” The first baseman’s glove had “fingers cut off at the second joint.” The rest of the team played with bare hands. Injuries were common and most players suffered swollen hands or crooked joints after a game. Because of this, Dr. Nutting, of Etna, only played three years. As a surgeon and doctor, he declared, “I have to have two good hands.”

In Scott Valley, there was great competition between Fort Jones and Etna Mills. As rivals, the matches often became heated. In fact, one such game, played around 1890, as reported by Carl Denny and Rube Morton, grew quite controversial: “One thing led to another, until finally all the players had baseball bats in their hands, facing each other. Plenty was said, but no one was hit.”



POSTCARD HISTORY SERIES

### Postcards from the State of Jefferson



Gail L. Fawcett-Jones and Bernita L. Tickner

## Gail Jenner Local Author

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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Dr. Nutting was credited with starting baseball in Etna Mills in 1879. Others who played with him included: John Pete Smith, catcher; Billie Swaim, Bige Swaim's son, and another young man, unnamed, who worked for Holt and Gregg. As an aside, Holt and Gregg built many of the brick buildings in Etna Mills, including the Alexander Parker Store, Stephens' Store, and the Odd Fellows' buildings. The brick was brought in from Anderson in Shasta County.

Another of Etna's early teams included: Louis Kappler, pitcher; John Pete Smith, catcher; Charley Campbell, first; Emil Kappler, shortstop; George Pete Smith, third; Victor Kappler, left field; Jack Nutting, center field; Cap Farrington, right field.



Photo says Weed, California Baseball Team, Season 1912 Champions of Northern California and Southern Oregon. Photo Courtesy Gail Jenner.

Members of the 1903 Etna Team consisted of Charlie Cullin, Richard Hayden, Ernest Messner, Abe Barr, Jr., Robert Willard, Garland Harris, Jim Moxley, Martin Messner, and Harold Wallace. ♦

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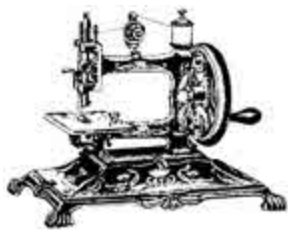
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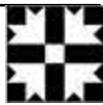
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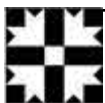
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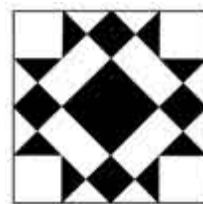
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Humbug Chapter No. 73

The 13th in a continuing series of articles  
prepared by Bill Wensrich

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Read box below at right for the text on the above plaque.

We know Yreka included an ECV Chapter because Harry L. Wells made a report of their Tom foolery in his 1881 History of Siskiyou County. He reports that after a fire in 1854 consumed the log building where the Sherriff’s office was located, a number of new brick buildings were erected on the same site and nearby. One of these new buildings housed the meeting hall for E Clampus Vitus. Harry further recounts the antics of ECV during Yreka’s 1856 Fourth of July parade.

“Large crowds of miners from Greenhorn, Hawkinsville, Deadwood and Humbug, were in town and whisky flowed as freely as water. Revelry ran higher and higher, and the jollity increased as the day advanced.”

ECV is said to have been started around 1845 by one Ephraim Bee, a tavern keeper, surveyor, blacksmith and state legislator from what is now West Virginia. The organization’s roots germinated in California when a man named Joe Zumwalt, traveling to the 1849 gold rush, brought an eastern lodge ritual book with him. Taking hold in 1851, Mokelumne Hill became recognized as California’s first official ECV Lodge. The organization, by nature, was a spoof on more dignified and straight-laced fraternal orders of the day such as the freemasons. Some believed those Orders took themselves too seriously and looked down on the mining

working class. With the movement of miners up and down California during the gold rush, their traditions and rituals spread to every mining camp and town in the Mother Lode as well as the Northern Diggings.

Throughout nineteenth century California, multiple newspaper articles account for the activity of Clampers. A few highlights from that era follow:

San Francisco Herald—October 18, 1855 E CLAMPUS VITUS: *It is stated that a movement is under foot in this city for the permanent establishment of a Society under the above title, and that a meeting will be held this evening for the purpose of initiating a large number of candidates for membership into the secrets of the order.*

The Beacon, Red Bluff—February 2, 1859 E. C. Vitus: *This ancient, honorable and benevolent institution, after a year or two’s suspension, has resuscitated, and judging from the noise they make each Friday Evening, immediately over our office, are in a flourishing condition.*

Quincy Union, February 11, 1865 E.C.V. Nelson Point: *A large and flourishing lodge of the Ancient and Most Honorable Order of the E.C.V. is now in full “blast” at Nelson Point. The Lodge Hall is a magnificent one, and the regalia, etc., the best that could be procured. Some twenty “wand(ers)” have recently been admitted into the “mystery of all Mysteries” and have been brought from darkness into light, so as to “see themselves as others saw them.” The N.G.H. of the order intends delivering a mystical course of lectures during the next two months.*

Marysville Appeal Democrat—January 25, 1896 BRIEF CRITICISM: *Lord Sholto Douglas let the Marysville people make a fool out of him one night when he joined a secret society, and the next night he made fools out of the people when they crowded his house and paid him \$300.*

With the decline of mining and depopulation of the camps and diggings, ECV declined. Revived in the 1930s the resurgence of ECV has produced 40 Chapters and two Outposts located in nine western states today.

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# BIGFOOT LIVES

by JavaBob  
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# In The State of Jefferson

## “Lessons I Learned on the Road Investigating BIGFOOT!”

As a field researcher going out on the road all across the United States looking for evidence of Bigfoot, I learned some valuable lessons. One lesson I learned was why it is important to keep my ego in check.

On one of my earliest expeditions, I found myself in Oklahoma. The team and I had been out in the field for several days and we came into town to shower and get some good local food. We stopped in a small local restaurant for some local specialties. We ordered the fried chicken, which was about the best I had ever tasted.

As we enjoyed our meal, we noticed that our team and our expedition was featured on the front page of the local newspaper. Of course, we were all very excited about that.

I guess the thought of being some kind of celebrity in this town made me feel pretty darn good. We could see that the other people in the restaurant were all staring at us and talking amongst themselves about us. This type of attention was new to me and I reveled in it.

Eventually, it was time for us to leave and the team headed out to the truck. I stayed behind to take advantage of the restroom before leaving to join them. As I finished my business and headed out the door, one of the local patrons held up the newspaper and asked me if the picture on the front page was of me.

I smiled and said, “Yes mamm.. it is”, as my ego began to take over my persona... She then asked me. “Just what is it you do out there?”. Without hesitation, I replied that I was a tracker! Even though my real function was to record and categorize what the real trackers on the team discovered. I thought that saying I was a “tracker” made me sound much more exciting and special than I really was.

That is when I got my balloon burst... The nice lady looked up at me and said, with a subdued smile, “Really... than how come you just came out of the ladies room?.....” At that exact moment, I realized just how foolish I had made myself look by trying to make myself more than I was.

This was a lesson I never forgot and it helped me keep my feet on the ground from that day forward. Isn't it wonderful the way life has of reminding us just who we really are and not who we want others to think we are.... I still laugh about my folly to this very day. And when I told the team what I had done, they laughed at me too!

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I'm getting a little tired... the sun's been down now for almost an hour and it's been a busy day - think I'll get some shut eye and see what tomorrow brings. As I drift off to sleep, I find myself thinking of quiet places and lonely mountains, wind in the trees, a light snow on the ground. I can see myself in all my leathers, coon-skin hat, buffalo robe and all, leading a pack mule down a dim game trail. I can hear the geese cackling overhead as they head south for the winter. The deer and elk have moved down now for winter is upon us... it is trapping time. No, it's a mountain man's time...

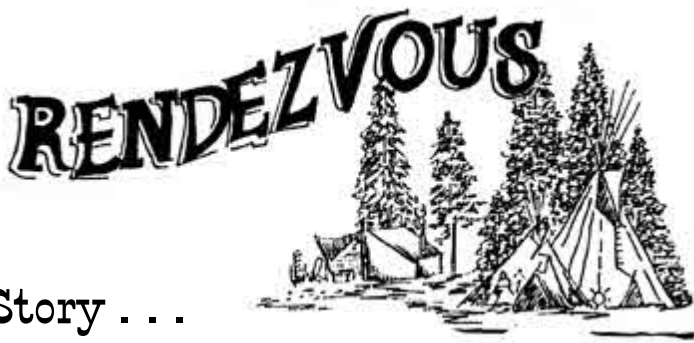
"There is good sign here for fox and coyote, and the stream in the draw is dammed many times over, so there's beaver a-plenty here; guess I better get to trapping instead of staring at the scenery. Won't get many furs that way. Wow, the water 's cold! Most folks wouldn't think of wading up the creek with ice along the edge, but for me - the furs are worth the numbness in my hands and feet. After setting a few more traps, I head back for the fire, and camp. The shelter I've made isn't much - but will keep the rain and snow out.

As the winter wears on... the days become short. It's hard to get anything done with checking the traps and caring for the hides; there is no rest. The snow is deep now, and finding food for myself and the mule has become a full-time job. When I do get to sleep, it is very short. Every little noise awakens me, for to sleep too hard may cost me my life. The bears and wolves know I'm here, but so far, they have let me be.

Don't know what month it is, but spring is just around the corner. I know it's coming, the last couple of snows have been wet and heavy, making traveling almost impossible. But that's alright - gives me more time to work on my hides and soak up the fire's warmth. Made a new batch of 'apple pie' to keep me warm these last few nights, as winter gives into spring. As the snow starts to melt, the rivers and creeks begin to rise, a tell-tale sign that trapping season is over and soon the animals will be shedding their winter coats. The sun is staying higher and longer everyday now, and soon I must go to Rendezvous to sell my furs and get supplies.

As I begin to pack my things for the long journey down the mountain, I hear geese overhead on the trip back north, and the snow is almost gone from around the makeshift cabin I have called home for almost 6 months. The thought of leaving the trap line and small cabin is exciting for it means just another adventure for me. Rendezvous is always a good time, and six months of talking to the pack mule and myself is growing very old. It will be good to see old friends and tell stories. The traders at the rendezvous will hopefully pay a good price for my furs - then I can get new supplies and trade goods for any encounters with the Indians that travel across my path. With everything ready for an early morning start, I think I'll just settle here by the fire and get some sleep..."

I wake in the morning to the sounds of modern times; coffee pot is beeping and someone has the TV on next door. I can hear the cars on the freeway only a half mile from my house. I turn off my alarm clock that I beat every morning so it won't wake up the rest of the house. Wow, what a dream! Seemed so real, I thought I was living it. Well, maybe I am, I did take a week off to go to Rendezvous - where I can leave this world behind, if only for a couple of days. —Author: Dion Meadows



Story . . .

After roundy last june I travled down sacramento river to frisco to have my gold turnd to coin. wilst there wendt to wet my wisle at bayside ale hous .Got into a tussel with some city boys had them licked perty good when the room went dark. I woke up with a head acke and the rocking of a ship. The rats wrer tryin to chew my toes offen my mocskins. The room was dark and stank of swet. my hands were tyed with rope I assed the perdiciment I was in and found some other men tyed just the same as I. The others were coming to life. Light came into the dark when the door was open. I could see two other men. The man that came to the door was stout and hard looking he threw slop on the floor for each of us and left with out a word. The rats were on the slop befor we could get to it. When my wits came to me I de vised me a plan to get some slop on them ropes so the rats mite chaw throu um. Wilst they made a meal out of my ropes I found out who the other boys were one Paul a sweed and one Irishmen name jake they had simlir experience as this child getten nocked on the head. The rats finsed the ropes on my hands and took several bites out of mi hide so I grabed one and used his teeth to cut the ropes on the others. this gave me a ide of trapen more rats and using the teeth to dig us out of this mess. Over the next few days we chewed thru planks in the hul of the ship. finly got threw to the outside and made plans to wait till we can see land. then by the dark of nite broke out and swam to shore. Found our selvs in a bay at the mouth of the stinken river. We wanted to see the ship sink as it took on water but was more set on maken plans to work our way back to trapin grounds in beaver valley. Need to get a stake of rifels and traps so we headed up the river tryen not to distrb the the natives as we went. We fallowed the river up stream and found some gold at the mouth of the trinity river. Made me think of the gold I left at the mint in san fran and the revenge we were going to set on the ale hous owners. That be the same place Paul and Jake got simlr trement as this child. Back to the task at hand. Getting a stake for trapen this winter wel need mules and powder and balls. Shore miss my hawken. I could cut a playin card at 20 paces with it. I guess we can go back to Eurika for supplies or chance finding supplies at Ottitiewa if we scoot up salmon river find a trail over the pass. Guess were going back to eureka mabe see ifen that ship sunk in the bay that would bring a smile to us all. August is passen time to start trappen found some mules and fine shooten irons. Finden gold is easy but beaver plews is where the real coin is. Weel hope to see Deon at Trout Creek Rendezvous June 7th 8th 9th will have more Mountain Man Tails than.

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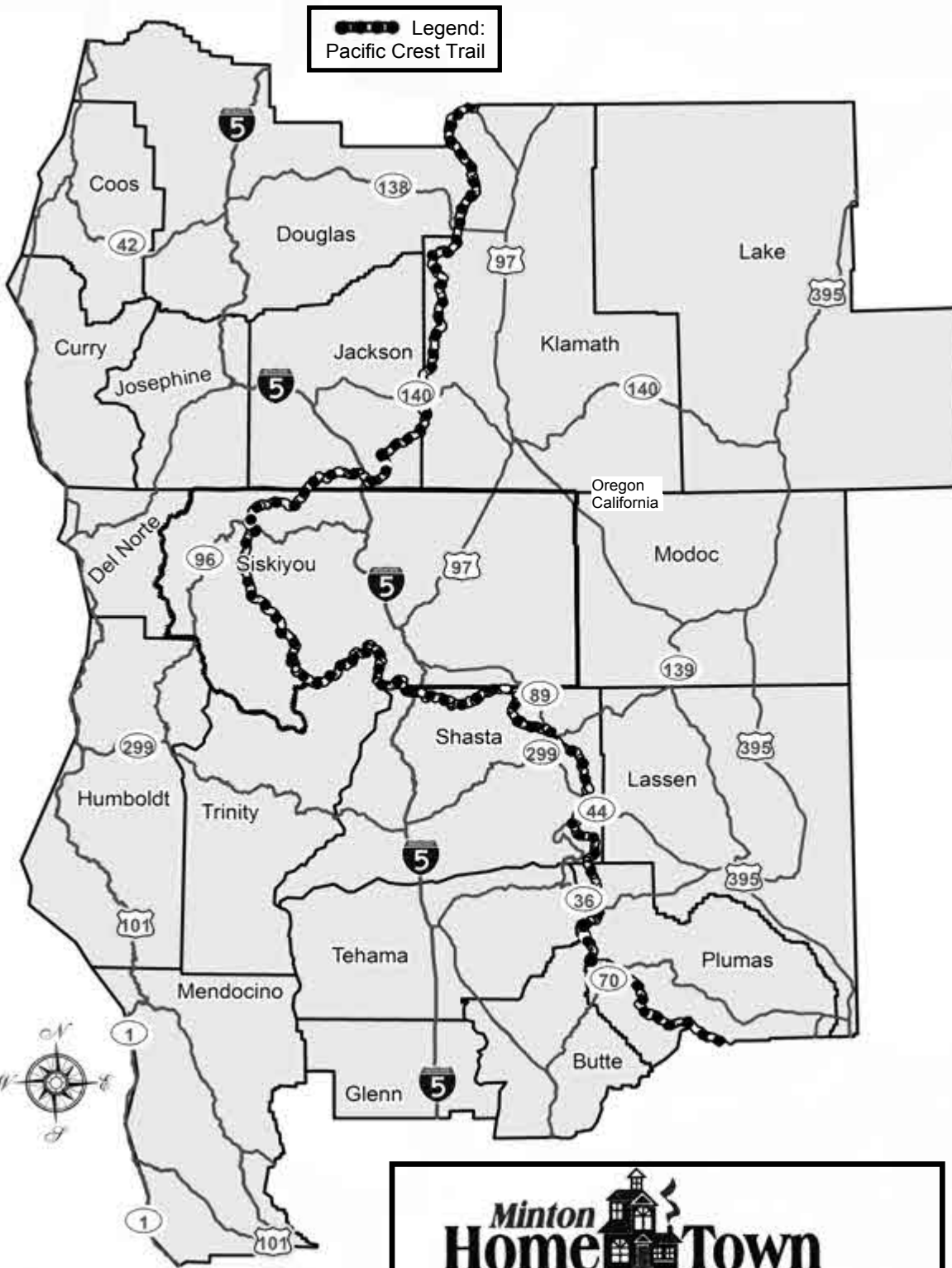


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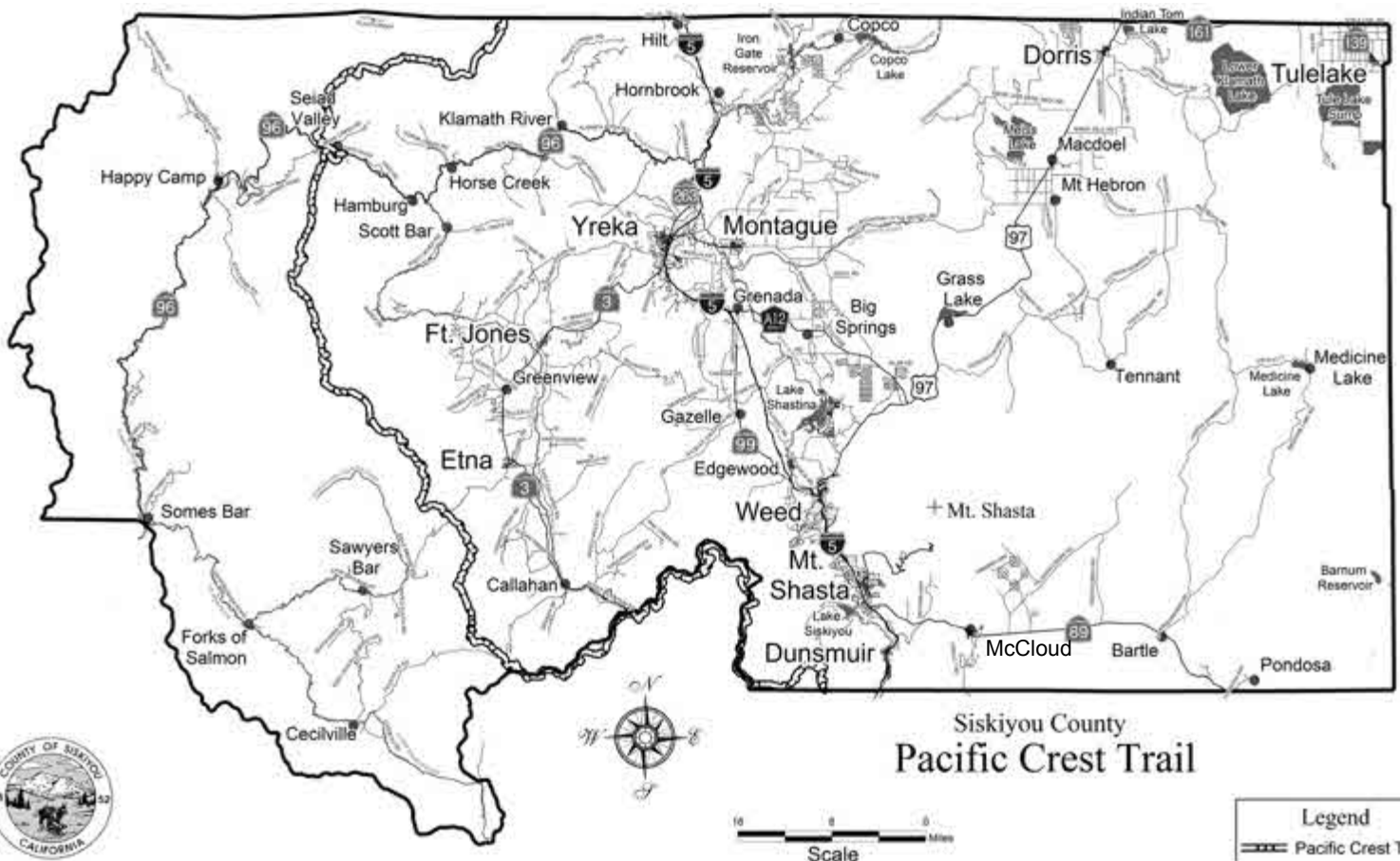
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