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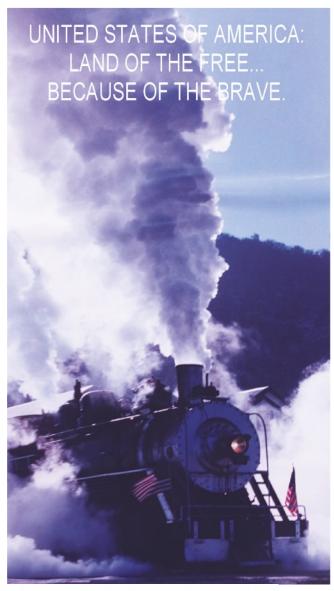
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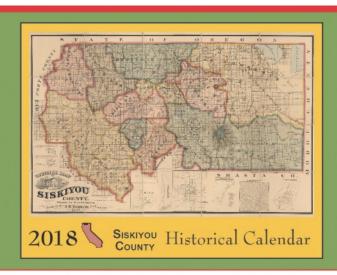
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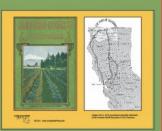


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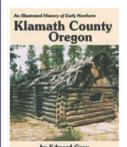


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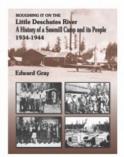


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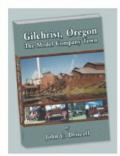


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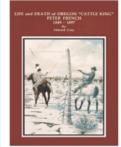
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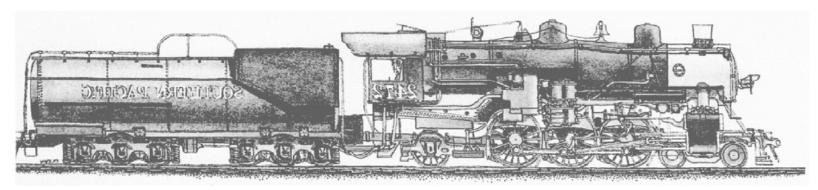
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During the past year over five hundred visitors came through the Museum from England, Japan, Finland as well as Arizona, Colorado, Florida, Illinois, Ohio, Oregon, Washington and Wisconsin. They enjoyed learning about the town and local railroad history; some saw crew changes at the Amtrak Depot, the only Siskiyou stop.

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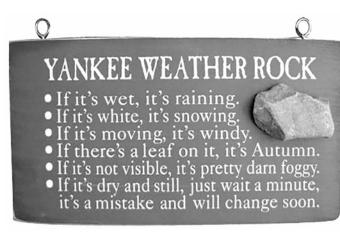


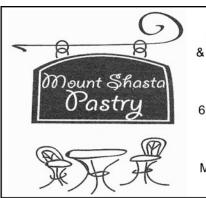
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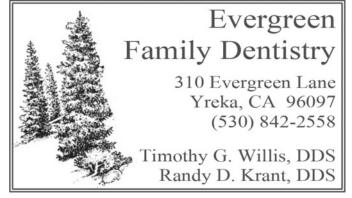


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The winds of December usher winter into the State of Jefferson each year. Here in the Shasta Valley each storm is escorted into our area with almost hurricane force winds. There is no doubt when a storm is on the way. Forget the weather forecasters and their feeble attempts to guess the intent of Mother Nature. Just look out the window. If your neighbors' leaves, garbage cans and chickens are blowing through your yard you know a storm is either incoming or outgoing. To determine if the storm is incoming or outgoing is again a simple act on your part without the needless meandering guesses of the weatherman.

Look out the window once more. Did you see rain, snow, sleet or semi-trucks blowing sideways? The storm is incoming. Did you see the neighbors' leaves, garbage cans and chickens blowing back towards the neighbor's house? The storm is outgoing. You don't need a weatherman, you just need a weather window and the gumption to extract yourself from your nice comfy recliner which sits next to your nice cozy warm stove.

I know, it is a long way to the window. The floor is cold. Next to the window you can feel the cold radiate through those fancy double panes and it takes work. It is a long way from the recliner to your weather window. Advanced home weathermen can see the window from their recliner. But the reward of an accurate forecast from self-observation is far more satisfying than cursing the weatherman who doesn't have a weather window. My guess is the poor fella' is surrounded by computer screens in a room without windows and hasn't looked out any windows in a long, long time.

Please bear with me. I know how socially incorrect it is to use the terms, "weatherman, weathermen and fella'." I am very sure there are plenty of ladies or gender-neutral weathermen who are just as competently, wildly inaccurate as the guys. I also place a high expectation on those who still read a story in print to intelligently interject the correct gender where they feel a need. Mature adults can do this without feeling the least bit slighted. I on the other hand, cannot spit out the word "weatherperson." I know: Socially inept, immature and old school attitude. I am guilty. I also say "please" and "thank you" and hold doors open for other folks.









A more popular item than a weather window is a weather rock. This is also a very old school weather forecast tool. But I don't trust JUST a rock. You hang the rock in the air between sticks.

If the rock is wet, it is raining. This is only accurate if there are no male dogs in your neighborhood.

If the rock is swinging, it is windy. Well maybe, look for the flying chickens too otherwise it may have been the grandkids playing piñata with your fancy rock.

If it casts a shadow, the sun is shining. Well, if I stand between the sun and rock will the rock throw a shadow? Not a very smart rock, is it?

If it doesn't cast a shadow it is cloudy. Yeah, we just debunked that one, didn't we?

If it's not visible, it is foggy. Uhh...did you get out of your recliner and look out your weather window? It will most certainly not be visible from your recliner unless you are an advanced weatherman.

If it's white, it is snowing. It MAY be white. Depends on the male dogs in your neighborhood.

If it's coated in ice, there is a frost. If it is coated in ice, return to your recliner and warm stove. On the way, fix yourself a nice warm beverage, it is cold outside!

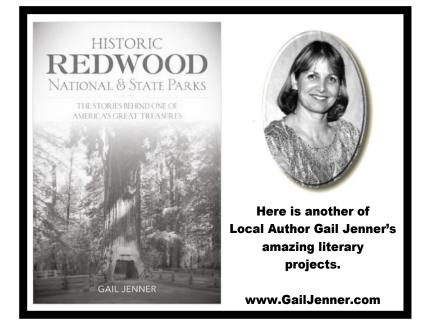
If it's missing, there was a tornado. Nope, just a storm coming or going in the Shasta Valley. Look for it at your neighbor's house. Get yourself a bigger rock.

My apologies if you are a serious, professional weatherman. I am not trying to be demeaning. That must be one of the toughest jobs around, trying to read the mind of Mother Nature. If you ever do become more than mildly accurate, I would like to hire you to help me expand my financial portfolio. Until then, may I suggest you add a couple of windows to your office? \odot

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The ewes are also growing babies, mostly twins we hope. They also have been enjoying some fresh green as well as plenty of stored hay, mostly alfalfa and grain hay. It has been especially nice to have some rain but not enough to make mud.



As a result of this happy little Jefferson Backroads publication, we have received numerous calls and responses to our advertising. That is very satisfying. We are finding, though, that when potential customers see or hear our meat prices, they are put off thinking them too high. They are high, but not out of line for grass fed, grass finished. As I have pointed out, our animals are very kindly treated. No stress. No overworking. We do not run the cows up and down the road to new pastures, nor do we yank their babies away from them at 4 months. When we want them to come, we call them. They come because they know we have good things for them, but no grain.

The sheep are the same. We do put the ewes through the chute to weigh them about twice a year. We also run them through the chute to get to the shearing floor. Since we do it often enough, it is routine to them. It is just part of their lives. Again, no stress.

These practices are labor intensive. We spend a lot of time with our animals just so they will not be stressed. In the case of the cows, it takes 18 months to two years to finish a steer on grass. It means that much extra handling and that much extra stored hay through the winter.

The lambs get fresh green grass, plus a goodly ration of alfalfa when they come in from the field. They are taken to butcher before one year of age, truly still a lamb. Their care is also labor intensive.

All of this is my way of saying that when you see prices for grass fed and grass finished meat, they will be higher. But you will be getting healthy, tasty meat from animals that are humanely treated. It is worth the extra money.

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Sourdough Dinner Rolls

Like biscuits, Sourdough Dinner Rolls were a favorite among pioneer families and trail cooks. For the chuck wagon cook, aka "Cookie," sourdough was a most precious commodity and guarded religiously.

3 cups sourdough starter

- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 11/2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1-2 tablespoons sugar (optional)
- 2-3 cups sifted flour
- 1/4 cup butter

Using a wooden spoon or spatula, scoop sourdough starter into a glass (or non-metal) mixing bowl then add salt, baking soda, baking powder, and sugar.

(Note: Though the starter contains sugar, a little more can be added with dry ingredients.) Mix well.

Let set for a minute or two; it will bubble and double in size. Add 2 to 3 cups sifted flour and mix until batter is the texture of biscuit dough. Lightly flour hands and place dough on a floured wooden bread board; knead for a minute or two, adding more flour as needed.

Pat dough out and cut rounds using a biscuit cutter (or round edge of a water glass). Melt butter. Dip the biscuits in the butter—on both sides until dripping—then place in a 9 x 13-inch baking pan; set fairly close together. Let rise 1 to 2 hours. Bake 20 to 25 minutes at 400°F. Makes 15 to 18 rolls.











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We identify bread that uses a starter as sourdough bread. Sourdough bread is made to leaven using bacteria, rather than bakers yeast. A sourdough starter might be used to introduce these bacteria easily, although they will also occur naturally, given enough time. The sourdough starter activates the micro-organisms already present in flour, so it creates its own yeast and doesn't require any additional yeast; the process is actually a fermentation process. As a result, sourdough has a slightly sour taste because of the lactic acid produced through this fermentation process. In ancient times, all yeast-leavened bread was originally sourdough. That's because the leavening process wasn't understood until the nineteenth century.

Baker's yeast was a cultivated starter and soon replaced the natural sourdough starter as the baker's leavening agent. It saved time and could be sold commercially. Today the famous San Francisco Boudin Bakery, established during the California gold rush, still uses its original 1849 sourdough starter!

Throughout the West the simple sourdough starter helped to sustain life. Liz Bowen, of Etna, California, has a historic sourdough that originated back at least one hundred years. It came to her via her mother, but was originally held by Judd Sullivan, an old gold miner. Born in 1890, James "Judd" Barnard Sullivan gave Jeanne Dillman a start from his sourdough when she married Hearst Dillman in 1941. She then passed a start of the same sourdough on to her daughter, Liz Bowen, when she married in 1974.

As the story goes, around 1890 Judd Sullivan was born at his parents' Wildcat Creek ranch, two miles from Callahan, California. His family, along with many other miners, prospected along Wildcat Creek and the South Fork of the Scott River in the late 1800s. Judd's father, James A. Sullivan, had earlier emigrated from Ireland; his name is listed in the 1870 U.S. Census as living near the Callahan Ranch Post Office. Soon after the census was taken, James married Margaret Samon. Their first child, Cornelius, was born in 1874. The family eventually grew to include five sons and one daughter, Ella.

Although he remained quiet about his gold mining success, Judd did become known for his work with dynamite. It's been said that he was so efficient and skilled that he knew just how much dynamite to use and was able to gently up-end a tree stump instead of blowing it to smithereens.

James Sullivan had two brothers, Bob and Frank, who each purchased ranches near Callahan where they farmed and raised cattle in the early 1900s. Liz Bowen's family eventually purchased the Sullivan ranch, and Liz and her husband now reside on a portion of that ranch. It is only fitting that she has maintained the original Sullivan sourdough!

When and how Judd actually obtained the sourdough starter now cultivated by Liz Bowen is not clear, but it is a slightly unusual recipe in that it's made with milk instead of water. Liz believes the family had a milk cow, and no doubt Mother Margaret Sullivan had plenty of milk that needed using.

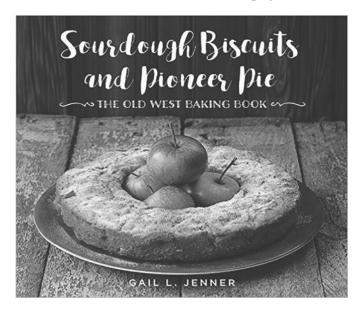
Traditionally a starter is stored in an earthenware crock—with a loose-fitting lid—but today people often use glass, plastic, or other non-metallic containers (acids from the sourdough will work on metal) with loose-fitting lids. If lids are tight, the gas produced during the fermentation process may cause the lid to explode. Be sure the container is large enough to accommodate the doubling action of the starter.

This is the recipe and steps involved in Liz Dillman Bowen's Sullivan sourdough starter:

- Put 1 cup of milk in a glass jar (e.g., a canning jar) or crock. Stir in 1 cup flour and 2 tablespoons sugar (with a wooden spoon or rubber spatula). Some sourdough experts suggest a ratio of 1 tablespoon sugar to every 1 cup flour and 1 cup milk, but others sweeten their starter with 2 or more tablespoons sugar to every 1 cup flour and 1 cup milk.
- Set the starter in a warm place (80 degrees F is about right) for 2 to 5 days. It may have lumps and that is fine. The "batter" needs to bubble and sour (this is the fermenting process). Do not be afraid to taste the starter to be sure it is working. (Note: If at any time the starter begins to dry out, add tepid water to bring it back to its original consistency.)
- Once the sourdough starter has a good sour aroma, it is ready to use; however, if you are not going to use it in a recipe right away, store in the refrigerator. (Note: Cover with a plastic lid or plastic wrap placed under a metal lid.) Sourdough is best when used at least once a week, but should remain healthy for a month or so in the refrigerator.

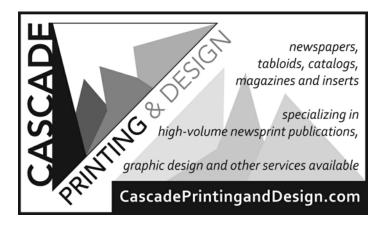
Remember to store in a glass jar, as it will turn green if stored in a metal container; also, use a wooden spoon or rubber spatula when stirring. Finally, whenever a portion of sourdough is removed, replace it with equal amounts of flour, milk, and approximately 1 to 2 tablespoons sugar. Mix and set out on counter so it can bubble (ferment), then store once more in the refrigerator until needed. Sourdough starter can live on for years!

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Sourdough Biscuits Rising on the wood stove. Photo submitted by Gail Jenner.











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Stitching in the Ditch

By Judy Sartor of the Mount Shasta Lily Quilt Guild www.ShastaLily.org

It can't possibly be December already, can it? But it certainly will be by the time that you read these words. Wow! Where does the time go, anyway?

Now, while I could doubtless write an entire column about the vagaries of time, I want to write about a fantastic use of time in the quilter's world—retreats.

So, what is a retreat? By definition, a retreat is a place of refuge, seclusion or privacy. Well, maybe. Most of us understand the basic concept: go somewhere for a sewing weekend free from the distractions and duties of home. You won't be surprised when I tell you that a retreat is so much more than that.

Some of us recently went on a Tater Patch retreat at the Running Y Ranch near Klamath Falls. These retreats, held twice per year, bring 40-50 quilters together from Mt. Shasta, Klamath Falls, Merrill, Medford and beyond. What a neat group of ladies! And what a fantastic location! This time of the year you can fit in walks, golf, a massage, a swim, or even ice skating. The food is the epitome of freshness and taste. Plus there is a private nighttime shopping trip to the quilt shop.

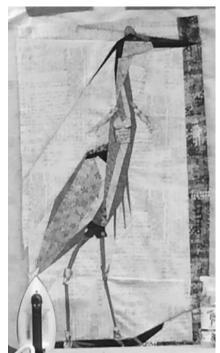
As an alternative, you can organize your own retreat. Several small groups that I know rent a house over at the coast somewhere, perhaps at Bandon. Have you ever been there? Inspiration abounds. So does fun. A friend went on her first beach horseback ride. She was terrified, but it was still fun. At least I think so. In retrospect, anyway. Good job, Deb! And, yet again, the seafood in Bandon is excellent. There is even a full-service quilt shop. Two, actually, if you count Port Orford.

So far I've made a retreat sound like a mini vacation. And it is that. But there are many more quilting-related benefits to participation in a retreat. After all, you aren't required to do the touristy stuff.

You get uninterrupted time to quilt or piece on your own. What a concept! And, if you look around, you can always learn something, often by osmosis. If the retreat brings together quilters from different places, the osmosis effect is greater. Ideas, techniques, and tools can be discussed or shared, along with life experiences. It's also a time for renewing friendships, or for making new friends. Collaboration is a positive outcome.

Most important, I believe the inspiration that comes from being together with especially creative individuals is grand. I always feel that some of that rubs off on me—at least I hope so. This, again, is the osmosis effect. Sometimes inspiration comes from seeing a new pattern—or seeing an old pattern in a new way. Sometimes it comes from seeing a new combination of colors. Sometimes it's just a new awareness.

You can accomplish a lot at a retreat. I saw Diana's stack of "hot" hot pads grow taller and taller as she chuckled to herself. (These are really "hot" hot pads.) Susan smiled as she created Christmas placemats from whimsical animal prints. Kathy pieced a crane (see photo below) which she



hung on the wall. More about this bird in a moment.

Quilt retreats are fun. Sometimes they are also funny. Somehow, in the late evening hours when most of the quilters were snuggled in their beds, leftover scraps from the "hot" hot pads found their way onto the crane—a hat, an arm or two or three, a face, pants, some legs, and boots. You get the idea.

Finally, at a retreat you can imagine that you have all the time in the world. Well, perhaps you



Timeline

March 10-11, 2018: Valley Quilt Guild, Yuba-Sutter Fairgrounds, 442 Franklin Ave., Yuba City

May 19, 2018: Scott Valley Quilters Quilt Show, Fort Jones Community Center, contact Michele Estrada, 598-2444.

June 23-24: Ocean Waves Quilt Guild Show, Fort Bragg

September 1-2, 2018: "Quilting Around the Mountain," Mt. Shasta High School Gymnasium: Featured Quilters Mickey Weston and Diana Fogle, Quilts, raffle baskets, boutique, silent auction, and vendors. Contact Sally Eagleman, 859-0656.

September 1-2: Mountain Quail Quilters, McArthur Fairgrounds

October 6: Pacific Flyway Quilters, Colusa County Fairgrounds, Colusa

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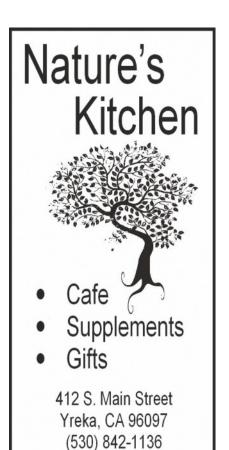
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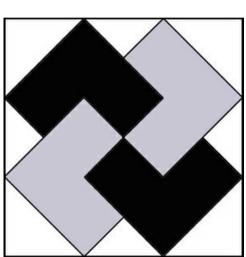
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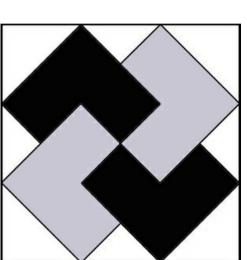
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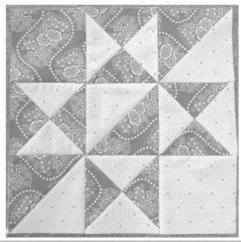
Our Historic State of Jefferson Regional Map

A Brief History of The State of Jefferson Written by Gail Jenner 19 COUNTIES IN SOUTHERN OREGON AND NORTHERN CALIFORNIA THAT MAKE UP Today's State of Jefferson refers to portions of **OUR STATE OF JEFFERSON REGION** 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 Coos Douglas 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. Because the people who have settled along the northern boundary of Curry California and the southern boundary of Jackson Klamath Lake Oregon have always been of an Josephine independent nature, it seems fitting that this region has attempted, on numerous occasions, to create a new state, not just Oregon in name or principle, but in reality as well. The principle is not a new one, however, but California Del has its roots in the area's history. In 1852, a bill to Norte create a new state died in committee. On Dec. 19. 1853, THE DAILY ALTA OF CALIFORNIA of San Francisco suggested that Northern California and Southern Oregon could both benefit if a 'new state' Siskiyou Modoc could be created. Some suggested it be called 'Klamath.' Others suggested the name "Jackson." Humboldt At a meeting held on January 7, 1854, in Jacksonville, Oregon, Lafayette F. Mosher spoke Shasta Lassen about a state of 'Jackson.' Unfortunately, as the **Trinity** son-in-law of General Lane, with well-known pro-slavery and anti-Indian beliefs, the proposed state's identity was tainted by prejudice and unfounded fear. In 1854-55, the State Assembly tried to split California into three states: "Shasta" to the north, "Colorado" in the middle, and "California" to the south. But the Senate let the bill lapse. In 1877-78, **Tehama** some again pushed for "Shasta" in the north, but the U. S. Congress vetoed the proposal. **Plumas** By the fall of 1941, most communities in and around the region were behind the idea of Mendocino secession. In a contest held by the Siskiyou Daily News, the name "State of Jefferson" was officially Glenn **Butte** Several Oregon and California counties joined in. In order to garner attention, a protest was staged along Highway 99 near Yreka. Members of Yreka's 20-30 Club stopped cars and passed out a declaration and pledged to secede every Thursday until the State of Jefferson became recognized as a The movement gained momentum and Stanton Delaplane won the Pulitzer Prize writing about the conditions leading up to The State of Jefferson's "official" secession. A gubernatorial race was held, complete with a parade and speeches and even a dancing bear, but then, on December 7th, 1941, the bombing of Pearl Harbor took precedence over the region's rebellion. 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 UNITED WE world. Ranching, mining and logging have been its traditional source of wealth, but now recreation and tourism compete as major industries. But it's the people who reside here that make the greatest contribution to the character of this region we call The State of Jefferson.

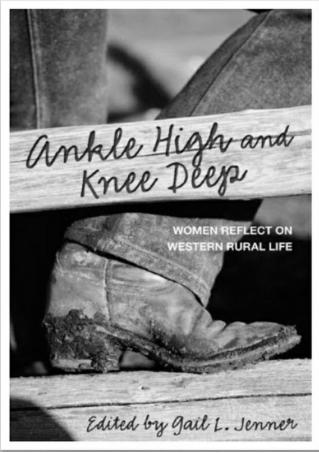
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Northern Klamath County Oregon History & Events

By John C. Driscoll Johncdriscoll1068@gmailcom

"The 2017 Gilchrist Cruise and Changes for the 2018 Gilchrist Cruise"



Every third Saturday of July classic car owners and classic car enthusiasts gather in front of the Gilchrist Mall for the annual Gilchrist Cruise and Summer Fun Day. Since its

founding in 1994 by Rick Ward and Bill Scally, the Gilchrist Cruise has attracted classic cars from throughout the Pacific Northwest and northern California. 2017 entries included those from the 1920s, 1930s, 1940s, hot rods, two Nash Metropolitans and numerous Fords and Chevys from the 50s, 60s and 70s. This year's most unique entry was Allan Holcombe's 1951 Sun Beam 90 Supreme. Allan Holcombe's entry went home with the trophy for Best In Show. (See photos at right on Page 23.)

Following the Poker Run a band played for the street dance. This year 93 cars were entered. Hole In The Wall barbeque provided lunch. Vendors offered wares. Following the show, attendees and vehicle owners gathered at the beer garden. The 2017 Gilchrist Cruise was, to date, the biggest and best attended.

What makes the Gilchrist Cruise possible, what has sustained it for the past 23 years, is Gilchrist's sense of community. Gilchrist residents, as well as those of Crescent, join together each year to make this event happen. Gilchrist is a unique community.

Gilchrist, Oregon, known as The Model Company Town, was established in 1938 by the Gilchrist Timber Company. The town's founding residents moved out to Oregon from Laurel, Mississippi. Gilchrist, located in northern Klamath County on the eastern slope of the Cascades Mountains, is home of Oregon's first mall.

The Gilchrist Mall includes one of the few remaining regulation, two lane, bowling alleys. Gilchrist is Oregon's first town that was (from the time of its founding) entirely plumbed, wired for electricity and equipped with a rotary dial telephone system. These features were why the town was described in 1939 as the Wonder Town. Hollis Johnson, renowned Oregon architect was Gilchrist's designer. He used the Norwegian Modern style when designing the town. Gilchrist, at the time of its completion, attracted national attention. Seeing the town is yet another reason to attend the Gilchrist

This year's cruise was Rick Ward and Bill Scally's last year taking charge of the Gilchrist Cruise. They are stepping down after 23 years. The Crescent Rural Fire Protection District has stepped in to take charge of the Gilchrist Cruise.

Dylan Webb, Crescent Rural Fire Protection District Fire Chief, said regarding the change in leadership for the Gilchrist Cruise:

"...Stepping in was a thought I had. Rick Ward thought it was a great idea. I ran it by the volunteers. They voted to take over the Cruise....We are going to maintain the traditions of the Gilchrist Cruise and will build on them. We are considering bringing in antique fire engines for the 2018 Gilchrist Cruise."

For more information about next year's 2018 Gilchrist Cruise contact Jim Price at 541-433-2466. The third Saturday is July is always the day for the Gilchrist Cruise. For 2018 the date is July 15, 2018. See you there. ■



Photos:

Top Right Alan Holcombe with Best in Show Trophy. Top Left 1951 Sunbeam 90 Supreme Best in Show.













HISTORICAL MARKERS IN THE REGION



At the dedication preparing to unveil the Plaque: L. to R. Noble Grand Humbug Ken "Qball" Bell, Vice NGH Harold Lee and Glenn Hearrell, Chapter Founder.



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Haines Massacre Rogue River Wars

The Plaques of E Clampus Vitus Umpqua Joe No. 1859

The forty eighth in a continuing series of articles prepared by Bill Wensrich

"If you ain't plaque'n, then you ain't Clampin"

The Haines Massacre and Rogue River Wars historical monument was formally dedicated on June 13, 2015 in Merlin, Oregon. Oregon's Umpqua Joe Chapter hosted an E Clampus Vitus Overnighter Doin's party at Gray's Ranch that weekend to celebrate their latest historical monument. From the ranch on Saturday, attending Clampers journeyed to the new plaque site to dedicate the monument with their partner, the Josephine County Historical Society. Both history groups had long shared a keen interest in preserving the memory of the original homestead and its famous Haines family apple tree orchard.

There on the site of the old Haines family homestead in Merlin, presiding Humbug Ken "Qball" Bell presided over the plaque dedication ceremony. Ken did most of the speechifyin' in front of 40 or more attending Redshirts and local civilians. This plaque is a two sided spectacular example of the way an historical monument can be erected. Side one shows original wording from a much older wooden plaque and includes a revised historical account. Side two describes a short history of the Rogue Valley Indian Wars explaining events leading up to the Haines family massacre.

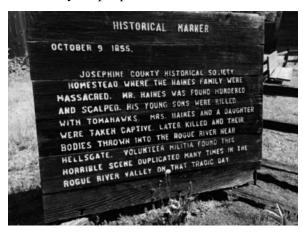
Chapter members Glenn Hearrell and Leo Champagne had been to the site long ago and observed its old wooden plaque in disrepair. Needing to be replaced, Glenn and Leo approached the Josephine County Historical Society who had erected the wooden historical marker in 1993. (See photo of original plaque at right, on Page 25.) Knowing Glenn had previously repaired the old wooden plaque twice, the two groups agreed to erect a more permanent replacement monument.

Dave Waslin and Glenn provided most of the muscle to erect a new concrete monument. Robby Robinson acquired the sheets of granite and engraving from West Coast Monuments in Myrtle Point, Oregon. Ken Bell worked with the historical society. Reviewing the story wording, together they made minor corrections to the original text. They also researched and crafted wording for the other side which discusses the Rogue Valley Indian Wars. This plaque also tells the story of the 160 year old apple tree and Rogue Valley history.



To view this plaque, enjoy a terrific Sunday drive by finding your way to Grants Pass, Oregon found along Interstate 5. Just north of town take Exit 61 to Merlin and follow the old historic Galice-Merlin Road loop highway. Your first stop will be in the town of Merlin. Take the first fork in the road and go right on Pleasant Valley Road and then to the right on Haines Lane just after the railroad tracks. Follow this road to the end where the plaque is located in a cul de sac. Look for the old propane tanks as a land mark.

After your plaque visit continue on the old Galice Road towards the town



of Galice. You will pass Indian Mary Park on your right and another Umpqua Joe plaque. A lunch stop at either the park or in Galice on the deck overlooking the raging Rogue River can be fun. After lunch, continue on the loop. Stop at the Rogue River Hells Gate Canyon overlook, and then continue across the Rogue River Bridge at Grave Creek. Here the road

narrows and becomes Lower Grave Creek Road. Drive slowly around corners. Along the way on the right hand side of the road above the ranch you will find the new Grays Ranch plaque. Another eight east bound miles or so later you will exit the old historic loop highway in Wolf Creek at Exit 76 along Interstate 5. Make sure you stop at the Inn and view the Wolf Creek Tavern plaque. Here, you'll be about 20 miles north of Grants Pass, Oregon along Interstate 5.

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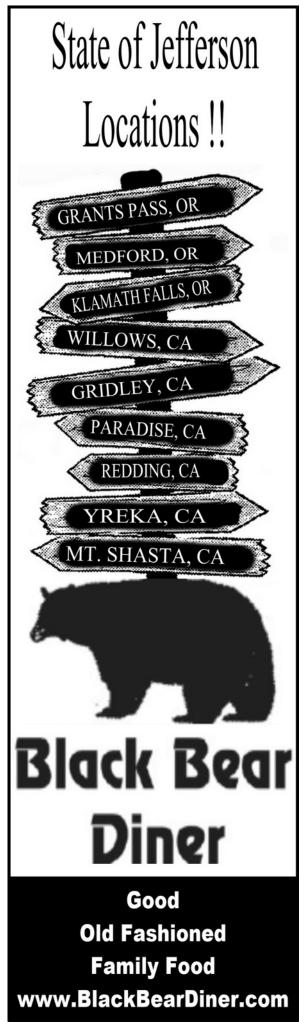
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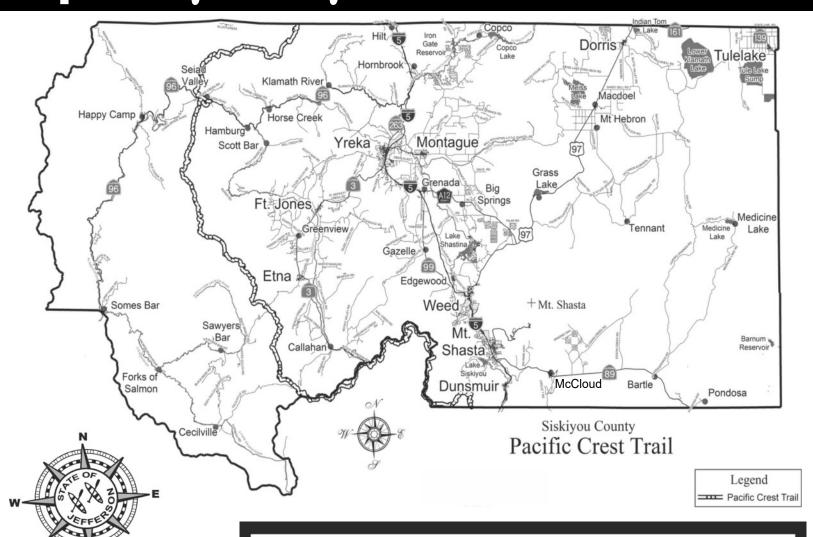


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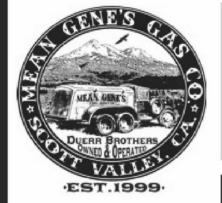
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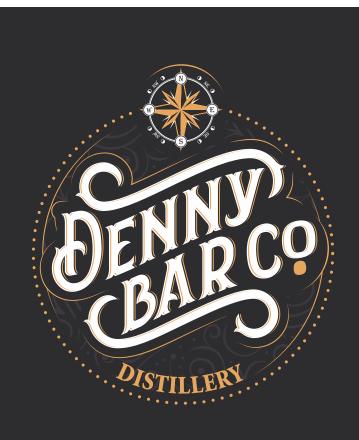
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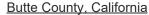
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