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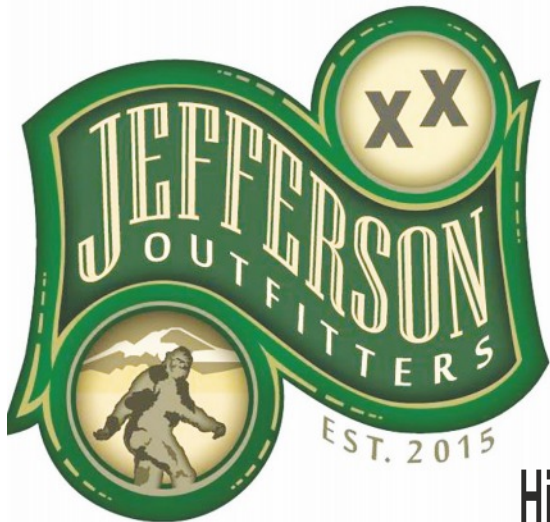


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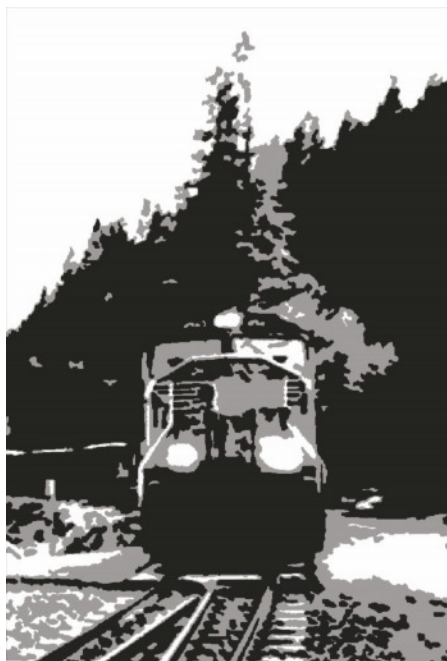
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Siskiyou Ice Rink in Mt. Shasta. See Page 5.

December 7: 24th Annual Palo Cedro Country
Christmas 5-8pm.

December 8: Fort Jones Fire Dept. Pancake
Breakfast, Parade & Craft Fair. See Page 28.

December 31: Wine & Tasting New Year's Eve at
Bob's Ranch House in Etna. See Page 6.

December 31: New Year's Eve Shinn Digg at
Paystreak Brewing in Etna. See Page 7.

March 23 & 24, 2019: Siskiyou Sportsmen's Expo
at Siskiyou Golden Fairgrounds. Call for info:
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Our Sad Hearts go out to all our neighbors to the south in the area of Paradise, Magalia and Concow, California where wildfire has recently done such horrible devastation. Among the vast amount of destroyed homes and businesses, the Black Bear Diner in Paradise is sadly also gone. Another dear Lady who advertises with us who runs the company "Jefferson Outfitters" tragically lost her home as well. This nightmare is heartwrenching to us all. We hold these beloved communities and all the emergency personnel assisting them in our constant prayers...

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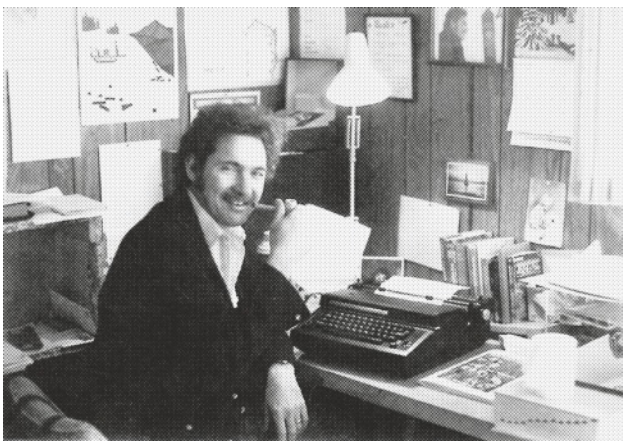
by Hank Nelson of

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"At The Circus"

In my eyes, Uncle Fred could do no wrong; he was good at just about anything and everything he put his mind to was shoulder to the wheel. The circus had come to town, a carnival... and Fred took me to see it. I held his hand and with the other I held tightly to my pink snow cone. We wandered here and there, taking in the sights. There was a lot to see and experience, if only vicariously, like riding the ponies on the Merry-Go-Round, the "loop the loop"... bumper cars and the Ferris Wheel. Lively carnival music, the classic circus Calliope, blared through strategically placed loud speakers to rev up the crowd and get them excited. It worked to perfection. I stood, fascinated, at the organ grinder turning the crank over and over, while the monkey, dressed in a tuxedo and wearing a top-hat, danced. "Okay, ladies and gents, step right up and watch the fat lady sing" and yet another, "Okay, see the bearded lady," and still another, "Whatdya say... whatdya say ... step right over here, watch Siegfried the Great, strongest man in the world, wrestle the Siberian Bear all the way from Russia... and come right in and watch the bevy of gorgeous, high stepping, tantalizing girls from Paree ... belles of the European Continent." We stood aghast and in utter amazement, we held our breaths as Marcos the Magician sawed a beautiful lady in half with a crosscut saw before our very eyes, only to see her reappear moments later from behind a veiled curtain! "Okay, step right up and see the giant two-headed snake from deep in the Amazon Jungle of South America. Hey kid, outa my way... see the ponies, no bigger than jackrabbits. See the ponies from deep down in the bowels of the Grand Canyon, see the circus clowns and a tall man on stilts, dressed in red, white and blue Uncle Sam outfit!" Gosh mighty, it was almost too much to see in one swell swoop! The Barker talked fast, spitting out words like a jackhammer and rapidity of a Tommy Gun. "Step right up, folks... and see Siegfried the strongest man in the world. He can lift anything with two ends on it and snap a railroad spike in two with his fingers like a pretzel."

Going to a carnival only came around once a year. Fred was an expert marksman, he knew how to shoot, to aim, steady yourself and breathe deeply and hold it... and then squeeze off a shot. We watched for a while as people lined up, paid for their tickets, aimed and fired. It looked like a cinch, but people kept missing. The rifles were 22 caliber bolt action rifles with open sights and chained and secured, so you wouldn't be able to walk off with them. It looked easy. Fred glanced down at me, smiled and said, "Hey, Buddy, what do you say we win ourselves a Cupie Doll for Grandma?" Fred looked the rifle over and then put his hand down in his pocket for a pocket knife, and with the end, gently tapped the back sight, just a little... and then took aim and fired.



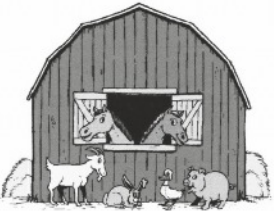
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Professor Cosmos - As told by Fred Cooper:

Professor Cosmos scribed a chalk line on the sidewalk. In back was a façade, a rambling, flat-bed truck with a round canvas top and a sign draped over its mid-section, PROFESSOR COSMOS. There was a table on which various assortments of bottles and containers sat, tonics and salves. On either end, two youngsters, each dressed in an army jacket and wearing a helmet with the liners out, so that they fit down over the forehead just above the eyes, walked back and forth, with a wooden rifle on their shoulder. They were the guards Professor Cosmos had hired to keep order. His countenance was a grandfatherly one, punctuated from time to time with stern chastisements, warning the crowd to stay back of the line. "Okay... Okay stand back. Stand back," and he'd take a wooden pointer he was holding, and smack the side of the big cardboard box that was sitting on the table. Ker...whap!

"Tell ya what I am going to do... folks... times are hard...." Then he noticed one or two or three encroachments, the toes of their shoes inching across the line, and give them a light tap. "Back... get back folks..." It was futile.

Professor Cosmos, chalk in hand, bent over and scribed a new line. The line was incrementally shrinking, and all the while the folks were crowding in closer and closer. It was precisely and unequivocally what he was trying to do... to draw them closer, and titillate their curiosity. Professor Cosmos picked up a bottle of tonic. "This is good for arthritis and gout, and hoof an' mouth; good for hard working folks, farmers and loggers, and the like." Cosmos picked up a flat jar, unscrewed the lid and gave it a sniff... "Ah! An' now right here, in my hand is for the ladies... Mojave salve, rub a little of this on your face in the morning, you'll be brand new. Herbs, all natural ingredients from the forest primeval, Mother Nature... and ya can't beat Mother Nature now can ya folks."

Back to the tonic-- Cosmos was on a roll. "Yesiree folks, I've traveled the four corners of the globe before stumbling onto a heretofore unknown secret of good health and longevity... discovered it in an oasis in the middle of the Gobi desert and hot burring sands of Outer Mongolia... here... pass it around gents."

Fred wiped the end of the bottle on the back of his shirt sleeve and took a nip... then another... rolled his eyes and took a sniff and passed it along. He overheard someone say, "Holy mackerel... this stuff must be ninety perfect blue perfect percent alcohol."


Someone in the crowd yelled, "What's in the box, Professor?" "Yeah ... What's in the box?" another chorused.

"Figured you folks might get around to that, was saving the best for last." Cosmos smiled, opened the box, took out a pair of binoculars, held them up so everyone in back could see what he had in his hands, then slung them around his neck.



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Folks were digging deep and counting their ruffled, crinkled dollar bills and counting their change. The binoculars went fast, like sand slithering down through a crack in the floor.

"Tell you what I am going to do..." He motioned to the two guards, "Come over fellows and start passing these out, tonics to the gents and salve to the lady folk. Let's give a hand to these two fine examples of patriotic young fellows... give 'em a big hand... whatdya say folks." Cosmos was on a roll. "And no charge..." Suddenly a young man from the back of the crowd began working his way forward, waving a yellow piece of paper. Out of breathe, he handed the piece of paper to Professor Cosmos. "Telegram sir. Hope its good news sir."

"Thanks-- you gotta name sonny?" "Jinks, sir." Professor turned smiling to the crowd and winked. "Oh... Hi-Jinks." Professor Cosmos chuckled, reached in his pocket. "Here's a couple of shekles for your troubles, son." Then as Professor began reading the telegram... his sunny countenance suddenly turned somber. Professor Cosmos looked stricken as he held the crumpled in his fist aloft, "My poor old Aunt Gertrude, up the coast a ways, just fell ill... bless her soul... I got to skedaddle, folks."

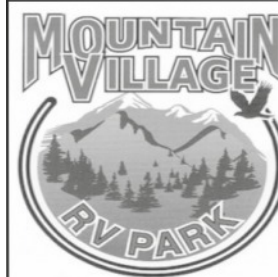


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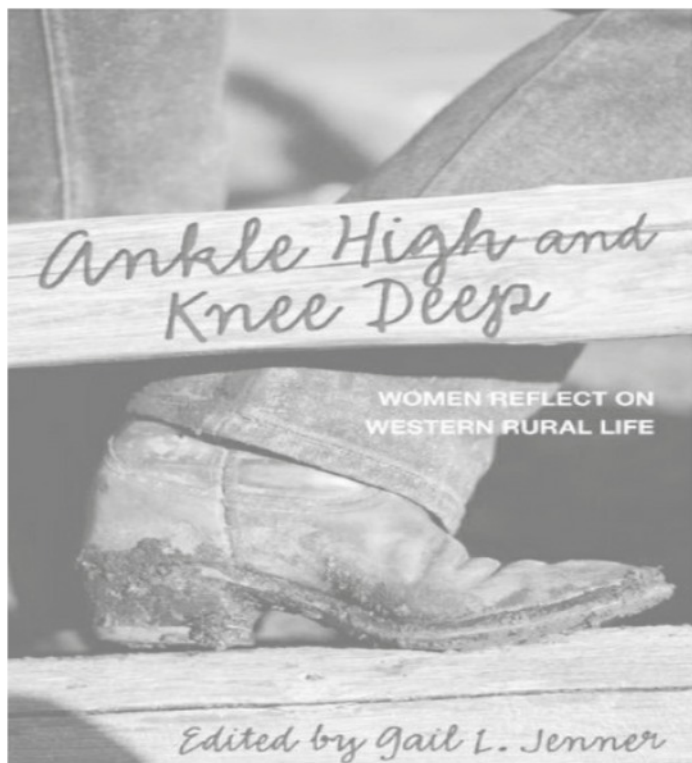
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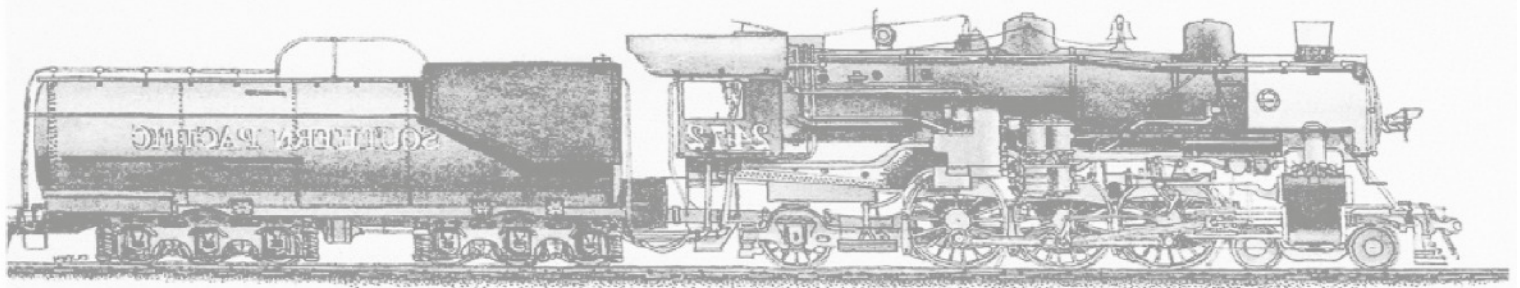
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Professor sat on the running board of his truck, holding his head in his hands, listening to Reverend Biglow. "Now I was an orphan myself... knocked around from pillar to post. Then one day I read a book about Diogenes... you folks look like intelligent people... he was the fellow who walked around here and yon, toting a lantern in broad daylight looking for one honest man. While I was watching Professor Cosmos... I said to myself... right there is a Diogenes kind of fellow. Now folks, he ain't no showman... anyone can see that... giving all his goods away... sold you worthless binoculars ... with an act like that a fellow would sure enough starve to death; he ought to take up a trade, maybe metrology or something. Now... you folks look like good people

to me, with a heart as big as all outdoors. Somebody take your hat and drop a few bucks in there so's mister Cosmos can put a little gasoline in his tank and maybe a bite to eat on the way to look after his poor old aunt Gertrude. That's it folks. That's it... lead with your heart. Now me... I am not putting on any airs... if somebody was to ask me for a preaching license... you'd be barking up the wrong tree folks, but my book is the good book of the milk of human kindness and the sky above is my cathedral. Maybe this is where I'll settle down, sink my roots... it looks like a place where a fellow can be happy. Now when you folks go to sleep tonight, remember to say a little prayer... no, make that a big prayer, for Professor Cosmos and his poor old Aunt Gertrude."

Fred told me that a friend of his just happened to be walking along the road later that afternoon and saw Professor Cosmo's canvas-covered flat-bed passing by, heading north over the North Bend Bay Bridge, Reverend Biglow behind the wheel, and sitting next to him was Jinks... and Professor Cosmos. One day years later as Uncle Fred was reminding me of the story I asked him about it, and whether or not he bought a pair of those cheap binoculars.



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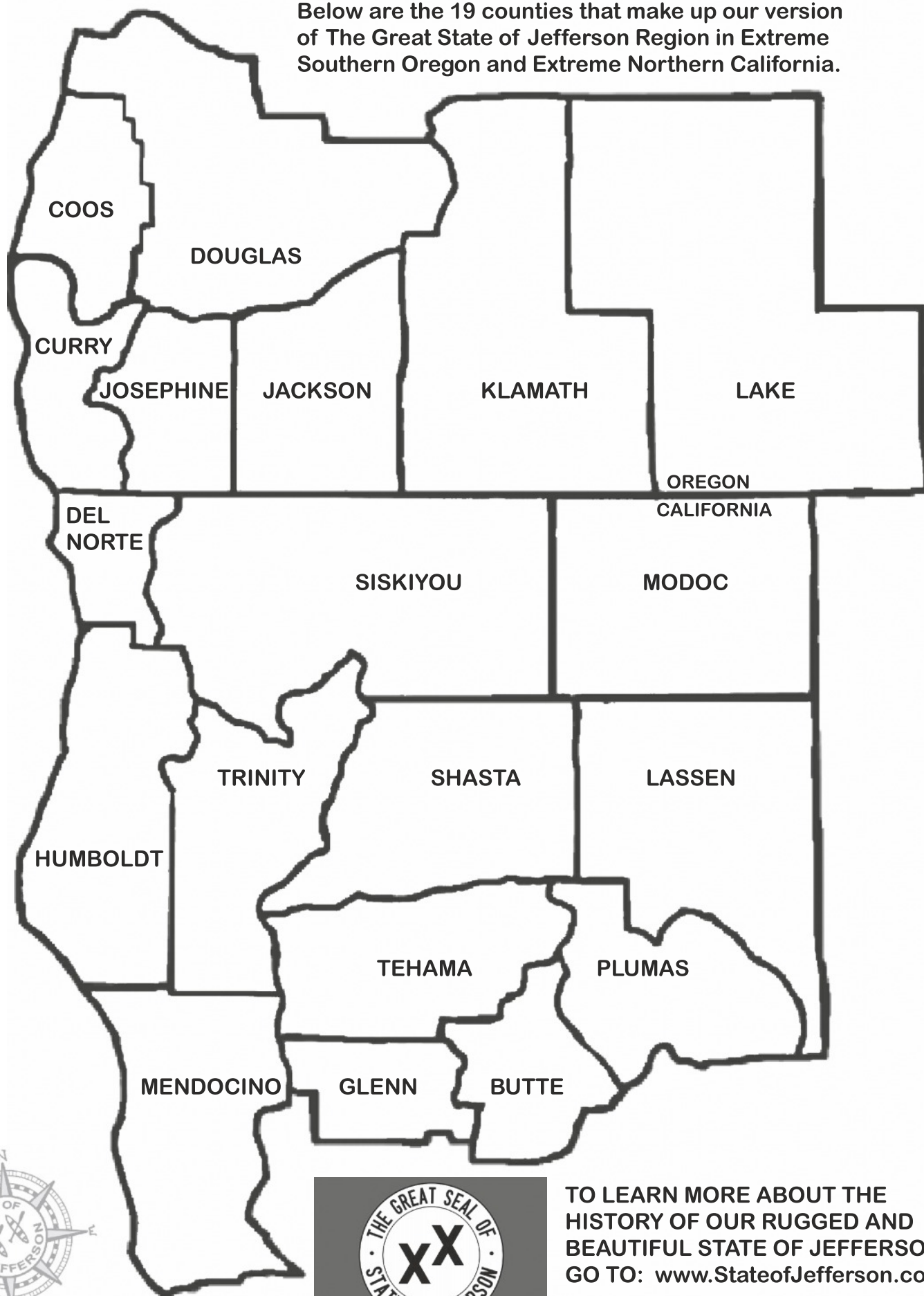
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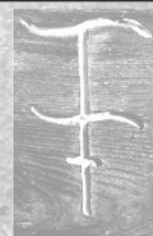
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at Tawanda Farms, we ask how can we improve our husbandry of the land and to our animals? There is always 'room for improvement' as my mother would say.

Last year at lambing, one of the two of us was hurt quite badly by a ewe who did not want help having her lamb. It was a wakeup call for both of us. What would happen to the other person and consequently to the sheep, if one of us became disabled or not here at all? We took stock right then and there. We decided to reduce our flock by about one third. We are very thankful that our breeding stock is in great demand. We were able to reduce the number of breeding ewes by almost two thirds and still maintain enough for breeding stock sales as well as our meat market. So this year we have bred far fewer ewes, kept far fewer rams, and retired a number of the older girls. We feel strongly that the older ewes who have worked hard for us should not be trucked off to be dog food. So they have a group of their own taking care of replacement ewe lambs. Everything involved makes for easier feeding, better care and a sigh of relief.

That was a big improvement and now on to other improvements in the coming year. There is much to choose from so no decisions have been made. When things start to get hectic this time of year, take stock, see how you can improve your life and the way you live it. We are all, the animals and the people, children of God. Take a moment and thank God for the animals that give you food and clothing and for the people who tend them day in and day out. We are thankful for living in Siskiyou County and for the people who help us and for the products our customers buy.

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wary, and as scarce as hens' teeth, but from time to time Fred liked to roust me out of my sleeping bag and say something like, "Come on Buddy, shake a leg...the moon is out and the deer will be browsing.... maybe we can do a little night hunting...huh."

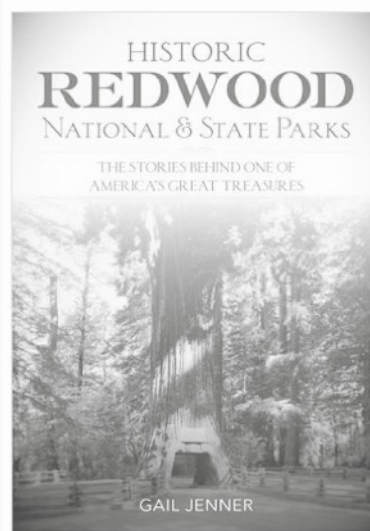
It was an adventure. In the still of the night the forest closed in around us as we followed a meandering game trail. Fred walked slowly, stopping now and then, and turning to me, his fingers to his lips signaling that I was to keep it down... no talking.... shhhhhh!" But I kept bumping into him, as I was busy walking with my head turned so that I could tell if a Cougar or mountain lion was tagging along, sneaking up on me from behind. I knew the score—I knew that Cougars liked to snatch the last person tagging along the trail, or better yet, ambush its prey by laying stretched out on a limb just above the trail, unknown and unseen. I had them figured out.... no question. So I kept bumping into Fred's legs, upsetting the whole apple cart as the saying goes. "Damn it to Hell kid... watch where you're going."

Back at camp, Fred would stoke up the fire and put on a fresh pot of coffee. All the while, I was paying attention to the night sounds, a hoot owl from somewhere in the depths of the forest... a rustling sound of a raccoon coming down to drink or catch a crawdad from the little creek that ran by our camp, and the crashing sound of maybe a bear! Fred noticed and put his arm around my shoulders. "Don't let things bother you Buddy. Sometimes critters are just curious, and just checking us out. Like you would do if someone came along camped out in your backyard. Fred rolled a cigarette and lit up. When the water in the pot started rolling over a little, Fred would wait a minute or two then pour in a half a cup of cold water to settle the grounds. Then, using a pair of pliers, he'd pull it from the edge of the fire to let it cool down a little.



As we sat alongside each other holding our cups and scanning the star-lit heavens above and listening to the night sounds, Fred would break the silence and say, "What do you say we have a Hershey candy bar, Bud?" That sounded fine and dandy. Fred liked Hershey bars and bought them by the cartons whenever we went to town on payday week-ends, so that we'd always have a goodly amount on hand. Fred had imposed a quota of one bar per day, no ifs and no doubts. But, every now and then, he'd say, "Ah, what to hell... let's have another one, what do you say, Buddy."

For as long as I can remember, whenever we were logging and hiking in on a trail, me tagging along, Fred had a part of a song he would sing over and over again. It was more of a poem, just a part of a poem that Uncle Fred would turn it into a melody. It went: "Oh for 40 years, we logged with steers, on the shores of Puget Sound, but now we're working' on a big Compound.... So take 'er out easy and skin 'er back slow... 'cause now we're a 'logging... on a Hemlock show." •



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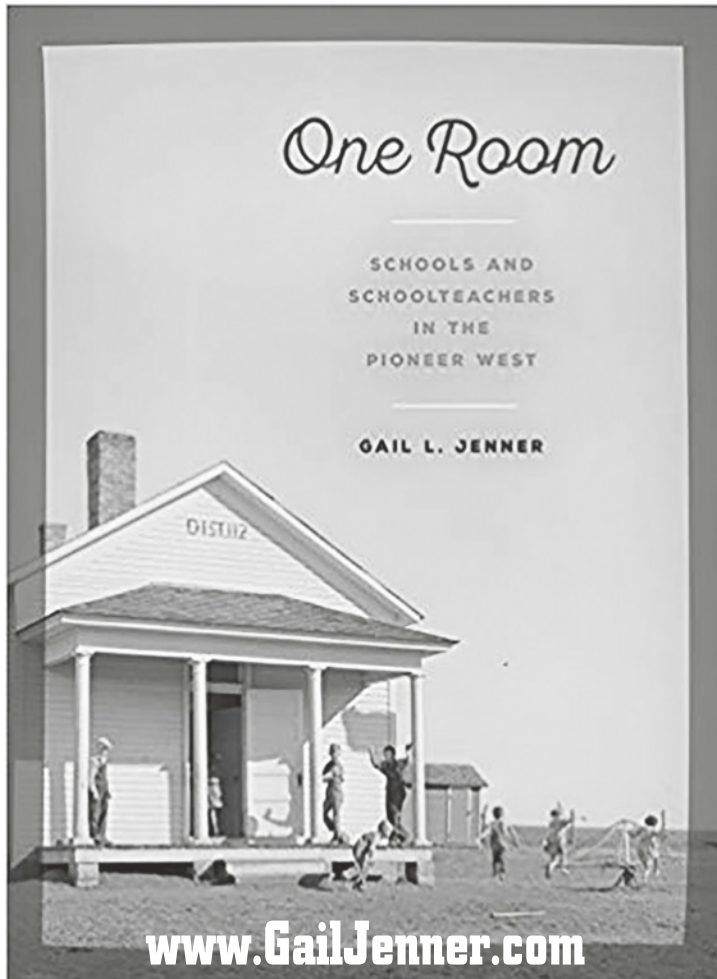
Gail's fourth book with Two Dot, **ONE ROOM: SCHOOLS AND SCHOOLTEACHERS IN THE PIONEER WEST** examines a wide assortment of early one-room schools from across the western United States and features stories, histories, and vintage photographs of schools, students, and teachers who either attended them or taught in them. Heart-warming memories shared by old-timers as well as contemporaries reveal the ups and downs, the humor and the struggles that faced students and teachers alike. The reader is taken back to the nineteenth and twentieth century to when life was often difficult and when teachers—occasionally as young as 14 or 15—struggled to provide an opportunity to children from many walks of life, frequently in drafty, cold, rodent-infested or dimly lit "schools" with few books or paper.

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As many as 200,000 + schools once dotted the national landscape, some without even a name. And while the book contains stories and sites from 14 western states, many local schools from all over the State of Jefferson have been included, including schools from Siskiyou, Shasta, Trinity, Tehama, Del Norte, Jackson, Jefferson, and Klamath Counties (to name a few!).

As noted by New York Best-Selling Author and Historian, Chris Enss, "Gail Jenner's book, *One Room*, reminds us of the humble beginnings of the heroic souls who were dedicated to educating children of all ages in whatever space was available. *One Room* is an inspiring read."

Gail Jenner's book is available locally at the Siskiyou County Museum as well as at Etna Hardware. And of course, it is available online. As a former teacher herself, Gail is especially proud of this latest book and is happy to share the stories she's gathered from the many generous people who eagerly submitted their family or personal stories. ●



Northern Klamath County Oregon News, History & Events

By John C. Driscoll
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"Crescent Sewer System Breaks Ground"

The ground breaking ceremony, held November 9th at the Crescent Community Club, marked the realization of work begun in 1976. Construction of the Crescent Sewer System is the most significant event to occur in north Klamath County since 1938 when Gilchrist Timber Company built its mill, the Klamath Northern Railroad and the town of Gilchrist. Building Crescent's sewer system clears the way for construction of new housing and for economic development. Dignitaries in attendance at the ground breaking ceremony included Derrick DeGroot, Klamath County Commissioner, and Mike McLane, State Representative.

Work over the last six years by Chuck Defoe, Derrick DeGroot, Chuck Lawrence and Mike McLane to arrange funding and the purchase of the land where the ponds are located is the reason construction has started. Representative Mike McLane worked in the Legislature to secure \$5 million in funding for the project. Commissioner DeGroot, in his capacity as chairman, led the County Commissioners in completing the needed zoning and permitting approvals for the project.

Sewer construction commenced with the building of the ponds. The ponds are located on a 200 acre parcel south east of Crescent. The ponds consist of two five acre treatment ponds and a 20 acre storage pond for the treated effluent. The 20 acre pond is larger than needed but plans for future growth as well as winter storage when irrigation isn't possible will make this useful.

During the summer months the Crescent Sewer System will irrigate areas on the 200 acre parcel as well as making the treated water available to Oregon Department of Forestry, Walker Range, and the Forest Service to use the treated water for dust abatement on their roads and for any non-residential fire abatement. A fill station is available to those agencies for their use.

This coming spring, as soon as weather allows, construction will start on Crescent Sewer's collection network. It is anticipated that the collection network will become operational in July with hookups to start at that time and with completion by September 2019.

The Crescent Sewer System will initially serve all Crescent residents and businesses east of the Klamath Northern Railroad and from Osman Road in the north to Pinney Lane in the south. The system may eventually expand to include Crescent west of the Little Deschutes River and tie into Gilchrist's sewer system.



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Construction of the Crescent Sewer System will generate significant economic benefits. Currently new residences or businesses must build expensive sand filtration systems. This requirement has stalled new home construction and business development. It has stagnated Crescent. The new sewer will eliminate this additional expense. Municipalities that have infrastructure such as sewer, water, and gas tend to attract investors and business owners. The result of new business will bring new jobs to Crescent. History shows that property values increase when a sewer system is built. Crescent has already seen increased activity in anticipation of effects of the construction of the sewer system. Improvements to the Little Deschutes River's water quality is another benefit of the system's construction.

Chuck Lawrence, Project Manager said, *"This has been a long awaited process. Previous boards have tried to bring the sewer system to town and have failed for various reasons. The main reason for success this time is due to past president Cher L. Dolan. Cher knew that in order to get the project done the District needed to hire a grant/fund raiser and Project Manager to work with the many agencies involved in a project of this size. Cher persuaded the Board to hire Jeffrey B. Yeley Consulting who I work for to provide these services. I came to this Project with many years of Project Management/Fund raising experience on projects as large as \$385million. The CSD Board has taken an active role in helping me through this process. Other key people have been Chuck and Judith Defoe, Rep. Mike McLane, Annette Liebe from Gov. Kate Brown's office, many people from the Regional Solutions Team, DEQ, IFA, RCAC, and the Oregon State Legislature. The Board has gone through many changes of members since 2013 but every one of them as well as the current Board have been the best I have ever worked with. I could not have accomplished this without the entire team."*

Said Representative Mike McLane in the matter of the ground breaking for the Crescent Sewer System: "The sewer system is smart both environmentally and economically. Today is a testament to how big changes can come when a community is unified in a mission to serve."

County Commissioner Derrick DeGroot said regarding the Crescent Sewer System, "This much needed infrastructure will not only address immediate needs of the local residents but will also open a door for additional development for this beautiful community."

The ground breaking for the Crescent Sewer System marks the start of a new chapter for Crescent and for all of north Klamath County. •

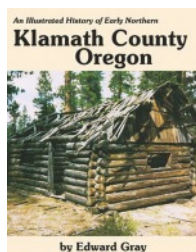


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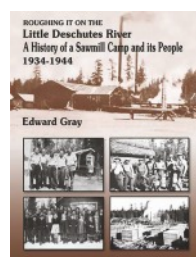
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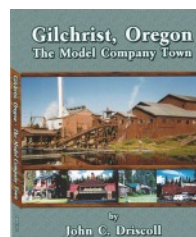
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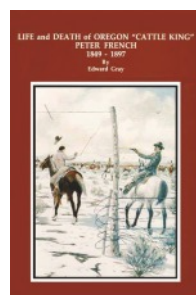
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BITS AND PIECES

Did you miss it? Weston's had a wine tasting and store-wide sale on Friday, November 16. Mickey also had a collection jar to benefit the victims of the Camp Fire. Her intent was to match the donations, but somehow the \$110 in donations turned in to \$300 by the time Mickey sent off the check. Way to go, Mickey! Mickey predicts another event late in December.

And while we are on the subject of Weston's, lots more happens there. Just stop by to check out what is new. The furreal yarn has been a favorite lately. Fabric arrives daily. How much fun that must be to unpack. There are, of course, lots of digital panels, including High Country Crossing by Maywood Studio. Mickey also carries the popular aboriginal fabrics. Westons has classes too!



From left to right, Steve Burns, Charles "Chuck" Rosecrantz, Lynda Snively Hilliard. Photo by Malou Shannon.

Quilts of Valor Presentation in November

Three Veterans received Quilts of Valor at the November 7 meeting of the Shasta Lily Quilt Guild. The ceremony began with remarks by Tony Ginocchio, who represents the Elks and the Siskiyou County Veterans Leadership Council. He also presented a flag to the Shasta Lily Quilt Guild on behalf of the Elks. Following the Pledge of Allegiance, quilts were awarded to Steve Burns, Charles "Chuck" Rosecrantz, and Lynda Shively Hilliard. Steve Burns served in the United States Army as a helicopter crew chief in Vietnam. Chuck Rosecrantz served in the Air National Guard in the Vietnam Era. Lynda Shively Hilliard served in the Army Nurses Corps from 1972-2006, where she reached the rank of Lt. Colonel.

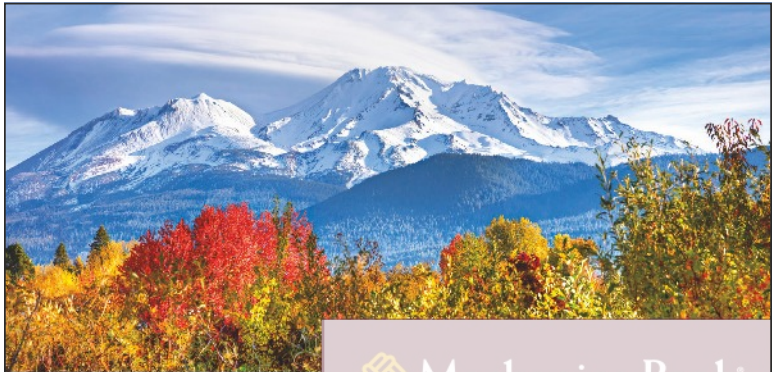
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STITCHING IN THE DITCH

by Judy Sartor of Mount Shasta Lily Quilt Guild,
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Today I've got Grunge on my mind. What an odd name for such a versatile and popular fabric. The possibilities are endless, whether using the front or the back of the fabric.

Sometime in the late 1980's and somewhere in the area of Seattle, the merging of punk rock with heavy metal produced a sound known as grunge. That, however, has little to nothing to do with the fabric by Basic Grey by Moda. Wrapping oneself in a truly dark olive green grunge might make one look like she belonged to that musical subculture, but the fabric is far more versatile and useful than that.

Did you know that grunge is made by dyeing the fabric and then printing over it, sometimes more than once? That makes the back side of the fabric as useful as the front. Since the back provides a solid color, the contrasts are stunning. Perhaps more than anything, grunge knocks the depth of the design right out of the sewing room. There are currently 192 grunge colors, not all available at the same time and never in a single place. Can you imagine that? Grunge heaven.

Now, this is my dilemma—or one of them, at any rate. How do you find grunge in a fabric store? I mean, where exactly is it? Sometimes the bolts of grunge are all together, as a Moda collection. Sometimes, however, the bolts are separated from their fellows and included in their various color ways, such as oranges, blues, golds or blacks. I'm told that it is more accessible or useful when you can quickly spot the role that the fabric plays in the color way. In other words, some shops claim to sell more of the fabric when it is displayed in this way.

Shakespeare once asked "What's in a name?" I would answer, A grunge by any other name would smell more sweetly. No insult intended to Romeo and Juliet. •



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