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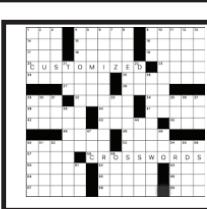
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**December Events & Meetings in Christmas Valley**



**Christmas Valley Christmas Bazaar at the Community Hall**  
Featuring Jewelry ~ Holiday Decorations ~ Winter Hats and a lot more holiday gifts. Friday December 3 from 10am-5pm and Saturday, December 4 from 9am-4pm. A variety of foods will be available at the hall as well as breakfast and lunch from Barb's Kitchen. For more information call 650-455-0052.

Lake County Planning Commission will meet at 6pm on December 7th at the Christmas Valley Community Hall to receive public comment on the proposed Conditional Use Permit (CUP) No. 21-050 Webster Road Solar Farm II LLC to establish a photovoltaic facility. Also on the agenda for review are Temporary Use Permit 21-088, CUPs 21-086, 85, 84, and 83.



The Children's Christmas Party is scheduled for December 10th and will be held at the Booster Building from 1 ~ 3 pm. All Children ages 0 to 12 years of age are invited. Santa will be there handing out gifts and stockings filled with goodies. The Booster building is located behind the CV Post Office.



The Christmas Valley/North Lake Chamber of Commerce will hold its annual meeting on December 11th, at 3:00 pm at Stockton Farm Market-Coffee Corner Cafe. All interested are invited to attend. Agenda items include election of board members and review of financial report.



The annual Christmas Light Parade will take place the evening of December 11th. Line up at KBE at 5pm with the floats traveling down the highway beginning at 5:30pm. Awards will be presented at the parade's end at the Christmas Valley Community Hall where participants and parade goers will be treated to hot drinks and cookies complements of the Chamber

and the Boosters. Parade categories are Most Lights, Most Creative, Commercial, Public Agency, Religious and Individual. Participation is free. For more Information call Becky Tocal at 541 408 1386

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# *Comings and Goings*

*By Terry Crawford*

Eleven years ago the Outback News closed its doors and left a void in our community. Having a love of writing, design and layout the void represented an opportunity for me to step in with a new publication - *The Community Breeze*. It was a leap of faith - as this newspaper would be advertiser supported, and it would not be inexpensive to publish and mail. Would it work? Could it sustain its self? Would it get read? How would the pages be filled? Always at the back of my mind was my long-held mantra; "What's the worst thing that can happen? It doesn't work."

The first paper was only eight pages with just four being in color. Because it is mailed using a special program through the US Postal Service, copies had to be mailed from each zip code it was to reach. So each month required a round-trip drive with Paisley being the furthest destination. On my way home from mailing the first edition in Paisley I received not one, but two phone calls from local writers who wanted to write for the paper. Wow! How grate that made me feel. I meant that this little publication would carry not just one voice and one writing style but rather it would carry many. I can't say THANK YOU enough to all the writers!

By the end of the first year the Breeze had grown to 12 pages and its pages were filled with a lot of content and a little news. It really is difficult to be filled with news when a monthly. At any rate writer and author Toni Bailie of Paisley started writing her column, "From this Angle," in January and has contributed to every issue since then. Along with Toni came Carolyn Pottorff, author of "Colorful Characters from Paisley's Past," and many of her wonderful entertaining stories. What a gift to have this kind of talent. Gloria Hagler, also from Paisley also came on board early on and continued to write for about six years - her column was always entertaining and never predictable and always appreciated. Philip Dawsett wrote his column " My Remunerations," for several years and shared his harsh early life as well as the ramifications of surviving three tours in Viet Nam along with numerous battle injuries. His column was written to bring hope in the realization that there can be light at the end of a very dark tunnel.

Laura Parks of the Willows wrote a great food for thought column in which she shared not only old family recipes but wise thoughts. Sadly for the Breeze the Willows grew rapidly leaving no time for writing.

Enter the Prospector - a local history and mining buff who presents his opinions of archaeological and geological features in a meandering style that at times takes a double read but is guaranteed to pique a readers interest enough to venture out and explore for themselves. Our prospector has quite a following.

I have lost track of how many years Marie Brain has provided recipes for the Breeze. They are varied, innovative, and readers know they can depend on their being delicious. What is really cool is that Marie always shares little thoughts tied to the dish, as well as suggestions for ways to make it your own.

"Bee Cause You Asked," is a monthly column written by Gary Brain who having taken up the art of keeping Bees in his 'spare time' and now harvests fabulous local honey which can be purchased at The Lodge at Summer Lake or on line. Gary shares with readers the ins, outs, pitfalls and satisfactions of keeping bees.

One of the newest contributors to the Breeze is Marie Lee. Marie is  
*See Comings pg. 5.*

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Editorial commentary is welcome and all letters to the editor that are clearly signed with the writer's full legal signature and also include the writer's phone number will be considered for publication.

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Please mail Letters to the Editor to *The Community Breeze* ATTN:  
Terry Crawford, 85450 Christmas Valley Highway, Silver Lake, OR 97638.

## **FREE Community Christmas Dinners**

*Christmas Valley Community Church is hosting an in-person Christmas Dinner on December 20 at 5:30pm*

*This meal is a gift from the Christmas Valley Community Church*

*On Christmas Day, Beginning at 1 pm  
Community members are invited to come to the Christmas Valley Community Hall to share the meal with family or friends or to pick-up meals to take home*

*This meal is a gift from the Praise The Lord Fellowship along with community members and the Konaway Nation*

The resolution below and hearings are to give those affected by a new taxing district an opportunity to voice their opinions, concerns as well as ask questions regarding how, if placed on the May 2022 ballot for voter approval, the proposed dollar amount their property taxes will increase. Remember that you give up your griping rights if you chose not to actively participate in decisions that will affect you. Our government only works when those they govern are involved.

The Editor

## **The Next Hearing regarding the an EMS Tax District is set for December 15th at the CV Community Hall at 10:30 am**

**IN THE MATTER FOR THE FORMATION  
OF THE NORTH LAKE COUNTY EMS  
DISTRICT AND ORDER FOR SETTING  
PUBLIC HEARING**

**RESOLUTION 2021-05C**

### **BEFORE THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FOR LAKE COUNTY**

This matter having come before the Lake County Board of Commissioners upon a request received from the residents from north Lake County for the formation of an Emergency Medical Services Taxation District in the area; and WHEREAS, the Lake County Board of Commissioners believes it to be in the public interest that an EMS District be formed to serve northern Lake County, now therefore,

#### **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AS FOLLOWS:**

- (1) The County Commissioners for Lake County pursuant to ORS Chapter 440.305 through 440.410, hereby declares its intention to form an EMS District named the North Lake County EMS District.
- (2) The Boundaries of the proposed district shall be set forth in the legal description attached hereto as "Exhibit A," and as depicted on the map attached hereto as "Exhibit B"
- (3) The North Lake EMS District, if formed, shall have five (5) board members, to be elected at large, by the electors within the district in accordance with ORS 440.327;
- (4) A public hearing regarding the formation of the district shall be held on November 2, 2021 at the Christmas Valley Booster Building and on January 5, 2022 at the Christmas Valley Community Hall.
- (5) The Lake County Clerk shall cause Notice of Public Hearing to be published and posted in accordance with ORS 198.730.

Dated October 5th 2021



Marie Lee

Marie Lee was born on her family's ranch near Valley Falls. She studied journalism at Southern Oregon College (now Southern Oregon University), and has published a memoir of life on the ranch, "At the Ranch Beneath the Rim." She has also published a collection of stories about growing up, "The Way We Were in Valley Falls," a children's book, "Cowgirl Lessons," and in 2017 a historical novel, "The View From God's Country." After growing up in Lake County, Lee lived in Texas and elsewhere in Oregon before returning to Lakeview, where she has lived for the past 30 years. Currently, Lee is researching another book about the families and history of Lake County.

Among my treasured memories is a memory of my dad as he brought home our Christmas tree via horseback. He balanced our precious tree across the saddle horn as he protected it from possible damage. Snow was deep that year and the only way he could get a Christmas tree was by riding Blackie up to a bench of forest land, south of our ranch beneath Abert Rim.

Around the world we mark the end of each calendar year with a cluster of holidays. Our world is filled with a myriad of cultures and religious beliefs. Where ever we are, or whenever we are, those are the traditions we hold near and dear to our hearts. Out here in Lake County, from the southern edge of the high-desert to the heart of the high-desert, most of us honor a Christian faith and hold fast to traditions of an old-fashioned country Christmas.

Those of us with a considerable amount of age under our belts remember post-World War II.

Decorations were scant, *By Marie Lee* at the Valley Falls Grange Hall. Kids were impatient for Santa's arrival while mothers scurried to get a feast set out on long wooden tables covered



*Blackie, Marie, a Cousin and Maries's Grandfather with Abert Rim in the Background*

Large red and green bells made of tissue paper hung from various light fixtures.

There were two wood cook-stoves in the lean-to kitchen down

with butcher-paper tablecloths. Dishpans warmed on the stoves to wash hundreds of dishes that were often a collection of mismatched pottery from the cupboards of neighborhood families. Men gath-

ered in clusters around stoves in the main hall as they made a feeble attempt to watch over kids so that they didn't mess into presents piled around the Christmas tree. While they watched and waited, they discussed the weather, livestock prices and cussed out the government.

Community Christmas at the grange hall usually happened on Saturday or Sunday before Christmas Day.

Back at the ranch on Christmas Day, if there wasn't too much snow and if Dad had the roads plowed out, aunts, uncles and cousins from town drove out for a day of feasting, a cup or two of Aunt Gladys' homemade eggnog and probably a game pinochle after dinner. If the weather was bad, we went to one of the aunt's houses in town because Dad had a 4-wheel-drive Willys Jeep station wagon.

What a marvelous happenstance it is that the traditions of

*See Country Christmas pg. 13.*

*21 & Older Please*

## *Enjoy A Fun Packed Day*

# RANCHHAND'S GRAND OPENING

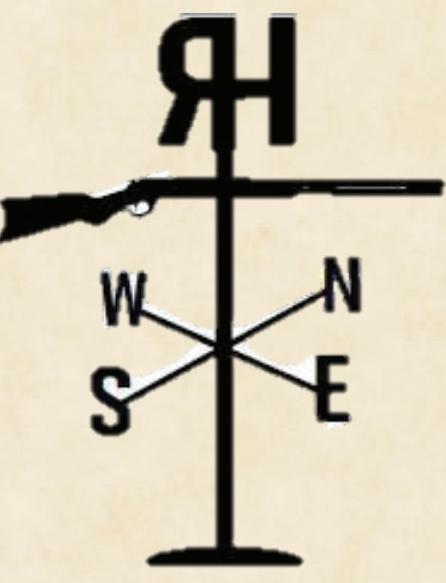
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November is the month to remember with gratitude. On Veterans Day we remember those in the military who served, many were wounded or gave their lives for their country. On All Souls and All Saints day we remember and celebrate our loved ones who have enriched our lives. In Mexico, the Day of the Dead is a festival with parades and families bringing flowers and mementos to cemeteries to honor their friends and relatives.

Thanksgiving is a time to ponder our blessings with grateful hearts. I have been calling to mind friends and family who have died, recognizing the many ways they touched my life. My parents. Wayne and Bobby Negus, moved to Paisley in 1976. When we came to visit from Southwest Washington, we fell in love with the Chewaucan Country and moved here in 1995. So Paisley is a gift from my parents. They also instilled within me a love for wilderness that continues to nurture my soul.

My friend Nadine O'Sullivan brightened my life with her zany sense of humor and her generous heart. We shared many adventures, traveling to Alaska and California's wine country. She was like a second grandmother to my grandson

Sydney, often bringing him up from California when she came in the summer.

Mavis Paull joined our Easy Writers when she moved to Paisley after her retirement. We delighted in her vibrant personality,



*By Toni Bailie*

Patty Schuman left us way too early. She and Derek operated the Homestead Restaurant in Paisley for a time and she would come to our writers' group. We appreciated her warmth and sense of humor.



zest for life and lyrical descriptions of nature. I have fond memories of taking her for a drive to view the colorful autumn leaves, she was so enthusiastic about the display of cottonwoods and aspen trees.

I miss my friend Carolyn Pottorff. Her wicked sense of humor, sharp intellect and passion for local history made our time together so entertaining. We shared a mutual love of reading and

were always passing on books to each other. I often find myself wishing I could ask her a question that arises about the history of Paisley.

Another close friend from Klamath Falls was Elna Johnson. She was a second mother to me, opening her home with generous hospitality. I miss our heart-to-heart talks over cups of tea at her kitchen table. Her genuine compassion and outreach to those around her were an inspiration.

Mike Shaw was my husband's close friend. One Thanksgiving, I had plane reservations to visit my daughter and family in Albuquerque. Al was afflicted with an attack of sciatica and needed a medical appointment the same day I planned to drive to the Reno airport. Mike said, "Go ahead, you need to be with your family. I will take care of Al." True to his word he took him to the doctor and kept an eye on him while I was gone. When our dog Chaco died, Mike helped Al bury him out in the desert.

All of those who were part of my life brought gift of love and inspiration, and I am grateful. As we move into the holiday season, let's appreciate our friends and family and cherish our time together.

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**Earl Eugene Jacobe**

June 3, 1943 ~ October 19, 2021

Earl Jacobe of Christmas Valley, Oregon passed away on October 18th, 2021 at the age of 78.



Earl was born on June 3, 1943 in Osborn, Kansas to Vernon and ?Golda Jacobe. He was the youngest of four children. His family later settled in the Turner, Oregon area.

Earl worked for the city of Salem before retiring to Christmas valley in 2002. He enjoyed hunting, fishing, collecting coins and reloading ammo for himself and family. He loved to take a drive into the hills to look at the scenery and wildlife, and to ride quads and shoot guns. Earl enjoyed spending time with his grandchildren. He especially got a kick out of the younger ones. He enjoyed meeting his friends for coffee most weekday mornings to discuss the demise of society and reminiscing of the good ole times.

Earl is survived by his wife, Mindy; two sons, Kelly (Ingrid) of Scio and Heath (Terri) of Salem; his daughter, Lori (Bruce) Kimball of turner; ten grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren; and his sister, Barbara Bechard.

He was also a big part of Mindy's children; Ashley, Nick and Mason and their children's lives. He also left behind his beloved dogs, Kara, Ally, Lucy, Baby and Jenny.

Bend Memorial Chapel of La Pine is honored to serve Mr. Jacobe's family

No services are scheduled at this time.

**Comings & Goings** *From page two.*

a writer, a historian and a museum curator. Marie's submissions share historical vignettists of the people and places of Lake County's history. Reader's frequently stop and tell me how much they are enjoying her articles.

All of these writers have made The Community Breeze successful and I hope when you run into one of the writers you will stop and let them know how much you enjoy their writing.

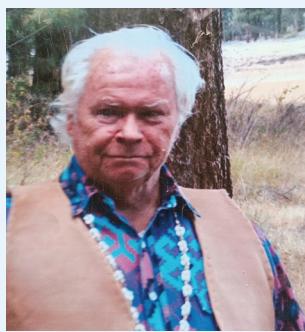
It's hard to believe that 2021 is already near its end. It has been quite a ride with all the upheaval resulting from COVID. Our county did quite well for a long time but all good things come to an end and

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Marvin served as assistant pastor to the flock of the Praise the Lord Fellowship and was an active volunteer in the Christmas Valley community. He drove for the special transportation program until his health slowed him down.

Wife Susan says Marvin died at home, peacefully in his sleep from congestive heart failure.

Contributions in his memory to the Praise the Lord Fellowship will be used to help in the organization's charitable works.



A spring memorial Pow Wow, the date to be announced, is in the planning stages. Several other community members who have recently passed will also be memorialized at the Pow Wow.

we have gone from about 400 confirmed cases to 1,040 during the past three months. With the rise in infection has come a rise in lives lost. But it is not just the 16 people who are no longer in our lives it is about the many friends and neighbors who have gotten sick, survived but have long-lasting health issues resulting from the ravages this virus can cause. During this holiday season we all need to pay special attention to how we are feeling and be diligent in our efforts to protect our loved ones, and our friends, indeed our community.

With that in mind I hope you create wonderful holiday memories and that your travels are safe. Giving thanks and sharing joy of the season is so important in this turbulent times.

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By MINDY

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With the help of Serena we put the girls to bed for the winter. We did a quick inspection put some winter sugar patties in along with placing and filling the quilt boxes with pine shavings on top of the brood boxes to wick any moisture through the winter. I have included a picture of one of my quilt boxes. Very easy to build, just a super with 8 mesh screen stapled to the bottom. Onto the November hit list.

Things to bee aware of are the following:

Record keeping, review your pluses and minuses and figure out what you need to do next year. Pay your "yard rent" to the kind neighbors that have allowed you to place your hives in their keeping. Usually a pound of honey per hive is normal.

Bee Aware of the Winds of November! The winds of November will come a slashing. I have pounded steel fence posts in to keep my hive stands and more importantly my hives from tipping over. Remember to check your entrance reducers if you use wooden reducers as they may have been

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### BEE-Cuzz You Asked

## NOVEMBERRR and the Bees

By Gary A. Brain Summer Lake Apiaries

dislodged in our November winds.. Those 60+mph November Summer Lake winds do tend to re-arrange things. If you wrap your hives bee sure to secure your wrapping or you may end up seeing them in your neighbors pasture!

Now is the time to check your equipment. Paint and repair supers and anything else that needs to be repaired.

Try making creamed honey from the honey

you gathered from your cappings. You'll find recipes on how to make creamed honey on the Internet. So easy!

Check your hives on the **warmest days**; temperatures above 50 degrees if possible. I use a stethoscope to listen for activity. A couple of taps on the side of the hive should let you know that the girls are still there. It is a good way to find out which hive box they are in. If your girls are on the top of the hive, they need some food! The honey stores are depleted and you need to intervene. Do not use outdoor liquid feeders

at this time as it may fool the girls into a false honey flow. Use a shim (see internet for more information) and place winter food patties right on top of the frames next to the bees. You can use

the Internet to find easy recipes to make these food patties.

Just make sure it is **at least 50 degrees or above** if you open a hive. **And do not split the brood boxes to check the lower**

**brood box!!**

Your girls and the Queen Mother should bee in their winter cluster now. DO NOT disturb the cluster! It is another marvel of Nature. If there is a warm sunny day you may see some of the girls out and about. Also check the Internet to subscribe to monthly newsletters about beekeeping. So much knowledge at your fingertips!

Well I am up against the editor's deadline (again) so Bee safe and enjoy your honey this winter and have a great Turkey Day!



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## Shall We Dance?

I remember watching Ethel and George Elder dance together. They were real pros, perfectly in step and pretty darn showy. When they did the jitterbug, they were as good as Fred Astaire and Ginger Rogers.

The Roundup Dances were held on Friday and Saturday nights on Labor Day weekend. They usually had a more professional band and were held in various locations in Lakeview. I recall the court house, the roller rink, the fairgrounds, the Indian Village, Van's Cafe, the Elks, and Eagles. There were a lot of dance partners, including young men from nearby ranches and cowboys in town to compete in the rodeo.

At the dances, we'd often meet people we hadn't seen since the previous year's rodeo and it was fun to catch up. One night, Vida and I were chatting with George, a handsome young Native American cowboy from Chiloquin. When the band started playing the song, "Running Bear Loves Little White Dove," George jumped to his feet, grabbed my hand and exclaimed, "Come On! They're playing our song!" Sadly, a few years later, George was killed in a plane that crashed while chasing mustangs.

Another good dancer was Lewis "Fat" Murphy. He was a big man - 6'3" and weighing 250 pounds, but he was amazingly light on his feet. If he'd had a few drinks, he would steer his partner around the floor so quickly her feed didn't touch the floor. He had a terrific sense of humor and knew everyone in the county. One year a Roundup he took me and his two sisters, Vida Barry and Eileen Malone, on a bar-hopping tour of Lakeview. There were many bars in town that had live music. He managed to dance with all three of us, introduce us to his friends, toss back drinks and keep us all laughing.

At the dances, the basic format of the evening was the same. The music began at 9:00 pm, supper was served at midnight, and the festivities ended at 2:00 am. If people were having an exceptionally good time, someone would pass the hat for donations to the musicians and we would dance another hour or so. The final tune was always, "Good-night Ladies."

Most of the music was Country Western, with a lot of Eddie Arnold's standards, as well as Hank Williams and Jim Reeves. Melva Jeffries played the piano at many of the Paisley dances. Sometimes Delphine Ramos accompanied her on the saxophone. Delphie was

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### *Colorful Characters from Paisley's Past*

*From the same-titled book by (now deceased) Carolyn Silveria Pottoroff*

*Of Carolyn, friend and fellow author Toni Bailie wrote,*  
*"With her brilliant mind and rapier wit, Carolyn could deliver barbs that always made me laugh. She was a wealth of information about Paisley residents, all their intermarriages and peccadilleos.*



Filipino and worked as Buster and Lizzie Vaughn's housekeeper in the ZX big house.

Other musicians included May Deboy on piano and her daughter Joan on the saxophone - they operated the Summer Lake Store for many years. Butch Momyer, who built the Paisley Mercantile, played at many dances. His specialty was ragtime. Butch was a heavy drinker and by supper-time the syncopation was pretty sloppy.

Supper usually consisted of a sandwich and a piece of cake with coffee, and sometimes punch, to wash it down. This was a social activity and a guy might ask a young woman to supper. I can't recall the supper's cost, but it was usually a fund raiser for the VFW Auxiliary or Rebecca Lodge.

The Fort Rock and Summer Lake Granges and the Paisley VFW Hall all had large, round wood-burning stoves and privies behind the building. One night at Ft. Rock, my best friend Vida Barry stuck her head between two broken slats in the privy and bellowed the song, "I'm in the Jail House Now."

There was usually a fight or two at the dances. When men have been drinking all evening, it doesn't take much aggravation to trigger a confrontation. I don't recall anyone being seriously hurt, maybe a bloody nose or a loose tooth. There was one older cowboy who was notorious for pulling a knife, but he didn't actually cut anyone. Once in a while two women would fight, but it was mostly just words. Maybe one would shove the other and there might be a little hair pulling but that was pretty much the extent of it (to the disappointment of some men).

Usually the young single people would go in one or two cars - we mostly didn't have dates, we just went together. One night there were two car loads at a dance in Fort Rock. Vida and I rode in Bob Wishart's car, along with Vida's younger sister Machaela, Darrel Taylor, and

Ray Winter. Bob had a new car, a pale blue Plymouth. It was the first new car he'd ever owned and he was terribly proud of it.

That night the hat had been passed and we didn't leave Fort Rock until after 3:00 am. When we were above Silver Lake on the stretch of highway with thick willows on both sides, the guys started bragging about what terrific ropers they were. Finally, in an attempt to settle the argument, a cowboy named Bill spotted a stray cow and climbed up the fender of Bob's car. Darrel and Ray got out and encouraged the cow to move along. Bill made his loop and was about to drop it over Bossy's head when the cow, probably in utter disgust, stopped abruptly. Bob slammed on his brakes. Poor Bill went flying off the fender and made a perfect three point landing on the pavement, skinning his nose and both knees. Happily, that was the extent of his injuries and cow wasn't hurt at all. Bob was gripping his steering wheel exclaiming, "Did it hurt my car? Look! Did it hurt my car?"

We danced with men of all ages. Unless they were visibly drunk, we never turned anyone down. One of my favorite partners was Darrell Taylor, a ZX cowboy who was older than me and my friends, but Lord, could he dance! One night I had a couple of full crinolines under my skirt. Darrell twirled me repeatedly and by the end of the dance my stockings were in shreds. I had to go outside and take them off.

A favorite partner at Summer Lake was Jerry Weaver. He was five years younger than me and my friends and appreciably shorter than we were. But he didn't care about the age and size difference, he just enjoyed dancing.

One of the best dancers my age was Don "Red" Kemry. Unlike most of the boys, Don knew how to lead. On the other hand, I recall Don telling me that he was supposed to

lead. (Apparently, I was a feminist even then.)

One older man who always asked me to dance was Fred Wright. Fred wore new bib overalls and was a pretty fair dancer. To make conversation he would tell me about a mare he bought from my dad. Now, I've never been a horse person and a three-minute song can seem really long when hearing about a horse. I would go home and tell my dad, "Don't ever sell Fred Wright another horse."

I feel sorry for today's young people. Most of them can't dance and have no hope of meeting people the way my contemporaries did. I wouldn't be here if it wasn't for those dances - my parents met a one when my mom asked dad to dance.

## School Teachers

I attended school in Paisley from grade one to twelve, graduating in 1954. There are three teachers I especially remember: Mary Emery, my first grade teacher; Bertha Severin, my second and third grade teacher; and Bea O'Connor, my high school English and business teacher.

Mary made school fun. She never discouraged any of us and gave us lots of praise. That first teacher is so important. If children get off to a bad start, it can affect their entire academic careers.

Bertha "skipped" me - after only a couple of months in second grade. I was promoted to third grade. In retrospect, I think it was a mistake, but my parents gave permission. Bertha taught me a number of little runes, such as, "i before e." We had Oregon history that year, and I still remember her stories about John Fremont and Lewis and Clark. Bertha was also the only teacher who ever spanked me. The incident involved cleaning my plate in the cafeteria, and escalated from there. Bertha later told me that I was the most stubborn child she had taught in 35 years -- I took pride in that.

An area where both Mary and Bertha slipped up was penmanship. I never could make those neat, evenly spaced circles.

Bea O'Connor was a terrific teacher. She was a disciplinarian. The first year she taught a Paisley she established her reputation and we all were respectful and prepared for class afterward.

*NEXT Month: We will serialization of Carolyn's wonderful historical accounts and hope readers have enjoyed them as much as we have.*

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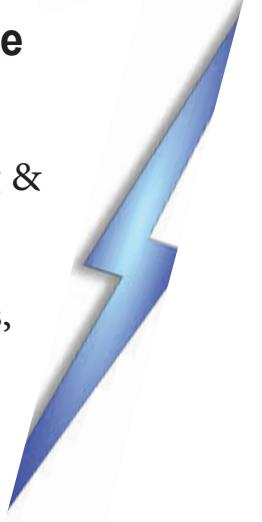
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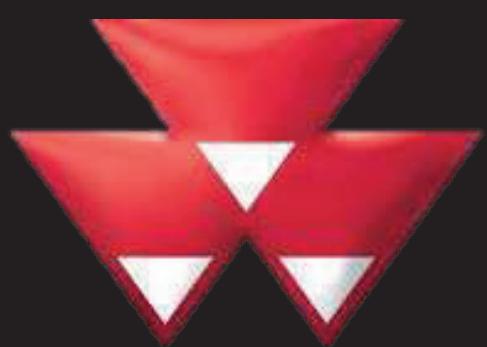
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This recipe takes an inexpensive (relatively, considering meat prices today) cut of beef and transforms it into a delectable dinner entree'. Easy too as you put it together and cook it in the oven. Tomato sauce, herbs and spices work magic as the beef braises.

### WHAT YOU NEED

1/2 Cup Dried or 1 Cup fresh Mushrooms  
3/4 Cup Hot Water  
2 1/2 Pounds Beef Short Ribs  
Salt and Pepper to taste  
Montreal Steak Seasoning (optional)  
3 Tbsp EVOO divided  
1 large Onion, sliced  
2 Big Cloves Garlic, chopped  
2 Cups Beef Broth  
1 Cup Tomato Sauce  
1 tsp dried Rosemary ( 1 tsp fresh rosemary is even better)  
Pinch of Cayenne Pepper  
1 Bay Leaf

Reconstitute dried mushrooms in hot water. 30 seconds in microwave.

When tender, drain & chop up mushrooms, reserving liquid

Meanwhile, preheat oven to 325 degrees F

Season Ribs with salt & pepper and Montreal Steak Seasoning if desired



In same skillet, sauté Onion & Garlic until softened. Add chopped Mushrooms and reserved liquid, Beef Broth, Tomato Sauce, Rosemary, Cayenne Pepper and Bay leaf. Bring to a boil stirring up browned bits from bottom of pan.

Pour Tomato mixture over Short Ribs in Dutch Oven and cover with lid.

Cook Ribs in the preheated oven until they are fork tender. About 2 hours. Add a bit of water after 1 hour if necessary so it doesn't go dry. You want a nice tomato-based sauce.

Serve with Rice or Pasta, a crisp salad, and green veggie for a hearty, satisfying meal.

Marie loves everything food and is creative and skilled and has and continues to be gracious enough to share delicious, recipes with readers every month and we thank her. Somehow Marie manages to find the time to get them typed up and sent over and keep up with all the demands of a very busy life.

The Breeze will be compiling the recipe collection into a small cookbook in the near future

In skillet, brown Ribs on all sides in 2 Tbsp hot EVOO. Place in Dutch Oven

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## PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION INFORMATION

*Submitted by Ann Kasbohm*

### Lake County Public Transit Has Two Providers To Help Those Without Transportation

Special Transportation and the Lake County Senior Center both serve North Lake. If you are confused by which service to use, check with the schedulers of both programs to see which service can accommodate your needs. The goal is to get folks to medical care and also get them to shopping facilities.

Anyone without their own safe transportation is qualified to use either service. If you are using a wheelchair, the Senior Center has ADA equipped vans; they also give scheduling priority to seniors and those with disabilities, and medical trips, and only have 2 vehicles, so that's one thing to consider before you call.

Frequently, vehicles will have more than one passenger and more than one appointment time to meet. At times, this makes for a long day, especially when appointments fall hours apart.

Special Transportation relies upon a network of volunteer drivers who use their own vehicles. When scheduling, it is important to remember that Special Transportation drivers do not work for a wage. They are paid a reimbursement for their mileage only.

Drivers may also take care of some of their own business while a rider is at an appointment or shopping elsewhere. Be patient and remember that it is just as long a day for your driver as it is for you. Be sure to bring your own funds for a meal, or bring your own lunch that will not make a mess or stain your driver's upholstery.

We all love living in the high desert, and we all know that we may have to travel 60 or 100 miles to take care of health issues and major shopping. We encourage you to use these services, and at the same time be appreciative of those who use their time and vehicles to make your rides possible.

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Regular meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 6:00pm in the Lake County Courthouse located at 513 Center St in Lakeview, and occasionally at other meeting places in the various rural communities within the county. Meetings typically last from one to two hours. The positions are unpaid; however, reimbursement will be paid for mileage costs relating to meeting attendance.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Planning Commission, please stop by the Planning Department or Board of County Commissioners Assistant's Office to pick up an application, or call 541-947-6036 to get one mailed/mailed to you. The application is also available at [www.lakecountyor.org](http://www.lakecountyor.org). Please respond as soon as possible, preferably before December 7, 2021 at close of business so the Planning Commission can review the applicants before making a recommendation to the Board of Commissioners.

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*The Prospector and his writing travel a path that has many curves and bends along the way, but in the end an interesting destination is reached. So spend a little time mulling over the journey and if you are curious like me, you may find yourself getting ready to do a little exploring.*

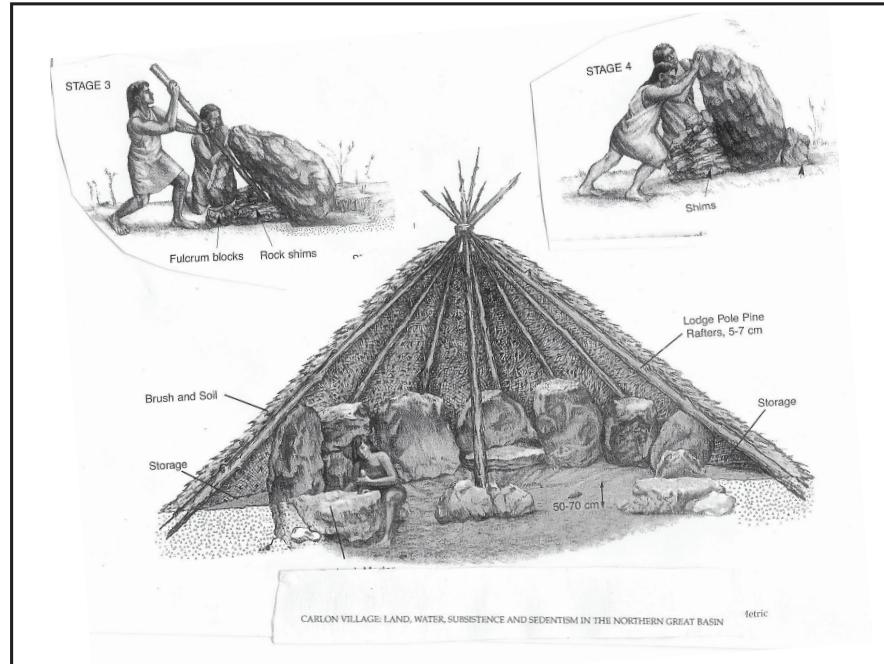
Before we go to the Carlon Village site let's return to the Connelly Hills site and reflect on a thought I had as to its age. The alluvial hills around the base of the hills are identical in elevation due to the course of water action. The two or three hills that constitute the site were filled in with additional approx. fifty feet of top soil brought in to raise the elevation higher than the native hills. Maybe it had to do with water level. If it wasn't water why didn't they just level out the three hills instead of dragging down thousands of yard of top soil to raise the height. Sighting across the desert towards the Rock the major water damage looks to be the same elevation of the base hills. If indeed the Connelly Hills site was on the shore of the inland fresh water sea, there is a way to age it.

To my understanding the HWY31/34-35MP, Pile of Rocks and Connelly Hills sites have never been investigated by anyone unlike the Carlon village site which has been by the University of Oregon. This is their conclusion based on the published seven hundred pages anthropological papers on the site located on the south end of the actual Silver Lake on a small raised hill and on Private Property.

On this five-acre site there several stone circles that are quite visible that are located on the perimeter as if in a defensive position. The structures are basically

## More Piles of Rocks

By the Prospector



identical in shape and size. The University aged this site at 10,500 years old.

Fires bring the usefulness of radio carbon dating down to next to zero and the fires we have personally witnessed in our short time here prove that. The university I chose instead to age the site by the shape of an arrowhead that was found there and ;this was based on the 1923 anthropological digging in New Mexico was seen as proof the site was 10,500 years old--all based on a certain type of shaped arrowhead located at that site.

Each year in the fall, Glass Butte hosts knapping classes to show teach students how to make replica of a 10,000-year-old arrow-

head. In my opinion, finding a Clovis Point here in Lake County does that prove that the Neanderthals were roaming around here chasing mammoths a 100,000 years ago? Perhaps someone simply liked the design and copied it.

Ten thousand years ago not only was mankind leaving the caves and building his own temporary houses for hunting. Temporary, yes, but they had to build these dwellings to endure the harsh environment that came with living within a few hundred miles of the receding Ice Cap and extreme weather that accompanied this event. Mankind, 10,000 years ago mankind, was extremely practical with his time and energy in order to just to survive.

The Carlon Village site shows nothing of the sort. The University speculates that these people would spend countless hours erecting huge rocks in the form of a circle no more than sixteen feet across to live in. Some of these rocks were imported. Quite a feat in itself. Was mankind so attached to rocks that he had to bring them out of the cave with him for comfort?

All this begs one to question the findings. These rocks have no other purpose besides providing a grinding bowl the size of a refrigerator. One cannot lie down and stretch out, not enough of room. Don't worry about burning your feet there is no fire pit in any of them. It's obvious the different departments at institution don't share their findings with each other because the engineering department would put a hold on it. There are no center piles of rocks indicating a center pole for support of the roof and with a sod roof it would have been a must. Unlike the other three sites this one does contain obsidian, however according to the expert's, man just began using the glass 6500 years ago. That number doesn't jive with U of O's numbers. Why don't the students of anthropology raise their hands and ask the obvious questions that challenge the findings?

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## Country Christmas

our post-war parents have been passed down to us, the grandmas and grandpas of 2020, and that we have passed them on to our children who keep them alive for their kids. Christmas trappings have far outpaced those of yesteryear with marvelous decorations, solar lights, gizmos of every description and gifts that out-price and outdo last year's model. But still, Christmas in the country continues to be Christmas in the country.

My prayer for the world is a



**The Way We Were  
in Valley Falls**

Marie Lee

ers the old barn. Smoke drifts silently upward from chimneys as the world sleeps with the promise of day.

Merry Christmas to all.

### Hey Folks,

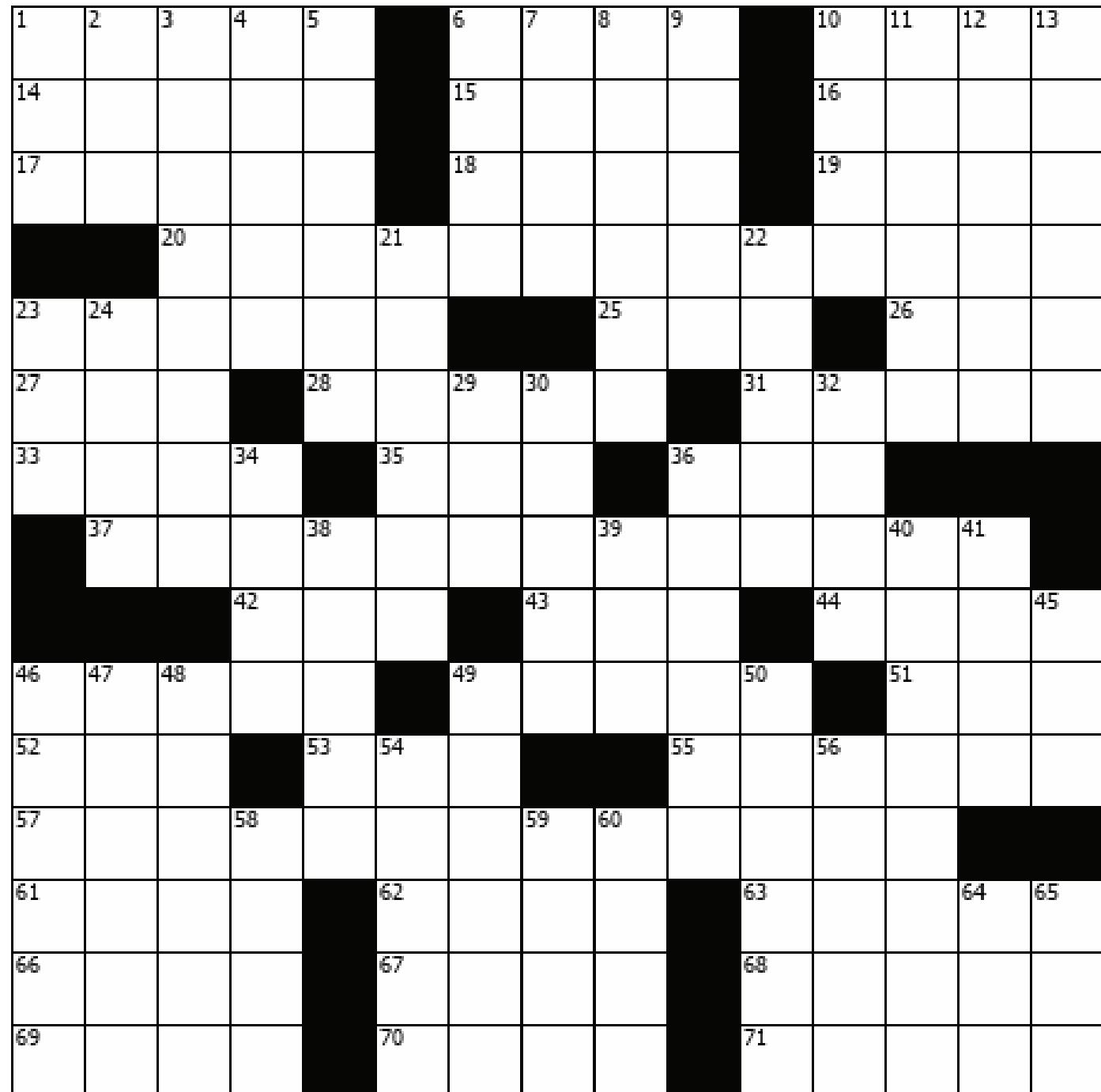
**It's that time of year. It's dark earlier and School is in session. Please slow down and give our children the safe space needed as they get on and off their school buses.**



## DECEMBER CROSSWORD

## Across

1. Start of a famous Schwarzenegger quote
6. It may be checkered
10. They feature cups
14. Type of hand
15. Lecherous look
16. It's right on the map
17. Saloon brawl, e.g.
18. River to Donegal Bay
19. Nymph spurned by Narcissus
20. Start of a silly quip
23. Log cutter for two
25. Helm heading, perhaps
26. Deposit in some banks
27. It may be bridged
28. It once made up the school board
31. Flowing tresses
33. From a fresh angle
35. Knack for music
36. Flesh and blood
37. Second part of the quip
42. "\_\_\_ boom bah!"
43. Pencil stump
44. Physical, e.g.
46. Trashy places
49. It's for recognition
51. It's not good to flip it
52. Lennon's lady
53. No-do connecter
55. Marshall Islands atoll
57. End of the quip
61. Admonishment to Nanette
62. Very out of pocket
63. Manned the scull
66. Hodgepodge
67. It may have a bullet next to it
68. Select group
69. Putin's refusal
70. Musical ending
71. Bird in "Peter and the Wolf"



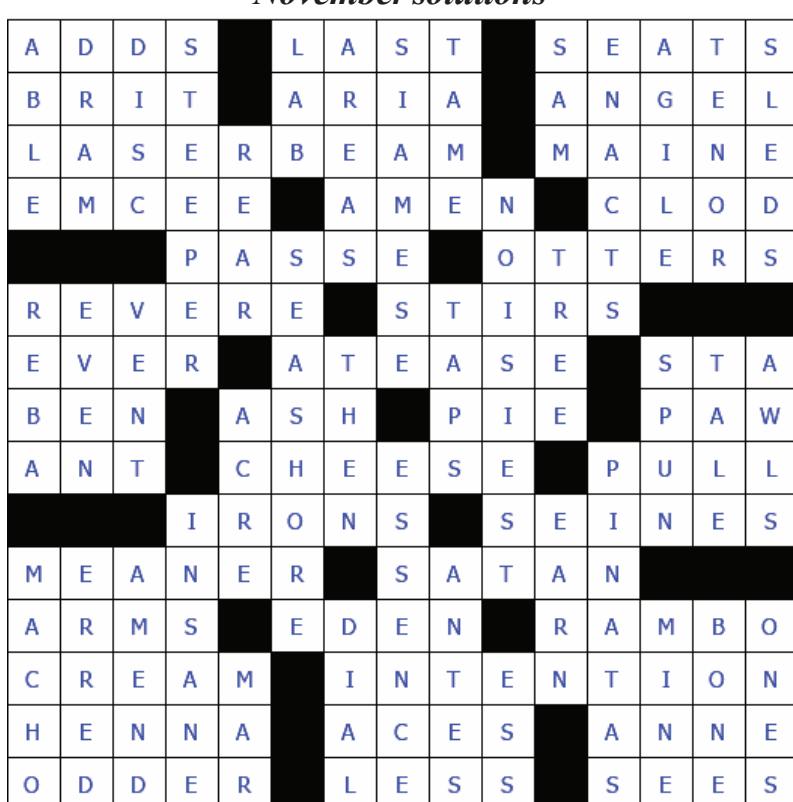
## Down

1. Electronic noise
2. It's naked in a Desmond Morris title
3. Soup type
4. Swarms, as with life
5. Pugs' milieux
6. Commoner

7. For aircraft
8. One who gets the message?
9. Some playing cards
10. What chuck is
11. Omnivorous nocturnal mammal (Var.)
12. Having missed the boat
13. Shoulder warmers
21. Barn fledglings
22. They pull their load
23. Pro golfer's org.
24. Hunter and Holm
29. What your doctor needs to hear?
30. Poll revelation
32. Kick in for a hand
34. Smoke trace
36. They're skewered

38. Fever John Travolta had
39. Protrude
40. Bookplate inscription
41. It's heard on the roof
45. 1501 in Roma
46. Holding in disfavor
47. Far from sacred
48. Unification Churc member, slangily
49. The whole shebang
50. Dolls for boys
54. Savory gelatin dish
56. "Bear" Down Under
58. Thief's take
59. Worked the garden
60. "\_\_\_ La Douce"
64. Biblical verb ending
65. Controlled substance org.

## November solutions



The man bought only one-way ticket for his wife whereas he bought two-way ticket for himself. Therefore, he was sure that he will be returning alone.

The bucket was rusty, so whoever touched it would have rust on their hands. The robber didn't touch the bucket, because he was afraid the rooster would crow if he did so. Therefore, he was the only one whose hands weren't rusty.

MYSTERY  
The Ship Mystery

A Japanese ship was en route to the open sea. The captain went for a shower removing his ring and keeping it on the table. When he returned, he found it had gone missing. The captain immediately called the three suspected crew members and asked each one where they were and what were they doing in the last 15 minutes.

The cook said, "I was in fridge room getting meat for cooking."  
The Engineer , "I was working on generator engine."

The seaman said, "I was on the mast correcting the flag which was upside down by mistake."

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## Public Meetings

CV Boosters - 2nd Mon at 6pm at Booster Building

CV/NL Chamber of Commerce - quarterly (watch for posters)

CV Fire Board - 3rd Mon at 7pm at The Christmas Valley Fire Hall

NL Park & Rec - 2nd Tues at 9am at The Community Hall

CV Water Board - 2nd Wed at 6 pm at District office

EMS - 2nd Wed at 7pm at EMS Building

FT Rock Grange - 2nd Wed at 6:30pm at Grange

Ft Rock Historical Society - 2nd Tues-10am at the Museum

FR/SL SWCD - 2nd Thurs at noon at Silver Lake Fire Hall

Lake Co. Hay & Forage - 1st Thurs at 6pm at Lodge at Summer Lake

Lions Club - 2nd Mon at 6:30 am at Silver Lake Fire Hall

NA Wednesdays at CV Community Hall at 7pm

NL Health District - 1st Mon at 5pm at North Lake Clinic

NL School Board - 2nd Mon at 5:30pm at the NL School library.

SL Rural Fire Dist - 2nd Mon at 7pm at Silver Lake Fire Hall

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