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Now is the time to plan for the 4th!



As always July 4th is a big deal in Christmas Valley and 2023 is no exception. The very long weekend includes Golf, Dart, Poker and Corn hole tournaments, several live music venues, a giant community flea market, the children's carnival, an always fun and exciting parade and much more. Check information on pages two and three.

Father's Day: a day to contemplate

Father's Day is a holiday honoring one's father, or relevant father figure, as well as fatherhood, paternal bonds, and the influence of fathers in society. The single most common date among world countries is the third Sunday of June, which was founded in the state of Washington, United States by Sonora Smart Dodd in 1910.

The day is held on various dates across the world, and different regions maintain their own traditions of honoring fatherhood. In some Catholic countries of Europe, it has been celebrated on 19 March as Saint Joseph's Day since the Middle Ages. Sikhs celebrate Father's Day



on 29 December, Birthday of Guru Gobind Singh. In some Islamic countries, it is set following the months of the Islamic calendar.

Father's Day is a recognized public holiday in Lithuania and some parts of Spain and was regarded as such in Italy until 1977. It is a national holiday in Estonia, Samoa, and equivalently in South Korea, where it is celebrated as Parents' Day. The holiday complements similar celebrations honoring family members, such as Mother's Day and, in the USA, Siblings Day, and Grandparents' Day.

Regardless of when one celebrates and honors fathers it is a time to take stock of the importance of one's father or father figure and to contemplate how they have and continue to influence your life.

I lost my father when I was just 20 years old and I still miss him. I especially miss the opportunity to share life and business ideas and plans with him and gain from his wisdom and experience and insight.

He died young. In today's world he most likely would have lived to a 'ripe' old age but neither the medications or the technologies we have today just were not there.

Father's day is a reminder to slow down, assess your family relationships and consider reorganizing your time - we never know when that door will close.

To all the fathers and their families, Happy Times. Terry



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Sunday July 2nd

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Tuesday July 4th

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Sheep shearing happened during the last week in May or the first week of June. That's

when migrating Marie Lee sheep shearers arrived at the Simms Ranch in Valley Falls. For a country girl it was an exciting event.

Each spring Johnny Armstrong brought his Mexican crew to our ranch beneath Abert Rim. Johnny was Mexican, himself, although from his name it is probable that his father, or maybe his grandfather, was not. They were a happy-golucky bunch and we couldn't help ourselves as we laughed along with them. They would sing, laugh, and chatter away in their native language. Even their conversation was musical.

Extra help in addition to the shearing crew was also on hand. The whole occasion lasted for about two days with Mom putting feasts on the table that rivaled Thanksgiving dinner. As Dad settled-up with Johnny, his crew packed their gear. Johnny then stood my brothers and me against a post and marked off how much we had grown from the year before. Life couldn't get any better.

The shearing shed was no beauty. Unpainted, weathered gray with a rusted tin roof and a tall

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wool-sacking one end, it long ago faded into

history when a cattle chute took its place. There were holding pens and stalls enough for four



a frame between the pen and the constant droning noise of electric shearing machines. Finishing one



shearers. Small pulleys hung from exposed rafters where the shearers fastened their harness rigging for back relief while they bent over hundreds of sheep. A good shearer could handle 100 head of sheep per day. The floor was slick with lanolin from thousands of fleeces over many decades.

Someone was constantly crowding sheep through a chute that ran across the back side of the shed. As a shearer's pen emptied, replacement sheep were forced in. Sheep are a dumb sort. They were kept in those pens by

sheep, the shearer would reach between wool sacks to grab another by the leg, or the head. Quick as wink, before the sheep knew what was happening, its winter coat was deftly being removed. Another person gathered the fleece into a ball, whipped a paper string around the wool, and tossed the fleece up to the wool-sacking platform.

I loved to perch on that platform. From there I had a perfect view of the action below. When I was very young my grandfather sacked the wool, and later it was my father. When enough fleeces were tromped into the long wool-

nothing more sack so that I could easily climb in and out, down I went into the sack and helped tromp wool. draped over I owned a sheep and so I kept my grandmother's scales on the platform. When Mary's fleece came up Dad weighed it and marked the weight down in a little book he kept in his bib-overall pocket. When Dad sold the wool he wrote a check to me for Mary's fleece, and I deposited that money into my savings account.

> Visitors at Lake County Museum are interested in the several sheep brands we display. Sheep brands are carved out of wood. As the shearer released its victim it clamored, bleating and dazed, down a cleated wooden ramp and into another holding pen. When the pen was full, Dad dipped our "Rocking L" into a pan of crimson branding paint and slapped it on the back of each sheep. When he opened the gate, newly shorn sheep bucked and jumped as he counted them out to freedom. With a stubby pencil he wrote down a tally on a piece of cardboard tacked to the gate-post.

> There was something about sheep that I always loved. Dad said that once, himself. The old shearing shed and the last sheep left the ranch years and years ago. There's something about their spirit, however, that pops up in my memory about the last week in May, or the first week of June.

2023 July 4th Parade Entry

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Toni Bailie

On June 10th, the historic Paisley Pioneer Saloon will celebrate 140 years of service in this ranching community. The celebration will feature a band, costume contest and a special food and drink menu. The Pioneer, sporting a handsome new sign, is one of two original buildings in our town which is on the Oregon Outback scenic byway.

Entering the dark, paneled interior of the Pioneer is like stepping back to 1883 when it was first established by Bill Miller. Local cowboys might be seated on stools in front of the ornately carved bar. A photo gallery of ranch life and cowboys line the walls. Except for the big-screen television, it feels like being in another era.

Besides a selection of drinks, the Pioneer serves delicious food, often featuring daily specials. The friendly staff includes waiters Trina and Emmett Williams and cooks Ambriel Williams and Tylen Babb.

In 2015, current owner John Steffes purchased the Pioneer from Terry and Sandy Leinbach

John was passing through Paisley on a motorcycle trip and stopped in at the Pioneer. A few days later, he met Terry and Sandy again at a restaurant in Susanville, California. During the conversation, John learned they had the Pioneer up for sale. "I'd been headed in that direction for 15 years," John says. "I'd been looking for a quieter life style that doesn't involve the city."

The establishment has been in continuous operation as a saloon, except during prohibition when it was operated by George Cooley as billiards hall. The ownership has changed often over the years, but the Pioneer Saloon looks much the same. The impressive bar was built by Brunswick, Balke and Collander Company in 1905 and shipped from Boston around the horn to Portland. From there it was transported to Arlington, Oregon. A six-horse freight wagon driven by Melvin Parker carried it to Paisley where it was installed as the centerpiece of

The Pioneer Saloon comes complete with a resident ghost. Some

From This Angle: Pioneer Saloon Celebrates 140 Years



say he causes lights to flicker and doors to pop open. As the story goes, back in the 1800s, Claude got in a fight with another guy drinking at the bar. In the scuffle, Claude was stabbed. Not realizing how seriously he was wounded, he went to the room he rented upstairs and expired.

By 1895, Paisley had a reputation as a rowdy place where drunken fights often broke out – once there were five fights in one afternoon. Some of the boisterous shenanigans were recorded by Sara Wren who was collecting oral histories for Oregon Folklore Studies,

a WPA Federal Writer's Project. In 1939, she interviewed Gus Schroeder, an old Silver Lake cattleman.

"Paisley only had about 200 people, but it had saloons," Gus said.

"When the boys wanted them a time they went to Paisley. They was great on playing jokes on each other. Once a bunch of us were watching a big card game in the saloon. Joe Bush, he slips out, gets a candle, rolls it in brown paper, and lights it. He come in and threw it among the bunch. It looked jest exactly like a lit stick o' dynamite. Criminy! How them fellers skedaddled!"

"Another time, a joke was played on Sam Hadley. He got drunk and we laid him out on a billiard table and covered him with a cloth. Then Minor Wallace, a preacher's son, knew jest what to say. He preached a funeral sermon over Sam. While he was preaching Sam's funeral oration, Sam came to, and of all the cussin' you ever heard! Sam was good at that." Sam's grandson Vic Hadley recounts that his grandfather once rode a horse right into the saloon.



Top: Front Stoop circa 1900 Middle: Kids with horses 1982 Bottom: Current Day Pioneer Saloon



I'm writing this the evening of May 23, with the doors open and the night air cooling off the house. It's been a while since I was able to air the place out. So glad to be enjoying some pleasant weather at last.

I left town on May 18th, headed to a Working Equitation Horse Competition, quite a bit later than I had planned and headed north east to Milton-Freewater taking the State Highway 395 Route. Leaving Burns the highway winds, climbs, dips and bends through beautiful scenery, and ranches - some of which are massive and spectacular.

But, this is a really curvy road - so much so that after leafing Canyonville the curves are numbed. Seriously as you approach some of the curves there will be a yellow diamond sign saying, for example, curve 73.

I made quite a few stops along the way because I had my new - absolutely adorable - puppy traveling with me. Adorable, yes. Photogenic, not so much right now. He is a rough coated collie which means when he grows up he will look like Lassie. Right now he is big feet, puppy fuzz and energy. Well maybe bursts of energy followed by long naps. His name is Hamlet.

Old dog Bandit is nice enough to play with him and help wear him out. He will be four months old on June first. When he came home two weeks ago he weighed 32 pounds. He is growing fast and will be quite a

good sized dog by the time he is a year old, but according to the books about Collies, he will not reach full coat until he is three years old.

Back to the horse show. I rolled

Comings & Goings

By Terry Crawford

puppy was settled got a good night's sleep. Friday was Dressage day and I had a mid afternoon ride. (Currently, daughter Jill is sharing her mustang gilding, Ferox, with me as I have decided to retire Ben (the Arabian) from working equitation. He just needs to do what he really enjoys doing - which is traveling on trails. He is a great horse, but sometime in his past he got badly tangled up in something and his front legs have the scars to show for it. There is a lingering fear of getting hurt again and this has inhibited him from relaxing in an arena filled with

midnight

and once

obstacles.

So my Dressage test went well and our score was a respectable 62.4 percent. I have to admit that it was nice to ride relaxed, rather than waiting for a spook.

Friday evening was a cattle clinic. That was really fun, as I have never done anything with cattle. Ferox was a star and I learned a lot.

Saturday was the Ease of Handling competition and once again we came out of the arena with a score just short to 63 percent.

Poor Ferox had on Friday and Saturday done triple duty as there were two shows, each with its own judge and Jill rode in both of them. Sunday was set aside for the Speed Competition. I wasn't

terrible fast or slow but got it done with no major errors. He was such a good boy.

I competed in division Novice A, amateur rider and somehow

Ferox and I came out on top.

This photo is of me and Emily Callahan. Had her horse not had a melt down in her dressage test she would have placed first.



Daughter Jill, who competed in both shows in a more advanced level came home with a reserve championship. Sweet Mustang Ferox was really a star.

Sunday Evening was the cattle trial which was really fun to watch.

Maverick, a ten-year-old super equestrian had the fastest time penning his cow. He is the son of the family-owned facility's trainer. What a delightful young man.

It was Maverick who when asked where a good place to take the dogs for a walk, suggested Bennington Lake in nearby Walla Walla. So we loaded up the dogs and headed out to get all of us some exercise. The walk turned into an adventure.

Upon arriving at about 8pm I noticed that the park is gated and the gate is locked at 10pm. Plenty of time for a nice walk around the lake. Not so. Because the lake was high, the last part of the trail was underwater. By the time we realized we would have to backtrack it was starting to get dark. My phone was in the car and Jill's was going dead. Fortunately she had her smart watch

on and it had a good flashlight.

We had 45 minutes to get back to the car and much of the trail was wooded and especially dark. Jill was in the lead with two of the dogs, I was following with the Puppy.

Jill was at that point not going fast enough. I said, "You need to go faster or we are going to get locked in here." She replied that she didn't want me to fall, or twist an ankle. I told her that if I fell I would just get up and if I twisted an ankle I would hobble out." She hurried and we made it back to the car with four minutes to spare.

I left for home on Monday morning and opted for a much straighter route. Walla Walla to Pendleton and on to Interstate 84 and then took Hwy 97 at Bigs Junction. It was really windy, but very few hills or curves.

The May 16th election results won't be final until June 6th but the outcome of the contested races had margins that made the outcome clear. As you know there were very few contested positions. David Shanahan was elected to continue on Paisley School District II, board position one. Dan Maple, who ran uncontested for Christmas Valley Park and Rec District will now hold the position two 4 year term. The North Lake Health District will see Jourdan Fields holding Position three for four years. Tammy Oxenford will hold position four - which is also a four year term.

The good news is that Lake County saw 33.4 percent of its registered voters cast ballots. Lake County's turnout was 9.4 percent greater that the state's over-all turnout. Although our turnout may seem small, it was actually quite good for a special districts election.



Dear North Lake Community, Friends and Family,

North Lake Swine 4-H Club would like to thank you so much for attending our chill feed. It was a great turn out. We know some people traveled a long way to join us, and everyone loved seeing you. Our members really appreciate you time and donations: we cannot thank you enough!

The funds raised will help support our club with field trips and supplies at the fair. We had a great time doing the chili feed, and we cannot wait to see you again next year!

Sincerely,

Maya Merritt-Fivecoat

Reporter, North Lake Swine





The Christmas Valley Lodge has been undergoing a major overhaul and clean-up. Kenny and Amber La Plant have partnered up with Dan and Roxie to bring the historic business and building back to viability.

It is amazing what a lot of elbow grease, mowing, tractor work and imagination can accomplish. The once overgrown patio area now sports new outdoor furnishings and a fire-pit and affords patrons a refreshing experience that boasts a beautiful view of the lake and the golf course.

Outdoors the bushes have been trimmed, and loads of gravel have been dumped and spread in the parking areas which makes walking to the entrance pleasant and welcoming.

Inside the bar you will find new chairs for the cocktail/dining tables as well new matching tall chairs in place of the old bar stools. The restaurant is also being upgraded with new equipment.

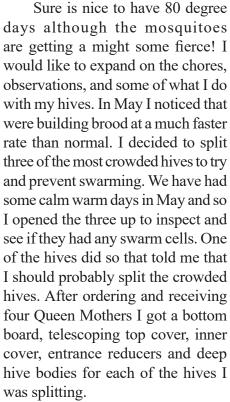
There are three electronic dart boards and a pool table too.

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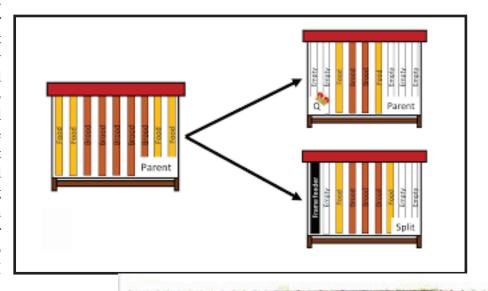
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Bee-Cuzz You Asked March and the Bees

By Gary A. Brain Summer Lake Apiaries



The procedure goes as follows: set up the bottom board next to the hive you are going to split. Put the top hive body of the crowded hive on the bottom board you placed by the crowded hive. Next put the empty deep hive boxes with frame and foundation on top of each of the now split hives. Add the top inner cover, telescoping top covers and entrance reducers. In a day or two come back and observe the activity. Hopefully you will see more activity outside one hive than the other. This should tell you which hive the Queen Mother is in. So what about the other hive that you split?



IF there are one to three day old eggs in the split hives, the workers will make a new queen. They will feed the eggs royal

Queen and attendants in mailing cage

worker cell to accommodate the which I did. new queen. You will need to open

jelly and extend and enlarge the a mated queen from your supplier

I ordered four queens, three for these hives up and check for that cell the splits that did not make a queen, which is normally in the center of and one to make a nucleus colony. a brood frame. If in a week you do Nucleus colonies are small not see these cells you need to order honeybee colonies created from

larger colonies. The term refers both to the smaller size box and the colony of honeybees within it. The name is derived from the fact that a "nuc" hive is centered on a queen, the nucleus of the honeybee colony. I did this to also reduce overcrowding of one of my over wintered hives. To do this you need a nuc box which is a hive box that only holds 5 frames. Take a couple frames of capped honey from a strong hive along with three frames of brood and place them in your nuc box. Place the caged queen in the nuc box and follow the instructions you received from your supplier. If all goes well you will have a new hive to go through the winter with. Next month I will

> chat some more on nuc hives as well as what I accomplished in the apiary. Well it is about time to hit the mountains and look for some tasty Morel mushrooms.

Bee safe!



June is a time of light summery foods. The following are 2 such light dishes that I think you will enjoy. I couldn't decide which of these yummy Breakfast/Brunch recipes to use so I'm giving both!

Croissant Breakfast Casserole with Berries

4 Large Croissants, cut into cubes

1 1/2 Cups Berries of your choice (Raspberries, Blueberries, etc. or a combo) These can be fresh or slightly thawed

1 8 oz brick of Cream Cheese, softened

1 1/2 cup Half & Half or whole Milk

1/2 Cup White Sugar

3 Large Eggs

1 tsp Vanilla extract

1 tsp fresh lemon zest



Butter and 8 X 8" baking dish and fill with Croissant cubes and Berries. Set aside.

Beat softened Cream Cheese until smooth. Add Milk or half and half, Sugar, Eggs, Vanilla, and Zest. Beat well until combined. Pour this custard mixture over Croissant cubes and Berries. Cover with foil and refrigerate overnight.

In the morning preheat oven to 350°. Check the casserole and add another egg and 1/2 cup Milk if it doesn't look moist enough. Bake covered for 1/2 hour. Remove foil and bake uncovered for 15 minutes or more until top is golden and a table knife inserted in the center comes out clean. If you added more custard, this may take longer.

While casserole is baking, whisk 1/2 cup powdered sugar, 3 Tbsp Heavy Cream, and 1 tsp Vanilla together in a small mixing bowl. When Casserole is done, drizzle with the glaze, dust with powdered sugar and serve.

Enjoy, Marie Brain The Lodge at Summer Lake & Flyway Restaurant

Cream Cheese Sausage Crescent Rollups

1 lb Breakfast Sausage

1 8 oz brick of Cream Cheese, softened

1 8 oz tube of Crescent Dough sheet



Brown and drain the sausage. Combine with softened Cream Cheese.

Unroll the dough sheet and spread the sausage/cream cheese mixture over it all the way to edges.

Roll up the dough lengthwise and chill in refrigerator. If you prepare this the night before, wrap in parchment paper and foil before refrigerating overnight.

Once chilled, cut roll into 1/4" rounds. Bake at 375° F for 15 minutes or until golden brown. Yummy with Scrambled Eggs!

Thank you to Marie Brain for always providing readers with yummy, interesting and most of the time easy to prepare recipes.

KCC continues local leader focus naming Akins as keynote speaker

Officer and President for Cascade Comprehensive Care (CCC) and Cascade Health Alliance (CHA), has been named as the keynote speaker for the upcoming Klamath Community College commencement ceremony.

The announcement of Akins as keynote speaker for commencement continues a recent tradition KCC has maintained to proactively promote and partner with local leaders keenly aware and involved in regional issues and opportunities in the Klamath Basin. Previous recent speakers have included Sky Lakes Medical Center CEO David Cauble, Klamath County Commissioner David DeGroot, and Oregon District 55 State House Representative E. Werner Reschke.

Scheduled for 6 p.m. Friday, June 16, the commencement ceremony serves as graduation for the class of 2023. It will be presented both in-person for friends and family on the KCC campus lawn, and livestreamed on the KCC YouTube channel for the general public. The celebration honors graduates who have not only overcame academic challenges, but persevered in their educational goals amidst the added burdens of the global COVID-19 pandemic.

Cascade Comprehensive Care, through its affiliated organizations CHA and ATRIO Health Plans, provides health services for populations covered under Medicaid

Tayo Akins, Chief Executive and Medicare. Akins has worked decades in the healthcare industry, and further serves the community as a board member of Pacific Crest Federal Credit Union and ATRIO Health Plans. Previously, he has served on the boards for Reliance (Jefferson Health Information Exchange), the Klamath Falls Blue Zones Project steering committee, and the Oregon Higher Education Coordination Commission.

> Akins earned a Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering from Howard University and a Master's Degree from Stanford University.

> A strong supporter of Klamath Community College, Akins and his affiliated organizations have partnered with KCC in efforts such as sponsoring workforce training programs, partnering in development of KCC's Health Information Management program, economic development for housing in affiliation with the Klamath County Economic Development Association, lowincome first-generation GED grant awareness, and ongoing support of the KCC Foundation. Under his direction, and with support from CCC's board of directors, over \$6 million in donations for community projects and initiatives have been made in Klamath County through the organization.

> KCC's commencement will feature several speakers in addition to Akins, spotlighting individual student achievements and academic

honors. A reception for graduates and their invited guests will also be included. Barring inclement weather, ceremonies will be outside on the KCC main lawn adjacent to Founders Hall.

Additional student graduation ceremonies will also be held on upcoming dates for individual programs such as GED, TRiO Student Support Services, and high school pathway graduates.

The KCC campus is at 7390 S. Sixth St. Visit klamathcc.edu for more information.





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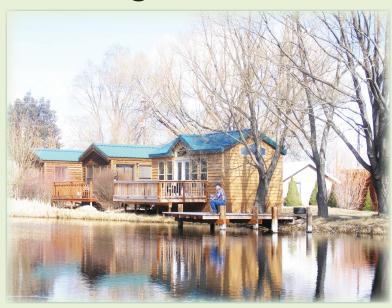
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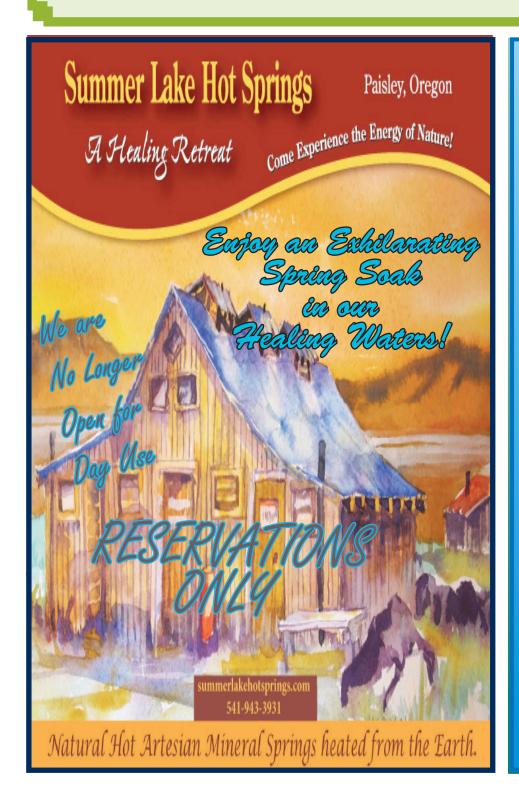
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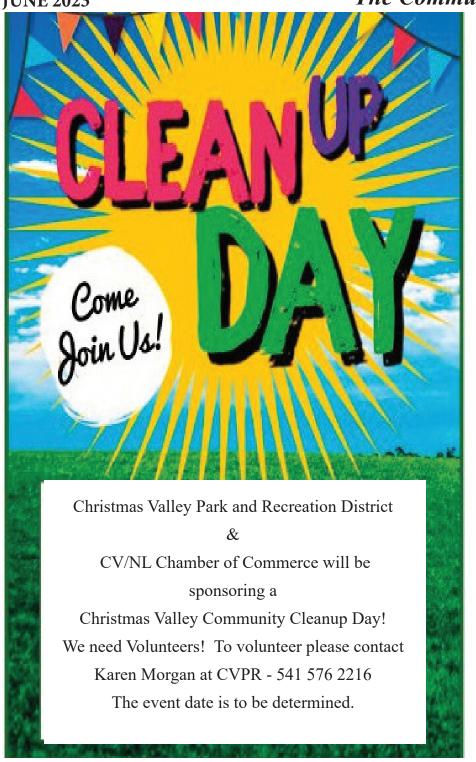




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CLINIC UPDATE

As many know, La\Pine Community Health Clinic is no longer providing primary healthcare services. The NLHD Board sent out an RFP to Healthcare provider organizations inviting them to offer a proposal to take over the clinic. Additionally, an independent Healthcare provider has expressed interest.

The NLHD Board that gaining a new provider is a time consuming process which translates to the clinic being closed in Christmas Valley. The Board is confident that this will just be temporary and they are working diligently to obtain a permanent provider.

We want residents to know that this in no way affects the other medical center tenants: Dr. Arbow, Dr. Eichner, Shawn Lavallee and the staff at the Wellness Center (Mental Health) will continue to be available and will as always schedule their own appointments.

The NLHD Board Meets the first Monday of every Month in the Conference room at the Clinic. All are welcome.

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Timothy Arbow, O.D.

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The Community Breeze

Desert Dandy

By Gladys Martin

Chapter SIXTEEN

"My, what a beautiful location," Annie exclaimed. "It's hard to believe such a secluded place could be this close to town." "It is kind of pretty, Nancy agreed. "I like Wagontire better though. We can see a lot farther there."

The Coleman ranch was set in a valley in the middle of a canyon. The creek nearly filled the space between the canyon walls, then formed a valley a mile long and

nearly as wide, making room for sunshine, grass and the ranch buildings.

Norma came out to meet them when they drove up. Behind her were three tow-headed youngsters, all with freckles, bright blue eyes and huge grins. "Hod will be home in an hour," Norma said. She turned to the children. "Why don't you show Nancy around the place?" She

introduced the children. "This one is Bronco, this one Boots and this one Bunny.

Nancy had never seen three kids who looked so much alike. She found out that Bronco was eight, Boots seven and Bunny six. The three Colemans tumbled over themselves in their enthusiasm. Bronco led the way across the field where a pinto pony stood, calmly watching their approach. "This is Lollypop," Bunny explained. "Dad got him for us a couples of years ago. Want to ride him? He doesn't buck or kick but he's hard to ride."

"Sure, I'll ride him," Nancy said. It would be fun to show off for these little kids. Bronco ran to get a bridle. As soon as it was put on, Nancy jumped astride the pony. Pop,

as they called him, stepped out smartly, then broke into a fast run. Thirty seconds later Nancy was on the ground and Pop was trotting back to the Coleman kids who were laughing. Bronco jumped on the pony and headed toward Nancy. A few seconds later he was on the ground too. "He's dumped everyone that's tried to ride him, even Dad," Bronco said.

"Here comes Dad," Bunny called. "We'd better go wash up for supper." They raced to the house, Nancy's longer legs giving her a definite advantage. "Well, here's Nancy," Hod greeted her. "You're growing so fast. At the Norma had made beds for the boys Shivaree you promised me a dance, but when I went to claim it, darned if you wasn't sound Nancy shared a bed with Bunny. asleep," he teased.



ranch. The children wanted to play but Norma reminded them it was time for chores. When the men returned, Hod announced he was taking Clint to see the sawmill where he worked. Clint's first impression of the mill was how noisy it was. Hod was explaining everything but had to yell into Clint's ear to be heard. The men

who were working communicated the limb. with a sort of sign language. Clint was relieved when they moved outside away from the screaming

> saws and clanking chains.

beside a huge smokestack. The Morgan family time they went to

seemed to hang on the edge of it.

"What did you think of the mill," Hod asked. "Interesting, but awfully noisy," Clint replied. Hod nodded in agreement. "You get used to it after a while and the guys have some fun. Blake always grabs his lunch bucket so he can be the first one out at quitting time; you should have seen him the day we nailed his lunch bucket to the table. There's always something

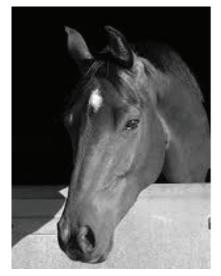
Back at the Coleman's home, on the living room floor so Clint and Annie could have their room. Next morning after breakfast, After supper, Hod and Clint Nancy followed the kids up the wandered off to look over the creek to a huge cottonwood tree.

> Bronco climbed the tree and hitched himself along a low branch that grew over the stream. "Grab the end of the branch and see if you can buck me off, Nan" Nancy had to stand across the stream and jump to catch the end of the limb. She swung it as hard as she could and Bronco whooped with delight. Nancy then gave each of them a ride on



"That's not like a real rodeo," Bronco said. "We need some animals to ride." Why not ride Vera?" Bunny suggested. "Ride a sow!" Bronco exclaimed. Then They stopped he thought it might be interesting. Vera was calmly rooting in the dirt when they found her. Bronco put on his father's spurs. A piece of had seen this every rope served as a surcingle and he was ready to ride. Vera squealed, Burns. It was a ran, stopped and spun around. landmark that could be seen for Bronco spurred her again and miles. Tonight a crescent moon waved his hat in the air. Vera spun so fast that Bronco lost his hold and tumbled to the ground.

> "My turn," Boots called. When Boots mounted, Vera spun once and headed for the pen. She made it through the low door, but Boots did not. He was covered with dirt, one side of his face was bruised and his shirt was torn. He was on the verge of tears when the others ran to him. "Shall we call an ambulance?" Bunny asked. "Naw, Boots made a good ride and he's just skinned a little. Buckaroos



don't call an ambulance unless they can't get up and walk," Bronco said. "Yeah, I'm OK," Boots said, his tears already forgotten."

"You can ride my horse, Nan. His name is Star and he's a good horse," Bunny offered. "How about trick riding?" Nancy suggested. "Do you know how?" Bunny asked. "Sure, I do it on Dandy a lot," A stab of pain went through her at the thought

> of Dandy but she shook it off and mounted Star. She rode off a short distance, then came back at a fast run. She dropped to one side of her horse with her head and one arm hanging down. Star shied, breaking the rhythm of his stride. Nancy pulled herself back into the saddle and stopped in front of Bunny.

When Nancy dismounted, Bunny threw her arms around Nancy. "You're so nice, I wish you were my sister." Nancy returned the hug, thinking it would be kind of nice to have brothers and sisters like these three.

Just a note about Desert Dandy. The author, Gladys Martin, is currently living in an adult foster home in Lakeview. Her book is based on long ago memories of a time when she lived in the Wagon Tire area.

Next Month: Chapter 17



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.



In 2018, there was a Chinese lunar mission and zero U.S. lander missions on

contract. Fast-forward to 2021: there are now seven American lunar lander contracts in place. It's a sea of change. NASA missions typically fall into one of three classes.

Flagship missions such as the Mars rovers or the James Webb Space Telescope take up most money and the most attention. They are usually decades-long, multibillion-dollar projects run by teams of scientists and engineers from across the space agency and university partners.

Missions that are slightly smaller fall into a class called New Frontiers, and are capped at \$850 million.

The Discovery missions are the leanest, with a cap of \$450 million.

Launching any of these missions requires years of planning and preparation, and not every mission is chosen; scientist may try for a good portion of their career to land a Discovery mission or get an instrument on a New Frontiers spacecraft.

The 2.6-billion Commercial Lunar Payload Services (CLPS) program by NASA is different. A single commercial lander might carry a dozen payloads that have nothing to do with one another. A dozen prospectors going out in different directions trying to discover the lode to sell.

In mining analogy, an economy builds around people going out looking for gold -- you are going to sell those picks, shovels, and overalls. By The Prospector

PROSPECTING THE MOON II

"Imagination will often carry us to worlds that never were. But without it we go nowhere."

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Scientists who would otherwise spend years preparing a Discovery mission proposal may chose instead to submit a simple scientific instrument for a CLPS mission which may result in faster scientific return for less money.

Geopolitics helped CLPS get off the ground in part because of American fears of China's rise in space activity and exploration.

In December 2020 a Chinese lander and rover arrived at the moon's South Pole, collecting samples that were returned to Earth. Just as on Earth, whoever controls the 'fuel' will control commerce.

Take lunar water, which may be plentiful inside permanently shadowed craters can be split into its constituent parts, oxygen and hydrogen, to be used for rocket fuel. Yet mining lunar water will be profitable only if the moon eventually hosts an active launch pad that allows a solar system exploration economy to arise.

The investors and entrepreneurs working in this iteration of the private space industry aren't motivated by scientific curiosity, of course: They're out to make money, from lunar resources and the proliferation of people and businesses interested in those

resources. However, the values of lunar material is still hypothetical.

If the missions land safely,

next couple years.

Dr. Carl Sagan on his Cosmos TV show did not refer to our moon as a 'moon' but as a satellite. Our moon spins around us 'precisely' in a circular orbit that matches 'exactly' to the 28 days' seasons and spins itself around such that it matches Earth so 'precisely' that it's always facing towards us.

Two of the many questions raised when considering the moon are: What causes Moonquakes? (Everyday 'precisely' at the same time the moon makes a sound



they will pull off a lot of science, possibly answering some of the most urgent questions we still have about the moon.

The first set of moon lander from Japan crashed on landing. The spaceship, at the last moment, accelerated for unknown reasons. Interestingly, this has been a problem from the onset of moon landings. Something goes wrong at the last minute as if something is forcing mechanisims to disobey.

Currently America has six missions lined up to blastoff in the

like it's hollow) and, Why is the side facing us different from the backside?

Of course, the sustainability of any private enterprise depends on making money, and the prospects for a gold rush on the moon are still speculative.

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Lake County Community Foundation is Accepting Grant Applications Deadline: Monday, July 31, 2023, 5:00 pm

The Lake County Community Foundation is open for grant applications that benefit Lake County, for the purpose of enhancing cultural, community improvement, economic development, education, philanthropic, youth development, and related purposes within Lake County, Oregon. The Foundation expects to award grants to one or more eligible groups in Lake County in August 2023. Grant requests must not exceed \$5,000.

To complete an application, please go to the Lake County Community Foundation website, , <u>lakecountycommunityfoundation.net</u>, click on the top of the page, <u>https://lakecountycommunityfoundation.net/?page_id=71</u>, to fill out the application.

Mail the application to Lake County Community Foundation, 126 N E Street, Lakeview Oregon 97630, or email to <u>candgcattle@hotmail.com</u>, johne97641@yahoo.com, or <u>cigraham4406@gmail.com</u>, or submit through the website above by 5:00 pm, Monday, July 31, 2023.

If you have questions about the Lake County Community Foundation, please visit our webpage, <u>lakecountycommunityfoundation</u>. <u>net</u>, or email Cindi, John, or Judy. If you know any board member listed on the website, they are also able to answer questions.

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JUNE CROSSWORD

Dark Sky Lighting Solutions

4. Republican's opponent

5. Unrefined metal

6. Most pleasing

7. Legislate

Use fully shielded, dark-sky friendly fixtures. That means lights shine down, not up, and don't created glare and

Only use lights when and where needed. Install timers and dimmer switches, and turn off lights when not in use. If you must have security lighting use motion sensors.

Use the right amount of light. Too much light is wasteful and impairs vision.

Use long-wavelength lights with a red or yellow tint to minimize negative health effects. Lights in this spectrum are often referred to as 'Warm'.

Everything you might want to know about the best lighting for your needs that are dark sky friendly can be found at darksky.org.

Good lighting design can mitigate glare and keep you and what vou value safer.

MAY Crossword Solution

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8. 43,560 square feet

9. Lofty

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10. Accumulate over time

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11. Of the countryside

12. Mediterranean island

13. Urban drainpipe

21. Arid wastelands

22. Makes a mistake

24. Blushing

26. Neck region

27. Historic periods

28. Pimples

29. Kwanzaa's mo.

30. Newspaper story

32. Dried grass

33. Unkind

34. A Baldwin brother

35. French female

38. Take food

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39. Pirate's stash

41. Mailed

43. Pose

44. Threefold

45. Small sofa

46. Heavenly scales

47. Actress DeGeneres

48. UFO pilot

49. Copenhagen natives

51. Margin

52. Bun

54. Earnest request

55. PDQ's kin

56. Famous loch

59. Pot's partner

New Exhibit at High Desert Museum Vistas del Cielo

May 27, 2023 – November 26, 2023

Imagine strolling through a life-size diorama that takes you on a journey through the world of vaqueros—Latinx cowboys brought to life with vibrant piñata paper. That is the experience multidisciplinary artist Justin Favela is bringing to the High Desert Museum in a new, original exhibit Vistas del Cielo, opening on Saturday, May 27.

Favela, who is based in Las Vegas, Nevada and Springdale, Arkansas, is well known for his large-scale installations and sculptures using colorful piñata material. His work invites visitors to experience playful landscapes of color and texture. Favela's humble piñata materials transform into floating panes of paper stained glass in homage to the old churches visited with his grandfather, who was a vaquero. A Guatemalan-Mexican-American, Favela aims to reach across generational lines to celebrate the rich history of Latinx experiences in the High Desert region.







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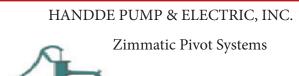
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CV Water Board - 2nd Wed at 6 pm at District office

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

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

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