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Comings and Goings

By Terry Crawford

What can I say? February has been a blast - a blast of snow, water, mud and several extremely cold days and nights. But it was the snow that was daunting, especially for folks that live down already compromised roads. Many people found themselves marooned for nearly a week. They just didn't have the ability to dig out.



Here at the little farm there were no options, it was either trudge through 20 inches of snow to get to barn or to the car, or out the driveway - Or get out the snow shovel and get her done. I figure that between me and daughter Jill we moved about three tons of snow. You can see the pathway to the barn in the photo. Four feet wide and 100 feet long. But we were able to get around the property and take care of the animals.

With all the snow I knew there was going to be massive amounts of standing water and of course deep, soft, slippery mud. I kept saying that I hoped it didn't melt all at once. Thankfully about half of it was gone before it really warmed up.



I left for Eugene on the 21st and came home on the 23rd, and all the snow was gone - not so the mud and small lakes, but they almost gone now. And



Lady snow plow with snow shovel

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Women in History - The Robertson Sisters



Four children were born to Louis R. and June Robertson: Cornelia Frances, 1902; Janice Louise, 1904; Hattie Joycelin, 1906; and Louis Campbell, 1915.

Three Robertson siblings became medical doctors, practicing in Lakeview. Janice, child number two, gained her own recognition in Lakeview's history as she and her husband, Merl Alger, built Lakeview's Marius and Alger Theaters. They eventually moved to Gold Beach where they acquired two theaters while their son, Bob, managed their Lakeview theaters and opened Lakeview's Circle JM Drive-In Theater.

Telephones brought Louis and June Robertson to Lakeview. E. C. Thurston, who installed telephone lines from Lakeview to Silver Lake, sold out to Hessig Brothers and Louis Robertson bringing the Robertson family to Lakeview during 1919.

The Robertson children were born in Marshfield (Coos Bay) before Louis and June relocated to Klamath Falls. Later they moved to Portland, and then back to Klamath Falls before settling in Lakeview.

Although Louis was a dedicated worker and the telephone business thrived their family never had excess money. June, however, was an expert seamstress, housekeeper, and gardener. Her children were always dressed nicely. June was instrumental in seeing to it that her children had every possible opportunity. Her children's attitudes toward education and life choices were shaped early.

Their oldest daughter, Cornelia, was among the first Daly Fund recipients awarded in 1922. In fact, it was Cornelia's story that helped influence Dr. Daly to leave his estate as a scholarship fund for graduating Lake County students.

After school Cornelia worked at the telegraph office. Dr. Daly frequently used the telegraph service as he bought and sold livestock. He was frugal and as he waited for less expensive night rates Dr. Daly visited with Cornelia. During those conversations she told him that she would like to study medicine but that she could not afford that kind of education. Reportedly Daly replied, "Don't worry. There'll be a way."

Cornelia Robertson was able to attend college. She went on to medical school and practiced medicine in New York City, San Diego, and finally in Lakeview.

During the earliest years of the Daly Fund more Lake County women than men received a college education.

By Marie Lee
More than a high school education was not considered necessary for farming and ranching boys. During the Great

In Dr. Sam Stern's book titled *Bernard Daly's Promise*, he estimated, "during the 1920s and 1030s the most educated women in Oregon, and perhaps



Depression boys took the first available employment, often in local sawmills and logging.

the entire Northwest, were in Lake County, Oregon."

Cornelia Robertson attended the University of Oregon, obtaining her degree in three years. She then graduated from the University of Oregon's Medical School in Portland and interned at the Women's and Children's Hospital in San Francisco. She first practiced medicine in New York City. She practiced in San Diego before returning to Lakeview in 1956 to help care for her aging mother.

Back in Lakeview Cornelia practiced medicine with both her brother and sister becoming known locally as "Doctor Connie." Doctor Connie maintained a flamboyant, colorful lifestyle that included her extensive hat collection.

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The Robertson Sisters

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Cornelia's sister, Joycelin, received the Daly Fund in 1924. Joycelin intended for a law career but when she realized that she was not a gifted speaker, (viewed necessary to become a successful attorney) and visiting with Cornelia who was in medical school, Joycelin switched her education to medicine also.

While the Robertson sisters practiced medicine and shared a Greenwich Village apartment in New York City both received national board certification in the fields of their specialties: dermatology, obstetrics, and gynecology.

After six years Joycelin returned to Lakeview. She opened a general practice while also practicing in her mother's establishment, the Robertson Maternity Home. While yours truly was born in Lakeview Hospital, one of my stepsisters was born at Robertson Maternity Home.

Joycelin married Lawrence Decker, who owned and operated Decker Sand and Gravel. She was known throughout the community as "Jockie." Jockie Robertson was named "Woman of the Year" in 1959 by Lakeview Business and Professional Women's Club. Jockie was instrumental in the health of Lake County residents for many years. Especially in women's health.

Cornelia, Janice, and Joycelin had a younger brother, Louis, who also became a medical doctor. Although his medical education was interrupted by World War II, he persevered and practiced medicine in Lakeview for his entire career. There was a certain uniqueness about the Robertson medical siblings as Dr. Louis Robertson was well-known throughout the community simply as "Doctor Louie."

Information and Photo complements of Lake County Museum.

PUBLIC NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY given that the Lake County Planning Commission will hold a public hearing Tuesday, March 18, 2025, at 6:00pm, by Zoom at <https://zoom.us/j/84185606888> or in-person at the Community Hall at 87345 Holly Lane, Christmas Valley, Oregon, to receive public comment and testimony on the following applications. Failure to raise an issue at the hearing or to provide sufficient specificity precludes your ability to appeal the decision to the Board of Commissioners. If you have needs requiring special arrangements, please call 541-947-6036 at least 24 hours prior to the meeting.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 24-045-CUP

Public Hearing concerning an application by Joseph Mohr to establish a Non-Farm Dwelling on a 26.35-acre parcel, described as T26S R19E S06 TL400, approximately 16.5 miles northeast of Christmas Valley, Christmas Valley Hwy to Fossil Lake Rd, then east on Lost Forest Ln 1/2 mile to the NE corner of the property; in an A-2 Agriculture Use zone, with a Comprehensive Plan Designation of R – Range. A decision will be based on Articles 3 and 24 of the amended Lake County Zoning Ordinance of 1980, and applicable OAR and ORS.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 25-012-CUP

Public Hearing concerning an application by Bradley Sjoblom to establish a Non-Farm Dwelling on a 19.11-acre parcel, described as T27S R16E S15 TL1400, approximately 6.25 miles west of Christmas Valley, 1/4 mile south of the corner of CV Hwy and Oil Dri Rd, to the northeast corner of the property; in an A-2 Agriculture Use zone, with a Comprehensive Plan Designation of A – Agriculture. A decision will be based on Articles 3 and 24 of the amended Lake County Zoning Ordinance of 1980, and applicable OAR and ORS.

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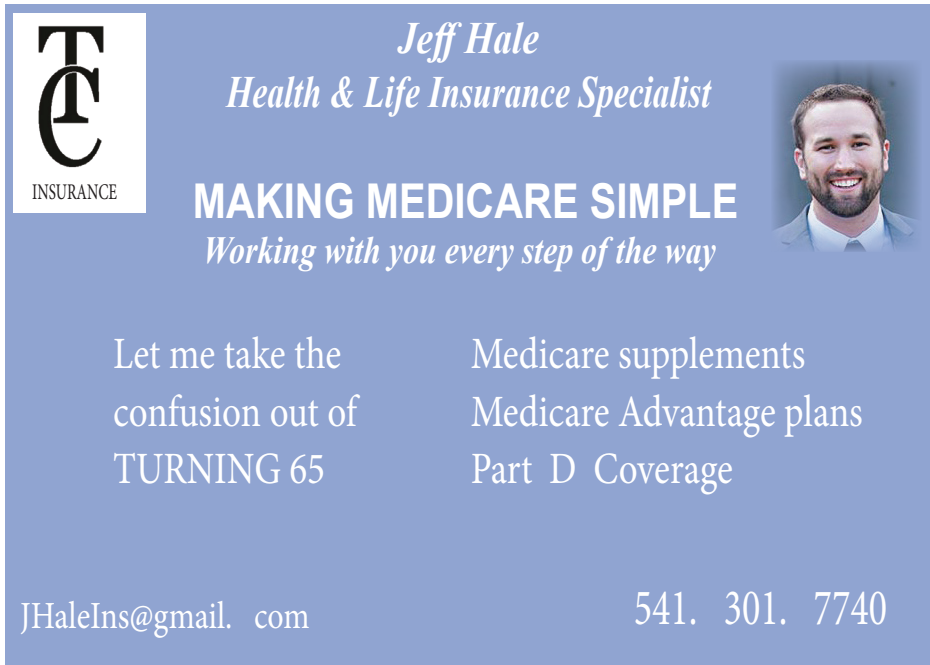
Public Hearing concerning an application by Alvaro Nava Betancourt to establish a Pre-1976 Mobile Home on a 0.15-acre parcel, described as T39S R20E S22BC TL101, at 1124 S I Street; in a R-1 Rural Residential zone, with a Comprehensive Plan Designation of RR – Rural Residential. A decision will be based on Articles 6 and 24 of the amended Lake County Zoning Ordinance of 1980, and Ordinance 10DD-96.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 25-004-CUP

Public Hearing concerning an application by Larry & Janine Coulter to establish a Non-Farm Dwelling on an 8.53-acre parcel, described as T27S R13E S23 TL100, approximately 7.5 miles northwest of Silver Lake, on Highway 31, to the north boundary of the property; in an A-2 Agriculture Use zone, with a Comprehensive Plan Designation of R – Range. A decision will be based on Articles 3, 18 and 24 of the amended Lake County Zoning Ordinance of 1980, and applicable OAR and ORS.

CONDITIONAL USE PERMIT APPLICATION NO. 25-011-CUP

Public Hearing concerning an application by Russel Fry to establish a Non-Farm Dwelling on a 4.59-acre parcel, described as T27S R13E S23 TL300, approximately 7.5 miles northwest of Silver Lake, on Highway 31, to the south boundary of the property; in an A-2 Agriculture Use zone, with a Comprehensive Plan Designation of R – Range. A decision will be based on Articles 3 and 24 of the amended Lake County Zoning Ordinance of 1980, and applicable OAR and ORS.



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Lake County Education Service District

At Large #2 4-year term Currently held by Stefani Roseberry
 Zone 2 4-year term Currently held by Dale Chiono
 Zone 3 4-year term Currently held by Sam Hall
 Zone 5 4-year term Currently held by Jim Hiatt

Adel School District 21

Position 2 4-year term Currently held by Jim Hiatt
 Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Terry Cahill
 Position 5 4-year term Currently held by Peter Osborne

Lake County School District 7

Position 1 4-year term Currently held by Darwin Johnson
 Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Teresa Shine
 Position 5 4-year term Currently held by Scott Havel

North Lake School District 14

Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Mark Herincks
 Position 5 4-year term Currently held by Scott Duffner

Paisley School District 11

Position 3 4-year term Currently held by James VanBelle
 Position 4 4-year term Currently held by Glen Newton

Plush School District 18

Position 1 4-year term Currently held by Bill Black
 Position 2 2 years remaining on a 4 year term
 Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Brendan Fitzgerald
 Position 5 4-year term Currently held by Taylor Utley

Christmas Valley Rural Fire Protection District

(all positions are currently filled with appointees so all are open for election)

Position 1 2-years remaining on a 4 year term
 Position 2 4-year term
 Position 3 4-year term
 Position 4 2-years remaining on a 4 year term
 Position 5 4-year term

Lakeview Rural Fire Protection District

Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Sam Steward
 Position 4 4-year term Currently held by Dave Knowles
 Position 5 4-year term Currently held by Chuck Graham

New Pine Creek Rural Fire Protection District

Position 2 4-year term Currently held by Butch Suchon
 Position 4 4-year term Currently held by Kathy Delaney
 Position 5 4-year term Currently held by Randy Lawson

Silver Lake Rural Fire Protection District

Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Shirley Crawford
 Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Thomas Roark

Thomas Creek/Westside Rural Fire Protection District

Position 1 2-years Remaining on a 4-year term
 Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Kevin Sterba
 Position 4 4-year term Currently held by Paul Houret

Christmas Valley Domestic Water Supply District

Position 1 4-year term Currently held by Stephen Hilger III
 Position 2 2-years remaining on a 4-year term
 Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Dave Uran
 Position 4 2 years Remaining on a 4-year term

Lake County Library District

At Large 1 4-year term Currently held by Melissa Maxwell
 At Large 2 4-year term Currently held by Deb Diment
 Zone 1 4-year term Currently held by Mary Baker

Christmas Valley Park & Recreation District

Position 2 2-years remaining on a 4-year term
 Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Barbara Ferrando
 Position 5 4-year term

Lake Health District

Position 1 4-year term Currently held by Jerald Steward
 Position 4 4-year term Currently held by Don Liddycoat
 Position 5 2-years Remaining on a 4-year term

North Lake Health District

Position 1 4-year term Currently held by Deanna Roberts
 Position 2 4-year term Currently held by Daniel Miles
 Position 5 4-year term Currently held by Nathaniel Church

Lake County Cemetery Maintenance District

Position 2 4-year term Currently held by Pierre Hoppe
 Position 3 4-year term Currently held by Kristine Funk

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Being a monthly publication, The Community Breeze does not print letters or commentary tied to political races and elections. To do so is to short circuit a candidate's ability to respond in a timely framework. We do accept paid political ads and paid candidate ads and always advise rival candidates when their opponent(s) place an ad as a way to ensure they have the opportunity to been seen at the same time. So please take time to study the issues and have your voice heard by voting.

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Filing to run as a Candidate for Lake County Special District Board Positions

Candidate filing forms are available at the Lake County Clerk's Office, in the District Offices, and on the Secretary of State's website. Completed forms must be accompanied by a filing fee of \$10.00. Petitions for nomination must be signed by 25 electors, or 10percent of the electors residing in the district for the office, whichever is less.

The first day to file for district offices is (was) February 8, 2025, and the last day to file is March 20,2025. Candidates for district board must file the \$10.00 filing fee or elector signatures with the Lake County Clerk, 513 Center Street, Lakeview, OR 97630, not later than 5:00 PM on March 20, 2025

NOTICE OF ELECTION OF BOARD MEMBERS

Notice is hereby given that on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, an election will be held for the purpose of electing board members to fill the following positions and terms on the board of Klamath Community College.

Klamath Community College Director
Zone 7 At Large 4-year term (Klamath & Lake County)
Currently held by Rick Harrington

The election will be conducted by mail. Each candidate for an office listed must file a District Candidate Filine form SEL 190 with the Election Office of Klamath County, 305 Main Street, Klamath Falls, OR 97601 no earlier than February 8, 2025, and no later than March 20, 2025, at 5:00 PM



PICKLEBALL at the COMMUNITY HALL

THE COURT HAS BEEN PAINTED IN THE COMMUNITY HALL AND THE NEW NET IS ASSEMBLED AND UP!

TO GET ALL THE INFORMATION YOU NEED ABOUT SCHEDULING GO TO THE CHAMBER'S WEB PAGE christmasvalleychamber.org and click on PICKLEBALL

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Holy Cow!! What a February, more like March in my mind. Snow, rain wind and a few days of moderate temperatures. I did get into the hives around February 20th or so. Fortunately, they all looked great with lots of cleansing flights and foraging for whatever they could find. I gave them some pollen and winter sugar patties to get through this month and hopefully March will be much better weather wise. One can only hope. There is still time to order packages, nucs, and queens so do not delay as most producers sell out quickly. I plan to split my hives and possibly re-queen one or two. I will be looking for good laying patterns and overall health of the colonies. Some disturbing news from the latest Colony Health Survey:

Administered by Project *Apis m.*, the survey gathered data from 702 beekeepers, covering colony losses, management practices, and potential contributing factors. It is estimated that survey participants account for over 1.835 million colonies, approximately 68% of the nation's bees. Findings from the survey indicate:

Hobbyist beekeepers (1-49 colonies) lost an average of **50%** of their colonies.

Sideliner operations (50-500 colonies) lost an average of **54%** of their colonies.

Commercial beekeepers (more than 500 colonies) lost an average of **62%**—a reversal of typical trends, where commercial beekeepers generally experience lower losses due to their scale and resources.

This will impact pollination, honey production and live bee sales. Thankfully my colonies survived (so far) in good shape.

The end of February started to warm up and the girls took advantage of this warming trend although the night time temperatures were



Bee-Cuzz You Asked FEBRUARY and the Bees

By Gary A. Brain Summer Lake Apiaries

still below freezing. The warmer weather will make brood building easier, so if our



winter continues to have plenty of warm spells, and the food holds out, be thinking about an early bee season. Plan ahead for it; divides, swarming, etc.

Now is the time to get your Apiary prepared for possible expansion, and a good time to re-evaluate winter hive locations. If your hive could have received better sunlight or better wind protection during the winter months, make a note of that so that you can make adjustments when possible. I moved my remaining hives to the West side of the apiary to take advantage of the winter sun and I will be cutting down some Junipers that are now starting to block the sun. I also seeded the apiary with wildflowers as well. Hives can be carefully moved in the winter, however, it is obviously important to not disturb the cluster by bumping it around so much it breaks apart. In general, the fewer disturbances to a hive during winter, the better.



As the warm weather breaks, it will allow the frequent cleansing flights the

remember to either break the ice or add fresh water to your “watering hole”

I have included a picture of my hives covered in snow. One might be tempted to brush the snow but it actually helps keep

bees need to avoid a compacted digestive tract, from long days of being stuck in the hive due to weather. This may lead to dysentery or, sometimes nosema which is a fungal disease that comes from one of two fungal parasites: **nosema apis** or **nosema ceranae**. These parasites produce spores that contaminate a honey bee colony's food or water supply. Worker honey bees unknowingly ingest the spores when they eat or drink. So those quick flights are very healthy for the girls.

When the colony can fly during those warmer days, be sure to have a supply of water available to them. Often irrigation ditches are off and older ‘watering holes’ are now dry. This is when the hot tub can become a favorite place for your bees to die en masse. Bee proactive and give them some drowning-free access to water. A birdbath filled with pebbles that rises above the waterline will work. Just

the warmth from dissipating out the top. Much like an igloo.

That about covers it. Stay warm, enjoy your down time, bee-cuzz in no time at all we will be popping the covers off our hives with huge grins of appreciation on our faces, welcoming the girls back and getting ready for the nukes and package bees we ordered. Bee safe and Warm!



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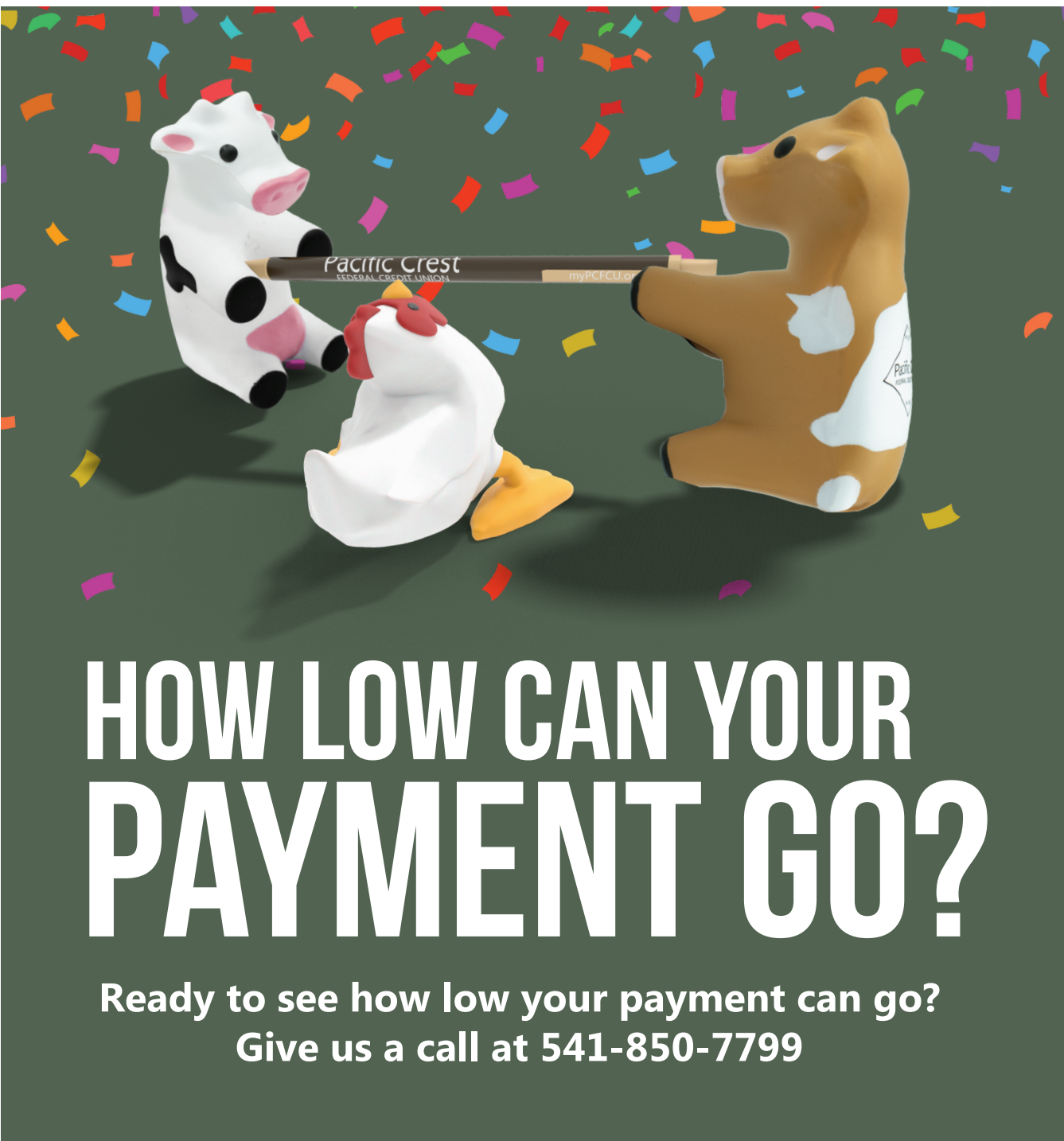
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The Can Dog

*Memories:
By Becky Messner*

You know how some stories just seem to always stay with you? This one has with me.

Kitty Barry, born and raised in Warner Valley, shared this story of her memories of the Can Dog.

In the early 1900s her folks owned a ranch in Adel Oregon. (and) They ran bands of sheep in that area. They used Can Dogs to help get the sheep moving.

A can Dog (was) made from wire with cans strung on it. Kitty said, as they were riding along on horseback behind the sheep they would tie their lass rope onto the wire circle of cans and throw it out into the sheep. She remembers (How) that was sure to get the sheep to moving. Then she (explained) you just coiled up your rope and the Can Dog would be ready to use again.

Using your rope would save (saved you) from having to get on and off your horse to pick up the cans. Of course before you tried this it was (and still is) important to make sure your horse was Can Dog broke.

How to make a Can Dog

Step 1) You will need a piece of wire approximately six feet long, or to your liking. A piece of eight-gauge smooth wire works best but if not available use two strands of bailing wire and twist the two pieces together.

Step 2) Gather up five or so cans. Kitty said they would save their old Carnation Milk cans. (You can use regular tin cans with the top cut out.

About This Story

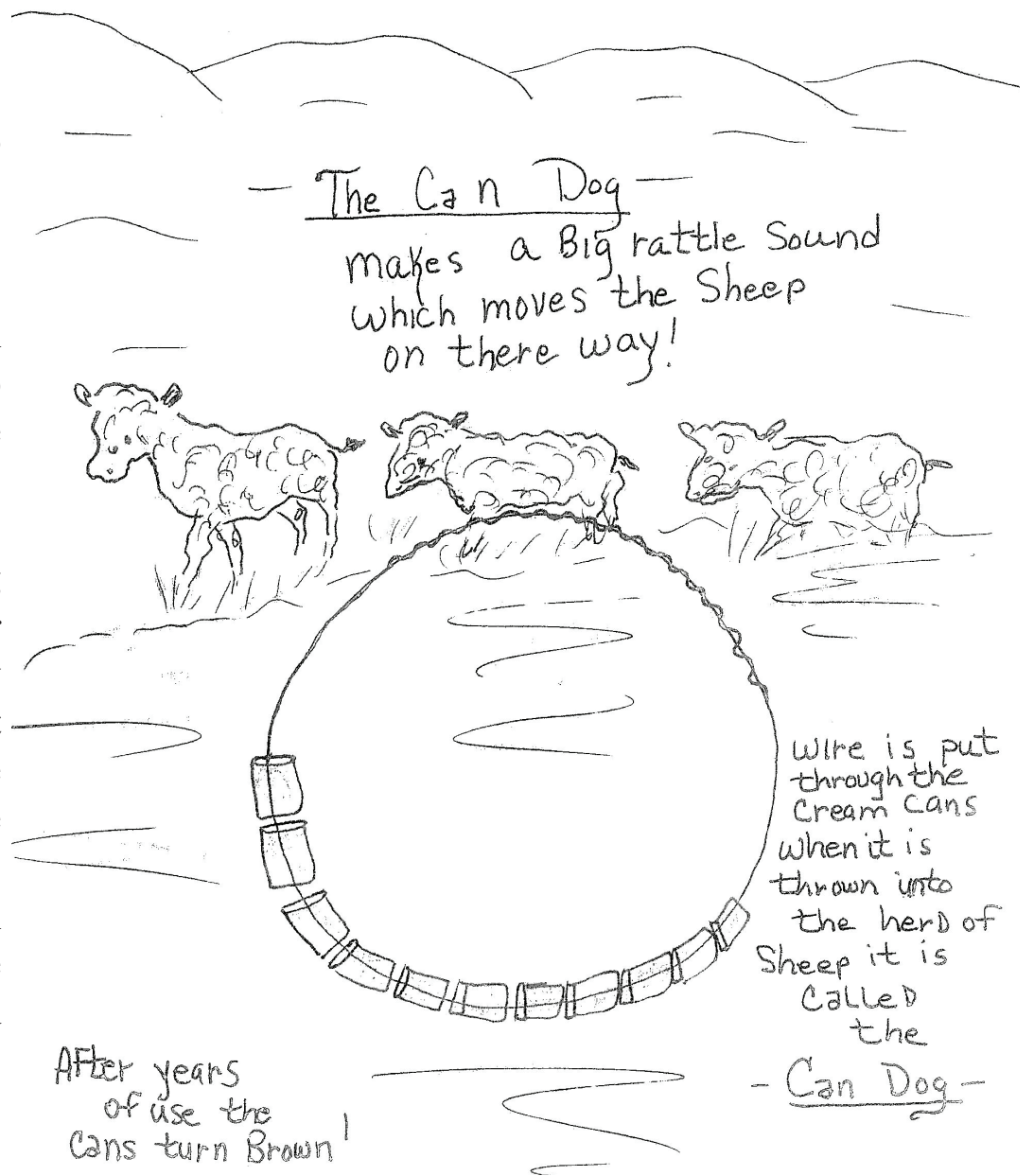
Many years ago we had a small writing group that met around my dining room table.

Becky Mesner was one of the writers and her writings were earthy, honest, and great reads.

She is a wonderful writer of memories and I hope to share several more of her stories in the Breeze over the next few months.

If you have a memory or story to share, please let me know. This paper is your paper and always has room to share the writing of readers.

Terry Crawford



Then just punch a hole in the bottom.

Step 3) String the cans onto the wire, then weave the wire over and under itself at the top. You can use some black electrical tape to bind the ends of the wire down.

I like using a Can Dog when pushen calves up a chute to load them in a cow truck. It works great.

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Cheesey Strata with Mushrooms and Leeks

This is still the time of year for comfort food. And this recipe fills the bill. As a side dish it serves 10 or so people but if you add leftover Chicken or Ham, it will serve 5 or 6 people.

Cheesey Strata with Mushrooms and Leeks

- 2 1/2 TBSP Butter
- 1/2 a 1 pound loaf of Sourdough Bread, cubed
- 2 Leeks, halved, cleaned and sliced thinly (or one yellow onion)
- 3 Cloves Garlic, smashed and minced
- 6 or 8 oz of Mushrooms, sliced. (If using dried, wild Mushrooms, soap in a cup of boiling water for 30 min or so, until tender again.)
- 1/8 tsp Sea Salt
- 1/8 tsp freshly ground Pepper
- Slosh (2 TBSP or so) Dry White Wine (Vermouth works)
- 1 1/2 Cup Heavy Cream
- 5-6 Jumbo Eggs
- 1/2 Cup Grated Parmesan Cheese
- 1/2 Cup Shredded Gruyere Cheese (Swiss works too)
- 1 1/2 tsp chopped fresh Thyme
- 1 1/2 tsp chopped fresh Parsley
- Optional: 2 Cups cooked Shredded Chicken or Cubed Ham
- Optional: 1 or 2 cups of Veggies



Butter a 2 Qt Baking Dish

Melt 2 Tbsp Butter in a large Skillet. Add Leeks (or onion), Garlic, Mushrooms, Salt and Pepper, and cook, stirring until Leeks and Mushrooms soften, about 10 minutes. Mix in the slosh of Wine and cook about a minute more.

Add Bread Cubes to the skillet and toss with Mushroom Mixture. Add Meat & or Veggies if desired and put all into the buttered baking dish.

Whisk together Cream, Eggs, 1/3 cup of each Cheese and the Herbs in a medium bowl. Pour over the Bread mixture. Cover and Chill overnight.

Uncover Pudding and sprinkle remaining Cheeses over the top. Add more Cream and Eggs if bread looks dry. Bake in 375° oven until table knife comes out clean from the middle of pudding and top begins to brown, about 40 minutes. (could take longer) If browning too much, cover loosely with foil

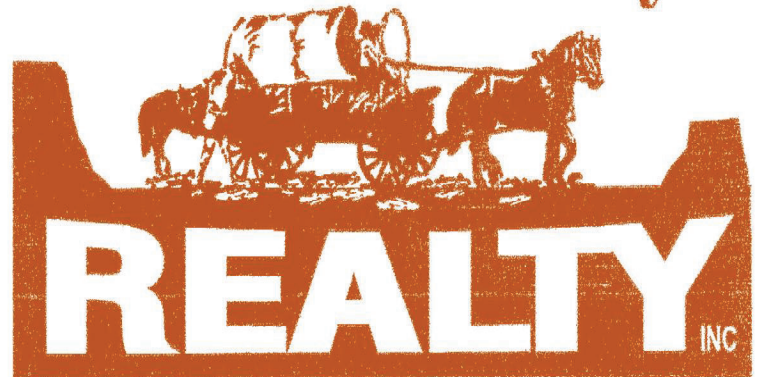
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The Prospector and his writing travel a path that has many curves and bends along the way, but in the end an interesting destination is reached. So spend a little time mulling over the journey and if you are curious like me, you may find yourself getting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

MESTIZOS ~ MEXICO IN 1794 ~ & OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

By The Prospector

When Spain first landed in Vera Cruz, Mexico in the 1500's (which is now the city of New Orleans) they found a proud, independent native (Mexican) people with who were not to be used as slaves, they demanded compensation.

To fill their need for slave labor the Spaniards imported slaves from the islands off the Florida coast and when that source dried up they went to Africa for their needs.

Also arriving from Spain were the Jesuits, the Black Robes. Spain introduced the mission system in North America as a means of converting the native Indian people to Christianity and the Catholic religion. This training was designed on a peaceful and benevolent program. Thousands of Catholic missionaries were recruited in Spain for the subjugation of North America.

Indeed missionaries were recruited from throughout Europe. As a group, the most dedicated to their belief were the Jesuits. Although they

them the primary obligation was to their religious order and its laws, their vows, and the people of their mission.

The Jesuit society is a religious



were subjects of the Spanish Crown when in New Spain (as it is being called now), for

order of the Roman Catholic Church. The Black Robes became very popular with the Native population which resulted in their expulsion in 1767. The Black robe religion, before the suppression and changing of the order, leaned heavily toward a combination of the ancient religion of Egypt and its subsequent acceptance of Christianity. A profound amount of ethnological and archaeological evidence exists that links the New Spain Jesuit with the old Egyptian beliefs. Perhaps the best way to describe the Jesuit's teachings in New Spain is to state that they were similar to the ancient Copt religion, the first Christian religion in Egypt.

A quick history lesson: The Nation of Mexico in 1500 was the size its current size, however it was much greater in size: beginning at New Orleans and the Mississippi River as its eastern boundary and going north about 300 miles into Canada, then bent slightly west to the Arctic circle all the way to Alaska and down the coast to connect with the homeland. For three hundred fifty years, Valdez, Alaska was called San

Francisco, California. This changed with the 1846 Treaty of Guadalupe when Acapulco which was located where present day San Francisco is was moved further south.

The Black slavery (of today's Mississippi Valley) did not begin with the Anglican slave trade, rather slavery had been in existence in that area for three centuries. Many of the old mansions on the plantations were confiscated in the Mexican War. If one takes note of the ancient trees that planted equally apart line plantation entrance roads, they indicate the true age of the plantations.

The offspring of the many inter-racial unions between the Mexicans, the indigenous peoples and slaves became classified in the Spanish cast system and Mestizos and were considered Spanish citizens at that time. (The cast system was very hierarchical and was tied closely to which culture a child was raised in and also to the degree of darkness of completion.)

In 1810, revolution arrived in New Spain under the leadership of the Reverend Miguel Hidalgo, a Mestizo. In 1821, independence was granted to the colony and New Spain became Mexico. Then things started to fall apart.

After the Mexican War cam a catastrophic collision between politics, government and religion in the areas west of the Mississippi River. False knowledge and gross ignorance coupled with political intrigue and document ;manipulation caused Spanish-Indian Americans to be relegated as "Tribes" even though their background was Catholic and they had a highly ordered mission system of society. Their important mission locations became allotted pieces of ground called *reservations*.

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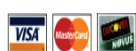
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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

On a Hill outside of Mexico City is a shrine to Our Lady of Guadalupe. It is one of the most celebrated places by Catholics in North America.

Our Lady of Guadalupe, in Roman Catholicism, the Virgin Mary in her appearance before 15 year old Juan Diego (now canonized as a saint) in four visions between December 9th and 12th, in 1531.

Our Lady of Guadalupe holds a special place in the religious life of Mexico and is one of the most popular religious devotions. Her image, of a woman of mixed Indigenous and European features (mestiza) wearing a turquoise-colored mantle surrounded by a sunburst, has played an important role as a national symbol of Mexico.

According to tradition, Mary appeared to Juan Diego, who was an Aztec convert to Christianity, on four occasions between December 9 and December 12, 1531.

During her first apparition she requested that a shrine to



her be built on the spot where she appeared, Tepeyac Hill (now in a suburb of Mexico City). However, the local

bishop hesitated to act on this request. Mary appeared to Juan Diego a second time on December 9 after his meeting

that day with the bishop and told him to return and try again.

On December 10 Juan Diego met with the bishop, who this time demanded a sign before he would approve construction of a church. Mary then appeared a third time to Juan Diego, who told her of the bishop's demand for a sign.

On December 12, she made her fourth appearance, ordering Juan Diego to collect roses from the hill and bring them to the bishop. Miraculously, there were roses blooming on the hill, despite it being winter. Moreover, the roses were native to Castile, a region in Spain that was the homeland of the bishop. In his audience with the bishop on that day, Juan Diego opened his tilma (cloak), letting dozens of roses fall to the floor and revealing the image of Mary imprinted on the inside of the cloak—the image that is now venerated in the Basilica of Guadalupe.

Our Lady of Guadalupe appearing to Juan Diego

Pickleball at the Community Hall

Get those tennis shoes out and come on down!



Pickleball at the Community Hall is finally taking off and over the past month a good deal of play has taken place. One Sunday Sandra Overton, Gari Merrifield, Jill Hamann-Bannister and I, all suffering from cabin fever and a need to free up our minds met at the hall, put on some rock and roll music and proceeded to play/practice for the next two hours.

I think we are all finding this fun, friendly game to be good for our mental and physical health. This foursome takes it seriously - we are all more competitive that we would like to admit, but never so much so to take the fun out of the play.

Sometimes we can only find three to play - we all have other commitments and our games have no set schedule. When this happens we take turns playing two against one. That really is a workout, one you become quite aware of the next day.

Late in the month - when the world had turned to a sea of water with nowhere to go and mud, mud and more mud I discovered that I had two vehicles with very low tires. I called Triple A and Doug got me going. Then I called Sandra and asked if she could get away. She picked me up at Point S and off we went. After about a half hour of practice we decided to play a few games. Something we had not done before.

Try as I may, Sandra won all three games, but believe me she had to work for it. The next morning she called and asked me if I was as sore and she was. Of course, the answer was yes.

Also she sent me a link to a very good video explaining and demonstrating the rules. It is well worth checking out.

<https://youtu.be/2Vkc8Tdc28?si=niXknrCTmOHcLydE>

So the other night while practicing darts with Rocky and Dennis Chastain, before league starts, I asked them when they were going to come down and play. We had talked about it but our schedules never seemed to match up. However we were able to set up a tentative time to play the next day. They have both played Handball in the past so the transition was pretty easy. It didn't take long before we decided it was time to do some one-on-one games. And this gave the third person - a break. They acted as ball-getter and line referee.

What a blast and what a work out. More importantly, what fun.

Dennis and I traded points right down to the bitter end and I got lucky with a couple of cross court shots and won. I got a congratulatory hug.

Rocky and I played next and had some really good rallies. I took quite a while for one of us to get to eleven points.

Remember you can check the Chamber's web site for times when play is okay and also to find players looking for someone to join them.





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Authored by Ida Dutcher

But not all snakes are bad, so I want you to read this, to know about Petey. Petey the Snake.

PETE THE SNAKE

It seemed that Petey was a pretty small snake who lived in a pit with his mother.

One day Petey was hissing in the pit when his mother said, "Petey, don't his in the pit; go outside the pit to hiss." So Petey went outside of the pit to hiss.

Petey was hissing all around when he finally leaned over

and hissed in the pit. Petey's mother heard Petey hissing in the pit and said, "Petey, if you must hiss in a pit, go over to Mrs. Pott's pit and hiss in her pit.

Petey went over to Mrs Pott's pit to hiss in her pit, but Mrs. Pott was hot at home, so he hissed in her pit anyway. While Petey was hissing in Mrs. Pott's pit, Mrs. Pott came home and found Petey hissing in her pit. She said, "Petey, if you must hiss in a pit, don't hiss in my pit, go to your own pit to hiss."

This made Petey very sad, and he cried all the way home. When Petey got home his mother saw him crying and said, "Petey, what's the matter?"

Petey said, "I went over to Mrs. Pott's to hiss in her pit, but Mrs. Pott was not at home, so I hissed in her pit anyway. Mrs. Pott came home and found me hissing in her pit and said, 'Petey, if you must hiss in a pit, go to your own pit to hiss. Don't hiss in my pit.'"

This made Petey's mother very angry, and she said, "Why that mean old lady, I knew Mrs. Pott when she didn't have a pit to his in."

When Willard got back late one night he brought us apples, peaches and fresh vegetables, the first we had had all summer. He unloaded them and put them in the cave and the next morning they were all gone. The packrats had carried them far back in the crevice in the cave where we could smell them for days but there was no way we could get to them. However, the rats were not thieves, for everything they had taken they left cow chips, rocks and horse manure.

He had lots of news from old friends and his relatives who lived at Nyssa and it was good to hear from the outside world. It had been July 4th since I had seen a woman and really hadn't had time to get acquainted then. But I was always busy and did not mind as long as Willard was home nights.

Our fruit consisted mostly of dried apples, raisins, prunes and peaches which came in small wooden boxes of about ten pounds and wrapped with heavy blue paper.

Our staple foods were beans, rice, hominy, macaroni, canned corn and tomatoes. Owing to the long distance to town, and long periods of time between trips in, we were often out of potatoes.

Sourdough was always kept for bread and hot cakes and our syrup came in what was called a jacket, three gallon tin cans

covered with a thick cover of thin wood bound on with thin wire. We also got maple syrup in little tin houses painted like log cabins. The children liked to play with them when empty.

I made vinegar pie and also made lemon pie using extract

as we seldom had lemons, and eggs were a very scarce thing until we got our own chickens, which didn't come until later years when wire netting could be had for a pen to keep the coyotes and bob cats from killing them.

We bought coal oil

for our lamps and lanterns in square five gallon cans. When these cans were empty the tops were cut out and they were used for heating wash water.

If we ran out of coal oil, we used candles. Or we burned a rag in a pan of tallow which was smoky and we did not like to use, but which was better than no light at all. The lamp chimneys had to be washed every day and wicks trimmed or they would smoke up.

I made all mu soap for laundering the clothes out of lye and old grease. One had to be careful making the soap or get badly burned with the lye.

WILD HONEY

I'm sure there are but few people living today beside myself, that remember the bees and tons of honey there used to be in Succor Creek Canyon.

When we homesteaded there-there were nay bees who had come from the adjoining Rocky ford ranch and taken up their abode in the crevices in the rocks. There were tons of honey there. A huge chunk fell from a cave and Willard and some of the boys who saw it estimated it to be a ton; some of the comb was dark in color so we only took the fresh crop, carried it out in pails and the wash tub. Then I extracted the honey from the wax and had honey for table use as well as cooking and canning for a long time.

But the second year we were there the bees got a disease called "foul brood" and all died and we never had them again as long as were lived there and I don't think there has been any there since that time.

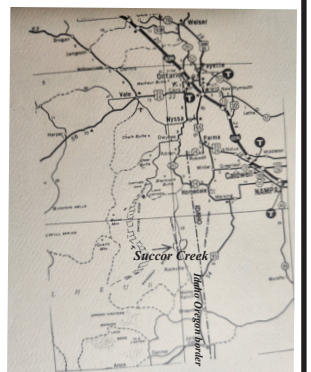


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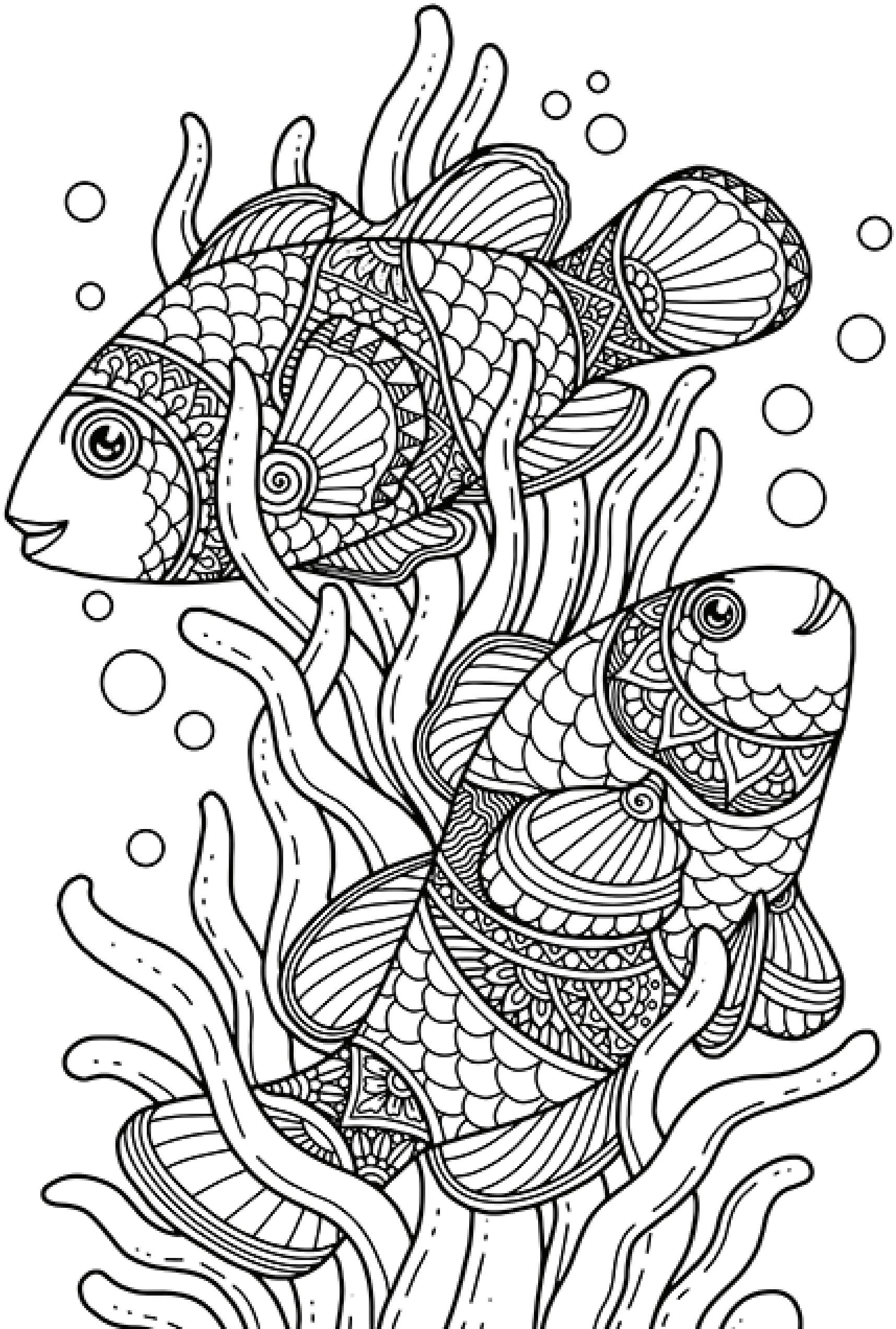
August, 2024 began the serialization of Ida Dutcher's little book, "Our Homestead In the Canyon: Now Succor Creek State Park" in Malheur County, Oregon.

The book was first printed in 1970 when Mrs. Dutcher was 78 years old and shares her memories of homesteading during the early years of her marriage.

We hope you enjoy the read as much as we did. The book has many photos which we will share but because of their age they will not be crisp.



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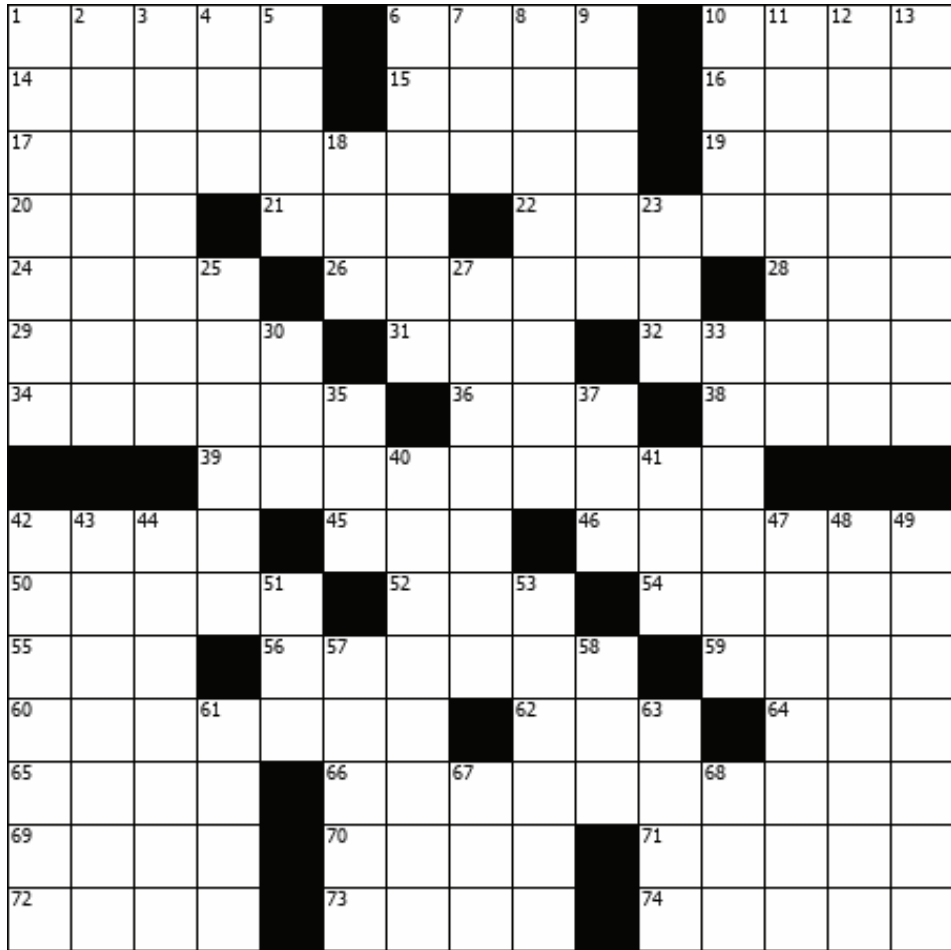


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Across

- 1. Interest of Percival Lowell
- 6. Floating slammer
- 10. Planetarium sights
- 14. Remark to the audience
- 15. Type of part
- 16. He ran beside a Ford
- 17. Humdinger
- 19. School near Slough
- 20. General Arnold's nickname
- 21. It doesn't detonate
- 22. Sketches over
- 24. "Miss ___ Regrets" (Porter tune)
- 26. Ray on "Everybody Loves Raymond"
- 28. In addition
- 29. St. Peter's sculpture
- 31. Tit for ___
- 32. Use steel wool and elbow grease
- 34. Horror movie sound
- 36. Church bench
- 38. Scraps of food
- 39. Archie Bunker statement
- 42. Connors defeater, 1975
- 45. Serpent's mark?
- 46. With less tread
- 50. Reprove mildly
- 52. Transgress
- 54. "Okie From Muskogee" Haggard
- 55. Towel embroidery, sometimes
- 56. Rector
- 59. Muddy the waters
- 60. Kind of coffee
- 62. Slithering squeezer
- 64. Poetic form
- 65. Falco of "The Sopranos"
- 66. Wild revelry
- 69. Hollywood cross street
- 70. Barely makes do (with "out")
- 71. Makes level
- 72. Baker's dozen?
- 73. Native of Latvia
- 74. Certain golf club

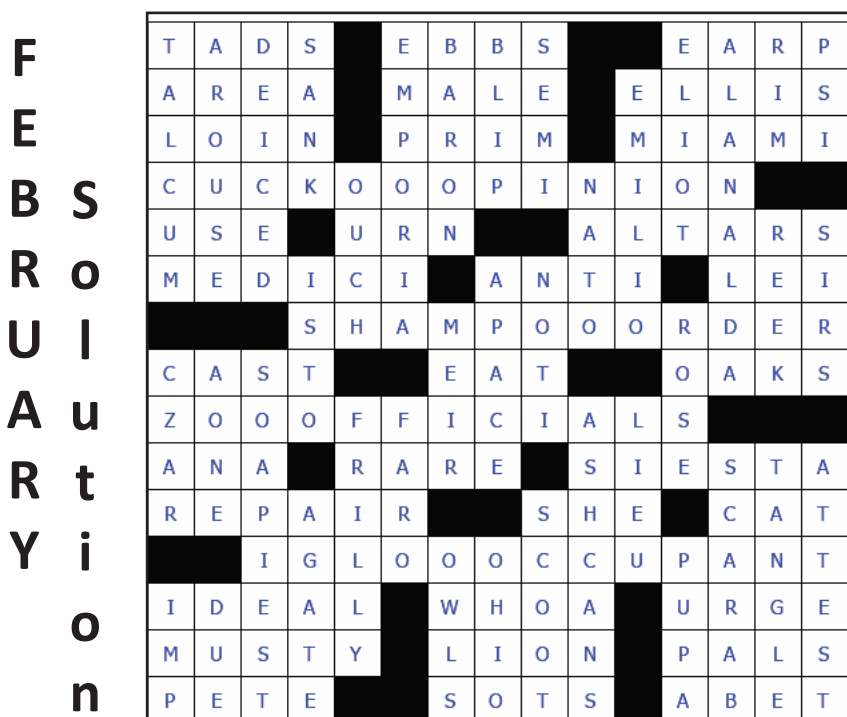


Down

- 1. Early fast-food employees
- 2. Continental flu?
- 3. More biting, in January
- 4. They may be classified or personal
- 5. Advance
- 6. Bombshell Brigitte
- 7. What some people are stuck in
- 8. Repeated
- 9. Lawyer turned bridge wiz
- 10. Frankfurt's river
- 11. Pitcher's cuff
- 12. Wingding
- 13. They detect heat or motion
- 18. Lord's Prayer opener
- 23. Uno + uno
- 25. Simmered slowly
- 27. Topographers
- 30. A patient response?
- 33. Beverage chest
- 35. Curly's brother
- 37. Charlotte had one
- 40. Pull ahead of
- 41. Water container?
- 42. Be successful
- 43. Big bash
- 44. Sounding like a mad cat
- 47. Dribbled
- 48. Saying 'ere or 'ead, e.g.
- 49. Publicity piece
- 51. Pollution agcy.
- 53. Full-bodied
- 57. First name in photography
- 58. Hide ___ hair
- 61. Ball balancers
- 63. One way to begin
- 67. Offensive of 1968
- 68. "Hail, Caesar!"

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