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After nearly a week of spectacular fall weather that bordered on balmy our high desert winter slid in. High winds on the 24th rattled shutters and the big sliding doors on the barn -- and of course worked one of the hay tarps loose just before dark as it continued to gust.

Wednesday morning greeted the valley with several inches of fresh snow. I was not ready to welcome the white stuff but my dogs thought it was great. It was, however, very wet snow so their joyful play resulted in two very wet, very muddy messes. Hamlet, the rough coated Collie was only superficially wet as his extreme undercoat held the moisture at bay. Not so for the shorter haired older dog. He was soaked to the skin. It took a good deal of toweling to get him dried off.

Naturally the horses just hung out in their paddocks and enjoyed the brisk weather change. I on the other hand piled on my winter barn outfit. (Terry Crawford)



Whether you love the extra hour of sleep or dread the early sunset, it's almost time to set your clocks back, as Sunday, Nov. 5, marks the end of daylight saving time.

Clocks will fall back one hour at 2 a.m. As we inch closer to the impending time change, the sun will start setting just a few minutes after 6 p.m. After the time change, the sun will start setting roughly between 4:48 p.m. and 5:09 p.m.





#### THE LIBERTY MEMORIAL

Soon after World War I ended, Kansas City leaders formed the Liberty Memorial Association (LMA) to create a lasting monument to the men and women who had served in the war. In 1919, the LMA and citizens of Kansas City raised more than \$2.5 million in just 10 days. The equivalent of more than \$40 million today, this staggering accomplishment reflected the passion of public sentiment for the Great War that had dramatically changed the world.

In 1921, more than 100,000 people gathered to see the supreme Allied commanders dedicate the site of the Liberty Memorial. This was the first time in history these five leaders were together in one place.

Construction on the classical Egyptian Revival-style monument was completed in 1926 and the Liberty Memorial was dedicated by President Calvin Coolidge in front of more than 150,000 people.

In the years following its unveiling, the Liberty Memorial proved to be a dynamic addition to Kansas City's cultural offerings. See Liberty Memorial, page 3.



#### The Community Breeze **NOVEMBER 2023** North Lake School- October/November 2023

To help expand our communication pathways, North Lake is scheduling more events for parents than in years past. Please watch for information. These events include grade level meetings at the middle and high school to inform you and your student of graduation expectations, credits, grades, scholarships, etc.

Klamath Community College has already been here once, and is scheduled to join us at least three more times before the end of the year. They provide very helpful information regarding postsecondary options of all types, as well as Oregon scholarship information. Allison Rudolf is on the Lake County Scholarship Board, and is always willing to provide information on local Lake County scholarships. We understand that this information does not always make its way home to you, so we are posting it on Facebook, the district website and the reader-board. Please watch for upcoming events.

#### Gail Buermann

Elementary events are usually communicated directly to parents by the teachers, or posted on our FaceBook page and the district website.

Robo calls and emails will go out when we need to reach a large number of parents at one time with general information or reminders. We also use robo calls for more immediate needs, such as school closures or delays due to weather.

We have begun publishing on a regular basis with the Desert Whispers, the Community Breeze, and the Lake County Examiner. We hope this helps reach those who are not as closely connected to school events as are those with students who attend regularly.

One of our favorite events is coming up soon, and that is the Veteran's Day breakfast and program! It is scheduled on Thursday, November 9, 2023 with a breakfast at 8AM and the program at 9AM. If you are a veteran, past or present, or a Gold Star Family, you are warmly invited to attend. If you know a veteran who may not see our invitations, please feel free to invite them to this event. We look forward to honoring our veterans!

We still have a shortage of bus drivers, and are working hard to hire and train qualified applicants. If you are interested, please call the school office for information. I would also like to thank the parents for their patience and understanding as we navigate through this difficult situation. We appreciate your cooperation!

If you have questions or concerns, please feel free to stop by the school or give me a call if you have questions or concerns. We welcome your presence and involvement in our schools, so do not hesitate to ask how you may help. We all play a pivotal role in the education of our young people, so let's do this together!

Gail Buermann Superintendent

Oct. 30	Blood Drive
Nov. 2	End Q1, 35 days
Nov. 3	Teacher grading day
Nov. 4	SAT as NL 7:30 am
Nov. 7	ASVAB Test
Nov. 8	Picture Retakes
Nov. 9	Veterans Program
Nov. 10	Veterans Day Observed
Nov. 13	Board Meeting 6 pm
Nov. 15	Grades 7-12
Pa	rent Conferences 4-6 pm
Nov. 15	FFA District Ag. Sales
Nov. 17	Skilled Trades Fair
Nov. 22-2	26 Thanksgiving Break
Nov. 27	School resumes
Nov. 27	Vision screenings
Dec. 11	Board Meeting 6 pm
Dec. 14	Christmas Program 1 pm
ec. 15	Christmas Break begins
an. 2	School resumes

**Upcoming Events** 

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### SPOOKTACULAR PLAY DAY

The Spooktacular Play Day at the CV Rodeo Grounds welcomed local riders as well as riders from Burns, Grants Pass, Lakeview, La Pine, and Prineville. In total



33 riders (an impressive turnout)

Over time, however, the physical structure of the Liberty Memorial

deteriorated, and it was closed in 1994 due to safety concerns.

Once again, Kansas Citizans voiced their support for the Liberty Memorial and, in 1998, they passed a limited-run sales tax to support the restoration. In addition to revitalizing the Memorial, plans took shape to expand the site

by building a museum to better showcase the WWI-related objects and documents the LMA had been collecting since 1920.

Thanks to the support of the City of Kansas City, the State of Missouri, the United States Government, and generous individual donors, more than \$102 million was raised for the restoration and expansion.

In 2004, the Museum and Memorial was designated by Congress as the nation's official World War I Museum, and construction started on a new 80,000-square-foot, stateof-the-art museum and the Edward Jones Research Center underneath the Liberty Memorial.

The Liberty Memorial was

# The Community Breeze Liberty Memorial

the museum, including Former



Photograph of the dedication of the Liberty Memorial on November 11, 1926

Vice President Calvin Coolidge on November 1, 1921 officiated at the This occasion was the first time in history that the five Allied commanders from World War I were gathered together in once place. Gen. Jacques of Belgium, Gen. Armando Diaz of Italy, Marshal Ferdinand Foch of France, Gen. John J. Pershing, Adm. David Beatty of Great Britain, along with Coolidge, were all in Kansas City for the American Legion Convention and the dedication of the Liberty Memorial. In 1926 Coolidge, now the President of the United States officiated at the Memorial's dedication.

designated a National Historic Landmark on Sept. 20, 2006, recognizing the monument as a nationally significant historic property. It is a distinction given to less than 40 historic properties in Missouri and slightly more than 2,500 in the United States.

The National WWI Museum and Memorial opened in 2006 to national acclaim. Since then, more than two million people have visited Vice President Dick Cheney, General Colin Powell, President Barack Obama (as a presidential candidate in 2008), Senator John McCain and actor and singer Kevin Costner. Additionally, Frank Buckles, America's last surviving WWI veteran, visited the Museum and Memorial over Memorial Day

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weekend in 2008.

In 2014, the Museum and Memorial received a second designation from Congress, effectively recognizing it as the National WWI Museum and Memorial.

A 80,000 sq ft Museum construction began in 2004. There are hundreds of thousands archaeological effects and numerous halls featuring a variety of specific exhibits. The museum hosts events throughout the year. They have a great website which is where the majority of the information in this article was gained.

The site also provides many U Tube videos. I hope you do.

# Athletes of the Week

These student-athletes have demonstrated athletic excellence for their respective sports, earning them Athlete of the Week honors. Their dedication to North Lake Athletics and personal excellence is recognized and appreciated! Congratulations Luke, Carter & Carolyne.



Luke Roth is a member of the NL Cross Country team, and is Athlete of the Week for September 30, 2023



Carter Golson is a member of the NL Football team, ans is the Athlete of the Week for October 7, 2023

#### Cross Country Run at Drake Park in Bend, Oregon 10-7-2023





Distance runner, Carolyne Koehler is Athlete of the Week for October 16, 2023.

Carolyne placed 3rd at the La Pine Invitational and 8th at the Escape the Rock run. She knows what it takes to be a successful distance runner



Luke Roth





#### **Coach Stemple & Carolyn**

#### The Community Breeze

# From This Angle: Goodbye to the Miles Motel



One day this fall as I walked along the river,

Toni Bailie

I saw flames shooting into the

sky on the outskirts of Paisley. I discovered the fire was consuming the old Miles Motel south of town. New owners of the property, Keith and Tess Baker, were demolishing the building and landscaping the property, site of their new manufactured home. At first, they considered reopening the motel, but a contractor told them the building was too far gone. Possibly in the future, the Bakers may build some small units to replace the old motel.

Edna Vernon Delarm shared her memories of the Miles Motel, built in 1958 by Frank and Dorothy Ogburn and Pete and Zona Vernon. They called it the Miles Motel because it was many miles to the next motel. Built entirely from pumice bricks, with wood rafters, the motel had six units with two-bedrooms and kitchen and a single one-bedroom unit with kitchen. Notices on the

#### By Toni Bailie

wall admonished residents: Do notclean birds or guns in the room.

The front porch of the Ogburns' home served as an office for the motel. Edna had received a new bed for her 8<sup>th</sup> birthday, but it was appropriated to help furnish the new motel. When she was

growing up, Edna cleaned rooms and did laundry, making sure every sheet was ironed.

Some of the other historic buildings in Paisley are still in use. A building with a bell tower served as a school house until the current two-story structure was built in 1907. When a Massachusetts priest donated \$1200 to purchase and remodel the school as

a Catholic place of worship, the former school was moved up to a lot on Green Street. In 1959, a new Catholic Church was constructed on the hill so the building again sat vacant. A few years later an entrepreneur converted it into a factory that assembled electronic

# Comings and Goings By Terry Crawford

I don't know what changed but I along with pretty much everyone that has fruit trees in Christmas Valley has seen a bumper crop from their trees. I have five different apple trees and two pear trees as well as two wild plumbs. Happily I have horses, so a good deal of the crop was removed from the lower branches while they were out mowing the lawn. Even so, I still had so many.

Now I am not a cook - partly because I really hate grocery shopping, so much so that I may chose to simply skip a meal to avoid the store. When I say I am not a cook it is not an exaggeration. I have created some incredibly inedible meals - some so bad the dogs wouldn't even eat the disaster.

Long, long ago I found a recipe titled "Company Fare" that incorporated ground beef, and bananas in a meat loaf. I don't know who came up with it but I guarantee it is the best recipe ever if you don't ever want that company to come back for any other meal you might offer.

Another disaster was chicken noodle soup. It seemed to me that

devices. In the 1980s, Michael and Nadine O'Sullivan purchased the former school/church and it became a summer retreat from their home in Southern California. Nadine's son Gavin and his family now own the house and come for summer vacations.



Duane Graham has purchased the old K&L Market and plans to convert it into a restaurant to replace the Homestead Café that burned a few years ago.

Dennis O'Leary is renovating another historic building that served as the old Woodsmen of the World Hall and Ice Cream Parlor. He moved the structure across the street onto his property and is converting it into a residence.

One of the oldest buildings still in use is the Pioneer Saloon. Entering the dark, paneled interior 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. 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.

Our historic buildings preserve the memories of past eras, preserving the old-west atmosphere.

product and then enhance it with onions, garlic, mushrooms, celery and ground beef. I slow cook it, cool it and wait a day to re-heat it and serve it over the noodles.

Maybe my favorite thing to cook is a turkey dinner. I do something weird - I repeatedly fill the interior of the bird with very hot water just before stuffing it. This, in my opinion, ensures that the bird will cook evenly because I have raised the internal temperature artificially rather than waiting for it to reach it simply through the heat of the oven.

Well back to the apple situation. Since I had tons of crab apples and the horses have no desire to eat them. So, what to do? I checked out suggestions on the web and Crab Apple Jelly seemed to be a good way to go. You don't have to peal or core them. Just cook them, squish them, strain the pulp to extract the juice then cook it with sugar. The directions said crab apples have so much natural pectin that non was needed to make the jelly set up. Well that didn't turn out to be true. I had to run to the store and get pectin and add it to my first batch. The product came out really nice. So for the next batches I followed the instructions on the pectin package. It didn't set up. So I looked up how to correct this situation and re-worked the jelly. It still didn't set up. Back to that initial statement, "I'm not a cook." I happily now have a year's worth of crab apple syrup. I also have a few jars of pare syrup because it didn't set up either. This, I think, I will use to complement pork dishes. Fruit and pork always seem to complement one another. Hopefully a few of you great cooks will get a chuckle out of my cooking adventures.

the name said what the ingredients were - chicken, water, noodles and maybe some spices. So I put chicken, noodles and water in a pot and cooked it. The result - something that resembled glue with chicken bones in it. That night we had breakfast for dinner, the dogs had dog food - they turned their noses up to the offering.

I have actually cultivated a few recipes that consistently return successful tasty dishes. I love my split pea soup - the taste, the texture and the satisfaction of a really hot meal on a cold evening. Another favorite is Meatloaf. I like it simple, but innovative. So ground beef, onion, egg, crushed croutons, mushrooms, a little chopped apple and some raisins. Once it is nearly done I add a catchup/brown sugar sauce to the top as a glaze. I may not sound good, but it has always been well accepted.

I love spaghetti and when I make it I, of course, use a commercial



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.



**Becky Messner** Womack, who lives near Silver Lake, recently visited Lake County Museum.

Marie Lee

She brought her mother's story and

what a story it is! Her mother was Norma Mathews, a ranch girl raised during the late 1920s and 1930s on a ranch in Surprise Valley, California.

Geographically speaking, Surprise Valley, California is located south of Warner Valley in



far eastern Lake County, Oregon. Because of their natural connection southern Warner Valley ranches, such as the old MC Ranch, and northern Surprise Valley ranches ran close together with ranchhands often drifting back and forth

# The Community Breeze **STORIES OF THE OLD WEST**

#### **By Marie Lee**

MC Ranch cowboys: Howard and Jeff McMullen, Marvin Essex, Reed Smith, and Cliff Gunderson. Lewis Clair was the chuckwagon driver and "wrango boy." His wife, Lois Clair, was the wagon cook. "Lois was a good cook," Norma wrote, "and the meals were mostly beef steak, potatoes, sourdough biscuits, dried fruit, and coffee."

Norma was gifted with musical talent and she packed her accordion along with her to the desert cow camp. "Every evening she would play and sing cowboy songs around the campfire. Jess McMullen loved to sing and dance. And was good at both."

Most likely Norma's unwritten reason for getting up early was because of one cowboy whose name was Ernie Messner. Ernie was boss of the cowboy crew. During the summer of 1946 Ernie and Norma were married.

Norma Mathews and Ernie Messner married at Winnemucca, Nevada during a rodeo in 1946. Clevon Dixon and his wife, Anola, witnessed the marriage. Ernie had entered the bareback riding contest and he won enough money to the pay the preacher ten dollars.



The MC Chuckwagon out on the ADEL Desert 1945, the cowboys riding-horses following behind.

between them. Near the end of World War II Norma Mathews, a Surprise Valley girl, worked as a

A few days ago, I took the opportunity to travel with a group down to Ft. Bidwell, California. Ft. Bidwell is located near the northern end of Surprise Valley. While I was there, I thought a lot about Norma Mathews' story.

Ft. Bidwell's name derived

hill to the cemetery.

From the cemetery the view across Alkali Lake and Surprise Valley is a grand panorama of western landscape. In my mind's



eye I could see Norma's childhood as she rode horses, worked, and attended school growing up in

from a significant military camp established there during 1865. Military campaigns to quell Indian uprisings so that settlers could safely move into the country was the fort's primary purpose. Military campaigns and early settlement are far more complicated stories than simply stated in this article; those are stories for another day.

The drive from Goose Lake Valley over Cedar Pass and into Surprise Valley was spectacular. Fall foliage unique to our western landscape was on grand display. Golden aspen groves, poplars, and cottonwoods intermingled with the bright red autumn glory of wild plum bushes and other drought resistant brush. The trip was about as good as it gets.

Today, Ft. Bidwell is a picturesque village with Bidwell Creek meandering through backyards and culverts. Remnants of what used to be are on natural display, giving the town a distinctive hint of old west stories waiting to be told. I love it. After we indulged ourselves with lunch at the Ft. Bidwell Hotel, built during the area's brief gold rush in 1908, our driver took us up the

the valley. So many stories and so little time and space in which to tell them.

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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

#### buckaroo for the MC Ranch.

Norma spent the winter of 1945/1946 helping gather 7,000 head of MC Ranch cattle. It was bitterly cold. The cowboys, she said, slept on the ground by the campfire, but she slept behind the stove in the cook tent. She said she had to get out of bed by 2:30 a.m. so that she was ready when the cowboys came in for breakfast at 3:00 a.m.

Norma worked alongside well-remembered names among



The MC Ranch cattle heading home off the desert for the winter of 1945

#### 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 you value safer.

This Ducktober is like many other years in the High Desert, as it has many warm days and cooling nights. Ducks and geese are moving into the Summer Lake Refuge, The "big bang" on opening weekend

yielded smiles for those hunters who put in the time.

Bees are still out trying to find the last Rabbit brush and Sage blossoms to get their final stores in bee for winter sets in. We had a couple of frosts, so most of the sage brush buds got nipped. Our weather toward to the end of the month was beautiful as the Quaking Aspen have turned into glorious colors of yellow and red. Our ChokeBerry

bushes are crimson red and the birds are enjoying the fruit. Then in the last week came the snow, wind and freezing temperature -- Burr!

So onto what needs to happen this month. You should have weighed your hives and marked the light ones. Any hive under 70 pounds is subject to winter die off and needs to bee monitored for robbing and disease. If you see robbing

# The Community Breeze **Bee-Cuzz You Asked DUCKTOBER** and the Bees

By Gary A. Brain Summer Lake Apiaries

entrance. October is a good I have set out some moist month to treat for mites. Just cat food laced with Frontline



remember some treatments need warm days for the treatments to bee effective. You should also install your mouse guards

and entrance reducers to keep the vermin out. well for me. I find that the

colonies. So far I haven't seen

Pumpkins are ready for harvest in my garden. And this soup is a great way to use some of the bumper crop. Smooth, creamy and delicious. A warm hug in a bowl.

#### **Italian Pumpkin Soup**

1 pound piece of Peeled Pumpkin 1/4 cup Butter 1 medium Onion, finely chopped 3 !/2 Cups Chicken Broth (home made is best!) 2 Cups Heavy Cream (Can use Milk) Pinch of Grated Nutmeg Sea Salt and Fresh ground Pepper 7 TBSP Spaghetti, broken into small pieces 6 TBSP Grated Parmesan Cheese

Stir in Pumpkin and cook a few minutes more.

- Add Chicken Broth and cook until pumpkin is soft, about 15 minutes.
- Puree the soup in blender or processor. Return to pan. Stir in Milk and Nutmeg.
- Season with Salt and Pepper.

occur, you need to reduce the too many successful entries.

for cats. Fipronil is the main ingredient that kills ticks fleas and Yellow Jackets. Be sure to place the laced cat food so no animals can get to it. The Yellow Jackets carry the the laced cat food back to the nest where all enjoy one last meal.

I know I sound like a broken record but FEED! Stay away from entrance feeders as they promote robbing. Top feeders or bucket feeders have worked



Yellow Jackets my be a potential sisters prefer my bucket feeders issue, especially with weak to the top feeders that I have.

You should have all your

queen excluder off and mouse guards on by now. Make sure you have adequate ventilation for your hives or condensation will form on the inner cover and top hive cover.

If this happens, the condensation may drip onto your bees. I have a small hole in the top corner of the top main hive body and put 1/2 inch sound board (fuzz board) between the inner cover and top cover to help control condensation. I also use a shallow super with fine mesh screen tacked to the bottom and filled with wood shavings placed between the inner cover and top cover to help with condensation. This method seems to bee better for my hives that just a vent hole or fuzz board.

Now is a good time to take inventory and make a "to do" repair and maintenance list for the upcoming winter months. On warm days (over 60°) before mid-November you should break open your hives and remove burr comb, check for the Queen Mother, and do a final inspection of the hive. Just remember, if you see the colony in a cluster do not disturb!

> That's all for now. Bee Safe out there!

This dish is phenomenal with squash, potatoes, hearty root vegetables, and dark greens. All you really need is olive oil and seasoning, and voilà!

## **Colorful Autumn Roasted Vegetables**

#### Ingredients

1 pound small red-skinned potatoes, quartered, or whole creamer potatoes

2 cups peeled butternut squash, diced

2 carrots, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch-thick diagonal slices

2 parsnips, peeled and cut into 1/2-inch-thick diagonal slices

3 tablespoons olive oil

1 tablespoon chopped fresh rosemary or 1 teaspoon dried

• Chop pumpkin into cubes • Heat the Butter in a large saucepan Add the Onion and cook over medium heat until it softens, 6-8 minutes.

Bring soup back to a boil. If too thick for your liking, thin with a little water or milk.

• Stir the broke pasta in to the soup. Cook until the pasta is done.. Stir in the Parmesan.

Serve with a crisp Green Salad and warm Italian Rustic Bread What's not to love?! Happy Fall! MARIE

rosemary

#### 2 cloves garlic, minced

salt and freshly ground black pepper, to taste 2 to 3 cups packed kale, rinsed and chopped

#### Instructions

Preheat oven to 450°F. Lightly oil two rimmed baking sheets. Then in a bowl, combine vegetables (except kale), oil, rosemary, garlic, salt and pepper, and toss to coat. Spread mixture evenly onto prepared baking sheets and bake for 15 minutes on separate oven racks. After 15 minutes, add kale, stir vegetables, and return to oven, switching rack position of sheets. Bake for 15 minutes, or until vegetables are tender and browned.

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# NORTH LAKE HEALTH DISTRICT

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### CLINIC UPDATE:

As many residents know, as of may 31, 2023, the La Pine Community Health Care Clinic ceased providing primary healthcare at the Christmas Valley Medical Center.

The North Lake Health District (NLHD) Board send out a Request for Proposal (RFP) to several provider organizations to invite them to provide the board with a proposal to contract as the primary healthcare provider at the District's Medical Center.

Denise Griffiths, who served as the primary healthcare provider at the Christmas Valley facility while employed by the La Pine Community Health Care Clinic, submitted a RFP to provide services. An additional RFP went out and has been acted upon which looks to provide broader services at the clinic which will include Denise. A new and exciting development is the approval of the construction of a dentaloffice building in Christmas Valley. The construction contract for the new building has been awarded to Krabill Enterprises LLC. The NLHD Board would like the community to know that is continues to be a time consuming process before the Christmas Valley Clinic at the Medical Center will once again be providing services to the community, and want community members to know that their patience is deeply appreciated.

OPTOMETRIC PHYSICIAN

Dr. Timothy Arbow O.D by appointment: 541 544 9888

# MASSAGE THERAPY

Shawn Lavallee, LMT by appointment: 541 576 2110 or 541 576 2043

#### CHIROPRACTIC PHYSICIAN Helmut Eichner, DC by appointment: 541 633 6563

# LAKE HEALTH DISTRICT MENTAL HEALTH

by appointment: 541 947 6021

It was already dark two days later when Clint arrived at the Barlow's home. He looked tired and older than he had a few days earlier. It was hard for Nancy to believe it had only been a few days ago that he left Grandma Jeannie's house to return to Wagontire. It seemed like something she had dreamed.

Clint hugged Nancy, shook hands with Bob and Dave, and gratefully accepted a cup of coffee from Eunice. He feared to ask about Annie, knowing from the faces of those around him that the news was not good.

"She's still unconscious," Bob said softly. "We are all praying for her recovery. One of the best brain

surgeons on the west coast was visiting in Medford, so he did the surgery. He says when a person is unconscious, they often can still hear you. He wants her family to come and talk to her. I wanted to take Nancy but the hospital won't allow children in the rooms. I'll take you over in the morning. You've had a hard trip and need some rest."

Clint sank into a chair close to the stove and held his hand out to the fire. "I left as soon as I could but still it was dark by the time I got to Lakeview. I stayed there last night. It took me all day to come over the mountains. Every few miles there was someone slid off in the ditch. I don't know how many times I stopped to help.

Clint liked at Bob. "Your message didn't give much detail. I want to know what happened to Annie." Each person chipped in and told the story of the accident and surgery. Clint had a hard time accepting that it was his Annie they were talking about.

Nancy leaned against her father, comforted by his presence. "Did you get someone to take care of things at home?" she asked. "Ralph's taking care of the stock and Melody's mother will stay with her for a while. It's great to have such good neighbors." Clint put his arm around Nancy and they clung to each other. When Bob took Clint to the hospital, he stopped at the door to Annie's room. "Try not to think about how she looks now. Just try to talk to her like everything is normal," he said. Clint felt himself reel when he looked at Annie. How could this pathetic creature

# The Community Breeze Desert Dandy

By Gladys Martin

### **Chapter Twenty Two**

possibly be the vibrantly alive woman he had kissed goodbye only a few days ago. Her face was pale, her head swathed in bandages.

"Annie," he said softly, "Annie, I've come to take your home. You need to get well so we can go back to Wagontire. I need you there with me. It's so lonesome with you gone. Please wake up so you can go home with me."

There was not a flicker of

make Annie wake up and be all right. She's never done anything to hurt anyone, why should she have to suffer?" He raised his head and looked around. One shaft of sunlight broke through the clouds and lit up the corner of the hospital, a few blocks away, so he headed in that direction.

Bob looked relieved when Clint walked into Annie's room. "You really had me worried," he said. "I won't leave again, I promise," Clint said. He leaned



response. Clint gently touched her cheek. Panic welled up, but he forced it down and started talking about the ranch. He held her hand and kissed her cheek, willing her to respond.

Bob touched him on the shoulder. "We have to leave for a few minutes for the nurses to care for her." Cling kissed her forehead. "I'll be right back, Annie." Outside the room, Clint sank down in the first chair he could find. "I'll get us some coffee," Bob said. Clint sat with his head in his hands. Two women nearby, but out of sight, were talking about Annie. "I'm surprised she's still alive," one voce said. "Sandy was on duty when they brought her in and she was almost dead. If that doctor hadn't been here, she would have died." Clint had the urge to escape from the voices. He found himself outside. He looked up at the sodden sky, trying to separate himself from his pain. He called out to God. "Why did you let this happen? If you are really there,

over the bed and took Annie's hand. "I love you and you are going to get well." He wished he felt as confident as he tried to sound.

Late in the evening of the eighth day after Annie's accident, the phone rang in the Barlow's home and a voice asked for Clint Morgan. When Clint answered, the voice said, "Hi, Dad." "Curt!" Clint exclaimed. "Where are you?" "I just got off the bus in Talent, but I don't know how to find you." Curt replied. "You just sit tight for a few minutes, son, and I'll be right there to get you." Clint hung up the phone and told the others, "Curt's in Talent. The last I knew he was out on the ocean somewhere." "He'll probably be hungry," Eunice said. "I'll fix something for him to eat while you go pick him up." In Talent, Clint spotted Curt right away. "I thought you were out in the middle of the Pacific Ocean. How did you get here?" Clint asked. "My captain arranged it," Curt replied. "But I can't stay



long. I have to be in San Francisco five days from now. I want to know about Mom. What happened to her?"

"She's in pretty bad shape," Clint said. "She just lies there and doesn't know anyone. The doctor doesn't know when she will wake up, or even if she will. I'll take you to the hospital tomorrow. Eunice is fixing something for you to eat."

Annie was still unresponsive when Curt saw her next morning. Clint took her hand and said, "Annie, Curt has come to see you. He can only stay a few days, so you have to wake up real soon." "Mom, I've come to visit you," Curt said. "If you will just get well, I'll come back to the ranch and work with Dad and we could all be together again."

Late the next afternoon Annie became restless, moving her arms and legs. The doctor examined her and said, "It's possible she may be regaining a degree of consciousness, but don't count on it."

Curt spent most of his time in his mother's room with Clint. "Dad, I'm sure glad you didn't send Nancy to stay with Sam and Lois to go to school. I had to have a lot of talks with my chaplain to get past the things I learned from them. The Colemans are a lot better people for her to be with." "Annie was dead set against sending Nancy there," Clint said. "Sam is a decent guy when he's sober but we didn't realize how little of the time he actually is sober." Then Curt told about living aboard an aircraft carrier, flying out over the ocean, and returning to land on the carrier's deck. Once the waves got really rough and I saw the plane ahead of me ditch in the ocean. I'd have traded that plane for a high bucking mustang right then."

#### Next Month: Chapter 23

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.

Cherokee Maidens were the most desirable of the women of the new America; tall, slender with toned muscles due to structured physical exercise dressed in their off white tanned leather dress with the tassels just barely above ground and the sleeves were long with bead work. Around their waist was a sash that was made in Vienna the shawl that was bought in Paris wrapped around their shoulders.

These women were more conservative in dress than the rest of the Nation with a high collar with a precious stone in a necklace. Their long dark hair was in a bun under a sunbonnet with fresh flowers added daily. They were taught the ways of 'tribal' medicine and many attended higher education in degrees in law, education and the 'white' man's medicine. A dazzling physical feature of these copper-skinned intelligent women were their glacial blue

eyes. A result of co-habituating with the Scots-Irishmen for several generations thus allowing these women to speak English and their Native Cherokee.

Marriage was so sacred that there were no laws on the 'books' for adultery. It just did not happen. But if you weren't married, sexual relationships were 'lais-sez' faire and in many cases encourage.

Sixteen year old Sam Huston was bored with farm life and decided to move into the Cherokee Nation which was located on a massive island in the Tennessee River for three years until Call of Duty placed him under the Commanding General of the Tennessee Militia, Andrew 'Old Hickory' Jackson. Huston showed his mettle in the Battle of Horseshoe Bend and the general was impressed.

# BATTLE OF THE CAPITAL **By The Prospector**

gifted Native Americans to be enrolled in colleges and tell Washington D.C. that he was staying home to "rid the Florida's of Spaniards". As soon as he arrived he received word that the British were invading with orders to "burn down our Capitol". The Ross Twins who were going for original orders were to defend the Capital so off they went bringing along the cannons.

was colorblind when it came to recruiting. What they demanded ethics groups would combine in gunnery crews, Blacks, Irish, needed to be built.



Captain Huston now was performance. The different had 1000 volunteers under his command and a breast work

> The Capital was under construction and thick-quarried stone helped immensely. All desks and chairs were placed in the breastwork . Flooring pulled up and the massive doors going into the House of Representatives were placed but left a big hole that was plugged with a marble statue that took several years to carve, a gift of the French, our Lady of Liberty. The marble statue was bigger than life size, with Liberty herself seated on a pedestal, her left hand holding a cap of liberty and her right hand holding a scroll representing the Constitution. The other

law degrees convinced Huston that they weren't warriors but would useful doing something. Sam Huston, now being called Captain, relented. Tiana Rogers, age 16 and six feet tall who was to begin studies in medicine simply started walking to Washington D.C. when the captain ask her where she was going? She said; "there will be injuries and I'll be needed". Turned around and headed into battle not waiting for a reply. As Captain Huston went to Capitol civilians volunteers joined him when he ran into our Navy personnel retreating from the Battle of Bladensburg. Sam Huston told them their orders were to retreat to Georgetown and leave the Nation's Capital defenseless. Our Navy men, God Bless each and everyone, told the Captain they did not take orders from civilians, which technically he was and said their

each other and the result was America had the best gunnery crews in the World. The U.S.S Constitution largest prize was a battleship the Freed Black crew nailed in mast in rolling seas dead on that removed a for using these precious artifacts. three foot section suspending He never did. the mast in midair before pile driving itself thru the boat. with such force and timing that, As the spar was going out the it showed the Big Man in the bottom, the white flags were Sky was with us. The 'swamp' going up. Game Over. When the became a quagmire. Marines landed on "Shores of Tripoli" and raised our flag over the captured fort was a signal to the Navy to turn its attention to

French so see could out best doorway was plugged with the great stone frieze of an Eagle with his wings spread. Only thing shown was the head and body in the doorway. The 12' wingspan was behind the wall. Sam Huston worried he would get in trouble

The night before it rained

Jackson sent Huston to Baltimore with a dozen highly

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1.	Scatters
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- 11. Double-platinum
- **Steely Dan album**
- 14. Civil War site
- 15. Unhappy exclamation
- **16. Standard introduction?**
- 17. Cause of boredom, perhaps
- 19. Ending for 28-Across
- 20. Parlor item, perhaps
- 21. Hot pants kin
- 22. TV alien
- 25. 1990 World Series champs
- 26. Display disgust
- 28. Famous French king
- **30.** Cork propellers
- **31. Artist Chagall**
- 32. Helen of Troy's husband
- 35. Tahiti sweetie
- 36. Speak bombastically
- 37. Docket entry
- 40. Receptivity
- 42. Antagonize
- 43. Corresponds
- 45. Comic superhero
- 46. Oman's capital
- 47. "Will be," to Doris Day
- 50. It's sometimes bitter
- 51. Place on a Monopoly board
- 52. Principal ore of lead
- 54. Rose-rose linkup
- 55. Cause of somberness, perhaps
- 60. Unprestigious publication
- 61. Mean business?
- 62. African republic inhabitant
- 63. Poetic preposition
- 64. Change for a Jackson
- **65.** Chewed the scenery

#### Down

- 1. New craft of '68
- 2. Everyday article
- 3. Disencumber
- 4. Some Ivy Leaguers
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- 6. "On the Beach" author Nevil
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- 7. Coolidge's veep
- 8. Skin-cream additive
- 9. Smoke residue
- 10. What it doesn't hurt to do
- 11. Cause of mental distress,
- perhaps
- 12. Take part 13. Smithy implements
- 18. Pt. of PST
- 21. "Sincerely" sisters
- 22. mater
- 23. Good earth
- 24. Cause of wild anger, perhaps
  - 44. Starlike celestial object

27. Clean-air gp.

**30. Dogs and cats** 

sometimes

**38.** Pizzazz

**39. Fix, as socks** 

41. La Guardia info

43. Sovereign's concern

29. Injury application,

**32. French impressionist** 

33. They have eagle eyes

34. Highlander's negative

- 26. Romeo and Juliet, for two 45. Horse-drawn cab
  - 47. Goes by water
  - 48. "Don't Bring Me
  - Down" rockers, familiarly
  - **49.** Be economical
  - **52. Exude elation**
  - 53. Cartridge fill
  - **55. It begins love-love**
  - 56. The night before
  - 57. Horse's bit
  - 58. Shout of support,
  - somewhere
  - **59.** Performed

# **HOLIDAY PREVIEW**

The holiday season is upon us but at this point in time we have not received information regarding specific times and dates for annual

# NOVEMBER CROSSWORD

events such as the Praise The Lord Fellowship's community Thanksgiving and Christmas dinners, Bazaars in Paisley, Christmas Valley and Fort Rock, The Christmas Valley Community Church's community dinner, The Children's Christmas Party, and The Annual Light Parade **Check local bulletin boards, Facebook** and the Whispers for updates.

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# **Public Meetings**

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

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

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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