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APRIL 16th

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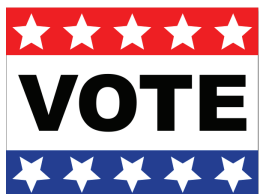
May 17th is the Primary election date and so it is time for me to remind readers that The Community Breeze will accept paid advertisement for candidates or ballot measures, however we do not accept letters to the editor tied to political candidates. The reason is simple and it has not changed over the years - we are a monthly publication and as such election time lines do not allow for rebuttal. Additionally, we do not politically editorialize as doing so compromises our business model.

We encourage all eligible citizens to flex their muscle and exercise their right to vote. It is our position that if you chose to abstain from participation in the political process then you, in our opinion, forfeit your right to complain about election outcomes.

Remember you can vote by mail or drop you ballot in the ballot box located at the Christmas Valley Annex ballot box.

Filed Candidates

Below is the list of filed Candidates for the May 17, 2022 Primary election for the County of Lake. The sheriff candidates are Current Sheriff, Michael Taylor and Sheriff Deputy, Sargent Tom Roark and they will be on the November ballot.



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**Candidates
Darryl Anderson**



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County Commissioner No #

**Proposed North Lake Emergency Service District
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Karen Morgan**


**Relinda Reynolds
Katie Westler
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Blain Nofziger
David Elmore**


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By Toni Bailie

Over the years, I have seen so many examples of our Paisley community pulling together for a common cause. Volunteers keep our town alive. The Fire Department and Disaster Unit are ready to respond to emergencies. Amy Davis, Chelsea Jones and Daniell Cardozza formed volunteer crews to organize the Halloween Party, Winter Carnival and Mosquito Festival. Volunteers in Paisley, with Patty Westgate at the helm, hold fund raisers to supply milk for the school cafeteria, equipment for the Community Center and a scholarship for school graduates.

Once again Paisley residents have rallied for a joint endeavor. On March 5, an open house celebrated the grand opening of the library which has moved to a new location. We were determined to keep our library after being asked to leave the former location. Library Director Amy Hutchinson who coordinated with Cheryl Kemry, director of the non-profit Inner Court Family Center in arranging a five-year lease of the building at 723 Chewaucan Street. “I’m super excited for this new space

From This Angle: Saving Paisley Library

and partnership with ICFC. It was never an option to close the library in Paisley,” Amy Hutchinson said. Before moving on to another job, Amy helped brainstorm the move. Marsha Richmond, Interim Library Director, will be helping long-time

Share and Senior Transportation. But the other office spaces were no longer being used. A six-person clean-up crew spent one day clearing unused equipment from the building. Cheryl Kemry donated paint and labor to brighten the interior. Jackie Neal-Carpenter

together, sorting and packing books, then shelving them in the new space. Kenny Winebrenner, County Work Crew Foreman for Probation, supplied the labor for moving boxes of books. Martin and Brady Murphy moved shelves. Butch Smith, Valerie Little and Shana Anseth pulled out their tool kits to assemble furniture and install shelves. Cheryl Kemry donated paint and labor to brighten the interior. Tim Ramming made signs for the shelves and the rooms housing the children’s’ area, adult-non-fiction and adult fiction.

At the open house, a table of refreshments was provided by 4-H members Brianna Haynes, Anna Robinson and Katie Murphy. The

spacious lobby displays new fiction and non-fiction, movies, audio books and paperbacks. Patrons will be able to use three laptop computers and a copy machine. The library is open Tuesday-Wednesday from 10:00 to 6:00. Come on down and see the new and improved Paisley Library.



Marsh Richmond, Jan Murphy and Amy Hutchinson

Paisley Librarian Jan Murphy with logistics of settling into the new space.

ICFC opened in 2001 in a modular office building obtained from the Silver Lake Ranger Station on land donated by the Brattain family. ICFC sponsors the Paisley School Lunch Program, Food

wielded a vacuum cleaner to clean the vacated location and ready the new space.

Godelieve Vyttenhove, who served as Technical Services Librarian in Lakeview from 2020-2014, came up from California for two weeks to help. She and Paisley Librarian Jan Murphy worked

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Chapter Two: The Morgans

The Morgan ranch was the smallest in the area, the last one on the road that meandered along the base of Wagontire Mountain and on out to the Bend-Burns highway/ Clint Morgan was lean and tan from hours in the saddle. At forty years, his dark hair had only traces of gray and his brown eyes sparkled with life. He wiped the sweat from his brow with his sleeve. He would rather be out riding, looking after the cattle, but sometimes a man had to take care of mechanical things. The old tractor seemed to have a mind of its own and foul up his plans when he needed it.

He stood in the July sun, weighing his options. If he drove to Wagontire he might get word to the store in Burns and they would send the parts he needed to make that bucket of bolts run. He might actually get the old tractor going so he could get his haying done.

Steam rose as Clint poured water from the teakettle into the wash pan. He refilled the kettle from the cold water faucet at the kitchen sink, then set it back on the stove. He scrubbed off the grease and grime he had picked up from the old tractor. “Is that tractor giving you trouble again?” asked his wife Annie. “Needs a part,” Clint grunted. “I’ll

go to Wagontire soon as I get my hands clean. Want to go with me?” “I can’t today, Clint. The cake’s about to come out of the oven and bread is rising. I want to make a pie and some cookies while the oven is hot. Then maybe I won’t have to heat up the house for at least another week,” Annie said. “Well, it’s hot in here, that’s for sure,” Clint said. “Where’s Nan? I’ll take her if she wants to go.” “She was headed for the barn last I saw. You know she’ll want to go.” Nancy, almost nine, was always ready to go. She enthusiastically welcomed the chance to ride to Wagontire with her dad. Smokey, the old stub tailed blue dog, jumped in the back of the pickup the moment Clint opened the door. Clint scratched the dog’s neck affectionately, bringing on ecstatic wiggles.

Today, Clint’s heart was

Desert Dandy

By Gladys Martin

heavy. He was not really listening to Nancy’s chatter. He truly loved this girl who was so much like him in looks and temperament, but his mind kept wandering to his blonde, blue-eyed son Curtis.



He couldn’t blame Curtis for running away from home at 17. He had done the same thing years ago. It hurt to think of that now. For the first time he realized how his mother must have felt. “Daddy, what’s that out there?” Nan asked, pointing across the valley where a line of dark specks was moving at the base of the next ridge. “That’s a bunch of mustangs, Nan. There’s a water hole over there. They come in every other day for water,” Clint explained.”

Thunderheads were starting to push up over the horizon, dazzling white against the deep blue sky. Clint thought of a storm later in the day, then his mind drifted back to Curt. Clint had been so sure Curt would want to be partners with him on the ranch. He had dreams of expanding, maybe a hay ranch to winter the cattle and just use Wagontire for summer range. It still hurt to remember how much he had wanted to be partners with his own dad on the ranch at Long Valley. Then there was the day Curtis Morgan did not come home. Clint, only 14 at the time, went looking for his dad. He found where the horse had stepped in a hidden badger hole. His dad had landed on a rock and couldn’t get way in time. Lost in thought, he was shocked by the sight that met him coming over the next rise. A badly battered pickup was in the lead. Then came George’s pickup towing the remains of a trailer, followed by the stock truck. Clint pulled out of the road to let them pass, but the lead pickup stopped and George got out. “Clint, how’d you know I was wishin’ you’d show up?” George asked. “He quickly explained about the wreck and the lost horses. “The men rode for the lost horses but couldn’t make sense of all the

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Marie Lee

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

Creed Conn’s Death, Self-Inflicted or Murder?

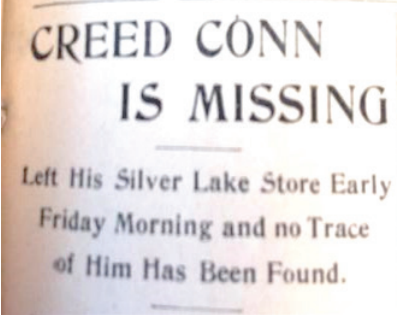
Creed Conn’s death left us with a mystery that will never be answered. There have been theories, but no positive answers. The likable, handsome and well-established Silver Lake merchant went missing early in March of 1904 and his body was found about seven weeks later. A coroner’s jury found that he died of self-inflicted gunshot wounds, but facts have forever placed that verdict in question.

Conn’s death has been written about by several authors in the 118 years since his mysterious death. When I was approached to submit a story about that same subject for the upcoming Shaw Historical Library Journal of 2022, I almost declined, however, a little research began to intrigue me.

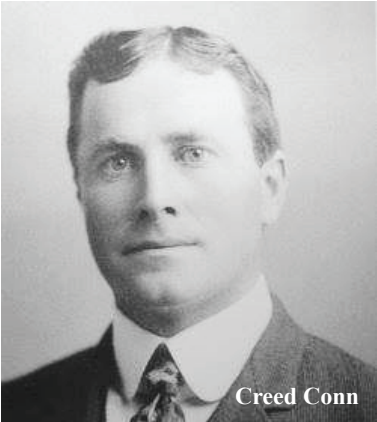
Hideous mass slaughter of sheep that ranged north and east of Silver Lake during early 1904 lend heavily to the controversy surrounding Conn’s sudden death. The *Lake County Examiner* edition of February 11, 1904 reported that Guy McCune lost 2,200 head of sheep, shot, slashed and clubbed

to death at the hands of five masked men who left the herder with a warning that others would meet that same fate. A few days later three of Conn’s freight wagons were burned.

While I researched for another project at Lake County Museum, I ran across small increments of information about Conn’s death that appeared



on the backside of unrelated research papers. It was quite interesting. According to those pages, warning letters to those who were thought to have knowledge about the sheep massacres



were mailed from distant post offices. Also, that a Silver Lake merchant found a rope tied to his doorknob with a note advising him to keep quiet.

Conn appeared to make his mercantile business the entire focus of his life, as there is almost no indication of his personal life. He displayed a certain amount of flair when it came to his freight team. His outfit of three heavily loaded freight wagons pulled by an extraordinary fine team, mostly mules, was considered one of the best around.

Creed Conn left his store that early March morning after having

breakfast with others at the Silver Lake Hotel. The last that was seen of him was observed by a local woman who noticed Conn walking toward Silver Lake Bridge, and shortly afterward a shot was heard by another local man who thought it was boys hunting. When he failed to return to the store his clerk became worried and eventually a large search party was organized. After a lengthy search it was concluded that he had most likely fallen into the creek which was running quite high.

His body was found on April 28 by a ZX cowhand. His body suddenly appeared a little over a mile from town in an obvious and quite visible location with two gunshot wounds in his chest. The jury found that due to the position in which the body was found, the victim sat on the ground and fired the first shot, fell backward and then placed the revolver to his breast and fired again while upon his back.

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March went out like a lamb with the first flow of nectar from the Chinese Elm, Locust and Forsythia. Pollen from the Quaking Aspen with its distinctive deep royal purple color is also a favorite of the foraging spring bees. It is truly awesome to see the girls coming in with purple legs!

Now back to a complete Spring hive inspection: As we have 70+ degree temperatures take time to just observe the girls going in and out of the hive. You will see some with pollen and some with fat bellies. Each bee is tasked with bringing in nectar, some with gathering pollen, a few with contributing propolis and some will be bringing in water from nearby sources.

Now go ahead and smoke the hive entrance and a puff or two under the top cover. After a short wait, take the top cover off and set it aside. Remove an outside frame, inspect it and set it aside also. Inspect each frame looking for the Queen Mother, eggs, larvae or capped brood. Scrape off any burr comb the girls have made on the frame. Look for a compact brood pattern covering most of the frame. This would be a good thing to see. If the pattern is spotty throughout the brood chambers, consider replacing the Queen Mother. Look for Queen swarm cells. These will be on the bottom of the frames. If you see these cells, give the girls more room by adding another brood box super or consider

The Community Breeze
BEE-Cuzz You Asked
MARCH and the Bees
By Gary A. Brain Summer Lake Apiaries



splitting the colony. Splitting will be discussed in detail next month. Check for general wellness of the hive and consider treating for mites and/or hive beetles. Finish your inspection of the top brood box, put frames back and set that box aside. I usually set it on the top cover. Next inspect the lower brood box and then set it aside on another top or empty super. top of the first box. Scrape off the bottom board and reassemble the hive. with the upper brood chamber on the bottom board and the bottom brood chamber on the to. This it to let the Queen Mother and girls move up into the now mostly empty bottom brood chamber to finish filling the once top chamber with brood and stores.

You may need to smoke the girls part way through the inspection. You will know when to re-smoke by their attitude toward you. Bee mindful of the honey stores. If they are low, FEED! It would be a shame to get the Queen Mother and the girls through the Winter only to have them starve out in the Spring. Consider feeding both 1:1 sugar water and pollen patties. Also now is the time to medicate your hives if needed. More on that later. Now would be a good time to add a queen excluder and your first super. This will help prevent overcrowding and swarming. That is all for this month. April will be a busy month for you and the girls. Bee safe!



Fun Honey Facts

Bees are the only insect in the world that make food that people can eat

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We would enjoy seeing photos of artistic creations with stories about the artist. There is no doubt that a wealth of talented writers and artists live in the amazing Oregon Outback and we want to share their work with our readers.

The Breeze is posted on-line every month shortly after being printed and can be found by typing in: thecommunitybreeze.com. It's that simple. So tell your friends in the County's south end to check out what you have had published and invite them to become regular readers and contributors.

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I’ve worked hard to be a voice and advocate for Lake County’s needs at every level:

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- Obtained \$500,000 for Lake County businesses through the pandemic.
- Created a Code Enforcement position to enhance safety and clean up our communities.
- Worked hard to effect positive change on many issues from forest health, sage grouse, grazing and repealing the 21” DBH rule on timber.
- Testified against “Cap and Trade.”
- Stood up to Governor Brown against closing Warner Creek Correctional Facility.
- Worked with legislators on the passing of a bill for Lake County SB 19 acquiring the property if WCCF closed.
- In the process of a \$2.5 million block grant for Christmas Valley water project, a regional landfill creating over 50 jobs in North Lake County.
- Continue to protect and enhance existing businesses and promote new business development.

I am endorsed by over 15 County Commissioners, Senator Findley, Rep. Owens, Rep. Breese Iverson and Rep. Reschke, Congressman Cliff Bentz, TimberUnity and many of our neighbors.

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(This information furnished by Committee to Re-Elect Mark Albertson).

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Each district forms a Budget Committee made of the Districts board members and an equal number of Appointed electors. The appointed electors must meet the following guidelines:

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Budget Committee Members are needed for the following Districts:

Christmas Valley Park & Recreation District
Meetings to be held as follows: Budget Committee meetings April 12 and May 10th, at 9:00am; The Budget Hearing – June 14 at 9:00 am. All meetings to be held at Christmas Valley Community Hall

Christmas Valley Rural Fire Protection District
Meetings to be held as follows: Budget Committee meetings April 18 and May 16th, at 7:00pm. The Budget Hearing on June 20 at 7:00 pm. All meetings to be held at Christmas Valley Fire Hall

North Lake Health District
Meetings to be held as follows: Budget Committee meetings April 4 and May 2, at 5:00pm. The Budget Hearing is June 6 at 5:00 am. All meetings to be held at Health District Office
If you are interested in serving on any of the above budget committees, please Contact Patty Effingham at 541-576-2640.

Christmas Valley Domestic Water Supply District – First meeting TBA. If you are interested in serving on this budget committees, please contact Erica Anderson at 541-576-2090.

Please get involved in your community.

**North Lake Health District
Budget Committee Meeting**

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the North Lake Health District, Lake County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023will be held at the District Office.

The budget committee meeting will take place on April 4, 2022 at 5:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 4 at the office of Patty Effingham LTC EA.

**Christmas Valley Park & Recreation District
Budget Committee Meeting**

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Christmas Valley Park & Recreation District, Lake County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023 will be held at the CV Community Hall.

The budget committee meeting will take place on April 12, 2022 9:00 AM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.

A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after April 15 at the district office.

**Christmas Valley Rural Fire Protection District
Budget Committee Meeting**

A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the Christmas Valley Rural Fire Protection District, Lake County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2022 to June 30, 2023will be held at the Fire Hall

The budget committee meeting will take place on April 18, 2021 at 7:00 PM. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and to receive comment from the public on the budget.

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I discovered this wonderful dish going through a magazine. I think it is swoonworthy but anything with tomatoes is at the top of my favorites list, so there ya go. Asopao is a dish from Puerto Rico described as a sort of a cross between soup and stew. Just words. In any case, you are going to want to eat it from a bowl. This version includes chicken making it a complete meal, full of color and flavor. Lots of ingredients so assemble and prepare everything you will need first, then begin to create!

Marie

ASOPAO DE POLLO (Puerto Rican Rice and Chicken Stew)

- 2 lb of Chicken pieces, with or without the bone (no chicken? Shrimp or Pork will do just as well)
- 2 TBSP Adobo seasoning (recipe follows)
- 1/2 tsp Black Pepper
- 3 TBSP EVOO
- 1 C chopped Green Bell Pepper
- 1 C chopped Red Bell Pepper
- 1 C chopped Onion
- 4 Cloves Garlic, minced
- 2 TBSP Tomato Paste
- 6 Cups Chicken Broth (home made or store bought)
- 2 Cans (14.4 oz Diced Tomatoes with juice (or equivalent fresh)
- 1 1/2 Cups Rice (I used brown)
- 1or 2 Bay Leaves
- 1/4 tsp crushed Red Pepper (or more if you like spicy)
- 1 Cup frozen Green Peas
- 1 Cup sliced Green Olives (I forgot to slice mine!)
I was short on green olives so I added muffuletta (Italian Olive Salad) to make up the difference
- 1/4 Cup fresh Cilantro plus more for garnish

Putting it All Together

Put 2 Tbsp Adobo seasoning in a plastic or paper bag. Drop in chicken pieces and shake to season.

Using a large (6 Qt) pot, brown chicken in EVOO over medium hi heat, 4 - 5 minutes on each side.

Add Bell Peppers, Onion, Garlic, and Tomato Paste to pot. Cook, stirring, until veggies begin to soften, 3-4 min or so. Add Chicken Broth, Tomatoes, Rice, Bay Leaf and Crushed Red Pepper.

Bring to a boil, cover, reduce heat and simmer, until Rice is tender, 45 min to 1 hour, checking the rice occasionally.

Remove and shred Chicken and return to pot, stirring in Olives and Peas. Cook 5 minutes longer to heat. Stir in Cilantro. Ladle into soup bowls, garnish with more Cilantro.

With a green salad, this is Heaven!

Adobo Seasoning

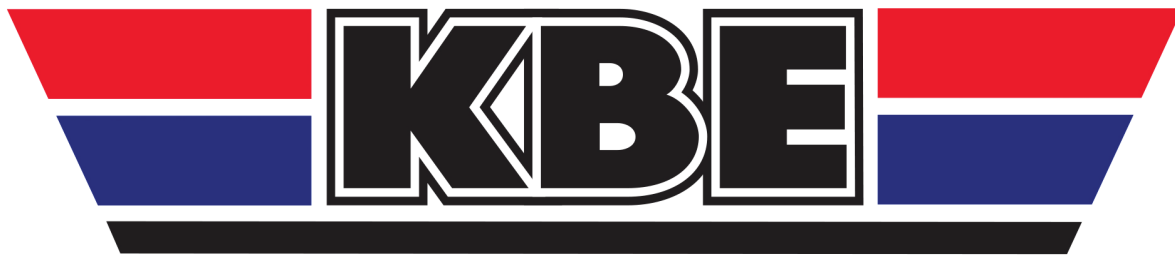
- Stir together in a small bowl (store extra, labeled, in small jar)
- 2 TBSP Sea Salt
- 1 TBSP Garlic Powder
- 1/2 tsp Ground Turmeric
- 1/2 tsp Rubbed Oregano Leaves
- 1/4 tsp fresh ground Black Pepper
- 1/2 tsp chili powder
- 1 tsp Paprika
- 1 1/2 tsp ground Cumin
- 1/2 tsp Cinnamon (optional)



Cutting Calories

So I love cookies, but I don't love the pounds they can generate and I really am not much for cooking. Lately I have been making a nice batch of Oatmeal Raisin cookie dough - enough for six dozen small cookies. Were I to bake them all, I would be my own best customer. I have resorted to dividing the dough into about 1/2 cup chunks and placing it on a flowered piece of waxed paper and rolling until it is about one inch thick. Then I tuck the paper ends in and when I have most of the dough done up this way I put the little wrapped packages into a one gallon zip-lock bag and freeze then.

I can take a package out, use it all or just cut off a few rounds. Instead of eating a small plate-full of cookies I only eat two or three. And you can cook them in a toaster over if you want to.



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I was raised in rural Southern Oregon and highly value the farming and ranching, rural lifestyle. My family are multi-generational loggers, ranchers and farmers. We raise registered black Angus on our small ranch in Christmas Valley. I graduated from Ashland Senior High School in 1980 and have a B.A. in International Relations from the International University Europe in England. I am the mother of seven grown children and have six grandchildren.

My position as Office Manager of Christmas Valley Park and Recreation District and as Office Manager of North Lake Health District and as a North Lake Planning Commissioner has enabled me to become familiar with some of the problems that face Lake County residents.

My 30 years of Risk Management and Contract Administration for Federal, State, municipality, and private sector land use, hazardous waste clean up and remediation, and handling complex commercial insurance claims, along with managing my own residential rental, logging, and farm/ranching businesses gives me the knowledge and experience for the decisions required for county government.

I have always been civic minded and a solution seeker. I have been a 4-H leader, Girl Scout leader, Little League board member and have been a member of Sheriff's Posse and Search and Rescue.

I was part of a grass roots movement to allow for the funding of public charter schools in the State of Oregon. I went to Washington, D.C. to speak to our Congressman about the necessity of charter schools. In 1999 the Oregon Legislature passed legislation that allowed for the creation of independent public schools that operate under a charter agreement with local school board of directors. In 1999 there was one charter school and in the following year nine more and now in the State of Oregon there are approximately 127.

In 1997, the pear growers in the Rogue Valley sustained a major loss due to flooding. The National Crop Insurance policy classified pears to have a value of \$200 per ton and our specialized pears had a value of at least \$800 per ton. I organized a meeting with the local pear growers to educate the regional heads of the National Crop Insurance program; subsequently the classifications were changed.

I am hard-working and I will be a strong advocate and a strong voice for ALL the residents of Lake County. My pledge to Lake County is to be dependable, to make informed decisions and to take action and follow through on those decisions and to put my heart into every effort at being a loyal and trusted County Commissioner for ALL of Lake County.


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Creed Conn continued

On May 5, 1904 the *Lake County Examiner* reported that another 2,400 sheep had been killed.

On June 16, 1904 the *Lake County Examiner* ran another story in which they reported that the *Portland Oregonian* of June 9th strongly advanced a theory that Conn was murdered due to new evidence that had surfaced. Namely that his body was in such good condition, considering that it had been missing during winter weather and that



paper found in his pocket was dry with no sign of ever being wet. His shirt and cuffs were smooth. A reward was offered by the Governor for information about Conn's death and also the slaughter of range sheep.


No real determination, other than the jury's suicide verdict, has ever been found in the case of Creed Conn's death. The Conn family remained quiet about his death offering no speculation of their own. Several years later the family removed his body from Silver Lake Cemetery to a family plot in Roseburg and gave him a proper Masonic funeral service. The sheep killings in the northern regions of Lake County eventually ceased with no charges ever being leveled to anyone or any group.

This is a very short version of the Creed Conn story. Unanswered questions sometimes remain just that—unanswered questions.

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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.

It is not unusual to think of geology in terms of detective work. To a large extent geology is routinely a matter of investigation and testing hypotheses. This in itself does not make geology, like criminal investigation, deals with events that have already taken place and works to reconstruct the order and cause of these events that have already taken place and works to reconstruct the order and cause of these events, using methods more speculative than testable. Physicist, chemist, and biologists can rely heavily upon laboratory experiments; astronomers and geologists, for obvious reasons, cannot. The biggest handicap a geologist faces is the constantly changing landscape. Rapids in river water are eroded away; lakes fill in with sediment and disappear and so forth as everything in our environment changing through the processes of erosion weathering and movement in the Earth's crust. They erase the evidence of the 'crime' so to speak.

When geologists attempt to reconstruct the history of Earth, they too work with random parts and puzzle pieces that must be glued together based on an understanding of the geological processes. It requires a sharp eye for unusual or easily overlooked clues and a sharp mind that can imaginatively but intelligently conceives of how the formation under study might have come about. And there is more. Like any good detective, the geologist must

FORT ROCK: The Beginning

By The Prospector

“ . . . every geological phenomenon is determined by an almost immeasurable number of variables, horrifying in their complexity and in the number of their interrelations. Every formula that uses a limited number of variables is therefore but an extreme simplification. “

not allow love of a particular pet theory to override other working hypotheses. The geologist must consider multiple possibilities and work to disprove them, one by one. The simplest explanation that holds up under repeated attempts to discredit it is the theory favored. Notice to

when I say “fact” I’m saying I can back it up with photographic evidence and when I say; “hypotheses” it’s open to your eyes and what you see. Alkalidc26solar.com which was created for your comments.

Enough said! Put on your sturdy shoes and legs and let’s go to the



Rock shows. It was here but now it’s gone.

Second Hypotheses: When did it happen? The 1788 publication of James Hutton’s, Theory of the Earth, states that the geological process is steady, slow, and repetitive. He perceived mountains as having been uplifted and erased thru erosion. Hutton’s theories required time-vast amounts of it and acceptance of slow, regular “uniform” processes; hence Uniformitarianism Doctrine (UD) is what is taught today. These UD geologists age the Rock between 50,000-100,000 years old when it pops up out of the ground. A number like that says they are not trying very hard to age it.

Since the Dawn of Man, geologists believed in Catastrophism Doctrine (CD) on how the Earth was shaped. Catastrophism was not at odds with traditional religion beliefs. It was a theory of geological change that remained compatible with Judeo-Christian doctrine. Time was restricted to the Biblical six thousand years since Genesis, and within that short time frame all the geological developments in the earth were accounted for. The result was a theory of earth history that saw all geological formations occurring through sudden and catastrophic events, either at the time of the original Creation or subsequently, through the acts of a Devine Will responding with reward or punishment to human behavior.

What the UD geologist need to explain is; what on God’s green Earth could cause a three-hundred-foot tall Rock to be obliterated into 2-3” pieces. The pockmarks of machined gunned Rock are quite visible when you’re standing on the core just look at the east end. The pulverizing of the Rock stops there and you can look into the holes left behind and see the angle of the ‘force’ hitting the Rock.

If the CD geologists are correct and the Rock was carved by the Man Above then it’s quite obvious that he was pleased with Mankind to Reward us with such a Creation. NEXT: Rock Investigation continues.



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‘scene of the crime.’

First hypotheses. Maybe the Rock was formed that way? Looking north just into the tree line you will see a mini Rock that is covered in Newberry Lava Flow protecting it and it’s completely round. Being a tuff ring also indicates that it would be round in shape without a third of it missing. The best evidence is that you can stand on the missing core of the tuff ring and see that it’s been chiseled out by some force. Stand in the middle of the ‘mouth’ on the exposed core and you can see the tuff ring connecting equally to both sides of the opening.

Another piece of evidence is the color of the stone. The Rock is dark brown from the sun. The tub ring is orange. The core is a light yellow. Brown and yellow together make orange. The Rock was complete and solid as the remaining

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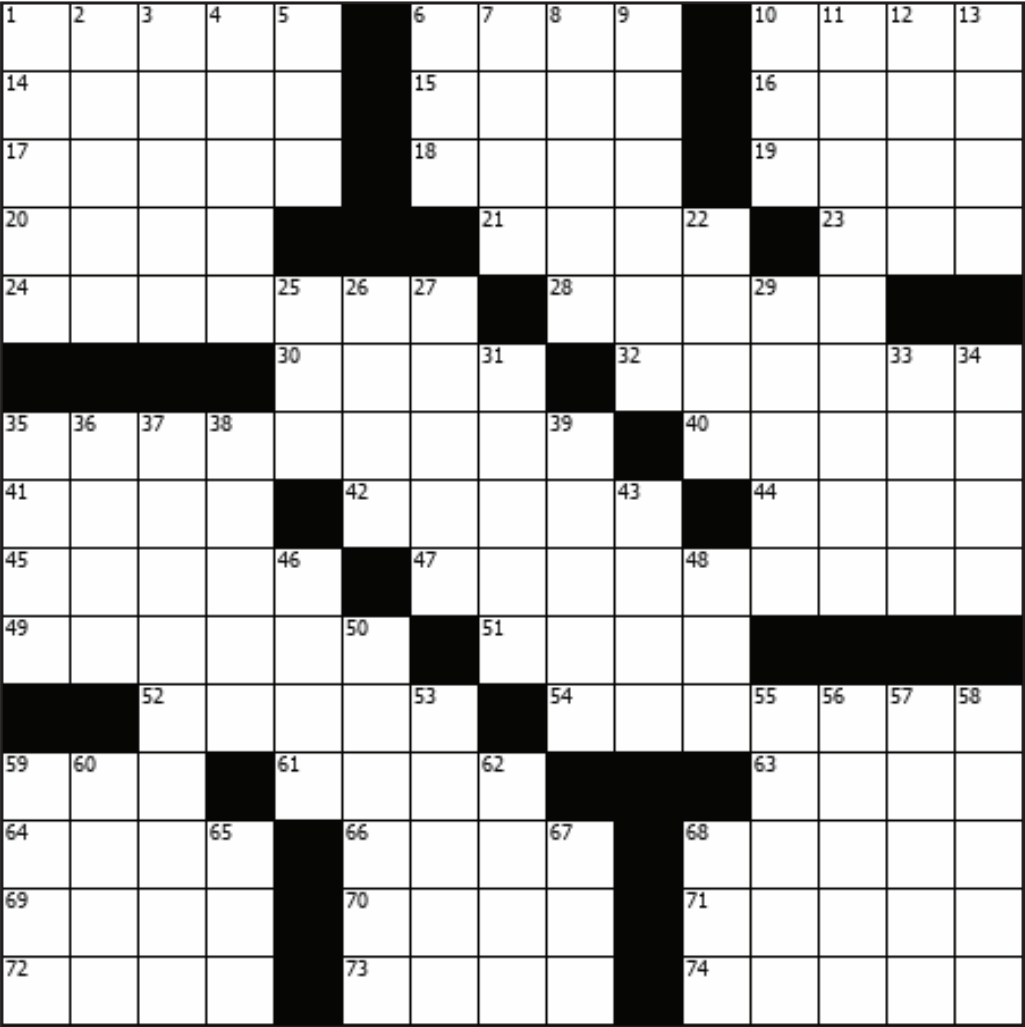
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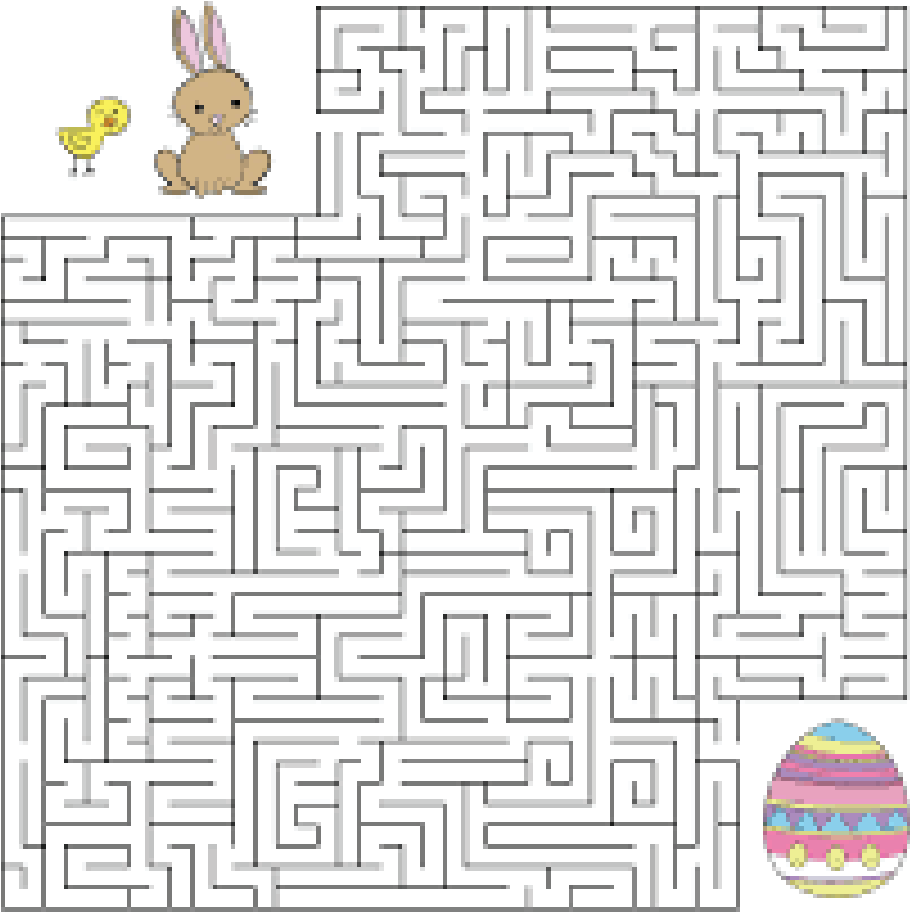


Across

1. Swift
6. Beer grain
10. Words of comprehension (2 wds.)
14. Singing voices
15. Spanish water
16. Small city
17. Seat rows
18. Fender depression
19. Winter toy
20. Scrapes by
21. Escort
23. Tax initials.
24. Bank transaction
28. Sunday dinner item
30. Fighter pilots
32. Movie awards
35. Development
40. Test
41. Make haste
42. Brings up
44. Opera tune
45. Garret
47. Handling
49. Fishing nets
51. Unbleached color
52. Cindy Crawford, e.g.
54. Doomed ship
59. Discoverer's cry
61. She, in Toulouse
63. Letterman's rival
64. Haul
66. Writer ____ Barry
68. Spry
69. Follow orders
70. Future sign
71. Lost color
72. A la ____
73. Scratches
74. Takes a break

Down

1. Detested
2. Similar
3. Sharply sloped
4. Upper body
5. Curvy turn
6. Angry
7. Ripened
8. Of the moon
9. Skin decoration
10. ____ a girl!
11. Card game for one
12. Washstand item
13. Concludes
22. " ____ of Eden"
25. Droop
26. Froster
27. Principle
29. Vamoose!
31. Frighten
33. Drought's lack
34. Bed support
35. Time periods
36. Speechless
37. Approximated
38. Horned animal, for short
39. Put up
43. Hindu dress
46. Give over
48. King ____
50. Infrequently
53. Andes animal
55. Pond growth
56. Armstrong and Diamond
57. Narrow channel
58. College women
59. Tiny particle
60. Vagrant
62. Constantly
65. Hurricane center
67. Naval off.
68. Rainy mo.



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Fraze-it

Here is a two-part word puzzle that requires you to put it all together. Start by correctly filling in both words on each line. Then, take the boxed letters (keeping them in the order in which they appear) and fill in the corresponding spaces at the bottom until the phrase is completed.

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3

Not real

Stringed orchestra instrument

Plot

Old Faithful, for one

Phrase:

1 1 1 1 1 2 2 2 2 3 3 3 3

Some old-time Riddles

1. What is it that joins two people together yet touches only one?
2. Which is faster, heat or cold?
3. Which musical note is good advice for a quiz show contestant?
4. What is it that gets cut on a table but never eater?

Answers: 1. A wedding ring 2. Heat - because anyone can catch a cold 3. B-sharp 4. A deck of cards

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

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

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

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

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