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Clark Hagler was kind enough to share this beautiful Paisley winter-scape with the Breeze.


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## Here We Are in 2021

### Thoughts on the Future

Well 2020 has come and gone. It has been incredibly stressful and difficult since late winter when the virus arrived. Initially much of the population was afraid. Afraid of the unknown, afraid of this new and seemingly deadly virus. People saw refrigerated trailers serving as temporary morgues outside major hospitals - here and in parts of Italy.

How did it spread? What measures could be taken to stay healthy? It soon became apparent that older people with ongoing health issues were at the highest risk. This group was first only to health care workers.

In the beginning it was thought that children and young people were not affected by the virus, that assumption soon proved erroneous.

Citizens were encouraged to wear face masks as a way of protecting themselves and as a way of protecting others for it was soon apparent that this virus was being shed by people that were asymptomatic.

It didn't take long before there were shutdowns, but nothing was national - decisions were made state by state and in some cases city by city. Naturally pandemic monitors were able to quickly correlate hot spots with corresponding levels of restrictions.

The restrictions have and continue to devastate significant segments of our business community - especially the hospitality industries, restaurants and our airlines. Millions are unemployed. Millions are experiencing food insecurity and millions are finding themselves and their families homeless.

At this writing a bi-partisan stimulus bill with many compromises passed in both houses - will the president sign it into law? Well - by the time this reaches you there will be an answer to that question. Hopefully this bill or one that is somewhat amended is signed into law. If not there may be much darker times ahead for millions of hard working Americans.

There are now two highly effective vaccines, both of which have tested at 95 percent - that meaning 95 percent of people who receive the two shot series will be protected from COVID 19. The vaccine distribution has begun and our most vulnerable citizens are beginning to gain access to this protection.

What is important to remember is that this virus will continue to be a major player until late spring or early summer. Now is not the time to let your guard down and become complacent. Rather now is the time for due diligence including extra hand-washing, distancing and wearing a mask.

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Happy New Year to all the businesses writers and readers who support this little paper. It truly is a community supported effort. I may write a bit and gather information and lay out the publication but it is the different perspectives and sharing of stories, history and ideas that are the paper's foundation.

What a great conglomerate of little communities we live in. It is easy to forget what a privileged it is to walk out our doors and enjoy the vast expanses of the high desert - to be awed by sunrises and sunsets that are candy to the eye and filling to the soul. And then there is the night sky filled with the twinkling of millions of stars - a sight that few people get to see with such clarity.

Chris Rivera of Lakeview captured the conjunction of Jupiter and Saturn on Dec. 21. and posted several stunning photographs on Lakeview Announcements facebook page. The photo on the right is one of them. Definitely worth taking a look.



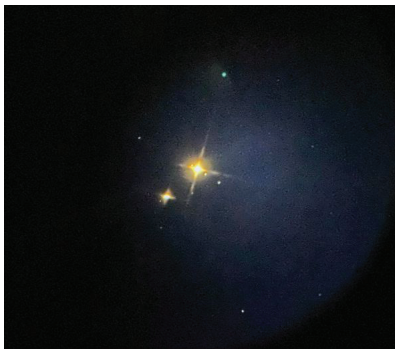
I have a wonderful neighbor - actually he and his wife are only at their little cabin across the street a few times a year, but they are my neighbors nevertheless. Not long after they purchased the property John built a shop. Before he even started it he asked me if its location would be a problem. Of course not, was my answer. When the shop was built they painted the once very bright yellow cabin and the shop a mossy green. The yellow landmark earned a new name - the green house that used to be yellow.

Shortly after the completion of all the upgrades, John's wife and I were enjoying lunch at one of the local restaurants and I said in passing that one of the things I love about our high desert is the night sky and how glad I was that they did not have a yard light disrupting the beauty of the stars. The look on her face was a mix between shock and worry. She said that John had just put such a light up on the shop. That was many years ago and other than testing the light out it has only been on a few times when they or some of their friends arrived in the evening. Even then it was only on for a short while.

This lovely couple are now in their mid 80's and their visits are few. I and my son Stephen, when he is out for a visit, often take a few hours away from my little hobby farm to go across the street and do a bit of weed eating and raking. All my friends make it a point to use their half-circle driveway to turn around - it keeps the weeds down and also helps the place look more lived in. Naturally anytime I see a strange car at their place I go say hello and make sure that nothing is being bothered. Most of the time it is someone wanting to know if the place is for sale. It's not.

I drive a lot, both for business and as a volunteer for the special transportation program. There is never a trip on which I don't see wildlife. Always there are birds of prey staking out territory on the power poles lining the roads - especially near pivots. Pairs of Ravens also occupy roosts on the poles as they wait for the next road kill. The coyotes are easy to spot in the open fields. They look especially healthy this year and are sporting nice bushy coats. I enjoy watching them patiently wait for an unsuspecting gopher or sage rat to pop up. Good for the coyotes and good for the farmers. This year I have seen few large herds of antelope but the smaller ones I have seen are in good flesh and have many youngsters. Another creature that seems to be on the wain are Jack Rabbits. I don't know where they are, but they aren't squished all over the roads like they used to be.

Then there are the deer. I consider them suicidal but know that there just isn't a learning curve when it comes to car-deer collisions. It's pretty hard to pass on knowledge when so few survive. I do have a personal rule when it comes to driving Hwy. 31. If I see a deer, I expect to see more - either very nearby or further up the road so I drop my speed by ten mph. I don't care if a bunch of cars pass me, I just don't want to crash. Additionally the deer are along side and crossing that road day and night - not just at dawn and dusk.



As with much of the Breeze's content, happenings are covered after the fact. It's just the nature of being a monthly publication. The gift of the

Thanksgiving and Christmas meals to community members by the Christmas Valley Community Church and The Praise the Lord Fellowship and the Konaway Tribe are so welcome. There are many folks out here that live alone - I am a member of that group - and putting together a holiday dinner is not something we do unless we have family or friends coming to share the meal. There are also many families that enjoy having these gifted meals and these meals have been especially appreciated during this tough holiday season.

Seeing the holiday flags along the highway is always fun. After all with a town named Christmas Valley they make perfect sense. There seem to be more homes and businesses lit up this year too. Perhaps this is a side effect of the virus. Cheering up the world around us probably helps a little. The new house on the lake is especially well done as is the home on the Ft. Rock Rd. that is in all red, with a red and green

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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.

# Cliff – Halfway Between Bend and Wagontire Mountain

By Marie Lee

Cliff was named for J. L. Cliff who was a land locator. Land locators, common during the homestead era, often supplemented the financial resources of their own homesteads by finding prospective homesteaders a suitable claim. One homesteader recalled that his father and his father’s brother each paid a locator fifty dollars to find their adjoining claims and they considered the money well spent.

Settlers began to arrive in the Cliff area before 1905 and children were home-schooled until one could be established. That was the situation for the John C. Green family. The older sister taught her younger sister for the first two years so well that when the school was established the younger sister, although never having attended school, entered at fifth grade level.

Cliff’s location in the far northern part of the valley was described as being approximately halfway between Bend and Wagontire Mountain. The Green family provided bed, supper and breakfast to travelers. Mrs. Green had a good reputation for her meals that often consisted of fried chicken or veni-

son, fresh eggs, garden vegetables, home-baked bread, cakes and pies. Ranchers, cowboys, stage drivers, peddlers and homestead seekers were glad to pay Mrs. Green one dollar for bed and meals while Mr. Green charged fifty cents per night to stable a span of horses.

building. A fire in the stove warmed the entire building creating an inviting atmosphere where neighbors exchanged the latest news while they waited for the mail stage to arrive.

Upon Green’s death in 1916 the succeeding post master moved the

taffy pulls, and evenings of music and singing at the home a family who had brought in an organ. Dances were held at school houses around the valley with music by those who had guitars, mouth organs, accordions and violins. Dancing began at eight in the evening until the ladies served a lavish supper at midnight and then resumed until chore time the next morning.

Those living near Cliff traveled to Fossil Lake for winter ice-skating parties with a large bonfire on the shore line. Homesteaders near Cliff usually had small herds of cattle and butchered their own

meat. They raised flocks of chickens and hunted ducks and geese at Fossil Lake. Mule deer were plentiful in nearby Lost Forest. Some made extra money by trapping coyotes and bob cats.

Most of the wells throughout the valley were hand dug but some wells in the Cliff area were drilled by the Enloe Brothers.

Extracted from *Far Corners, Seldom Seen Places in the Land of Lakes*, Journal of the Shaw Historical Library, Volume 31, 2020. *Forgotten Settlements of North Lake County, Oregon* by Marie Lee.

Top: Display of typical kitchen shelves with lining of newspaper. (Marie Lee’s photo taken at the Fort Rock Valley Homestead Village Museum.

Bottom: Settlers in the Fort Rock Valley. Photo courtesy of Lake County Historical Museum.



Unlike many others the Greens lived a plentiful life being able to freight in supplies from Prineville twice a year. The Greens continued to accommodate travelers well into the automobile era.

A post office was established at Cliff in 1906. The original postmaster did not last through the first year and Green moved the post office to his location—one-half mile northeast. Cliff’s post office became a community gathering spot with a lobby in the second half of the

facility to his own residence. Two years later the homestead era was close to being over and the population dwindling. The Cliff Post Office closed in 1920.



During Cliff’s existence neighbors congregated for card parties,

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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.

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# From This Angle: Tribute to Steve St. Clair



Toni Bailie

During the trying times of the Covid 19 Pandemic, we have come to appreciate our unsung heroes, the medical care providers, the grocery store clerks and here in the Oregon Outback our mail carriers. In our household, we depend on the mail to deliver my husband's medications from the VA and the items we order on-line since we are many miles from shopping centers.

"Neither snow, nor rain, nor heat, nor gloom of night stays these couriers from the swift completion of their appointed rounds." The motto of the U.S. Postal service was personified by Steve St. Clair, who passed away November eighth. For ten years, Steve was the contract mail carrier who made a round trip from Lakeview to Silver Lake six days a week. In his Ford F 150 truck, Steve covered 200 miles a day, 60,000 miles a year. "I sleep in Lakeview, but I live on Highway 31," Steve said.

He began his day at 7:30 in Lakeview where he met the mail truck from Klamath Falls. After sorting the mail, he embarked on his route, delivering to road-side boxes along the way. There are 110 boxes between Lakeview and Valley Falls, with a few dozen additional boxes south of Paisley and around Summer Lake. Sometimes in winter, he navigated snow that has been plowed near the boxes. On such days, he returned in the afternoon to cover all the boxes between Lakeview and Warner junction. He usually took large parcels up to the houses. "I try to deliver to their porches when I can," Steve said.

Steve dropped packages and mail bags at the post offices in Paisley, Summer Lake and Silver Lake. There he met the contract carriers from La Pine, handing off the mail bound for Christmas Valley, an Outback version of the old Pony Express relays. On his

return trip, he gathered outgoing mail from the three post offices, arriving in Lakeview at 3:30 to meet the mail truck headed for Klamath Falls.

In his many years on the route, this intrepid courier missed only one day due to weather, when Highway 31 was closed by blowing snow. "When I turned around outside Paisley, it took me two hours to drive back to Lakeview," Steve said. He forged through sand storms along the east side of Silver Lake and hurricane force winds swooping down from Winter Rim.

Steve was a familiar face

along his route. He cheerfully delivered books from the main library in Lakeview to the branches in Paisley and Silver Lake. Once he transported Dale Chiono's cats from Summer Lake to the veterinary office in Lakeview. He hauled other interesting cargo, including bee hives, boxes of baby chicks and baby ducks, lady bugs for gardeners and urns with people's ashes.

Occasionally, Steve gave someone a ride if they needed a lift to Lakeview. Once, a bicyclist from Holland was stranded at Summer Lake. Steve took him to Lakeview so he could purchase parts to repair his bicycle.

Steve was just one of the many people in our county who quietly and faithfully do their jobs. Let's take a moment now and then to express our gratitude.



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RUMORS

By Terry Crawford

A few months ago a rumor that I was never aware of circulated - it didn't get very far but never-the-less it was hurtful and caused damage. It was said that I reported some of our local businesses to OSHA. That rumor faded - and as I said it never got back to me.

Round two: The rumor mill was once again active. Well let me rephrase that, the rumor mill is always active but most of the time the gossip doesn't travel far - and only circulates among the regulars.



This time I received an email saying “If you did this, I don’t want anything to do with you.” I replied - but never got an answer.

Again business owners and business customers were told that I had turned them into OSHA. At the time of that incident I was out of town and had no idea what the person was talking about. I did have a good idea how my name got mixed up in this. The initial rumor was that it was someone that lives on the S Curves (I actually live 1/4 mile east of them) did it. People know I live near them and that I have been vocal in my concern that the virus was not being taken seriously and many people weren’t *masking* or practicing *social distancing*. So I guess that made me a good GUESS.

I own this little newspaper and I owe my advertisers for without them the paper would fold - it is advertiser supported. So using simple deductive reasoning why would I jeopardize the good will of local businesses by causing them problems? Additionally, I have been active in the Christmas Valley/North Lake Chamber for many years because I believe in our area’s businesses and the areas desirability as a destination for tourists and a new home base for others. You do the reasoning.

I had a conversation with one business owner - as I knew that much of this miss-information originated there, and even after I pointed out the fallacies of the rumor he said he still thought I had something to do with it. I was angry and I was hurt. Apparently eight years of doing business with each other counted for nothing. A few days later I received this email:

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I never intended to write about this or share the email but on Friday, December 18th a good friend of mine mentioned to a person who does work for her that she and I were going to La Pine on Monday for a gathering with their Chamber. His response, “. . . That B....ch turned in ..... to OSHA. She said she set him straight. But what it told me is that the purveyors of this rumor are still hard at it. And I can almost guarantee you that they will never even read this column - why would they when they believe the worst of people - and are more than willing to start and spread rumors and gossip, and frequently ‘CAST the FIRST STONE.’

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Here it is Late December, so looking forward to the end of 2020. As I mentioned last month I will try to explain what a winter cluster is in a honeybee colony. Again, a complicated subject to be reduce to a few paragraphs.

If you have never seen a winter colony of bees -- it is a marvel of nature. Unfortunately one cannot usually open a hive up and see a colony in full winter cluster as it is usually fatal to the colony unless it is a WARM windless day. Then, should you take a peek, Bee-aware as they Will defend! Rely on photos from the Internet to quench your desire to see this marvel of nature. Imagine thousands of stingers drawn to protect the Queen Mother and her offspring.

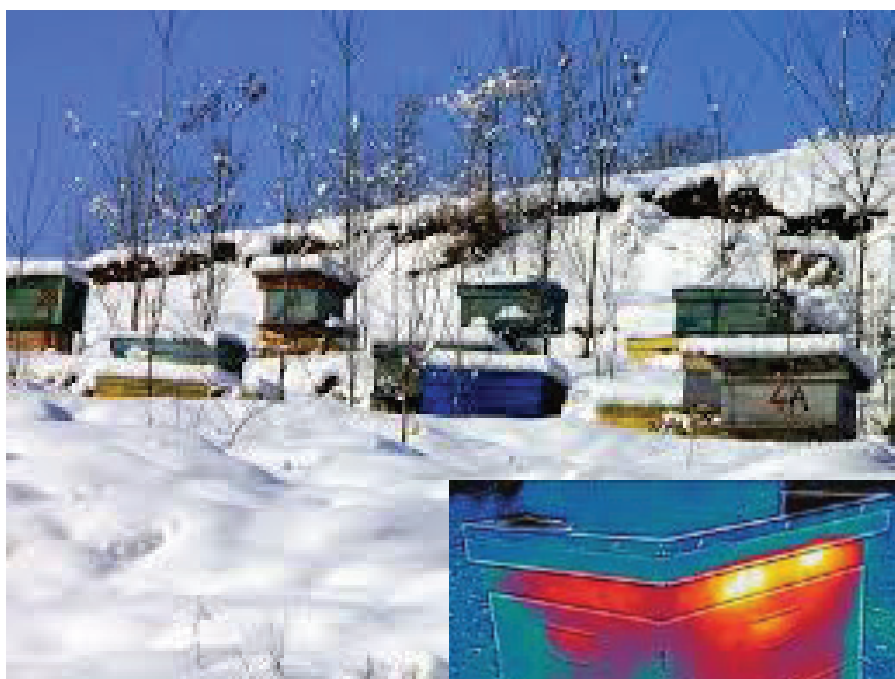
Bee-cuzz bees are like frogs, fish and snakes, they are exothermic or cold blooded but, unlike most cold blooded creatures bees do not die off in the fall or hibernate but rather are active all winter eating and metabolizing honey to keep warm. The girls "shiver" to keep the colony warm by contracting their flight muscles against each other rather than on the wings. Confused? I went to college got a degree and still need to digest all of this stuff!

Back to the Queen Mother and the girls. Late in August or September and in our neck of the woods in October, the Queen Mother starts producing "winter"



## BEE-Cuzz You Asked December and the Bees

By Gary A. Brain Summer Lake Apiaries



workers. They are physiologically different than their summer sisters. The hemophilic (blood) protein is different than the summer girls. The winter girls have put on some weight! This fatty profile helps the girls to last through the non-forging winter months. They will live four to six months compared to the summer slim gals that have only a 45-day life span.

The single purpose of the winter girls is to get the colony to spring.

Most brood production stops as the colony is awaiting warmer days. Do not be surprised to see bees out and about on days that happen to get above the magical 45



degrees as they will take cleansing flights, they do not poop inside the hive.

As the temperature fluctuates so does the cluster. It will expand and contract with the temperature to moderate the temperature in the hive. As the temperature decreases, the cluster bee-comes tighter and more compact on the comb. The bees at the core maintain a temperature bee-tween 65 and 90

degrees while the outer layer of bees maintain a temperature from about 45 to 60 degrees. The exothermic layer

of mantel (outermost layer) bees serves as an insulating layer for the inner bees.

As the cold winter sets in the cluster moves slowly upward and sideways to the honey stores, never downward. In the spring when you open your hives for inspection you will most always find the bees in the upper main body of the hive. The girls will rotate from the outside to the inside of the cluster to get food and warm up

So how much honey do the Queen Mother and the girls need to get through the

Winter? I weigh my hives after I have pulled off the honey supers. The hives should weigh at least 70 to 90 pounds! If any do not, mark light ones in your journal as light hives and keep an eye on them throughout the winter. If you have more than one light hive you may want to combine them in a last ditch effort to get them through the winter.

Give all of the hives some sort of winter patty feed. You can make the sugar patties of just order some and place them on top of the hive under the inner cover.

Remember the mantra for fall: **Feed Feed Feed!** If you do need to feed in December or January you should make grease patties and/or fondant cakes. Grease

See Bee Cuzz, page 7.

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## Sam "Chuckwall" Mandeville Died 1974

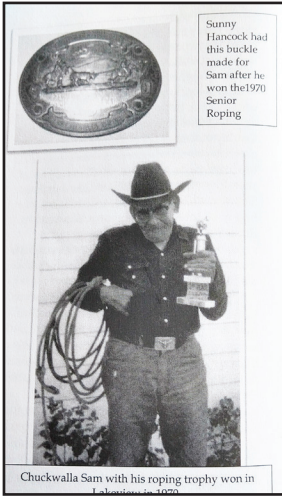
Sam was a very private man; even his best friends didn't know a lot of details about his life. He first came to Paisley in 1956 to work as a cowboy on the ZX, which was owned by the Kern County Land Corp. in Bakersfield, California. In addition to the ZX, they owned ranches in Arizona and California. Sam had previously worked on the Arizona Ranch, although no one is positive about that. He may also have been part Mexican.

Sam was close friends with the buckaroo boss Sunny Hancock, and his family. He usually spent holidays with them. He told stories with a perfectly sober face and a twinkle in his eyes.

At Christmas, he once told his version of the Nativity Story about Joseph, Mary, Jesus and "a bunch of long-haired hippies." He ended by saying, "Yes sir, I never will forget that day."

After leaving the ZX, Sam rented an apartment in Lakeview. the Hancocks all dropped in frequently. Vicky Hancock Huck recalls visiting him with several of her girlfriends. Sam's comment was always, "I've got me five head of girls."

Sam was one of the breed of cowboy that's now gone. His face was leathery and wrinkled from many years of sun and wind. His walk was arthritic after years sleeping on the ground and riding all kinds of horses - gentle, rough-broke, and unbroken.



Chuckwalla Sam with his roping trophy won in Lakeview, 1970.

## Colorful Characters from Paisley's Past

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

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

One of the events at the 1970 Lake County Rodeo was "Old Timer" roping for cowboys over the age of 65 -- they had to use raw-hide ropes. Chuckwall was paired with Russell Emery, a Silver Lake rancher. Sam was so crippled with arthritis that he had to be lifted onto the horse. Sam and Russell won! He was very proud of his prize buckle and wore it all the time. He left it to Vicki Hancock Huck, who proudly displays it.

Toward the end of his life, Chuckwall lived with the Hancocks. One morning he came to breakfast with his boots on the wrong feet. Hancock pointed this out to him and Sam replied, "It makes it harder to track me." Sam died in 1974. He chose to be buried in Paisley. His only remaining family was a niece in Arizona, but he Hancocks were Sam's adopted family.

*Note: Chuckwall is a large lizard indigenous to the Southwest.*

## Joe Silveria 1906 - 1972

Joe Silveria arrived at the ZX Ranch in 1928, certain he wanted to be a cowboy. When he asked the Buckaroo Boss, Jesse Rimes, for a job, Jesse looked the kid over and told him to ride a green, unbroken horse. Joe was bucked off a time or

two, but finally managed to ride it out. Jesse told him, "You'll need a bedroll and a saddle," to which Joe replied, "I'll get them." That was the start of a long career.



Joe Silveria on the Sycan with his roping saddle.

Joe was born in Providence, Rhode Island, the son of Portuguese emigrants from the Azores. He grew up on a fruit farm near San Jose, California, where his parents raised apricots and prunes and only owned plow horses.

In those days, ZX cattle were trailed to the high desert around the Fort Rock valley and from there to the Sycan Marsh. While headquartered in Paisley, the cowboys were with the herd for eight months of the year. They slept on the ground, ate meals prepared on the chuck wagon, and sent days in the saddle. Joe loved all of it.

He was very strong physically, and very bright. He quickly picked up all the necessary skills. Within five years, he was winning at calf roping in various local rodeos. He placed first at the Lakeview Roundup and won a gift certificate from Fetsch's men's Store. He used it to buy a navy blue double-breasted, pin-striped suit. He wore that suit when he got married.

One night in 1930, Joe attended a dance at Paisley's Benefiel Hall. A tall, skinny, teen aged girl asked Joe to dance. That was the first time he met Audra McCall. He waited for

her to finish her schooling and they were married a few weeks after she graduated in 1933. Joe was barely 5'9" tall and Audra was 5'10" without her French-heeled shoes. It didn't seem to bother either of them.

By 1937, Jesse Rimes was ready to retire and return to Bakersfield California. At his recommendation, Joe was promoted to Buckaroo Boss. There are many stories about Joe as a boss.

According to Ray Blasingame, the herds had been rounded up and were back in Paisley. Joe had already headed for home. The other cowboys instigated a race between the chuck wagon and the wood wagon, each pulled by six mules. The mules were making incredible time, the two wagons were neck and neck -- the driers throwing cans of corn at the mules. Then it happened: the chuck wagon overturned with a broken axle. The men rode to the nearest ranch to use the phone and informed ZX headquarters.

Several hours later, Joe arrived at the camp, accompanied by the blacksmith, who made the necessary repairs. Later, Blasingame asked Joe, "Why didn't you fire all of us?" Joe replied, "Well, I thought about it, but didn't know if the next bunch would be a damn bit better.

In the mid-1940s, Joe realized he wanted more time at home, so he traded jobs with Rick Bradbury. That made Rick Buckaroo Boss and Joe became Ranch Foreman, responsible for irrigating, haying and feeding. There were three camps, each with its own cookhouse and bunkhouse. While Joe missed the day to day work of a cowboy, he continued to help during branding, which kept his skills fresh.

All told, Joe worked for the ZX for 43 years, under five owners. During that time he saw tremendous changes. The ranch went from horse and mule-driven sickles and rakes, with haystacks dotting the fields, to swathers and balers which left round bales in the field.

Joe's heart started to wear out, so he retired early in 1972. He died at home in the yard, planning to trim shrubs. He was buried in his navy-blue, pin-striped, double-breasted suit.

*Next Month from Carolyn Silveria Pottorff's "Colorful Characters from Paisley's Past: Alta Smith & Perry L. Smith, Charles E Campbell and Mary Wingfield Campbell; and Powell Clayton.*

## BEE Cuzz you asked: from page six

patties or a cake of fondant candy is placed on the top bars (of top box) with a shim as cake may be 1-2" thick or so. Since the bees are probably near

the top they can get to this readily even if it's somewhat cool as their heat rises up to the candy.



So much information to share, so little space in which to share it! As always, use the internet as a resource for questions and information. Bee thinking about what you need to do for Spring and, if you are considering ordering packages, nucs, or queens, do this in early January.

Stay *Swarmed and Bee Safe* this winter

Hope your Christmas was Merry and your New Year is Blessed!



Comings and Goings From Page Two

candy cane fence. There are a lot of places up toward Water Tower Hill with nice displays, I especially like the house that is outlined in turquoise-blue lights. I hope these and the many other displays will stay up for a bit past New Years so more people get a chance to drive by.

This whole virus thing has and continues to cause hardship, stress, and worry for many. Some people note that the majority of the deaths attributed all or in part to COVID 19 are in elderly people with ‘underlying conditions.’ Many of them lived in some type of residential facility. These people, now gone were someone’s parent or grandparent, or uncle, aunt, brother or sister. They were not and are not just a set of statistics. After all a 1.7 percent mortality rate for the virus isn’t bad, right? So what is one percent of 18,300,000? That would be 323,000 people - gone.

Sure statistics can be manipulated, the way things are counted can be manipulated, but many of the 323,000 people may well have lived much longer had not the COVID 19 virus exacerbated their ongoing health conditions. People who are morbidly obese, have blood pressure issues that are not under control, COPD or diabetes are not necessarily at deaths door. What is disturbing is that many people simply view all these losses as inevitable - they were sick - old - and so on. Just food for thought. Perhaps being a member of a ‘high risk’ group - simply due to my age has caused me to be more vigilant when it comes to the virus.

I have finally been able to get a flu shot and it should be working up to snuff just after Christmas. I will definitely push up my sleeve and get the COVID 19 vaccine as soon as it is available and will continue to do due diligence during the five week period of developing immunity.

For centuries there was some understanding of a correlation between limited intentional exposure to a virus (they didn’t know what a virus was then) disease and eventual immunity. As a result

of a process called ‘variolaion’ was used. (curious-look it up)  
The basis for vaccination began in 1796 when an English doctor named Edward Jenner observed that milkmaids who had gotten cowpox did not show any symptoms of smallpox. In 1801, Jenner published his treatise “On the Origin of the Vaccine Inoculation,” in which he summarized his discoveries and expressed hope that “the annihilation of the smallpox, the most dreadful scourge of the human species, must be the final result of this practice.” Jenner’s hope became reality

The Smallpox Eradication Program through the World Health Organization succeeded in eliminating smallpox in North America by 1952 and Europe by 1953. They were not able to succeed in other parts of the world due to funding and cooperative issues. A renewed program began in 1967 and successful eradication was reached: 1971 South America ; 1975 Asia and 1977 Africa. On May 8, 1980, the 33rd World Health Assembly officially declared the world free of this disease.

In 1952 alone, nearly 60,000 children were infected with the virus causing polio; thousands were paralyzed, and more than 3,000 died. Hospitals set up special units with iron lung machines to keep polio victims alive. Rich kids as well as poor were left paralyzed. In 1955, the U.S. began widespread vaccinations. By 1979, the virus had been completely eliminated across the country. As with smallpox and polio, most childhood diseases have been eradicated through vaccination.

Of course vaccination of any type is one of personal choice. This information on vaccines was for me interesting and educational. I probably would not have delved into it had not someone told me that smallpox had not been eradicated world wide - when something I was sure I had read said the only stores of viable smallpox virus are in two labs. One in the USA and one in Russia.

Finally, we at the Breeze wish you all an improving 2021 that finds you healthy, happy and hopefully moving along with the country as we travel toward a more normal state of affairs.



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### Chocolate Guinness Cake

By Nigella Lawson

So the other day I was visiting Marie Brain and there was some chocolate cake sitting out. I grabbed a sliver and Oh Boy was I hooked. I could have eaten the whole thing. This is a well known recipe but one I had never heard of. It's a good thing I don't bake, because I would be eating one of these a week. As the writer of this version of the Chocolate Guinness Cake wrote, "For me, a chocolate cake is the basic unit of celebration. The chocolate Guinness cake here is simple but deeply pleasurable, and has earned its place as a stand-alone treat."



Ingredients for cake:

- Butter for pan
- 1 cup Guinness stout
- 10 tablespoons (1 stick plus 2 tablespoons) butter
- ¾ cup unsweetened cocoa
- 2 cups superfine sugar
- ¾ cup sour cream
- 2 large eggs
- 1 tablespoon vanilla extract
- 2 cups all-purpose flour
- 2 ½ teaspoons baking soda

For the topping:

- 1 ¼ cups confectioners' sugar
- 8 ounces cream cheese at room temperature
- ½ cup heavy cream

For high altitude: use 1/4 Water and 3/4 cup of Flour and any Dark Dark Beer can be substituted for the Guinness.

#### Preparation

For the cake: heat oven to 350 degrees. Butter a 9-inch spring-form pan and line with parchment paper. In a large saucepan, combine Guinness and butter. Place over medium-low heat until butter melts, then remove from heat. Add cocoa and superfine sugar, and whisk to blend.

In a small bowl, combine sour cream, eggs and vanilla; mix well. Add to Guinness mixture. Add flour and baking soda, and whisk again until smooth. Pour into buttered pan, and bake until risen and firm, 45 minutes to one hour. Place pan on a wire rack and cool completely in pan.

For the topping: Using a food processor or by hand, mix confectioners' sugar to break up lumps. Add cream cheese and blend until smooth. Add heavy cream, and mix until smooth and spreadable.

Remove cake from pan and place on a platter or cake stand. Ice top of cake only, so that it resembles a frothy pint of Guinness.

### BLACK BEAN FRIED RICE WITH MUSHROOMS AND VEGETABLES

Rice and beans are always a good marriage in the kitchen. Add some veggies and couple of eggs and you've got a complete meal in a few minutes, especially if you have some left over rice from a previous meal. This recipe serves 4 generously with a crispy side salad.

- 1/4 cup EVOO
- 2 large Eggs beaten
- 1 large Yellow Onion, chopped
- 3-4 cloves Garlic, smashed then minced
- 2 cups assorted fresh mushrooms (or one cup canned if that's what you have)
- 1/4 cup sliced Scallions, plus more green tops for serving
- 1/2 cup Cilantro, finely chopped, separating stems and leaves
- 1 sweet red bell pepper (fresh is best but can use frozen)
- 1 Tbsp ( or less) hot sauce like Cholula ( less if you use tobasco, more if you like HOT)
- 3 cups cooked Rice (I use brown)
- 1 can Black Beans, drained and rinsed
- 2 - 4 Tbsp bottle Sesame Ginger Salad Dressing
- Diced Avocado and crushed Tortilla Chips for serving



In Large non-stick skillet, heat 1 tablespoon of EVOO and cook eggs til set. Transfer to a plate.

Add 2 Tbsp EVOO, Scallions, Onions, Garlic to skillet, sauté til transparent, add 1 more Tbsp Oil, Cilantro Stems, Mushrooms, and Sweet Peppers. Sauté another 5 minutes til crisp tender.

Stir in cooked Rice, Beans, Hot Sauce, Sesame Ginger Dressing and cook -- stirring till heated through. Fold in Eggs and Cilantro Leaves. Season with Salt and Pepper to taste.

Serve topped with chopped Avocado, Scallions, and crushed Tortilla Chips. Enjoy

Marie



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The County Commissioners are required to hold two public hearings before approving a move to the May ballot. The first hearing is set for January 6 at the County Commissioners meeting tentatively scheduled for Christmas Valley.

If after the second hearing approval is given to advance to the May ballot The NLCEMS group will begin informational meetings in February, March, April and May to explain their history, current funding, WHY this tax base is needed and the projected cost.

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INFORMATION

Submitted by Ann Kasbohm

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

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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.



Nineteen miles east of Christmas Valley or the first curve you come to is Buffalo Wells, named so because this site was last seen with bison migrating from the Great Plains and the year was 1840, five years prior to the first wagon loads of people heading west.

This was an important intersection for the Spanish with one road heading to their mines at Abert Lake and the other heading due southwest toward their mines in the Black Hills and near Ana Reservoir.

From the cattle guard east of the Wells look and you'll see the original road weaving thru the alkali flats. In the year 1840, it was recorded that no bison's swam the Snake River and splitting their forces at 'Meeks Crossing' with some going into the Blues and the others going due west along the Malhuer River,

This was the path Meek did led his 'Lost Wagon Train' on in 1845. On our Wagontire Mountain, out of water, Meek sent scouts south on the Spanish Road towards Buffalo Wells looking for the liquid. We don't know how close they got to Silver Lake and water, but we know they failed.

The buffalo were retracing their forefathers footprints back to the Pacific Ocean. Buffalo are easy to track, just like a hog, there is nothing they love more than a good Waller. The mid-Willamette valley towards Lebanon is covered with buffalo wallows, just prior to the Spanish Road, later renamed the Santiam Road, which closely follows HWY 20 east. Highway Twenty was the main thoroughfare thru Oregon to the buffalo grounds in the State of Kansas.

The old Motor-Vu Drive-In Theater in Corvallis was made from a huge buffalo wallor. Gravel was brought in to elevate the front tires of the car to a more comfortable viewing position. There is even a wallow visible today in Toledo- just prior to the Spanish Port at Yaquina Bay. We know where the Buffalo Wells bison were heading but how about the one that choose the route thru the Blues, a road Meek could have picked but the problem was that it went directly thru the center of the Shoshoni main military base of operations and the last people to try that were considered the worlds

# Buffalo Wells

by the prospector

leading military. Spain's Method of Operation for invading countries was to go in and offer help and free gifts. It was during the "Give-Away Buffalo Days" that the bison



running down its gut. Among these prairies are groves of massive oaks offering back-scratching. If they were native, the bison would have still been there when the historians

and Rockies to Kansas from this buffalo utopia. An inventory was taken on the Staked Plains, called that because the Spanish drove tall stakes in the ground to indicate where the road was located in this immense sea of grass, before the slaughter was estimated that 20-60 million bison were living there. Take into account that the Texas Longhorns that are acknowledge to been brought here by the Spanish, numbered between 12- 15 million strong. Longhorns averaged 17 hands high and weight in at 3500lbs. When this beef was pushed to the eastern markets the price of a potato cost more that a steak in New York City.

It was said that the Native Americans placed the bison on a elevated position of worship and I believe I know when this prayer to the Mighty Chief Above thanking him for the bountiful buffalo occurred; just prior coming off the grill! Happy New Year!

arrived. They had to have been pushed up and over the Cascades

were allowed to be pushed thru the Ochoco's. This marriage lasted between 5-7 years and what a divorce. Not only a complete and total rout of Spain's Army but possibly unbeknown to the Shoshone Army was that King Charles II borrowed way to much money to finance his search for the 'City of Aztlan'. This final battle on a low hill on the south end of Harney Lake bankrupted Spain and was the beginning to her demise on the 'slippery-slope'. The Shoshoni Army was so taken up with this victory that they changed their name to their defeated enemies- The Saydocarah- The Conquerors. The Spanish Road runs due west thru the Ochocos, the road Meek finally found that leads to a Spanish Port near The Dalles. Due to the rapids down stream this port was only good for the construction of rafts to float down goods to waiting ships in the Pacific Ocean. The road continues westward and skirts Mount Hood on the northern flank and ends up on the north end of French Prairie. This road was later renamed the Barlow. This part of the Willamette Valley is littered with buffalo wallors with some nursery's today converting them to water reservoirs. Spanish had a port near Willamette Falls that ships could reach. If you still believe that buffalo are native and not domesticated as I am indicating bear this in mind. The Willamette Valley consists of several over lapping prairies with a cool, clean river

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### The Light Parade

The 2020 Christmas Valley Light Parade had some really great floats in addition to a very lit-up tow truck and a very bright golf cart.

The lineup was headed by one of the CV Fire engines which added to the fun. Deputy Tom Roark said there were more people lining the street to watch than he can remember.

Due to the virus the community hall was not used for refreshments after the event but there was plenty of candy and cookies being handed out.

Special thanks to Terry Nofziger for donating 65 bags of his wonderful Kettle Corn. Yum.

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- 14. Shade for some stallions
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- 16. Democrat turned Republican turned Democrat Specter
- 17. Broadway opening?
- 18. One way to run
- 19. Dodge muscle car since 1992
- 20. Kabob necessity
- 22. Kind of car or class
- 24. Oscar winning "Vicky Cristina Barcelona" actress
- 27. Aristotle to Alexander the Great
- 28. Raises
- 32. New England fish staple
- 35. What most dieters should eat
- 37. "Take that!"
- 38. It precedes a maiden voyage
- 42. Suede surface
- 43. Workplace safety org.
- 44. Japanese commercial hub
- 45. Idles
- 48. "Army \_\_\_\_\_": former recruiting slogan
- 50. Post-Katrina workers
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- 60. Neil Young song starting "Tin soldiers and Nixon coming"
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  - 23. Opposite of dimin.
  - 25. Sports shirts, for short
  - 26. Samuel Butler's utopia
  - 29. Pet only slightly more active than a rock
  - 30. Undertaking
  - 31. Mets founder William
  - 32. DMV data
  - 33. Indian tea
  - 34. Spellbound
- 36. Acronym for a military mess
  - 39. Senior member
  - 40. "Pocket Fisherman" producer
  - 41. Twitter identifier
  - 46. xA and tC, e.g.
  - 47. Failed epically
  - 49. Decline auto-enrollment
  - 51. Chemical compound components
  - 52. Ruhr city
  - 53. Exercise, in a way
  - 54. Blind parts
  - 55. Spirited, on a score: abbr.
  - 56. "Me neither!"
  - 57. Florida hanger-on
  - 61. Laugh syllable
  - 62. Tavern

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MURDER MYSTERY

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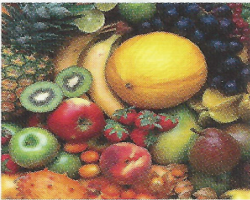
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