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"Snow Armageddon" Yields Electricity

By CARL BUTZ



Phoro by Carl Butz

The photo of biomass, above, was taken on April 8 in Nevada County, on the north side of Crow's Corner, between North San Juan and the Middle Fork of the Yuba River.

DOWNIEVILLE — The heavy snowfall arriving at the end of 2021 brought down thousands of trees on the western slope of the Sierra Nevada. With many of these downed trees falling on or near highways in our region, Caltrans signed a \$3 million Emergency Tree Removal contract this past January with Tyrell Resources of Redding, CA, for the clearing of embankments littered by trees along Highways 20, 49, 80, 174, and 193 within Nevada, Yuba, Sierra, El Dorado, and Placer counties.

As a result, motorists, such as this newspaper's editor and distributor, endured 1-way traffic controls and often sig-

nificant delays along these routes throughout February and March. We also watched log piles grow at several large turnouts abutting the roads. These piles are now becoming biomass, and roughly 500-600 tons of the ground-up material are currently being trucked each week to Rio Bravo Power in Lincoln, where the wood is fueling the generation of power fed into California's electricity grid.

As wonderful as it is to see fewer tree branches extending over the pavement of the highways, the work done by Tyrell Resources has only made a small dent in the amount of wood lining our mountain roads. Thus, the

"scenic tunnel" posed to humans trying to flee from a wildfire remains in place.

However, according to Raquel Borrayo, Public Information Officer for Caltrans' District 3 in Marysville, the agency in charge of maintaining our state highways is now in the process of working with the California Office of Emergency Services to develop a \$26 million Fuel Reduction Project focused upon the roads in Nevada, Yuba, and Sierra counties. According to the plan, the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) will reimburse the state for 75 percent of the project's cost.

Welcome Snow and Rain in our Easter Basket

By STEPHEN KULIEKE

Snow and rain. Overnight temperatures below freezing. Chain controls on major highways.

Spring-blooming tulips and daffodils may be wilting and drivers grumbling. But a surprising return to winter this week is good news for the thirsty Northern Sierra.

The beginning of the work week on Monday saw snow-covered decks and outdoor furniture at higher elevations of the county (see photo). And as The Mountain Messenger went to press, a bigger storm was descending on the region: snow is expected from Wednesday evening through late Thursday, with 6-12 inches projected above 4,500' and even more possible over mountain peaks, according to the National Weather Service in Sacramento. And, unsettled weather is expected to continue.

"At least for the next week, we could be in a fairly good position for storms," said Andrew Schwartz, station manager at UC Berkeley's Central Sierra Snow Laboratory. Schwartz also told The Messenger the April snow is a "nice little surprise at this point. The more snow we get before we go into the summer season will keep a lid on fire danger as well."

Located at Soda Springs near Donner Summit, the lab on Monday received almost eight inches of snow—the first increase in "snow water equivalent" (the amount of water in the snowpack) in over three weeks.

Given the snowy forecast, Caltrans "definitely" expects chain control to be in effect for this week's Wednesday-to-Thursday storm on 80 and 50. It's also possible



chains could be required on secondary routes in the area, such as Highways 49 and 89.

"It depends on how heavy the snow hits and what road conditions are like," Caltrans District 3 Public Information Officer Raquel Borrayo told The Messenger. "Our crews are very skilled and they make the call if chains are needed."

Following a 2021-22 winter that started promising but then disappointed, the April precipitation is highly wel-

come. If we're lucky, there'll be weather breaks this weekend to allow for area Easter celebrations, including popular events on Saturday for children:

- Treasure Mountain 4-H presents their Annual Easter Egg Hunt, Calpine Park on April 16 at 10 a.m.-12 noon
- Downieville Volunteer Fire Department presents Easter Egg Hunt at the Downieville School on April 16 at 12 noon



Easter Egg Hunt in Calpine

At 10:00 AM on Saturday, April 16, Treasure Mountain 4-H will be holding their annual Easter Egg Hunt at the Calpine Park. The event is free and open to youngsters 0 - 15. Don't miss it!



Fair Board Debates Grandstand Acts

By DUNCAN A. KENNEDY

(Quincy) For the second time in a single month (a rare occasion) the Plumas-Sierra County Fair Board of Directors reconvened in the Mineral Building to discuss fairtime planning, staffing, and most notably, grandstand entertainment possibilities at this year's county fair.

The meeting saw a changing of the guard at the start, with Directors Kenny Chance and Darlene Buckhout stepping down as President and Vice-President of the Board. Their successors, Directors Cindy Noble and Chris Kennedy respectively, conducted the meeting instead. This meeting began without public comment or any correspondence, so Fair Manager John Steffanic began his manager's report far earlier than usual.

Steffanic informed the Board there will be between two and four emergency assistance trailers from Plumas County taking up residence in an empty corner of the Fairgrounds; these trailers were valuable assets in Indian Valley during the Dixie Fire disaster.

Also, Steffanic said the High Sierra Music Festival has been confirmed to be returning to Quincy for their 30th year in early July. In addition, the Fairgrounds will be hosting Saturday night races again this summer at the American Valley Speedway, the classic car show, and the County Picnic for the first time since 2019.

It seems the Plumas-Sierra County Fair Foundation has also been busy recently, as Steffanic elaborated in his report. The Sweetheart of the Mountains pageant is returning this year, although this year's competition will not require prospective candidates to host a fundraiser of some sort – this time around, it's just an essay competition, although the winner will still be crowned at the County Picnic; applications are available

through the Fair Office. The Pops Concerts will continue this spring, with a jazz concert on May 13th and a brass band playing on June 11th. Chipper's Christmas Display will be returning to a drive-through format this year in the wake of ice hazards during last year's event, and will be expanded to cover more of the Fairgrounds.

Regarding staffing during the annual fair, there is still a long list of open volunteer positions to be filled in order to ensure this year's fair goes off without a hitch.

Currently, the positions need filling include drivers for the Chipper Express, gate and parking attendants, clerks and staff in the Junior Ag and Home Arts buildings, and a building supervisor for Home Arts. If you're interested in helping, contact the Fair Office at (530) 283-6272 or go to plumas-sierracounty-fair.net.

The big topic debated at this meeting, however, was the proposed grandstand entertainment act that had been brought up by Steffanic at the previous meeting earlier in the month. At that meeting on March 3rd, the Board debated two options for grandstand musical acts (Wynonna Judd and Lonestar) and saw the suggestion that an alternative form of non-musical entertainment be explored instead.

The grandstand seating at the speedway can hold almost 3,000 people, but when it was last nearly that full around half of the board members were children and one would not be born for over a decade. According to Steffanic, the largest attraction in recent memory attracted around 750 people (a logging show), and that attendance rapidly dropped the following year, and the most recent show to attract more than 100 people was an impersonator band with free admission.

Director C. Kennedy pointed out that the idea of hiring

a big act like Niko Moon, Tyler Rich or Wynonna Judd was going to be so far from recouping its own costs that admission may as well be offered for free. However, this brought up a different issue that Steffanic had noticed – free admission acts like the impersonator band saw abysmal attendance, likely due to the perception of low value that comes from no cost to enter. The fair would need to sell at least 1,100 tickets to recoup even half the costs of hiring a big act, and would be able to offer a similar act the following year if they sold out all 3,000 – but that's a massive "if", given their track record in the low to mid hundreds at best.

One audience member suggested trying to appeal to the youth demographic of the Lost Sierra, suggesting that Steffanic look into booking "popular streamers of TikTok stars", a suggestion causing Director D. Kennedy, the only board member actually in the youth demographic, to react with visible discomfort. Directors Cogle and Neer also suggested that Steffanic stage an aggressive campaign of donation soliciting towards construction and logging companies cleaning up the aftermath of the Dixie Fire. The wisdom of begging for money from groups quite literally profiting off of the destruction of Plumas County seems questionable at best, but Steffanic committed to doing his best on that front.

Director Chance had suggested a non-musical act as a viable alternative at the previous meeting, suggesting a tractor pull or competitive dirt biking event. This idea was revisited at this meeting and saw other options such as a big top circus, a jousting tournament, a competition or a demolition derby suggested. Steffanic ...

See **Fair Board Debates**

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PG&E Avoids Criminal Cases and Will Pay Millions to Help Rebuild Counties/Reduce Wildfire Threats

By Carl Butz

On Monday, April 11, PG&E announced the criminal cases filed by counties affected by the Kincaid Fire (Sonoma, 2019) and the Dixie Fire (Butte, Lassen, Plumas, Shasta, and Tehama) had been dropped or dismissed in return for roughly \$55 million.

These funds will provide assistance for local non-profits, support for community colleges to expand their wildfire safety training and a direct claims program for victims of the Dixie Fire who lost their homes.

The utility company also will be strengthening its focus upon local safety work with 80-100 new PG&E jobs based in Sonoma County, as well as 80-100 more positions, collectively, across Butte, Lassen, Plumas, Shasta and Tehama counties.

According to the organizations press release, these new positions will "increase PG&E's local expertise and presence focused on completing critical safety work in

these communities."

And, to ensure their Wildfire Mitigation Plan for vegetation management and equipment inspections is carried out properly, an independent monitor, the consulting firm Filsinger Energy Partners, has been hired.

Beneficiaries of PG&E's settlement with Plumas County include:

- PCSF Foundation (Fairgrounds) \$200,000
- Maidu Summit Consortium: \$200,000
- Plumas Co. Fish and Game Commission: \$200,000
- Plumas County Rotary Clubs (split): \$200,000
- Plumas Rural Services: \$200,000
- Plumas Crisis Intervention Resource Center: \$200,000
- Plumas County Search and Rescue: \$200,000
- Sierra Institute: \$1 million
- Plumas Co. volunteer fire departments (split): \$1 million,
- Plumas Co. chambers of commerce (split): \$1.2 million
- Plumas Co. Office of Education: \$2 million

- Feather River College: \$2 million
- Dixie Fire Collaboration: \$3 million
- Plumas Co. Fire Safe Council: \$5 million

The biggest winner: Santa Rosa Junior College. It will receive \$5 million for its Fire Technology Program and another \$1 million for its Vegetation Management Training Program.

Sourdough Jack Sez...



With Spring rain and snow comin' in, still havin' plenty of dry firewood makes me look wise. Nah, hardly needed the stuff it was so warm last winter.

Katie's Sightings

Taken with permission from northyubanaturalist.blogspot.com

KATIE O'HARA KELLY

Too Busy to Blog!



American White Pelican - *Pelicanus erythrorhynchos*

No time to blog this week, but I did want to let you know that the beautiful American White Pelican that hung out on the river for seven days has "recovered" and flown off! YAY! When we first saw it, it was hunched up on the shore. Over the course of a week it started to wade into the river and clean itself, then it flew up and down the river, and then last Friday it flew off downriver! We haven't seen it since then! Yahoo!

INVITATION TO BID

Notice is hereby given that sealed bids will be received by Plumas Unified School District, located at 50 Church Street, Quincy, Ca. 95971. Bids will be received until 1:00 p.m. April 26, 2022, at which time all bids will be publicly opened and read aloud. A mandatory pre-bid walk-through will be held at 11:00 a.m. on April 12, 2022, at the project site located at 6 Quincy Junction Road, Quincy, Ca. 95971. Telephone, Facsimile, or E-mailed bids will not be accepted and will automatically be rejected. The bids must be clearly marked **“Bid for 2022 Quincy High School Roofing and Quincy Elementary-Pioneer (Admin Building) Campus Project”**. A California Contractor’s License C-39, Registration with Department of Industrial Relations per SB 854 requirements, and bonds will be required.

NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Plumas Unified School District (“District”), acting by and through its Board of Trustees, hereinafter referred to as the DISTRICT will receive up to, but not later than **3:00 p.m.** on **Tuesday, May 10, 2022**, sealed bids for the award of a contract for the **Plumas Unified School District (PUSD) Building A & B Modernization Project at Chester Elementary School - Bid Package PU2022.5.23.B Mechanical**. Bids shall be received at the Plumas Unified School District office located at 50 Church Street, Quincy, CA 95971 and shall be opened and publicly read aloud at the above-stated time and place. Responses must be sealed and clearly marked **“Building A & B Modernization Project at Chester Elementary School- Bid Package PU2022.5.23.B Mechanical”**. Facsimile copies of the bid will not be accepted. Each bid must conform and be responsive to this Notice to Contractors, the Information for Bidders, and all other documents comprising the pertinent Contract Documents. All interested parties may obtain a copy of the bid package from the Plumas Unified School District office located at 50 Church Street, Quincy, CA 95971 or via email request to brandy@crmgrouppca.com. **The District and CRM Group shall not be held responsible for contractors receiving bid documents from any other entity, plan/bid exchange, or posting. All formal Bid Documents should be requested from CRM Group directly. Failure to contact CRM Group for comprehensive bid documents as CRM posts, shall not constitute grounds for a bid protest.**

The successful bidder shall commence work on or before **May 31, 2022**. All work shall be completed within **20 working days, and not later than August 19, 2022**. There will be a pre-bid walk at **Chester Elementary School, 158 Aspen St, Chester, CA**, at **3:00 p.m.** on **Monday, April 25, 2022**.

In contracts involving expenditures in excess of \$25,000.00, the successful bidder shall file a payment and performance bond issued by an admitted Surety authorized to conduct business in California, in the form set forth in the Contract Documents. A payment bond may be required for contracts involving smaller expenditures at the option of the District.

All forms must be completed, signed, and returned with the bid. The contract award will be based on the lowest responsive and responsible bidder. The lowest bid shall be the lowest total of the bid prices on the base contract. Minority, women, and disabled veteran contractors are encouraged to submit bids.

The contract is for a public work. Contractor and any subcontractor shall pay all workers on the project at least the general prevailing rate of per diem wages as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations (“DIR”) pursuant to Labor Code section 1770 et seq. Prevailing wage rates are available from the District or online at: <http://www.dir.ca.gov>.

No contractor or subcontractor may be listed on a bid proposal or awarded a contract for public work unless currently registered with the DIR pursuant to Labor Code section 1725.5. This project is subject to compliance monitoring and enforcement by the DIR.

All contractors and their employees may be subject to COVID-19 testing and vaccine verification per PUSD Appendix B – Health and Safety Protocols. The document can be viewed here:

https://www.dropbox.com/s/5kxge925pnecf5rq/PUSD%20Appendix%20B%20Public%20Health%20RTS%20QA%2018_22.pdf?dl=0

All contractors will be **required** to obtain Department of Justice and FBI fingerprint clearance prior to beginning any work on-site. Each bidder shall be a licensed contractor at the time of bid pursuant to the Business and Professions Code and such license(s) shall remain in active and good standing for the duration of the contract. The bidder shall be licensed for all work and individual disciplines within the entire scope of work, and, at minimum, in one or more of the following classifications: **California C-20/C-4/C-38 license in good standing**.

Signed: D. Kevin Nolen, Construction Manager for
PLUMAS UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
50 Church St., Quincy, CA 95971

Where Two Rivers Meet Anthology Book Five

LISTEN TO EVERY ZEPHYR

By H. A. Silliman

PART 4: A WALK IN THE WOODS

A few weeks after I checked on the pony, Billy Delton brought in the new pup, Jo, for her inoculations. A paw was bandaged. The dog had apparently torn a pad on something sharp—maybe barb wire. The tribe’s medicine man, Anderson Smith, had treated her with a concoction of native plants and the wound was healing marvelously. I asked what plants were used.

“I can arrange a meeting,” Billy said. “We call him The Forest Walker. He’s good friends with Doc Niles.”

Herbal remedies interested me, but I wondered if Anderson would divulge his secrets. “Has he offered to teach anyone else,” I asked. “Have you wanted to learn?”

“Oh, I know the plants he uses. He also prays over the wound, lays on hands, speaks ancient words. Medicine men—and women have special powers.”

I considered the young man. He was twenty years old, had attended local schools, was industrious, attentive and reliable. He did manual labor for Renwick Gold Selleck, who ran the Two Rivers Telephone & Telegraph. I asked if he wanted to learn the ways of a medicine man, but he said being one is a burden.

“They’re at people's sick beds, they decide when to treat, when not to—and just let them slip away. I don’t know if I could take that. I sure like working with animals, though.”

A week later when the case of the pony came up again, Doc Niles said he figured I wouldn’t put the horse down. “Back in the day, that was usually the default method for dealing with serious leg injuries,” he said. “Horses were beasts of burden and had to earn their keep.” He said his own views had evolved, moving from considering the farmer’s point-of-view to that of the animals’. “I’m hard-pressed to convince owners to give animals a chance, but gradually I’ve changed minds,” he said. “Where there’s life, there’s hope I tell them. Other vets might disagree, but it’s been years since I put a horse down.

Days later, Billy telephoned, inviting me on a trip into the woods with Anderson Smith. The next Saturday, we set off on a trail that wound through a chaparral woodland and moved quickly up into pines and granite gulches. Little streams tumbled over rock ledges into reflecting pools rimmed with wildflowers. We ate a salad made from blackberries, a tasty white root, pine nuts, watercress, miner’s lettuce and mint. We found green cattails, built a little fire, and roasted the heads, eating them like corn. The woods were alive with the sounds of many insects and birds, buzzing and humming, chirping and singing. They grew louder as we moved further into the backcountry.

I stopped walking. “I feel we’re being watched.”

“The forest is taking our measure,” Anderson replied.

I turned slowly in a circle, wondering what was out there.

“As you visit more, you’ll see and sense more,” he said. “Now, let’s go somewhere amazing.” Anderson took us higher, into granite ramparts, where the trail twisted along a small creek. Around a bend, we came to a grotto of waterfalls. A canopy of green arched over us, filtering sunlight. Falling, misted water made little rainbows, like stained glass windows. Overwhelmed, I exclaimed, “This is marvelous. It’s like a cathedral.”

Anderson chuckled, “Maybe it’s the other way around. Cathedrals imitate nature.” He turned in a circle. “The Great Spirit surrounds us, ever present and in everything,” he said. “It’s not boxed up in a building.”

We dallied in that sacred place. We listened to the falling water. We felt mists baptize our bodies. When wind rustled pine boughs, sunlight splashed on our faces. We became creatures of the forest, and we watched fellow creatures appear from the shadows. Deer nosed into our vision, sniffing inquisitively, squirrels jumped from branch to branch and chirped happily. A cottontail and a gray fox appeared. Blue jays flew up, chattering “kwiss-kwiss, kwiss-kwiss.” Spellbound, tears welled up. A sudden sense of dread engulfed me. I didn’t know why. As quickly, it vanished. On the journey home, I told Anderson how as child I imagined the forest welcomed me with hums and murmurs. I related the story about the fox and how happy the forest seemed, the story of the pony and how the horses in the corral had watched me, waiting. The medicine man said it was good. “You’re true being is returning to where it really belongs.”

At home that night, inspired by our hike, I found John Muir’s book, “My First Summer in the Sierra,” a volume much loved by my family. Visiting Yosemite, Muir once wrote: “Never shall I forget this big, divine day—the Cathedral...and the landscapes around them, and this camp in the gray crags above the woods, with its stars and streams and snow.”

When I came upon that passage, I closed the book in wild surmise. I had experienced that same divinity as this great man of nature had a century ago. That Monday in the surgery, I told Benton about our splendid walk, reading John Muir again and that sudden and brief sense of despair that made me cry.

“Do you know why?” he asked.

“I think I suddenly understood that all the plants, the wonderful diversity of animals—all of our sacred nature is in danger. Imperiled by humans.”

He sadly agreed. “I’ve spent many days in the woods with The Forest Walker thinking that,” Doc replied. “The thing is now that you understand, what will you do about it?”

NEXT WEEK - PART 5: STANDING UP FOR PLANET EARTH

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Poetry Corner

Gone with the Swallows

BY AMEEN RIHANI

Must I convey at last the news to thee?

Must I now mourn the love that lived in me?

Gone with the autumn, with the dying year.

Gone with the kisses that are yet so near!

Gone with the swallows somewhere o’er the sea!

But with the Spring will he again

Return, will he with me remain?

Must I till then, remembering naught,

Forgetting all that love had brought,

Grope in the shadows of the slain?

Must I forget the day

That took my love away,

And all the happy hours

That reared for him their towers

And crowned him with the flowers

Of all the queens of May?

Must I alone

My once my own,

In my retreat

The new year greet,

And winter meet,

And winds hear moan?

Not yet

Can I

Forget;

But why

One clings

And sings

To things

That die?

This poem is in the public domain. Published in Poem-a-Day on April 9, 2022, by the Academy of American Poets.

About this poem: “Gone with the Swallows” appeared in *Myrtle and Myrrh* (The Gorham Press, 1905).

About this poet: Ameen Rihani, born on November 24, 1876, in Ottoman Syria (present-day Lebanon), was a Lebanese American poet, essayist, and political activist from the Mahjar, a literary movement of the Arab diaspora. He was the author of many titles, including *The Book of Khalid* (Dodd, Mead and Company, 1911). He died on September 13, 1940 in his hometown of Freike, Lebanon, due to injuries incurred during a bicycle accident.

A Letter to the Editor

Corruption?

We own a rental house in Sparks. My wife and I thought it would bolster our retirement and being good Socialists, we wanted to pay more taxes (you know the price of civilization). When we made the decision to purchase the house a few years ago I worried we were taking away a home that a young couple could purchase and begin their accumulation of wealth. One of our family members is currently searching for a home. Bad time.

Now hedge fund managers and private equity thieves have discovered single family homes as profitable investments. These guys go into a city and purchase thousands of homes and remove them from the market to advance their already astounding wealth. Smart guys, they discovered this in the 2008 Bush meltdown (Bush is the guy that lied about WMD (Weapons of Mass Destruction) in Iraq). By the way, a couple of the fellers who helped in this scam, Trump appointed to cabinet positions. Ahh, could that be corruption?

Eye poppingly,
Don McKechnie
Sierraville/Sparks

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Sheriff's Log

By Jen Henneke

Monday, April 4

11:56 - In Sierra City, an ambulance was needed.
16:13 - In Loyalton, a civil standby was requested for a child's handoff. The handoff occurred without any incidents.
18:15 - In Loyalton, a civil standby was needed to obtain personal property.

Tuesday, April 5

10:21 - In Loyalton, some family members were arguing about the house cleaners. The deputies responded by separating the parties and the issues were worked out. I hope the house still got cleaned.
13:09 - In Loyalton, a baby cow got loose on the road. The Road Department assisted with returning the baby to its yard.
14:10 - In Reno, there was a report of a cash aid account having fraudulent activity.

Wednesday, April 6

07:17 - In Loyalton, Eastern Plumas Health Care Ambulance was summoned.
08:00 - In Loyalton, someone was driving slowly and swerving the vehicle. CHP and local Deputies advised the reporting party.
10:41 - In Sattley, a single vehicle collided with a tree. The party involved was found to have burns on the upper torso and arms. The Fire Department responded to the house and found a cooking accident had taken place.
11:10 - There was a request for information about a juvenile issue.
13:07 - In Loyalton, Eastern Plumas Health Care Ambulance assisted someone with getting back up.
15:16 - At the Ramshorn Transfer site, some individuals were horsing around. Reporting party requested these individuals act appropriately at the site. Now you have gone and done it. There will now be rules posted on what is acceptable behavior at the transfer site.
16:04 - In Sierra City, the 911 caller with static on the line has struck again.
17:18 - In Goodyears Bar, the pesky illegal camper has returned and is camping on private property. The Planning Department and Probation were advised.

Thursday, April 7

00:31 - In Verdi, a vehicle was high centered in some mud and snow. CHP handled the incident.
06:09 - In Loyalton, an alarm was activated.
11:23 - In Loyalton, someone was arrested for driving under the influence.
11:53 - In Loyalton, there was an alcohol offense. No other information was provided but the most common alcohol offenses according to Google are underage drinking or a DUI.
12:06 - In Loyalton, a dog bit someone or something. If you recall, don't ask them for directions as this will always result in a bite.
13:56 - In Loyalton, someone was arrested for a switchblade offense.
14:51 - In Loyalton, Eastern Plumas Health Care Ambulance tried to assist a person who didn't want assistance.
16:55 - In Sierra City, guess who called? The 911 static line.
17:31 - In Sierra City, there was a non-injury accident.
17:47 - In Loyalton, Sergeant Crawford assisted a citizen by answering some questions.
19:32 - In Camptonville, a citizen reported a vehicle with excessively loud exhaust and no license plates.

Friday, April 8

13:15 - In Goodyears Bar, a citizen needed assistance with a broken down vehicle.
14:19 - In Loyalton, there was a report of child abuse.
18:22 - In Sierra City, a request for a smoke check related to a possible fire. The information was transferred to the Fire Department.

Saturday, April 9

00:30 - In Sierraville, someone was driving recklessly. Neither CHP or the SCSO were able to locate this individual.
14:02 - In Sierraville, someone was cited for driving with a suspended driver's license.
15:17 - In Sierraville, someone was cited for contributing to the delinquency of a minor.
16:18 - In Loyalton, some neighbors were having a dispute.
16:47 - In Sierraville, another person was cited for driving with a suspended and revoked driver's license.
17:07 - In Loyalton, an alarm was activated.
17:17 - In Camptonville, agency assistance was requested in the search for a stolen motorcycle gas tank.
18:23 - In Loyalton, a smoke check was requested. The Fire Department found the burn pile and assisted the owner with putting out the burn pile.
20:11 - In Chilcoot, agency assistance was requested in finding a driver going the wrong way. CHP and SCSO were unable to locate the driver.
23:25 - In Pike, two individuals were seeking gas on private property.

Sunday, April 10

00:09 - In Loyalton, some suspicious activities were occurring at an estranged husband's residence while no one was home.
12:01 - In Downieville, some folks needed assistance contacting a towing company to get their vehicle out of the snow. No tow companies were responding. The Deputy provided transportation to town.
16:21 - On the First Divide trail, a couple of miles east of Downieville, a hiker fell over 100' into Pauley Creek Canyon. The individual was Rescued and transported via helicopter to a hospital.
16:53 - In Loyalton, the burglary alarm for a business alarmed. The Deputy checked that building and all was secure.
17:16 - In Sierraville, someone was arrested for domestic violence.
19:19 - In Loyalton, Eastern Plumas Health Care Ambulance responded to a 911 request.

Total Reported: 44

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS No. CA-21-894919-NJ Order No.: 8771813 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 11/8/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 to the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the accrued principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. **BENEFICIARY MAY BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE.** Trustor(s): **DAVID R. STORY AND MARIE I. STORY, TRUSTEES OF THE STORY FAMILY REVOCABLE TRUST DATED FEBRUARY 27, 1998** Recorded: **11/15/2007** as **Instrument No. 2007-0009288** of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of **PLUMAS** County, California; Date of Sale: **5/10/2022** at **11:00AM** Place of Sale: **At the main entrance to the County Courthouse located at 520 Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971** Amount of accrued balance and other charges: **\$289,943.70** The purported property address is: **1 NONGATI TRAIL, GRAEAGLE, CA 96103** Assessor's Parcel No. : **130-304-001-000 NOTICE TO POTENTIAL BIDDERS:** If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. If you consult either of these resources, you should be aware that the same lender may hold more than one mortgage or deed of trust on the property. **NOTICE TO PROPER-TY OWNER:** The sale date shown on this Notice of Sale may be postponed one or more times by the mortgagee, beneficiary, trustee, or a court, pursuant to Section 2924g of the California Civil Code. The law requires that information about trustee sale postponements be made available to you and to the public, as a courtesy to those not present at the sale. If you wish to learn whether your sale date has been postponed, and, if applicable, the rescheduled time and date for the sale of this property, you may call **916-939-0772** for information regarding the trustee's sale or visit this Internet Web site <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the trustee: **CA-21-894919-NJ**. Information about postponements that are very short in duration or that occur close in time to the scheduled sale may not immediately be reflected in the telephone information or on the Internet Web site. The best way to verify postponement information is to attend the scheduled sale. **NOTICE TO TENANT:** You may have a right to purchase this property after the trustee auction pursuant to Section 2924m of the California Civil Code. If you are an "eligible tenant buyer," you can purchase the property if you match the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. If you are an "eligible bidder," you may be able to purchase the property if you exceed the last and highest bid placed at the trustee auction. There are three steps to exercising this right of purchase. First, 48 hours after the date of the trustee sale, you can call 916-939-0772, or visit this internet website <http://www.qualityloan.com>, using the file number assigned to this foreclosure by the Trustee: CA-21-894919-NJ to find the date on which the trustee's sale was held, the amount of the last and highest bid, and the address of the trustee. Second, you must send a written notice of intent to place a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 15 days after the trustee's sale. Third, you must submit a bid so that the trustee receives it no more than 45 days after the trustee's sale. If you think you may qualify as an "eligible tenant buyer" or "eligible bidder," you should consider contacting an attorney or appropriate real estate professional immediately for advice regarding this potential right to purchase. The undersigned trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, directions to the location of the property may be obtained by sending a written request to the beneficiary within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale. **If the trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the mortgagor, the mortgagee, or the mortgagee's attorney.** If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. Date: **Quality Loan Service Corporation 2763 Camino Del Rio S San Diego, CA 92108 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 916-939-0772 Or Login to: <http://www.quality-loan.com> Reinstatement Line: (866) 645-7711 Ext 5318** Quality Loan Service Corp. TS No.: **CA-21-894919-NJ** IDSPub #0177589 4/14/2022 4/21/2022 4/28/2022



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At the Firehouse

By VICTORIA TENNEY

ALLEGHANY: April 4th—Firefighters trained in Pike City, Basic 32 Refresher class. April 9th—Firewise Community picnic at Plum Valley.

DOWNIEVILLE: April 4th—The ambulance responded to Sierra City for an ill person, who was airlifted to a hospital in Reno. April 6th—COVID-19 testing at the Community Hall. April 7th— Responded for an ill student, who was transported to SNMH; responded for two Medical Urgent Care incidents; the ambulance responded to Sierra City for a vehicle accident; Firefighters trained. April 8th—The ambulance responded to Sierra City for an injured juvenile, who was transported to the hospital in Truckee. April 9th—Responded to a Medical Urgent Care incident. April 10th—Responded for an injured hiker, who was airlifted to the hospital in Chico.

LOYALTON: April 6th—Lift assist, west of Loyalton; another lift assist, west of Loyalton. April 9th—Smoke check, assisted homeowner with extinguishing burn pile

PIKE CITY: April 4th—Firefighters trained on Basic 32 Refresher class. April 9th—Firewise Community picnic at Plum Valley.

SIERRA CITY: April 4th—Responded for an ill male, who was airlifted to Northern Nevada Sierra Medical Center in Reno. April 7th—Responded to a vehicle accident. April 8th—Responded for a smoke check; responded for an injured juvenile, who was transported to the hospital in Truckee.

SIERRA COUNTY FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT #1 (CALPINE, SATTLEY, & SIERRAVILLE): April 6th— Responded to a vehicle accident on Hwy. 89, an injured person was airlifted to U.C. Davis. April 7th—Responded for a Medical call in Sierraville; firefighters trained.

Food Bank Assistance

Community	Contact	
Alleghany/Pike	(530) 287-3040	Once a month
Calpine	(530) 616-0630	
Chester/Lake Almanor	(530) 258-2345	
Chilcoot-Vinton	(530) 283-3546	
Downieville	(530) 289-3250	
Greenville	(530) 284-6353	
Loyalton Senior Center	(530) 993-4770	5 days a week
Loyalton/Sierraville	(530) 384-5718	
Portola	(530) 283-5515	
Sierra City	(530) 862-1052	
Sierra Valley	(530) 993-1110	

PLIOCENE RIDGE COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT NOTICE OF SURPLUS PROPERTY SALE

Notice is hereby given that Pliocene Ridge Community Services District has declared the following vehicles surplus property:

1. 1968 Structure Truck
2. 1968 International Brush Engine
3. 1971 International Brush Engine

These trucks will be sold to the highest bidder. For bidding purposes use #1, #2 or #3 as listed above to identify which truck the bid is for.

Pictures and more information online at: www.plioceneridge.org/surplus

Bids must be received no later than Thursday, April 21st, bids to be opened (read) at the Board of Directors meeting 6:30 pm, Alleghany Fire Station 2, 514 Miners Street Alleghany.

Bids must include truck ID# as listed above, bid amount, and name and phone # of bidder. Mail bids to Pliocene Ridge CSD, CA 95960 with “**BID**” and truck ID written on the outside of the envelope, or email your bid as an attachment to plioceneridge@gmail.com with the subject line: Bid to Purchase truck and ID#.

Vehicles sold as-is, where-is. Winning bidder to be notified by telephone within 48 hours. Bidder responsibilities: provide valid phone number, pay in cash or with a certified check, sign a Bill of Sale and drive or haul away the vehicle within 1 week of notice of award. Failure of the bidder to comply, will result in notification to the next lowest bidder and/or relisting of the vehicle for sale.

Dates of publication: The Mountain Messenger 4/7/2022 and 4/14/2022. Notice posted at plioceneridge.org/surplus 4/7/2022 through 4/21/2022.

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Emergencies call 911.

Help Wanted

Van Drivers Needed

Golden Rays Public Transportation is looking for one or two, part-time, van drivers. If interested, send your resume to Golden Rays Public Transportation, P.O. Box 532, Downieville, CA 95936. Qualifications: Must be able to pass a drug and fingerprint test and have a valid Driver’s License. If you need more information, call Joyce White @ 530-289-3250.

Federal Targeted Airshed Grant Specialist

Salary \$48,422 - \$75,212 annual

The Northern Sierra Air Quality Management District is looking for a motivated individual to fill one position for a Federal Targeted Airshed Grant Specialist. The position will be located in Portola, California. This is a full-time position, however, the position is temporary and is slated to terminate at the end of the Federal Grant Period – October 31, 2026.

Under general supervision, this position, with assistance from other District staff will work with the many programs associated with the three grants The woodstove changeout program, woodshed program, enforcement of mandatory woodstove curtailment program, the chimney sweep voucher program, the weatherization program, the residential green waste program, and public education duties, where assigned; and to perform related work as required.

Applications are available on the District’s Website at www.myairstdistrict.com Filing Deadline: Continuous, First screening of applicants will take place on April 22, 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: INSPIRED DIVERSE ENT. Full name of registrant: Anaris E. Frazier Business Address: 71857 Kevin La Rue, Portola, CA 96122 Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1053, Portola, CA 96122 Phone: (530) 836-1480 This business is being conducted by: Married Couple The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/7/2017 /s/ Anaris E. Frazier This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder, on: March 7, 2022 FILE NO: 2017-0000059 Published in The Mountain Messenger: Mar. 24, 31 & April 7, 14 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registratnt are doing business as: WILL ANDERSON CARPENTRY Full name of registrants: Will Anderson Registrant Address: 58563 Rich Lane, Cromberg, CA 96103 Business location: 58563 Rich Lane, Cromberg, CA 96103 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 828, Quincy, CA 95971 Phone number: (530) 394-0246 This business is being conducted by: Individual The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 1/31/2022 /s/ Will Anderson This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 14, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000069 Published in The Mountain Messenger: March 24, 31 & April 7, 14 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: TALL TIMBER INDUSTRIES Full name of registrants: Allan Laird Registrant Address: 33 Quail Lane, North San Juan, CA 95960 Business location: 33 Quail Lane, North San Juan, CA 95960 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 923, Alleghany, CA 95910 Phone number: (530) 460-7808 This business is being conducted by: an individual The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: NA /s/ Allan Laird This statement was filed in the office of Heather Foster, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: March 18, 2022 FILE NO: 2022001836 Published in The Mountain Messenger: March 24, 31 & April 7, 14 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrants are doing business as: SIERRA MINI STORAGE ANNEX Full name of registrants: Richard J. Horn and Susan C. Horn Registrants Address: 19081 Hillcrest Drive, Woodland, CA 95965 Business location: 2160 Main Street, La Porte, CA 95930 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 351, Clipper Mills, CA 95930 Phone number: (530) 681-8379 This business is being conducted by: Married Couple The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/11/2022 /s/ Richar J. Horn and Susan C. Horn This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 11, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000068 Published in The Mountain Messenger: March 24, 31 & April 7, 14 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registratnt are doing business as: NEFF’S MOBILE DETAILING Full name of registrants: Josh Neff Registrants Address: 4338 Portsmouth Street, Taylorsville, CA 95983 Business location: 4338 Portsmouth Street, Taylorsville, CA 95983 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 241, Taylorsville, CA 95983 Phone number: (530) 592-8542 This business is being conducted by: Individual The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/4/2022 /s/ Josh Neff This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 4, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000058 Published in The Mountain Messenger: March 24, 31 & April 7, 14 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant is doing business as: AUTUMN’S BUTTER ME UP BAKERY Full name of registrants: Autumn Long-McGie Registrant Address: 384 Commercial St., Downieville, CA 95936 Business location: 384 Commercial St., Downieville, CA 95936 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 322, Downieville, CA 95936 Phone number: (952) 215-6995 This business is being conducted by: an individual The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/1/2022 /s/ Autumn Long-McGie This statement was filed in the office of Heather Foster, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: March 28, 2022 FILE NO: 2022001837 Published in The Mountain Messenger: March 31 & April 7, 14, 21 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant are doing business as: MOUNTAIN KIDS PLAYSCHOOL Full name of registrant: Kristina Smith Registrant Address: 408 1st Street, Quincy, CA 95971 Business location: 408 1st Street, Quincy, CA 95971 Business Mailing Address: 408 1st Street, Quincy, CA 95971 Phone number: (530) 957-0694 This business is being conducted by: an Individual The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/8/2022 /s/ Kristina Smith This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 4, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000065 Published in The Mountain Messenger: March 31 & April 7, 14, 21 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registratnt are doing business as: HIGHWAY 36 GARAGE Full name of registrants: Erica Carmichael Registrants Address: 948 Wolfcreek Road, Greenville, CA 95947 Business location: 612 Main Street, Chester, CA 96020 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1656, Clio, CA 96020 Phone number: 530-310-1706 This business is being conducted by: Individual The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/21/2022 /s/ Erica Carmichael This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 21, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000078 Published in The Mountain Messenger: April 7, 14, 21 & 28 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant has abandoned the use of the following fictitious name: HARMON AUTO DETAILING Full name of registrants: Erica Harmon-Carmichael Business location: 344 Black Oak Dr., Chester, CA 96020 Mailing address: 948 Wolfcreek Rd., Greenville, CA 95947 Phone number: (530) 310-1706 This business is being conducted by: An Individual The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/28/2019 /s/ Erica Carmichael, Owner This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder, on: March 21, 2022 FILE NO: 2019-0000088 Published in The Mountain Messenger: April 7, 14, 21 & 28 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registratnt are doing business as: JUANITA’S Full name of registrants: Mary K. Potter, Don Potter, Wendy K. Parrish Registrants Address: 317 Main Street, Downieville, CA 95936 Business location: 336 Main Street, Downieville, CA 95936 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 205, Downieville, CA 95936 Phone number: (530) 289-0289 This business is being conducted by: Co-partners The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 2/2/2010 /s/ Mary K. Potter, Don Potter, Wendy Parrish This statement was filed in the office of Heather Foster, Sierra County Clerk-Recorder on: March 31, 2022 FILE NO: 2022001838 Published in The Mountain Messenger: April 7, 14, 21 & 28 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registratnt are doing business as: 86 PROOF PRODUCTIONS Full name of registrants: Michael Breedlove Registrants Address: 339 Pine Street, Clio, CA 96106 Business location: 339 Pine Street, Clio, CA 96106 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 331, Clio, CA 96106 Phone number: NA This business is being conducted by: Individual The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: NA /s/ Michael Breedlove This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 17, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000071 Published in The Mountain Messenger: April 7, 14, 21 & 28 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant are doing business as: KAREN S. HAYDEN AVON Full name of registrant: Karen S. Hayden Registrant Address: 234 1st St. Quincy, CA 95971 Business location: 234 1st St. Quincy, CA 95971 Business Mailing Address: 234 1st St. Quincy, CA 95971 Phone number: (530) 616-5165 This business is being conducted by: an Individual The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/21/2022 /s/ Karen S. Hayden This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 21, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000075 Published in The Mountain Messenger: April 7, 14, 21, 28 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant are doing business as: POLKA DOT, THE Full name of registrant: DMG ENTERPRISES LLC Registrant Address: 186 Carol Lane Circle, Quincy, CA 95971 Business location: 2043 East Main Street, Quincy, CA 95971 Business Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1415, Quincy, CA 95971 Phone number: (530) 283-2660 This business is being conducted by: a Limited Liability Company The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/2/2022 /s/ Darlene Gutierrez This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 2, 2022 FILE NO: 2022-0000056 Published in The Mountain Messenger: April 7, 14, 21, 28 of 2022

LEGAL NOTICE ** LEGAL NOTICE ABANDONMENT OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

The following registrant are doing business as: HEAVENLY HOME ASSISTED LIVING Full name of registrant: Lowell A. Young & Sarah M. Young Registrant Address: 321 Utah Street, Portola, CA 96122 Business location: 321 Utah Street, Portola, CA 96122 Business Mailing Address: 321 Utah Street, Portola, CA 96122 Phone number: (530) 832-5750 This business is being conducted by: a Married Couple The registrant commenced to do business under the fictitious business name listed above on: 3/13/2017 /s/ Lowell A. Young & Sarah M. Young This statement was filed in the office of Marcy DeMartile, Plumas County Clerk-Recorder on: March 28th, 2022 FILE NO: 2017-0000063 Published in The Mountain Messenger: April 14, 21, 28 & May 5 of 2022

PEACE

The Mountain Messenger Local Calendar sponsored by The Buttes Resort

12 Step Meeting - Downieville, Tuesdays, 5:00 P.M. in the Library at 320 Commercial St.

Open AA Meetings—Pike City, Thursdays, 5:30 P.M. at the Pike City Fire House on Ridge Road.

Closed AA Meetings—Sierra City. For information, call (530) 862-1193 or (530) 862 1332.

AlAnon Meetings—Downieville, Tuesdays, noon, in the back room of the Masonic Hall.

Alleghany County Water District—Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month, 6 P.M. at the Firehouse. 105 Plaza Court. alleghanywater.org.

Alleghany Volunteer Fundraising District—Meets 2nd Wednesday of each month at 6 P.M.

Calpine Community Fire Association—Meets 1st Tuesday of each month, 6:30 P.M. at the Calpine Community Center. For information, call (530) 320-0764.

Calpine Elks—Bingo Second & Fourth Saturday from 12-4 p.m. at Calpine Elks Lodge (72182 Hwy 70, west of Portola, next to the Chalet View).

Camptonville Volunteer Fire Department Training—Thursday evenings, 6 P.M. at the Mill Street Fire Station.

Downieville Lions Club—Meets 3rd Monday of each month, 6:00 P.M. at the Masonic Hall. For more information, all (530) 289-3632.

Downieville Fire Protection District Board—Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month, 5:30 P.M. at the Community Hall.

Downieville Fire Protection District—EMS Training 4th Thursday of each month, 6 P.M. at the Community Hall; Fire Personnel Training for New & Ongoing Fire Fighters 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month, 5:30 P.M. at Station 1 (next to the Community Hall).

Golden Rays—Morning Yoga, Mondays and Wednesdays, 8 A.M. at the Downieville Community Hall. Bring a mask and a mat.

Gold Nugget Republican Women Federated—Meets the 3rd Wednesday of each month from April through October, 11 A.M. Venue varies each month. For further information, please contact Mary Ervin, President, at (916) 549-4905, or Candy Corcoran, Membership Chair, at (530) 993-4633.

Pliocene Ridge Community Services District—3rd Thursday of each month, 6:30 P.M. Alternates between Alleghany and Pike. plioceneridge.org Pike City and Alleghany Fire Departments train Mondays, 6 P.M. Volunteer Firefighters needed, training and gear provided. Send an email to: plioceneridge@gmail.com for more info.

Plumas-Sierra Cattlewomen—For info contact Flinda France, (530) 258-6522

Sierra County Fire Safe & Watershed Council—Meets quarterly, 10 A.M. to noon. Location to be announced at www.scfswc.com.

Sierra County Democrats—Meetings held last Sunday of each month. Call (530) 862-1475 for time and location.

Sierra County Fish & Wildlife Commission—Meets 4th Tuesday of each month, 5:30 P.M. (except December). Call for location (530) 993-6051

Sierra Valley Resource Conservation District—Meets 1st Wednesday of each month, 10 A.M. Call (530) 993-6051 for location.

Sheriff’s Search and Rescue—2nd Saturday of each month, 10 A.M. at Sheriff’s Office. Call (530) 289-2890 for information.

Tai-Chi—Sierra City, Mondays and Fridays 9:30 A.M. at the Community Hall. Dee Wallace, (530) 862-1332.

Western Sierra Residential Center—Board meeting, 2nd Tuesdays of each month, 10 A.M. at the Transportation Center (Tommy’s parking lot), Downieville. (530) 289-3250

To rent the **Downieville Community Hall**, call (530) 289-5110 or Email: DownievilleCommunityHall@gmail.com.

To rent the **Sierra City Community Hall**, call (530) 862-1580 during the evening.

To rent the **Vinton Grange**, call (530) 993-4839.

To rent the **North San Juan Senior Center**, call (530) 415-9705

IMPORTANT PHONE NUMBERS

California Highway Patrol - Quincy	283-1100
California Highway Patrol - Grass Valley	477-4900
City of Loyalton	993-6750
CalTrans Downieville Maintenance Station	289-3214
Quincy Maintenance Station	832-4911
Sierraville Maintenance Station	994-3410
Downieville School	289-3473
Downieville Volunteer Fire Department	289-3333
Health & Human Services Dvl	289-3711
Loyalton	993-6700
Loyalton Elementary School	993-4482
Loyalton City Hall	993-6750
Loyalton Cop Shop	993-4479
Loyalton High School	993-4454
Loyalton Volunteer Fire Department	993-6751
Mental Health Services, Loyalton	993-6700
PG&E report outages	800-743-5002
Plumas Ace Hardware, Portola	832-5208
Plumas County Clerk-Recorder	283-6218
Plumas County Sheriff’s Office (Front Desk)	283-6375
Sierra County Sheriff’s Office—non-emergency	289-3700
Sierra County Clerk-Recorder	289-3295
Sierra Hardware, Downieville	289-3582
Sierra Nevada Memorial Hospital	274-6000
Sierra Valley Home Center, Loyalton	993-4331
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Sierraville Ranger District	994-3401
Yuba River Ranger District	288-3231
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Fair Board Debates

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promised to look into these options as well, to decent approval from the board. Near the end of the meeting, the idea of hiring three lesser-known, more local acts to perform back to back in a “Battle of the Bands” style concert was brought up. Rickety Bridge was a favorite in this regard, and some have pondered up-and-coming local legend Jake Jacobson as well. This idea was met with strong approval from the board.

Steffanic will present the grandstand options at the next meeting on April 20th, where the board will vote on what option to choose. After that, “it’s going to come down to who we want versus who is available.” The public is encouraged to attend.



California Hay Report - 4/1/2022

Compared to last week: Trade activity and demand were good to very good. Old crop retail hay prices were 17.00 higher while new crop prices were firm with good demand. Dairy and Export prices were steady to 10.00 higher with very good demand. Growers and Brokers mentioned alfalfa was sold, as fast as they can put it up. According to NASS on April 04, 2022 across the Sacramento Valley, wheat fields were heading out and were in good condition. Rice fields were prepared for planting. In the San Joaquin Valley, cotton plantings were paused due to wet and cool conditions. In Tulare County, alfalfa was cut and bailed for hay. Other field crops were growing steadily. Rain earlier in the week provided some moisture, but irrigation continued to be needed. Cotton fields were prepared for planting. The next available hay report will be April 15, 2022.

<u>Volume - California</u>				
	<u>This Week</u>	<u>Last Reported</u>	<u>Last Year</u>	
		(3/28/2022)		
<u>Tons of Hay:</u>	10400	7525	6751	
<u>Tons of Straw:</u>	500	0	0	
<u>Bales of Hay:</u>	0	7525	0	
<u>Northern San Joaquin Valley</u>				
Hay (Conventional)				
	<u>Qty.</u>	<u>Price Range</u>	<u>Freight/Use</u>	<u>Age</u>
<u>Alfalfa - Good/Premium (Trade/Per Ton)</u>				
Small Sq. 3 Tie	100	365.00	Delivered-Retail	Old
Small Sq. 3 Tie	100	370.90	FOB-Retail	Old

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Gold USD/Troy Oz.	1921.58	1978.58	2.8%	14.0%
Silver USD/Troy Oz.	24.34	25.71	5.2%	1.2%
Lumber USD/1000 BdFt.	881.40	884.70	0.3%	-27.1%
Live Cattle USD/100 Lbs.	137.70	140.62	2.1%	15.2%
Milk USD/Hundredweight	24.05	24.22	1.2%	38.5%
Wheat USD/Bushel	1042.75	1118.25	7.4%	72.6%
Corn USD/Bushel	757.50	783.50	3.6%	31.9%
Coffee USD/Pound	227.60	225.65	-0.9%	70.8%
Lithium USD/Ton	78031.68	75767.09	-2.8%	436.1%
Aluminum USD/Ton	3470.00	3238.00	-5.9%	39.1%
Nickel USD/Ton	33469.00	32453.00	-2.6%	101.4%
Coal USD/Ton	286.50	312.00	11.0%	234.0%
Crude Oil USD/Barrel WTI	97.66	103.92	8.0%	64.6%
Propane USD/Gallon	1.29	1.32	-1.1%	60.7%
CRB Index Index Points	311.89	327.95	5.2%	60.4%

True Tales of the Timber Industry as assembled by Cynthia Anderson

From the Woods — Scott Alexander, Part 1

With the end of Clay Allen's long collection of stories last week, we begin our final group of "From the Woods" stories this week, with the first part of Grass Valley native Scott Alexander's recollections from the Yuba River timber country.

I was born in Jones Memorial Hospital - so, I am a native here. The little park in Grass Valley off of Bennett Street is named after my dad, Dow Alexander. We lived up where the old Yuba River mill was in Grass Valley. I could have bought my mother's house for \$40,000 back in the day. It was like a 2,000-foot home, swimming pool, view. I would have just loved it, but back then that was a lot of money. I would have worked three jobs or gone into debt just to have that house. It's too late now, but we bought our own home here 40 years ago.

I was a logger my whole life. My dad got me a job setting chokers when I was 18. The gas stations were only paying like a dollar an hour and choker setting was paying five dollars, so I thought, "Holy smokes, this is where it's at!" My dad got me on with Tim Sapp, because my dad and Tim Sapp were buddies. I did that and then I wanted to learn to run a tractor and I got on with Stewart Ivy and I worked for him all summer.

Then I went to work for Siller Brothers, where I helicopter-logged for three years. In fact, we rented this house we live in today and bought a travel trailer. We took our kids and we followed the helicopter wherever the job was. It was pretty fun. My wife Jeanette says, "It was the best, I mean

it was just wonderful. We never had any hook-ups, it was just wonderful!" The kids got bigger and bigger, and the trailer got smaller and smaller. It was fun for a while, but we couldn't keep it up. So Jeanette and the kids moved back home and I stayed with it, but then I was gone too much.

That's when I quit Siller Brothers and went to work for Robinson, and that was 36 years ago. I worked for Robinson for 34 years straight, I loaded trucks, I drove water truck, I graded roads, and I dozed. I have done it all. All because I started out as a choker setter.

That was back in 1969 or 1970. You know, in this area that's what you did, you went to work in the woods or one of the sawmills. I never wanted to work in the sawmill, I always wanted to be out. I did work in a sawmill for two weeks in Redding for Sillers, running a loader, and that was hard work. You not only were loading and unloading trucks, feeding the sawmill, but when that was done there were decks to be torn down. They just worked me into the ground! I filled in for a guy that was on vacation for about two weeks and I thought, "There, I got my sawmill experience. No thanks, run you ragged." They can run you ragged logging too, but it's not like working at the mill. At least logging you were seeing something different every day and every week, where at the sawmill it is just the same surroundings.

My memory of hornets was I was the chip supervisor on a job for six or eight years, but it all went down the drain. I got in my truck to go check out this new landing and

when I got there, I got out and started to walk 30 to 40 feet to see what I needed to do there and I stepped on a hornets' nest and they just swarmed everywhere. Here I was, 30 or 40 feet away from my truck, and I thought, I got to get out of here. So I jumped in the truck and I slammed the door. I thought now I am safe, but they followed me and they were all flying inside the cab of the truck, so I just opened the cab and ran like hell! I got stung about ten times or so. Those were those little black and yellow ground hornets.

The closest I ever got to getting killed I was working close to town and I worked for Gene Elliott. I think it was off of Slate Creek Road and I was running the Cat, setting my own chokers. The faller was up the hill from me and he knew I was here and I knew he was there. I was going up to get another skid and I shut the Cat off and I listened and listened. Didn't hear any saws or wedges, so I thought it must be clear and he must not be working.

I fired the Cat up and went up the hill and this tree, about 12 to 14 inches around, big tall pine, came right over the top of the canopy—Kaboosh! I saw it coming and I ducked and thought, this is the end! It smashed the cab, limbs all over my lap and I didn't get a scratch! That was pretty scary. Apparently the faller shut his saw off, listening for me. He was an old timer and probably couldn't hear that well. That's what he said, anyway. He said, "I am really sorry, I was listening for you and I didn't hear you," and I said, "I was listening for you and I didn't hear you." So that was pretty traumatic for me, I will always remember

Cory Peterman's Historical Corner

The Mountain Murder Mob

The subject of this week's article was suggested to me several months ago by Clint and Donna Hayes, who wanted to know if the notorious Santo-Perkins Gang of the 1950s (infamously known as the Mountain Murder Mob) had any connections to Sierra County. To provide some background on the Mountain Murder Mob: various people were connected to the gang over time, but the most infamous members were Jack Santo, Emmett Perkins, and Barbara Graham. All three were executed on June 3, 1955 after being convicted for the murder of elderly widow Mabel Monohan that took place during a robbery on March 9, 1953 in Burbank. Barbara Graham's life of crime was the focus of the 1958 film *I Want to Live!*, which landed actress Susan Hayward the Academy Award for Best Actress (a remake of the film was made for television in 1983, starring Lindsay Wagner).

However, the only members of the executed trio that were involved with crimes in Northern California were Santo and Perkins - who were also found guilty of the murder of Nevada City gold miner Edmund G. Hansen in 1951. Santo and Perkins, along with Harriet Henson, were also determined to be the killers of Chester grocery store owner Guard Young, his two daughters Jean and Judy, and a neighboring boy, Michael Saile. The four were bludgeoned to death during a robbery on October 10, 1952 (another daughter, Sondra, survived the attack). Henson was given a life sentence, but was paroled after serving only seven years.

Though none of the Mountain Murder Mob's crimes took place in Sierra County (though it is likely the gang often passed through the area), it was a Sierra County resident that helped link the killing of Guard Young and the three children to Jack Santo. The *Sacramento Bee* of September 26, 1953 reported Plumas County sheriff Melvin H. Schooler "nominated Mrs.

Fern Watters of Loyalton, the wife of a Sierra County deputy sheriff, for the \$6,325 Guard Young reward. He explained Mrs. Watters suggested gang leader Jack Santo might be the killer on October 27th, just 17 days after Young, a Chester, Plumas County, grocer, and three children were killed.

He said she became suspicious of Santo when Bernadine Pearney, a known associate of Santo's, told her Santo had bought Miss Pearney about \$600 or \$700 worth of new clothes in Reno the day after the killings." The same paper's issue of May 7, 1954 reported "Speculation was rife today on the payment of the \$5,000 reward money offered for the information leading to the arrest and conviction of the slayers of Chester grocer Guard Young and three children. Last September Sheriff Melvin H. Schooler stated publicly the 'logical one to get the money' is Mrs. Fern Watters, wife of Deputy Sheriff Percy Watters. Mrs. Watters is the one who informed Sheriff Dewey Johnson of Sierra County of a conversation with Mrs. Bernadine Pearney, one of Jack Santo's girl friends, which connected Santo with the slaying."

The *Sierra Booster* of May 14, 1954 reported "Fern Watters, a Loyalton girl, may receive up to \$7200 in reward money for furnishing information that led to the arrest and conviction of the Jack Santo gang for the multiple Chester murders October 10, 1952. A few days after the murders Fern reported to Sierra County Sheriff Dewey Johnson in Downieville that Bernadine Pearney of Grass Valley had told her she had gone to Reno the night of the murders to meet Santo and that the gang leader had sponsored a big party which cost him a lot of money. Miss Pearney also displayed new clothes she said Santo bought her and told of others she had brought home..."

The article continues: "It is possible Fern Watters may

receive \$3000 from United Grocers, \$2000 in the Plumas County Treasurer's Office deposited from various sources, \$1000 from the State of California and about \$1200 in miscellaneous reward money. Fern is married to Deputy Sheriff Percy Watters and is employed in a Loyalton store. She and Percy have lived in Loyalton nearly three years and own their own home here.

At the time Fern gave her tip, there was no known reward offered. Friends feel she is to be commended for her alert work and brave decision to tell what she knew. They feel she is fully entitled to what reward there may be."

However, Fern Watters wasn't the only person to receive reward money, which seemed to have taken several years to sort out. The *Oakland Tribune* of April 11, 1960 stated "Five Claimants Seek \$1,000 Offered in Guard Young Slaying - The claimants are an L. Restof, of Corte Madera; Howard Staats and W. J. Jensen, of Auburn; Fern Watters of Loyalton (Sierra County), and George Locatell, of Chester (Plumas County)."

Fern Watters later moved to Grass Valley. In 1961, it was reported "The last of \$7,000 in reward money has been awarded to three persons whose information helped solve a murder committed nine years ago. A county superior court orders payment of \$300 each to Howard Staats of Auburn, Placer County, and W. J. Jensen of Colfax, Placer County, and \$372 to Fern Watters of Grass Valley, Nevada County." Fern Watters passed away in 1985 at the age of 74.

Much has been written about the Mountain Murder Mob - I recommend reading about the gang online!

I am always open to feedback and suggestions for my history articles. If you have a comment or a subject to propose, please email me at corypeterman3@gmail.com, thanks!

70 YEARS AGO

The Mountain Messenger

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Sierra County Enters New Century

Sierra County was 100 years old yesterday, Governor Bennett Riley having signed the bill dividing it from Yuba County, April 16, 1852. Sierra thus became the 28th county of California.

It was related that Yuba County, which then extended from the Sacramento River to the Nevada State line, had become so populous that a bill dividing it to create Sierra County was introduced in the legislature in the 1852 session.

Problems of Schools Face Board

The governing board of Sierra-Plumas Joint Unified School District held its meeting April 9, in Sierra City. As the schoolhouse there was struck by a snow slide, it was decided to have it examined by state officials to determine whether it must be abandoned. Probably a new building will have to be constructed or the pupils transported to Downieville, which is opposed by Sierra City residents.

Work on the new Downieville Elementary School building was resumed April 15. Erle I. Allen, secretary of the board, reported at the meeting that Senate Bill 20 by Senator Harold T. Johnson, has passed the legislature and is on the governor's desk. The bill legalizes the grant of \$63,441.02 to the Downieville building fund, earlier granted by the State Division of Finance and declared illegal by the attorney general.

Pezzola Funeral Held in Johnsville

Supervisor Antone E. Pezzola went to Johnsville yesterday to attend the funeral of his brother,

Steve, 71, who died Sunday in a Quincy hospital. He never fully recovered from injuries sustained in an accident about seven years ago but was in the hospital only about a week.

Steve was a son of Antone and Josephine Pezzola, who came from Genoa, Italy, where Steve, eldest of their children, was born April 8, 1871. He was a carpenter and spent his life in the town in which he was born. His wife, Viola, died about four years ago. They had no children. He had many friends, and the recent ski races held there by Plumas Ski Club were dedicated to Steve Pezzola.

Surviving are five sisters: Mrs. Rose Jovich of Oroville; Mrs. John Machetti, Mrs. Carl Armanino and Mrs. Bert Ferre, all of Oakland; Mrs. John Sobrero of Taylorsville; brothers John of Johnsville; George and Antone E. of Downieville; numerous nieces and nephews.

Joseph Mason Buried in Nevada City

Joseph Hawley Mason, well known resident and lodge worker of Nevada City, died Monday in a Grass Valley hospital, where he had been about three weeks.

He was born in Downieville March 11, 1886. When 16 years-old, he went to San Francisco, where he lived 20 years. He was a teamster for many years and said to have driven the first streetcar through Twin Peaks tunnel, with the late James Rolph who became mayor of San Francisco and later governor of California, as a passenger.

With his family, he moved back to Downieville and operated a gold mine at Shady Flat, east of town. The family moved to Nevada City in 1941. While here, he was an active

member of Downieville Parlor, Native Sons of the Golden West, transferring his membership to Nevada City.

Mason was installed master of Nevada City Lodge 13, F. & A. Masons, in January. He was patron of the Order of Eastern Star Chapter for two terms; past high priest of Royal Arch Masons, and a member of Royal and Select Masters Council.

He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Rose Mason, Nevada City; son Troy in Idaho; daughter, Mrs. Thelma Hendrickson, Los Angeles and brother Thomas, Auburn.

Funeral services are being held this afternoon at Bergemann Funeral Chapel, Nevada City.

William Huelsdonk Dies In New York

Lewis L. Huelsdonk was advised April 16, of the serious illness of his father in New York. He boarded a TWA Constellation plane at 8:30 a.m. April 17, in San Francisco and arrived in New York at 9:45 p.m., eastern standard time. His father died at 2:55 the next morning, without regaining consciousness. He returned home April 20, after funeral services in New York.

William A. Huelsdonk was born in Germany April 1, 1872. He began a mining career in the gold rush days of Alaska and followed it throughout his entire life. He was the inventor of several mining machines, and only a few months ago, moved his office from Johnson City, Tennessee, to New York, where his company manufactures washing equipment and concentrators, being now engaged in installing one for a manganese operation in Mexico, with prospects for another in Plumas County in the near

future.

Two Men Killed In Mine Blast

Knute Fosse, 64, and Percival Garfield Hoskin, 49, were instantly killed Saturday afternoon about 2:30 o'clock as the result of a blast in the Red Star Mine at Alleghany. The men had been lowered to the 500-foot level at 2:15 by William O. Vance, hoistman. The face of the drift had been drilled for 28 holes and filled with about 200 sticks of dynamite, with seven-foot fuses, which would allow 5 minutes and 15 seconds to burn before exploding the charges. Vance heard the blast at 2:30. After receiving no signal from the men by 2:50, he contacted Richard Brooks, mine foreman and deputy sheriff, and Charles J. Ayres, superintendent. At 3:15, Brooks, Emery W. McCarroll and Richard Middaugh went down to the face of the drift, and in the muck, saw the top of Fosse's head and part of his left arm exposed. Due to gas, the men were forced to leave.

In the meantime, Brooks had notified Undersheriff James F. Hill and Coroner Philip R. Newberg, who came from Downieville, and at 8 o'clock, Brooks, Hill, Newberg, Ayres, McCarroll, Henry Haugen, John J. Bach and Hugh O'Donnell dug out Fosse's body, which was buried face down under two or three feet of muck, and about 15 feet from the face of the drift. They got his body out about 10:20 and about 11:50, removed Hoskin's body, which was about two feet closer to the face of the drift, on his back under three or four feet of muck.

Both men were experienced miners. Positions of the bodies indicated that Fosse was leaving, but Hoskin was facing

the blast. Investigators could not determine cause of the disaster, except that the men had waited too long, or perhaps had been delayed by coaxing a wet fuse. Had they gone 50 feet, they would have been around a corner. It was evident that they had not left and returned, as the airline to the machine 100 feet away was still hooked up and the control valve for air needed to ventilate after the blast was closed. Usually, this valve is opened after a blast to clear gas from the level and is the last action before leaving.

The bodies were removed to Bergemann Funeral Chapel in Nevada City, where Newberg had a coroner investigation Monday. An autopsy showed both men had fractured skulls besides internal injuries, Hoskin's heart having burst. The bodies were not dismembered as they might have been if they were farther away from the blast, but the concussion wrecked internal organs, in addition to injuries sustained by being buried under tons of muck.

Fosse was born in Norway, July 7, 1887, where it is believed his only relatives reside. He had lived in Alleghany about 20 years.

Hoskin was born in England, June 14, 1902, was a naval veteran of World War II, had lived Alleghany about a year, and has two brothers and his mother in Nevada City. He formerly worked at Monarch Mine near Sierra City.

Hoskin's funeral is being held today in Bergemann Funeral Chapel at Nevada City. Last rites for Fosse are planned for 1:30 Friday afternoon at Alleghany. Both men were well known and had many friends.

