

Bob's Corner

A few headlines we'd like to see in future issues of the "Noose" --

Light rail express line extended from CJ to Crescent City; Medford link repaired

Peace at last! Factions, nations, religions worldwide come to terms with each other

Mars Colony celebrates first decade; Earth visitors offered discount trips

Solar-powered vehicles top sales; gasoline-fueled cars on way out

Countries working out own problems without interference from other nations

Luna City reaches 340,000 population; Moon now one of most-popular resorts

I.V. Airport adds fourth runway due to increased international visitors to valley

Heart disease among ailments erased by miracle drug made from sea water

End of pollution heralded with parades, celebrations planned for complete year

Hunger no longer a problem as scientists create nutritious food from sand, rubbish

U.S. residents mark 50 years cooperation among religions in peaceful co-existence

Flat-tax approved for U.S. taxpayers

Mental illness wiped out

Crime eradicated

Newspaper editor wins \$22 million in Oregon Lottery

Newspaper editor retires (finally)

Letters to the Editor

(Editor's Note: Views and commentary expressed in letters to the editor are strictly those of the letter-writers.

Typed, double-spaced letters are acceptable for consideration. Hand-written letters that are double-spaced and highly legible also can be considered for publication.

Cards of thanks are not accepted as letters.)

Your Daddy loves you From Ron Clinton Cave Junction

If anyone sees my daughter, Gwendlyn, please tell her that her daddy loves her and misses her a lot. Thank you.

Not presumptuous From Jim Gandee Cave Junction

In reply to the letter, "Marriage and Taxes," by Lauraine Rakes.

She states in her letter about gay or lesbian marriage that, "It's not about the Bible, it never has been." I take great exception to that statement.

Allow me to quote Genesis 2:24 "Therefore shall a man leave his father and his mother, and shall cleave unto his wife: and they shall become one flesh." God did not say a man and his husband, or a woman and her wife.

God also said in Leviticus 18:22, "Thou shall not lie with mankind, as with womankind: it is abomination." Romans 1:26-27 states, "For this cause God gave them up unto vile affections: for even their women did change the natural use into that which is against nature: and likewise also the men, leaving the natural use of the woman, turned their lust toward one another; men with men working that which is unseemly, and receiving in themselves that recompense of their error which was meet."

Am I being judgmental or condemning? No. I am merely quoting the Word of God. In John 5:22, Jesus said, "For the Father judgeth no man, but hath committed all judgment unto the son."

I am not so presumptuous as to try to take Jesus' job.

Stop pointing fingers From Libby Goines Cave Junction

I would like to thank Jody McElroy for responding to my letter. I am

pleased that she does not blame the CRT for problems in Illinois Valley. Yet she persists in blaming the Siskiyou Project, which has hundreds of members who are our neighbors.

Jody is right when she says that we need forest products, but she doesn't mention that there is a regional and global market glut of lumber. More than enough trees are being logged to meet market demand. More logging is not the answer.

To blame the Siskiyou Project for the irresponsible logging practices of previous generations only perpetuates conflict, something that we do not need. What we need are solutions

Let's stop casting blame on the citizens of the valley and find real solutions. Let's do this by working together, not against each other.

Groups like Lomakatsi Restoration Project, Forestry Action Committee and Josephine County's fire protection plan offer solutions. The Siskiyou Project works with these groups to help improve our valley's quality of life.

Once we stop pointing fingers and get busy doing the work that needs to be done, we will all find our beautiful valley an even better place to live.

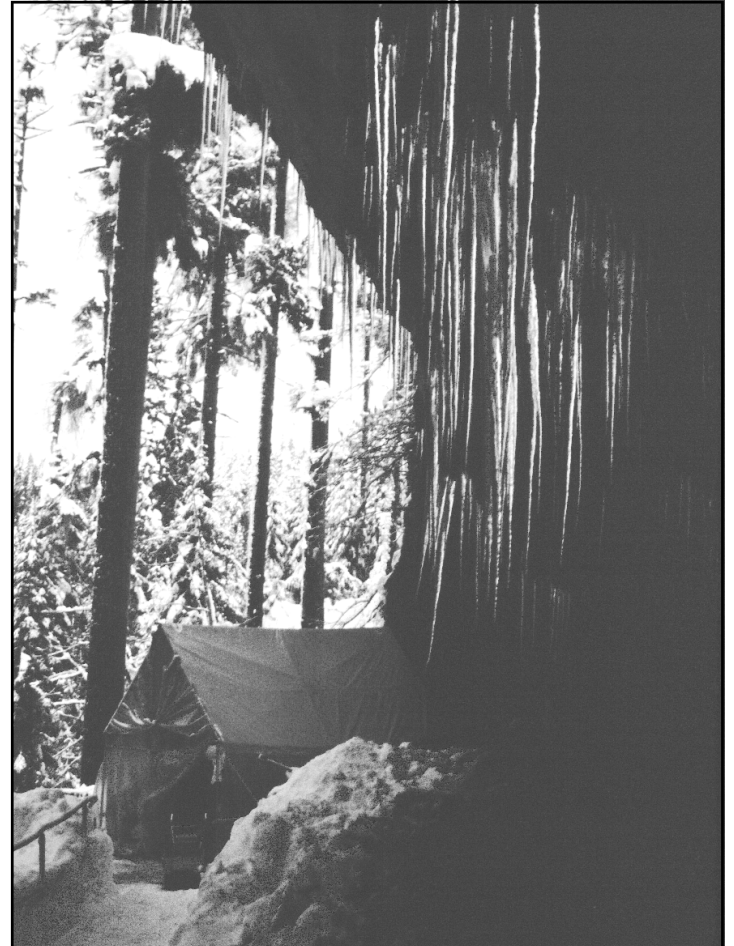
Supports Raffenburg From Scott Calhoun Grants Pass

Two of the candidates for county office have let their mutual animosity interfere with the public service they were supposed to be performing for the last several years.

Their childish and relentless focus on knifing each other has ruined the professionalism of our county's Board of Commissioners, provoked wasteful discord between county departments, and squandered much of the trust our citizens have in local government.

If these two really

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ICICLE VIEW - It gets mighty cold at Oregon Caves National Monument during the winter, when there are no tours. This inside-out view shows icicles that result during freezing weather. (National Park Service photo)

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TUESDAY, MARCH 30

*Chicken sandwich, cheeseburger, hamburger, turkey & cheese or roast beef sub; chef, Mandarin chicken or garden salad; cheese, supreme or pepperoni pizza; Chicken fajita (Rib-b-que, potato wedges)

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