

Bob's Corner

Big excitement around mi casa these days, and I suppose it's OK to share the news. There is a certain hesitation though because what I'm thrilled about is not definite. No, it's not a 100 percent done deal.

Still, I think that it's alright to divulge the somewhat electrifying information. OK, here goes:

It seems that I'm a Big Winner in a contest. I don't recall entering, but according to the data provided me as a Special Occupant at my business address, it seems that some extremely valuable prizes and a bunch of cash are just waiting for me.

It's truly exciting. This especially is so since not only do I not recall signing up for the sweepstakes drawing, but it seems that a previous Occupant has missed out. That's right: The potential winnings actually are seemingly assigned to another person. But because the large envelope crammed with almost priceless information has reached me, it's OK for me to claim the prizes.

Such a deal.

I'm so pleased to be among the handful of Residents being considered for a treasure trove of good stuff. I mean, such recognition does not come easily. I am among the elite in the nation, according to the data provided me by my gracious benefactors.

There is a small catch in that I have to return some stuff that's in the oversized envelope. I'm not sure how it all works yet, but no doubt the folks with the merchandise and big bucks know how to handle the situation.

Wow, I can hardly wait.

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Cave Junction

Wednesday, Sept. 30

Cool sunshine

High--62 Low--36

Thursday, Oct. 1

Sunny

High--71 Low--38

Friday, Oct. 2

Sun and clouds

High--73 Low--41

Saturday, Oct. 3

Breezy with showers

High--67 Low--37

Sunday, Oct. 4

Cloudy

High--61 Low--37

Monday, Oct. 5

Sunshine

High--65 Low--38

Tuesday, Oct. 6

Sunny

High--65 Low--41

Following are the high-and-low temperatures, and rainfall recorded at The End of the Road in O'Brien by Cheryl & Harry Johnson:

*Fri., Sept. 18	91	49	.00
*Sat., Sept. 19	82	56	.00
*Sun., Sept. 20	80	57	.00
*Mon., Sept. 21	93	47	.00
*Tue., Sept. 22	97	46	.00
*Wed., Sept. 23	95	50	.00
*Thu., Sept. 24	86	49	.00

Following are the high-and-low temperatures and rainfall recorded at Oregon Builders Guild in Cave Junction:

*Fri., Sept. 18	92	43	.00
*Sat., Sept. 19	84	52	.00
*Sun., Sept. 20	82	56	.00
*Mon., Sept. 21	95	40	.00
*Tue., Sept. 22	100	37	.00
*Wed., Sept. 23	98	45	.00
*Thu., Sept. 24	76	49	.00

A change in the weather is sufficient to recreate the world and ourselves.

~ Marcel Proust ~

Letters to the Editor

(Editor's Note: Views and commentary, including statements made as fact, are strictly those of the letter-writers.)

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Typed, double-spaced letters are considered for publication. Hand-written letters that are double-spaced and legible also can be considered. *"Thank you"* submissions are not accepted as letters.

On septic fee increases From David D. Anderson Anderson Excavating Selma

I would like to comment on the proposed DEQ fee increase for septic systems. As an installer in Josephine County, I have found through the years that residents often attempt to bypass the current fee system because of money issues, and with an increase it will only get worse.

Contractors and installers are required by law to maintain all the licenses, bonds and insurance to protect the public. However, the governing bodies are not working to protect them in return. Each time a fee increase is initiated, it puts another hardship onto the licensed contractors and installers because we cannot compete with those who do not follow the rules -- and there are plenty who do not.

I personally have lost several install jobs to unlicensed installers simply because the owners could not also afford the permit fees. With nonpermitted systems being installed, there will be no way for DEQ to assure the wastewater and water quality of the state.

When push comes to shove, the residents who can't afford the permits also will be getting installings with inferior materials, lack of proper design, and possibly in areas that under permit could not be used for septic installation and pushing the progress we have made in cleaning up the environment back to before DEQ existed.

With the downturn this last year in the economy, I can understand the state's desire to keep the fees high enough to support the program, however, in doing so, it will be forcing businesses such as mine further and further toward the "out-of-business" unemployment line, when we can no longer compete with bootleggers who have no qualms about bypassing the requirements and fees for the systems.

Today's economy cannot support additional fees, and tomorrow's environment should not be jeopardized for the price of a permit. I'm asking that DEQ delay its proposed fee increase until such time as the economy as a whole can be counted on to help maintain the costs.

Making nice with lefties From Gregory D. Anderson Cave Junction

This is strange.

The little South American country of Honduras has been a democracy for a number of years. Its citizens decided when they wrote their constitution that their presidents would only serve one term (like Mexico).

Their constitution also contains the wording that if a sitting president tries to change this so he can be re-elected (like his good friend Chavez did in neighboring Venezuela) then he can be kicked out of office.

So Manuel Zelaya, the Honduran president, after several warnings, was deposed and deported for agitating street protest for another (illegal) term. Their Supreme Court ordered his arrest, and the military escorted him out of the country. The congressional members of his own political party, the Catholic Church, the country's human rights ombudsman, and every major Honduran institution agreed with this action.

Meanwhile, elections are planned for November; and a temporary president, Roberto

Micheletti who is prohibited from running for office, is in place.

You think, "Gee whiz, everything is working like it should in this democracy according to their laws and their constitution, so what could possibly go wrong?" Well, neighboring Venezuela's Chavez, Cuba's Castro brothers and Nicaragua's former guerilla leader and now president, Daniel Ortega, all want their deposed friend Zelaya back in office.

This normally would be no problem except for two other left-leaning politicians want the Chavez wannabe back in office as well. Their names are Barack Obama and Hillary Clinton.

So the very same people that said we had no business getting involved in Iraq's business by deposing their dictator and killer are getting involved in the little peaceful democracy of Honduras and their democratic process. Obama cut off aid to this country, and threatened Honduran assets in the United States and to pull visas of their independent judiciary to enter the United States.

Meanwhile, with the support of the United States, the deposed Zelaya has been smuggled into the Brazilian Embassy in Honduras, and violence is becoming a real possibility.

So far it seems as though the Obama administration is determined to alienate America's democratic friends while making nice with those lefties traditionally unfriendly to the United States. Go figure.

When they come for you? From Raymond Ronald Karcewski © Cave Junction

This is in response to George McElroy's letter last week regarding police brutality in Josephine County.

What the sheriff's office lacks in competence, it more than makes up with force used upon people who are not criminal, but just unlucky to be in the wrong place at the wrong time. The recent campaign of highway piracy at

the hands of JoCo deputies (unlawfully impounding automobiles) is testimony to that.

Seven years ago, I was arrested at gunpoint by four JoCo sheriff's deputies after leaving a traffic stop after being told four times that I was not under arrest. The original offense was that my automobile high beams were on as I was coming home on Hwy. 199 in my private automobile, not engaged in commerce, therefore not required by law to have a "driver license," a document designed toward regulating commerce on the highway and binding otherwise unaware people to a multitude of vehicle code infractions via unlawful adhesion contracts which lack full disclosure of terms at time of application.

Like Paul Jackson, they pyramided charges on me hoping I would cop to a plea, and they would make a few easy bucks via fines and court charges. They threatened me with 35 years in prison, but were willing to reduce it to time served if I would plead guilty. I rejected the offer, and went through two fraudulent trials by a special prosecutor brought in from the Attorney General's Office.

The deck was stacked. When convicted, I refused to accept the corporate court's offer of sentencing, since none of the judges, D.A., or anyone in the AG's office would show under oath or affidavit proof of their jurisdiction over this "Living, Breathing, Flesh-and-Blood, Sentient, Natural man."

I was/am not a person as defined in the Color of Law Statutes, nor am I a 14th Amendment citizen, which makes me a slave and a "ward of the Court" in the minds of the double-talking public officials.

After holding the Judges, D.A. and sheriff responsible for their fraudulent enforcement of "Color of Law" upon one over whom they had no jurisdiction, numerous Proof of Claims accompanied by affidavits leading to UCC liens were placed against the

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