

Letters to the editor

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Dear Friends of CJ Farmers' Market (CJFM),

This note is to record my thanks for all the support you've given me as President of CJFM over the first three years. In addition to my wife Christine, special thanks go to Kenny Houck (without whom, NOT!), Chris Hall, Caroline Griffith and latterly Sarah Kuhn - you all ROCK!!! Thanks also to new and returning members for joining the Board - Cat Moresco, Bonnie Burton and Robert Conrad.

Last night's Great Chili Cook-off was wonderfully well attended for the second year running. My huge THANKS to all who worked so well together to make it the success it was, including the many amazing cooks who provided the chillies, the cornbread and other goodies, to the generous providers of excellent beer and wine (Tim Talty, Richard & Angel and Mike Drevenstedt from Wild River).

Thanks also to the

servers for keeping some semblance of order in the dinner queue, and especially Stephanie - thanks for the cool ribbons, organizing the kitchen and the judges (thanks, guys!) Thanks also to Sara, who did most of the work on our drinks counter. I just took money and issued tickets - a little less stressful than presiding over the admissions, which were in the capable hands of Christine and Kenny.

A special word of thanks to the clean-up and dish-washing team (the usual suspects!); Sarah told me you were putting dishes away for HOURS, Kenny!

Thanks also to our dancers and their teachers (Lindsey, Kari & Nick). And congratulations to all those who won awards! My apologies if I've unintentionally left anyone out - there were so many who contributed so much.

Here's hoping that this level of support will extend through the coming market season, to make 2016 our best season yet! And felicitations to Chris Hall, who's our new president; I will strive to be a good secretary!

Best wishes,

John Gardiner
CJFM Past President
2013-16

Reader questions Mollette

Unfortunately the rednecking hillbillies in Cave Junction do not have enough social skills, being almost illiterate in that department, to understand the world out there is not infected with Trumps kind of hatred, proving how phony his kind of so called Christian is, showing no love as a real Christian would do, not hiding the light under a basket, or in his case a dark black abyss where he rules with Satan, to end Babylon (the US) 'the higher powers will throw him back in the pit again, and he will get his first public service job, taxing the ice water in hell. It is irresponsible to defend his speech as Glenn Mollette does in the March 16, 2016 issue.

It is illegal to cry fire in a crowded theater if there is none, and dangerous and crazy. That is all Trump does, call wolf, and he represents the greatest threat America has ever faced, He wants to bring the

US down so his corporate robber allies can continue to keep egacorporations world wide ruling and exploiting, polluting, destroying and terrorizing the people of the world with nukes and armies and slave labor wages. If by a hideous quirk he usurped his way to power like Hitler and went like those in the past, starting a war to save the economy he ruined, the US will see the nightmares Europe and Asia did in WWII, and a revolution would be necessary, or with Saunders evolve out of anger, no violence necessary. Trumps brown shirt goons must be nipped in the bud before death camps for Muslims, the aged, minorities, gays, radicals, different ones, disabled and homeless are put in place, then fighting will be the only way.

Todd Saed
Cave Junction

Hey! Who took the can?

Has anyone noticed that the community Recycle Bin is no longer at Selma Community Center? Why? After

years of providing this service, Southern Oregon Sanitation finally removed it because the simple rule, "Not for Garbage" was constantly disregarded. Too bad some ruin it for others.

Sharon Reasor
Selma

Feel the Bern

"And all the families of the earth shall bless themselves by you" *Genesis 12*. God spoke to Abraham whose great-grandson plus 4,000 years; Bernie Sanders is looking to help this country.

Do you remember where we were eight years ago? The super rich had gutted the treasury, so many

people out of work and the huge financial institutions tottering. We're better now, not perfect but this is real earth not fiction.

What Bernie is saying is the truth that we've not heard at this level before. I trust this man. He cares about everyday people. He wants to make the mega corporations pay their fair share. This would make a substantial difference from who is paying now - us. We are paying their share, while they rake in our billions. I hope people will listen to Bernie and let this blessing come upon us. Peace,

Mrs. Peno
Cave Junction



Obituaries

Donald A. Beard 1923-2016.

Don was born July 26, 1923 in Helena, Mont. In 1933 at the age of 10 the family moved to Cave Junction. His parents purchased a 128 acre ranch at the end of Chapman Creek Road for \$1,500. He lived there until his adult life. He went to school at White School House on Caves Hwy. After school he worked at Oregon Caves Lumber Co., Caves Hwy. from 1941-1943 (which is the same property he's owned since 1963).

In 1943 he was drafted into the Army, served in Europe during World War II until Dec. 1945.

After returning home from the war he worked at the mill again. In 1949 he married Jean McKinnon

Beard who survives.

Don and Jack Sauer became partners in 1951 and started a logging business. After they went their separate ways Don started his own logging and road building business. During his career he built several roads. In Cave Junction he built the connecting road between Bear Creek Road and Thompson Creek Road. Also he built over 50 miles of road in the Galice country, which includes several miles of Bear Camp Road.

In 1978 he sold his equipment to Westbook Wood Products and went to work logging for them in Alaska. After coming home from Alaska he worked for Columbia Helicopters until his retirement.

After retirement he cut 50 plus

cords of firewood each year.

Survivors include his wife Jean; two sons Jerry Beard of Roseburg, Ore.; Tom Beard of Grants Pass, Ore.; two daughters Janice Bruner and Lorrie Beard, both of Cave Junction; three sisters, Vada Jackson, Fresno, Calif.; Mildred Christie, Sunland, Calif.; Joetta Armstrong, Selma, Ore.; brother, Paul Beard, Lincoln City, Ore.; 10 grandchildren, 21 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by one sister Ruth Arneson and one grandson Kevin DeMersseman.

We are honoring his wishes and there will be no service.

Arnold G. Stohlman,

94, of Cave Junction, died Thursday, March 3, 2016 at Three Rivers Medical Center.

Arnold was born August 10, 1921 in Los Angeles, Calif. to Arnold and Gail Stohlman. On July 1, 1942, he joined the United States Navy. After being honorably discharged, he worked for the telephone company until the late 1950s and later he worked as a maintenance manager. He met his future wife, Dorothy Mashburn while ballroom dancing and on Nov. 7, 1943 they were married. In the late '70s he moved to Cave Junction and retired.

Arnold enjoyed gaming at local casinos and watching sports on T.V.,

including football and car racing. He especially enjoyed his grandchildren.

Survivors include a daughter, Marcia Stohlman-Wellen and her husband, John; a son, Doug Stohlman and his wife, Linda, all of Cave Junction; seven grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

He was preceded in death by his wife, Dorothy Stohlman on June 25, 2009 and his son, Dr. Stephen Stohlman in 2015.

Graveside services for Arnold and Dorothy Stohlman will be at Eagle Point Cemetery at 11 a.m. Monday, May 6, 2016.

Please visit the obituary and sign Arnold's Tribute Wall at www.since9128hul.com.

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Save The Date

March 24

I.V./CJ NEIGHBORHOOD WATCH MEETING Thursday, March 24, at Wild Rivers Pizza in CJ, 5:30 to 8 p.m., 6 p.m. Citizen's Patrols / Crime Watch, 7 p.m. - Focus Point discussion: Networking/ Planning / Communications. To further focus efforts and solidify a network campaign enlisting support by all Neighborhood Watch Groups, land owners, business community members, I.V. Chamber of Commerce, CJ City Council, nonprofits, cannabis growers and our church community. Next following meeting April 5 - Selma Community & Education Center, for more details / meeting reports and mail list sign-up contact Guenter 541-592-4124 / cmecc@cavenet.com.

March 27

Beverly Ritz, whose music is heard on NPR, will be performing solo piano jazz for the Easter Sunday Brunch at Patrick Creek Lodge beginning at noon. Her repertoire includes jazz classics and original jazz and blues. Autographed copies of her new CD, Blues For Django, will be available for purchase at the performance, along with her other CDs.

Call (707) 457-3323 for reservations.

March 29

Help I.V. Get Moving! All valley residents are invited to a Grassroots Community-Led Action Event, 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. Tuesday, March 29 at I.V. High School. This Strategic Planning event hosted by IVCDO will focus on seven quick, easy actions. Pizza will be served. To RSVP, please visit <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/IVMarch29> or call 541-956-7400.

March 29

A national celebration will be held to welcome home all veterans who served during the period of the Vietnam War. A BBQ lunch, service providers and guest speakers will be at the event. Please come and show your support. All are welcome! At Riverside Park Trevillion Pavilion 304 SE Park Street Grants Pass, Ore. from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Grants Pass Vet Center at 541-479-6912.

March 30

The Lorna Byrne Music Department will present the Festival Concert on March 30 at 7 p.m. Admission is free, but donations are appreciated. "Butterflies, Gardens and Climate Change in YOUR Backyard"

March 31

Annual presentation from Rusk Ranch Nature Center free, donations appreciated.

March 31, 2016, 11a.m. - 1 p.m. followed by hotel tour at Bear Hotel 2101 NE Spalding, Grants Pass, 541-287-0172 for information or visit <http://ruskranchnaturecenter.org/wp-content/uploads/Bear-Hotel-event4NPlist.pdf>.

April 2

I.V. Senior Center will be serving "All you can eat breakfast for \$6!" We serve from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m. Eggs, hash browns, bacon, sausage, biscuits, chicken fried steak, biscuits and gravy, coffee, juice and a lot of fun! The center is located at 520 E. River Street and this breakfast is OPEN TO THE PUBLIC. Grab the family, friends, neighbors and come on down for the best breakfast deal in town!

April 9

Rough & Ready Botanical Wayside Wildflower Hike Saturday, April 9, 2016 10 a.m.

Meet at the parking area at Rough & Ready Botanical Wayside south of Cave Junction on Hwy. 199 at mile marker 34.

The walk through the Rough and Ready Wayside is geared for plant enthusiasts and novices alike. This is a great opportunity for folks to come out and enjoy the spring wildflowers no matter what your skill level on plant identification might be.

This is a short hike on rocky, but relatively level ground, with lots of beautiful wildflowers to see, many of them are rare or of limited range.

A portion of the hike will be along a wheel-chair accessible path so folks of limited mobility can come out and enjoy the wildflowers too.

Be prepared: bring water, dress in layers and wear comfortable shoes. Bring lunch if you like, there's a picnic table overlooking Rough & Ready Creek.

For more information call Suzanne at 541-291- 8860.

Sponsored by: Cultural & Ecological Enhancement Network (CEEN) and the Native Plant Society.

April 9

The 10th annual Soup for the Souls April 9, 2016 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. at the Illinois Valley High School, 625 East River Street, Cave Junction.

April 10

GMO Free Josephine County will be showing a free film to the public called,

"Synthetic Forests: The Dangers of Genetically Engineered Trees."

Contact person: Carol Valentine (541)761-4746, or email carol@gmofreejosephinecounty.org.

April 22

Earth Day Clean Up at Reeves Creek, Proposed Area of Critical Environmental Concern ACEC.

This high-priority location is habitat for the federally endangered Cook's Lomatium, but unfortunately has become a favorite dump site. Working with the Medford BLM, we will clean up this location before they close the road to prevent further access. - Gloves and trash bags provided. Please wear sturdy shoes, - Meeting (and carpool) in Cave Junction at Coffee Heaven 9 a.m.

Continuing

Fire & Emergency Services Career Exploring is open to young men and women from our local schools with an interest in learning more about careers in the field of fire or emergency services. Fire & EMS Exploring is a hand-on program that exposes young people to fire and emergency services. The most popular career exploring includes firefighter, EMT, paramedic and nursing. Career exploring combines some classroom training with hands-on lessons and you will learn first aid, fire safety, emergency medicine, leadership methods, teamwork and much more. You will develop emergency management skills and physical fitness and have the opportunity to participate in local and national competitions, community events and real firefighting scenarios in a training setting. Call 541-592-2225 to benefit from this college and career readiness program.

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