



## Life in the Valley of Riches

By DAN MANCUSO, Publisher

Everything at some point comes to an end. After 90 years the Rough and Ready Lumber Company is selling the assets of

the mill.

While I take issue with misinformation, outright lies and the perceived gamesmanship that used our community as pawns, I don't have an issue with logging. I find the upcoming R&R auction both a good and a bad thing. The bad thing is that it is over - living wage jobs gone, and the icon that was the center of economic activity in the Valley that sheltered, clothed, fed and educated families for multiple generations. The upside is now we know it's not going to ever reopen and are forced to accept a new reality that does not include working at the mill. Now the community must move forward and seek out new ways to do, what the mill did for decades.

Marijuana is no longer the elephant in the room. Many people who used to be in the timber industry or the pockets of the industry are now involved in hemp and marijuana farms.

Crazy, huh? After all it was the timber industry that helped make the Marijuana Tax Stamp Act of 1937 a reality. Like it or not hemp and marijuana could be a viable replacement to the timber industry that financed the "Reefer Madness" campaign that struck fear into Americans thus facilitating the farce of the anti hemp and marijuana legislation that is still here today.

Lastly, on a different kind of high note, we are near the end of what has to be the most expensive mayoral election in the history of Cave Junction. Regardless of who ends up on top, both men have shown they really want the job and have put their money where their mouths are.

If you have not yet voted please don't forget to get your ballots turned in.

Thank you for picking up this week's paper, enjoy! ~ djm

## The Archive Zone: by Hillary Mohr from the Illinois Valley News archives

This week's ghost story comes from Nov. 2, 1994. Halloween was quite the fright; children had to stay in because unruly juveniles decided it was riot night. Get ready to dodge eggs and run for cover in this week's "no treats, just tricks" Archive Zone.

**Halloween night riot in CJ results in injuries and arrests.** Four persons were arrested Monday night, Oct. 31 as nearly 300 mostly teen-aged Halloween revelers created a riot in Downtown Cave Junction with rock, broken glass, egg and brick throwing that eventually required more than 20 officers from four agencies to control. At one point near the start of the hours-long disturbance, when milling crowds of juvenile people would not disperse, Illinois Valley firefighters were called to hose down the offenders. They, deputies, Care Ambulance personnel and others, plus vehicles, were pelted with eggs, rocks and other items including hard apples. Firefighters at first responded to provide medical and other assistance to Care Ambulance and deputies, who faced a large

and warlike mob. The water-hose treatment was precipitated when crowds of nasty-acting young people would not allow a deputy and ambulance personnel to reach the side of an injured person. He apparently had been hurt in a fight next to Cave Junction Select Market, he was identified as Jason Bergstadt. Emergency personnel were barraged with eggs and other items. The riot situation lasted from approximately 7:30 p.m. to around midnight. At its height, roughly from 8 to 9:30 p.m., crowds of unruly juvenile people roamed downtown, congregating first at Dairy Queen, then shifting to Select Market. Once officers told them to break up and leave, and firefighters used hoses to create an open area the mostly belligerent youth retreated again to DQ. The rioters, who appeared to range in age from 10 to 19 or 20, continued to toss items at emergency personnel and others across the street on the Select parking lot, next to the Sportsman Tavern. Not all those involved threw objects. Many of them appeared to enjoy the disruptive atmosphere and being on the street during

civil disorder. Once the two deputies in the valley determined that crowds weren't in a mood to obey lawful orders, they radioed for assistance. Authorities responded with off-duty deputies including two canine deputies, the sheriff's SWAT Team, Oregon State Police, Grants Pass Department of Public Safety and Jackson County Sheriff's Office.

**I.V. firefighters respond to Mona Way for two mishaps.** Illinois Valley firefighters rushed to check out Mona Saturday, Oct. 29 a couple of times - Mona Way that is. Two unrelated emergencies brought I.V. Fire District volunteers and staff to the road, approximately 5 miles up Caves Highway. They responded at 1:12 p.m. for an escaped field burn, and at 2:21 p.m. for a tractor accident. In the latter, real estate agent Bill Reid suffered injuries when a bridge collapsed while he was driving across on his small, four-wheeled tractor, said the fire district. Reid, 54, who works with Oregon Mountain Real Estate, was taken to a hospital by Care Ambulance.

## Make special holiday gifts in Guild's November classes

### Making Heirloom Ornaments

On Saturday, Nov. 5, sisters, Lea Berleau and Jean Robertson will present their popular Heirloom Ornament class from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Guild Gallery on the RCC campus in Kerby - this year with a focus on lace.

Lea has been creating elegant tree ornaments since she was eight years old, and she displays many of the most complex and beautiful of her pieces to provide ideas. This year, she and Jean are adding a variety of methods to use lace in decorating the ornaments. Students can learn the technique and follow patterns to make the lace-trimmed ornaments or select from a copious collection of beads, sequins,

fabrics and lace to create their own designs.

Students are welcome to bring extra items such as ribbons, buttons, or old jewelry to personalize their ornaments, if they wish.

### Making Stained Glass Ornaments

The second class option is learning to make two beautiful stained glass pieces. In this class, taught by master artist, Deborah Reynolds, students will both learn or hone their skill at working in stained glass and they will create two unusual gift items.

Reynolds is a life-

time glass artist with many years of teaching, studio work, and selling her own art. Examples of her work and the pieces that will be made in the class can be seen at the Guild Gallery.

Students can choose either Saturday, Nov. 12 or Sunday, Nov. 13. Hours for either day will be from 10 a.m. to noon - "bring your own lunch" break Noon to 1:00

pm - and 1:00 to 3:00 pm. All skill levels are welcome.

Both classes will meet in the Southern Oregon Guild's beautiful gallery on the RCC Kerby campus at 24353 Redwood Highway, Kerby, Oregon. Cost for the Heirloom Ornament class is \$25, including materials. Guild members' fee is \$20.

Cost of the Stained Glass

class is \$45, which also includes all materials as well as one-on-one instruction.

Class sizes are limited. Register early online at southernoreonguild.org or at the Guild in person or by phone- 541-592-5019. Inquiries can be made at 541-659-3858 or guild@southernoreonguild.org.

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