

Letters to the editor

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

I told you so:

I'm not usually one to say, I TOLD ya so, but this is The Exception. Not really CJ, but as regards the 'growing' Civil War in Williams echoed by The Valley News recent article. Ah, the chickens, nay, the turkey vultures, are indeed coming home to roost. I have lived in Williams, and it's mainly ALWAYS been a very cliquey, standoffish, hippy ghetto---a literal dead end 'town' with one basic way in-or-out(unless of course you didn't mind using certain 'robber roads'). This is what happens when you FULLY leagalize anything. Careful what you ask for. Actually, this has become a microcosm of Oregon and the so-called "American Way", as some might say.

Well, how ya liking it NOW! Your dream has become a waking nightmare of your OWN making. You sanctimonious frauds. The only thing that you know less than is what you CAN in fact CONTROL, which at this point IS next to nothing.

You ARE the quintessential hippy stereotype. Ah, less IS more, dude...it's all good. Just a little seed, moderate growth...hardly any work to it. Just sit back and let The Weed do it's thing.

EXCEPT that when you LEGALIZED it FULLY, The Cartel was at the ready, duh...with all of their money, resources and ambition, like it or not. You didn't hafta compete before, and now you CAN'T. In fact, some of your 'kind' neighbors SOLD you OUT; but isn't that the

way it ALWAYS seems to play---no honor among thieves, nor pot growers?

You're trying to make some sort of legal exemption, yet you're discovering the difficulty, if not impossibility, of that. That is definitely NOT an option, because you have no real legal recourse.

Here's 2 suggestions: 1) Turn to Jesus; 2) Maybe build a 'Weed Wall', of Industrial Hemp, where you can ONLY hope to smoke yer way in Or OUT!

There are good people in Williams; and I am totally PRO Medical...but what you have cher' is a nest of hippie hypocrites from Hell (like the alliteration?) Nevertheless, your Paradise has become your Purgatory.

You hippy-dippies are

meeting your long overdue Karma. There is a 3rd option, trouble is that involves BANG, BANG, AND BANG!!! You can pull some, but they'll pull out more. Remember the lyrics, "Send lawyers, guns and money!" Oh, yeah, cuz with those 3, they can get all the drugs that they can use, or sell.

So, are you ready to go all the way for your 'principles'? Too many snowflakes, and the Genie is out of the bottle. I believe in miracles, I just don't believe in y'all. Good luck; but it's gonna take a whole lot more than that. As Vince Lombardi once said, 'Luck favors the prepared.' Well, that pretty much makes everything rhetorical for you, doesn't it.

Jack Faust
Madison, Wisconsin



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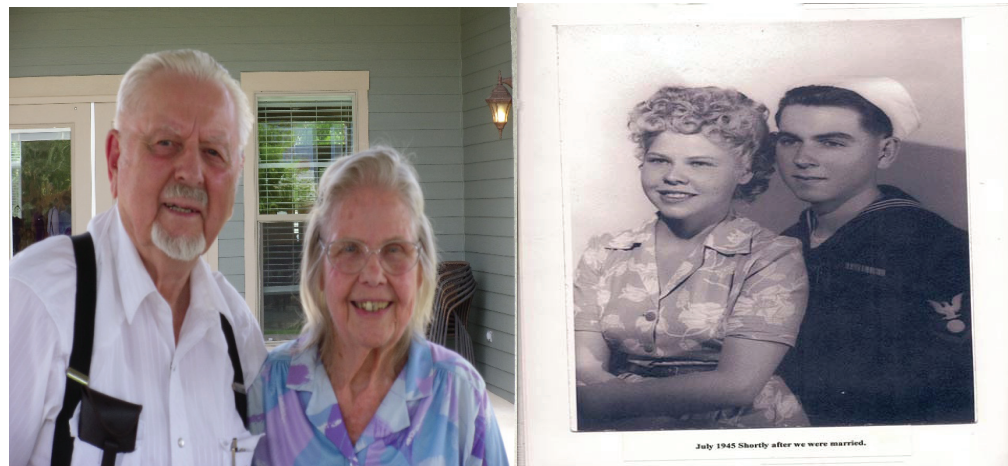
TOUCHDOWN AUCTION!

When: Saturday, July 15, 2017
Time: 4:30pm to 8:30pm
Where: Siskiyou Smokejumpers Base Museum (IV Airport)
Price: \$25 per ticket (includes dinner, 1 beverage)
 \$170 table of 8 (includes dinner, reserved table, and a bottle of wine)

Happy Hour (no host bar), Dinner catered by Carlos' Restaurante, Silent and Live Auction

Come out for an evening of fun and support your local HS Football Team!

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Carroll and Dorothy Bierbower recently celebrated their 72nd wedding anniversary. They were married on July 5, 1945.

Carroll was on a brief leave at the time from the US Navy, while his ship, the USS Comfort, was being repaired in San Pedro, California, after being hit by a Japanese suicide plane at Okinawa. They raised their five children in Quartz Hill, Ca., and are very proud of their seven grandchildren; 18 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

Dorothy was a stay-at-home mother, then later went to school, and worked as an LVN for several years. Carroll worked for So. Ca. Edison for many years, and had his own TV repair business. After retirement in 1991, they relocated to Cave Junction, Oregon.

Obituaries

Former Cave Junction resident **Peggy Shull Stockbridge, 91**, died Wednesday, July 5, 2017 at a care facility in Redding, Calif.

Peggy taught school in Ferndale, Calif. and Cave Junction. She was born in Sept. 11, 1925 in St. Francis, Kan. the first of seven children born to Harry E. and Gertrude Shull. She is survived by a daughter, Candice Finck of Redding; a son, Keith Bandy of Whitmore, Calif.; a sister, Gerry McLean of Kerby, Ore.; and numerous grandchildren and great-grandchildren. No services are planned.

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Save the date

July 13
Squeezle will play the Concerts in the Park.

Summer 2017 FREE ADMISSION! Sponsored by the IV Chamber of Commerce. 6 to 8 p.m. Thursday Evenings at Jubilee Park, CJ.

July 15
IVHS Football Touchdown Auction fundraiser. Saturday July 15, 4:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Siskiyou Smokejumpers base. \$25 per person or \$170 per eight seat table. Dinner by Carlos Restaurante. No host bar.

Aug. 3
I.V. by Candlelight Walk after Concerts in the Park (6 - 8 p.m.) Bring your candles and show community unity for public safety.

Continuing
Summer Reading Program sign

ups are still happening at the Illinois Valley library! Our free program runs through Saturday, August 5th. Join us on Saturdays from 11am - 1pm for crafts sponsored by Illinois River Valley Arts Council. For more information contact Roberta Lee at 541-592-4778. IV Branch, Josephine Community Libraries, 209 W Palmer St, CJ

Concerts in the Park - Summer 2017 FREE ADMISSION! Sponsored by the I.V. Chamber of Commerce

6 to 8 p.m. Thursday Evenings at Jubilee Park, CJ:

July 20, Circle of Stone - Celtic rock; July 27, Dale and Sharon Hopper - old-time country classics; Aug 3, Kelly Thibodeaux & Etouffee - rhythm and blues and Southern rock; Aug 10, Fire Your Boss - post-Apocalyptic folk core.

Please bring your own seating. Nachos, Hot Dogs and more avail-

able at Softball Concession Stand.

*Illinois Valley Community Watch Meeting every Monday from 5 - 6 p.m. at Wild River Pizza, 249 Redwood Hwy. - Cave Junction. A Public Safety Outreach Campaign effort with all I.V. Neighborhood Watch Groups - representatives, including businesses and churches, and support for anyone wishing to start a neighborhood watch. Includes a 2-way hand held radio program briefing from 4:20 - 4:50 p.m. Contact Guenter - 541-415-1929 / ivwatch541@gmail.com.

*The I.V. Senior Thrift Store: Join the crew and make new friends. You don't need to be a senior citizen to volunteer at the store. Call us at 541-592-6630. Open Monday - Saturday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

*The C.J. Substation hours are changed. Open hours are now Monday and Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The phone number for the substation is 541-592-5151.

Volunteers are needed to expand support service hours to the public. Applications are available at the substation or on-line at <http://www.co.josephine.or.us/Files/Volunteer%20Application.Mar%202014.pdf>.

*Cave Junction Patrol, LLC is looking for volunteers. CJ Patrol is a private citizen volunteer organization dedicated to effectively addressing heretofore-unchecked property crime in our city and neighborhoods. The primary mission of CJ Patrol is to prevent, interrupt, report and decrease property crime in the city of Cave Junction. Call 541-592-9665 or visit cjp patrol.org.

*Committee Meeting STATE OF JEFFERSON Josephine County 1st Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Black Forest Restaurant,

Grants Pass and 3rd Thursday of each month at 6 p.m., Wild River Pizza in Cave Junction.

*Come join the Cave Junction Lions Club at River Valley Restaurant, at 6 p.m. on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. We are a co-ed club and are always looking for community minded people that are dedicated, hard working, whether physically limited or not and most of all, like to have fun.

We host the Classic Car Show in late June and Turkey Bingo in early November. So if you like to have fun and like to help make great things happen, to provide glasses, hearing aids, scholarships and support for our community and so much more.

Come by and see what we do or give us a call, 541-592-9243 Nina Horsley, vice president or 541-295-7579 Sherry Overstreet, president.

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