

Ernest W. Smith House

A Visible Link to Our Past

The Big Butte Historical Society was founded as a non-profit organization of individuals working to preserve, interpret, and promote the history of Butte Falls. Over the years, the historical society continues to provide a visible link with present day life in the community.

Currently, members of BBHS and community workers and volunteers are in the process of restoring the former Ernest W. Smith House on Pine Street. In conjunction with the Southern Oregon Historical Society, BBHS will be working on a story line and acquisition of photographs which were taken by Ernest W. Smith dating back to the early 1900's. These photographic treasures have been carefully preserved in the SOHS archives in Medford. For many years, Ernest was the only person in town with a camera. The Historical Society will be working closely with community volunteers in creating the ambiance of the Smith home keeping with the simplicity and time period of the 1950's. The museum will convey a strong sense of our local history to visitors and residents alike. The E.W. Smith photo collection will be a permanent exhibit.

Plans are underway to open the museum on the 4th of July. The museum will be named in honor of Bill Edmondson, who spent a life-time as an artist and woodcarver.

Meetings are held the last Tuesday of each month at the Butte Falls Library. Anyone interested may attend any meeting.

GET WELL WISHES

We're glad you're feeling better
Dan Shafer!!!

From all your friends

SPRING CLEANING YOUR YARD CAN SAVE YOUR HOME FROM FIRE

Spring cleaning not only involves cleaning your house, but also the area outside around your house in preparation for the coming fire season.

This winter, the heavy snowfall and the wind brought down a large amount of limbs and trees. Now is the time to create a defensible space around your property. Defensible space is a vegetation buffer that surrounds your home to reduce the chance of a wildfire reaching it.

Creating defensible space requires you to reduce piles of debris and landscape in zones near your house. The clearance of flammable vegetation around buildings has proven to be one of the most important factors in wildland survival. Landscaping should be free of dead and dying vegetation. Remove branches from trees to the height of 15 feet to prevent ground fire from spreading to the tops of trees. Do not stack flammable material such as firewood next to buildings.

Be sure to check with local laws on burning debris and consider the alternatives to burning.

HAPPY SPRING CLEANING!!!

WILLOW LAKE RESTAURANT AND LODGE

NOW OPEN WEEKENDS

Saturday 8am - 9pm

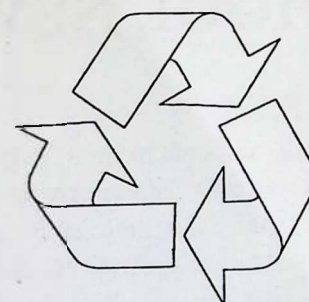
Sunday 8am - 6pm

Saturday Night Prime Rib Special

Small cut \$12.95

Large Cut \$13.95

OPEN FULL TIME BEGINNING MEMORIAL DAY WEEK END



RECYCLING

By Tina Harvey

It's a great idea! The Recycling Club has decided to have an annual "Earth Day" poster contest. Both the Elementary and High School were encouraged to participate. This activity will help spread the awareness of Earth Day (April 22). The poster criteria required students to choose a resolution that can help improve the environment, along with a color illustration that demonstrates the resolution. Sixty three exceptional posters were submitted by grades K-2.

Officers and advisors of the club reviewed all posters and did the judging by grade level. First place will receive a \$50 savings bond and second place will be awarded a certificate from WAL-MART.

Since everyone is a winner, ribbons were made for each of the entries by the Recycling Club. Prize winners are on display in the elementary library. Honorable mentions were on display during Earth Week at WAL-MART.

From Kindergarten, Ayn-Marie Hailicka took first and Caiti Jamison placed second. First Grade, Kyndi Lnee Sutfin placed first, with Miranda Thompson right behind in second. Second Grade was Caleb Maxwell in first and Ronnie Lyon following in second. CONGRATULATIONS!!!!

The Recycling Club wishes to thank the DEQ for the donation of the Savings Bonds and WAL-MART for their donation of the gift certificates.

Construction of the Recycle Depot is scheduled for mid June. We will be calling on you and your hammers to help.