



The Chat

Many friends and family members said good-bye to Terry and Vicki Ledine and their two sons, Dennis and Danny. The Ledine family had lived many years in Butte Falls. Vicki is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wright of Butte Falls, her brothers are Tim and Shannon Wright and sister Laurie Brown also of Butte Falls. Terry Ledine grew up in Merlin, Ore. After meeting Vicki at Willow Lake, falling in love and getting married they moved to Merlin for awhile and then made their home in Butte Falls. Terry worked in the woods doing logging or driving big equipment. He said with the way the logging industry has been going there has not been enough work to meet his family's need so he packed 'em up and headed for Alaska. They promised to keep in touch and let us know how things are going and I will let you know as soon as I hear something. We all hope for best for them and they will be missed!

Twenty friends and family members attended a surprise 60th birthday party for Ed Koch given by Dick and Wendy Earl at their pool house on January 30th. His son, daughter-in-law and granddaughter flew in from Las Vegas and his daughter and son-in-law flew in from Davis, Calif. to add to the surprise. Good food and fun was enjoyed by all and old Ed was *really Surprised!*

Seventeen years had gone by since Dottie Villa had been bowling but no one would have ever known. Dottie began bowling again this year and on Feb. 7th and 8th, and the 14th and 15th, she bowled with the Women's City bowling Tournament and did very well. She took 5th place in the Double Event and took 2nd place in the Singles Event, beaten out of 1st place by Tisa Mathis (formerly of Butte Falls). Dottie did take 1st place in all events in class B. There are four generations of bowlers now in Dotties family. Dottie is #1, her son Chuck Eilenberger who was featured in the Mail Tribune on Feb. 23, for winning the Championship match of the Budweiser Grand finals is #2, Chucks daughter Melissa Eilengerger is #3, and great-grandson Kenneth who is 7years old and bowls with the Mighty Mites is #4. I'm sure it won't stop there. Sounds like they are all having a great time.

On March 6th, Amber Hersom will the Guest Of Honor, the Guest Speaker and also the Judge of a male beauty pageant for a fundraiser for the Children's Doernbecker Hospital of Portland. This will be held at Phoenix High School and everyone is welcome.

A few birthday's I heard about this month are Jeany Moore's on the 16th, her daughter Trish Cisneros on the 21st and Carlos Carrillo on the 22nd. Happy Birthday to all. Also Carlos and his wife Bev will be celebrating their 26th wedding anniversary on March 19th.

A reminder: Remember if you need help with your taxes you can get it at our Library here in Butte Falls.

Well that's it for the month of February, remember don't be shy, give me a call if you hear of something interesting .



Debbie McConnell 865-3223

COMMUNITY FORUM TO ADDRESS PRESERVING SMALL TOWN AND RURAL CHARACTER

Preserving the high quality of life in our region is the driving force behind sixteen Healthy and Sustainable Community Project Open Houses and Forums being held throughout Jackson and Josephine Counties. Residents of Butte Falls are invited to attend their Community Open House and Forum on Thursday, March 19, from 6:30 pm to 9:00 pm at the Butte Falls Community Hall.

Citizens are encouraged to get involved in this vitally important regional vision planning process and to participate in a Public Forum on: "How do we preserve

the small town and rural Character of Butte Falls and the surrounding area?" The Regional Vision Plan, *Blueprint for the Future*, will be used as a springboard for dialogue as residents examine local issues through a regional context.

Participants will also have a chance to complete the Blueprint for the Future Opinion Survey to help prioritize the regional issues and action recommendations outlined in the Blueprint. Informational displays illustrate the history of the Project's activities, providing background for those new to the regional vision planning process.

The Community Open House and Forum is being co-sponsored by the Rogue Valley Civic League and each community in which they are held. For more information, contact the Town of Butte Falls at 865-3262 or the Rogue Valley Civic League at (541)857-8900.

Be An Architect for the Future

Help Develop the
Regional Vision Plan

You are invited to the
Healthy and Sustainable Communities Project

Butte Falls
Open House and Forum

Thursday, March 19, 1998

6:30 pm - 9 pm
Community Hall

- You will:
- Learn about this exciting citizen-driven regional vision planning effort
 - Help draft the Regional Vision Plan, *Blueprint for the Future*
 - Participate in the public dialogue: "How Do We Preserve The Small Town And Rural Character Of Butte Falls And The Surrounding Area?"

Co-Sponsored by the: Rogue Valley Civic League
and the Town of Butte Falls

