

## MAYOR'S CORNER

I ran into Gloria Karches last week while she was visiting Butte Falls. It was nice to see her again, but she immediately reminded me that I did not write an article for last month's newspaper. I promised her I would have one ready for this month.

First of all I would like to thank Mildred Arnold, Sarah Beck and Jared Munsell for volunteering their time to serve on the Butte Falls Planning Commission. Blaine Hoppes who has been the lone member of the planning commission for the past few months will now have someone to talk to and not feel so lonely.

My second thought. I would like to thank all of the people of Butte Falls for your understanding and patience while our new water lines are being put in. I know we have had a few areas where it was difficult for Burl-Brim to replace grass and shrubs that had to be removed. Burl-Brim has done a good job of covering muddy areas with gravel wherever they could. They have also tried to wash the streets with the water truck to keep them as clean as possible. This

spring when the muddy areas have had a chance to dry up, more work will be done to make those areas look as good as possible. Thanks again for hanging in there until this project is finished.

Some of you have been hearing about a water bottling plant for the last couple of years. Thanks to Superior Lumber Company, who donated the land below Red Hill to the Town, we now have the land and a new water system. The time is now right to go ahead with plans for the bottling project. The city council has given permission to go ahead with plans for setting up a non-profit organization to run the water bottling plant. This will result in money being funneled back to the Town of Butte Falls. This money will be used for education, youth programs, public works, and other needs of the town.

(Thanks, Gloria for saying something to Jack, he scares me... Just kidding Mayor. Cory)

Sincerely, *Jack Brown*

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## COP'S CORNER

This has been a very busy month. I have been getting several reports of kids running around well after the curfew. I will be looking into this, and anyone found out and about after curfew will be escorted home and the parents warned. Subsequent violations will receive citations. Many of the kids have been getting beer and cigarettes. This is very serious. As a parent, I would be very concerned if my child was running about drinking and smoking.

As everyone probably knows we had two burglaries. The R-N-R Café and the Totem Pole Restaurant were burglarized on Saturday the 15<sup>th</sup> of January. Anyone with information please contact me or leave a message on my phone. My pager number is 773.0906.

The Earl Foundation has graciously given the Town of Butte Falls several thousands of dollars to hire an additional Police Officer. This Officer will be working in the schools to be a mentor and to teach classes in how to take a Motor Vehicle Test, Anti-Gangs, Anti-Drugs, Anti-Alcohol, Anti-Violence, Anti-Smoking. The new Officer will be hired the 1<sup>st</sup> of May and will be off to the Academy in June. This will also give us another Police Officer in the community to help foster trust between the kids and Police. I really want to thank the Earl Family Foundation for their continued support of the Town of Butte Falls.

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## LOGGER LANDING

Karaoke and silent auction brought to you by the Butte Falls Youth Center!!! Come join the fun - bring the family or come on your own! February 3<sup>rd</sup> from 6 til 10 pm at the Community Hall, upstairs. \$3 per person or only \$10 per family!!! Refreshments will be available.

## BINGO-BINGO & MORE BINGO!!!

The Youth Center is Butte Falls's home to bingo every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of each month! Young and old can come together and have fun starting February 17<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 p.m. For more info call Jonna Hayes - 865-7726 or Pat Hoel - 865-3773.

Word has been received of a recent telephone scam that is going around. The caller will identify himself as an agent from A.T.&T. and will ask the person being called to dial 90# and then hang up. By doing this the scam artist can obtain information from that number and make numerous long distance calls that will be billed to the number.

## Donkey Basketball

Sunday, March 5<sup>th</sup> (new date)

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call Carla LaFever, 865.3563

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## HELP FOR THE HARRINGTONS

By Janice Schultz

The tragic fire at a home along the Butte Falls Highway last week, that resulted in the death of Sean Harrington, and put Diana Harrington and her remaining three children out of a home, has touched all of our hearts. I know that there are many banks and businesses in the valley that will take donations for them, but if you can't get to the valley and would still like to donate, feel free to bring your items to the Butte Falls Ranger District anytime Monday - Friday, 8am - 4:30pm. I will make sure that they get to the right people for delivery to the Harringtons. I will be accepting items until February 14<sup>th</sup>.