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Changes & Rearranges The New Butte Falls Tavern by- Julie Freeman

"It takes all kinds of people to make the world go around. Even those who used to frequent the Butte Falls Tavern. On July 30th, 1998, Butte Falls saw the end of an era. The doors closed on the Tavern for good... Or so they say."

When I wrote those words two years ago, I had little idea of how much the closing of the Tavern would truly effect our small town.

Oh, life went on. People seemed to adjust, but a vital social connection was severed. A part of history was destroyed & a part of the town lost its heart. For me, it was like my mother died all over again and no one could ever make it right.

But time has a way of healing. And Butte Falls has a way of rearranging & looking out for its own. People here have always stood up for what they want & believe is right, not only for themselves, but for the community as a whole.

On Oct. 1st, 2000, the doors to the relocated Butte Falls Tavern will open. A new era will begin. Mike & Liz Stritenberg have been working hard converting the recent youth center into a place of history & workmanship. Artifacts & memorabilia have been donated by many to make the new tavern feel as warm & welcoming as the old.

History will have repeated itself, or rearranged itself, so to speak. I am told that the first tavern began it's illustrious beginnings on or near the site of the new tavern.

Of course times have changed. Cork boots & pistols won't be a public nuisance. Spittoons & gambling won't be around to offend anyone, and there will probably be as much soda sold as beer. But the atmosphere & social connections will remain as timeless as the history of a tavern in Butte Falls.

Though the old Bullwinkle door will continue to stare timelessly at Ralph, the stature in the park, and the wonderful old historical backbar will weather another winter without admirers, the ghosts of the past, & those awake after 8:00 P.M. will once again have a place to go.

You are invited to stop on by and be a part of history in the making.

-Butte Falls Information-

Town Marshall- Mel Ray
Police Dept. 865-3200 or 911

Fire Chief- Hugh Simpson
Fire Dept. 865-3366 or 911

Mayor- Jack Brown

City Recorder- Lori Paxton

Treasurer- Sue Macy

City Hall 865-3262

Hours Monday- Friday 8-1:00

Council Members- Mary Wright,
Debbie McConnell, Ray Macy, Joyce
Brown, Steve Harvey & Diane Holm.

Planning Commission- Blaine Hoppes,
Darren Kinyon, Gerrad Munsell
& Julie Freeman

City Council Meets: 2nd Tuesday,
7 P.M. at the Community Hall

Hey, Mel Ray! I think it's great
seeing you on the football field
helping Hugh with the jr. high
kids.... *Kudos to you!*

Plus, it will get ya in shape for that youngster
you'll be having..... Cory

Health Faire Coming to our Town
Saturday, Oct. 7th
9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
Butte Falls Comm. Hall
Sponsored by - West Main
Pharmacy of Medford

Ginger Whitt, a registered pharmacist will be in attendance to answer questions regarding side effects and interactions of drugs and herbals. She will also share with you new information on natural hormone therapies for both men and women. Lee Bertolero, a registered nurse will also be available to provide blood pressure checks and to discuss and refer health problems to appropriate resources. Cholesterol testing will also be available for a \$10.00 charge. For a special treat a licensed massage therapist will be joining us to provide 10 minute samples of chair massage. Let us have a good turn out so West Main Pharmacy will have the incentive to return back to us at regular intervals.

