

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR



Dear Editor,

In rebuttal to the letter attacking the Butte Falls Tavern in last months paper. I believe it was totally out of line. This isn't a perfect world but the Butte Falls Tavern is still a vital social connection for the towns people of Butte Falls.

Apparently the closing or reopening of the Butte Falls Tavern does personally affect Cyndi Harrington, or she would not have written that letter to the editor last month. It seems obvious to me that she has not visited the Tavern recently or she would see what a respectable establishment the owners are running, or the great times and wonderful discussions that people are having there, some with and many without alcohol.

As for the abuse and/or child abandonment issues that were witnessed and prayed for, listed below are some names and numbers of some resources for different intervention programs that should always be contacted to handle these types of cases or problems. Although I do believe that prayer is a vital and wonderful type of support, and is much needed to help anyone who has trouble or is in pain. I also feel without some type of help from the outside, such as law enforcement or an intervention program, such as the ones I've listed below, Cyndi has unknowingly become part of the problem and not the solution.

911

On Track, Inc.

J. County Juvenile/Victim & Witness 774-4800

Child Protective Services 776-6120

Child Advocacy 734-5437

Alcoholics Anonymous 773-4848

Or. Safenet for Women/Children 1-800-723-3638

J. County Health Services 774-8201

Narcotics Anonymous 758-0555

Helpline 779-4357

Lifeline 732-5054

Genesis Recovery 608-4000

Sincerely,

Darren Kinyon

At Christmas be merry,
and thankful withal,
And feast thy poor neighbors,
the great with the small.

By Thomas Tusser



Totem Pole Restaurant

Gary and Carol...

Wish you and your family
a very, merry Christmas!

Come on in from the cold,
check out our specials and
have a hot cup of coffee
while you visit.

Call Ahead 865-3311

Dear Editor,

I have a comment regarding Cyndi Harrington's letter in the November Butte Falls BULLETIN. Do people really believe that alcohol, spousal, and child abuse came to a screeching halt just because the Butte Falls Tavern closed down? Should we close the cafe to put an end to obesity? Should we close down the gas station because car wrecks kill people?

I would imagine that while the Butte Falls Tavern was closed, had we looked, we probably would have seen those same children bundled up in a car in front of an Eagle Point tavern. The point is, bums are going to continue to act like bums no matter which venue they are in.

Personal responsibility is the key, and those of us that act responsibly should not have to forfeit our rights because of a few abusive monsters. A balanced community would take legal action against those monsters, while still providing *all* of its responsible citizens with a wide variety of services; stores, libraries, schools, cafes, churches, gas stations, post offices and yes, even taverns.

Carol McGrath

