

COLUMBIA BAR

Kickass Coffee

By RYAN HUME

It must indeed be fall because bartenders have started offering me coffee drinks again.

With an impressive woodstove in one knotty-pine corner, Morgan's Long Beach Tavern always seems prepared for the colder weather. The bartender assured me that the LBT moves a lot of these kicked-up confections.

Quite similar to a BFK (baileys, frangelico and kahlua) Coffee the addition of boozed-up whipped cream is a welcome touch. As any pastry chef will tell you, you can't go wrong with sweetened, vanilla-laced crème soured with a little hooch.

As legend has it, one night the LBT ran out of frangelico, the hazelnut liqueur, and replaced it in this recipe with Fireball Cinnamon Whisky. Substitute at your own risk.

Ingredients:

- 1 part Frangelico, plus an extra splash
- 1 part Bailey's Irish Cream
- 1 part Kahlua
- Freshly brewed coffee
- Whipped cream

Directions:

Pour liqueurs into the bottom of a glass mug. Top off with coffee and a froth of whipped cream. Then drench the whipped cream with an extra splash of Frangelico. Serve with a straw and a spoon.

—Recipe courtesy of Pamela Jewell, Morgan's Long Beach Tavern, Long Beach, Washington

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John Day [dʒan deɪ]

noun

1. (1770-1820) A legendary or perhaps infamous fur trapper of the old Oregon Country, born in Virginia and a member of the Pacific Fur Company's Overland Expedition as commissioned by John Jacob Astor and led by William Price Hunt. Day is probably best known for suffering from a severe psychological break out on the trail following an assault where he was robbed and left naked and stranded in the woods before he arrived in Astoria in 1812. Day's death was recorded on four separate occasions, and he has lent his name to at least two towns, two rivers, a dam and a number of geographic areas in the state of Oregon alone

2. *John Day River (Clatsop)*: A 6-mile-long tributary of the Columbia River that passes beneath U.S. Highway 30 and rises into the Coast Range



Photo by Joshua Bessex

Cheryl Johnson, owner of Clatsop Paddle Company, left, paddle boards along the John Day river in Clatsop County with her son, Drew Tapio, center, and niece, Margo Niemela, right, in late September.



AP Photo/The Oregonian, Terry Richard

This May 29, 2014 photo shows Painted Hills Unit, John Day Fossil Beds National Monument, in John Day in Eastern Oregon.

3. *John Day (Clatsop)*: a small unincorporated community in Clatsop County off U.S. Highway 30 near where the river of the same name crosses the highway

4. *John Day County Park*: a 54-acre county park and boat launch on the John Day River, with a landscaped entrance approximately 5 miles east of Astoria off U.S. Highway 30

Origin:

John is one of the most commonly given Biblical names dating back to John the Baptist and emerges from the Hebrew *y'hohanan*, meaning "Jehovah has favored."

Day originated in English as *dai* around 1200, having developed from the Old English

dæg as noted in *Beowulf* in 725 and originally only applied to the daylight hours. It later took on the meaning of an entire 24-hour cycle.

It is not known how so many place-names came to honor a relatively minor pioneer, though the city of John Day, in Grant County, in Eastern Oregon, speculates on its website that he "must have been an outstanding man."

It is known that the county park and unincorporated community in Clatsop County are named based on their proximity to the river and that the river — which Lewis and Clark noted had a Indian name, *Kekemarke*, but which they called the Lep-ages River, and was also known for a time as Swan Creek — took on the name of John Day be-

cause its banks were reportedly the site of the robbery where Day and Ramsay Crooks were left unclothed.

Another theory claims that after Day went mad in Astoria in 1814, he was buried near the river, though this has been widely discounted as his death would be recorded three more times in subsequent years.

"For a good many years there was a station on the railroad just west of the mouth of the John Day River in Sherman County called John Day, but due to confusion in shipments, the name was changed to Day. Similar difficulties with John Day station at the mouth of the John Day River in Clatsop County resulted in a change to Van Dusen, for a well-known county family."

—Lewis A. McArthur, *Oregon Geographic Names*, Sixth Ed., Oregon Historical Society Press: 1992. P. 451

"The Indians now debated heatedly among themselves — apparently over whether to kill [Ramsay] Crooks and [John] Day.... Crooks and Day slowly turned, starting to walk back upriver, expecting at any moment to be killed. But when they dared look back the Indians instead were preoccupied in divvying up the clothing and other items they had stripped from the pair of white men.

They walked naked, upriver, for four days. They spent four nights without fire trying to sleep naked in the chill of early spring."

—Peter Stark, *Astoria*, Harper Collins, New York: 2014. P. 235

"Fortunately Mr. [David] Stuart met with some Indians accustomed to trade with Astoria. These undertook to conduct John Day back to the factory, and deliver him there safely. It was with the utmost concern that his comrades saw the poor fellow depart; for, independent of his invaluable service as a first-rate hunter, his frank and loyal qualities made him a universal favorite. It may be as well to add that the Indians executed their task faithfully, and landed John Day among his friends at Astoria; but his constitution was completely broken by the hardships he had undergone, and he died within a year."

—Washington Irving, *Astoria*, Clatsop Ed., Binford & Mort, Portland: 1951. P. 323

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