

BRIEFS FROM BEYOND C.G.

Medicare Advantage help

The Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance Program (SHIBA) is a free unbiased resource available in Douglas County and throughout the state. SHIBA volunteers will help the public review their current coverage on Thursday, Oct. 27 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the Yoncalla Community Center, 400 Main St., in Yoncalla or by phone to set one-on-one appointments during the work week as volunteers are available. Those interested are asked to bring their Medicare card, Social Security card, insurance cards (medical and prescription) and a list from their pharmacy of prescription drugs.

OSP seeks information on poached elk

The Oregon State Police Fish and Wildlife Division is asking for the public's help to identify the person(s) responsible for the unlawful killing of a bull elk in Douglas County.

On the morning of Oct. 8, OSP was notified of a dead bull elk in the area of Old Pioneer Road, Oakland, Oregon. OSP Fish and Wildlife Troopers responded and found a dead elk on private property, determining it had been shot and left to waste. Investigation revealed the elk was most likely shot on or around Saturday, Oct. 11.

A reward of up to \$500 is offered for information leading to an arrest and conviction in this case. The reward is comprised of \$500 from the Oregon Hunters Association Turn-In-Poacher program.

Anyone with information regarding this case is asked to contact OSP Senior Trooper Aaron Baimbridge through the Turn In Poachers (TIP) hotline at 1-800-452-7888 or 541-817-4473. (Email - aaron.baimbridge@state.or.us). Information may be kept anonymous.

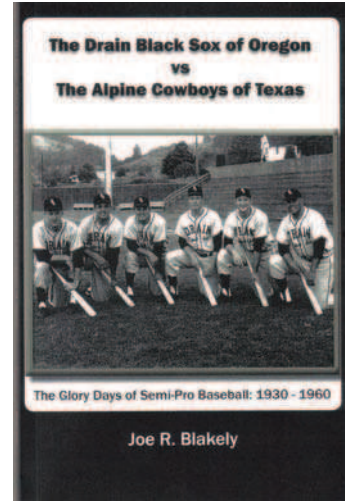
Black Sox signing

Members of the Drain Black Sox team that won the Semipro Baseball World Series in 1958 will be on hand for a book signing on Monday, Oct. 24 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. at the Drain Civic Center, located at 205 West A. Avenue in Drain.

Black Sox stars Irv Roth and Dan Luby will attend the signing of author Joe R. Blakely's book "The Drain Black Sox of Oregon vs. The Alpine Cowboys of Texas: The Glory Days of Semipro Baseball."

The Black Sox were the premier semiprofessional baseball

team in this area at a time when semipro ball drew large crowds to Drain. Those interested in more information on the event can call 541-836-2505. Copies of the book will be available for purchase.



Joe Blakely's book details the exploits of the 1958 national champion Drain Black Sox.

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nally go knowingly down to her death, without disclosing by word or deed who she was."

"Charley," as now was clear to everyone, was short for "Charlotte," not "Charles." She had, it turned out, run away from an orphanage in New Hampshire at the age of 12, dressing as a boy to avoid detection. After that, she found her way to Massachusetts, where she started working for a man named Ebenezer Balch, who took her on as an apprentice of sorts, teaching her horsemanship.

By now Charlotte knew the score. As a little orphaned girl, with no family and no dowry, she had zero prospects in early-1800s society. But as a little orphaned boy, she could travel and work and make her way in the world.

So Charley spent the next 20 years or so working with horses on the East Coast. For a few years she was in Georgia, and there's some evidence that she tried to settle down and start a family at that time; some sources say physicians examining her after her death determined that she had given birth at some point; but given the state of the medical profession back then, there's ample reason to be skeptical about any 1879 doctor's claims.

If she did start a family, though, it clearly ended in early tragedy, because she was back in New England in 1849 when news of the California Gold Rush broke. There, she met Jim Burch and Frank Stevens, and the three of them decided to go to California and get into the

stagecoach business.

The admiring tone of the California Call article wasn't universally adopted by the other newspapers covering the sudden posthumous revelation of Charley's womanhood. Other writers were more defensive. There were rumors that Charley was a hermaphrodite — born with both male and female body parts, but really a man. Others simply refused to believe it.

This response, while somewhat ungallant, was kind of understandable. After all, what Charley had done was nothing less than to infiltrate the most macho, swaggeringly male-dominated profession of her day — and demonstrate that a woman could do it better.

(Sources: New York Times (reprint from California Call), 1-09-1880; Hill, Fern. "Charley Parkhurst Facts and Legends," fernjhill.com; Thrapp, Dan. Encyclopedia of Frontier Biography. Lincoln, Neb.: Univ. of Neb. Press, 1991)

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LORANE COUNTRY NEWS

BY LIL THOMPSON
For the Sentinel

Free Ukulele Lesson Club has begun, and anyone who is still interested is asked to contact Mr. Pat Dixon at pdixon@cal.k12.or.us or Lisa Livelybrooks at ruralartcenter@gmail.com. Participants must have real instruments, though some are available for a refundable damage deposit. Classes are from 3:30-5 p.m. on Thursdays, and the next lesson is Oct.

20.

The Crow-Applegate-Lorane School Board meets at Lorane Grange this Thursday, Oct. 20 at 7 p.m. There will be an executive session prior to the meeting.

Very special congratulations to teacher Andrea Smith, who was named 2016-2017 Civic Scholar by Representative Paul Holvey in House District 8.

A fun barn dance is scheduled at Lorane Grange on Friday, Oct. 28 from 7-10 p.m. There is

a suggested donation of \$10 per family. The dancing is a combination of squares, line dances and reels. The caller will tailor to the abilities of those attending, and the music is primarily fiddles and guitars. The last one was a huge success.

An exciting Halloween carnival hosted by Applegate parents and the Booster Club will happen on Saturday, Oct. 29 from 4-8 p.m. Organizers would love help from anyone for this fun family event, and those in-

terested can contact Jen McNutt-Bloom at 541-520-4868 or email jennifermcnutt-bloom@gmail.com. Also, unopened bags of Halloween candy for the trick-or-treaters is welcomed and may be sent with students or dropped off at the office.

Half-day art will take place at Applegate Elementary on Nov. 2, and the group will be making Hawaiian Kapa style paper using cornhusks and pebbles.

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Michele Savage, owner of Grove Medical Equipment has been a resident of Cottage Grove for the past 11 years. Michele has 25 years' experience in the HME industry. Grove Medical offers a wide variety of products with sales and rentals of respiratory and durable medical equipment. Grove Medical is happy to assist with insurance billing for qualified items. We accept most insurances including Medicare and Medicaid. In addition, we have great news for HEALTH NET members, Grove Medical now accepts RUBY AND JADE plans!

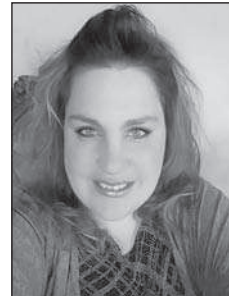


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Misty Kofoid graduated from Cottage Grove, High School in 1995. Misty and her Husband have been married for 16 years. They have two boys ages 15 and 7. She worked for The U.S. Bank in Cottage Grove for 10 years, and then began working as Principal Brokers Assistant and Office Manager for David Hemenway at Remax Advantage Plus. She has been working for Remax Advantage Plus for the past 71/2 years. Misty has also organized the Oregon Association of Realtors Auction and Raffle for the past 6 years for the Cottage Grove Board of Realtors.



Misty Kofoid
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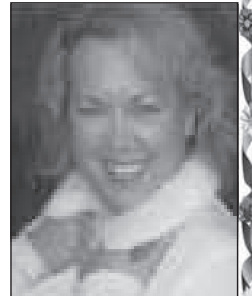
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Wendy Sue Benson Allstate Insurance

Wendy Sue Benson, owner and agent of Allstate Insurance at 130 Gateway Blvd, Cottage Grove and Garden Valley Allstate Insurance of Roseburg.

The Benson family has been in the Allstate business since 1974. Wendy Sue is very involved with community service in Cottage Grove. As a member of the Chamber, member and past president of the Lions Club, Wendy Sue is dedicated to the people of Cottage Grove.

Keeping Cottage Grove a safe and wonderful place to live is a big priority of Wendy Sue Benson and Allstate Insurance. Being in good hands is a great place to be!



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Cottage Grove Sentinel

Carla Williams has been working in the front office of the Sentinel since the end of 2004. She has lived in Cottage Grove since the summer of 1990. At the Sentinel, currently as office manager doing the bookkeeping, she also assists with classifieds, circulation, legal notices, obituaries and the calendar page, along with helping with customer service and walk-ins.

For many years, prior to working at the Cottage Grove Sentinel, Carla worked as a travel agent.

She enjoys spending time with her husband, Lloyd, and three cats, reading, estate sale shopping, genealogy, and planning for her next vacation. She is a member of Beta Sigma Phi and the Cottage Grove Historical Society and is a board member for the Humane Society of Cottage Grove.



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Tammy Sayre has lived in Cottage Grove her entire life. She worked for South Lane School District in Food Service for 14 years, and then decided to go back to School. She attended Lane Community College for 5 years, and began working at The Cottage Grove, Sentinel 9 months ago as an Advertising Sales Representative. Tammy has 2 grown children, Megan and Travis. She also has one Grandson named Hudson who is 3 years old. She enjoys nature, photography, writing, and spending time with friends and family.



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Kaetlyne Knee is new to our team, but has lived in Cottage Grove her whole life. At the Sentinel Kaetlyne is a telemarketer, as well as a front desk assistant. She enjoys spending time with her black lab, Marley, boyfriend, James, friends and family during her free time, as well as painting, reading and going on day trips to explore Oregon further. She graduated from CGHS in 2015 and hopes to one day be a mother, wife and successful business woman, wherever life takes her.



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