

Jim Gilroy named Grand Marshal for BMD



From left: Board President Cathy Simmons, Festival Coordinator Cindy Weeldreyer, Board Members Dave Johnson, Wanda Mosegard, Jimmy Schaper, and Banner Bank Branch Manager Jim Gilroy (second from right), who will be this year’s Grand Marshal.

Costumed members of the Bohemia Mining Days Board and its Festival Coordinator recently dropped in and surprised Banner Bank’s Cottage Grove Branch Manager Jim Gilroy with the announcement he has been selected as the 2019 Grand Marshal of the festival’s Grand Miners Parade on Saturday, July 20.

BMD Board President Cathy Simmons said the board put a call for nominations on local social media sites requesting recommendations for individuals to serve as the 60th Grand Marshal and Gilroy was nominated.

“It was an easy choice for us,” Simmons said. “Jim was a great mayor and he is a longtime community volunteer and worthy of this honor.”

24th annual Jaw Harp Festival begins tomorrow

The 24th annual North American Jaw Harp Festival will take place Thursday, June 27 through Sunday, June 30, in Cottage Grove. There will be live performances, workshops, raffles, a band scramble and more.

The festival will be held at the Opal Center for Arts and Education, 513 E. Main St., with a special meet-and-greet at the Axe & Fiddle, 657 E. Main St., on Thursday night, June 27.

Camping is available at Schwarz Campground, 34909 Shoreview Dr.

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• School is officially out for summer. I was asked to mention that everyone please slow down when going through Lorane. It is posted 35 mph, but many people are driving much faster than that; kids and others may be crossing the road or on bicycles, so please observe the speed limit.

• Last Thursday, June 20, 66 community members and 10 officials from Lane County were in attendance for the Territorial Highway Reconstruction meeting at Lorane Grange. A wealth of information was shared. The project should begin next summer on Stoney Point and will be done in four stages culminating in 2024. The new highway will have 11-foot-wide lanes and 6-foot-wide shoulders, plus other changes.

Subsequent meetings will be held, hopefully at the Grange, to share plans. A big thank you to everyone who came.

• July is around the corner and that means the 16th Annual Crow Car Show on is just around the corner on July 13. Already, numerous cars are pre-registered. Volunteers are still needed. Call Marissa at 541-517-6608 to register your car or to volunteer. Aside from all the fabulous vehicles, there will be a host of other activities, including a free pancake breakfast and a Kid Zone. It’s a great day of activities for the whole family and the biggest Booster Club fundraiser for our CAL School District.

• Lorane Community Association is once again promoting the Community-wide Garage/Yard Sale for Aug. 3. It will be free to put your places on the map. To rent a table, call Contact Jeri Porter at the Grange at 542-952-2448. Plan ahead and start your summer cleaning.

• If you have plans for the week of July 4th, be safe, careful and enjoy. We live in a wonderful country — be proud.

Pet Tips ‘n’ Tales

By Mary Ellen
“Angel Scribe”

Meet Lenny ‘Banana’



Lenny Banana is nuts about his human family. Meet his sister’s Juliette and Fanny, mom Sophie and the other guy in the house, Marc. (Photo by Mary Ellen)

Sophie and her husband, Marc, admit, “Our two-year-old Golden Retriever, Lenny, completes our family. We even refer to our daughters, Juliette and Fanny, as ‘Lenny’s sisters.’”

The family is bilingual and so is Lenny. He responds to their commands in both French and English; but his best responses are reserved for their friend Bob, aka the dog park’s treat man. Lenny will do anything for Bob’s treats. Another reason he has a thing for Bob is because he always has pockets full of tennis balls and this dog loves fetching balls; after all, he is a Golden Retriever.

Everyone in the family loves Lenny, and he loves them unconditionally from Monday to Friday. Then, when his “older sister” Juliette arrives home on weekends from university, he treats her like the top dog. He follows her everywhere and snuggles with her wherever she sits. When she is away and the family mentions Juliette’s name, he runs to the front door hoping she’s arriving. His devotion and love for his family melts hearts.

Lenny was named after the rock and roll legend, Lenny Kravitz. But apparently their neighbors think that his middle name is “banana.” He adores bananas and does anything for a piece of one. When he refuses to come in from their backyard, they call, “Lennyyyy. Bananaaaaa!” Their prompting works every time and he trots right in the door.

“At the beach when Lenny was four months old, he was chasing his doggie friends as they ran into the water,” said Sophie. “Splash! It was his first swimming lesson. Bob and I could not believe it as we watched the puppy swim back to shore all excited with a ‘WTH just happened?’ look on his face. Lenny was soaking wet, he’d survived a surprise first swim, and Bob and I were hysterical with laughter.”

As much as Lenny loves swimming, he oddly does not like rain. He was born in the summer, so when the autumn rains arrived, “He was like ‘What?! Go away!’” said Sophie. “He hates the rain so much, that we bought him a raincoat and he launched a trend amongst his doggy friends. He was so cute and such a great model that total strangers stopped us and asked about his amazing coat.”

Then when it snowed, their “flakey dog” barked at it until he realized it was edible. Then everything changed. He now loves it, thinking it is “snow good.”

Sophie works at home while her office assistant, Lenny, sleeps in the office (snoring and dreaming). When he is awake, he interrupts her phone calls with constant dog-chatter. You would think he thought the calls were for him. For this reason, when she has an important meeting planned, she relocates him to another room. Apparently, he is very helpful around their home. He licks the dishes clean, empties the office trash when bored and helps “take out the compost.”

“He’s very good at shredding papers from my trash,” laughs Sophie. “Who needs a shredding machine! His help is wonderful as I work with confidential documents.”

Apparently, it is not just people that Lenny loves. He has a crush on a neighbor’s cat. He waits for her and then sweetly trots over so they can exchange a welcome-nose kiss.

Lenny also has a mischievous nature. “When a dog friend is walking our way, Lenny pretends he is submissive and lays down,” said Marc. “Then, when the dog and parent get close, our Teddy-bear-faced dog jumps up like a monster, startling them. We have to warn them so that they don’t have a heart attack!”

TIPS:

“Have a puppy?” asks Sophie. “Keep an eye on them, close all doors and use baby gates. Golden Retrievers love to eat just about anything. We keep all doors closed because he’d go in and snack on whatever he finds. Once, he was without supervision for two minutes, and he managed to sneak into a bedroom and chewed off a piece of some sweat pants. He had to go to the vet. Watch your puppies; they are cute but they don’t always have the best ideas.”

6-day weather forecast

THURSDAY 68° 49° Rain	FRIDAY 69° 49° Partly Cloudy
SATURDAY 77° 50° Sunny	SUNDAY 81° 52° Partly Cloudy
MONDAY 83° 53° Sunny	TUESDAY 83° 53° Partly Cloudy

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