



COTTAGE GROVE SENTINEL FILE PHOTO

Past Bohemia Mining Days queens were part of the festival's 60th anniversary celebration in 2019 during the Grand Miners Parade held on Saturday down Main Street in Cottage Grove. Last year's event was canceled due to COVID-19 restrictions but organizers are planning a return for two days this July.

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"We remain hopeful we can provide a much-needed celebration for our community this summer," said Williams. "We have multiple meetings each

week among our planning committees and with community leaders to be ready if Governor Brown lifts her state of emergency so we can have an unrestricted event for everyone to enjoy." Williams says the plan-

ning details-to-date will be announced at a press conference next Wednesday, March 24, at 10 a.m. at the historic Dr. Snapp House, 360 S. River Rd.

In case of rain, the event will take place in the City Hall Council Chamber,

700 E. Main St.

Participants in the press conference will be in costume. Cottage Grove Municipal Judge Martin Fisher will swear in Councilor Kenneth Michael Roberts as the newest Bohemia City Marshal. Marshal

Roberts will then swear in his Chief Deputy Scott Borgioli.

In 2012, BMD resurrected (in a fun way) an actual 19th Century feud that split the community into two towns. At next week's press conference,

the BMD Board will reveal plans to expand the Slabtown v. Lemati Feud into a friendly competition year-round.

Notable women who helped shape history

Women continue to blaze trails in the 21st century, influencing world events, politics and businesses near and far.

In the United States, more women were elected to Congress in 2018 than in any other point in history. In 1916, Jeannette Rankin became the first woman to hold a seat in the House of Representatives, and today there are 110 women serving in Congress. And such progress is not exclusive to the United States. The World Economic Forum says 56 of the 146 nations studied have had a female head of government in the past 50 years. Females have also grown in their high-priority roles in the business sector. In 2017, Fortune magazine reported there were 32 female CEOs leading companies such as General Motors, PepsiCo and Lockheed Martin. Throughout history, many women have made notable impacts in their communities and on society. The following are just a handful of women whose accomplishments are worthy of celebration.

- **Millicent Farrett Fawcett:** This powerful leader campaigned for women's suffrage in 1866 at the tender age of 22, leading the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies. Her goal was realized 61 years later.
- **Marie Sklodowska Curie:** This Polish-born scientist founded a new science of radioactivity, which would have a sizable impact on the treatment of cancer. Curie also was the first woman to win a Nobel Prize.
- **Ruth Law:** Despite Orville Wright refusing to teach her to fly, Law learned to be a pilot in the early 20th century. At 28, she beat the cross-country flight record with a 590-mile flight from Chicago to Hornell, N.Y., and later inspired Amelia Earhart.
- **Ada Lovelace:** This gifted mathematician is considered to be the first computer programmer in the early days of computers.
- **Valentina Tereshkova:** In June 1963, cosmonaut Tereshkova became the first woman in space. Despite a lack of formal flight training, Tereshkova was selected for the space program due to her skills as an amateur parachutist.
- **Oprah Winfrey:** Winfrey's rise from poverty to the status of household name and billionaire mogul is a true rags-to-riches story.
- **Nancy Pelosi:** Congresswoman Pelosi became the first and thus far only female to serve as Speaker of the United States House of Representatives. She is the highest-ranking female elected official in U.S. history.
- **Kamala D. Harris:** Vice President Harris became the first female to be elected Vice President in U.S. history.

These are just a handful of the many influential and inspiring women who have shaped history.

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