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A free, bi-monthly newsletter dedicated to informing, educating and enlightening the community of Williams.

CELL PHONE TOWER UPDATE

The Williams Town Council will be hosting a Town Meeting to discuss the proposed cell phone tower on **Monday June 1st at 7pm**. The meeting will take place at the Williams Elementary School gym.

A representative from AT&T (formerly Cingular) will be present to update the community on the company's option to put a 125 foot cell phone tower at the Williams Fire Dept. building. The contract for this option expires June 15 of this year. If you have an opinion or want to learn more about the plan to have a cell phone tower in downtown Williams, please come to this meeting.



Fire Sale

IT'S SPRING CLEANING TIME!

Clean up, Clear out

Time to check the attic, basement, garage, barn for all those things that you haven't used for a long time and would love to donate to the Williams Fire Department Annual Yard Sale.

Call Nancy 226-6781, Helen 846-9864 or Elizabeth 846-0239 for drop-off times every **Monday, Thursday and Saturday until June 8th**. Bring your donations and be sure to ask for a receipt for the Tax Man.

SUPPORT YOUR FIRE DEPARTMENT by donating your household items, furniture, tools, equipment, games, toys, books, hobby and craft supplies, clothes, art, linens, jewelry, knick-knacks, collectibles, what-have-you, etc.

Garden Party Library Fundraiser

2 to 5 p.m., Sunday, June 21, 2009

Herb Pharm Gardens

110 Bentlinda Lane, Williams

ADMISSION \$20

*Silent Auction
Refreshments and Local Wines
Garden Tours*

*Featuring...
Classical Guitarist Ray Reussner*

TICKET OUTLETS:

Williams General Store,
Out of the Way Cafe, Williams,
Josephine Community Libraries, Inc. (JCL),
at 200 NW 'C' Street, Grants Pass,
or Prem Miles, 541-846-6718.

Parking Limited, Please Carpool. No Pets.

Co-sponsored by JCL & Williams Friends of the Library.

BLOOD DRIVE

Herb Pharm and the Williams Grange will sponsor another American Red Cross Blood Drive for the Williams Community:

**Tuesday, June 2
9 am to 4 pm
at the Williams Grange**

Please schedule your blood donation appointment today by calling 1-800-GIVE-LIFE (1-800-448-3543).

JANGLES' JUNKYARD

Recycled News & Information

submitted by Jim Krois

ALMANAC: May 15 <> 30, 2009

LAST QUARTER: 15th at 18:15 PDT

NEW MOON: 22th at 15:35 PDT

FIRST QUARTER: 29th at 10:28

BLUES BIRTHDAYS:

17 Vance "Tiny" Powell, 1922

18 Big Joe Turner, 1911

19 Monette Moore, 1902

24 John Lee, 1915

26 Charlie McCoy, 1909



HOBBIT FOOT DEEPENS ANCESTRAL MYSTERY

Fossil hobbits followed a simple motto: Walk, don't run. That's the implication of a new analysis of foot bones from an 18,000-year-old partial skeleton assigned to the controversial species *Homo floresiensis*, or hobbits.

But the relatively long and unusually primitive left foot of the female skeleton, known as LB1, feeds into growing confusion about the evolutionary origins of hobbits, researchers report in the May 7 Nature.

"The hobbit foot could have made something like the more than 3-million year-old Laetoli footprints in Tanzania but probably not the modern-looking footprints ascribed to 1.5-million-year-old *H. erectus* in Kenya," says anthropologist William Jungers of Stony Brook University Medical Center in New York. Hobbits walked with a shuffling gait but would have had difficulty running, Jungers and his colleagues report.

LB1 stood at least a meter tall and displays primitive-looking skeletal traits from head to toe, Jungers says. *H. floresiensis* must have evolved from a species that was older, smaller and anatomically more primitive than Asian *H. erectus*, perhaps 2.4-million-year-old *Homo habilis* in Africa, Jungers proposes. An evolutionary transition from *H. habilis* to hobbits would have required little or no reduction in body size, in his view.

This proposal clashes with earlier interpretations of other hobbit fossils, also from the Indonesian island of Flores, that suggest a large-bodied *H. erectus* population from southeastern Asia evolved into *H. floresiensis*. *H. erectus* lived in southeastern Asia by 90,000 years ago, when hobbits first inhabited Flores. And other animals are known to have evolved into small species on islands, a process known as island dwarfing.

JOANNE RAND

& THE RHYTHM OF THE OPEN HEARTS

at The Applegate Lodge

Wednesday, May 20th

Doors open at 6:30

BUZZ & CO. to open at 7pm

Tickets: \$10 in advance at the following locations: Williams Gen. Store, Listen Here, Music Coop, Applegate Lodge.
\$12 at the door.

INFO: myspace.com/joannerand
541-761-9394/846-1322 liveatthegate.com

"Legendary"-North Bay Bohemian '08

Water Tower
BUCKET BOYS
Caller, Paul Silbert
SQUARE DANCE
WILLIAMS GRANGE
8 P.M. SATURDAY, MAY 30
\$7-\$10 SLIDING SCALE
INFORMATION - 846-6345

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SKOOL DAZE

by Jacki Fredenburg, Williams School - Library Manager

Hey, check out our new track! It's great! We are sending big, heartfelt THANKS to Jim and Matt Bottroff of Bottroff Excavating for donating the materials, equipment and labor to do the job. What a wonderful surprise it was for our students to come to school on a Monday morning and find a brand new level track in place. The students wrote special thank you notes to the Bottroff's, some saying running on the track now is like walking on clouds. Thank you Bottroff's!

Another big THANKS to Communiversity for arranging the Promethean Boards for us. What are they? Well, it's modern educational technology at its finest. It's a huge white board that allows the teachers to project from the computer, and lets the students participate in real time with other locations. Mrs. Agnifili's 1st- 2nd grade class and Mrs. Bingham's 4th -5th grade class each have one in the classroom. Everything you can do on a computer you can do on a Promethean Board! Wow, it's getting down to the end of the school year, and we are still busy, busy, busy.

May 15th - Kindergarten Roundup is scheduled at 1:00. This allows the incoming Kinders to meet the teacher and visit the classroom. This helps make it more familiar to them in September. So, if you have or know of a child who will be 5 on Sept. 1, 2009, please inform them of this date. Parents may call the school for information on the papers to bring.

May 19th - Mr. Morgan's 2nd-3rd grade class will go to the Science Works in Ashland.

May 20th - Lincoln Savage Middle School will visit our campus to talk to the 5th graders who will be leaving us next year for the next step on their educational ladder. They will answer questions about middle school.

No school on May 22nd and 25th

May 28th - Strings in the Spring Concert. This showcases our music students. It is also a fund raiser to help support the music program for next year. It begins at 7:00 in the school gym. For more info, please call Mindi in the school office. Everyone is welcome!



May 29th - Mr. Morgan takes his 2nd-3rd grade class on the Jet Boat trip.

I told you it was busy! In no time we will be (in Mrs. Morgan's words) zooming into June. Until next time, stay safe, happy and enjoy our spring. And I'll see ya...

....'round the school yard.

LIBRARY THANK YOU

by Prem Miles

Williams Friends of Library would like to THANK everyone who visited our book sale table at Pacifica's Art & Wine 2009. A big THANK YOU to all our volunteers, too.



For those of you who missed us at this event, our next book sale table will be at the Williams Farmers' Market on Monday, June 1.

United Plant Savers & Herb Pharm Present...

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Ed Smith
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SUNDAY
MAY 31, 2009

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THE BOMBING OF DARRYL CHERNEY & JUDI BARI

submitted by Jonathan Spero

Since Darryl and his band are coming to play music for us (Songs for the Siskiyou – June 20, Williams Grange), people might be interested in knowing about the “hit” Darryl took for speaking out for forest protection. The following is paraphrased or copied from Darryl’s (www.darrylcherney.com) and Judi’s (www.judibari.org) web sites.

While on a concert and speaking tour to promote a campaign to protect California redwoods (“Redwood Summer” 1990), a motion triggered car bomb exploded in Darryl and Judi’s vehicle in Oakland California. The FBI and the Oakland police were on the scene almost immediately, arresting the injured victims, accusing them of transporting the bomb placed to kill them, and letting whoever was responsible get away.

In 2002, (The wheels of justice turn, slowly, but in this case they did turn.) a jury unanimously found that 6 of the 7 FBI and OPD officers involved had framed Judi and Darryl in an effort to crush Earth First! and to chill participation in the Redwood Summer campaign. FBI and the Oakland police had violated Darryl and Judi’s right to free speech and their right to be free from unlawful arrest and illegal search and seizure and awarded \$4.4 million to Darryl and to the estate of Judi Bari (Judi died in 1997). 80% of the award was for the violation of Judi and Darryl’s first amendment rights, showing that the jurors understood that the bomb was intended to stop these two from speaking for the forests.



Besides being a long time dedicated activist who survived this attempt on his life for advocating forest protection, Darryl is a great song writer and an excellent entertainer. I think all who attend “Songs for the Siskiyou” at the Williams Grange June 20 are in for a great show.

SCA MEMBER DINNER

submitted by Cheryl Bruner

Sugarloaf Community Association members are invited to a free Indian dinner in their honor on **May 28th, 6:00 P.M. at the Williams Grange**. The program will highlight the current SCA programs and provide an opportunity for the SCA Board to gain input from the community. Dessert potluck follows.

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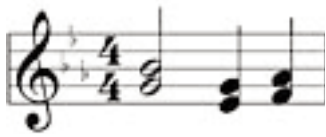
WILLIAMS WEATHERWATCH APRIL 2009

by Ray Prag, NOAA Co-op. observer

With the exception of a short warm spell in the middle of the month (high of 83° on April 20 & 21), April was cool and dry. Rainfall totaled .33", compared with the average of 1.84". Snowflakes drifted through the air on the 3rd and 14th. The rainy season total at the end of April was 19.03", 61% of average.

A few frosty mornings served as a reminder that April is still too early to plant the warm-season garden crops.





AND ON THAT NOTE...

by Kim Mericle



A bimonthly musical calendar featuring Williams musicians & musical happenings in and around our lovely valley. (If you know of any musical happening in the valley or would like to be the featured artist in this column, please email me, kimmericle@dishmail.net or call 846-6345 by the 6th or 20th of the month for publication.)

UPCOMING MAY SHOWS:

Saturday 16th Gold River Bluegrass Band
7-11 pm Out of the Way Café

Saturday 16th Alianna de Victoria Band
9 pm Knaughty Pine

Wednesday 20th Joanne Rand & the Rhythm of the Open Hearts
Buzz & Co to Open
7 pm Applegate Lodge

Thursday 21st Live Music TBA
6-9 pm Magnolia Grill

Friday 22nd Last Chance
9 pm Knaughty Pine

Friday 22nd Windsong & Friends
8pm Applegate Lodge

Friday Live Music TBA
6-9 pm Out of the Way Café

Thursday 28th Live Music TBA
6-9 pm Magnolia Grill

Friday 29th Tim Mitchell
9 pm Knaughty Pine

Saturday 30th Water Tower Bucket Boys Square Dance
8 pm Williams Grange

Saturday 30th Live Music TBA
9-12 pm Out of the Way Café

Saturday 30th Tim Mitchell
9 pm Knaughty Pine

Sunday 31st Women's Coffeehouse & Auction
13 Grandmothers' Benefit
Various Musicians, Poetry & Bellydancing
2-5 pm Williams Grange

ONGOING MUSIC:

1st & 3rd Thursdays 6-9 pm Open Mic w/ Buzz
Out of the Way Café

Second Sundays Bluegrass Jam
11am - 1pm Williams Grange

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

June 20th Summer Solstice Songs for the Siskiyou II: Darryl Cherney & The Patriot Act
Williams Grange

IN THE SPOTLIGHT: THE WATER TOWER BUCKET BOYS

The Water Tower Bucket Boys perform hard-driving traditional and original music completely saturated with soul. The combination of solidified vocal harmonies and driving instrumental work distinguishes this band on a level of its very own.

The energy from their lightning stage performances will literally plow through you as you are transcended to another place and time. The Water Tower Bucket Boys began playing traditional music consisting mostly of classic Bluegrass, Old-Time, and Country songs. However, the boys have begun to write their own original songs, inspired by the traditional music they have come to know and love. Their one-of-a-kind sound has been influenced and shaped by almost every genre of American music.

Just like the traditional songs, their original works will take you on an entertaining roller-coaster of emotions, while still maintaining that "high-lonesome" integrity. Whether busking on the streets of downtown Portland or traveling around the world, their infectious love of the music spreads far and wide. Josh, Kenny, Cory, and Walter all come from rich musical backgrounds dating back to childhood and when this group of best friends gets together... you know its time to bust down!

Swing Yer Partner to the down home sound of WTBB on Saturday, May 30th @ the Williams Grange Square Dance, 8 pm. \$7-10 Sliding Scale. More Info: 846-6345.



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