

**Deadwood Trading Post Fire Information** 

After a week of rain and a few sunny days, fire danger is back to moderate. I added a new link on the Deadwood Rural Fire District page that is more helpful (Lane County Fire Restrictions).

http://www.deadwoodtradingpost.com/Deadwo od-Rural-Fire-District.html

#### -submitted by Karl Logan





September 11 was a frightening day in Deadwood, due to the fire that started near MP 14 on Hwy 36. A piece of road machinery was backed off the edge of the road, and caught the dry grass afire. Due to the steep slope at the outside of the curve, the fire went straight up the hill and burned between 2-3 acres of the timberland formerly owned by Rosboro—now Campbell Group. Fortunately, it was half a mile east of the Pioneer Cemetery, with no wind on that day to spread it, and no houses threatened.

The whole community is so appreciative of the firefighters from the Swisshome/Deadwood, Mapleton, and Siuslaw fire departments, who worked all day on the steep mountain. We heard that they had to get about 800' of fire hose up that terrible hill to get around it. Many of us watched nervously all day as the helicopter dropped load after load of water from above, being directed by radio so he didn't drop 350 gallons straight onto the crew members working on that slope in the thick forest. What a relief when, by mid-afternoon, the huge black billows were reduced to a thin column of smoke and the helicopter was told to stand down!

This community is incredibly thankful to the brave and hearty crew who got this fire under control quickly - GREAT job, everyone!

-submitted by MG

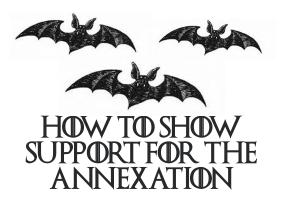
<u>HALLOW</u>

Double, double toil and trouble; Fire burn and caldron bubble· Deadwood Community Halloween Party Saturday, October, 28<sup>th</sup> 7pm-11pm Come on over and don your scariest costume· Join us for live music (Band TBA), Food, Beverages and Desserts· Sliding scale \$5- \$15 at the door and \$5 Taco Bar Donations are gratefully accepted· Extra proceeds will be donated to the Community Center General Fund·

We will be having a **Kids Costume Party** this year as well. Bring your little Ghouls by for pumpkin carving, goodies and fun from 3pm- 4:30pm No cost, but please bring a pumpkin if you can and a kid-friendly snack to share.

Hope to see all your scary faces there!

-submitted by Kristi G.



The two public hearings for the annexation, with the Board of County Commissioners (BCC), are on the 17th and 31st of this month. The BCC meets at Harris Hall in the Public Service Building, 125 E. 8th Avenue in Eugene. They meet on Tuesdays and Wednesdays; the annexation hearings are part of their regularly scheduled meeting. Hearings usually happen at around 1:30. If you would like to show the commissioners that you are in favor of this annexation you can come to the public hearings (especially the second one) or, equally as effective, you can write a letter to at Lane County Board the BCC of Commissioners, Public Service Building, 125 E. 8th Avenue, Eugene, OR 97401.

Be sure to tell them the reason(s) why you think this annexation is important.

#### -submitted by Greg H.



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## ANNUAL MEETING

Don't forget to plan for the annual meeting and DCS election at the Community Center on November 12. Potluck at 5 PM; Meeting at 6.

Several DCS members are resigning or retiring. Three new seats are open. Carina Robicheaux and Brian Stapp have expressed a willingness to potentially serve. Their statements follow:

"I am willing to serve on the DCS board if The People are willing to elect me. I have roughly 4 years of experience of serving." -Carina Robicheaux

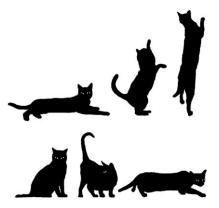
"Giving back and service to others are an important part of my life, and I'd love the opportunity to serve the community I now call home."

-Brian Stapp

### ALA

Of all God's creatures there is only one that cannot be made the slave of the lash. That one is the cat. If man could be crossed with the cat it would improve man, but it would deteriorate the cat.

-Mark Twain





## **CEMETERY UPDATE**

On Saturday, 9/23, the Deadwood Pioneer Cemetery held a work day to begin installing the headstones purchased by a grant of nearly \$6,000 to mark 36 graves in need of permanent monuments. We are grateful to the seventeen volunteers who came out and helped dig and level; mix and set concrete and stones; and cut invasive English ivy and blackberries. Many thanks to Dale Rust, Gerry Burnett and Duane Wills, who headed up the headstone work, as well as new and old friends from the community, SOLVE and Mapleton School!

In the meantime, Don Wilbur and his team took down a few trees to open up the canopy a little for a future ash scattering garden, including digging out the root wads. He also arranged for many loads of gravel on the road and parking area, mostly leftover gravel donated from the road work and spread by Don.

Fifteen of the thirty-six markers were placed on that day; we will arrange a couple more work days in a few weeks, and thank everyone for your support and hard work! If you are not already on our emailing list, please contact us at deadwoodcem@gmail.com. For folks without email, we do our best to place phone calls but forgive us if we missed you. Volunteers are always welcome to help with mowing/work days, as well as our website, letters and publicity, and donations. We would also appreciate shade-tolerant flowers and bushes for the ash scattering garden, as well as gardening help.

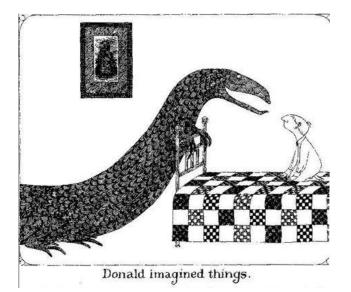
All donations to the cemetery are taxdeductible. Thanks to all for helping us honor our ancestors and make this a lovely, selfsustaining community place.

--Submitted by Megan Gerber



The radish in its heyday occupied both a substantial place on the dinner table and a sizeable niche in the medicine cabinet. It was used as a general purpose antidote to poison, to treat viper or adder bites, to alleviate the pains of childbirth, and to remove freckles. John Gerard recommended radish roots for baldness, mashed with honey and mixed with a little powder of dried sheep's heart.

-From Blue Corn & Square Tomatoes: Unusual facts about common garden vegetables by Rebecca Rupp





**Quotations from Steve Causey:** 

"Well here I am going into my fourth year here in beautiful Green Haven. You know, as a man who's been to a few other countries, I would not recommend this resort to anybody. The food is the worst, the beds are just like sleeping on a steel plate and the help is surly. I'd give this place five stars on the 'must avoid at all costs' list."

"Absolutely nothing goin on on the gotten' home front since June when my lawyer submitted my clemency application to the '*board*'. They acknowledged receipt of it (which included a stack of letters about 3/4" thick from all the wonderful folks who are standing' up for me). Thanks to all."

"I sure appreciate you and everybody who is keeping in touch. It matters so much. I live in letters and books. Most of the guys in here spend their days staring at the TV screen. None for me thanks. The last week the TV nearest to me has been tuned all mornings this week to a 'Kurdistan Marathon'. GOD! Gag me with a Smurf!"

"Thanks for keeping in touch, please keep wishin' me home. Stay free, this Sucks (and not in a good way)."

Write to Steve. It will make his day and help him get by.

Green Haven Correctional Facility P.O. Box 4000 Stormville, New York 12582-4000 Name: John Forbis DIN: 14A5588

#### -Submitted by Richie



Hey, neighbors. Please give a honk if you see my dogs on the road above my driveway so I can do something about it. One is a small dark brindle house and the other looks like a shaggy sheep dog. Thank you! **Keith -3502** 



# October 2017

Mapleton School District #32

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 MS VB @ Home vs. Mohawk 4:00	3 HS VB @ Alsea 6:00	4 Lions Club Vision Screening MS VB @ Home vs. T- Lake 4:00	5 HS VB @ Lowell 4:00	6 No School HS FB @ Home vs. Siletz Valley 7:00 Teacher Workday	7 HS VB @ T-Lake 4:00
8	9 MS VB @ Home vs. Eddyville 4:00 Fire Prevention We	10 Sports Pictures HS VB @ Home vs. Eddyville 6:00 ek	11 Board Meeting 6:00 MS VB @ Lowell 4:00 Elementary Jog-a-thon @ 11:00	12 HS VB @ McKenzie 6:00	13 No School	14 HS VB @ Home vs. Siletz & McKenzie 4:00
15	16 MS VB @ Home vs. Alsea 4:00	17 HS VB League Tie-Break	18 3rd/4th Grade Trip to Washburne State Park MS VB @ Home vs. Crow 4:00	19 HS VB League Play-Off 8th Grade 'Game of Life' Trip to SMS	20 No School HS FB @ Home vs. Falls City 7:00 Teacher Workday	21 HS VB League Tournament
22	23 MS VB @ Home vs. Oak Hill 4:00	24	25 MS VB @ Mohawk 4:30	26 Elementary Field Trip to Pumpkin Patch	27 No School HS FB League Championship	28
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Saturday October 21st, 2017 Third Saturday Dinner and Dance welcomes back to Deadwood... SATORI BOB Indie & Americana with lush strings and vocal harmonies With lush strings and vocal harmonies Dinner for sale, starts at 6:30, Music at 7:30 Deadwood Creek Community Center A.3 Miles up Deadwood Creek Road Call (541) 964-3015 for more information

Come out to the beautiful Deadwood **Community Center for 3rd** Saturday, a volunteer-run monthly fundraiser for Deadwood Community Services! Each month we feature dinner from our local volunteer chefs, live music, dancing and a place for neighbors to connect. October 21st we welcome back to Deadwood Satori Bob!

"Satori Bob lives at the corner of indie and Americana, presenting stories amidst compelling melodies and rhythms. We are classified by radio folks as alt-Americana, but we have a unique voice that blends bluegrass styles and gypsy-ish tones and time signatures."

#### -submitted by Kate

Dinner starts at around 6 PM. Plates \$7, not



including dessert, which is sold separately.

#### **Uncle Keith's Korner**

I got bothered about not seeing my belt buckle as I used to when I look down toward my feet. So I decided to do something about it. I fast (well, a liquid diet, because I need some carbohydrates to work) on the 10<sup>th</sup> day of each month. After 10 months I raised it to two days a month, the 10<sup>th</sup> and the 11<sup>th</sup>. That's the pattern. But I don't expect to go so far as to fast for 30 days a month after 300 months! I'll find out what level I'll adjust to someday. (And...it works.)

#### -submitted by Keith



## TO THE COMMUNITY OF DEADWOOD AND SWISSHOME:

I'm a local of this neighborhood, a really nice guy most of the time. I love helping people, and my community/town.

On July 18<sup>th</sup>, I fell off the wagon, got really drunk, did some dope, blacked out, yelled and hollered at my beautiful sweet wife, cussed both her and my neighbor. I don't remember much of that day and night.

I spent 36 days in Lane County Adult Corrections on possession and menacing charges.

I own it. Only me, myself, and I. My sweet wife had nothing to do with this episode. I'm a drunk and an addict who cannot use. I cannot tell you how sorry I am for my actions. If I got an ass-kickin' coming, then so be it. I need to make amends to all involved.

I humbly apologize to all. I ask your forgiveness. Especially to my beautiful loving wife and my neighbor and friend Joey M.

Sincerely, Mika Poe









The editor would like to thank Megan Gerber, secretary of Deadwood Pioneer Cemetery, for responding to my request for a report on the cemetery work day. It's nice to have substantial content to publish. I invite other locals to do the same. Submit articles to deadwoodditto@yahoo.com by the 26<sup>th</sup> of each month.



# DEADWOOD RAINCHECK

Sept. 1-26, '17	2.6
Sept. 1—30, '16	0.8
Sept. 1—30, '15	0.7
Sept. 1—30, '14	1.2
Sept. 1—30, '13	12.9
Sept. 1—30, '12	0.1
Sept. 1—30, '11	0.9
Sept. 1—30, '10	2.8
Sept. 1—30, '09	0.9
Sept. 1—30, '08	0.5
Sept. 1—30, '07	3.3
Sept. 1—30, '06	0.9
Sept. 1—30, '05	1.4
Sept. 1—30, '04	4.5
10 year Sept. aver. 2.4	
Days Sept. with at least	
some sun $-24$ of 26	
some rain 7 of 28	
Farmers Almanac for Oct	
temp 1 deg < average	
rain 1" below average	
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The editor is submitting the following in the hope of encouraging the proposed series on this topic from various Deadwood-area residents. Submit your stories to deadwoodditto@yahoo.com by the 26<sup>th</sup> of each month.

## ΗΦΨΙCAMETODEADWOOD

I first came to Deadwood in the front seat of my parents' '64 Dodge Pick-up. I was two days old, and didn't have much say in the matter. Fifteen years later, I would leave on my own volition when I chose to attend South Eugene High School. I moved into the ranch-style house of family friends who had very kindly offered to put up a teenager. It was my first experience of living in a house with central heating and white sheetrock walls, but I was most shocked by a revelation on my first day as a town-dweller.

"What are the neighbors like?" I asked.

"Elizabeth who lives across the street is very nice," my friend answered.

"What about the other neighbors?" I asked.

"The people next door seem OK, but we don't really know the other neighbors."

I was astonished. As a Deadwoodian, I had "neighbors" who lived ten miles from my house. At the time, I could name the residents of virtually every house on Deadwood Creek Road. How could my friends live for years on a street and only really know one neighbor? I was even more disturbed to learn that my friends weren't odd—this was a totally normal aspect of city living.

I would become comfortable living in town, but sharing a street or an apartment building with strangers never seemed quite normal to me. As a child I'd loved Deadwood, but I hadn't realized that a tight-knit community is precious. This realization stayed with me and nagged at me until I finally decided to return to Deadwood—15 years later. A few childhood friends had returned home, and I liked the idea of continuing the life that our parents had forged. It just seemed like the thing to do.

I thought I knew what I was getting myself into, but of course I didn't. As a kid I'd hauled plenty of firewood, but I'd never actually been responsible for procuring the firewood to haul. After 15 years in towns and cities, I'd forgotten what it was like to be 12 miles from the nearest store, and 50 miles from the nearest Chinese takeout. I'd forgotten about the evils of packrats and marauding skunks, small town gossip, and cabin fever. I'd never known what it was like to try to make a living in a place where jobs are scarce.

But we stayed. And I'm not sorry. I like knowing my neighbors.

#### -submitted by Churpa