How about a Date?

Mar. 1 – National Pig Day

Mar. 3 – Jim Rust's birthday

Mar. 5 – Glenn Ross's birthday Carl Clayton's birthday

Mar. 7 – Roger Hart's birthday

Mar. 8 – RPFD Board meeting, 7 PM, Aspen Room Mardi Gras

Mar. 9 – Ash Wednesday

Mar. 13 – Jeannie Edwards' birthday

Daylight Savings Time begins, clocks ahead

Mar. 14 – Bill Collier's birthday

Mar. 15 – Audie Brown's birthday Ides of March

Mar. 17 – Sarah Rust Etters' birthday St. Patrick's Day

Mar. 18 – Keely Oswald's birthday

Mar. 19 – Marcia Seyvertsen's birthday Full moon National Quilting Day

Mar. 20 – Breanna Danforth's birthday Spring begins

Mar. 21 – Richard Spink's birthday

Mar. 24 – Bob Lemas's birthday

RPFD kiosk.

Mar. 25 – International Waffle Day Eileen Oswald's birthday

Mar. 30 – Roy & Ina Reed's anniversary

Got a car that needs body repair or paint?
Contact Rocky Point's own Jim Nickels at
Jim Nickels Auto Body & Paint
5262 Crater Lake Avenue, 773-7917

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BUSINESS NEWS

Fish Lake Resort – Winter Schedule. Fri. 12 -6 Sat. 9 - 8 & Sun. 9 - 5:30. **949-8500.** www.FishLakeResort.net.

Solar Cafe – CLOSED MARCH & APRIL FOR RENNOVATIONS.

356-2400 (www.solarcafeusa.com).

Crystalwood Lodge – The entire facility is available as a Lodge Exclusive vacation rental, at great savings over published individual room rates. info@crystalwoodlodge.com or

Lake of the Woods Resort – Winter hours Fri. – Sun., 11am lunch and early dinner at the Pizza Parlor in the Marina. We have added the walls to the marina deck and are ready for winter fun. Prime Rib Dinner Special 1st Saturday of every Month by reservation. www.lakeofthewoodsresort.com)

1-866-201-4194.

541-381-2322.

Rocky Point Resort –Closed for the season. Reopening in April. But Sue and Terry are around, repairing and sprucing up. **356-2287**.

Odessa Store –Open 7 AM – 7 PM, with groceries and quick-stop supplies, liquor store, gas & diesel.



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ROCKY POINT FIRE/EMS BOARD NEWS

Three Board members, Fire Chief, and one guest attended the January meeting. They dispensed with flag salute and minutes, then attended to money matters. In spite of the treasurer being absent, they were able to approve income and expenditures. They also dispensed with *Herald and News* delivery to the fire department, saving almost \$8 a month.

Chief Chad reported volunteer activity for the previous month—1 medical with transport and 16 hours of training. For the 2010 year, the department responded to 77 calls, and volunteers participated in 561 hours of training.

Jerry Higgins and Terry Roberts are taking a class in pre-hospital life support at Providence Hospital at the pediatric ward. Half of our volunteers will be attending the EMS conference. Christy McLaren, Mark Shea, and Greg Sullivan will be taking an instructors' class. Volunteers were also reminded EMT certifications are due.

The only old business was concerning purchase of a second ambulance. So far, Chad hasn't located a suitable unit.

With activity pretty mild right now, the Board declared all business taken care of and adjourned.

Come to any of the meetings on the 2nd Tuesday of each month. *Complete & official minutes available at Fire Hall, 356-2205. This Institution is an equal opportunity provider.*

RUNNIN' AROUND

Malone and Sligar journeyed to the Ferndale/Eureka area for a nine day RV trip. The highlight of the trip was taking the SUV on the "Lost Coast Loop" through the King Range--very curvy with lots of ups and downs but great views. Check out their latest travels at this link: www.mohotravels.blogspot.com

Howard & Cyndi Tompkins made their way to Reno, and again they just kept going, until they were in Lake Havasu at the Dearing winter quarters. Of course there are stories.

Dan & Meridel agreed to be Valentine's Day babysitters for their granddaughter in California. Somehow it's certain the grandparents were the winners in that deal.

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Griebs wandered south, through Reno, to Arizona, spending time hiking and

exploring around Sedona. Somehow they also paid a visit to Dearings in Lake Havasu.

Glenn & Kathy Ross took a long weekend to rest up from Superbowl and make a California run to visit with their grandson—and the grandson's parents.

Somehow **Bob & Gale Lemas** missed Christmas in December. But they and their children rescheduled it with a festive February Reno Christmas.

For less happy reasons, **Greg & Dee Sullivan** have been spending time in
Washington again. And the **Dillenbergers**crossed the country to be with family on the
east coast.

IN THE AREA

March is an iffy month, sort of an "in between" time, between the sleepy basin coming alive with springtime events and weather that can't make up its mind about temperatures or conditions. For a local time out to beat the blues, head over to Chooktoot's Black Buffalo Coffee House in Chiloquin. It's a cozy place, with gourmet and plain drinks, plus food specials, like the Monday & Wednesday Beggar's Banquet, where \$3.95 buys you a bowl of soup, bread, and cup of house coffee. Fridays feature allbeef hot dogs or chili dogs. Check their website for scheduled live music and other special WiFi times. too! http://chiloquin.com/restaurants/buffalo.html or phone them at 783-7700.

While you're in the area, visit Two Rivers Art Gallery, then load up on used books at The Best Little Book Store. In general, rediscover Chiloquin.

Ross Ragland Theatre filled March with events to meet anybody's taste, like Chamber Orchestra Kremlin, One Night of

Queen, Eugene Ballet's *Alice in Wonderland*, and American Idols.

March 11 – 13 – Klamath Basin Home Builders Association's 36th Annual Home and Garden Show. The Fairgrounds Event Center will be filled with exhibitors and experts, eager to show off the most up-to-date home and garden items. Seminars are available, as well as train rides for children. Get details at www.kbhba.org, or by phoning 884-8570.

March 12 – 13 – 25th Anniversary Rock, Gem, Mineral, & Fossil Show. While you're at the fairgrounds, be prepared for a real surprise at this event. In addition to the displays, there'll be a raffle, artwork, jewelry, activities, door prizes, food, & demos. Proceeds from this year's Charitable Table will go to Klamath County Museum. 541 273-1102.

Above all, don't forget about weekends at **Lake of the Woods and Fish Lake**, where great food in wonderful settings will cure a boring day. **Solar Café** will be closed for the months of March & April.

GENERAL HOSPITAL

Terry Head visited Sky Lakes facility, before moving to Rogue Valley Medical Center for surgery, where she still holds court as of this writing. But look for her to be on this side of the hill very soon.

Jim Nickels traveled all the way to Portland for his surgery, which should make his view of the world much clearer.

CONDOLENCES

Rocky Point lost a native son this past month. **Rob Sloan** died, following treatment for cancer. He and his family have been an important part of our community for many years. So many of us will miss his signature laugh and generous heart.

Sympathy to his family and legion of friends.

Condolences also to the **Dillenbergers,** following the death of Eric's mother.

Gunner Tompkins, beloved doggie friend and companion to Howard and Cyndi, also leaves behind tons of fond stories. We miss the faithful and loved pets also!

FYI

Anybody who's the least bit challenged by financial management, meeting mortgage obligations, living in a house worth less than is owed, or trying to modify a home loan, has free help, lots of it in the form of payments being temporarily made for the homeowner. Child care, rental payments, and energy assistance are also available. So where is this fairy godmother, you may ask. Right here in Klamath Falls at 1803 Main Street, next to the Ella Redkey Pool.

Community Action Partnership is a public, non-profit agency that seeks out and receives state and federal funding. They distribute it to social-service providers, as well as to individuals in Klamath and Lake Counties who find themselves in financial difficulty. In a nutshell, they can, to qualified applicants, come up with money to do some of the following things:

- Make a one-time equalization payment for homeowners who are trying to modify their loans and are upside down on their homes.
- Provide catch-up fees and house payments for reemployed people who became delinquent in payments.
- Temporarily make house payments for unemployed or underemployed homeowners.

- Provide funds and means for transition housing for those facing foreclosure.
- Provide shelter and supplies for the homeless.
- Assist with temporary free or lowcost child care, energy assistance, and rental assistance.

Www.oregonhomeownership.org, as well as the local agency's at www.klcas.org for more details. Better yet, call them at 882-3500 and make an appointment to discuss possibilities for you or anyone you know.

YOU ASKED

One recent evening, a crew of RP bargain hunters were comparing notes on the virus protection programs they used on their computers. The final declaration was, "I just wish I didn't have to keep paying for it." Well, you don't have to pay for it. While there are several free programs out there, HLN recently featured **AVG Free** as an effective and dependable program, suitable for the home user. The company offers more sophisticated virus-protection programs for a fee, but several of us have used this free version successfully for several years.

To download and use the program, as well as examine other options, go to their website at http://free.avg.com/us-en/get-basic-protection.