

Halloween parade changes venue

The Sisters Halloween Parade is set for Friday, October 30, at Fir St. Park. The first groups of trick-or-treaters depart on their trek around town at 3 p.m.

The grassy area between the park and the Sisters Area Chamber of Commerce will be used to gather the trick-or-treaters, as will part of Spruce Street, which will be closed from the alleyway to Main Avenue.

The change of venue is due to construction slated for the Village Green from mid-October to mid-November which puts the bathrooms and playground out of commission.

This annual event has been going on for so many years that folks in Sisters can't remember when it first began. Organized by the Rotary Club of Sisters, with assistance from the Sisters Library, it's a

highlight of the year for many small ghosts, princesses, super heroes and witches. Their parents and caregivers appear to have a good time, too.

Rotarians and their helpers lead several groups of 50-75 participants around town and participating businesses send staff out to the sidewalks to hand out treats. The event creates some slowed traffic and stares from travelers passing through, but smiles are the order of the day.

Children up to age 10 are welcome, and the event is free. They are required to be in costume (costumes for parents are optional). Families should have a completed registration form for participants when arriving at the park; forms are available at the Sisters Library. A donation of a non-perishable food item for the Sisters Kiwanis Food Bank is also requested.

Oregon marijuana shops begin sales to users

By Jonathan J. Cooper
Associated Press

PORTLAND (AP) — Oregon marijuana stores have begun sales to recreational users, marking a big day for the budding pot industry in the state and elsewhere in the nation.

Some of the more than 250 dispensaries in Oregon that already offer medical marijuana opened their doors early Thursday to begin selling the drug just moments after it became legal to do so.

At Portland's Shango Premium Cannabis, co-founder Shane McKee says the first sale to an excited

customer came a minute after midnight.

Store owners say they're hopeful they can avoid the shortages and price spikes that followed the start of legal sales last year in Washington and Colorado, the only other states where the drug can now be sold for recreational use.

Many stores in Oregon are trying to lure customers with extended hours, food giveaways and discounted marijuana.

Shoppers have one more incentive to buy early and often: Under Oregon law, pot purchases will be tax-free until January — a savings of up to 20 percent.

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Meadow alongside 10 people or 100? Now extrapolate that out to canoeing at Hosmer Lake, fly fishing along the Metolius River or climbing South Sister.

I am old enough to remember when part of the magic of hiking was accidentally discovering a special spot. Maybe a friend told us about it or we saw an intriguing area on a map and decided to explore further. Finding those amazing places was part of the adventure! Some of these rare opportunities are still possible if we are not spoon-fed directions.

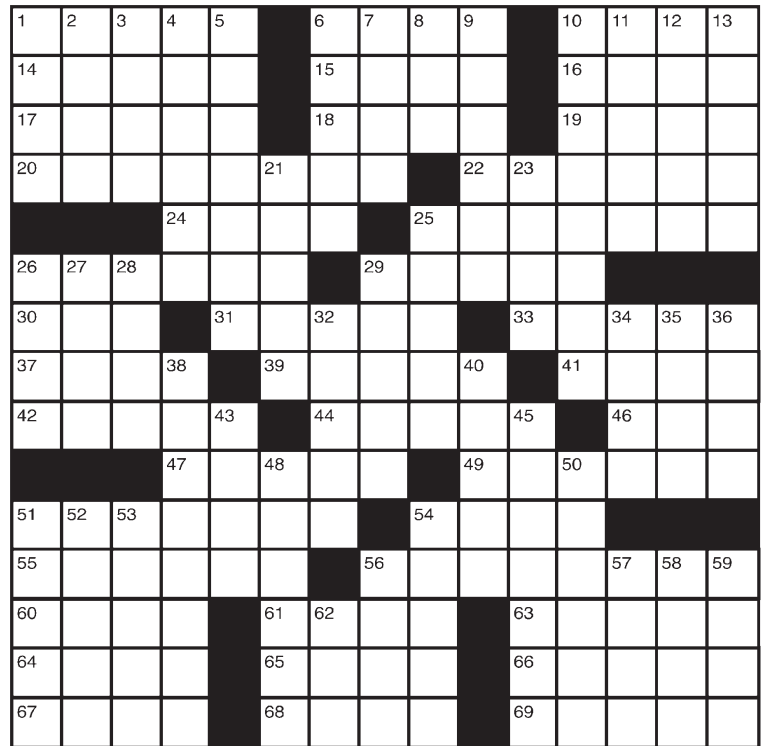
We all have a responsibility to look at the long-term result of the way that we interact with the places that we love. Maybe it is inevitable that the Build it and They will Come mentality will predominate here just as it has in so many other places. But if we could accept that (for now) enough is enough, we might be able to continue to have truly wild outdoor experiences for a little while longer.

Susan Prince

The Nugget Newspaper Crossword

By Jacqueline E. Mathews, Tribune News Service

- ACROSS**
- 1 Winner
 - 6 Flows back
 - 10 ___ and cons; advantages & disadvantages
 - 14 Reduce, as prices
 - 15 Skiff or canoe
 - 16 Keep an ice cream cone from dripping
 - 17 Amphitheater
 - 18 Long story
 - 19 Prefix for war or histamine
 - 20 Hobbies
 - 22 Made fun of
 - 24 As comfortable ___ old shoe
 - 25 Meals
 - 26 Formed a spiral
 - 29 Religious belief
 - 30 Hockey's Bobby ___
 - 31 Actor Matt ___
 - 33 Gets closer to
 - 37 Slender
 - 39 Malt shop orders
 - 41 Twofold
 - 42 Actress Cicely
 - 44 Speak without preparation
 - 46 Enjoy a snow sport
 - 47 Very high
 - 49 Tried out
 - 51 African expeditions
 - 54 Finest
 - 55 Blood fluid
 - 56 Heartache
 - 60 Misfortunes
 - 61 Idaho export
 - 63 Author A.A. ___
 - 64 Late Kennedy matriarch
 - 65 Pine tree dropping
 - 66 Fess up
 - 67 Watches
 - 68 Plow pullers
 - 69 Hornets' homes



Created by Jacqueline E. Mathews

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- DOWN**
- 1 Applaud
 - 2 Circle dance
 - 3 Astonishes
 - 4 ___ telepathy; mind reading
 - 5 Complimented
 - 6 Actor Buddy
 - 7 Deadly snakes
 - 8 Sack
 - 9 Part of a flower
 - 10 Pacified
 - 11 Skating ovals
 - 12 Group of eight
 - 13 Slides obliquely on an icy road
 - 21 As ___ a wet hen
 - 23 Not locked
 - 25 Of the kidneys
 - 26 ___-effective; economical
 - 27 Parisian airport
 - 28 Showy flower
 - 29 Hot drink
 - 32 Castle trenches
 - 34 Vienna's nation: abbr.
 - 35 Leaf-gathering tool
 - 36 Went down a fire pole

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- 38 Thick syrup
- 40 Locations
- 43 Standard
- 45 Member of the wedding party
- 48 Debacle
- 50 Long step
- 51 Church steeple
- 52 Metal mixture
- 53 Not true
- 54 VP Joe ___
- 56 Sand mound
- 57 Shade trees
- 58 In a ___; feeling put out
- 59 ___ foot in; enters
- 62 Viral disease

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