

Contest Winner!

In our last column, we offered a free annual Park pass for the best suggestion weather, Cantrall-Buckley is seeing an beautiful river, a great campground with for how to better manage our park. We have a winner! Max Jarrell of Williams submitted the idea of adding a dog park. Congratulations, Max!

thoughts...what do you think about this Hang Gliding and Paragliding Association, group event, call Jackson County Parks idea? Any other thoughts you might have? Feel free to give me a call anytime, or drop at the park. a note to the Greater Applegate Community Development Corporation (GACDC) at swing, we're also happy to host the P.O. Box 3107, Applegate, OR 97530 or weddings that are booking with us. leave us a message at 541-245-4741.

Group Events

uptick in our group reservations for both new shower facilities, a large covered picnic the campground and for the covered area with BBQ, horseshoe pit, volleyball picnic pavilion in Area A. The GACDC nets, playground, wide open grass fields, would like to thank Fulcrum Dining, the hiking trails, and three other reservable As always, we welcome your Applegate Fire District, the Rogue Valley areas. If you're interested in booking a and MPH Sports for having special events at 541-774-8183. All reservation fees are

With wedding season in full Park Cleanup

For family reunions and

organization events, our park offers With the arrival of warmer unparalleled swimming access to our returned to our park.

The GACDC would like to thank those who showed up on the morning of July 6th to help pick up litter after the busy Independence Day weekend. Thanks also to those who contributed coffee and cake for the sleepy-eyed volunteers. Keep an eye on your community bulletin boards for other events like this. WE APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT!

Fundraising: Restroom Renovation

Because our park is managed and maintained principally by user fees, we have to find other ways to garner funds for capital improvements. First on our list of priorities is the Day Use Area restroom facility. Our estimate for renovation is \$13,000. That number may be reduced because of offers made to us for labor and material donations by valley builders, community members, and organizations.

The GACDC has started pitching our plan to various businesses and groups in the valley in the hope of gathering more dollars to help with the costs of this important project.

Already we've had several groups donate funds: The Applegate Valley Garden Society has given us \$200, and MPH Sports (this is a local group that hosts the annual Rat Race Global Paragliding Competition) has generated \$450 to help with the project. THANK YOU!

If you'd be interested in hearing about our plans, please give me a call and we can discuss potential donations of money or in kind labor. Or you can call the GACDC at 541-245-4741 and leave a message. We're ready to start construction as soon as we obtain the funds.

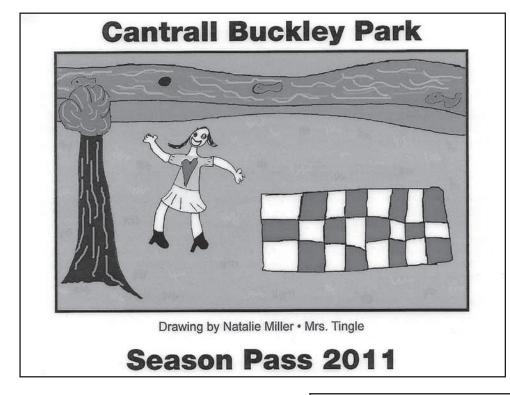
September Events

The GACDC will host a park fundraiser on September 8 (see box below). We'd like it to be an open event for the whole community. Keep your eye on your community bulletin boards for more information. Also, we're going to sponsor another park cleanup event, this time post-Labor Day. Plan on meeting at 9 am on September 7. Coffee and cookies provided. Other Events for Next Year?

What are some other ways to encourage greater community awareness of the park (and bring in some much-needed money for renovation)? Well...we'd like to hear from you. We've already had quite a few suggestions: open air movies, music concerts, public BBQ's, chili cook-offs, etc. What do you think?

See you at the Park. Have a wonderful summer.

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