

Preparing for storms beneficial: Pac Power

The winter season has arrived, and with it comes winter weather.

Storms and high winds occasionally cause weather-related power outages, and Pacific Power urges its customers to take several precautions before the next storm arrives.

"We work hard to avert outages, but when bad weather strikes and outages happen, we work even harder to get the power back on quickly and safely," said Amy Eschete, Pacific Power's public safety consultant.

"Just as our crews are prepared to respond to outages, we ask our customers to be prepared as well and help us keep their safety and well-being a top priority," she said.

If a power outage occurs, Pacific Power encourages residential and business customers to first check fuses and circuit breakers. If the power failure is not caused inside the home or business, the customer should report the outage to Pacific Power at (877) 548-3768. When phoning, a customer should give their name, address and phone number.

Customers may also be asked if their lights are out, or just dim, and whether their neighbors' lights are out or if they can see any damaged poles or downed lines.

To ease the inconvenience of power outages and assist crews in restoring power, Pacific Power suggests the following tips:

To help in the event of any kind of emergency, assemble a preparedness kit including the following:

- *A flashlight.
- *A battery-operated radio and clock.
- *Extra batteries.
- *Bottled water.
- *Blankets

During an outage:

*Phone and report the outage to Pacific Power at (877) 548-3768. Remember, cordless phones do not work during outages.

*Stay away from all downed power lines and utility lines. Even if the lines are not sparking, they could be electrified and extremely dangerous.

*Don't drive over downed power lines.

*Turn on your porch light switch. After crews complete repairs, they patrol the area of the power failure to see if lights are on.

*As much as possible, do not open refrigerators and freezers -- they will keep food and perishables inside cold for some time if not opened.

*Never use kerosene or propane heaters inside without proper ventilation. They cause dangerous fumes. Also, don't use charcoal in your house or garage.

*Preserve body heat by wearing multiple layers of clothing. Add a hat and blanket to stay warm. Blankets and towels around windows and doors help keep in the heat.

*Protect pipes during freezing weather by wrapping them with insulation. Leave faucets dripping so water won't freeze and crack pipes.

*Make sure generators are properly wired for your home or business using an approved transfer switch. Otherwise, this can cause a dangerous backfeed hazard for line crews. And, don't connect a generator directly to your home's main fuse box or circuit panel.

When a large power out-

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Valley Church News

Valley Evangelical Free

The theme, Christian Obedience," concluded Sunday, with emphasis on the command to be thankful. As I Thess. 5:18 puts it, "Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is God's will for you." The Thanksgiving reading, Luke 7:11-19 records Jesus' healing of the 10 lepers.

When they followed His instructions to show themselves to the priests (to confirm the healing), they were healed "as they went." Only one thanked Jesus." He "threw himself at Jesus' feet and thanked Him" in an act of worship, which showed he had become a believer.

Jesus asked then, as He asks now, "Were not all 10 cleansed? Where are the other nine?" Jesus has cleansed Christians of all sin and continues to "cleanse us from all unrighteousness" (I John 1:9), when we confess our sins. It comes down to a thankful attitude -- focusing on what God has given and continues to give us, rather than on what we don't have, "always giving thanks to God for everything" (Eph. 5:20).

St. Patrick of the Forest Catholic Church

On the Feast of Christ the King, the readings spoke of God shepherding His people; tending them, rescuing them, pasturing them, and ultimately judging them -- judging between one sheep and another, between rams and goats.

What we learn from these words is that there will be a judgment day for us, and we will be judged on what we did or failed to do. Jesus taught by how He lived and what He said. As disciples, we are called to follow His example.

Jesus said in Matthew 25, "Amen, I say to you, what you did not do for one of these least ones you did not do for me. And these will go off to eternal punishment, but the

righteous to eternal life."

Immanuel United Methodist

Pastor David Goodrich's sermon was from Matthew 25:31-46. Verse 31: "When The Son of Man comes," a poetic phrase from the Hebrew Scriptures.

Man is a weak creature before God, yet possessing great dignity compared with the rest of creation. In more modern usage, "Son of Man" is equated with "Son of God" to indicate the humanity of God as Jesus in human flesh.

Verse 32: "All the nations will be gathered before Him and He will separate people one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats."

This passage speaks of works of mercy compelled by God's love through Jesus Christ. The first requirement is to love God and to know Jesus, then love thy neighbor.

Seventh-day Adventist

The Apostle Paul quoted God's words to counsel the readers of his first letter to be holy (Leviticus 11:44-45). According to Pastor Harold Premdas, Paul issued the same challenge repeatedly in his letters, e.g., I Corinthians 1:2 and II Timothy 1:8-9.

Only the beings who comprise the Godhead are holy by their own power in their own characters, and are the only source of true holiness.

The scriptures mention several items that are holy because God made them sacred by His use of them. Among these are law, sanctuary, temple, Sabbath, scriptures, Jerusalem, and God's throne and name.

A person becomes holy by recognizing that he is the temple of God and accepting the Holy Spirit to dwell in him (I Corinthians 3:17, 6:19-20). Jesus forgives our mistakes and past sins and empowers us to overcome the human tendency to wrongdoing.



GREEN MATTER, OF FACT - Mike Bollweg, of the city of Cave Junction, collected many bags of leaves on Sunday, Nov. 24. The leaves, picked up by appointment with a number of residents, were taken to the city sewage treatment plant at the north end of Sawyer Avenue and placed with large piles of leaves from earlier collections, plus woody debris. The city is voluntarily working on a green matter project to help reduce air pollution, among other advantages. A grant may be received to assist with the project. Phone 592-2156 for more information.

DEQ provides tips on wood burning

By burning dry, seasoned, untreated wood you can prevent wood smoke pollution and reduce your heating costs.

The Oregon Dept. of Environmental Quality (DEQ) offers these tips and others to Oregonians "who want to keep the air healthy to breathe in their communities."

DEQ has a free brochure outlining health concerns about poor air quality and wood smoke, and gives tips to reduce wood smoke pollution.

The brochure is available in English and Spanish. For a copy, or other information about wood heating appliances, phone toll-free (800) 452-4011. The information also is available on DEQ's Website, www.deq.state.or.us

Wood smoke is particularly troublesome in areas susceptible to temperature inversions when pollution is trapped near the ground, DEQ said. In those areas, wood stoves are the leading source of wintertime air pollution.

Wood smoke contains toxic and cancer-causing com-

pounds and is harmful to lungs, said DEQ. Some particles in wood smoke are so small that the body's natural defenses cannot keep them out of the lungs. These particles can cause severe respiratory irritation or aggravate existing lung or heart problems.

Older people, children and asthmatics are most at risk for health problems caused by wood smoke particles.

Here are some tips to prevent air pollution by burning wood better. These good woodstove burning practices also reduce heating costs, increase heating efficiency and enhance stove safety, according to DEQ:

*Build small, hot fires. A hot fire will heat a stove enough to burn wood completely, with less pollution.

*Avoid dampering down woodstoves. Stoves pollute more when they're choked down to restrict their heat output. Avoid the temptation to "hold" a fire overnight by cutting down the air supply. While it appears that you're

saving wood, you're really wasting fuel and money, plus creating smoke and dangerous creosote.

*Burn dry, seasoned wood. Burning green wood provides less heating value and adds to creosote buildup in chimneys. Store split cordwood by raising it off the ground and covering it before rain and snow come. It takes a year to season green wood.

*Another option is to use manufactured logs made of compressed sawdust

*Don't burn garbage, plastic or treated wood. They can release toxic fumes.

*Have chimneys inspected and cleaned annually. Creosote buildup is a fire hazard and cuts heat efficiency.

*Step outside and check your chimney against a dark background if possible. You should see only heat waves. If you see smoke, your wood's not burning completely. Smoke from your chimney means air pollution, wasted heating value, and increased creosote danger.



Church Directory

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SELMA
18285 Redwood Hwy.
Pastor Monty Pope
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship11 a.m.
Wednesday:
Music Practice7 p.m.
Prayer & Bible Study . 7:30 p.m.

BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH
Pastor Charles Bridges
P.O. Box 645
5181 Holland Loop
Non-Denominational
Sunday School 10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6 p.m.
Tuesday Bible Study . . . 7 p.m.
Women's Prayer/Wed. 9:30 a.m.
Men's Prayer Meeting
1st & 3rd Saturday8 a.m.
Parents' Night Out
First Friday . . . 6-9 p.m.
Youth Group Sunday . . . 6 p.m.
Corner Dick George/
Holland Loop

ST. PATRICK OF THE FOREST CATHOLIC CHURCH
407 W. River Street, C.J.
592-3658
Father Harry Holwell
Parochial Vicar
Masses Sunday
Daylight Savings9:00 a.m.
Standard Time10 a.m.
Daily Mass Tues.-Fri. 9:00 a.m.
First Saturday . . . 10:00 a.m.
Holy Days - 9:00 a.m./7:00 p.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday . . . 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.

GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH
East River Street & Lewis Court
Sunday Worship9:00 a.m.
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Pastor Peg Harvey-Marose
592-2147
Church Phone: 592-2290

COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH
113 S. Caves Avenue, C.J.
Evangelical &
Non-Denominational
Sunday School .9:15-10:15 a.m.
Morning Worship . . .10:30 a.m.
Junior Church, Infant
and Toddler
Nursery Provided
Dr. Don Blackburn
Pastor
Community Christian Academy

FRIENDS CHURCH OF THE VALLEY
The Friends Center
Hymn Mtg. Sunday - 9:30 a.m.
Worship, Praise Songs -11 a.m.
319 S. Redwood Hwy.
Cave Junction
Phone 592-5175
Mid-week "Life Groups"
Phone for Time & Location
Everyone Is Welcome

FOUNTAIN OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD
451 S. Junction Avenue
Phone 592-3956
Pastor Mark McLean
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday7:00 p.m.
Adult Bible Study

ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH
25904 N. Redwood Highway
Sunday Services:
1st, 2nd & 3rd Sunday - 10 a.m.
4th Sunday 5:30 p.m.
Vicar: Jan Meikle
592-2006

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTISTCHURCH
265 S. Old Stage Road
Sabbath School9:30 a.m.
Sat.
Church Service 11:00 a.m.
Sat.
Prayer & Praise -
7:00 p.m. Tues.
Pastor Harold Premdas
Church 592-3218
Everyone Welcome
Madrone Adventist School
592-3330
Sr. Teacher: Mrs. Amy
Whitchurch
592-6604

IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
220 Watkins Ph. 592-3876
Pastor David Goodrich
Sunday School9:15 a.m.
Sunday Worship9:15 a.m.
Child-care for small children
Potluck/Bible Study
Thursday 6:00 p.m.
WEB Page:
<http://Immanuel.UMC.net>

CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS
207 Junction Avenue, C.J.
Sacrament Meet.9:00 a.m.
Sunday School10:20 a.m.
Priesthood, Relief Soc. -
11:10 a.m.
Bishop Jay Bennett
1st Counselor Charles Rigby
2nd Counselor Denny Swift

VALLEY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH
Meeting at
Immanuel United Methodist
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Wednesday 7 p.m.
Bible Study, Youth Group
Pastor Austin Patty
592-6160 or 479-1319

ILLINOIS VALLEY PRAISE CENTER
28569 Redwood Hwy.,Cave Jct.
Sunday School9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship . . . 6:00 p.m.
Home Bible Study/Youth Group
Non-Denominational
Bible Teaching Church
Pastor Doug Wilson 592-4872

TAKILMA BIBLE CHURCH
10300 Takilma Road
Pastor Dan Robinson
Bible Study/Prayer Time -
9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship . . . 11:00 a.m.
Thursday Bible Study . . 7 p.m.

LIVING WORD FELLOWSHIP
"Walking as Jesus Walked"
Full Gospel
Non-Denominational
Sunday School10 a.m.
Sunday Worship 11 a.m.
Sunday Evening 7 p.m.
Thursday Bible Study Prayer -
7 p.m.
139 S. Caves Ave. Suite G
(Next to Junction Avenue)
Pastor Wayne Vineyard
592-2815 - Home
Healing Rooms Open -
Tuesday 7-8 p.m. or
by appointment

ILLINOIS VALLEY HOME MINISTRY FELLOWSHIP
A Messianic Congregation
P.O. Box 1949, CJ 97523
Sabbath Services
Hebrew classes, worship in
dance classes and celebrations
of the Lord's Feasts
592-4649 for Information

BAHA' I FAITH
Phone 592-5234

FIRST LOVE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
The Church that Love is
Building In the Heart of
Cave Junction
139 Caves Ave. Suite A
(following the pattern of the
New Testament)
Pastor Bob Kurko
Sunday Morning Adult Study
9:30 - 10:15 a.m.
Sunday Praise & Worship
10:30 a.m.
Sunday Evening Revival
6 p.m.
Wednesday - 7 p.m.
"A Full Restoration Church"
Office 592-4775

ILLINOIS VALLEY PENTECOSTALS
Meeting 2 p.m. Sundays
American Legion Hall
2110 Caves Highway
"Road through the RV Park"
Contact 592-4716 for Bible
Study in your home or the
pastor's home, P.O. Box 2180,
Cave Junction 97523
Pastor Wendell Owens
592-4716

CAVES CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP
222 N. Redwood Hwy., CJ
Sunday 10:30 a.m.
Wednesday7:00 p.m.
Pastor Jeremy Nehf 592-6532

Worship at the church of your choice