

Carol Crawford and 'Best Performance' prize saddle

Pony Express ride ...

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a day or two off.

Crawford owned the mustang before training and selling it to a friend. She borrowed 'Energizer' for the ride.

The duo's efforts ultimately paid off with the Best Performance Award, a hand-tooled trophy saddle made by Anne George. The award was based on the horse that had gone the most miles and was still physically OK to continue on.

Crawford said she had no idea there was an award, or that she had been chosen until she was presented with the saddle.

And to think that Crawford at one point thought about not participating.

The adventure carried a hefty price tag -- Crawford said the overall cost, including her expenses at home while she was gone, totaled around \$13,000, \$9,000 of which her parents gave her.

And there were other concerns, such as finding someone to help drive on the trip and help hold down the CJ fort in her absence.

Although the final month of the ride became a bit tiresome and even grueling at times, Crawford is grateful she decided to participate.

"You just want to keep going. It was really hard to end it," she said. "What I learned from the experience is to trust myself and believe in myself."

Oregon big winner in agriculture

Oregon is one of the big winners among western states receiving federal funds to increase agricultural export opportunities, said Oregon Dept. of Agriculture (ODA).

Nearly \$400,000 will help expand marketing nursery products overseas, educate Japanese buyers on U.S. food safety programs, and boost the sale of food ingredients in Korea.

ODA, which applied for the money, will manage the various successfully funded projects.

The Western United States Trade Association (WUSATA) has allocated the funds to ODA, passing along federal money originating from the U.S. Dept. of Agriculture's Market Access Program. Oregon has nearly doubled the amount of last year's allocation, and is near the top among 13 member states in the amount of dollars received from WUSATA.

ODA officials credit the "impressive list of project proposals, as well as past successful experiences" with federal funds.

Oregon's projects for the coming year all are geared to the prime Asian markets of Japan, Korea and Taiwan.

The list includes additional funding for development of nursery exports to Japan.

Nursery products represent Oregon's largest agricultural commodity with a \$714 million value.

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FCC blows radio station off the air

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"... We would like to use the radio station to help keep the community coherent; put out emergency and non-emergency announcements; provide educational programs and forums..."

Klein also said TCA wants to use the station in conjunction with Dome School to teach children broadcasting skills.

Kacy Clement, a five-year resident of rural Cave Junction, said she was an avid listener of the Takilma pirate station and misses it now that it's gone.

"It was our only station if I wanted to know what was going on with local sports, weather or emergencies," she said.

Clement said the content of the latest station was much improved over the previous incarnation of the pirate station.

"I noticed a difference in the last time they got the radio up," she said. "They did a very good job presenting a well-rounded show."

Asked why she believed the station was shut down, if the content wasn't an issue, she cited a larger problem in the community -- divisions over political and environmental issues.

"This is my perception: It seems to be part of those huge dividing factional feelings we have here," she said. "(The feeling that) anyone on the radio that is (presumed to be) part of the Siskiyou Project is unAmerican and

should not be allowed a voice. Whether that is correct, I don't know.

"I don't care who has it (radio station) as long as we have community radio. We need a way to communicate (instantly). I just hope it happens."

Bridgeview Community Church in rural CJ currently has the only local radio station on the air. The Christian-based station runs 24 hours.

In a previous interview for "Illinois Valley News" about the Bridgeview radio

station, Pastor Charles Bridges said the station plans to provide local news programs when its budget allows.

Other applications pending with the FCC for small radio stations in Illinois Valley have been submitted by Cave Country Christian Radio Inc. of Selma and Oregonians For Responsible Conservation Alliance based in Cave Junction. It is unclear when any of those stations will be approved by the FCC to go on the air.



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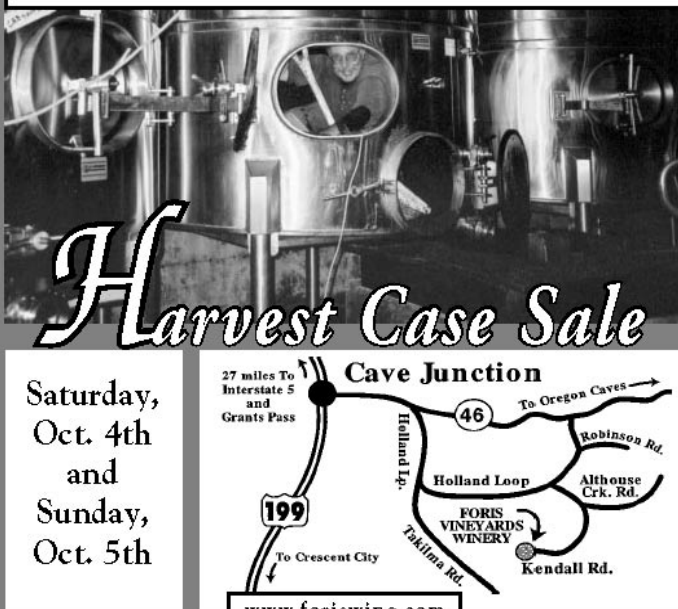
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