## Here, There & Everywhere

MERRY MUSIC - There will be a Christmas open house at the Kerbyville Museum on Saturday, Dec. 20 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Guitarist Dale Hopper will perform selections from his new CD of gospel music. Refreshments will be served. A small admission fee will be charged.

CJ CHRISTMAS - Cave Junction Cares will hold its annual Christmas breakfast from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Thursday, Dec. 25 at Jubilee Park pavilion. Santa Claus will hand out toys to the kids. Donations of toys, money and volunteers are needed. Phone Lynn Boucher at 592-6855 for more info.

CHRISTMAS CHEER - Home Valley Bank, Klamath First and Evergreen Federal Bank are accepting non-perishable food and unwrapped toys for the annual I.V. Christmas Basket Program sponsored by I.V. Family Coalition. The deadline for donations of money, food and toys is Friday, Dec. 19.

**GIFT GIVING -** A blood drive sponsored by American Red Cross (ARC) will be held at the Illinois Valley Senior Center on E. River Street on Thursday, Dec. 18 from noon to 5 p.m. To schedule a donation or for information phone (800) 826-5920. ARC schedules blood drives at the center on a continual basis every few months.

Notepad - The Senior Meals Program, Food & Friends, seeks volunteers to deliver hot meals to homebound seniors once a week. Training and mileage reimbursement are provided. Phone 955-8839 for more info...Lovejoy Hospice will present "Hospice Nurses- Special People, Special Practice" on Monday, Jan. 12 from 12 to 1 p.m. at 939 S.E. Eighth St. in Grants Pass. RSVP to (541) 474-1193 by Jan. 5...Rogue Community College Small Business Development Center offers a range of continuing services. Phone (541) 956-7494 for more information.







FINAL 2003 ART WALK - Dec. 12 marked the final Second Friday Art Walk in Downtown Cave Junction until next year. At Child's Play, youngsters were able to

## **Biscuit Fire deadline ...**

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"sought a balance between busy holiday schedules and the economic losses anticipated from further wood decay."

The Biscuit Fire, which nearly resulted in the entire Illinois Valley being ordered to evacuate last year, burned some 500,000 acres of timberland.

During the past two weeks, the U.S. Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management's Medford District have conducted four public open houses, including one in Cave Junction.

An oral public hearing is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 17 from 5 to 9 p.m. at the Josephine County Fairgrounds in Grants Pass. Up to three minutes will be allowed

for any individual who wants to comment, said the forest service. A court reporter will record all comments.

The Biscuit Fire Recovery Project DEIS was released publicly on Nov. 21 for a 45-day public comment period. It was to end on Jan. 5.

All written, faxed, or electronic comments should be sent to Scott Conroy, c/o ACT2 Enterprise Team, P.O. Box 377, Happy Camp CA 96039; faxed to (530) 493-1776, or e-mailed t o r6\_biscuit@fs.fed.us. The DEIS is posted at www.biscuitfire.com.

For more information about the DEIS, including the recommended alternative for harvesting timber, contact Judy McHugh at (541) 471-6500

make window stars. Also at Child's Play, Deb Murphy autographed her collaborative, creative work books for children. (Photo by Michelle Binker)

