

Fire plan for county available

Are you prepared? Josephine County announced that the first draft of the Josephine County Integrated Fire Plan is available for public review.

The plan is available at www.co.josephine.or.us/wildfire/index.htm.

The plan also is available for public review at the Josephine County, city of Cave Junction and city of Grants Pass planning offices, and at the four Josephine County public libraries.

The Josephine County Integrated Fire Plan has been a 12-month effort to identify the needs and risks associated with wildfire, document existing resources and programs, and promote a change in the attitude and culture around wildfires.

The plan is a partnership between local, state and federal agencies, community organizations, and individuals. It is used to identify wildfire risks, develop priorities for funding, and develop programs to reduce the risk of wildfires to citizens and communities in Josephine County.

Contact Kathy Lynn at the Program for Watershed and Community Health to submit comments. She can be reached at (541) 346-0687 or e-mail at kathy@uoregon.edu. For other questions, contact Bruce Bartow at (541) 474-5426.

Cancer of prostate info given

Experts say that a reduction in the number of prostate cancer deaths can be attributed in large part to an increase in early detection of the disease.

However, the American Cancer Society estimates that there are approximately 230,900 new cases of prostate cancer in the United States this year and that 29,900 men will die from the disease.

Prostate cancer is still the most common type of cancer found in American men other than skin cancer.

Throughout September, which is prostate cancer awareness month, Dr. Timothy Wilson, director of Urology and Urologic Oncology at City of Hope Cancer Center in Los Angeles, emphasizes that prevention and early detection can reduce the risk of prostate cancer and improve treatment outcomes for those who are diagnosed with the disease.

"The exact cause of prostate cancer is unknown, but risk of its development is associated with age, family history, race, environmental exposure, and certain nutritional deficiencies," said Wilson.

"Prostate cancer is often called a 'silent disease' because it frequently develops without obvious symptoms," he said.

Wilson recommends that all men older than 50 visit their physician for a yearly exam.



HIT-AND-RUN VICTIM - Illinois Valley Fire District (IVFD) volunteer firefighters De Spellman, driving a brush rig, and Kimberley Wright were reported uninjured when Spellman took evasive action, striking an embankment on Caves Hwy., while responding to an emergency call with lights and siren on Saturday, Sept. 4. A light-colored car came around a curve partially in the wrong lane, and Spellman swerved to avoid going over a cliff. The other vehicle did not stop, said IVFD. The accident occurred near milepost 14 at approximately 2:30 p.m. Damage is estimated at \$16,000, as the truck is 'totaled,' said Chief Harry Rich. (Photo by Dale Sandberg/IVFD photographer)

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Clubs & Organizations

I.V. Women's Golf

On Tuesday, Aug. 31, the Illinois Valley Women's Golf Club played a low-net tournament. Winners:

1st place, Linda Hoback; 2nd place, Patti Lewis.

Deer Creek Unit Family Community Education

The Deer Creek Unit of Family Community & Education (FCE) will return from summer break Friday, Sept. 10.

FCE is ready to roll up sleeves and get going planning winter projects; starting with a spaghetti feed Saturday, Oct. 9. More information will be available later.

The group has "a lot of fun projects planned for the rest of this year," and

invites people to join FAC once a month, every second Friday. The group meets at Immanuel United Methodist Church, 200 W. Watkins St. in Cave Junction.

For those "who would like to make a difference in the community and meet and work with a wonderful group of ladies," contact Chairman Dolly LaFlamme at 597-2333, or attend the next meeting.

Marine Corps League Rogue Valley Chapter

The Rogue Valley Chapter of the Marine Corps League will begin its fall season with a meeting Friday, Sept. 10 at Las Palmas Mexican Restaurant in Jacksonville.

For reservations, telephone (541) 471-1944.

OLCC dispenses liquor bucks

Oregon Liquor Control Commission (OLCC) disbursed \$514,326 in liquor revenue to Josephine and Jackson counties in May as follows:

*Josephine County, pop. 78,350/\$17,954; Cave Junction/\$956; Grants Pass/\$16,463.

*Jackson County, pop. 189,100/\$43,332; Ashland/\$13,745; Butte Falls/\$296; Central Point/\$9,923; Eagle Point/\$4,482; Gold Hill/\$720; Jacksonville/\$1,594; Medford/\$45,802; Phoenix/\$3,034; Rogue River/\$1,278; Shady Cove/\$1,708; and Talent/\$3,838.

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