



BARTER FAIRE-IES -- Springing up from an expansive pasture at C & C Ranch on Holland Loop, the venue for the Hope Mountain Barter Faire is taking shape. The

event, which is a benefit for Dome School, will be held Friday, Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 1, 2 and 3. Music, bartering, workshops and a kids' village are planned.

Pacific Power urges recreationalists to beware

By PACIFIC POWER

Pacific Power would like those who plan on skydiving, flying airplanes or helicopters, parasailing, hang gliding, riding in hot-air balloons, playing with model airplanes, sailing or angling, to keep safety in mind while out having fun. Recreational enthusiasts and thrill-seekers should be aware of the serious dangers of maneuvering airborne and waterborne equipment in the same vicinity of power lines and electrical structures, said Pacific Power.

The utility asks people to stay away from overhead wires, power poles, substations and electrical equipment when seeking summer fun. Making even momentary contact with power lines can result in internal organ damage, burns, loss of limbs or even death.

“Electrical structures -- especially overhead wires - - pose a serious threat to people out enjoying the

nice weather and operating or traveling in equipment like small aircraft or sail boats,” said Amy Eschete, Pacific Power’s public safety manager. “The danger of coming into contact with this equipment is very real and can cause serious, life-altering injuries, even death.”

Pacific Power offers the following tips for avoiding danger:

*Before embarking on any flight-type adventures, check first for overhead power lines and keep well away from them.

*Pilots who fly at low altitudes must be alert to power lines spanning waterways, canyons and other locations so they do not accidentally make contact.

*Be aware that as light sources change, so can visibility of overhead power lines. Where a wire can be visible in cloudy conditions, the sun may move in and make lines virtually invisible.

*Fly kites, balloons

and model airplanes in open areas, away from power lines.

*If a kite or other piece of recreational equipment becomes tangled in electrical wires, immediately let go of the item and make no attempt to remove it from the lines. Contact Pacific Power at (888) 221-7070.

*When boating, watch for overhead power lines, as masts, fishing poles, leaded fishing line or tall radio antennae could contact overhead wires and cause electrocution.

*When parasailing, hang gliding or flying hot air balloons, be sure to stay clear of any overhead power lines and poles.

*It’s easy to misjudge the distance from a power line. The best line of defense for maintaining safety is to stay as far away as possible from any lines or electrical equipment.

*Try to restrict activities to times of the day

when the Sun is not rising or setting. These times of the day often have increased glare conditions and can be very hazardous if lines and equipment are difficult to identify.

“We encourage everyone to remember these simple safety rules and help ensure a safe and accident-free recreational season for all,” said Eschete.

For more safety tips or to request a “Keeping a Safe Distance on Danger” brochure, phone (800) 791-6093, or visit www.pacificpower.net and select the link labeled Safety.

Driving record Websites bogus

If a Website -- even an official-looking one -- claims you can order your Oregon driving record online, it is definitely not a government site, and you might not get what you pay for, DMV officials warn Oregon customers.

Such Websites are not affiliated with Oregon DMV.

Yet DMV has received a few calls from customers complaining that they had not received their Oregon driving record after ordering it from one of these online companies.

Customers believed that they had ordered the record from DMV, when in fact the Websites were operated by private compa-

nies.

In addition, these private Websites are charging anywhere from \$29.95 up to \$69.95 for driving record information. Oregonians can get their own record directly from DMV for \$1.50.

To obtain your driving record, stop by any DMV office to order it. The record will be mailed to you the next business day.

O r v i s i t www.OregonDMV.com to find out how to get your record by mail. Those who come across a site that offers Oregon driving records can report the site by e m a i l i n g t o OregonDMV@odot.state.or.us.



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RCC receives \$750,000 grant from Meyer Trust

A \$750,000 grant to Rogue Community College to help finance construction costs at the new Table Rock Campus in White City has been awarded by The Meyer Memorial Trust.

The grant is the largest

the Portland-based organization has ever presented to a community college, according to Meyer Trust program staff.

RCC’s request earned approval because of potential benefits to the region’s workforce, solid partner-

ships with local industry, and submission of a well thought-out proposal, trust officials said.

Receipt of the Meyer Trust grant is contingent on RCC raising the rest of the money to remodel Table Rock Campus.



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