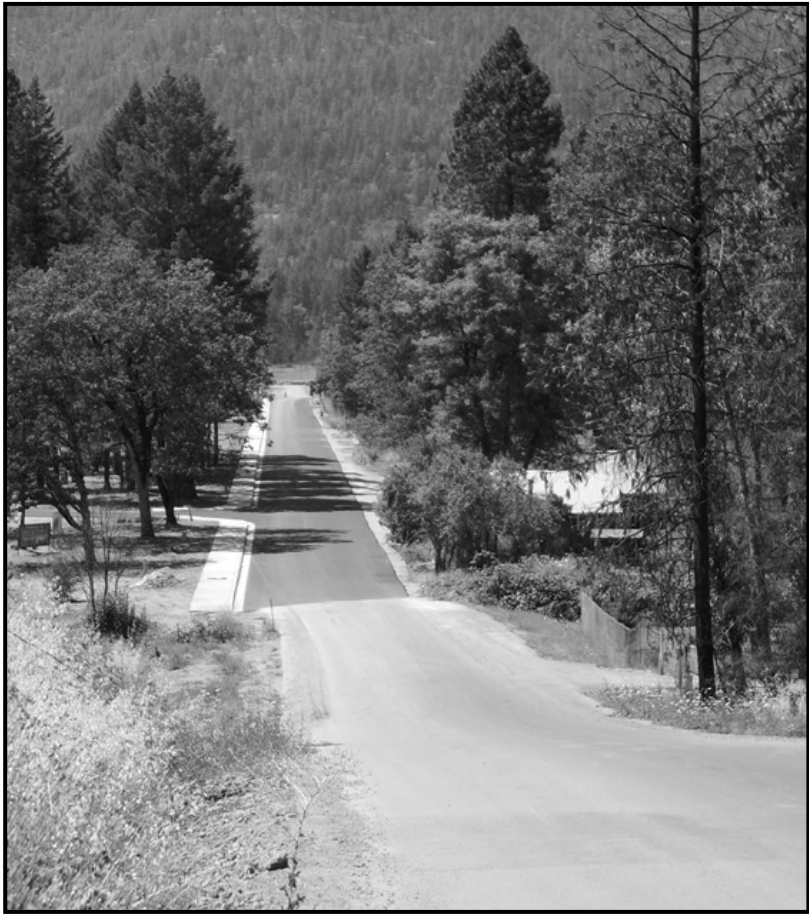




THE TOWN IS A CHANGIN' say those watching the advance of residential development in the city limits of Cave Junction. There are several projects planned or under way, including expansion of Laurel Pines Golf Course, and at least 400 new homes, not including a residential/commercial development on the north side of Cave Junction. Additionally, Siskiyou Community Health Center has broken ground for a new facility with 10,000 square feet of space scheduled for completion in September 2006. And developer Larry Osborn told the CJ City Council Monday, Aug. 22 that he plans to construct an office complex with some 80,000 square feet of space on the east side of Hwy. 199 near the new medical clinic and an assisted-care duplex complex for senior citizens. Current work includes extension of Schumacher Street (left photo) in connection with projects including Illinois River Estates; dramatic improvement (right photo) on Hanby Lane, a former one-lane dirt road leading to several new homes being erected by varied developers. Other work in the city includes dwellings on Kerby Street (bottom left photo), and work at Woodcock Court (bottom right photo) off Mountain View Drive. The effect on city facilities and services with expansion of the city population is a current topic by the city public works department and city officials. (Photos by 'Illinois Valley News')



\$8 million for OSU Sun Grant research

Oregon State University's (OSU) role as one of the nation's leading centers of "bioenergy" research got a significant boost recently.

President Bush signed federal legislation providing more than \$8 million in funding for the Sun Grant Center at OSU at Corvallis.

The Sun Grant Initiative funding, part of the federal transportation bill, will be spread during a four-year period, and will largely go to the university researchers and Extension agents, governmental agency employees, private entrepreneurs and others in the West.

They include OSU faculty members, who submit successful competitive grant proposals.

"The potential benefits of research being conducted through the Sun Grant Center loom large, for our nation and the world," said OSU President Edward Ray.

"The fact that OSU's selection as a national center has been followed so quickly with significant funding to further this work is a testament to the importance of the research and the faculty who conduct it."

"Oregon's congressional delegation worked tirelessly to help make this happen, and it's going to be very good for the state," said Thayne Dutson, dean of OSU's College of Agricultural Sciences, which hosts the Sun Grant Center.

"The Sun Grant Initiative is going to bring new money here," he said, "and help stimulate and sustain our agriculture industry, and thus our economy, and give OSU an opportunity to develop even greater expertise in this important area of research in collaboration with scientists at other institutions in Oregon and other states."

Last year, the federal government tapped OSU as one of the country's five initial Sun Grant centers of excellence -- regional hubs charged with leading research, education and outreach programs largely focused on the evolving field of bioenergy.

That began an R&D initiative intended to reduce reliance on imported fossil fuels, add diversity to U.S. agriculture and revitalize rural economies.

For the Sun Grant Initiative, OSU will be the lead university representing nine western states, plus the Pacific Territories and associated Pacific island nations.

The university's leadership for the initiative makes OSU one of only two universities in the nation, along with Cornell University, now designated as Land, Sea, Space, and Sun Grant institutions.

Schools list needed class supplies

Public school classes will resume Tuesday, Sept. 6, and supply lists have been provided by Evergreen Elementary and Lorna Byrne Middle schools.

"This year we sent home enrollment packets for our returning students and ask that they return them on the first day of school -- not before," said Shelly Berry, Evergreen office manager.

"If you will need to enroll a new student, enrollment will be held at the school Wednesday, Aug. 24 through Friday, Aug. 26 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.," she said. "Bring a copy of your child's birth certificate and current immunizations records."

For further information, phone 592-3136, or use threeivers.k12.or.us/.

Evergreen Supplies

Kindergarten:

(Kindergarten supplies will be put into community buckets, so please do not label your child's supplies):

- Backpack
 - 1 box of washable markers
 - 2 Pink Pearl erasers
 - 1 box of Crayons
 - 1 bottle of white glue
 - 1 box of Kleenex
- First Grade:**
- Backpack

- 2 Pink Pearl erasers
 - 4 glue sticks
 - 1 bottle white glue
 - 2 boxes of Crayons
 - 1 pair of scissors (pointed)
- Frisk is best)

- 1 box colored pencils
 - 1 dozen yellow pencils
 - 1 box of Kleenex
 - 1 tray of water colors
- (Blackburn only)

Second Grade:

- Backpack
- 1 large bottle of white glue
- 1 each red and blue pens
- 1 box of colored markers
- 2 Pink Pearl erasers
- 4 large glue sticks
- 1 box of crayons
- 1 pencil sharpener with cover

- 1 folder with pockets
- 1 box of Kleenex

Third Grade:

- Backpack
- 2 Pink Pearls
- 1 box of markers
- 1 12-inch ruler
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 box of Crayons
- 1 box of Kleenex

Fourth Grade:

- Backpack
- 1 box of Crayons
- 1 box of markers
- 1 pair of scissors
- 1 yellow highlighter
- 1 package of white 3x5 index cards (100 count)
- 2 large glue sticks
- 2 pencil sharpeners with cover

- 1 1-inch binder (please do not buy larger than 1 inch)
- 4 Pink Pearl erasers

- 1 large bottle of glue
 - 2 boxes of Kleenex
 - 1 ruler
 - 1 red pen
 - 1 blue pen
- Fifth Grade:**
- Backpack
 - 1 box of markers
 - 1 ruler
 - 1 box of Crayons
 - 3 large glue sticks
 - 2 Pink Pearl erasers
 - 1 pair of scissors
 - 1 box of colored pencils
 - 1 protractor
 - 1 box of Kleenex
 - 1 box of Crayons
 - 2 pencil sharpeners with cover.

LBMS Supplies

- For sixth- and seventh-grade students:
- Three-ring binder
 - TI-30 calculator
 - Sticky notes
 - Highlighters (2)
 - Colored pencils
 - Kleenex tissue
 - College ruled notebook paper

- Glue sticks
- Pencil sharpener
- Pink Pearl erasers
- Pencil end erasers
- Markers
- Scissors
- Ruler with centimeters
- Eighth-grade students need all the same supplies as sixth- and seventh-graders, plus:

- Black and red pens
- Spiral notebooks
- Crazy scissors

Wildfire at 12k acres

With more than 29 miles of fire line, containment of the Blossom Complex Fire, approximately 25 miles northeast of Gold Beach, was anticipated Wednesday, Aug. 24.

The cost of fighting the lightning-caused wildfire, which has burned nearly 12,000 acres of vegetation in the Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, is pegged at nearly \$24 million as of Monday, Aug. 22, said the U.S. Forest Service.

Drift-smoke has been evident in Illinois Valley and Grants Pass areas.

The fire began July 21 in the Wild Rogue Wilderness. A 21-mile-long section of the Wild & Scenic Rogue River, from Grave Creek to Marial, was to reopen Tuesday, Aug. 23.

Evacuation orders closing the Rogue River Ranch and Marial Lodge also were to be lifted.

As of the 22nd, the blaze was being fought by 43 fire engines, 54 crews of varying sizes, 10 helicopters, 40 water tenders and seven bulldozers, according to the forest service.

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If there were no God, there would be no atheists.

The thing I hate about an argument is that it always interrupts a discussion.

- G.K. Chesterton -



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