



NEW IN CAVE JUNCTION - Work is progressing on a two-story commercial building on Lister Street across from the CJ Post Office. Owner Sally Palmer said, ‘Bruce Donaldson has an excellent crew and they are doing a great job building ahead of schedule. I’m very proud of the building.’ The structure has a total of 3,000 square feet of space. It’s designed to have two businesses downstairs and two residences upstairs. However, a single business is interested in the entire building, Palmer said. (Photo by ‘Illinois Valley News’)

Halloween safety suggestions offered

While minor stomach aches from eating too much candy may be the most common hazard on Halloween, emergency physicians warn that they treat many children for serious injuries on the day that could have been prevented.

“The most common injuries on Halloween are eye injuries from sharp objects, burns from flammable costumes, and injuries from collisions with motor vehicle,” said Dr. Rick Blum, president of the American College of Emergency Physicians.

“To ensure a safer Halloween, parents and caregivers should follow important safety measures.”

*Make sure you see all the candy before your child consumes it. Avoid candy not wrapped in its original wrapper, as well as all fruit.

*Make sure that your child stays on the sidewalks as much as possible (off streets) and obeys all traffic signals.

*Discuss the importance of staying together in a

group. Require at least one adult to serve as chaperone during candy gathering, and forbid children from accepting rides from strangers or visiting unfamiliar homes.

*Avoid costumes that could cause children to trip, such as baggy pants, long hems, high heels, and oversized shoes.

*Avoid costume contact lenses.

*Avoid masks, but if your child must wear one, make sure it is well ventilated and does not impair his or her vision.

*Make sure that costume fabric, wigs, and beards are made of flame-resistant materials, such as nylon or polyester.

*Make sure that costumes are visible at night; avoid dark colors. Add reflective tape to the costume to help make your child more visible to drivers.

*Check that accessories such as swords, knives, wands and other pointed objects are made from flexible materials and have dulled edges.

“The American College of Emergency Physicians recommends that children “trick-or-treat” with adult supervision, at houses of worship, shopping malls, schools, or other types of community-sponsored events,” said Blum.

“This helps eliminate children’s interaction with strangers, and ensures that a responsible adult is present,” he said.

ACEP is the national medical specialty society representing emergency medicine with more than 23,000 members.

It said that it is committed to improving the quality of emergency care through continuing education, research and public education.

Headquartered in Dallas, Texas, ACEP has 53 chapters representing each state, as well as Puerto Rico and the District of Columbia.

A Government Services Chapter represents emergency physicians employed by military branches and other government agencies.

Rural rights organization announced

A new project “to advance freedom in rural America,” has been announced by Portland-based Cascade Policy Institute.

The Rural Oregon Freedom Project is directed by Angela Eckhardt from her home in Lostine, Ore. (population 230).

“This project looks at freedom-related issues that are of specific interest to rural Oregonians -- and not-so-rural -- Oregonians who live outside the Willamette Valley,” said Eckhardt.

“We’ll cover agriculture issues, public lands, local control, property rights, educational freedom, gun rights and more.”

Eckhardt worked for Cascade from 1998 to 2002, when she moved to Wallowa County in the northeast corner of the state.

She took some time to start a family and enjoyed nearly a year in an off-grid mountain cabin, experimenting with alternative fuel and electricity.

She now writes a regular column for the Small Acreage page of the ag newspaper “Capital Press,” raises poultry and livestock guardian dogs, and works Saturdays at her town’s general store. After six months as a news reporter and “Free Ideas” opinion columnist for the Wallowa County “Chieftain,” she returns to Cascade to lead what she calls “a rural revolution for freedom.”

“The desire for freedom is already very strong in rural areas,” she said. “We’ll

be tapping into this and building on it with Cascade’s well-honed private, voluntary and innovative problem-solving skills.

“We’d like to see rural Oregon communities recapture their pioneering spirit of independence, and really stand as beacons of hope and freedom to the rest of the state.”

Cascade is kicking off the Rural Oregon Freedom Project with the release of the new report, “Freedom Fuel: Why and How Biodiesel Policy Should Reflect

Freedom.”

Rural Oregonians can contact Eckhardt with their priority issues.

“Often times it’s not enough to talk to your elected representatives when you face an imminent threat to freedom in your local community, such as a new tax proposal or an economic development boondoggle,” said Eckhardt.

“Cascade stands ready to serve as your advocate in these instances,” she said.

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Property crimes decline, but incidents of assault could rise, city council told

By OLIVIA TAYLOR
Correspondent

Overall crime incidents in the city of Cave Junction were down approximately 13 percent during September, the city council was told during its meeting in city hall Monday night, Oct. 24.

Deputy Ray Webb, city contract officer from the Josephine County Sheriff’s Office, reported 267 total incidents. But property crimes were down approximately 23 percent from August, he said.

The officer said he believes that property crimes will continue to decline as the weather gets colder. However, this also portends a time of year when person-to-person crimes gradually increase, Webb said.

Asked if the sheriff’s office plans to add extra staff for the Halloween weekend, often a time for increased property crime, Webb replied that he is not certain, but that he would look into the matter.

In his report for September he listed 10 assaults, four burglaries, eight thefts, 28 traffic incidents, and six stolen motor vehicles.

The council also heard from Chris Mallette, executive director of Illinois Valley Safe House Alliance, on the progress and current status of the facility project.

The site is secured, plans are complete, and a development team is in place, Mallette said. Weekly meetings are held to identify, plan and implement fund-raising opportunities, as the goal for the current year is \$50,000.

A fund-raiser at PJ’s

Caf  on Friday, Oct. 21 netted \$826. A yard sale and turkey bingo are scheduled during November.

To date, the alliance has raised \$290,431. It is anticipated that sufficient funds for a safe house will be raised by fall 2006, with the facility ready in 2007.

A large grant is being pursued.

City resident Ann Centonze asked the council a number of questions including one about the availability of written development plans for citizens to study. She also questioned the benefits and effects of the urban growth boundary, and what residents can anticipate from current and future development.

The council suggested

that she get together a group of like-minded citizens and discuss formation of a planning commission.

Centonze’s comments wrapped up a council session where the agenda included diverse items. They included county-owned right-of-way issues concerning improvement of Daisy Hill Road; final plat acceptance of Phase II of Cedarbrook Estates; and an easement request from Ron and Laura Gronbach concerning Mariah’s Meadow Subdivision.

In a joint meeting prior to the council session, county commissioners said that they have not signed on to the idea of making the former Siskiyou Smokejumper Base an historical site.

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