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HELP WANTED

Spring/Summer/Fall 2007 Seasonal Park Guide Jobs Available at Oregon Caves National Monument

Oregon Caves National Monument is recruiting to fill up to 14 seasonal Park Guide positions for the upcoming field season. The recruitment bulletin will be open from January 22, 2007 through February 8, 2007.

Park guide jobs range from GS-4 (\$12.36) to GS-5 (\$13.82) per hour. Full-time and intermittent work schedules are available. These are seasonal positions that will not exceed 1,039 hours.

The park guides will conduct cave tours for the general public, collect fees and develop programs or nature walks for visitors.

Applications will only be accepted from individuals who have maintained a permanent exclusive residence in the commuting area (Illinois Valley, Cave Junction, Grants Pass, and Josephine County).

If you are interested in applying, please contact the Grants Pass Employment Office at 201 NE 8th Street, Grants Pass, OR for job listing number **475032** or phone the Monument office at 541-592-2100 for a fax copy of the recruitment bulletin.

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MANAGER - HISTORIC LODGE

Seeking an experienced, hands-on Manager for the Historic Chateau located at the Oregon Caves National Monument in southern Oregon. This position is responsible for all operations at the lodge.

Requirements: Excellent communication, problem-solving and team-building skills; basic accounting and computer experience using MS office; 2 or more years progressive work experience in Lodging and Restaurant management or similar experience. Salary DOE. The Oregon Caves Outfitters is an authorized concessionaire of the National Park Service. EOE. Send cover letter and resume to: OCO P.O. Box 1824, Cave Junction, OR 97523 or email norah@ivcdo.org

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FOOD & BEVERAGE MANAGER

Seeking an experienced hands-on Manager for Fine Dining, Cafe, and Deli outlets at the Historic Chateau located at the Oregon Caves National Monument. Requirements: Knowledge of food and beverage systems and administration; excellent interpersonal communications and leadership skills; prior progressive work experience in food and beverage service management. Salary DOE. The Oregon Caves Outfitters is an authorized concessionaire of the National Park Service. EOE. Send cover letter and resume to: OCO P.O. Box 1824, Cave Junction, OR 97523 or email: norah@ivcdo.org.

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CURVES accepting applications for part-time employees. 2-7 p.m. Must be energetic, self-motivated, and love people. Some sales involved. Send resume to 360 Caves Hwy. C.J. 97523 or phone 592-4599.

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Chrome ore once valued I.V. industry

By **ROGER BRANDT** For IVN

Chrome is a metal used by many of us daily.

It is used in the stainless steel of our pots and pans, the moving parts of our vehicle's engines, and is often used to give a silvery, mirror-like shine to bumpers and wheel rims. More important to residents of Illinois Valley is the fact that the Siskiyou Mountains were once the nation's leading producer of this metal.

Chrome first was mined in Del Norte County in nearby Northern California in the early 1860s by Tyson Mining Co. of Baltimore. It shipped the ore by boat around the southern tip of South America to smelters in Maryland. Approximately 2,000 tons of ore were shipped annually over this route for nearly 30 years.

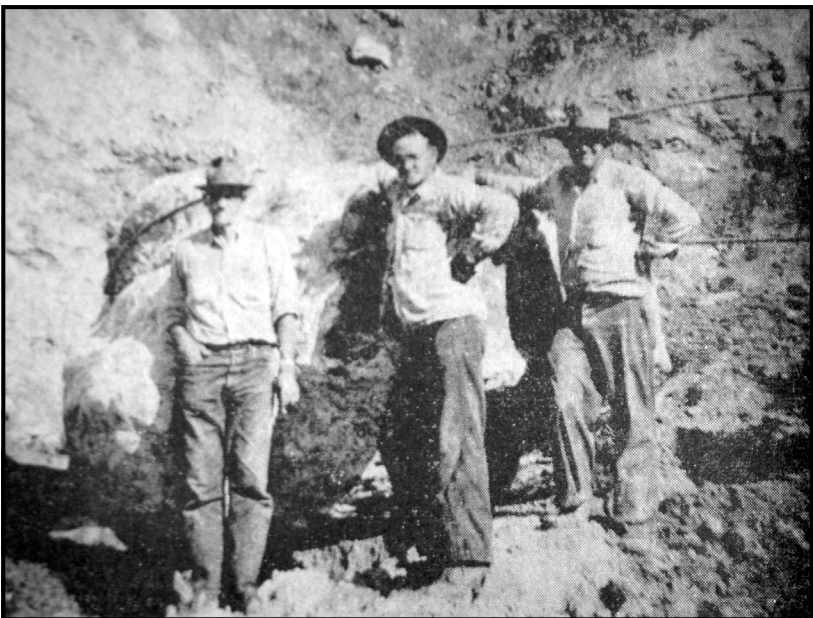
During World War I, chrome ore became important because of its use in hardening steel for armor-piercing bombs. Prospectors combed the region for the ore, but mining stopped abruptly when the war ended and demand dwindled.

However, the strategic importance of the ore in Josephine County was not forgotten, and improving access to this region was one reason for constructing Hwy. 199.

Chrome mining in Josephine County remained relatively inactive until 1940, when the threat of World War II raised the demand. In 1942, a depot for purchasing

chrome from miners was established in Grants Pass, but closed soon after the end of WWII. Most chrome mining in Illinois Valley ceased when federal subsidies for

munity of Takilma. A man there found a large quantity of chrome ore in a meadow, probably the decomposed remains of a pod. Using an old-time walking plow pulled



A 46-ton boulder of high-grade chrome ore worth approximately \$5,000 was found in 1956 at the Lucky Hunch Mine, located on the Illinois River approximately 10 miles down river from Selma. At the time, it was believed to be the largest pod of chrome ore removed in one piece in Oregon history. (Photo courtesy of Josephine County Historical Society and Roger Brandt)

mining the ore were cut off in the late 1950s.

Chrome was mined from outcrops of serpentine rock, such as those found along most of the western side of Illinois Valley. These rocks formed in the upper mantle of the Earth and then were physically uplifted to where we find them today.

The chrome is found in rounded, pod-like deposits that may be 10 to 30 feet in diameter. Bulldozers were used to dig out the pods, leaving behind a small pit to mark where the pod had once been.

The pods were broken into chunks that could be loaded into trucks and hauled to the nearest ore depot.

The most unusual chrome mine in Illinois Valley was located near the com-

by his horse, he was able to dig up enough ore to net around \$300 a day.

In the late 1950s, a chrome separation plant was set up and operated next to Esterly Lake near the south end of Rockydale Road. Ore was crushed and then separated from unwanted rock and soil by a "shake table." It was then bagged and shipped to the California and Oregon Coast (C&OC) Railroad depot at Waters Creek.

There are many abandoned chrome mines around Josephine County to remind us of our chrome mining heritage. Some of this history includes geographic features named for chrome.

But ironically, the mineral for which they were named has long ago been removed.

Josephine County jobless rate up to 6.8%

Josephine County total payroll employment declined by 330 jobs during December, resulting in a jobless rate of 6.8 percent, up from the 6.1 rate recorded during November 2006 and December 2005.

Oregon Employment Dept. (OED) also reported that 33,005 persons were on payrolls in Josephine County during December, down from the 33,791 persons employed during November.

Seasonal industries continued to pare their workforce with arrival of the winter season. During the past year, the county's

MEETING NOTICE

LEGAL NOTICE

Illinois Valley Soil and Water Conservation District Board will meet on Thursday, January 25 at 7 p.m. in the County Building in Cave Junction. The agenda for the meeting will include but is not limited to the following:

- * Oath of Office, presented by Commissioner Dave Toler
- * Election of Officers
- * Approval of Minutes
- * Financial Report
- * Agency Reports
- * Old Business
- * New Business

If you need assistance or information, please contact the IVSWCD Office at 592-3731 during regular business hours.

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LEGAL NOTICE

Illinois Valley Watershed Council will meet on Thursday, January 25, 2007 immediately following the IVSWCD Board Meeting, in the County Building in Cave Junction. The agenda for the meeting will include but is not limited to the following:

- * Approval of Minutes
- * Project Updates
- * Old Business
- * New Business

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The only exercise some people get is jumping to conclusions, running down their friends, side-stepping responsibility and pushing their luck.

- Anonymous -