

# Skateboarders 'wiped out' due to concerns

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(CRT), which evolved into Illinois Valley Community Development Organization. That group kept that responsibility until 2004, at which point CRT President George Fence asked The Shining Stars to take it on.

The park had already deteriorated considerably by then, said Sandy Lilly, the group's co-president and skate park committee chairman.

"We took it over when it was already rotted out," Lilly said. "It was a mess."

That organization attempted to fix problems as they came up, but has reached the limits of what it can do, Lilly said.

"We fixed it as best we could to get us here today," she said. "But there are no Band-Aids left. We can't Band-Aid it anymore."

Aside from that, Lilly said that the Shining Stars organization is down to five board members and that personal obligations have

prevented them from taking care of the park.

"It's disheartening. All our lives are quite full," Lilly said.

### Current Problems Noted

Paulson said the decision to close the skate park did not come easily for him. But practical considerations left no other options.

"Everybody seems to agree that there's a need for it," Paulson said. "But nobody wants to take it over."

The mayor estimates that fixing the park would cost at least \$30,000.

"I'm thinking it's higher than that," he said.

Materials alone would run around \$2,000, which does not include labor. Also, any structure higher than 4 feet needs to be engineered, driving costs even higher.

### A Better Future?

Lilly said the ultimate solution would be to build a more permanent structure.

"We definitely have to have a new one built,"

Lilly said. "The real goal here is to have a concrete one like all the different skate parks around, which takes a lot of money."

However, Lilly is confident that Illinois Valley residents would be willing to band together to help make it happen.

"I hope people get involved — grant writers, or whoever it takes to make this happen in our valley," Lilly said. "Every other little town has made it happen, so I know we can too."

### 'Nothing to Do, Nowhere to Go'

Thursday afternoon, March 22, Rick Butts sat at the skate park along with a half-dozen of his friends. Butts, 18, just started skating last year, but said he does it every day.

Among those gathered at the park that day, half don't even skate. But the park is one of few places they feel comfortable hanging out, and they all admit

they would otherwise be at home playing video games.

Butts and the other skaters wonder why a simple "Skate at your own risk" sign wouldn't suffice to alleviate the city's liability. Skaters, they said, are aware of the potential hazards that accompany their hobby.

"It's a dangerous sport to begin with," Butts said.

The skaters point out that the park gets a lot of use, especially during the summer, and even on rainy days. Closing the park may force them to skate on private property, and there are no police around to stop them from doing so.

Lilly said she is aware of those issues, and so is the city. But that's why she feels it's important for residents to step up and be part of the solution to establish a newer, better skate park.

"I really want our kids to have it. They need it. It's a great outlet," Lilly said. "We just need help."

## Update on the Ivy Community Theater Project -- March 2007

After much negotiating, we are unable to come to agreeable terms with the owner of the Theater. If you have made a financial contribution to this project we will be in contact with you shortly and will be returning all funds.

To all who believe in this as we do; we thank you again for your support.

**God's will be done,  
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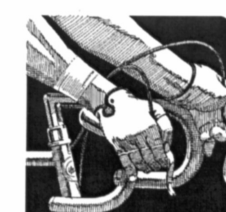
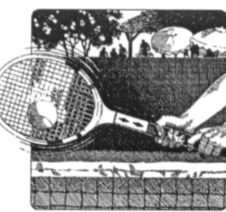


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# Obituaries

### Walter Kenneth Haines Sr.

U.S. Army Air Corps veteran Walter Kenneth Haines Sr., 83, of Kerby, died on Sunday, March 18, 2007 at his residence.

A service was held Wednesday, March 21 at Eagle Point National Cemetery.

Mr. Haines was born May 6, 1923 in Sioux City, Iowa to Clifford and Pearl (Rohrer) Haines. He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps during World War II from 1942 to 1945, flying in the China, Central

Burma and India Burma battles, flying the hump of the Himalayas. On June 8, 1943 in Omaha, Neb., he married Eleanor Marie Pleuler, who died on July 20, 1985.

He was a salesman for Pacific Toy House in California, and then worked for 12 years in the transportation maintenance department for the city of Norwalk in California until he retired in 1984.

He moved to Selma in 1984 from Whittier, Calif. He had lived in Selma, Cave Junction and Kerby.

Mr. Haines belonged to the Hump Pilots Association and had been a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars. He was an devoted fisherman and hunter. He enjoyed watching Nebraska college football.

Surviving are a son, David A. Haines, of Perkaspie, Penn.; four daughters, Kathy Newman, of Cave Junction, Susan G. Hill, of Riverside, Calif., Sandra Steward, of Austin, Texas, and Judith Haines, of Lakewood, Calif.; two sisters, Dorothy Northrup, of Carson City, Nev., Mildred Thornton, of Gardner, Mont.; 13 grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren. A son, Walter Haines Jr. preceded him in death.

Chapel of the Valley/L. B. Hall Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

### Stephen Wells

Stephen Wells, 83, of Selma, died Thursday, March 22, 2007 at his home.

Arrangements are pending at Stephens Family Chapel in Grants Pass.

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## Soldier saluted with flags down

All flags at Oregon public institutions were flown at half-staff on Monday, March 26, in memory of U.S. Army Sgt. 1<sup>st</sup> Class John Stephens, of La Grande, by order of Gov. Kulongoski.

Stephens, 41, died Thursday, March 15 in Tikrit, Iraq. He was assigned to the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 16<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment, 1<sup>st</sup> Brigade, 1<sup>st</sup> Infantry Division, "Big Red One" at Fort Riley, Kan.

# Church Happenings

### Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

When Jesus visited Mary, Martha, and Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead, Mary anointed the feet of Jesus to

show her love and thanks.

But for Jesus, his thoughts anticipated his coming crucifixion and death. We should anticipate Palm Sunday and Easter, plus realizing that what Jesus did, he did for all of us.

Wednesdays at 7 p.m., the study of "A Purpose-Driven Life" continues. The Worship/Music Committee will meet Thursday, March 29 at 10:30 a.m.

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592-2126, 474-5440

### FRIDAY, MARCH 30 BEEF SPANISH RICE

Mexicali corn  
Steamed spinach  
Potato wheat bread  
Pistachio pudding

### MONDAY, APRIL 2 WESTERN PORK STEW

Herbed red potatoes  
Yellow squash & red peppers  
Multigrain bread  
Rice pudding

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 4 VEGETABLE LASAGNA

Green peas  
Garden vegetable salad  
Garlic bread  
Apple cobbler

# Places of Worship

### FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH OF SELMA

18285 Redwood Hwy.  
P.O. Box 279, Selma, OR  
97538 - 597-4169  
Pastor Monty Pope  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Worship - 11 a.m.  
Sunday evening: 7 p.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.  
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### BRIDGEVIEW COMMUNITY CHURCH

P.O. Box 645  
5181 Holland Loop  
Non-Denominational  
Pastor Frank Salerni  
Children's Church-10:30 a.m.  
Sunday Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.  
Wednesday Youth Group 7 p.m.  
Youth Group Leaders Lance & Judy Baker  
Women's Prayer Thursday 9:30 a.m.  
Men's Prayer Meeting 1st & 3rd Saturday - 8 a.m.  
Corner Dick George/Holland Loop  
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### BAHA'I FAITH

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### ST. MATTHIAS EPISCOPAL CHURCH

25904 N. Redwood Hwy.  
Sunday Services:  
1st three Sundays 11 a.m.  
Fourth Sunday 5 p.m.  
592-2006  
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### FOUNTAIN OF LIFE ASSEMBLY OF GOD

451 S. Junction Avenue  
592-3956  
Pastor Mark McLean  
Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 11 a.m.  
Evening Worship - 6 p.m.  
Wednesday - 7 p.m.  
Adult Bible Study  
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### ST. PATRICK OF THE FOREST CATHOLIC CHURCH

407 W. River Street, CJ  
592-3658  
Father Harry Holwell  
Parochial Vicar  
Masses - Sunday  
Daylight Saving - 9 a.m.  
Standard Time - 10 a.m.  
Daily Mass Tues. - Fri. 9 a.m.  
First Saturday - 10 a.m.  
Holy Days - 10 a.m. & 7 p.m.  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Saturday - 10:30 to 11:15 a.m.  
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### COMMUNITY BIBLE CHURCH

113 S. Caves Avenue, CJ  
Evangelical & Non-Denominational  
Sunday School 9:15-10:15 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Evening Service - 6 p.m.  
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Wednesday - 6:15 to 8 p.m.  
Pastor Dave Gordon  
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### SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH

265 S. Old Stage Road  
Sabbath School - 9:30 a.m.  
Sat. Church Service 11 a.m. Sat.  
Prayer & Praise 7 p.m. Tues.  
Pastor Vern Hyland  
Church 592-3218  
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Sr. Teacher: Mrs. Amy Whitchurch 592-6604  
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### IMMANUEL UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

200 Watkins Ph. 592-3876  
Pastor Charles Chase  
Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.  
Sunday Worship - 9:15 a.m.  
Child-care for small children  
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http://UMCImmanuel.org  
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### GOOD SHEPHERD LUTHERAN CHURCH

East River Street & Lewis Court  
Pastor Don Torala  
Sunday Worship - 9 a.m.  
Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Tuesday Youth Group - 6 p.m.  
Church Phone: 592-2290  
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### FIRST LOVE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

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139 Caves Ave. Front door  
592-4775  
Worship Schedule  
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Sunday School & Nursery 10:45 a.m.  
Wed. Service 7 p.m.  
Thurs. "First Love Kitchen" Free Hot Meal 11:30 a.m.  
Sat. "Free Bread" 11 a.m.  
Phone for Bible College Classes  
Pastors:  
Bob & Virginia Kurko  
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### ILLINOIS VALLEY BAPTIST CHURCH

2110 Caves Hwy.  
Stanley W. Smith, Pastor  
Sunday Worship - 2:30 p.m.  
Bible Study - Thursday 6 p.m.  
A Southern Baptist Ministry  
Phone: 592-3029  
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### VALLEY EVANGELICAL FREE CHURCH

498 Laurel Road  
P.O. Box 1248  
Pastor Rudie B. Neumann  
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.  
Worship Service - 11 a.m.  
Ladies Bible Study Mon. 10:30 a.m.  
Adult Bible Studies Thursday 6 p.m.  
evfree@frontiernet.net  
592-6160  
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### Priesthood, Relief Soc.

9 a.m.  
Sunday School - 10 a.m.  
Sacrament Meet - 10:50 a.m.  
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2nd Counselor Walt Farmer  
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### ILLINOIS VALLEY PRAISE CENTER

28569 Redwood Hwy.  
Cave Junction  
Sunday School - 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.  
Prayer Meeting - 6 p.m.  
Thursday evening - 7 p.m.  
Home Bible Study/Youth Group  
Non-Denominational Bible Teaching Church  
Pastor Doug Wilson  
592-4872  
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### TAKILMA BIBLE CHURCH

10300 Takilma Road  
Pastor Dan Robinson  
Bible Study/Prayer Time 9:30 a.m.  
Morning Worship 11 a.m.  
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.  
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### ILLINOIS VALLEY PENTECOSTALS

Bible Study & Fellowship  
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