

Public land trust unveils plan to acquire Zane Gray cabin along Rogue River for BLM

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The Bureau of Land Management may soon own Winkle Bar and Zane Gray’s cabin located in the Wild & Scenic Section of Rogue River.

That word was given recently to the Curry County

Board of Commissioners.

The Trust for Public Land is working with BLM to help acquire and preserve the historic site in eastern Curry County, said Nelson Mathews, of the national non-profit trust that helps obtain land for public recreation.

“We’re having it ap-

proved right now,” Mathews said. “The property itself was owned by Zane Gray. He would come down with an entourage to fish and write books.”

Winkle Bar was been privately owned by the same family for years.

Gray purchased Winkle

Bar, a 32-acre mining claim on Rogue River, in 1932. The popular Western author and fisherman had become one of the first millionaire authors with gritty tales such as *Riders of the Purple Sage* and *Lone Star Ranger*.

He set up camp on the old claim to write and fish for

salmon and steelhead. He was accompanied by guides, secretaries and cooks. His one-room cabin remains on Winkle Bar, surrounded by BLM wilderness. Subsequent owners have added two newer cabins and an airstrip.

BLM’s Abbie Jossie said that there generally are

10,000 people each year on the river. Gray’s cabin is among attractions visited frequently, she said.

Curry commissioners were dubious about the plan because the property would be taken off the tax roll. The current property tax is \$2,500 per year.

Obituaries

John E. Granville

Selma resident John E. Granville, 58, a judo expert and wounded U.S. Marine Corps veteran, died Thursday, April 26, 2007 at Three Rivers Community Hospital in Grants Pass.

A funeral service will be held Friday, May 4 at 10:30 a.m. at Bridgeview Community Church on Holland Loop in rural Cave Junction. Interment will follow at 3 p.m. at Eagle Point National Cemetery with military honors by the Marine Corps League.

Arrangements are being handled by Illinois Valley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Granville was born on Jan. 7, 1949 in Los Angeles to Joseph A. and Margie L. (Cummings) Granville. He graduated in 1967 from Hart High School in Newhall, Calif. He enlisted in the U.S. Marine Corps on Sept. 5, 1967. He was discharged on Dec. 31, 1968 following the loss of both legs above the knees because of a mine that exploded.

After his near-death experience, he became a strong Christian and vowed to live his life for the Lord, his family said.

In 1969 he married Rebecca “Becky” Pluim, and they later divorced. He moved with his father from California in the 1970s to Selma. On May 13, 1978 he married the former

Christina Marie Groshong, who survives.

During his high school days he had taken night courses with his father in welding and machine technology. When they first moved to Oregon they worked together. He also studied transmission rebuilding, and had worked for years out of his home rebuilding transmissions.

In 1991 his children, John Joseph and JoAnna, started judo classes, and he became interested. After several months, he was invited by instructors onto the mat, and he “became addicted.” He worked his way to third-degree black belt, and taught judo at Selma Community Center and Wayne Owen Fighting Arts business.

Mr. Granville enjoyed gold mining and dredging. He was known for scuba diving under his dredge to see what was going on. He also enjoyed archery, model airplanes, and martial arts besides judo. He was deeply involved with the Marine Corps League, and loved spending time with the Devil Pups, the Marine Corps League program for youth. He was active in his church.

Because of his Vietnam injuries, he was recognized for walking with shortened legs and his shoes backward for balance. He won many citations including The Gold Award,

signed by the USMC commandant in Washington, D.C.

Besides his wife, Chris Granville, of Selma, he is survived by his son, USMC Lance Cpl. John Joseph Granville, stationed in Okinawa, Japan; his four daughters, Stacey Seal and Sheila Reed, both of Portland, and JoAnna Gavlik and Marcie Granville, both of Selma; his sister, Judy Flores, of Cave Junction; and seven grandchildren. He was preceded in death by a grandson, Alex.

‘Ron’ Lewis

A memorial service for Ronald Ray “Ron” Lewis, 87, who died at his Cave Junction home Sunday, April 22, 2007, was held Monday, April 30 at Eagle Point National Cemetery.

Condolences can be made at www.since1928hull.com. Arrangements were handled by Illinois Valley Funeral Directors.

Mr. Lewis was born on Oct. 20, 1919 in Rector, Mo. In Salem, Mo. on Nov. 25, 1939, he married Lenore Williams, who died in 2000 after 60 years of marriage.

He owned an auto repair business, Lewis Garage, from 1946 until 1955. He moved to Cave Junction in 1955 and started Lewis Saw Shop, working until retirement. His son, Mark, is currently owner and operator of Lewis Power Equipment in Grants Pass.

Mr. Lewis worked for the Civilian Conservation Corps in Washington state, Oregon and California until he joined the U.S. Army during World War II. He served as a staff sergeant in Italy, helping to build bridges so that Allied troops could cross rivers.

He is survived by his son, Mark Lewis, of Grants Pass; two daughters, Sonja Harrison, of Riverside, Calif., and Carolyn Stauber, of Grants Pass; a sister, Juanita Price, of Katy, Texas; five grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Ruth Harland

Ruth Louise Harland, 88, of Grants Pass, died Sunday, April 29, 2007 at a health center in Grants Pass.

Arrangements are pending with Stevens Family Chapel.



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St. Patrick of the Forest Catholic Church

On the Fifth Sunday of Easter, May 6, the reading will be from John 13, which includes Jesus saying, “I give you a new commandment: Love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another. This is how all will know that you are my disciples, if you have love for one another.”

St. Patrick’s will feature a free Spring Concert Sunday, May 20 directed by Jean Robertson. A classical pianist, Father Harry Holwell, will play such pieces as *Finlandia*, *Pasthetique Sonata*, and *Barbiere Overture*, as well as pieces from Mozart, Bach, Handel and others. St. Pat’s “Harmonizers” also will perform.

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In our own time, there is a similar effort to help those less fortunate. College students during spring break, through campus ministry, have volunteered to help those affected by Hurricane Katrina, by removing trash and debris, mucking out houses contaminated by mud and helping to rebuild homes for those left homeless.

Dorcas could help the less fortunate in her time, and college students can do the same in ours, so what keeps us from lending a hand to those in need?

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