

With 400 more employed during May, Jo County jobless rate declined to 6.1%

Josephine County payroll employment gained 400 jobs during May, and the unemployment rate fell from 7.0 percent in April to 6.1 percent, said Oregon Employment Dept. (OED).

Josephine County's May jobless rate in 2007 was 5.9 percent.

Seasonal upturns in construction, and leisure and hospitality were responsible for most of last month's rise.

During the year, payroll employment fell by 140 jobs.

There were 2,161 people estimated as unemployed in the county's labor force of 35,374 during May.

After posting strong job growth through much of the 2000s, "the housing recession has come home to roost" in the county's manufacturing and construction sectors, said OED.

During the past 12 months, construction employment declined by 70 jobs. During that time, manufacturing employment fell nearly 7 percent, or a loss of 240 jobs. Reductions in wood product manufacturing jobs accounted for just less than half of those.

Not only does Josephine County have a high concentration of wood products manufacturing jobs, relative

to Oregon, but it also has many firms making household furniture, cabinets, furnishings such as sinks and doors, said OED. All these industry sectors bear some exposure to the nationwide slowdown in residential housing construction.

Retail trade gained 30 jobs throughout the month, but is essentially unchanged during the year. Financial activities employment also

rose by 30 jobs in May and is just above the year-before total. Health care and social assistance employment showed no change in May.

During the year, this sector gained 160 jobs with broad based gains in nursing and residential care as well as ambulatory health care services such as physician's offices, physical therapy facilities, and medical clinics and health centers. The job growth leader during the

past year was leisure and hospitality, up by 180 jobs.

New restaurants sprouting up like dandelions in the spring helped boost employment growth, OED said.

Despite a monthly uptick in local government jobs, during the year government fell by 130 jobs in Josephine County. Local government (-120) and state government (-20) employment were below May 2006 figures.

Obituaries

'Bernie' Cornett

Bernard L. "Bernie" Cornett, 75, of Cave Junction, died Monday, June 18, 2007 at his home.

A memorial service was held Friday, June 22 at Community Bible Church in Cave Junction with Pastor Dave Gordon officiating. Southern Oregon Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

Mr. Cornett was born Aug. 14, 1931 in Grand Rapids, Mich. He served in the U.S. Air Force. He came to Cave Junction in 1953 after five years service with the U.S. Air Force. On March 16, 1991, in Cave Junction, he married Jeanie C. Beem.

Mr. Cornett worked in the lumber industry, including being a "pond monkey" at the former Cabax Mill in Kerby.

He was a member of Community Bible Church. He volunteered for Head Start for 10 years and did volunteer work at his church. His hobbies were RV traveling, fishing, ball games, and his grandchildren.

Surviving are his wife, Jeanie, of Cave Junction; a son, Steven L. Cornett, of Reno, Nev.; a daughter, Teresa L. Nathan, of Hiouchi, Calif.; a brother, Robert Cornett, of Kerby; two step-daughters, DeAnn Russo, of Grants Pass, and Dersiee Casteel, of Brookings; 18 grandchildren; a niece; and two nephews.

Preceding him in death was his step-son, Darrin Firestenberg, and one sister.

Rick T. Quadrio

Rick Thomas Quadrio, 60, of Cave Junction, died Monday, June 11, 2007 at his home.

No service will be held. Illinois Valley Funeral Directors is in charge of arrangements. Remembrances may be

made to Veterans of Foreign Wars.

He was born to Joseph and Mary Quadrio on Aug. 2, 1946 in Willits, Calif. He served in the U.S. Army during the Vietnam War. On Jan. 17, 1987 in Milton, Wash., he married Rebecca Elaine Sawyer.

He worked as a heavy equipment operator in the logging industry, and operated a skidder and back hoe. Three years ago he moved from Vernonia, Ore. to Cave Junction.

Mr. Quadrio was a member of AARP. He enjoyed racing cars.

Surviving are his wife, Rebecca Quadrio, of Cave Junction; a son, Eric Quadrio, of Ukiah, Calif.; a daughter, Falina Quadrio, of Ukiah; two step-sons, Ron Maldonado, of Vernonia, and James Maldonado, of Phoenix, Ariz.; his father and step-mother, Joe and Martha Quadrio, of Silver Springs, Nev.; a sister, Mary Joe Quadrio; and seven grandchildren.

Anita Marie Yeoman

Anita Marie Yeoman, 46, of Selma, died Wednesday, June 13, 2007 in a motor vehicle accident on Redwood Hwy. near milepost 9.

A funeral Mass was celebrated Monday, June 25 at 11 a.m. at St. Anne Catholic Church in Grants Pass, with Father Bill Ryan of All Souls Catholic Church in Myrtle Creek presiding. Committal rites, specifically for family and close friends, will be at Deer Creek Cemetery in Selma.

Memorial contributions can be made to the Marla Modrich Scholarship Fund, St. Catherine of Siena Catholic Church, P.O. Box 277, Veneta OR 97487.

Mrs. Yeoman was born on June 18, 1960 to Eugene L. and Marla J. Modrich in Chicago, Ill. She moved to Selma in 1971 from Livermore, Calif.

She studied nursing at Southern Oregon College. On Nov. 10, 1984 in Lake Tahoe, Calif., she married William Murray Yeoman, who survives.

She worked as a registered nurse at Rogue Valley Medical Center in Medford; and later, she was sales manager of an emergency medical supplies firm.

Mrs. Yeoman was a member of St. Anne Catholic Church. She was a religious education teacher at St. Patrick of the Forest Catholic Church in Cave Junction. She also volunteered as a teacher's aide in local schools. For seven years, she was a member of the team preparing the women's retreat at St. Rita Retreat Center. She enjoyed animals, water skiing and, especially, being a mother.

Besides her husband, survivors are five daughters, Natasha Yeoman, of Eugene, Keltie, Raesha, McKenzie and McKayla Yeoman, all of Selma; two sons, Marcus Yeoman, of Selma, and Jason Yeoman, of Eugene; her father and step-mother, Eugene "Gene" and Alice Modrich, of Eugene; two brothers, Kevin Modrich, of Cave Junction, and Michael Modrich, of Junction City; and a grandson. Her mother, Marla Modrich, died Feb. 26, 2002.

'Betty' Fillyaw

A Celebration Gathering and potluck for Mary "Betty" Fillyaw, 84, who died Saturday, June 23, 2007, will be held Saturday, June 30 at 1 p.m. at Sportsman Tavern in Downtown Cave Junction.

Mrs. Fillyaw, of Cave Junction, died in a Grants Pass care center. A memorial service will be held Friday, July 6 at 11 a.m. at Eagle Point National Cemetery. Memorial contributions can be made to Rogue Valley Humane Society, P.O. Box 951, Grants Pass OR 97528.

She was born Feb. 2, 1923 in Erwin, Tenn. to Ross & Eula

Wilfong. Affectionately known as "Little Bit," she grew up with four sisters and a brother in Tennessee. She graduated from high school in Erwin, and moved to San Diego.

While moving around with her military husband, she worked as a clerk in military base stores. She retired from Rite Aid after 15 years. She moved to Cave Junction in 1989 from Poway, Calif. She was a member of VFW Women's Auxiliary.

Her hobbies included dancing, music and social activities with friends. She was an award-winning bowler. She also was known for dressing up, and for her love of animals, especially dogs. She is remembered as a loyal friend.

Surviving are her daughter, Gayle Werden, of Selma; a brother, Haskell Wilfong, of Venice, Fla.; a sister, Frances Howard, of Erwin; and a grandson. Condolences can be made to www.since1928hull.com.

Southern Oregon Cremation Services is in charge of arrangements.

Lois Jay Anderson

A funeral service for Kerby resident Lois Jay Anderson, 60, who died Friday, June 22, 2007, will be held at 2 p.m. Friday, June 27 at Hull & Hull Chapel in Grants Pass.



On behalf of the entire Richardson and Sambrana families, we would like to give a big heart-felt thank you to all the wonderful people in the community who have been so supportive and generous.

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H.D. YORK INSURANCE AGENCY

NOTICE

As of July 1st the local H.D. York Insurance office will be merging with the Grants Pass office. This merger will not affect your insurance in any way. You will be able to make your payments at the local SOFCU office at 103 S. Redwood Hwy.

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Worship - 11 a.m.
Sunday evening: 7 p.m.
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P.O. Box 1248
Pastor Rudie B. Neumann
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