

Arts & Entertainment

Outing to Chateau at Oregon Caves found delicious, entertaining

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For IVN

The temperature began to cool as my wife and I passed Grayback Campground on the drive up Caves Hwy. on the way to an evening of fine food and classical guitar music at the Chateau at Oregon Caves National Monument.

We were headed on Saturday, June 14 for an event presented by Illinois Valley Community Development Organization and the Jefferson Classical Guitar Society. It was a great opportunity to escape the heat from the valley floor and enjoy an evening out at the historic lodge.

As it turned out, our trip was a spur-of-the-moment jaunt, as we called the Chateau that day for reservations. Well, technically, we didn't call the Chateau because its phones still are not working due to vandals. But we spoke with someone who made dinner reservations for us, and off we drove up the winding road.

I wasn't planning on writing a food review. Dinner at any seasonal resort can be a gamble. With seasonal shifts in staff and management, one is never sure what to expect. Our experience at dinner this evening is worth comment.



(Photo by Josiah Dean)

We arrived at the unique dining room downstairs and told the young greeter of our delight at getting last-minute reservations. She scanned her list and informed us that the update from our call did not get to her.

Delightfully, before my blood pressure was able to rise much, our hostess smiled and said, "Well, that's not your fault, let's get you seated." And we were promptly escorted to a table overlooking a sun-filled canyon.

We began with the lemon garlic shrimp from the "primier" (sic) menu. The shrimp was presented quickly and was cooked to perfection, plus served with a delicious blend of lemon and garlic, not too overpowering in either. Hayden, our server with

small-town charm, suggested that we use our bread to dip the sauce, which we did.

The evening's enjoyment continued with our entrees. My wife ordered the halibut special, and I was intrigued by the savory bison meatloaf. The citrus Hollandaise sauce on the halibut was fresh and clean and complemented the fish nicely. While the fresh asparagus had its own, creamier, Hollandaise, my meatloaf came with tastefully seasoned mashed potatoes. And both were topped with a rich, flavorful gravy.

Our leisurely dinner did not afford us time for dessert, as the show was about to begin upstairs. My wife and I took the remains of the bottle of Foris' Cave Bear Red wine and took seats for the per-

formances.

The evening's concert opened with the talents of young Nathan Hoyt. Tentative at first, playing pieces by Andrew York, Hoyt opened up by the time he began his second block of songs.

At age 11, Hoyt uses a full-size guitar and makes use of all the acoustic effects of his instrument. The young virtuoso finished his set with a version of George Harrison's *Here Comes the Sun*, as the last flickers of the day shone into the Chateau lobby. He finished with a couple of strong traditional pieces that tested his capabilities.

Hoyt was followed on stage by his instructor, Joseph Thompson. He has been teaching Hoyt for the past five years.

The Chateau lobby was filled with more than two dozen spectators as Thompson introduced his first piece. The pipes of the venerable building, almost as if on cue, clanked and rattled -- and Thompson, unfazed, announced his first piece, "Simple Gifts, with hacksaw accompaniment." Fortunately, the racket died down as the master filled the room with a commanding, yet gen-

tle rendition of the classic tune.

Thompson then took the assembled audience through a wide range of pieces; from tangos to Bach. During his Spanish-influenced set, Thompson created varied feelings, from romantically smooth to passionately punctuated and then back again.

For the finale, Thompson brought out his student, and the two played together to the delight of the crowd.

The evening was a wonderful blending of fine food and superb entertainment.

Let's hope the Chateau can put together more reasons for locals to make the drive "up the hill."

Two-Light standings show Lewis Power, B&R/RW&B in first

Illinois Valley Golf Course is listing standings after five weeks of play in the I.V. Golf Association Men's Club Two-Light Golf competition.

Wednesday Two-Light

Sponsors, players and points:

1st, Lewis Power Equipment, Charlie McDonald and Mark Lewis, 49.

2nd, self-sponsored, Tony Morreale and Kit Fluck, 46.

3rd, Eagle Eye Signs/Dovetail Joint, Bill Bourne and Jerry Work, 44.

4th, Home Valley Bank, Kenny Lewis and Marv Ahlers, 44.

5th, Holland Store, Bob

Reis and Lou Trujillo, 39.

6th, Oregon Caves Chevron, Neil Josselyn and Thom Baker, 38.

7th, Michelle's Family Restaurant, Sean Hendricks and Rick Grosenbach, 30.

8th, Hometowne Interiors, Bob Hurt and Gene Chavez, 24.

9th, Rough & Ready Lumber Co., Carl Larson and John Ferguson, 19.

10th, Wild River Brewing & Pizza Co., Paul Bohey and David Angus, 16.

Monday Two-Light

1st, B&R and RW&B Concessions, Bill Hults and Roger Hults, 56.

2nd, Miller Construction,

Jay Miller and Paul Miller, 51.

3rd, Jerry's AAA Towing, Jerry Sommers and Ken Reinhart, 49.

4th, Taylor's Sausage, Chuck Taylor and Scott Taylor, 41.

5th, True Value Hardware, Neil Dierkes and Ron Hults, 39.

6th, Abraham Contracting, Mike Jones and Dan Klicker, 37.

7th, Lewis Power Equipment and Taylor's Sausage, Terry Reynolds and Terry Taylor, 36.

8th, M&M, Zach Morton and Wilbur Morton, 36.

9th, Sourdough Mining

Association, David Valenzuela and Zach Gary, 35.

10th, Rising Suns, Todd Johan and Jason Harrison, 34.

11th, Mike Hohm Productions, Mike Hohm and Gary Noleroth, 33.

12th, Clouser Drilling, Chuck Gill and Jason Gill, 30.

13th, A-Z Land Management, Moe Wylie and Rob Savage, 29.

14th, Crutchfield Construction, Dan Johnson and Jim Graham, 19.

15th, Real Estate Appraisal LLC, Paul Bodeving and Joe Krauss 14.

16th, Dave's Outdoor Power Equipment, Bob Muswieck and John Unger, 12.

Driver Ed slated at IVHS

A *High School Driver Training* course at Illinois Valley High School from July 14 through 31 is offered by Rogue Community College.

Classes will be held on Mondays and Thursdays from 8:45 to 11:30 a.m. As these classes will take place during the IVHS regularly scheduled summer school session, bus service will be available to participants.

An additional 12 hours of on the road driving instruction that does not coincide with the classroom schedule will be arranged between the instructor and students.

This course is available for a discounted tuition rate of \$217 for current high school or GED students under the age of 18 who have a learner permit, but do not yet have a

driver license. Students must receive their learner permit before the start of class.

IVHS students who already have a license, and those 18 or older, can take the class for \$427. The course may allow for discounts on student auto insurance. Students who successfully complete the *High School Driver Training* program will be eligible for a \$100 refund on their course tuition.

Payment plans are available.

For more information contact Jennifer Marsden at 226-6368. To register for the class phone RCC at 956-7116. The course title is *High School Driver Training* (course number .499, section T1, CRN 1180731).

Club & Organization Notes

I.V. Garden Club

A potluck picnic for members will be held Saturday, June 21 beginning at noon at "Amelia's" in O'Brien. Beverages will be provided. Attendees are to bring a potluck item, table service and chairs. For more information: 592-4257.

The club will resume monthly meetings in September.

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Saturday, June 28
Jubilee Park
Cave Junction

With
Nicole Navarro & Band
11-2

Masons Breakfast	7-11
Registration	8-11
FREE Health Screenings by Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation	8-4
Eastern Star Lunch	11-?
Show & Shine	Noon-4
Bicycle Drawing	2:30
Trophies & Awards	3 p.m.
50/50 & Raffle Drawings throughout the day	

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Friday, June 27

5-8 p.m.

Information: 541-592-2800

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- Yanase Jewelers
- Hampton's Rock Shop
- Kauffman Wood Products
- It's a Burl
- Dove Tail Joint
- Kerbyville Farm
- Kerbyville Museum

Southern Oregon Guild Gallery

WINES BY:

- Bridgeview Vineyards
- Windridge/Bendock Estate Wines
- Draper Valley Vineyard

EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, June 18

- Karaoke, 8 p.m. at Art's Red Garter

Thursday, June 19

- Live music, 6-9 p.m. at Nacho Mama's

Friday, June 20

- David Angus, 5:30 p.m. at Taylor's Country Store
- DJ Jammer Dave, 9 p.m. at Art's Red Garter

Saturday, June 21

- Open mic, 6-9 p.m. at Nacho Mama's
- DJ Jammer Dave, 9 p.m. at Art's Red Garter

Sunday, June 22

- Karaoke, 8 p.m. at Art's Red Garter

PHONE 592-2541 TO ADD AN EVENT TO THIS CALENDAR.

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CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

- Son of Abijah
- Portion
- Female
- Oven (Scot.)
- Hindu stringed instrument
- Toward shelter
- Sheep disease
- Spirit (2 words)
- Camelot lady
- Varnish ingredient
- Straw braid
- Confusion
- Occasional
- Counsel
- Rocket fuel
- Friend of Pythias
- Turk. title
- Galatea's beloved
- Redo
- Pleasant-smelling bean
- Tooth pulp
- Mountain on Crete
- Spoken
- Aura
- Tumor (suf.)
- Lank
- Very (Ger.)
- Pronoun contraction
- Consecrated
- Door part
- Indo-Chin. people

DOWN

- Rhine tributary
- Condition (suf.)
- Serum
- Television channel
- Objective
- Genetic letters
- Lofly
- Chilean volcano
- Peak
- Body of water
- Serum (pref.)

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

BAC KAGO WRAP
OPE ALEA IAMB
NIB KITH DIBS
NAURU EDEN
URGE UNCAS
WISE RAFF OCA
RPM COVEY ATA
ASA OGEE ETAL
PELEE SLAP
LALO LAMIA
BEER GOAL ADC
ABEL RANA CEA
ABLY ETAL HAD

17 Science class
19 Daughters of the American Revolution (abbr.)
22 Son of Zilpah
23 "Cantique de Noel" composer

24 Marsh
26 Castor (2 words)
27 Restive
28 Shak. king
29 Lath
30 Little: music
31 Industrial fuel
35 Grandfather of Saul
38 Gaunt
40 Egg (pref.)
42 Amer. Dental Assn. (abbr.)
45 Sweetshop
47 E. Indian tanning tree
48 New sugarcane shoot
49 Number (suf.)
50 Electric unit
51 Trouble
52 Amazon tributary
53 Exclamations of delight
54 Ultimate degree

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