

Arts & Entertainment

Cool glass, hot trike ready for Art Walk

By JUDY HOYLE

Glass artist Dave Kendall's work can be found in more than 200 stores in nearly every state in the Union.

He founded Freedonia Glassworks in New York (playfully named for a mythical nation in a Marx Brothers' film), which became Kendall Art Glass by the time he moved to Illinois Valley. The Featured Artist for October's Second Friday Art Walk grew up in New Jersey, where he formed a deep appreciation for graphic and performing arts.

He'll be at Illinois Valley Visitor Center from 5 to 8 p.m. on Friday, Oct. 10.

Regarding his early days, he recalls, "I had the incredible fortune to study music with Edwin Finckel, a composer and jazz pianist." Under Finckel's tutelage, he developed an ability and love for playing jazz and ragtime piano.

Later, as a student at Goddard College in Vermont, he studied the world history of manmade glass objects dating back 4,000 years and discovered his gift for glassblowing and hot glass work. That experience formed the basis for his career and life-long passion.

"Hot glass seems to have a life of its own," Kendall explains. "Creating a piece and bringing it to completion is an immensely rewarding experience, made more interesting by the narrow time frame available before the glass cools."

Upon graduation, apprenticed with Art Reed of Sweetwater Glass, while creating his own body of work on the side. As his reputation grew, he successfully showed and sold his work in the eastern United States.

In 1985 Kendall built his own glassmaking studio on the Illinois Valley property where he and his family now live. Longtime community supporters, he and his wife, Susan, operate a successful home-based retail and wholesale glassblowing business with up to four employees, depending on the season.

As we toured his spacious studio, Kendall described the glassblowing



Loren Conner's customized trike. (Photo by Linda Corey-Woodward)

process. Fine-crystal "batch" is melted in a furnace at 2,300 degrees F, then gathered on a metal blowpipe. Rich colors are added and formed into unique patterns. Then the piece is mouth-blown and shaped free-hand without molds, using gravity, centrifugal force and hand tools at the bench.

When the piece is formed to the artist's specifications, it's annealed (slowly cooled), which makes the glass durable. Once cooled and inspected, each unique piece is signed and dated by the artist.

Today, the Kendall's two sons, Spencer and Benjamin, also work in the studio and have created their own distinctive line of night lights, which have become popular gift items.

For further information, visit kendallartglass.com.

Conner Trike, Chalk Art Among Other Features

Also during Art Walk, Featured Guest Loren Conner will exhibit his 1928 Dodge trike at Subway Restaurant in the second of a three-part series on the Art of Invention. This flashy vehicle was designed, built and painted during a four-year period by Conner, his wife, Patricia, and friends.

The trike already has captured awards in Cave Junction, Grants Pass and Medford. Conner, owner of Mobile Home Customizing and Conner Construction, selected a 2000cc Porsche engine to power the trike and enclosed it with handcrafted sheet metal.

The headlight is from a 1913 REO (Ransom E. Olds

from which came the name Oldsmobile), and the tail lights are from a 1914 Model-T. During the past three years, the Conners have garnered trophies and awards in six different states and won second place in the 2006 National Trike Championship in Branson, Mo. It also was featured in *Trike Magazine*, official publication of the worldwide "Brothers of the Third Wheel."

Although many saw the trike when Conner rode it in the I.V. Lions Club Labor Day Parade, few have had the opportunity to see the complex paint job up close. The Conners selected six "True-Fire" paint colors and artfully blended them as "flames"

The bird is the word ...

By HARRY JOHNSON

During the next couple of months we're going to talk about bird-watching and the why, the where and the how of it here in Illinois Valley.

We'll do a Q&A series on birds and their behavior.

I hope to inspire you to start looking at the birds in your yard in a different way. There may be a young bird-watcher out there just waiting for the right push.

Lingering Hummingbirds

Every year around Labor Day one of the most common questions asked of bird specialist is, "When should I take down my hummingbird feeder down?" The short and simple answer is, don't. The truth is that these feisty little birds will leave when it is time to, regardless of food availability.

The urge to migrate is stronger than any sugar water

into a dozen different hues as they air-brushed the body and fenders of the trike.

For a peek and more information, see the front-page article in the Aug. 27 issue of *Illinois Valley News*.

For the first time in Cave Junction, sidewalk chalk drawings will be demonstrated at the Josephine County Bldg. at Hwy. 199 and Lister Street between 5 and 7 p.m.

Local artist, teacher and business owner Noralene Harland and friends will show visitors this process.

From 7 to 9 at the county building, the *Jen Ambrose Band* will play dance music for a special Halloween Costume Party & Bake Sale. This is a fund-raiser for the Illinois River Valley Arts Council (IRVAC) program, "Learning Through Art." Admission is \$10, but anyone wearing a costume can attend for half-price.

Second Friday Art Walk is sponsored by IRVAC with support from Evergreen Federal Bank, Cabin Chemistry, Jefferson State Financial Group and R.H. Ziller & Co. For more information visit irvac.com.

you put out. Here in O'Brien we've kept feeders in six locations, and the daily bird count is getting smaller and smaller by the day. The food is here; the birds are not.

By leaving a feeder up in winter, you have a chance of hosting a rare wintering hummingbird, even here in Oregon. The birds do not stay because of the feeders; the feeders just makes them more visible. It's been found that the birds will move south when the weather becomes too inhospitable.

The most common wintering hummingbird is the rufous hummingbird. There's little competition for food during winter. Female rufous hummingbirds are often loyal to a wintering site. It's not uncommon to see a male pushing the envelope and staying near the female during winter. There are studies on DNA of female rufous hummingbirds who winter in the north, pass that genetic information on to offspring.

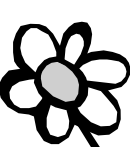
Some people think that these birds were somehow blown off course or were confused. They would try to rescue them. With new data we can see that these birds not only know exactly where they are and how to get back home, but also can find their way back home again the following year.

It is true that some birds do not migrate because they are physically unable to do so, or there is something else wrong with them. As hard as it is to see, the best thing you can do is, let Nature take its own course.

(Q&A's and tips are out of *Bird Watchers Digest* written by Julia Elliott.)

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EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, Oct. 1

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

Thursday, Oct. 2

- Karaoke, 9 p.m. at Junction Inn / Timber Room Lounge

Friday, Oct. 3

- Tim & Michelle, 5:30 p.m. at Taylor's Country Store

- Ross Welcome & Sam Kurz, 7-10 p.m. at McGrew's Restaurant & Lounge in O'Brien

- DJ Jammer Dave, 9 p.m. at Art's Red Garter

- DJ "Dance Night", 9 p.m. at Junction Inn / Timber Room Lounge

Saturday, Oct. 4

- Carlos Restaurante presents LIVE MUSIC 5 to 8 p.m.

- Karaoke featuring Wayne & Donna Whitfield, and Van, 7-10 p.m. at McGrew's in O'Brien

- DJ Jammer Dave, 9 p.m. at Art's Red Garter

Sunday, Oct. 5

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

Monday, Oct. 6

- Karaoke, 9 p.m. at Junction Inn / Timber Room Lounge

Tuesday, Oct. 7

- Karaoke, 9 p.m. at Junction Inn / Timber Room Lounge



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THURSDAY, OCT. 2

* Freestyle wrestling - weight room: 3:30 p.m.

* Soccer - at Brookings Harbor Varsity boys: 4 p.m.

* Football - vs. North Valley Soph/Frosh: 5:00 p.m.

* Volleyball - vs. Klamath Union Junior Varsity girls: 5:15 p.m. Varsity girls: 6:30 p.m.

FRIDAY, OCT. 3

* Football - at North Valley Varsity: 7 p.m.

SATURDAY, OCT. 4

* Soccer - vs. North Valley Varsity boys: 10 a.m.

* Soccer - at Mazama Junior Varsity girls: 1 p.m.

MONDAY, OCT. 6

* 21st Century basketball: 6 p.m.

TUESDAY, OCT. 7

* Freestyle wrestling - weight room: 3:30 p.m.

* Soccer - vs. Brookings Hrbr. Junior Varsity girls: 4 p.m.

* Volleyball - at Hidden Valley Junior Varsity girls: 5:15 p.m. Varsity girls: 6:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY, OCT. 8

* Fall sports pictures - all day

* Army recruiter: 12:22 p.m.

* 21st Century salsa dancing: 3:30 p.m.

* 21st Century basketball: 6 p.m.

Country Breakfast

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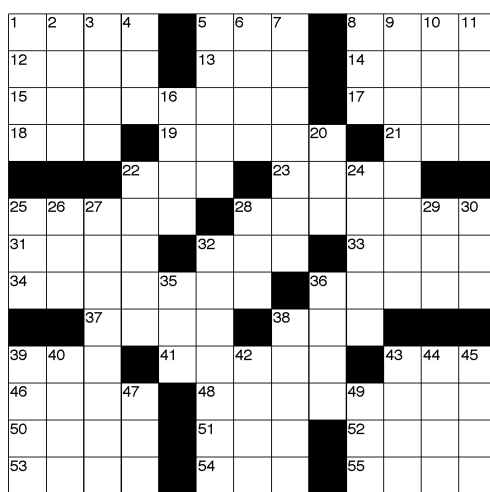
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- Have debts
- Diplomacy
- Time period
- Bled
- Three-banded armadillo
- Vega (2 words)
- Elworm
- Month abbr.
- Pokeweed
- King (Sp.)
- Move a camera
- Nub
- Yellow
- Poseidon
- Bare
- Lugubrious
- Of the mouth
- Shaped like a club
- Realm
- Wither
- Chairman (abbr.)
- Tablespoon (abbr.)

DOWN

- P.I. food
- Iodine source
- Possessive pronoun
- Compass direction
- Eng. dramatist
- Women's Army Aux. Corps (abbr.)
- Irate
- Buff

ANSWER TO PREVIOUS PUZZLE

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