

Arts & Entertainment

Membership drive speaks volumes

In its first membership drive since reopening the Grants Pass Branch of the library system in December, Josephine Community Libraries Inc. (JCLI) raised more than \$88,000.

The drive began on April 12 with National Library Week and ended on May 17, the anniversary of the closure of the Josephine County Library system in 2007.

“Our goal for this drive was \$100,000,” explained Nancy Hitchcock, co-chairman with Elayne Smith of the spring membership drive. “We’re thrilled that we came so close to our fund-raising goal, especially in this difficult economy.”

JCLI has modeled its fund-raising after public television and public radio, so the membership drive is critical

to the sustainability of library operations.

“The results of this membership drive show without doubt that the people of Josephine County love and support our libraries,” stated Russell Long, library director.

The results of the membership drive have also reassured the JCLI Board of Directors that its goal of opening the branches in Illinois Valley, Williams, and Wolf Creek by the end of 2009 will be feasible in the long term, said JCLI.

Public libraries that were operated by Josephine County closed on May 17, 2007. In September 2007, committed community members formed JCLI, a nongovernmental, nonprofit organization dedicated to reopening and operating the libraries

using a public radio/public television membership model. The main branch of the library opened in December 2008.

The main branch, at 200 N.W. C St. in Grants Pass, is open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 4 to 8 p.m.; Wednesdays and Fridays from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.; and Saturdays from noon to 4 p.m. People interested in getting involved with the library effort can e-mail info@josephinelibrary.org.

Those interested in becoming a member can send their check or money order payable to “Josephine Community Libraries” to P.O. Box 1684, Grants Pass OR 97528; or make a secure donation on the Website, josephinelibrary.org.



Some 15 people turned out on Saturday, May 30 at the Josephine County Bldg. in Downtown Cave Junction for a ribbon-cutting ceremony to mark the kick-off of first year the American Cancer Society's Relay For Life in Illinois Valley. (From left) Skip Temple, Susan Hatch, a Relay

For Life committee member and Betty Bice did the honors. After the ribbon-cutting, a group of motorcyclists rode through town festooned with purple ribbons to raise cancer awareness. (Photo by Scott Jorgensen, *Illinois Valley News*)

Pack train demo bound for Oregon Caves June 20, 21

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ried in days long past. The route into the monument will provide plenty of photo opportunities for visitors.

This event is sponsored by Back Country Horsemen of Oregon (BCHO), Sourdough Chapter, located in Illinois Valley. Members will staff an information booth near the Caves Chateau, according to Sourdough Chapter President Dick Butler. Pack train demonstrators, the Applebakers and Eek, are members of their Klamath Falls chapter of BCHO.

tions, from Cave tours and gift shops to dining and lodging, and hiking through old-growth forests. Park rangers can answer questions about the discovery, geology and ecology of the Caves. Informative maps and books are available in the Chateau Gift

Gallery to help visitors appreciate the wildlife, geology, plants and history of the monument area.

The pack train event is part of the celebration of the Monument's 100th anniversary this year. Volunteers from BCHO will be dressed

in period costume and will be doing what they did 100 years ago — carrying people and supplies to the Caves.

For more information, phone I.V. Visitor Center at 592-3400 or email Williams at viajerosranch2001@yahoo.com.

Backyard bird watching with Harry



During the past week the Illinois Valley was rocking & rolling, and I don't mean Elvis came to visit. Cheryl and I sat on our porch and watched the show. While sitting, I noticed the total lack of birds at my feeders, but my hummers never stopped or slowed down. I guess the larger birds are the smart ones. It was hailing and raining pretty hard at one point, and those little hummers just kept darting back and forth. I hope you all came through the storms with little or no problems.

The keys to Hummingbird success:

Hummingbirds are extremely loyal to feeding sites. A hummingbird that feeds in your yard one year will return to that feeder the next year. If you are not attracting as many hummers as you want, read on.

Male hummingbirds are very territorial, so one key is to offer lots of feeders. There's a large variety of hummingbird feeders available. If you want to do hummingbird feeders there are TWO Cardinal rules; Rule #1, keep the feeder CLEAN and the nectar FRESH. Hummingbirds know when your nectar is going bad and will keep their distance from fermenting nectar.

Bees and wasps can be deterred by using a saucer-style hummingbird feeder. You can keep ants out of your feeder by using a glob of Vaseline on the wire you hang the feeder on. Those

same saucer-style feeders have ant moats that can be filled with water.

Using a clear glass or plastic hummingbird feeder that is red at the base with home-made (fresh) nectar is best. Remember that the nectar doesn't have to be red. It's the feeder that should have the red on it to attract the hummers. It's better to have multiple feeders that are smaller, than one big feeder. This will reduce the chance that one hummingbird will dominate the feeder and chase off others.

When first putting out a feeder, it may be best to put it away from your house and in an area visible from the house, but less distracting. Feeders near houses are less likely to be seen. Additionally, movement from inside the house may scare away the hummingbirds. Once you have hummingbirds visiting your feeder, you may wish to move it closer to your house for better viewing.

I hope this helps you keep those beautiful hummers in your yard. We'll talk about hummers and how to attract them in future articles.

If you wish to contact me about your hummers and any new ideas you may have, you can contact me at birdwatching@frontiernet.net. I look forward to hearing from you.

Don't forget to join me at Michelle's Restaurant Saturday mornings around 8:30 for a great breakfast. I hope to see you there.

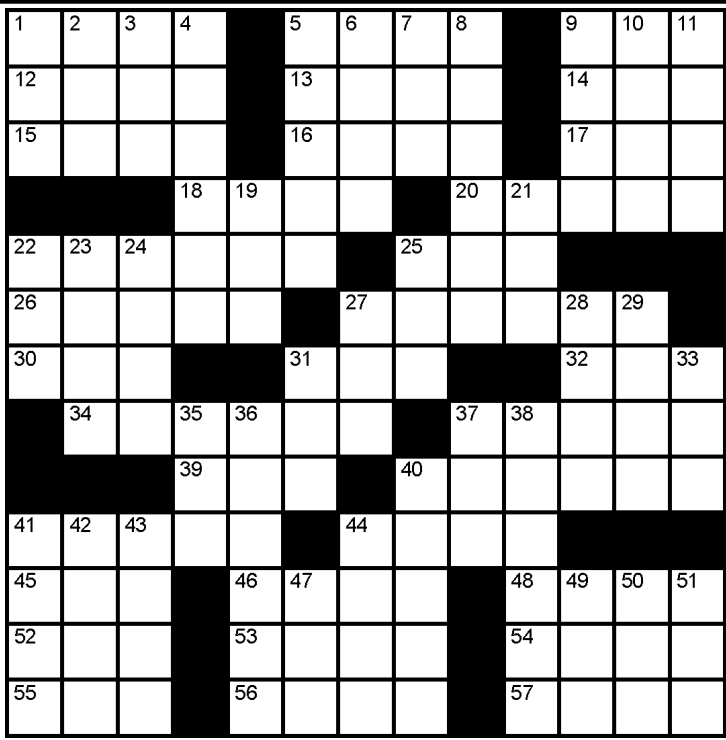


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Across
1. Secondhand
5. Drench
9. Lingerie item
12. Heroic tale
13. Against
14. Poke fun
15. Particle
16. Flower stalk
17. "It's no ___!"
18. Mexican currency
20. Eight
22. Angioplasty target
25. African antelope
26. Steam bath
27. Console
30. Family
31. Ump's call
32. Entirely
34. Dilly-dally
37. Hesitate
39. Assist
40. Young raptor
41. Winter wear
44. Wheel connector
45. Spicy
46. Almanac tidbit
48. ___ tide
52. "Much ___ About Nothing"
53. Repeat
54. Chip's cartoon chum
55. Opening
56. Fishing rod attachment
57. Length x width

Down
1. ___ Today
2. Be seated
3. Sense of self
4. Moist
5. Impudent
6. "I'm ___ your tricks!"
7. Had a bite
8. Japanese robe
9. Very dry, as wine
10. Acclivity
11. Assist
19. Baseball stat
21. Director's cry
22. Inquire
23. Surprise attack
24. Yellowfin, e.g.
25. Acquired
27. Litigate
28. Cart away
29. "If all ___ fails ..."
31. Ancient
33. Allow
35. Armed conflict
36. Disagree
37. Chum
38. Docket
40. Glorify
41. Carpet type
42. Finale
43. At the peak of
44. Hurt
47. High card
49. Sense organ
50. Hearty brew
51. ___ green

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Seriously.

24th Annual Antique Tractor & Engine Show at Pottsville

Saturday, June 20, 9 to 5 Sunday, June 21, 9 to 4:30

Food Booths - Flea Market - Miniature Railroad - Pony Rides - Hand Pumpers - Spinning, Weaving, Quilting, Broom Making, Blacksmithing

Raffle - John Deere kid's ride-on vehicle

Drawing at 2010 show:
1940 Fairbanks Morse
7hp Engine

For information,
phone (541) 479-2981



EVENTS CALENDAR

Wednesday, June 10
- Karaoke, 8 p.m. at Art's Red Garter
Friday, June 12
- Dale Hopper, 5:30 p.m. at Taylor's Country Store
- Art Jam performance by David Angus and Michael Taylor, 6:30 p.m. at Nacho Mamas
- Original folk music with Ross Welcome and Sam Kurz, 7-10 p.m. at McGrew's Restaurant & Lounge in O'Brien
- Moon & the Lunatics, 8:30 p.m. at Junction Inn - no cover charge!
- DJ Jammer Dave, 9 p.m. at Art's Red Garter
Saturday, June 13
- DJ Jammer Dave, 9 p.m. at Art's Red Garter
Sunday, June 14
- Karaoke, 8 p.m. at Art's Red Garter

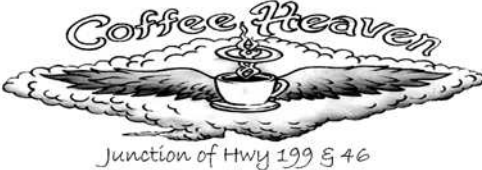
Save the Date:
Tuesday, July 7 & July 14,
6:30 p.m. Songwriters Circle
at Nacho Mamas



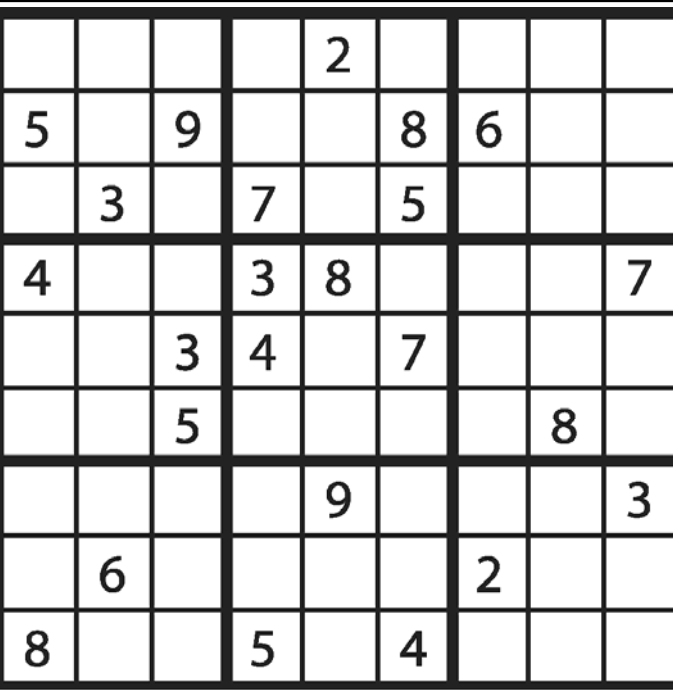
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How to Play Sudoku

- Each of the numbers from 1 to 9 should only be placed once in each column.
- Each number from 1 to 9 can be placed only once in each row.
- The numbers 1 to 9 can appear only once in each 3 x 3 grid

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