

Lions Club put the heat in hot rods

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The Cave Junction Lion's Club successfully hosted their Classic Car Show in Jubilee Park Saturday, June 24 and is nearing its 20th year of operation. Though car owner and spectator attendance was unusually low, and vendor count even lower, many still came out to experience the event in 106 degree weather. It is theorized that many of the vendors attended the Barter Faire in Selma instead which, after changing the date, had its event the same weekend as the car show.

The new president of the club, Sherry Overstreet, said that her main goal for the moment is to get new members. The club has recently taken a downturn in

membership and has lost all but five members. Admittedly, club officials said that they would not have been able to host the event without help from other clubs and volunteers.

Overstreet herself is somewhat of a newcomer to the club and has only been participating for about two years before shooting to the top and becoming president. The show, which features antique and classic cars from 1987 and older, fundraised around \$150 which will be spread amongst several organizations though the club's main focus is vision correction.

The money is primarily donated via registration fees from car owner's vehicles with a little extra coming from the businesses that buy the trophies. In total, 42 cars and

their owners showed up, out of the 48 who registered. The club distributes flyers to car clubs primarily in California and Oregon.

"There's only one person who's worked it before in the club," Vice President Nina Horsley said, pointing out the chaotic and undermanned effort, "The rest of us are new so we're just learning it." Compounding their lack of manpower and collective inexperience, many of the members have physical limitations which made the task even more difficult. Additionally, Harry Johnson, a crucial member of the club, recently died and his wife Cheryl who suffered injuries from a ladder incident which have made her temporarily unable to do physical labor.

"There's no way us five could have done it. So we

do the best we can, but on a car show day we definitely need bodies out there and having bodies, whether they're physically limited or not, is a great blessing," Horsley said. In total, they had 15 volunteers assist them at the event which included members of the Illinois Valley Lions, Brookings' Harbor Lions, the Redwood Lions, plus the Masons and the Order of the Eastern Star which did breakfast and lunch respectively.

"I just want to thank everybody from the community and all the people that showed up with their cars for coming and participating on such an extremely hot day and making it a wonderful event," Horsley concluded, hoping next year has a better turnout and the club gains a few new members.



(Photo by Birdy for the Illinois Valley News)

Miles Tandy watches with amazement one of the fire dancers at the 2017 Barter Faire.

Parks ponder fee change due to recent vandalism

Josephine County Parks has seen an increase in Park Fee Box vandalism over the past couple of weeks. The Parks Department is self-funded and relies on the public paying for the services they use. Fees include overnight camping, shelter reservations and day use.

Since Tuesday, June 27, all three fee boxes at Fish Hatchery were pried open. The vandal could not have made out with too much money, as Parks has been prioritizing collecting fee envelopes on a daily basis. The latest fee box was pried open overnight at Fish Hatchery North and was discovered at 9 a.m. on Saturday, July 1. That box had fee envelopes collected the day before, an estimated \$5-\$30 may have been in the box. The fee boxes cost about \$500 each. Occasionally the entire box needs to be replaced, other times staff can work to repair the fee boxes, but often takes several days to get it back in working order.

In addition to the boxes being pried open, there are two additional vandals that are repeatedly hitting boxes across the park system.

One individual nicknamed the "Sticky Bandit" uses a very sticky substance to attempt to fish fee envelopes out of the boxes. He/she may occasionally get an envelope or two, but for the most part this person just make a huge mess. Until our park staff identifies which boxes need to be cleaned, the public can experience their envelopes having a hard time being dropped into the box.

Another individual has been trying to drill out the locks at the boxes, and has only been successful in opening the box one time, although he has destroyed at least six locks in the past two months.

Along with the small decline in revenue, there is the continual expense of supplies and staff time to repair damages. With only five full-time park rangers

and a handful of summer park aides, staff are having a hard time completing other necessary work. For instance, Indian Mary only just had sprinklers turned on last week, which normally would have been in a month ago - and two parks are still in need of irrigation being hooked up. Every day park needs at our 20 various locations are being re-prioritized and what was on the top of the list yesterday, may not receive attention for another week.

Along with the vandalism to fee box, a lot of parks and not being respected by day users. Fish Hatchery is seeing the most amount of issues this last week. A truck load of trash and tires were dumped at Fish Hatchery South, discovered on Wednesday, June 28. Not all individuals are using the trash receptacles onsite and Parks is getting complaints about litter being left on the river banks and in the parking lots.

Additionally, there are a lot of individuals not complying with day use fees. At the three Fish Hatchery locations, 15 citations were written in a 1 hour period on June 29, in addition to a hand-full of other people paying at the fee box once they saw other people receiving citations. Parks understands that \$5 per day can add up over the summer, which is why we are strongly urging everyone who uses parks to simply buy a \$30 Annual Day Use Parking Pass.

The Parks director and staff will be discussing options with the Parks Advisory Board over the next week. Some sites may need to be closed temporarily so that Parks staff can focus on providing quality service to the sites that have no vandalism and paying customers. Another option may be to stop accepting \$5 day use fees and change policies so that only those with Annual Day Use Parking Passes can use the sites; anyone not in compliance would receive a \$260 citation. Parks doesn't want to have to go with either of these options, but may not have a choice.

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