

Get on the air with amateur radio!

Join the members of both of the local Amateur Radio Clubs in the Valley for a combined event!

The Rogue Valley Amateur Radio Club (RVARC) and the Cascade Amateur Radio Enthusiasts (C.A.R.E.) Club are joining forces again this year for the national Amateur Radio Field Day, June 23 – 24 at ScienceWorks, 1500 E Main St, Ashland, OR 97520. Visit our "Get On The Air" booth and try out "Ham Radio" for yourself, contacting radio operators from across the nation and around the

world!

This is a free outdoor event, open to the public. This will be the 83rd field day for the RVARC, and all operators will be relying on solar/wind power or generators, with no access to the power grid. The activities begin at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 23 in the fields adjacent to the ScienceWorks building and continue overnight until 11 a.m. Sunday, June 24.

Jackson County Amateur Radio Emergency Services (JCARES) will be bringing out its emergency

van to offer the public the chance to see a mobile base of operations that is actually used here in the Valley during emergency situations.

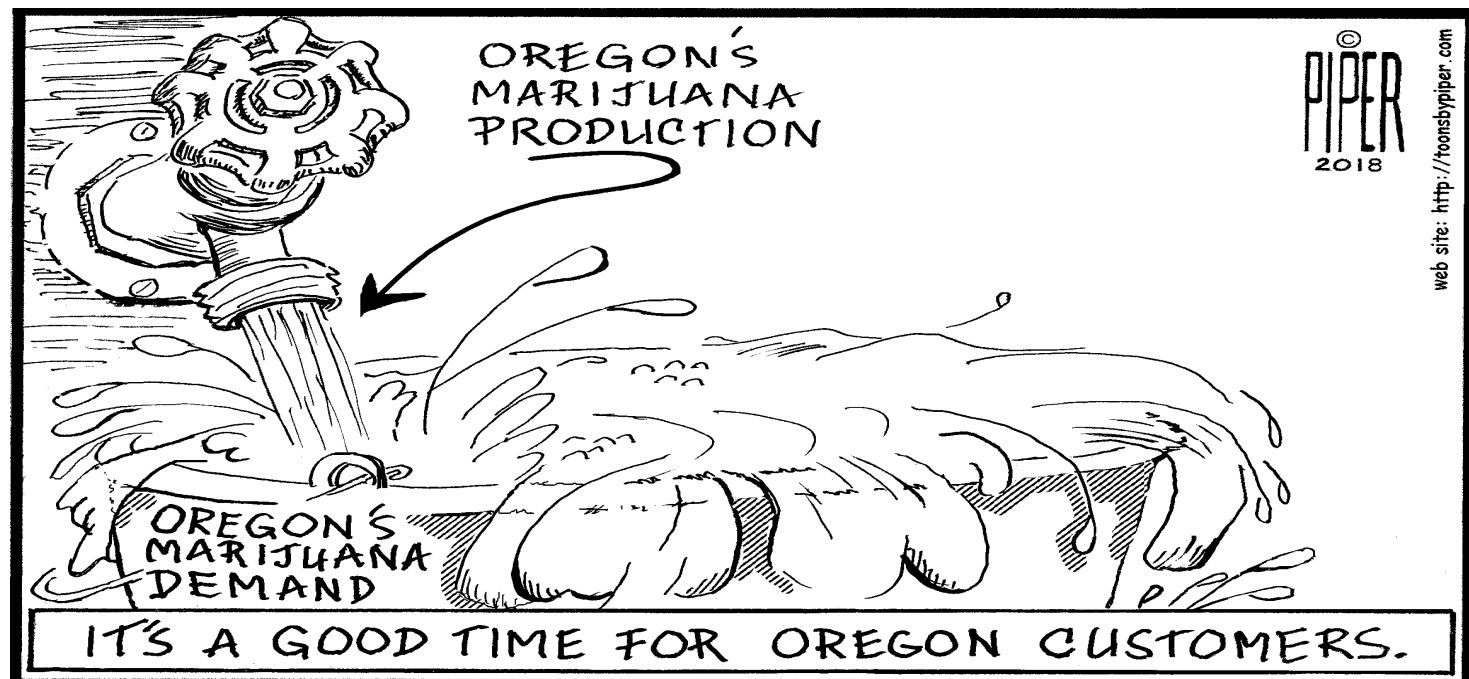
Since 1933, ham radio operators across North America have established temporary ham radio stations in public locations during Field Day to showcase the science and skill of Amateur Radio, and to practice being prepared in case of emergency to communicate via radio. This event is open to the public and all are encouraged to attend.

For over 100 years, Amateur Radio — sometimes called "Ham" radio — has allowed people from all walks of life to experiment with electronics and communications techniques, as well as provide a free public service to their communities during a disaster, all without needing a cell phone or the Internet. Field Day demonstrates ham radio's ability to work reliably under any conditions from almost any location and create an independent communications network. There are currently over 751,000 operators in

the U.S. alone, and approximately three million worldwide.

For general information about Field Day, visit www.arrl.org/what-is-ham-radio.

For more specific information about the event at ScienceWorks, email clh143@yahoo.com, or call Curt Hadley (KF7VZV) at 541-261-2648. (Please leave a message if not answered.) Curt is also available for interviews on-air, or for print articles. You can also visit www.carehamradio.com.



Letters to the editor

Illinois Valley News welcomes letters to the editor. Please e-mail them to dan@illinois-valley-news.com

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(Editor's Note: Views and commentary, including statements

made as fact are strictly those of the letter writers.)

We have met the enemy and he is us!

The bitching and moaning about the collapse of the recycling market almost always targets someone else. Maybe it's the Chinese, maybe it's the disposal and recycling companies. But if we genuinely seek responsibility, we need look no further than our own neighborhood.

'Recycling' is one leg of a stool that reduces

the environmental impact of our consumption. The other legs are 'reducing' and 'reusing.' For too many years we thought that recycling allowed us to continue our obscene consumptive excesses. This was always an illusion! Until we recognize that we live on a finite planet with finite resources and a finite capacity to process our waste, we will behave unsustainably; we'll destroy the planet that future generations need to survive.

The second recycling problem is that we and our

neighbors are not following the rules. When we throw garbage and non-recyclable materials in that bin, we contaminate it such that it cannot be recycled, and neither can the rest of the load from our neighborhood. The entire load ends up in the landfill and it's our fault.

So, check that you're following SOS's recycling rules and check your neighbor's bins... and then advise them if they are culprits.

Alan Journet
Jacksonville

Reader informs of program

In reply to the letter to the editor, "Roundup Made My Cat Sick." There is a Public Works program to stop herbicide spraying along road right-of-ways adjacent to an owner's property. It is under the "Integrated Vegetation Management Program," "Request not to apply herbicides for vegetation and agreement to maintain roadside vegetation." This is a free contract between the property owner and Public Works and is renewed

annually by Public Works who will send a property owner a form to be filled out, signed and returned to them. The property owner is required to post two "Owner Maintains" signs, one on each end of their property. We have had this permit since 2010.

The Public Works phone number is 541-474-5460. There is also a similar program available from ODOT. I hope this information will help your readers.

Linda Ebert
Selma, OR.

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Save the date

June 23 IVHS Chili Cook off Canceled

June 24

*Rusk Nature Center invites all residents to visit the Butterfly Pavilion, children's playground and picnic area for FREE today, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

June 25

Fire Season Preparedness Meeting
FIRE SEASON PREPAREDNESS & Crime Watch Meeting, MONDAY, JUNE 25, 6 TO 8 p.m., AT WILD RIVER PIZZA, in Cave Junction, back room. Our WILD FIRE PREPAREDNESS PLANNING session will include the latest updates on conditions, local resources and networking efforts. We face an unprecedented Fire Season and may reach Extreme Conditions before July 4. Each neighborhood in wooded areas are in danger. An exceptionally long and dry season is unfolding. We will have short presentations from IV Fire, ODF and from the Forest Service "Era of MegaFire" presentation held May 30 via youtube. Then discuss plans to help our neighborhoods. Join us for pizza and root beer. Feel free, or obligated, to contact us at ivwatch541@gmail.com or phone Guenter 541-415-1929 for an emergency preparedness packet. We will be glad to visit you and your neighbors to help.

June 29 & 30

Eight Dollar Mountain Land Stewardship Project June 29 & 30, 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
Meet at NF-4201, Selma, OR 97538 Park at the Green Bridge.
Description: Spend a weekend in the

Eight Dollar Mountain botanical area and participate in a land stewardship project to assess and take action on illegal OHV (Off Highway Vehicle) use and issues with the Rogue-River Siskiyou National Forest, KS Wild, and the Illinois Valley Conservation District and Watershed Council to protect the botanical diversity in these rare serpentine landscapes. Expect low/moderate intensity hiking, sign installation, photo assessment and gps documentation.

Things participants should bring? Dress in layers with long pants and sleeves, prepare for sun, bring your camera, wear sturdy closed toed shoes, and please bring a lunch, snacks and plenty of water. And if you're so inclined bring your camping gear and spend the night!

Any questions or for further inquiry email: altee@kswild.org or visit kswild.org

June 30

*Dedication of the IVHS Track to Janie Pope Memorial Track, Saturday, June 30 at 2 p.m.

Summer Reminders

*I.V. Library's Summer Reading Program 2018, June 23 thru August 4. Sign-ups begin Saturday, June 23 and continue throughout the 6 week program ending on Saturday, August 4 with our musical storytime puppet show, wrap-up party and prize giveaway! Weekly Craft & Storytime, Saturdays 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. Free Lunch Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays at 12:00 pm for children 18 and under beginning June 21. Josephine Community Library District, I.V. Branch, 209 W Palmer St, CJ, 541-592-4778.

*Kids Eat Free: Three Rivers School District Summer meal sites for 2018. Meals are available at no charge for all children 1-18 years.

Cave Junction Area:
Evergreen Elementary June 18 – August 17, 2018 (closed July 4th) 520 West River Street, Cave Junction, Oregon 97523, Breakfast 10 – 10:30 a.m., Supper 3 – 3:30 p.m., Monday – Friday
Jubilee Park June 18 – August 17, 2018 (closed July 4th) 302 South Junction Avenue, Cave Junction, Oregon 97523 Lunch 11– 11:30, Monday – Friday

*You could win \$500, \$300 or \$200 for creative recycling of "junk." Spend your summer making a piece of furniture out of junk to enter in the third annual Upcycle Furniture contest sponsored by the Southern Oregon Guild. Judging will be Friday, Sept. 28, 3:30 p.m. at the CJ Farmer's Market at Jubilee Park. Your work will be judged on CREATIVITY!!! So have fun making it! For more information pick up a flyer at the community booth at the CJ Farmers' Market Friday afternoons 4-7 p.m.

*Couples nights starts at the Golf Course Friday, 5:30 p.m. and will continue every Friday until August 31. Call the golf course for more info. at 541-592-3151

Continuing

*The I.V. Senior Thrift Store: Join the crew and make new friends. You don't need to be a senior citizen to volunteer at the store. Call us at 541-592-6630. Open Monday – Saturday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

*Illinois Valley Democrats meet the 2nd Saturday of every month from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the I.V. Family Coalition, 535 E. River St. in Cave Junction. Join with like-minded people for camaraderie and to plan actions in support of the Democratic agenda. Call Anita 541-592-3073 to confirm meeting days. Check us out on FB!

*Public Health Clinic- Location: I.V. Family Coalition, 535 E. River St., CJ, 1st Thursday of every month. Services offered STI Testing/Treatment, Women's Health Exams (Annuals/Problem Visits), Birth Control (All Methods Available), Pregnancy Testing, Pre-pregnancy counseling. 3rd Thursday of every month: STI testing/treatment, birth control counseling (methods limited), Pregnancy Testing, Immunizations. Call 541-474-5329 for an appointment, and make sure to tell the receptionist to schedule you in CJ. Walk-ins welcome! Hours: 8:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

*The Sheriff's Office Substation in Cave Junction is now open on Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 10 to 2. Volunteers are still needed to staff additional days. Applications are available at the substation or online at <http://www.co.josephine.or.us/Files/Volunteer>. For information call 541-474-5123.

*Cave Junction Patrol, LLC is looking for volunteers. CJ Patrol is a private citizen volunteer organization dedicated to effectively addressing heretofore-unchecked property crime in our city and neighborhoods. The primary mission of CJ Patrol is to prevent, interrupt, report and decrease property crime in the city of Cave Junction. Call 541-592-9665 or visit cjp patrol.org.

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