

Take a staycation at Valley area parks

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Which one of these things is most important to do this summer - pitching a ball or pitching a tent? If camping is highest on that list of important things to do in the Illinois Valley this summer, then here are some tips for you.

District Ranger Matt Paciorek tells about some of the most fought-over camping sites: "In the Illinois Valley the most popular is probably the Grayback campground, up Caves Highway there. Bolan Lake is the second most popular. The Illinois

River corridor is also popular. There are a couple different campgrounds along that stretch."

The Grayback campground is in a forest area about 5 miles from Oregon Caves National Monument along State Highway 46. There is also a 1 mile trail loop along with a pleasant day area. Bolan Lake campground rests along the shores of the 12-mile Bolan Lake. Campsites are a bit more spread out here and the place has lots of large trees and wildflowers. Additionally, each campsite has a table and fire pit.

While all these camping sites are nice, some can be better at different times of the year.

Paciorek elaborated, "It really depends on what you're looking for. If you're there in the summer a lot of times people are trying to get out of the heat, so going up a little higher, like Bolan Lake, tends to be a little cooler. Or a lot of the folks like to go to the river, because it's so close to the water." Both the Grayback campground and Bolan Lake are first come, first serve for reservations.

When going camping, it is a good idea to be prepared. There are many things to bring depending on how long you'll be gone, what type of shelter you'll use, etc. Most may be self explanatory but Paciorek

suggests you remember helpful items. "I just recommend trash bags, make sure you clean up, and try to leave it better than what you found it." Another important tip concerns fire safety. Paciorek stated, "A big one would be to be careful with fire, check fire restrictions before you go camping, and to be careful going into fire season here. It's not uncommon for us to have fire restrictions, just be careful with fire." Rightly so, the consequences can be deadly. So as you check things off your summer to-do list don't forget to spend some relaxing time camping and enjoying beautiful Oregon scenery.

After five separate attempts to fund a depleted sheriff's office failed at the polls, from 2012 to 2016, finally, in May 2017, a public safety levy passed - though it only funds the Corrections and Juvenile Justice departments.

"I think the levy has been a large part of improving the personnel situation, and also, we have made a lot of changes," Daniel added. "Strong fiscal management helps as well. We've run just under budget the last three years and I think this helped build trust with the commissioner and the budget committee; they are willing to help us get the done. And, we're still looking at other funding opportunities, we want to be 24/7 police force and we want a detective division. But we need a long-term funding source to do that and I do not look at property tax for that. There has to be a better way to get it done."

Dry conditions bring firework safety to the forefront

The Office of State Fire Marshal, Oregon fire service, Keep Oregon Green, the Pacific Northwest Wildfire Coordination Group, natural resource agencies, Oregon licensed fireworks wholesalers, and safety experts encourage Oregonians to "Keep it Legal and Keep it Safe" when using fireworks. The 2018 Oregon fireworks retail sales season opens Saturday, June 23 and runs through Friday, July 6. The OSFM and their partners want everyone to know which fireworks are legal to use in Oregon without a permit, where they are permitted to be used, and the important safety steps to take when using fireworks.

"I want to remind all Oregonians that consumer legal fireworks can only be purchased from Oregon permitted fireworks retailers and stands," says State Fire Marshal Jim Walker. "And, regulations limit where those fireworks may be used. Fire risk in Oregon is approaching extreme conditions and there is no room for error in fireworks safety."

July Fourth holiday public land visitors are advised to leave all fireworks at home. The use of fireworks is prohibited on all national forestland, Oregon state parks, and beaches. "It's best to leave fireworks to the

professionals," stated Keep Oregon Green President Kristin Babbs. "Support your local community by enjoying fireworks at sponsored events. If you choose to use fireworks at home, make sure they stay on the pavement and always keep a bucket of water nearby for safety and to extinguish spent fireworks."

Oregon law prohibits possession, use, or sale of any firework that flies into the air, explodes, or travels more than 12 feet horizontally on the ground, without a permit issued by the OSFM. Fireworks commonly called bottle rockets, Roman candles, and firecrackers are illegal in Oregon, without a permit.

There were 318 reported fireworks-related fires in Oregon during 2017, resulting in eight injuries and more than \$861,000 in property damage. Over the past five years, from 2013 through 2017, there were 1,355 reported fireworks-related fires in Oregon resulting in one death, 34 injuries, and more than \$3 million in property damage.

Officials may seize illegal fireworks and charge offenders with a class B misdemeanor which could result in a fine of up to \$2,500 per violation and a civil penalty of up to \$500. Those who misuse fireworks or allow fireworks

to cause damage are liable and may be required to pay fire suppression costs or other damage. Parents are also liable for fireworks damage caused by their children.

"All Oregonians share the responsibility to use only consumer legal fireworks and use them carefully," adds Walker. And we encourage you to be aware and considerate of neighbors and their pets, before deciding on when and where you choose to light fireworks."

The OSFM encourages everyone to use the four B's of safe fireworks use:

- Be Prepared before lighting fireworks: keep water available by using a garden hose or bucket.
- Be Safe when lighting fireworks: keep children and pets away from fireworks.
- Be Responsible after lighting fireworks: never relight a dud. Wait 15 to 20 minutes then soak it in a bucket of water before disposal.
- Be Aware: use only legal fireworks and use them only in legal places.

The four B's of fireworks safety brochure is available here: http://www.oregon.gov/OSP/SFM/docs/Licensing_permits/fireworks/4BesFireworks.pdf.



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Jubilee Park Pavilion
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July 1

You will be guests of the board at the All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast @ Jubilee Park Pavilion 8 a.m. RSVP with Marcheta Owen 707-458-9651

The Class of 1978

June 29, 5:30 I.V. Golf Clubhouse
June 30, 6-9 p.m. @ Taylor's
July 1, 8-11 @ Jubilee Park Breakfast
July 1, Hellgate Canyon Trip
RSVP to Debbie Day 541-660-7878

The Class of 1973

June 29, 5 p.m.
Randi Gutierrez's home
1301 Crooks Creek Road Selma
Taco Bar & BYOB
RSVP Randi 541-597-4469
June 30 @ p.m. Janie Sowell
Pope dedication at IVHS Track.
Then on to a catered meal at Jann Pierson Taylors 28020 Redwood Hwy. BYOB RSVP Jann at scottandjann@frontiernet.net

The Class of 1958

June 30 meet at Jubilee Park Brown bag lunch or from the Eastern Star being served in the Pavilion \$5. Contact Patt Kellogg at 541-727-2246

The Class of 1963

June 29, 6 p.m. Wild River then to Cathy's for dessert @ 245 Floyd Ln. (off Rockydale Rd.)
June 30, 9 a.m. Taylor's,
2 p.m. Lynn & Larry's 181 Crooks Creek Rd., Selma
6 p.m. Potluck dinner.

The Class of 2008

June 30, 3-7 p.m.
Bridgeview Winery
raesha08@gmail.com
Facebook @IVHS Alumni Class of 2008

The Class of 1988

June 29, 6:30 p.m.
No host informal gathering of adults at Wild River Brewery and Pizza Co.
June 30, 2 p.m.
Family potluck and pool party at Adam Vogel's. Bring a side dish, Brian and Terry will be BBQing.

The Class of 1998

June 30, 6 p.m. @ Pizza Deli;
Jun 29 at noon to July 1 at 3 p.m.
Lake Selmac Resort
Boy Scout Area Lake Selmac.
nicbyers0229@outlook.com

The Class of 2003

Saturday, June 30
Vertical Horizons
2 to 5 p.m.
Mallory Hutton Hoelzle and Carly Sullivan, Facebook @ IVHS Alumni

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