

From the mayor’s desk: by Meadow Martell



It is good to be back home, even though the catch-up time after two weeks off is daunting. I flew to Phoenix, AZ to help my neighbor drive back home. We spent the time on a leisurely journey on scenic roads visiting friends, family, and National Parks. In Phoenix, AZ, my neighbor and I visited with mutual friends that used to live in CJ and we visited the Phoenix Botanical Garden and Heard Museum of American Indian Art. After this we hit the road, stopping in Santa Fe, NM to see my grandchildren for two days. Then it was off to Flagstaff AZ to visit with other friends who used to live here and spend time in Sedona, Oak Creek Canyon, Montezuma’s Castle and Bell Rock. Next day we spent a day hiking in Walnut Canyon ancient cliff dwellings, Sunset Crater

and Wupatki National Monument ancient dwellings. We headed north from Flagstaff and spent the next three days at Grand Canyon, Zion Canyon, and Bryce Canyon-all National Parks. We are truly blessed to live in a country with so many protected, incredibly amazing natural wonders. First, a reminder that the City’s window to spray the right-of-ways begins April 11. Those property owners that wish to use the “opt out” program must complete a new application at City Hall and set up their signage no later than Friday, April 8 at 4 p.m. I am still catching up on the plethora of emails. It such a relief to return and know that the City of Cave Junction is managed by a competent, dedicated staff committed to keeping things running smoothly. The

city is gearing up for a busy season at Jubilee Park. Our Public Works Director Alex Ponder will be participating in the Parks and Recreation Committee’s efforts to coordinate work on the playground and spray pad. Saturday was opening day ceremonies for Little League baseball. Summer and fire season is fast approaching, and our crew is working on scheduling rental equipment to do fuels reduction in the back of the park. We have a sub-contractor working to get the power back at the amphitheater before the KXCJ concert. It is going to be a busy summer and it is my hope that we can work together and remember that we all want the same thing- a happy, safe, productive, beautiful place for our families and visitors to enjoy.

Obituaries

Sharon Lee Lewis Nov. 21, 1939 - Feb. 14, 2022 Sharon, 82, died Feb. 14, 2022 in Santa Rosa, Calif. where she lived with her two daughters. Sharon was born Nov. 21, 1939 in Los Angeles County, Calif. to Elwood and Grace Ives. Sharon graduated in 1957 from Elmonte High School. At the age of 17 she moved to Cave Junction with her step-father George and Grace.

In 1962 she married Martin Lee Lewis, they had two daughters, Sherry and Jodi. She was preceded in death by her husband in 1982. Sharon leaves behind her two daughters, Sherry Greep (son in-law Paul) Jodi Villarreal (son in-law Jesse); three granddaughters Heidi, Sara and Janessa; one great-granddaughter Phoebe; three great-grandsons Hunter, Hank and

Maverick; brothers Ron and Bill; sister Charlene; and many nieces and nephews. After her husband died she had her own daycare where she took care of most of the kids in the Valley, many who have grown and since had kids of their own. Her love for the Lord was apparent in the way she lived and raised her children.

Stanley W. Jones, 78, died at his home the morning of March 27, 2022 with family by his side. Stanley served in the Navy and then moved to Selma with his family in 1972. He built a house where he, and his wife Vicki, raised their three children and two grandchildren. Stanley was a retired truck driver, who had a passion for what he did. He was cared for and loved by

all those who knew him. He was preceded in death by his wife Vicki Jones who passed away in May 2014. Stanley was survived by his three children, six grandchildren, 10 great-grandchildren and his girlfriend. To the greatest man we ever knew, you will be missed and always loved.

ComParrot®

by Bonnie J. Malcolm

Can you spot 12 differences between these pictures?

Solution: 1. Branch on plant beside chair is missing. 2. Cat's tail is different. 3. Leg on chair is colored in. 4. Crest on girl's boot is different. 5. Scoop of ice cream is colored in. 6. Leaf on plant behind chair has moved. 7. Cat is missing a whisker. 8. Sign on arrow is different. 9. Tail on piggy bank has moved. 10. Stripe on pot is taller. 11. Curtain is longer. 12. End of bow is different.

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Save the date

April 9

The Kerbyville Museum & History Center will be opening for the season on Saturday, April 9, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission is free for that day. There will be raffle items and a door prize. Come and see the changes that have been made.

April 10

Illinois Valley Historic Laural Cemetery’s next Board Meeting will be the second Sunday the 10th of April 2022. at 1 p.m. The meeting will be held at the cemetery chapel. Mark your calendar so you won’t forget. Everyone is welcome to attend.

April 10

The Southern Oregon Guild of Artists & Artisans is celebrating the opening of our spring Art Exhibit, “Renaissance 2022,” featuring a variety of handmade art and fine crafts by local Guild members. Come join the free OPENING PARTY at the Guild Gallery & Art Center Sunday, April 10 from 4-6 p.m., featuring live

music, appetizers, and refreshments. The Guild Gallery & Art Center is located in the Kerby Belt Building at 24353 Redwood Highway Kerby, OR 97531. The Gallery is open to the public Tuesdays-Saturdays 10AM-4PM. To learn more about the Guild, art classes, and special events, call 541-592-5019 or visit www.southernoregonguild.org.

April 11 & 18

Aglow 2nd & 3rd Monday - April 11 Grace Auzenne is sharing her testimony. Monday, April 18 Tony Armida is sharing. 10:30 a.m. at Fountain of Life, 451 S Junction Ave. C. J. More info, call Victoria 541-592-4743.

April 16

Rough & Ready Wildflower Hike Saturday, April 16 at 10 a.m. Meet at the parking area at Rough & Ready Botanical Wayside south of Cave Junction on Hwy 199 at mile marker 34. The walk through the rough and Ready Wayside is geared

for plant enthusiasts and novices alike. This is a great opportunity for folks to come out and enjoy the spring wildflowers no matter what your skill level on plant identification might be. This is a shore hike on rocky, but relatively level ground, with lots of beautiful wildflowers to see, many of them are rare or of limited range. A portion of the hike will be along a wheelchair accessible path so folks of limited mobility can come out and enjoy the wildflowers too. Be prepare: bring water, dress in layers and wear comfortable shoes. Bring lunch if you like, there’s a picnic table overlooking Rough & Ready Creek.

May 6

Pacific Northwest Prairies and Climate Change. May 6, 6:30-7:30 PM, Siskiyou Field Institute, Selma, OR. “Join us for a free public seminar to hear from ecologist Paul Reed about the results of the recent study ‘Heating of Prairie Systems,’ and ongoing efforts to facilitate native

prairie restoration in an era of climate change. Prairies in the western Pacific Northwest, such as those found in the Rogue and Illinois Valley regions, are critically endangered ecosystems. A variety of factors, including the disruption of historical fire regimes, land use change, and invasive species, have all contributed substantially to their decline. Now, climate change threatens to add to these existing threats. As conditions become hotter and drier, many plant species native to these ecosystems are at risk of decline. To understand how climate change will affect Pacific Northwest prairies, researchers from the University of Oregon conducted a multi-year experiment at three sites across western Oregon and Washington, including at the Siskiyou Field Institute.” Event info: <https://fb.me/e/334mMBtPZ>

June 18

Recycled Raft Race at Hathkapasuta River Celebration June

18 at Illinois River Forks State Park. Categories include: Fastest, Most Creative, Funniest and more! This event is about ingenuity, creativity and FUN! Free and open to the public Call Jill Talise at 541-415-6699 for more information Hosted by the Cultural & Ecological Enhancement Network (CEEN).

Ongoing

****Food Pantry Tuesdays** 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Cave Junction Adventist/Community Services Food Distribution, 265 S. Old Stage Rd. Volunteers are needed to help stock, date check, sort food, pack boxes and handout food boxes, etc. to volunteer please email cavejunctionacs@gmail.com. Contributions can be made out to the CJ Seventh-day Adventist Church and identify that they are in support of the Community Service by writing “CJACS” in the memo section of your check. Mail to: Cave Junction Seventh-day Adventist Church PO Box 330, Cave Junction, OR 97523

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