

## CAMPING AND CAMPFIRE SAFETY:

### Tent Camping

- \* Use CANDLES, MATCHES or OPEN FLAMES of any kind **outside and away from the tent.**
- \* COOKING inside the tent is dangerous.
- \* Practice extreme caution when using fuel powered LANTERNS and HEATERS inside the tent. Carbon monoxide poisoning can easily occur. Use battery operated equipment whenever possible.
- \* Always REFUEL lamps, heaters or stoves outside and way from the tent.
- \* EXTINGUISH or TURN OFF all lanterns and heaters before going to sleep.
- \* Always STORE flammable liquids outside and away from the tent.

### Campfires

- \* Abide by local campfire laws. Use a designated campfire ring.
- \* Make sure there are no low overhanging tree branches near the fire.
- \* To build a campfire, use a shovel to clear a 10 foot area of leaves, grass, roots and other material that might burn. Scoop a small hole in the center of the cleared area and place rocks around it.
- \* Cut short lengths of dry wood for the fire. Store any extra wood away from the campfire.
- \* Keep all objects that might burn, like matches, food wrappings, plastic sheets and tents away from the campfire.
- \* Never leave a campfire going even if you are away from camp for only a few minutes.
- \* A fire can often creep along under the ground, slowly burning roots and dead leaves. Days later, that smoldering fire could break out into a full blown fire.
- \* Be sure your campfire is dead out before you leave. Put water on your campfire and mix the ashes with plain soil again and then put more water on the fire. Be sure the rocks around the fire are cool and not hiding hot embers. Take extra care with partially burned sticks or logs. Scrape off all hot embers and wet them. **DO NOT STICK YOUR HAND INTO THE FIRE PIT TO CHECK FOR HOT SPOTS.**

**HAPPY CAMPING!!!**

## BLM NEWS

Jeremy St. George recently began working as a volunteer at the BLM office in Medford. He will be using his computer skills, aiding the BLM in developing the Butte Falls Discovery Loop Tour information exhibits and helping to prepare the BLM exhibits for the Jackson County Fair. We welcome Jeremy and his time and skills!

## FIREWORKS HOTLINE!

Fireworks on the National Forest is prohibited due to the risk of fire starts. Please be careful when camping!

## IN MEMORY

On June 15, 1995, Butte Falls lost a friend and a hero. Dean Haes, husband of Lois, passed away at his home quite suddenly. Dean was 78 years young. He was very active, right up to the day he died. Always happy and smiling, Dean took care of his wife Lois and his dog Nipper. Dean grew up in Iowa and Minnesota, moving to Butte Falls in 1978. Dean was known in Butte Falls for the talent he had in fixing TV's, radios, and the like. This talent came from the 24 years he spent as a technician for WCCO-TV station in Roseville, Minnesota and his years in the Navy.

Dean joined the US Navy in 1941 and was in Pearl Harbor during the attack serving aboard the destroyer USS Ward. He was discharged in 1945 as a chief radio technician. Dean was a member of both the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association and The First Shot Veterans Group. He was also very active in his community. He enjoyed being members of The Big Butte Historical Society, Butte Falls Lions Club, Butte Falls Friends of the Library, and VFW, Butte Falls Post. Dean was also a member of the Rogue Valley Amateur Radio Club. In addition to his wife and his Nipper, Dean enjoyed photography and crossword puzzles.

Lois is in our thoughts and prayers. A member of our community and a piece of history will be missed.

