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The old amphitheater site at the Wallowa Lake State Park campground is slated to become a new campground section for hikers and cyclists.

Cycle Oregon awards grant to fund hiker-biker camp at the lake

Project expected to be complete by Spring 2017

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As the result of a matching grant, people cycling or hiking in Wallowa County can hike or bike to new camping digs at the Wallowa State Park campground located at the head of Wallowa Lake. The Cycle Oregon Fund of the Oregon Community Foundation awarded a \$10,000 matching grant to develop a new hiker-biker camp at Wallowa Lake State Park. The Oregon Parks and Recreation Department will contribute an additional \$10,000 to complete the project.

“This is a tremendous gift from Cycle Oregon,” said Park Manager Nancy McLeod. “They’ve always supported the region, but this goes beyond good will. They’re investing in the community, and we’re grateful for it.”

According to McLeod, a park employee suggested the project about two years ago and the grant application was made to Cycle Oregon several months ago.

“We just found out we received the grant,” she said.

Over the next year, park staff will build the new eight-site camping area in a more secluded spot by re-designing the park’s former amphitheater. The new camp will include covered and uncovered sites, lockers, tables and charging stations. Park staff created a new area for park presentations in a more central location, freeing up the old amphitheater for this project.

“Right now the hiker/biker part of the campground is located right across from the registration booth, so it’s not much of a camping experience. We wanted to promote an area for hikers and bikers that they could enjoy.”

The project should start this spring and finish a year

later, opening for its first season in April 2017. The park will work with the Eastern Oregon Visitor Association and the Wallowa Chamber of Commerce to promote the improved service as it opens.

With the Wallowas and the lake drawing a steady increase in tourist visits from Oregon and beyond, the park is interested in encouraging less polluting, less congestion-causing forms of transportation such as hiking and bicycling.

McLeod also said that the grants will cover a large portion of the project costs.

“Any money we receive is a definite plus; it’s that much less that needs to come out of our budget to make this happen. If we have to throw in some money to finish it off, then it shouldn’t be very much.”

Charlene E. Davis April 15, 1943 to Feb. 2, 2016

Charlene E. Davis of Meacham, Ore., passed away Feb. 2, 2016, at St. Anthony Hospital in Pendleton at age 72.

Charlene was born April 15, 1943, to Ed and Joyce E. (Bonnell) Parham in Tacoma, Wash. She was raised and attended schools in Bethel, Wash., and graduated from Bethel High School.

She married Earl Papineau in Sumner, Wash., in November of 1962, and they made their home in Lexington, Ore. The couple had two sons, Dale and Dennis Papineau. Dale preceded her in death at the age of 3. She and Earl later divorced. She later married Walter Davis on April 1, 1995. They made their home in Meacham.

Charlene had worked a multitude of jobs, from ranching to construction to secretarial. She also worked as a professional race horse trainer and as a tour guide for the Pendleton Underground Tours, and for KUMA Radio in advertising.

She was a member of the Lexington Grange and later the Meacham Mountain Ladies Club. She was a member of the Spout Springs Repeater Association, and was very active in Ham Radio and Emergency Communication. Her call sign was KC7RQF, “Real Quiet Female”.

She enjoyed hunting and fishing as well as photography. She loved nature and being in the mountains. he really enjoyed the deer and turkeys that visited her yard year-round.

Charlene is survived by her husband Walt Davis of Meacham; her son Dennis Papineau and wife Tanya of Athena, Ore.; grandchildren Kari Papineau of Pilot Rock and Gregory, Levi, Curtis and Calvin Papineau of Athena; step-children Sam Westover of Pendleton, Jack and Cheryl Davis of Pendleton, Dale Davis of Elgin, Susan Langley of Springfield, Ore., and Patty Whitteker of Lakeside, Ore.; step-grandchildren Kyra and Keenan Davis of Pendleton, Jennifer Westover of Las Vegas, Wyatt and Jennifer Davis of Pilot Rock, Sonny Vickroy, Adrian Cooley, Bobby Sue Stecht and Tracy Heinz; and many nieces and nephews as well as several aunts and uncles.

She was preceded in death by her parents Ed and Joyce Parham; her sisters Bethina Delmas of Roy, Wash., and Nancy Whisnant of Oroville, Wash.; and her son Dale Papineau.

A celebration of life service will be held at 11 a.m. Saturday, June 11 at the Emigrant Springs Community Building at Emigrant Springs State Park near Meacham. Following the service, scattering will be held at the Chipmunk Ranch, along with a potluck luncheon at Emigrant Springs Community Building. Sign the online condolence book at www.BurnsMortuary.com. Burns Mortuary of Pendleton handled arrangements.

DEATH NOTICE

Elmer W. Storm

Elmer W. Storm, 88, of Enterprise passed away at Life Care Center in Lewiston on Feb. 20, 2016. Bowman Funeral Home is handling the arrangements. A complete obituary will be published later.

OBITUARIES

Rina C. Adams Feb. 13, 1926 to Feb. 1, 2016

Rina C. Adams, 89, passed away Feb. 1 at her home in Joseph.

Rina was born Feb. 13, 1926 in Boveglio, Italy, to Benvenuto and Paulina Franchi.

During her lifetime she also lived in Cumberland, Md., Astoria, Portland, Newfoundland, Puerto Rico, France and Germany.

Rina was a great mother and grandmother who loved football, baseball and golf and was very active in Al Kader Temple parades and events.

She was preceded in death by her parents and husband James F. Adams.

She is survived by two sons, James T. Adams of Joseph and Terry D. Adams of Enterprise.

At her request there will be no services. She will be buried beside her husband at Joseph Cemetery.

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Women's Art

March 2016

Cynthia Harvey

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Friday, February 26 Women's Art Exhibit 7pm. Opening Reception

Tuesday, March 1 Noon. Brown Bag. Stacy Green speaking about Hospital's Circle 100.

Friday, March 4 7pm. Women's Writing Panel. Moderated by Amy Zahm Readings by Mary Emerick, Elizabeth Enslin, and Anna Bird.

Saturday, March 5 4-8:30pm. Wine & Painting with Jenny Klimsa. For the total beginner. \$40 + \$10 for supplies.

Thursday, March 10 7pm. Cinema Night. "The Woodmans." Documentary about artist, Francesca Woodman.

Tuesday, March 15 Noon. Brown Bag. Soroptomists. Ann Browder speaking on who they are and what they do.

Sunday, March 20 10-4pm. Book Arts with Roberta Lavador. \$75 + \$7 for supplies. Create a distinctive leather travel journal.

Saturday, March 26 7 pm. Women's Music Concert with the Wallowa Valley Music Alliance.