

InStove hosts Spring Breakers

Last week brought a different type of Spring Break for 19 visitors to Cottage Grove. Students ranging from freshman to senior level at the University of Redlands in Southern California traveled to Cottage Grove to spend their Spring Break at Institutional Stove Solutions with local resident and co-founder Fred Colgan.

Students shared a goal of serving the community and completing their community service graduation requirement.

Over the days, the group made their own traditional three stone fire, bundled firewood and carried it for two kilometers as a simulation of what women in developing countries do multiple times a day, made stoves out of mud, tended to the Community Sharing garden and learned about the issues behind open fire cooking.

Emma Wade, 17, said she “never could have imagined that so much life-changing work comes out of this little Oregon town.” Likewise, Kiersten Langerud called the week “an incredible, eye-opening experience.”

“InStove has opened my eyes on how three stone fires heavily impact not only the environment but also the health of many women providing for their families. It is comforting to know that so many organizations like InStove are trying to help the issues at hand,” declared Kimberly Nevarez.



courtesy photo

Students from Redlands University hauled wood to simulate a chore undertaken daily by millions.

Ordinance bars parking in fire lanes on private property

A new ordinance passed by the Cottage Grove City Council allows police to cite drivers who park their vehicles in fire lanes on private property.

Officer Cheri Nelson of the Cottage Grove Police Department said that issues with drivers parking in fire lanes at places

like Cottage Grove High School — where such parking often occurs during games or other events — prompted the City Council to explore Ordinance 3050, which becomes part of the City’s parking code and goes into effect on Wednesday, March 11.

“There have been so many issues at CGHS,” Nelson said. “The biggest problem is at basketball and football games. As long as the fire lane is marked by a red curb or signage, if a driver leaves the vehicle untended there, it could be cited or potentially towed,” Nelson said.

Citations will increase in cost from \$15 to \$30 and then \$45 for successive offenses, said Nelson, CGPD’s parking officer. She added, though, that warnings will be given for one month to allow the public to acclimate to the new law.

Educational grants

Cottage Grove Museum Perpetual Corporation — Passport to History, \$500 grant: Last July, the Passport to History program brought participants to Cottage Grove’s Museum, its Gold Mining Museum, Historical Society Library and Genealogical Society to bolster their knowledge of local history. A booklet produced for the event acted as a historical scavenger hunt of sorts, with participants visiting each location to answer a local history question there, then receiving a passport stamp.

South Lane School District — Project Translation Facility

South Lane Fire & Rescue — Fire Safety/Prevention Program Information Delivery Project, \$767 grant: South Lane Fire will be purchasing videos and training materials to assist with fire safety outreach at public events and school presentations. Current materials are over 15 years old, according to Division Chief Joe Raade.

First Presbyterian Church — Grove Music Camp, \$800 grant: The summer of 2015 will bring the fifth-annual Grove Music Camp to the Presbyterian Church. The camp consists of two groups: a student group especially for middle-school students that wish to sharpen their skills and a community band for adults and high-schoolers. A performance at the end of July will cap off the camp, which is now spearheaded by Cottage Grove High School music director David Larsen and Lincoln Middle School music teacher Joanna Newton.

South Lane Dental Clinic/ South Lane School District — South Lane Children’s Clinic Critical Needs, \$1,000 grant

Social Services Grants

Community Sharing Program — Project White Paper, \$1,000 grant: This aptly named project aims to purchase toilet paper and diapers for the use of those who need them.

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Bill & Nancy Van Schoiack
Are celebrating their 50th Anniversary With an Open House
March 8, 2015 2pm – 4pm
Dorena Grange – Row River Road

Bill & Nancy were married March 12,1965 In Cottage Grove at St. Andrews Episcopal Church

Bill works at Martin Creek Quarry and Nancy is retired and volunteers at the Cottage Grove Genealogical Society

Please join the family and help celebrate this event.
No Gifts Please.

CORRECTION:

An article in the Feb. 25 Sentinel discussing the “Taste of Creswell” event last week described Creswell’s Burlap and Lace as a consignment shop. In reality, the shop is not a consignment shop and is classified by its owners as a “vintage and antique store.” The Sentinel regrets the error and its impact.

Funding available for Row River aquatic habitat

The Row Basin Technical Oversight Committee is pleased

Quaglia Rd. fire destroys buildings

Personnel with South Lane Fire and Rescue said a fire involving a shop and outbuilding on Quaglia Road Sunday evening completely destroyed both structures.

Division Chief Joe Raade said crews spent three hours battling a blaze after a 10:30 p.m. call to 77708 Quaglia Road Sunday. The state fire marshal was on the scene Monday attempting to determine a cause for the fire.

to announce the second cycle of funding through the Row Basin Fisheries Fund. Up to \$370,000 will be available to improve aquatic habitat in the Mosby Creek and Row River Watersheds. Applications for this cycle are due March 16, 2015; grant materials are available online at www.coastfork.org/RBFF. Applicants are asked to review the Request for Proposals to understand the competitive requirements of this annual grant opportunity, but assistance is available for project development. Proposed actions must

provide clear benefit for native fish such as cutthroat trout, winter steelhead, spring Chinook and Pacific lamprey.

Landowners interested in conducting a project on their property can submit a request for assistance using the online form or call the Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council at (541) 767-9717 to set up a site visit.

During the permitting process for the Dorena Lake Dam hydroelectric retrofit, Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife required that Symbiotics, Inc.

(now Riverbank Power) provide a settlement funds to mitigate for impacts of the project. The Coast Fork Willamette Watershed Council was identified as the fund manager of these settlement dollars. In preparation for this responsibility, we convened the Row Basin Technical Oversight Committee in 2012. Together with many local partner organizations, the Council is proud to announce a formal grant application process for the expenditure of these funds.



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