

Community News

Gold Mining Museum to host plaque dedication

The Bohemia Gold Mining Museum will be having a ceremony to dedicate a plaque commemorating the history of The Bohemia Mining District.

The plaque will be unveiled this Saturday, Aug. 10, on the front of the museum, located in the historic Boots and Sandals Square Dance Barn at 308 S. 10th St., in Cottage Grove.

Presenting the plaque will be members of E. Clampus Vitus, a historical,

charitable organization of miners who now focus on historic preservation.

The gathering will begin in front of the building across from Bohemia Park, beginning at 10 a.m.

The public is invited to the ceremony, and afterward enjoy a visit to the museum and Cottage Grove Historical Society.

Refreshments will be served.

For more information email 541-942-5022.

Nova Health-Cottage Grove welcomes new provider

Nova Health, a comprehensive provider of urgent care, primary care, physical therapy and musculoskeletal services in Lane and Douglas Counties, has announced the addition of Devon Schneider, FNP-BC, CLT to its team of healthcare providers.

Schneider has begun treating patients at Nova Health's Cottage Grove clinic, 1445 N. Gateway Blvd.

Schneider is a family nurse practitioner certified by the American Nurses Credentialing Center (FNP-BC).

After eight combined years working as an operating room nurse and surgical intensive care unit nurse at Rush University Medical Center in Chicago, Ill., Schneider turned her focus to family medicine.

Before joining Nova Health, she worked for four years as a family nurse

practitioner at DCIPA in Roseburg, at Healing Spirit Integrative Health Center, and Planned Parenthood in Eugene.

Schneider is a certified lymphedema therapist (CLT) and maintains the skills and knowledge necessary to treat patients with lymphedema using Complete Decongestive Therapy (CDT) techniques.

She is also trained to offer her female patients experienced guidance in a variety of contraceptive methods, including intrauterine contraception and implants.

"I look forward to joining the Cottage Grove clinic team and getting to know my new patients," said Schneider, who earned both a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing and a Master of Science Degree in Nursing from Rush University College Of Nursing in Chicago, Ill.

Carousel project steps closer to completion



PHOTO BY GREG LEE

Many of the volunteers involved in the carousel project in a photo taken Aug. 1, exactly two years since the mast was raised into position with the help of volunteers and EPUD crews.

Dedicated volunteers have donated some 7,000 hours of time to a dream to bring the carousel back to South Lane County.

On Aug. 1, 2017, volunteers with the aid and help of EPUD crew and a crane, raised the mast to an absolute vertical level position, measuring and drilling holes to attach the mast to the platform. The mast supports the entire revolving carousel.

That was one of the first steps in the total restoration of the 1929 Hershall 36-foot, 34-animal menagerie carousel.

Two years later, the restoration of the carousel is almost complete.

Testing of the electronic computerized drive system is still ongoing and some lighting must be

added. It is indefinite when the carousel will be certified by a ride inspector and passed by OSHA, but the carousel will be open to the public soon.

"We are approaching donations from industry businesses — electronics, bearings, wood, etc., near the \$90,000 mark," said Don Williams, Board Chair of the Friends of the Cottage Grove Carousel, "along with 7,000 work hours by electricians, millwrights, painters, carvers and other crafted people. Many thanks to King Estates for allowing us use of part of their warehouse in the Industrial Park in Cottage Grove as a long-term temporary home for the carousel.

"And it is donations from folks in our community that have bought the less expensive items,

such as paint, advertising and promotions. Once again, there are no paid employees — this is 100 percent volunteer group of dedicated individuals."

Upcoming fundraisers to support the carousel include:

- Men from SURE, a musical fundraiser for the carousel, will be held Sunday, Aug. 25, from 4 to 6 p.m. at Calvary Chapel in Cottage Grove.
- A golf tournament benefitting the carousel tees off Sept. 21. For details, contact Linda at 541-913-9586 or Donald Williams at 541-942-4752.

The Friends of the Cottage Grove Carousel is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization working to acquire funding for a permanent home for the carousel.

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