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The Applegater is now publishing a web site that is a companion and expansion of the content and services that the printed Applegater newspaper provides.

Highlights of what this website will offer include:

- Index and viewable/downloadable issues of the Applegater starting from March 2008.
- Expansion of content and pictures of selected articles that appear in the printed paper.
- Community calendar that nonprofit organizations and Gater advertisers can post special events (sorry, no classes) by contacting our webmaster via email.
- Community services directory with contacts, current activities and bulletins for all our major community services such as police, fire, library, BLM,
- Directory of local businesses.
- Listing of web sites that pertain to the Applegate
- Changing collection of images of scenery and activities within our beautiful valley.

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The nonprofit Applegate Valley Community Newspaper, Inc., (AVCN) provides the many rural and diverse communities of the Applegate Watershed with a communications vehicle, the Applegater newspaper, free of charge to all watershed residents. Our quarterly paper presents constructive, relevant, educational and entertaining reports on a wide variety of subjects

- natural resource issues
- ecology and other science information
- historical and current events
- community news and opinions

AVCN encourages and publishes differing viewpoints and, through the Applegater newspaper, acts as a clearinghouse for this diverse community. We are dedicated to working together with community members to maintain and enhance the quality of life that is unique to the Applegate Watershed.

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