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

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

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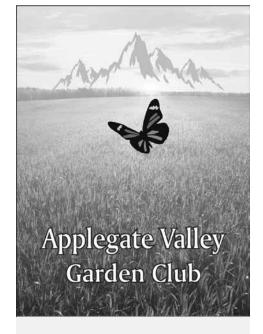
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Dear Readers,

Here's a rundown of articles in our Holiday-Arts issue: we feature the artist who has dotted the Applegate landscape with her metal sculptures (page 1) and provide outlets for your volunteer spirit and generous donations during the holiday season and beyond (page 1).

We also bid a fond farewell to a man who contributed substantially to the well-being of the Applegate Valley for almost three decades (page 1) and welcome two newcomers to the area who are already contributing to the health and safety of the community in their own ways (page 2).

Don't miss a major holiday event coming very soon—Pacifica's Winter Arts Fest will be held on Saturday, December 3 (page 2).

Numerous opinions, without fail, appear on pages 19 - 21, and the latest news about outstanding students and teachers in our schools can be found on page 22. We have reason to be proud.

We wish you and your families a safe and relaxing holiday season and that 2017 brings peace, joy, and prosperity.

We hope you'll find some time to enjoy this latest issue. And, as always, feel free to send us your comments. We listen.

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