



VANDAL INFORMATION SOUGHT -- Josephine County Sheriff's Office is looking for vandals, who ripped out newly planted flowers, shrubs and a small tree from in front of Child's Play in Downtown Cave Junction early Friday, Oct. 11. The mess was cleaned up and the plants replanted in time for the Art Walk. The vandalism has left business owners shaking their heads in dismay. Information about the vandals should be given to the sheriff's office.

O'Brien man pleads guilty to IRS claim

O'Brien resident James Joseph Lombardo plead guilty to making and subscribing to a false tax return for the calendar year 1996, according to Victor S.O. Song, of the IRS Criminal Investigation Portland Field Office.

Lombardo was charged on April 11, by an Oregon grand jury, with filing false federal income tax returns for 1995 through '98, Song said.

According to the indictment, Lombardo financed real estate transaction for numerous individuals in Southern Oregon. As part of these financing agreements he received a monthly payment from each borrower. A portion of each of these monthly payments was interest income.

Lombardo, said IRS, was required to report this interest income on his federal income tax return for the year in which the interest income was received. Lombardo failed to report a substantial portion of the interest received from these financing agreements on his federal income tax returns, according to IRS.

Sentencing is set for March 13. Lombardo faces the maximum penalty of three years imprisonment and a \$250,000 fine, IRS said.

This case was investigated by IRS-Criminal Investigation in Medford, and is being prosecuted by the U.S. Attorney's Office in Eugene, and the Tax Division, Dept. of Justice.

Accused arsonist charged

Two first-degree counts of arson are included in an indictment against 18-year-old Alan Paul Davis, accused of setting a Wednesday, Oct. 2 fire that destroyed Si Casa Flores Mexican restaurant in Grants Pass, causing an estimated \$700,000 damage.

The indictment against Davis, of Grants Pass, was issued by a Josephine County grand jury. Oct. 28 is set for a plea hearing, and if convicted, Davis could be sentenced to a mandatory minimum of nearly eight years in prison.

The indictment contains three charges, including two first-degree arson counts in connection with the Si Casa Flores fire, and a McDonald's Restaurant. They are both located on Grants Pass Parkway at Beacon Drive. In addition, a third charge lists reckless

burning in connection with a rubbish fire outside Fish World in Grants Pass.

The two restaurant fires were set early on Oct. 2, according to Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety. Only minor damage occurred to the McDonald's.

Grants Pass firefighters were assisted at the Si Casa Flores fire by Rural/Metro Fire Dept. and Illinois Valley Rural Fire Protection District. The blaze was discovered at approximately 4:30 a.m.

Approximately 15 people worked at the Mexican restaurant. But about half of them have been put to work at a sister restaurant. The destroyed business was insured, and the owner, Manual Flores, said that there are plans to rebuild the restaurant and re-open as soon as possible.

RCC offers courses aimed at help for people with small businesses

"The Check Is In the Mail/Credit & Collections" is the title of a course offered on Tuesday, Oct. 22.

The course, which will run from 6 to 9 p.m., will be presented in the Rogue Community College Small Business Development Center (SBDC), 214 S.W. Fourth St. in Downtown Grants Pass.

Topics will include monitoring and prevention, checks and balances, and collection techniques. Also, legal considerations, bad checks, and using Small Claims Court.

Instructors will be George Bock Jr., of General Credit Service Inc.; and Jack Davis,

an attorney. There is a fee per person.

Another course, "Taking Charge: Making Decisions & Solving Problems," will be held on Thursday, Oct. 24. It will run from 6 to 8:30 p.m., and also will be held in the SBDC.

The intent of the course is help employees become more valuable, and to learn how to "effectively make decisions and solve problems." The instructor will be Donna Love, of SBDC. There is a fee per person.

For required preregistration, or more information, phone (541) 956-7494.

IVHS Activities Calendar

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THURSDAY, OCT. 24
Volleyball at Rogue River 5:45/6:30 p.m.
Freshman/sophomore football vs. Mazama Here - 4 p.m.
FRIDAY, OCT. 25
Varsity football at Mazama - 7 p.m.

Support the Illinois Valley High School sports teams

Halloween & Costume Dance
Saturday, Oct. 26 - 8 p.m.
Takilma Community Building
Contests with prizes! DJ and live music by **JUPITER HOLLOW**
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*Adults - \$15
Teens - \$8
Children - \$2*

Wanted



Heidi Iverson wants to continue Frank's tradition of working hard for Illinois Valley residents.

During our last budget cut period, Frank proved his commitment by working with I.V. citizens to keep the county building open so it could continue to be used as a substation for the sheriff. He also fought hard to keep the senior food service program going.

Frank refused to allow the I.V. swimming pool to be closed down - instead he worked with a volunteer committee of local citizens to not only keep the pool open, but restore it to good condition.

Frank went to CalTrans after the mountain slide to pressure authorities to allow traffic to proceed on weekends to provide access for tourism. He succeeded in convincing ODOT to turn off the reader board heading south on Hwy. 199 after the most serious fire hazards subsided.

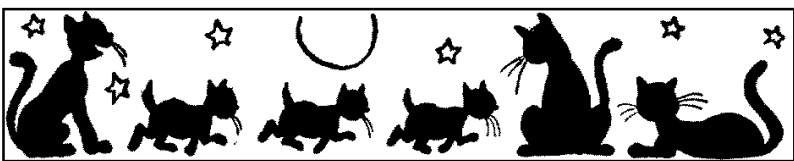
We would like to publicly thank Leonard Frick of the Holiday Motel for all he's done to help the Illinois Valley.

Frank Iverson assisted in making Lake Selmac available as a fire command post and spent many hours attending status meetings. He made sure that the particle masks were available free of charge during heavy smoke and ash pollution.

The Illinois Valley deserves to be represented by a commissioner who cares about its people. A commissioner who wants to actively work with you on solving problems. Heidi will continue Frank's tradition. Caring, capable, moderate and sensible - that's Heidi Iverson.

Vote

Heidi Iverson
For County Commissioner



Sports Challenge
by Walter Branch

1. What basketball player's 1993 funeral was attended by 15,000 Bostonians?
2. What wrestler gave the pink tutu he wore in "Mr. Nanny" to New York's Planet Hollywood?
3. What Babe Ruth nickname was shared with the leader of a real country that became part of Pakistan?
4. Who knocked out Zora Folley in his last fight before being stripped of his title?
5. After seeing a Steve McQueen movie, what baseball figure remarked, "He must have made that before he died"?
6. What college football coach finally retired at the age of 98?
7. What part of a basketball court is known as the "charity stripe"?
8. What 1969 Steam hit was adopted by sports fans in the final minutes of the home team's victory?
9. How many times did Hank Aaron hit 50 or more home runs in a season?
10. What Minnesota Vikings quarterback threw a record 345 completions in 1978?

Sports Challenge Answers
1. Reggie Lewis; 2. Hulk Hogan; 3. Sultan of Swat; 4. Muhammad Ali; 5. Yogi Berra; 6. Amos Alonzo Stagg; 7. The foul line; 8. "Na Na Hey Hey Kiss Him Goodbye"; 9. Zero; 10. Fran Tarkenton

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