

# Here, There & Everywhere

**METH MEETING** - On Wednesday, March 19 at 6:30 p.m. at the Josephine County Bldg. detectives of the Josephine County Interagency Narcotics Team (JOINT) will give a presentation on meth labs in Illinois Valley.

**OPEN INVITATION** - The board members and volunteers of the Kerbyville Museum invite the community to the re-opening of the museum on Saturday, March 29, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Admission will be free. "Come join us, see the changes that have been made and enjoy some refreshments, too," said the board.

**EQUINE MANAGEMENT** - A free equine management workshop and tour will be held on Thursday, March 27 at the Anne Basker Auditorium, 500 N.W. Sixth St., Grants Pass, at 6:30 p.m. Participants will receive useful information about conservation management practices to enhance their livestock's health and land's value. Sign-in will begin at 6 p.m. To register or for more information, phone 734-3143. Register by Tuesday, March 25.

**GIVING CARE** - Lovejoy Hospice will hold a "Caregiver 101" workshop on Saturday, April 5 from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 939 S.E. Eighth St., Grants Pass. Registration begins at 8 a.m. Pre-registration is required by Friday, March 28. Phone Lovejoy Hospice at 474-1193.

**SWEETHEART'S BANQUET** - The Takilma Bible Church Youth will host an evening fund-raiser of fine dining, relaxation and entertainment on Saturday, April 12 at 6 p.m. at Takilma Bible Church. For more information and to purchase tickets, phone Rachel at 592-5180.

**PRIME TIME** - Men's Twilight Leagues at the Illinois Valley Golf Club will begin Monday, April 21 and Wednesday, April 23. Those interested in participating need a partner and sponsor and can sign up at the golf course. Phone 592-3151 for more information.

**SPRING BAZAAR** - A Spring Bazaar will be held at Illinois Valley Senior Center on Friday and Saturday, April 7-8 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. There will be crafts, candy, candles, dolls, minerals, beadwork and much more. Tables are available. Phone 592-6888 for more information.

**GOOD WOOD** - Lomakatsi Restoration Project will present a small diameter wood products demonstration at Kauffman Wood Products in Kerby Saturday, March 22 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. An Economizer Wood Mill from Hayfork Watershed Research Center, Calif. will be used to show how small scale lumber can be cut from small diameter timber. Anyone interested will also be able to tour Kauffman Wood Products showroom and workshops. For more information phone 488-0208.

**NOTEPAD: Lovejoy Hospice is looking** for volunteer chaplains interested in providing spiritual support to seriously ill patients and their families. Volunteers are trained in such areas as hospice philosophy and working as a team, communication, listening skills and the spiritual issues of death and dying. For more information, phone 474-1193.

## State gets smallpox vaccine

Federal officials in Oregon have sent four vials of smallpox vaccine to immunize health workers, said Oregon Dept. of Human Services (DHS).

"We received vaccine from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC)," said Grant Higginson, DHS health officer.

"This puts us a step closer to vaccinating health workers around the state," said Higginson.

"The smallpox vaccination process requires intensive pre-screening, a longer informed consent procedure, and the actual vaccination process is more complex than a simple shot," he said.

Up to 800 public health care workers will be vaccinated and become members of

Oregon's Smallpox Response Team. All vaccinations are voluntary, Higginson said.

"About 100 public health workers will be ready to immediately investigate a suspected case of smallpox anywhere in the state," he noted.

"And 700 health-care workers in hospitals around Oregon will be able to safely care for smallpox patients, assist in investigative work and vaccinate others against the disease," he said.

In December, Oregon submitted two plans to CDC, one for vaccinating health-care workers in preparation for a possible smallpox outbreak and one for mass vaccination if a case should ever occur. Currently, smallpox vaccination is not advised for members of the general public.

# Letters to the Editor

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who are volunteers. They have volunteered to pick up their weapons and rucksack, put on a parachute, climb into a plane and jump into any country and fight to protect our country.

"And dad, you don't get that kind of commitment in civilian life."

Well, I'm not so angry anymore after putting this down on paper. But I do agree with my sons. I believe that if our citizenry had a better sense of duty and commitment to our government, our country and ourselves, we would all have a much better way of life.

I have friends here in Cave Junction whose sons are also deployed. Like me, they do not want a war. We would much rather have our sons at home with their families.

We don't want them in some foreign country with the threat hanging over their heads of being maimed or killed or horribly tortured in Iraq, like 21 of our military people were in the Gulf War. Or being gassed like 5,000 Kurdish people in Northern Iraq by their own government.

Fortunately, most Americans understand that it is better to protect our people and our freedom by carrying this fight on terrorism to other shores than to have to protect it here in the United States. I feel the odds are pretty good that the Women in Black on the corner don't have any sons or daughters in the military or they would understand what a disservice they are doing to them.

And I would suggest to the Women in Black that if they feel that they honestly can't support our government, country and our military through prayer, words and deeds, then they might want to consider grabbing their placards and signs, climbing into an airplane and flying to some other country.

But they should be advised that if they protest on their corner about their government that they might get their --- slammed in jail.

**'We've won'  
From Ivy Greenwood  
O'Brien**

I just realized that we don't need to start an expensive and wasteful war against Iraq, because we've already won.

That's right. We've had weapons in place in Iraq since 1991, and they're still working.

We've already defeated Iraq, in such a cruel way that Saddam Hussein probably wishes he'd thought of it himself.

We've been waging war against Iraq's children, and we're winning.

Since 1991, more than 500,000 Iraqi children have died due to malnutrition

brought on by our sanctions, and due to radiation caused by the dust from our depleted uranium shell casings. That's more than half-a-million children, whose only crime was being born in Iraq.

And here's the clincher: since the half-life of depleted uranium is measured in millions of years, we don't need to fire another shot into Iraq. Our weapons are just going to keep on killing Iraqi children, even if U.S. soldiers never set foot on Iraqi soil again.

Our government doesn't need to spend another penny, deploy another soldier or fire another weapon because we've already won the war.

OK, so our government's victory is already assured. But just like any other political endeavor, we're already paying the price for the Bush dynasty's dubious victory.

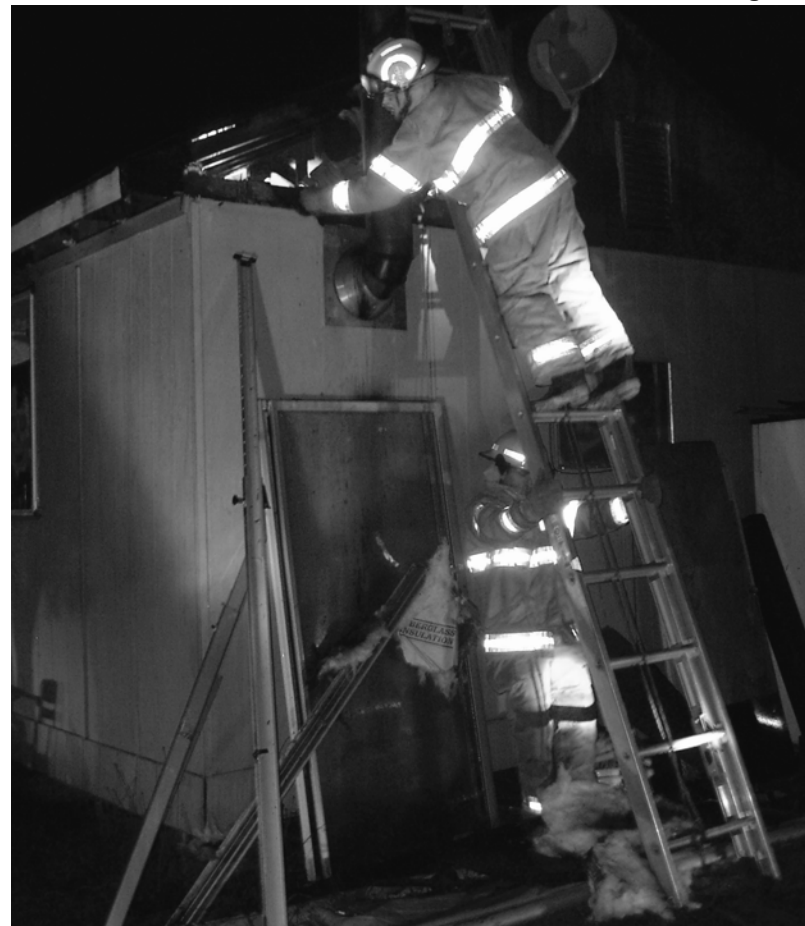
Depleted uranium is killing our kids, too.

The soldiers who handle those shell casings are also irradiated. Twelve years after the Gulf War has ostensibly ended, our brave veterans are still excreting uranium in their urine and other bodily fluids. They're developing brain cancers. Their children have physical and developmental problems. This is the price our soldiers have paid for being loyal to their government.

So, if we really feel we must destroy Iraq, let's just sit back and wait. It'll happen. All that lovely Iraqi oil will end up in our hands, eventually.

At least our own children will be safe and healthy that way.

And maybe, eventually, we can forget the fact that we won this war by killing our enemy's children.



**KEN ROSE FIRE** - Cave Junction and O'Brien firefighters responded to a reported structure fire at 108 Ken Rose Lane at 10:57 p.m. on Sunday, March 16. The home is owned by Nick Morris, said Chief Kyle Kirchner of Illinois Valley Fire District. Kirchner said that a flue fire had extended to an exterior wall and had essentially been extinguished. Firefighters checked out the burned area for hot spots and conducted some general mop-up work.



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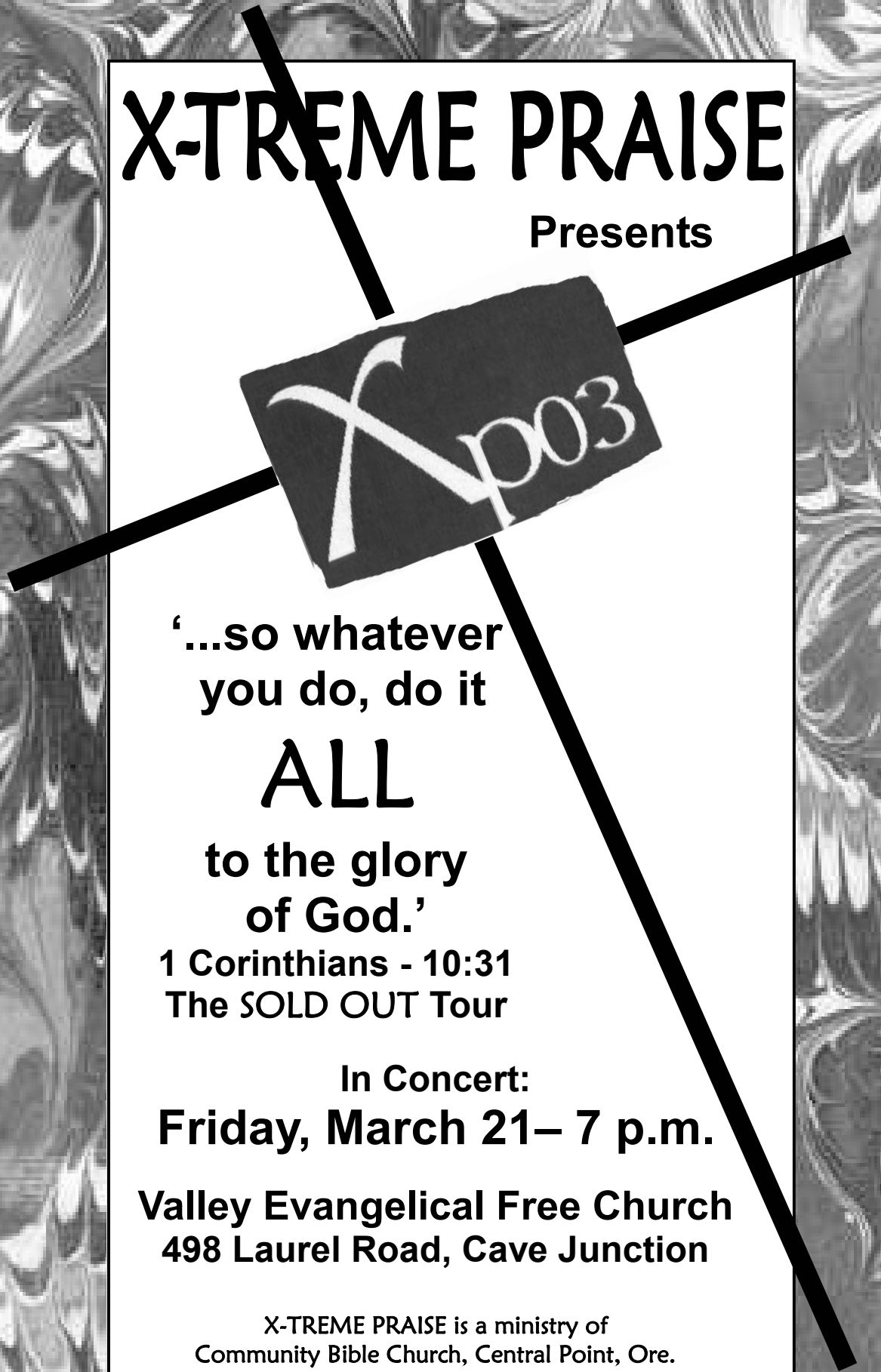
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Meals are served in the CJ County Bldg.

**FRIDAY, MARCH 21**  
Turkey loaf with cream sauce, whipped potatoes, mixed vegetables, multigrain bread,  
**Grace's chocolate cookie**

**MONDAY, MARCH 24**  
Three cheese lasagna, steamed zucchini, garden vegetable salad, garlic bread, peach crisp

**WEDNESDAY, 26**  
Italian meatloaf, creamed potatoes, Italian blend vegetables, French bread, birthday cake



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