Here, There & Everywhere

CREATIVE MINDS -- Young artists in Illinois Valley are encouraged to submit their work to be displayed in an exhibit during the Second Friday Art Walk in June and until July 6 at Pizza Pit. Those high-school age and younger may participate by submitting a limit of two 2D flat art pieces per person, size limited to 18"x24", at Pizza Pit from June 6-10. Submissions may be matted but not framed. Phone Penny at 592-6358 for more information.

FIELD INSTITUTE -- The Siskiyou Field Institute will begin its 2003 season on Saturday, May 24 and will be offering free presentations. For more information phone 592-4459.

FLYING HIGH -- Speed Fly 2003, sponsored by Rogue Valley Flyers, AMA Club 1408, will be held on Monday, May 26 (Memorial Day) at 8:30 a.m. at the Josephine County Sky Park in Kerby, located on Kerby Mainline Road. There will be an entrance fee for each airplane entered. Proceeds will go to the RVF Field Fund. Phone George Long at (541) 476-7552 or (541) 476-0836 for more information.

SHOW STEALER -- Dell' Arte International School of Physical Theater will perform "Steal This Show," at the Dome School on Tuesday, May 27 at 6:45 p.m. The show is appropriate for all ages. There is a fee. For more information phone (707) 668-5663.

RURAL TRANSPORTATION -- An open house regarding a plan being developed for improvements to Josephine County's transportation system will be held on Thursday, May 29 at I.V. High School from 5 to 7:30 p.m. Phone (541) 474-5460 for more information.

CHAMBER MUSIC -- Business sponsors are sought for the annual Concerts in the Park Series presented by I.V. Chamber of Commerce. Fliers are being distributed by Jana Fincher, series chairman, and information is also available by phoning Fincher at 592-3566, or the chamber office at 592-3126. The series will begin on June 28 with the annual Classic Car Show, sponsored by Cave Junction Lions Club, and the music will be provided by "Chase 'N' the Blues." Subsequent concerts will feature classic rock, bluegrass, Celtic, jazz, country folk, Gospel, rock and salsa. Watch the "Noose" for details as the series approaches.

WARM HEARTS -- Volunteers are needed to help with children's activities at a community event on Saturday, June 21. The event will include a day of music, art, displays, a parade and a Native American ceremony. Volunteers are expected to attend a meeting before the event. Phone 592-2100, Ext. 225 for more information and to volunteer.

ROSE GARDEN -- Illinois Valley High School is looking for donated roses to be used on arches during graduation on June 4. Someone at the school will cut and pick up any roses given for the occasion. Phone 592-2116 for more info.

FREE WHEELIN' -- Illinois Valley Lions Club is seeking parties interested in participating in a possible "Tuff Truck" or "Mud Bog" competition for its Labor Day festival. Phone Steve Lyons at 592-3181 or 592-6441 for more

NOTEPAD: Hathkapasuta River Festival booth applications are available at "BeBe's ART for everyone," 148 S. Redwood Hwy., and at Coffee Heaven, 409 S. Redwood Hwy...Medicare recipients with arthritis, heart disease, respiratory disorders and have trouble walking may be eligible to receive an electric wheelchair paid for by Medicare. Phone Gregory at (800) 810-2877 for more information...Bi-**Rite Auto Parts** is relocating to the former I.V. movie theater...I.V. Visitor Center logged 1,465 visitations during April, a decrease of 156 from March, reports Dulcie Moore, I.V. Chamber secretary. She also reported receiving 295 telephone calls during April, and sent 100 people requested visitor information.

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IVFD looks into payroll, lowers petty cash

Petty cash and who will handle paychecks were among topics addressed -- the latter item twice in a veritable reversal of action -- by directors of Illinois Valley Fire District during their meeting on Thursday night, May 15 in Cave Junction City Hall.

Both topics were brought up by Director Joel Downing.

Regarding processing paychecks, the board first voted 4-1 to have them handled out of the district office. The job has been handled by Beth Beards, administrative assistant. Director Larrick Jones voted against the mo-

Downing moved to "move payroll services, including vacation pay, to a separate sector away from the secretary (Beards)."

"I'm against it," said

Jones. "It should be done inhouse, and why should we spend extra money?"

Discussion centered on the point that Beards apparently needs a better version of check-producing software, with training. Directors including Larrick Jones noted they could be in favor of the latter. Also that there is a need for check stubs that list data about accrued vacation, sick leave and other pertinent information.

Later during the meeting, after the 4-1 vote for approval to take the check job away from the office, Volunteer Fire Capt. Bill Hickerson asked how much having the work done outside the office would cost. Director Joe Malcolm agreed with the query after first seeming to indicate that he would be in favor of upgraded software and the necessary training for Beards.

Malcolm then amended the original motion to first ascertain the cost of having the work handled outside the office prior to making a final decision. The motion was approved 5-0.

Regarding the district office petty cash fund, it was reported that there is a \$250 limit. Downing questioned why it is necessary to have that amount of money in the office. Several possible answers were offered, followed by brief comments about taking the amount down to \$100 or \$50. The \$50 amount was OK'd by directors by consen-

Cabin blaze in Takilma investigated

The cause of a Thursday morning, May 15 fire that destroyed a two-story cabin in Takilma is still being investigated, according to Jeff Gavlik, I.V. Fire District acting

Eighteen firefighters responded at approximately 5:56 a.m. to 7094 Takilma Road, the home of Joan Tramler. They remained until around 9 a.m.

Tramler was able to remove some of her animals from the burning house, although a dog and hamster apparently died in the fire.

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Whooping cough cases rise

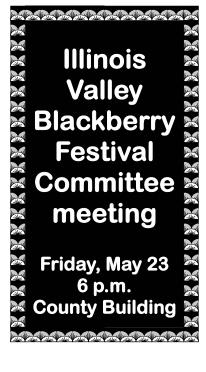
The death of an 11-weekold Oregon child due to pertussis, or whooping cough, is a sober reminder of why children should be immunized, according to the State Dept. of Human Services (DHS) officials.

"Pertussis is common, and it causes a nagging cough that can last for weeks in adults," said Ann Thomas, DHS public health physician.

Vaccination against pertussis is recommended at age 2, 4 and 6 months of age, with additional doses at 15 months and at school entry, Thomas said. Pertussis can occur at any age, but most reported cases are in children under 5 years old and, of those, 50 percent are under one year old, according to Thomas.

Whooping cough is caused by the bacterium Bordetella pertussis and is found in the mouth, nose and throat of an infected person.

It begins as a mild infection with symptoms that resemble the common cold.



Within two weeks, the cough becomes more severe with episodes of numerous coughs followed by a high-pitched whoop.

A thick, mucous may also be discharged.

"In 1940, over 200,000 pertussis cases were reported nationally. Since 1980, that has dropped to 4,400 cases per year, a decrease of more than 98 percent," Thomas said.

Pertussis has increased recently in Oregon and in other parts of the country. Oregon averaged 70 cases per year during 1992-2001 but the count rose to 193 cases in

To date this year, 100 cases have already been reported in the state.

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