

Jobs ...

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"Local education employment is now 130 jobs below the year-ago figure. Comparing education employment with the totals from the same month one year ago should be done with caution, as some discrepancies occur due to the timing of seasonal hiring by various school districts. When September and October data are available, there should be a more meaningful analysis regarding cutbacks in government education employment due to lingering budget uncertainties," OED concluded.

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"c. Drunk and disorderly conduct.

"d. Vagrancy or other behavior that includes as one of its elements either drinking alcoholic beverages or using controlled substances in public, being an alcoholic or a drug-dependent person, or being found in specified places under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances."

"e. Using or being under the influence of controlled substances."

The ORS notes that driving under the influence of intoxicants is not affected by the above.

"We have to come into compliance with the state," said Polk.

Despite the coming changes, the city ordinance prohibiting drinking in Jubilee Park will still stand unless prior approval is received from the council.

Patrol ...

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IVCP's aim is to serve as eyes and ears to help sheriff's deputies deter crime.

Two-person patrols are under way, and there is a strict no confrontation policy.

Patrollers are not to enter buildings or even get out of their vehicles.

Scheduling of patrols is being coordinated with the sheriff's office.

During Monday's meeting it was noted that many downtown merchants are willing to support IVCP with donations of equipment, fuel and funding.

Those present approved IVCP bylaws, and vowed to maintain patrols for the safety and vitality of the business sector.

JOINT meth bust ...

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stance (MCS)/marijuana, possession of a controlled substance (PCS)/meth; and two counts of endangering the welfare of a minor.

Todd Renecker was charged with possession of precursor substances with intent to manufacture/meth. Bill Renecker was charged under a felony arrest warrant charging absconding on an original charge of MCS.

Usher was charged with PCS/meth.

JOINT provided the following account:

Officers served a search warrant at 8 a.m. on the 17th at 8560 Deer Creek Road. They found evidence of marijuana cultivation (four plants), and possession and use of small quantities of meth, which were being manufactured and used in the presence of two children

under 12 years of age.

Evidence obtained there led JOINT detectives to 900 Naue Way. There they found more than 19 gallons of chemicals used in the manufacturing of meth, processed acids, phosphorus, bleaches and meth byproduct from the manufacture of meth and small quantities of finished meth product. Small quantities of marijuana also were found.

Brack and Usher, friends of the Reneckers, were arrested while visiting at the Naue Way address, when it was determined that Brack attempted to hinder discovery of Bill Renecker, who was hiding from investigators when they arrived. It was found that Usher was in possession of a small quantity of meth at her home on Deer Creek Road. (Related story on page 9)



'BEARY' FUN DAY- Numbers of I.V. residents and others turned out to see the unveiling of the large bronze bears at Evergreen Federal Bank on Saturday, Sept. 20 (photo above). The bank provided refreshments and small, squishy bears to the first 500 attendees (photo right). Also given away through a drawing were oversize stuffed bears won by Rebecca Pearson, Martha Waddell, William V. of Lakeview, Doris Spurgeon, Elaine Correia, the Sedlows, and Steve Blakely.



BUG PLAY - Children and adults learned how to collect and identify insects living in area waters during the 2003 'Kids and Bugs' event at Chinquapin Campground on Saturday, Sept. 20. It was the first such opportunity offered for the public, according to Illinois Valley Watershed Council, a co-sponsor of the event. The half-day family-oriented activity was free and needed equipment, such as nets, was provided.

Cougars triumph in Skyline opener

Hidden Valley got the point in high school football action against Illinois Valley on the Mustangs' field in Murphy on Friday night, Sept. 19.

The Cougars also got the point and definitely made their points -- winning the Skyline Conference opener 49-20 -- led by Illinois Valley's "Touchdown Trio" consisting of Mike Pagnotta, Natty Krauss and Josh Pope. The win put Illinois Valley at 1-0 in Skyline plan; 4-0 overall.

With the fourth consecutive victory, the Cougars made their point that this looks like their season to head for the playoffs. Against a stunned team of Mustangs (1-2, 0-1 after Friday's contest), I.V. racked up 42 points without stopping for breath in the second through fourth quarters. Significantly, the Cougars did not let the fact that the Mustangs took the lead in the first quarter discourage nor deter them.

Far from it; seniors Pagnotta, Krauss and Pope kept punching hard, in a

manner of speaking. The "Touchdown Trio" amassed all but three of I.V.'s 462 total rushing yards. And the trio scored six of the Cougars' seven touchdowns.

Pagnotta was responsible for three TDs and gained a game-high 218 yards on 10 carries. I.V. tallied 473 offensive yards vs. HV's 367 yards.

The Cougars will face North Valley on the field in Cave Junction on Saturday, Sept. 27 with kickoff at 1 p.m.

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 *Cheese stix, cheeseburger, pepperoni pizza, super sub sandwich, pasta salad
FRIDAY, SEPT. 26
 *Cheesy pretzel, hamburger, sausage pizza, turkey & cheese sandwich, chicken Caesar salad
MONDAY, SEPT. 29
 *Chicken nuggets, hamburger, cheese pizza, peanut butter & jelly sandwich, chef salad
TUESDAY, SEPT. 30
 *Steak sandwich, cheeseburger, pepperoni pizza, ham & cheese sandwich, garden salad
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