

I.V. Chamber of Commerce

Jim Frick and Dennis Strayer were introduced as newest members of the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors during a board meeting on Thursday, Dec. 18 in Wild River Brewing & Pizza Co. in Cave Junction.

It was announced that Terri Smith and Ted Crocker were re-elected. Frick is a broker at Century 21 Harris & Taylor, Strayer is site manager for the I.V. Visitor Center; Smith operates Northwest Hairlines; and Crocker owns Ted Crocker LTC, all in Cave Junction.

The board will meet next on Jan. 20 at Wild River. The date is a Tuesday; a change for 2004, as previously the directors have met on Thursdays.

Based on nominations, it appears that the voting for officers at the Jan. 20 meeting will involve Smith as president; Vicki Gill of SOFCU as treasurer; and Bill Reid of Oregon Mt. Real Estate as vice president. Smith and Gill currently hold the offices of president and treasurer. Crocker is vice president, but told the board recently that because of his profession he can no longer hold office where he can sign checks.

Tickets were drawn for the chamber Christmas Basket fund-raiser. Winners are Jeff Stiles, Karen Stiles, Corky Quen and Joann McKeen. After expenses, the event, coordinated by Gill, raised \$258.

Office Manager Dulcie Moore told the board that 565 persons were recorded at the visitor center during November. This compares with 515 during the same month a year ago. Regarding the Christmas Parade, directors discussed an alternate time frame. This year's parade was postponed from Dec. 6 because of predicted rain; then on the alternative date of Dec. 13 it did rain.

Directors also discussed some new community projects, besides changing the period for the annual parade. It was suggested that it might be better if the holiday parade were to be held closer to Thanksgiving.

In connection with the holiday season, Director Leonard Frick of Holiday Motel said there's a plan to put 1,000 lights on the Community Christmas Tree on the vacant lot between the Junction Inn and Pizza Pit on Redwood Hwy. in CJ. Frick said that Marty Hertler and Jim Valentine are planning to install the lights, donated by Klamath First Bank.

Jana Fincher announced that plans are well under way for the chamber's annual Concerts in the Park series.

Pam Cooper, who operates Clear Spaces in Downtown Cave Junction, said she is interested in helping organize a Bluegrass festival.

In addition, Jim Frick suggested a Festival of Trees, where businesses would sponsor decorated trees with gifts underneath. The community could give the trees for three days, and there would be an auction for the trees and gifts, which would be delivered as part of the package.

THURSDAY EVENING/LATE NIGHT DECEMBER 25, 2003. Grid of TV programs including Home Improvement, Friends, The Sopranos, and various sports events.

FRIDAY EVENING/LATE NIGHT DECEMBER 26, 2003. Grid of TV programs including Lethal Weapon, The Sopranos, and various sports events.

SATURDAY MORNING/AFTERNOON DECEMBER 27, 2003. Grid of TV programs including Bird on a Wire, The Sopranos, and various sports events.

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