

Here, There & Everywhere

SWEETHEART 'VALENTINES' - Illinois Valley High School Swing Choir will deliver "Valentines" consisting of song, cards, and flowers on Valentine's Day, Saturday, Feb. 14 from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information about the fund-raiser, or to place an order, phone 592-2116 between 8 a.m. and 3 p.m. today through Friday.

'SHINING STARS' FOOD 'N' TUNES - Dinner and dancing for all ages in the "Old School Auditorium" at Selma Community Center, featuring "The Non-Prophets," is set for Friday, Feb. 13. There is a sliding-scale fee. Dinner will start at 6 p.m., with dancing from 8 p.m. to midnight. Phone 592-2236 for more information.

VALENTINE BAKE SALE - SOFCU will host a benefit bake sale in Cave Junction for Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce on Friday, Feb. 13 from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. SOFCU's valley branch is at the southeast corner of Redwood Hwy. and Lister Street, across from the county building.

OMSI SCIENCE CLASSES- Dome School, 9367 Takilma Road, will hold OMSI science classes on Saturday, Feb. 14. Contact 592-3911 for applications.

CITIZENS PATROL MEET - A regrouping meeting for I.V. Citizens Patrol will be held on Thursday, Feb. 12 at 6:30 p.m. in the Junction Inn's Boswell Room. Anyone can attend.

BLOOD DRIVE - The American Red Cross will holding a blood drive in Cave Junction on Thursday, Feb. 12, from 1 to 6 p.m. at the I.V. Senior Center, 520 E. River St. Phone (800) 448-3543.

'HUNK-A-BURNIN LOVE' - "Elvis" will be at Stevereno's Family Restaurant & Lounge in Cave Junction on Saturday, Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. He'll help with a celebration of Valentine's Day with songs of love. Tickets are available. Phone 591-6434 for information.

VALENTINE BINGO - The Illinois Valley Senior Center will have "Winner-Take-All" bingo on Valentine's Day, Saturday, Feb. 14 from 1 to 4 p.m. at 520 E. River St. Games are open to everyone.

LITTLE LEAGUE BASEBALL - Registration for the 2004 baseball season will be held on Saturday, Feb. 14 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.; Feb. 15 from 2 to 4 p.m.; and Feb. 21 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at Lorna Byrne Middle School in C.J. Birth certificate and proof of address are required to register.

TOWN HALL - U.S. Rep. Peter DeFazio will host a Town Hall meeting in Grants Pass City Hall at 101 N.W. "A" St. on Tuesday, Feb. 17 from 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Those who require special accommodations should phone Janice Kelly at (800) 944-9603 at least three days prior.

KERBY WATER DISTRICT - There will be a monthly business meeting Thursday, Feb. 19 at 6 p.m. in the RCC Kerby Belt Bldg. in Kerby for progress updates and a question/answer session.

LOVEJOY HOSPICE - The next "Beyond Loss" free grief support program will meet each Wednesday beginning Feb. 18 from 2-4p.m. at the hospice information center at Immanuel United Methodist Church, 200 W. Watkins St. in Cave Junction. Prior registration required, phone Barbara Knox (888) 758-8569.

NOTEPAD - IVHS boys basketball fund-raiser raffle, with prizes including a 51-inch Sony TV, is coming up fast. The last chance to obtain raffle tickets is Tuesday, Feb. 17 prior to halftime in Ken Mann Memorial Gym. Phone 597-4476 for more info... **Hospital equipment donations** are sought by I.V. Lions Club needs donations most particularly an electric wheelchair. I.V. Lions will gladly pick up any donations. For more information phone 592-4135 ... **A First Responder** class for Illinois Valley firefighters has graduated Kris Sherman, Delaine Sherman, William Sowell, Joe Brown and Chris Paul... **Assisted Living Survey** - IVMC is still conducting an assisted living survey. Forms are available at locations throughout the Illinois Valley.

LAST WORDS - If you don't have time to do it right, when do you have time to do it over? (Anonymous)

Letters

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ing marriage rights to same-sex couples without lowering the importance of the rights of every individual citizen in this country.

We have the right and privilege in this country to live, express ourselves and worship the way we individually desire, as long as it does not intrude on the rights and lives of our fellow citizens. I have found the following article by the governor of Massachusetts, Mitt Romney, which I think does an excellent job. It was on the Internet on Meridian Magazine as the lead article Feb. 6.

It reads in part:
No matter how you feel about gay marriage, we should be able to agree that the citizens and their elected representatives must not be excluded from a decision as fundamental to society as the definition of marriage.

In a decision handed down in November, a divided Supreme Judicial Court of Massachusetts detected a previously unrecognized right in our 200-year-old state constitution that permits same-sex couples to wed. I believe the 4-3 decision was wrongly decided and is deeply mistaken.

Contrary to the court's opinion, marriage is not "an evolving paradigm." It is deeply rooted in the history, culture, and tradition of civil society. It predates our constitution and our nation by millennia. The

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IVHS School Menu - Sponsored by



THURSDAY, FEB. 12

*Chicken sandwich, cheeseburger, hamburger, turkey & cheese or ham & cheese sandwich; chef, Mandarin chicken or garden salad; Hawaiian, cheese or pepperoni pizza; beef soft tacos (pasta, meat & marinara sauce, breadstick)

FRIDAY, FEB. 13

*Chicken sandwich, cheeseburger, hamburger, turkey & cheese or Italian sandwich; chef, Mandarin chicken or chicken Caesar salad; vegetarian, supreme, sausage or pepperoni pizza; nachos supreme (corndog, hotdog, or Polish dog, potato wedges or tater tots)

MONDAY, FEB. 16

*Chicken sandwich, cheeseburger, hamburger, turkey & cheese or ham & cheese sub; chef, Mandarin chicken or fiesta salad; vegetarian, sausage or pepperoni pizza; beef & bean burrito (chicken nuggets with biscuit & dipping sauce)

TUESDAY, FEB. 17

*Chicken sandwich, cheeseburger, hamburger, turkey & cheese or roast beef sub; chef, Mandarin chicken or garden salad; cheese, supreme or pepperoni pizza; Chicken fajita (Rib-b-que, potato wedges)

WEDNESDAY, FEB. 18

*Chicken sandwich, cheeseburger, hamburger, turkey & cheese or veggie sub; chef, Mandarin, chicken or Antipasto salad; sausage, supreme or pepperoni pizza, Taco salad

(Rice bowls, chicken or beef, veggies & almonds)



EVERGREEN VIKING ACHIEVERS - January Students of the Month celebrate with lunch at Pizza Pit. Pictured are (not in order) Avery Neville, Anthony Stephens, Rachel Starr, Kylee Dice, Chaise Robbins, Scout Wells, Lisa Flinders, Matt Dominguez, Ariana Strader, Lance Thomas, Jessica Compton, Radiance Schroeter, Andrew McLaughlin, Ashley Webb, Marissa Litak, Hailee Parker, and Bradley Loyd. Bryan Sowell, and Jesse Bethke who missed last month's pizza party, are also pictured.

LCDC gains Shetterly as its director

Lane Shetterly, an Oregon state representative since 1997 and an attorney, was selected last week to direct the Oregon Dept. of Land Conservation and Development, and will begin his duties on Monday, Feb. 23.

The decision came during a special meeting of the Land Conservation and Development Commission three days after Gov.ulongoski recommended the LCDC select Shetterly.

Shetterly will take over the department from interim director Nan Evans, who led the office after the February 2003 resignation of then-director Paul Curcio. Evans may remain with the department as deputy director.

Shetterly served nearly four complete terms in the Oregon Legislature, representing House District 23 (rural Polk and Benton counties). He also served as speaker pro tem and chairman of the House

Revenue Committee during the 2003 session.

During the 1999 legislative session, he was chairman of the House Judiciary Civil Law Committee and a member of the House Revenue Committee. He is also chairman of the Oregon Law Commission.

Shetterly was born in Dallas, Ore. After graduating from Dallas High School, he attended Oregon College of Education (now Western Oregon University), where he earned a bachelor's degree, with honors, in education.

After teaching music at Gresham High School, he attended Lewis and Clark Law School, from which he graduated with honors in 1981.

Following law school, Shetterly returned to Dallas to practice law. His practice emphasizes business and estate planning. He is also legal counsel for the Dallas School District.

Shetterly is married to Francine, a staff attorney for the Oregon Court of Appeals, and the couple has two children: Joel, 14, and Lauren, 11.

When he was not serving in the Legislature or practicing law, Shetterly enjoys running and music.

He has completed four marathons and six Hood-to-Coast relays, and has performed with the Portland Opera Chorus at Carnegie Hall.

A recent editorial in the Salem "Statesman Journal" praised Shetterly for his consensus skills, saying he had a "knack for finding solutions both parties can live with."

The editorial also stated, "This paper's editorial board hasn't always agreed with Shetterly, but we respect the knowledge and energy he has poured into solving the budget crisis.

We hope he will stay active in public life."

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