

SOIL, WATER 55TH ANNIVERSARY - Illinois Valley Soil & Water Conservation District hosted its 55th annual meeting on Thursday night, June 24 in the county building in Cave Junction. The district's 55 years of

service was celebrated with a dinner catered by Taylor's Sausage Country Store. The meal and celebration were preceded by a business meeting of approximately 40 minutes with Walt Freeman presiding.



ILLINOIS RIVER ROAD ROLLOVER - No injuries were reported in a single-vehicle crash on Illinois River Road near Deer Creek Ranch on Friday, June 25

shortly before noon. American Medical Response and Illinois Valley firefighters responded. (Photo by Dale Sandberg/Illinois Valley Fire District photographer)

## Solons list \$100 million for defense

Seventeen Oregon companies would share in more than \$100 million for defense-related projects if a spending bill passed by the Senate Appropriations Committee is approved by the full Senate.

The announcement was made by U.S. Sens. Ron Wyden (D-Ore.) and Gordon Smith (R-Ore).

"Providing our military with the finest equipment and resources will help maintain their effectiveness while enhancing their safety," said Smith. "While they're overseas defending freedom and helping maintain security in the world, we owe them nothing less than the best we can do."

Noted Wyden, "This funding for Oregon nanotech and other cutting-

edge technologies will set the table for significant job creation in our state, while making Oregon a key player in our national defense efforts."

Among companies listed for the potential funding:

\*American Blimp Corp. in Hillsboro, \$6 million "for a project to deliver an airborne platform and system to assist soldiers in urban environments by aiding them in identifying and defeating targets."

\*Oregon Nanoscience and Microtechnologies Institute, \$10 million "to develop miniaturized tactical energy systems for a wide range of military applications," and "for developing nanomaterials and nanomanufacturing methods to meet the military's simultaneous need for high-performance materials, protecting human health and minimizing harm to the environment."

\*Oregon Aero of Scappose would receive \$5 million "for improved body armor for Oregon soldiers. Specifically, the funds would be used to purchase helmet liner systems for National Guardsmen and reservists that already are being used by the U.S. Army and Special Ops soldiers."

\*Advanced Navigation and Positioning Corp. of Hood River would receive \$12 million for "Transportable Transponder Landing Systems to improve the safety, accuracy and reliability of U.S. Air Force operations."

## A Look Back

On June 28, 1776, Col. William Moultrie's batteries at Charleston, S.C., repulsed a British sea attack ... July 2, 1776, the Continental Congress adopted Richard Henry Lee's resolutions "that these united colonies are and of right out to be free and independent states" ... July 4, 1776, the Continental Congress approved the Declaration of Independence ... July 4, 1826, Thomas Jefferson and John Adams, both former presidents, died ... July 4, 1845, the Texas Congress voted for annexation by the U.S. ... July 1-3, 1863, Union forces won a major victory at the Battle of Gettysburg in Pennsylvania. ... July 4, 1863, by this date, the entire Mississippi River was in Union hands ... July

Gettysburg in Pennsylvania. ... July 4, 1863, by this date, the entire Mississippi River was in Union hands ... July 2, 1890, the Sherman Antitrust Act was passed, beginning federal efforts to curb monopolies ... June 30, 1906, the Pure Food and Drug Act and the Meat Inspection Act were passed ... July 2, 1926, Congress established the Army Air Corps.

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## Oregon wine bouquet spreads

Oregon wines recently presented their bouquets on a world stage for several weeks at tasting events in markets including Sweden, Japan and China, said Oregon Dept. of Agriculture (ODA).

The effort, coordinated partially by ODA, "underscores the industry's desire to expand exports vs. global competition."

Approximately 42,000 cases of Oregon wine were

exported during 2003, about 3 percent of all wine sold out-of-state last year.

Of that amount, more than 16,000 cases went to Canada, the United Kingdom and France. Nearly 14,000 cases were shipped to Japan during 2003, representing nearly a 400 percent increase from 2002.

ODA believes that Japan can improve on those numbers, while China and Europe are pursued.

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And, the utility said, "Digging into underground power lines can be as dangerous as contacting an overhead line.

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