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Brock is a 2004 graduate of Illinois Valley High School.

During his eight weeks of basic training, Brock studied various aspects of naval endeavors, and participated in physical fitness programs.

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Ernest W. Buttram
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He is the son of Alveretta C. Dangerfield, of Kerby. He is a 2002 graduate of Oroville High School in Oroville, Calif.

During the eight weeks of basic training, Buttram studied various areas of what it means to be a sailor. And he participated in physical fitness programs.

As a highlight of boot camp, "Battle Stations," he participated in an exercise designed to bring to the fore "sacrifice, dedication, teamwork and endurance."

Wyden works for rural help

U.S. Sen. Ron Wyden has announced Senate approval of his amendment to keep Oregon's distressed and rural communities from losing economic development opportunities because of burdensome financial requirements.

They recently were imposed, he said, by the U.S. Economic Development Administration (EDA).

Earlier this year, EDA told communities that beginning immediately, they would need to raise \$22 in private funds for every \$1 they requested in government funds -- a significant increase in the "private sector leveraging goal" used to determine which projects are funded.



Photo by Dale and Elaine Sandberg/IVFD Photographers

Citizens gather for the inaugural meeting of a group working to avoid wildfire loss.

Illinois Valley Fire Safe Council holds initial meet; next gathering set Nov. 15

By DALE & ELAINE SANDBERG

The second organizational meeting to form an Illinois Valley Fire Safe Council, a citizen-run group to provide a plan to prevent loss due to wildfire, will be held Nov. 15.

The first such gathering was held Monday night, Oct. 4 in Cave Junction City Hall. Approximately 23 people attended.

The meeting was a continuation of the "town hall" meetings held throughout the summer in various Illinois Valley communities.

Among the purposes:

*To continue the work

of the I.V. Fire Plan and update and improve it.

*To help and promote any valley plans and encourage formation of other such plans.

*To assist with guidelines for fire prevention.

Discussion also included how "community groupings" would be formed and what their functions could be. There also was mention of which local agencies would be kept informed as to fire council plans.

It was decided that during meetings the council would strive for consensus, but that a majority vote of representatives

would be the deciding factor.

Existing efforts, including the "Thompson Creek Project," were discussed, and formation of other similar projects was encouraged.

For the Nov. 15 meeting, Robert Hirning has been designated as titular chairman.

Co-coordinators of the first gathering were Illinois Valley Fire District (IVFD) Fire Marshal Jerry Schaeffer; Tracy Katelman, director of Forever Green Forestry in Eureka, Calif.; and I.V. Firefighter De Spellman, IVFD fire prevention coordinator.

Danger low from Helens

It's anticipated that volcanic ash from several volcanic eruptions of Mt. St. Helens during the last few weeks in Washington state pose a low health risk, according to the Oregon Dept. of Human Services (DHS) and the Oregon Health and Sciences University.

Recent earthquakes on Mt. St. Helens, just north of Oregon, have raised public concerns about possible health effects from exposure to volcanic ash that might blow in.

Dr. Grant Higginson, public health officer in DHS, advises people to take these precautions:

*The health risk is low for people who are away from the mountain. Exposure to volcanic ash is primarily linked to eye and breathing irritation.

*People with chronic respiratory diseases are

likely to be more at risk from exposure to the ash and dust. They should take extra precautions.

*In the event of an eruption and ash reaching Oregon, wearing a paper dust mask or using a cloth over your mouth when outdoors, and avoiding dust where possible, will provide adequate protection for most people.

Higginson said that research following the 1980 eruption of Mt. St. Helens showed that there is no evidence of long-term health effects from this kind of exposure to volcanic ash and dust.

For more information regarding specific steps and precautions, there is a Volcanic Ash Fact Sheet available online at the DHS Website, www.dhs.state.or.us/publichealth/eoe/alerts.cfm.

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MONDAY, OCT. 18
*Beef enchilada bake, Mexicali corn, citrus blend salad, multigrain bread, blushing pears
WEDNESDAY, OCT. 20
*Meatloaf w/gravy, herbed potatoes, steamed spinach, sunflower seed bread, birthday cake

Loresen a top I.V. pupil

Jenna Loresen, a senior at Illinois Valley High School, is September Student of the Month as chosen by the Josephine County Board of Commissioners.

Jenna, the daughter of Don and Karen Loresen, has maintained a grade-point average of 3.95.

She is a member of Cougar Pals, mock trial team, and the IVHS Chapter of National Honor Society. She has participated on the golf team, cheer-leading squad and the flag team, for which she served as captain.

Jenna has been recognized with an Achievement of Merit award in social studies, and has earned her

CIM certificate.

After graduation, she plans to attend Oregon



JENNA LORESEN

State University at Corvallis to major in early childhood development and become an elementary school teacher.

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