

Clubs & Groups

Beta Sigma Phi

Members of Laureate Beta Beta Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi kicked off the sorority year with a meeting at President Kathy Young's home.

They shared summer events and planning for activities during the coming year. Service projects will focus on local needs.

In September, members gathered for the first of many social events by attending "The Importance of Being Earnest."

Meetings are held twice monthly in the homes of members. For more information about the organization, phone Virginia Gilliam, chapter vice president, at 592-2293.

Illinois Valley Garden Club

The club appreciates members who worked on the prize-winning float for the I.V. Lions Club Labor Day Parade.

There is a lot of hidden talent in the club. And the community is appreciated for making the fall plant sale a success.

The club conducted a roadway clean-up recently on Caves Hwy. Members picked up 11 bags of trash. When you see people alongside a road, wearing red vests and carrying yellow trash bags, slow down. Also, give them a nod or toot of thanks.

"Heath and Heather" is the topic for the Friday, Oct. 15 meeting. Susan Ewalt, who grows heather, has just returned from a trip to Scotland and will be guest speaker. She will show slides of heaths and heather.

The horticulture show-and-tell table will feature branches of heaths and heather, and colorful autumn leaves.

Co-hostesses will be Carol Combs, Ethel Dixon, Karen Nichols and June Robinson.

The club meets on third Fridays at Immanuel United Methodist Church, 200 W. Watkins St. in Cave Junction. Coffee time begins at 12:30 p.m.; meetings begin at 1 p.m. unless otherwise noted.

Anyone can attend. For information phone 592-2941 or 592-4257.

Visitors rise

Some 2,032 persons were logged at the Illinois Valley Visitor Center during September, an increase of 82 from September 2003.

Chamber directors were advised of the tallies by Dulcie Moore, office manager, on Tuesday, Oct. 12 at Wild River Brewing & Pizza Co.



HARVEST MARKET - Illinois Valley Family Coalition held its first Harvest Market Saturday, Oct. 9 on the coalition parking lot on E. River Street. Arts and crafts, plus plants were featured, and there was entertainment. (Photos by Dale and Elaine Sandberg)

Two injured in GP road rage accident

Two of four persons in a car that overturned in a road rage incident were injured, and the driver of the other vehicle is sought, said Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety (GPDPS).

The accident occurred on Hwy. 199 near Allen Creek Road on Thursday, Oct. 7 at approximately 1:33 p.m.

Both vehicles were being driven at high rates of speed, said GPDPS, and "during the altercation" the car "was allegedly struck by the suspect vehicle, causing the driver to lose control and veer off the highway."

It struck an embankment and rolled onto its top, said GPDPS, which responded with city firefighters and Oregon State Police troopers.

The driver of the pickup truck that left the scene was driven by a slender white male adult in his

20s to early 30s. He has medium to long blond hair, and was wearing a blue or gray baseball cap.

His pickup truck was described as a mid-70s Chevrolet or Ford, blue or red; possibly multicolored.

He is wanted in connection with a Class A motor vehicle crash, reckless driving, and felony hit-and-run, said GPDPS.

The driver of the overturned car was identified

as Duane E. Stricklin, 37. He was cited on a charge of reckless driving and taken to Three Rivers Community Hospital for treatment of injuries.

Also reported injured was his brother, Thomas Stricklin, 28.

Not reported injured were passengers identified as Bryan J. Goodloe, 29; and Kacie P. Huntley, 18. Their places of residence were not provided.

State flu statute invoked

An emergency statute that allows the state to ration scarce influenza vaccine was invoked Friday, Oct. 8.

The action is necessary to ensure that providers do not immunize people at low risk of complications from influenza, said Dr. Mel Kohn, state epidemiologist at the Oregon Dept. of Human Services (DHS).

The guidelines regarding low risk are from DHS and the federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Kohn said.

"This is the smallest supply of flu vaccine we've had in at least 10 years," he said. "This is the first time we've asked people to forego vaccinations completely."

Identified as the top eight groups at high risk from flu complications:

*Children 6 to 23 months old.

*Adults 65 and older.

*Anyone 2 to 64 years old with underlying chronic medical conditions.

*Women who will be pregnant during flu season.

*Residents of nursing homes and other long-term care facilities.

*Children 6 months to 18 years old who are on chronic aspirin therapy.

*Health-care workers who deliver direct patient care.

*Out-of-home caregivers and those who have household contacts with children younger than 6 months.

According to Kohn, "With a few exceptions, people between 2 and 64 years of age will not be immunized this year."

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Tax unit open

Applications from volunteers to fill a vacancy on the Josephine County Board of Property Tax Appeals (BOPTA) will be accepted until Monday, Oct. 25.

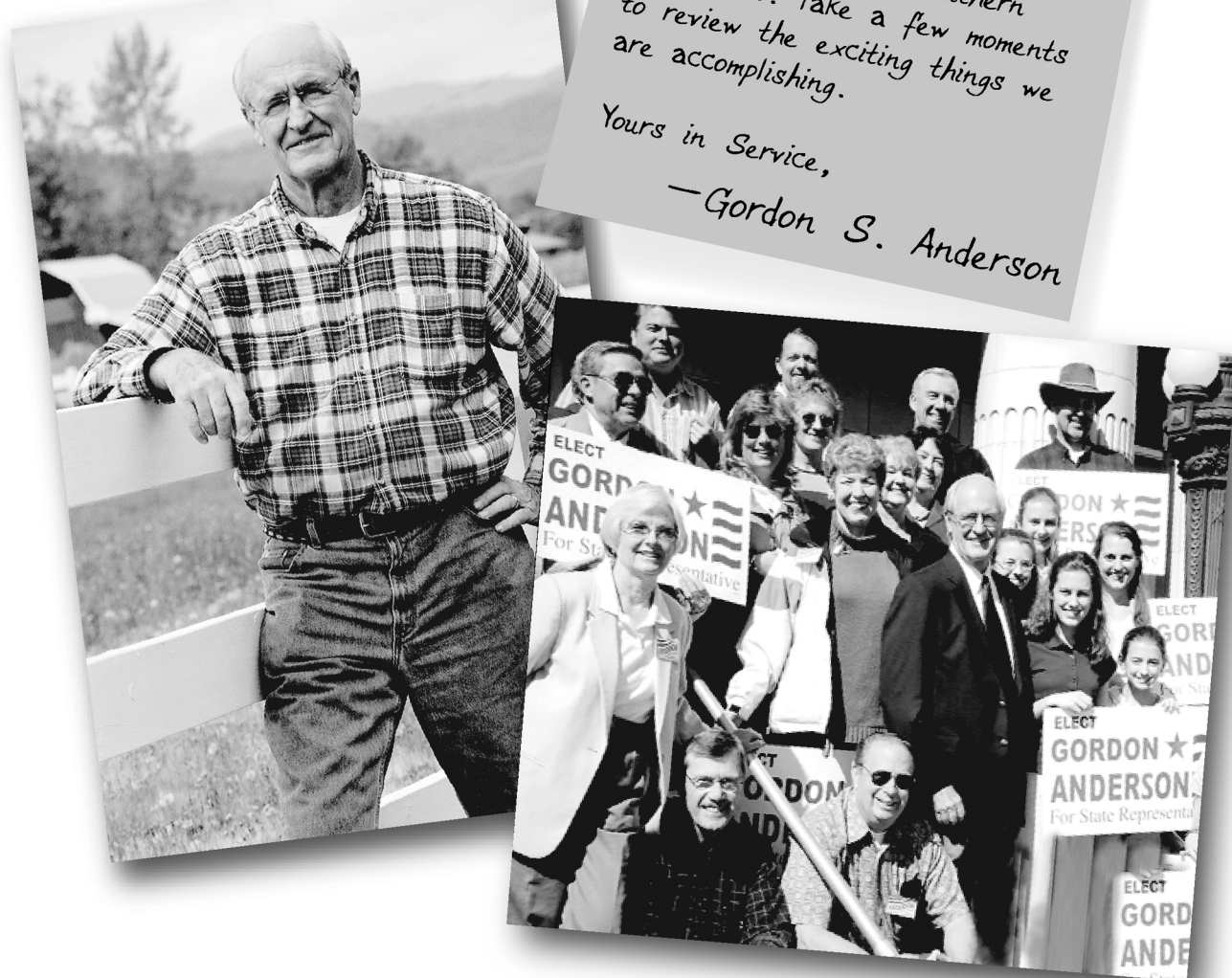
BOPTA sessions run from the first Monday in February and require a commitment of two to three days.

Applications are available in the county commissioner office at the courthouse in Grants Pass.

A NOTE FROM Representative Gordon Anderson

Greetings! I want to express my appreciation for you, the taxpaying citizen... Government can be difficult, but with your ideas and support, we're making progress for Southern Oregonians. Take a few moments to review the exciting things we are accomplishing.

*Yours in Service,
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