

Here, There & Everywhere

BEREAVED FAMILY AID - A fund to defray costs for the family of Heidi Ward, 30, and her son, Stevie, 10, has been established at Home Valley Bank by friends and co-workers. Mrs. Ward died in a motor vehicle accident near Grants Pass on Oct. 17; her son died the next day in a Portland hospital. Contributions and donations to aid the family, including the surviving daughter, 9-year-old Makala Rae Ward, can be made at any Home Valley branch.

PEACE TUNES - A free pre-election day afternoon concert of "Songs for World Peace & Democracy" will be presented by One Love Spirit Choir Saturday, Oct. 30. The performance will be in Immanuel United Methodist Church on Watkins Street, across from Shop Smart, beginning at 4. The program will feature songs by Betsey Jacobs and Libby Goines, Holly Near, Pat Humphries, Aletha Nowitzky, John Lennon, and special guest artist B. Wishes. In addition, Goines will add her "musical magic" to a program to celebrate the "patriotism of peace, social justice and civil liberty." Additional accompaniment will be provided by Dorothea Hover-Kramer. Donations will be accepted. For more information contact director Carol Valentine at 597-2839.

BOOSTER CLUB DEMISE (?) - Billed as the "last chance" to save the I.V. High School Booster Club, there will be an open meeting Monday, Nov. 1 at 6 p.m. in the cafeteria. "No support; no more Booster Club," states an announcement.

GRAVE ISSUES - "Taking Control of Death Care Costs & Issues" is the title of a forum, sponsored by Lovejoy Hospice, that will be given on Monday, Nov. 8 from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Lovejoy's location, 939 S.E. Eighth St. in Grants Pass. The subtitle of the free program is, "Conversations with Funeral Service Practitioners." Attendees should bring a lunch; Lovejoy will provide beverages and dessert.

LIVING AFTERGLOW - Lovejoy Hospice this year will conduct its 16th annual Light Up A Life celebrations in Cave Junction and Grants Pass. The CJ program will be held Dec. 7 at Immanuel United Methodist Church. Watch the "Noose" for details as the date comes closer.

NOTEPAD - Live music with two bands and a costume party for Halloween are planned at The Strip at I.V. Airport on Saturday, Oct. 30 from 8 p.m. to midnight. Check the ad elsewhere in this issue ... **A Halloween dance** and costume party are set for Saturday the 30th beginning at 8 p.m. in the Takilma Community Bldg. as a Dome School benefit. Check the ad elsewhere in this issue ... **Guns and knives** will be sold, traded, identified and appraised during a show sponsored by Rose City Gun Collectors at the National Guard Armory in Medford, 1701 S. Pacific Hwy., Saturday and Sunday, Oct. 30-31. Check the classified ad in this issue ... **Bagel Junction** is the name of a new business at the north end of Downtown CJ in the complex that houses Dave's Perfect Pizza and I.V. Video ... **Speedy Mart** has new owners, who plan to expand the product and service lines ... **Turkey raffle** tickets to benefit I.V. High basketball are offered. Tickets to win one of 75 birds are available at the school office or from team members ... **A hike** to watch spawning salmon will be held Saturday, Oct. 30 from 1-5 p.m., leaving from I.V. Visitor Center. Phone 592-4459 for more info ... **A banquet** and silent auction to benefit Cross Quest Expeditions will be held Friday, Nov. 5 at I.V. High. Tickets are available at Dillon's Nursery, and Treehouse Florist & Gifts. Also, read the story with photos in this issue.

LAST WORDS - I know in my heart that man is good. That what is right will always eventually triumph. And there is purpose and worth to each and every life. (President Reagan's epitaph)

Among those whom I like or admire, I can find no common denominator, but among those whom I love, I can: all of them make me laugh.

-W. H. Auden-

Come to The Strip Restaurant Sat., Oct. 30 for
(At the I.V. Airport, 5 miles south of Cave Junction on Hwy. 199)

HALLOWEEN

Costume Party
8 p.m. to the 'Witching Hour'

\$3 cover with costume
\$5 without costume

Featuring two bands:

'Bill Skins Fifth'
and
'Where's Tom'

Letters ...

(Continued from page 2)

Instruction is being cut in favor of more testing

Should we support our troops? Of course, we should. Yes.

It is not true that our Allies will never talk to us.

It is not true that Iraq can't be part of a global mission of peace with all countries.

To learn more about taking back our country, go to www.johnkerry.com. Read about Iraq, jobs, education, health care, national security and the environment.

'Just passing through' From Denny Hare Cave Junction

This world is not my home; I'm just passing through, so I have a perspective with a less emotional attachment to what is happening around me.

When I read the letters to the editor, I like to read between the lines, as that is where the writers bare their souls and stand naked to the world.

From the words and from between the lines all the emotions -- such as arrogance, self-righteousness, hostility, judgment, condemnation, compassion and a host of others -- come forth.

I notice that labels including liberal, conservative, Christian or even megalomaniac are used judiciously to describe or demean others. Most of

these labels are meaningless, as they cover such a wide spectrum of people and attitudes.

I suggest to future letter writers that before they start their next letter they read the obituaries and contemplate their purpose on this little speck spinning through the cosmos.

We are here in the woods, and we really cannot see the forest for the trees. It is not them and us, it is only us.

Our enemies are not the ones running around with guns and WMDs. The United States has more WMDs and the biggest sword in the world. It has invested more time and energy building and selling weapons than any other country.

From my perspective, my enemies are the various demons that emanate from my own ego: arrogance, pride, self-pity, greed, lust and ignorance, to name a few. When I vanquish these enemies, only then will I be free.

What we say and do builds our future. As we condemn, so will we be condemned. Same for judging and reaping. And if we live by the sword, we will die by the sword.

Most letters to the editor now are concerned with choosing people to lead us. We are given choices between people who are almost totally deaf, dumb and blind. Their minds are

totally focused on the drama and the darkness over them.

They claim to see the light, but they perceive it not. And so it is with the people seeking to be led.

Our leader has told us that we can vanquish our enemies by the sword. In Mark 4:23 it reads, "How can Satan cast out Satan?" And if a kingdom is divided against itself, it cannot stand.

We are a nation consumed with the worship of mammon six days a week, and God gets Saturday or Sunday.

The god of mammon is worshipped in many major cities and Wall Street. It is worshipped in nearly every aspect of the American Dream. America is literally rotting from within.

New corruption is exposed in the major media daily. Our leaders might be deemed members of K.I.S.S., Knights in Satan's Service. They claim that they can defeat terror and conquer evil.

They cannot see that what they engage in combat is a mirror image of themselves. We all are hanging by a fragile thread between being in the body and being out of it.

There is one man and one plan that can lead us to a place of peace and freedom. It is written that, "Every knee shall bow and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord." That

is our destiny. It is up to us individually when we will arrive.

As for me, I confess today that He is my Lord, and I know that He is my only hope. He is King of Kings and Lord of Lords.

Scratch fires From Susan Gustafson Cave Junction

Now that it's the season for burn piles, remember that starting a fire from scratch will burn more cleanly and efficiently, with less smoke.

There's better air circulation without compacted, wet debris, and fires burn up, not down.

Another reason to start a fire from scratch, adding to it from the debris pile, is that salamanders hide in wet debris. They are not fast enough to escape a torched debris pile.

Gratitude is not only the greatest of virtues, but the parent of all others.

- Cicero -

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