



A number of volunteers turned out Saturday, Jan. 22 for an AmeriCorps beautification project at Illinois Valley Resource Center. Lavonne Foster and Alyce Kendall (top photo from left) were among workers. Others included Miranda Blake and organizer Dorinda Sherman (photo at left from left).

Landscape work aids resource site

AmeriCorps project part of National Day of Service for King Jr.

Dorinda Sherman, an AmeriCorps member serving at Rogue Community College organized a community service project in Cave Junction Saturday, Jan 22, as part of a National Day of Service to honor Dr. Martin Luther King Jr.

The beneficiary is Illinois Valley Resource Center, which houses I.V. Family Coalition.

Sherman, an Illinois Valley resident, organized a team of volunteers, including several from the Yes! Women's Resource Center at RCC's Redwood Campus in Grants Pass, who worked four hours to enhance the grounds and plant trees.

Althouse Nursery and the Family Tree Garden Center, both of Cave Junction, donated more than \$300 in trees. The coalition

contributed coffee and pizza to the effort. Paul Dillon, of Cave Junction's Dillon's Nursery, provided professional landscape planning.

Sherman is a participant in the AmeriCorps program Communities in Partnership to Stop Violence Against Women and Children.

Across the United States, tens of thousands of AmeriCorps members and community volunteers mobilized to serve their communities on MLK Day.

"Service was at the heart of Dr. King's philosophy," said Sherman. "He once said, 'Everybody can be great because everybody can serve,' and he urged Americans to take action to improve the lives of others," Sherman said.

For the past nine years, the statewide

"Communities" program has been placing AmeriCorps members at host sites in communities around the state that provide services to survivors of domestic violence, sexual assault, and child abuse.

"Communities" is a program of the Oregon Commission for Women, which works for implementation and establishment of economic, social, legal, and political equality for the 1.5 million women of Oregon and to maintain a continuing assessment of the issues and needs confronting women in Oregon.

The mission of I.V. Family Coalition is to help residents in the areas of physical and emotional health, social and learning development, safety and stability, and employment.

Coalition's Doyle leaving for Y position

With good feelings about her nearly two years leading Illinois Valley Family Coalition and striving to increase the organization's outreach efforts, Kathleen Doyle is leaving for a new job.

Her last day as coalition executive director at Cave Junction-based I.V. Family Resource Center is set for Friday, Feb. 4. Doyle, a resident of Wilderville, is joining Grants Pass Family YMCA as development director.

Her last position before coming to the coalition was with a non-profit group in Grants Pass.

"I will miss all the people who have helped improve the coalition with me," said Doyle.

"I feel good about the contributions we've made together, and look forward to the opportunities offered by Grants Pass YMCA.

"A lot of intensity is required to be executive director," she said, indicating that sometimes people

need to move into different careers and make room for someone new.

"There has been lots of progress here," she said, "thanks to all the great support I've had, and I feel confident that the coalition will



KATHLEEN DOYLE

keep growing, in terms of services and helping people, by building on what we've accomplished so far."

Doyle said that she and her staff have worked hard together to expand outreach

programs involving areas that include housing issues, technology and computer training, and public transportation.

In addition, she noted, the resource center now has 11 agencies as tenants. Also, she added, the site on E. River Street has become "a sort of community center with lots of groups using the building for meetings, including some from Medford and Grants Pass."

"We've devoted ourselves to developing areas that will help the community," she said, "and I know that they will be further developed, and flourish.

"I will miss Illinois Valley," she said.

Doyle is the third executive director of the coalition, replacing O'Brien resident Judith Zulliger, who had replaced Menno Kraai, of Cave Junction.

The coalition is advertising for a replacement.

(See "Help Wanted" in this week's Classified Section.)

Crosswalk safety tip provided

Do not pass vehicles stopped at crosswalks, said Oregon Driver & Motor Vehicle Services.

Added DMV: "This is a frequent cause of death to pedestrians, especially if the passing vehicle is traveling at a high speed.

"When stopping for a crosswalk on a multilane road, you should stop about 30 feet before the crosswalk to avoid blocking visibility to drivers in a second lane," noted DMV.

More information is available in DMV's manual.



COUGARS CLAW VIKINGS - Illinois Valley varsity girls defeated Mazama 60-40 in Ken Mann Memorial Gym Friday, Jan. 21. I.V.'s Serena Berry scored 22 points with Sarah Houston tallying 10 and Sheena Cole contributing 14. The win put I.V. at 3-1 in Skyline play. The varsity boys lost to the Vikings 83-42 in Klamath Falls, also Friday.

Three events set for park

Cave Junction city councilmen gave 5-0 OKs for three functions in Jubilee Park during their meeting in city hall Monday, Jan. 24.

The Cave Junction Lions Club will hold an expanded two-day car show on June 24 and 25.

Illinois Valley Little League will use the baseball diamond and snack bar from Feb. 26 through July.

April 26 will be opening day, and a closing ceremony will be held June 18. Both will be in the park pavilion.

Cave Junction-based Cross Quest Expeditions will use the park June 11 for its third annual I.V. Extreme Sports Festival.

It will include a Wilderness Adventure Challenge, and possibly a 5K fun run and a mountain bike event.

Councilmen noted the cooperation among the groups to avoid conflicts.

Super Bowl Sunday

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- Voltaire -