



BISCUIT LOGGING PROTEST - Approximately 15 people protesting Fiddler Mt. Biscuit Fire Salvage Sale demonstrated at Hwy. 199 and Eight Dollar Road Wednesday morning, March 23. On Thursday, Eight Dollar Road was blocked for several hours by a car turned sideways and a protestor suspended 20 feet in the air. Some 48 people have been arrested during the past three weeks in connection with interfering with an agricultural operation. Cave Junction-based Siskiyou Regional Education Project is the lead plaintiff in a lawsuit challenging logging in old-growth reserves and roadless areas burned by the 2002 Biscuit Fire. A court decision is still pending.

JoCo Health open house set Tuesday

In celebration of Public Health Week, an open house will be held Tuesday, April 5 at the new Josephine County Public Health Dept. facility at 715 N.W. Dimmick St. in Grants Pass.

The open house will run from 1 to 4 p.m. Public Health Week is from Sunday April 3 to Saturday, April 9.

Besides seeing the new facility the public will be able to learn about the various services provided Josephine County citizens.

Information also will be available on various topics including West Nile Virus and other communicable diseases, WIC, immunizations, clinic services, and maternity case management home visiting program.

Also, Babies 1st, CaCoon, school nurse program, and animal protection and regulation.

In addition, environmental health programs, which involve restaurant licensing and inspections, drinking water, air quality, and solid waste programs.

Clubs & Groups

Knife & Fork Club
Suzanne Dodd, manager of the Spitzer Space Telescope Science Center at California Institute of Technology at Pasadena, Calif., will be guest speaker Wednesday, April 6.

The club meeting will be held at Riverside Convention Center in Grants Pass. Doors will open at 6 p.m. with dinner at 6:45 p.m., followed by the talk.

For reservations phone Norma Lane at 479-6124.

Support the merchants who advertise in the 'Illinois Valley News.'

3 hurt in head-on ...

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driven by Shufelt. Her passenger was Marsh.

The two women, who suffered serious injuries, said OSP, were taken by American Medical Response (AMR) to Three Rivers Community Hospital (TRCH) in Grants Pass. Both were wearing safety restraints.

Davis was not wearing safety restraints and was critically injured, OSP said. He was taken by AMR to TRCH and subsequently transferred by Mercy Flights to Oregon Health Sciences University in Portland due to the extent of his injuries.

Investigating troopers were attempting to locate the owner of the dog to notify him of the incident.

Because of the crash, Hwy. 199 was closed at the site for approximately an hour, and partially closed for an additional three hours.

Besides IVFD and AMR, OSP was assisted by Oregon Dept. of Transportation and Josephine County Sheriff's Office.

OSP Safety Tips
OSP wants to remind drivers of possible dangers associated with animals on or near highways. The following tips are offered as they relate to animal encounters.

*Be attentive at all times, especially sunset to sunrise, for potential hazards on or near roadways.

*When driving in areas with special signs indicating the possible presence of animals or wildlife, use extra caution because the signs are posted for a reason.

*Remember that the presence of any animal also could mean that others are nearby, or that the animal's owner could be near.

*When you see an animal or wildlife near or on a roadway, reduce speed and try to stay in your lane.

Many serious crashes are the result of drivers swerving to avoid wildlife or other obstacles, and they crash into another vehicle or lose control of their own vehicle.

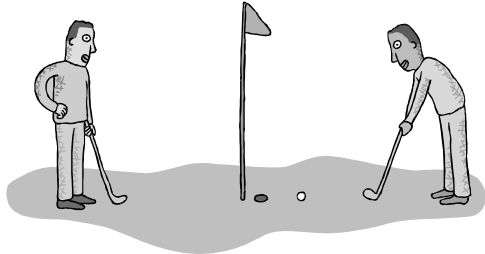
*Always use vehicle safety belts because any collision could result in serious injuries.

Concentration comes out of a combination of confidence and hunger.

- Arnold Palmer -

Illinois Valley Golf Club 2005 Men's Twilite League

The Illinois Valley Men's Golf Club is preparing for its 2005 Twilite League beginning Monday, April 18. There are a few openings left for 2-man teams on Monday & Wednesday evenings. If you would like to join, please phone the Pro Shop at 592-3151 with the names of the two players and a sponsor or come in to sign up.



Legion Aux. notes 7 for Girls State

Six juniors from Illinois Valley High School will attend the American Legion Auxiliary Girls State session at Willamette University from June 12-18, said Glenn Morrison American Legion Auxiliary Unit 70.

"With the generous support of our community we have the funds to send six girls," said the auxiliary. "We have seven very qualified girls who would like to attend."

The girls are Chelsea Cavin, Kami Culver, Nichole Froderman, Nikko Fujita, Cassie Kolberg, Katrina Manzone, and Joy Messerli. One will be an alternate.

Donations to help pay for the cost of the seventh student can be sent to American Legion Auxiliary, P.O. Box 2182, Cave Junction, OR 97523.

The American Legion Auxiliary Girls State is a nationwide program that simulates city, county, and state levels of government. The program provides opportunities for high school juniors statewide to become active participants in the fundamentals of democratic self-government through structured role-playing.

Experience may include public speaking while campaigning for various public offices, drafting and presenting bills for passage in the Girls State legislature; participating in mock trials; and a wide variety of workshops, and hearing presentations by some of Oregon's highest elected officials.

Delegates to Oregon Girls State also gain knowledge of the duties, privileges, rights and responsibilities of U.S. citizenship.

"Through a variety of fun activities," said the auxiliary, "they also gain a greater appreciation of the U.S. Flag, the sacrifices made by our veterans, and of our way of life."

For more information contact program chairman Ellie Buell at 592-6771.



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This is a friendly competition to be held Saturday, April 16 - \$10.00 Entry Fee and "Winner Takes All" -

- Carlos Will Match the Pot - Entries Limited to the First 12 - Enter in Advance at Carlos Restaurante
- One Crock Pot Full - Ready to be Tasted & Tested -
- Open Rules with respect to Recipes -
- Blind Judging to be Based on Flavor & Taste: Not Fire -
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