



FLOWER POWER - Annabelle Drevenstedt, 6, (top photo) admires top winners in the Illinois Valley Garden Club's annual flower show at Immanuel United Methodist Church Saturday, May 21. Winning entrants were (entries from left) Nancy Hinds, Edith Martin (three winning specimens), and K. Nichols. (Not shown, the winner submitted by A. Drevenstedt). Grace Drevenstedt, 4 (right), shows her third-place winner.



IVFD voting results listed

Two directors were re-elected, and one former director gained a seat on the Illinois Valley Fire District Board of Directors.

There was a 22 percent turnout in the special vote-by-mail election on Tuesday, May 17, reported the Josephine County Clerk's Office.

Director Leonard Frick, of Kerby, did not seek re-election, and his seat will be taken by Dusty A. Bouchard, of Selma, who served on the board several years ago.

Re-elected were Directors Larrick D. Jones and Don Haviland, both of Cave Junction.

All three ran unopposed. Jones garnered 893 votes; Haviland 896; and Bouchard 895. Each received approximately 66 percent of the majority of votes cast.

Care-giving help available

A six-week workshop for family care-givers to older adults -- "Taking Care of You: Powerful Tools for Care-giving" -- is offered by Lovejoy Hospice.

Presentations will be held Wednesdays from 2 to 4 p.m. beginning June 1 at the hospice building, 939 Eighth St. in Grants Pass.

Donations to help defray costs are suggested, but not required, said Lovejoy.

Class size is limited, and preregistration is required. Phone Carol Terry at 474-3110, Ext. 239.

According to Lovejoy, "Participants will discover the importance of self-care, as they develop personalized action plans. They acquire tools to reduce stress; communicate effectively with family members and service-providers; diminish guilt, anger and depression; and make tough decisions."



ILLINOIS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL students were involved in three special fine and performing arts events last week. Kelly Tate's drama class staged 'Forever We Dance,' based on Shakespeare's 'Taming of the Shrew.' The production was written and performed by students. Lead actors in the play were (from left) Tara Gates, Kathryn Baker, Ashley Withers, Dakota Frisk, Kiley Reynolds, and Leah Person. Elaine Baker's art students displayed their work from the current semester. Some of it was viewed by (left) Jacob Ellis. In addition, the annual Spring Concert was performed by band and choral students directed by Kevin Soon.

I love to think of Nature as an unlimited broadcasting station, through which God speaks to each of us every hour, if we only tune in.

- George Washington Carver -

Laurel Cemetery Association

Annual Meeting and Potluck
Sunday, May 29
Meeting: 10:30 a.m.
Laurel Cemetery Chapel
Potluck: 11:00 a.m.
Senior Center
520 E. River, Cave Junction

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Cougar softball ends season

Illinois Valley High School varsity softball team went to the first round playoffs in state competition last weekend and lost 4-1 against Molalla.

The Cougars, coached by Justine Johnson, finished the Skyline Conference in first place with a 12-4 record of wins and losses.

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