

Physicals for sports scheduled

Fall sports will begin soon at Illinois Valley High School (IVHS) and Lorna Byrne Middle School (LBMS).

A student must have a sports physical every two years, and cannot attend practice until one is completed.

The LBMS Student Health Center, through Siskiyou Community Health Center (SCHC), will offer sports physicals from Aug. 22 through Sept. 9 in the front section of the school.

Appointments are necessary, and can be made by phoning SCHC at 592-6978, or 592-4111 beginning Monday, Aug. 15.

During this time, the reduced cost for a sports physical will be \$15, due at the time of service. The student health center will accept cash or checks.

The history portion of the sports physicals form needs to be completed prior to appointments. Students under the age of 15 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, or have written consent for a physical.

This consent form and other necessary paper work are available at LBMS, IVHS, and SCHC, and will be available at the Lorna Byrne Health Center starting Aug. 22.

The student health center also will offer sports physicals for the reduced cost of \$15 from Oct. 31 to Nov. 18.

Immunizations will be offered at additional cost. If parents are interested in having their student's immunization record reviewed, they should bring the immunization card to the sports physical appointment.



KATHY and LARRY JONES (Photo by Michelle Binker)

‘The house that never was’

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of unpermitted homes out there, but where there's a permit issued maybe one or two per year are missed," said Schneyder.

That's out of some 50,000 accounts that the assessor's office manages. Building and development permits automatically trigger an assessment by a field worker, but so might a casual glimpse of new construction in an area were it isn't expected.

"Sometimes a neighbor will tell us," or a spouse or ex-spouse," Schneyder said.

"People will usually tell us if they think their assessment is way too high, but they don't often tell us when it's too low," he said. "Unless they're trying to sell the house."

So how could the same county which issued development permits and signed off on the final safety inspection not know the house was there to be taxed?

To begin with, those

functions are under the purview of different departments, said Schneyder.

And those departments are in different buildings.

And their computers don't talk to each other.

Although increased connectivity and communication are issues that Schneyder said the county board of commissioners is working on ("Seven meetings in the last two months!"), as far as permits go, "The list is hand-carried from one office to the other; then entered into our system," he said.

Furthermore, according to Marie Chandler, also of the assessor's office, this current computer system was not in use 10 years ago, when Larry and Kathy were seeking permits for their home.

"With all the new construction in the last several years, it's been very busy," Chandler noted. "We try very hard to keep up."

The office has four field staff, two people who work

with commercial property, and sometimes simply gaining access to a property is an issue, she said.

"We have no authority to enter. If there's a locked gate and we can't see it, we can estimate based on the permit issued," Chandler allowed.

She asserted, however, that it is the taxpayer's responsibility to note if improvements aren't listed on their bill or the bill doesn't look right.

"It's prudent to call and tell us," she said.

"You should be aware of what your property is valued at," Schneyder concurred.

The county treasurer and tax collector, John Har- elson, will send property tax bills in the mail around mid-October, Schneyder said.

And though there are no fines attached to the Jones' tax bill, that hasn't taken the sting out of the situation.

"I feel we're being punished for their not having done their job," Jones said.

Cops nab two Pantry suspects

Two men were arrested by Grants Pass police following a burglary-in-progress call at 4:51 a.m. at Handy Pantry, 605 N.E. Seventh St.

The suspects were identified by the GP Dept. of Public Safety as Merlin resident Kristopher Lloyd Mathews, 23; and a transient, Robert K. Bentley, 20.

Each was jailed on charges of second-degree burglary, conspiracy to commit second-degree burglary, and second-degree criminal mischief.

Witnesses helped police by following the suspects in a car. The two were arrested on a motel parking lot 1800 N.E. Seventh St.

In Service to the USA

Steven T. Maxwell

U.S. Army Spec. Steven Maxwell, son of Cave Junction residents Travis and Cathy Maxwell, has been decorated with the Army Commendation Medal.

The medal is awarded individuals who, while serving in any capacity with the Army, have distinguished themselves by acts of heroism, meritorious achieve-

ment or meritorious service.

Maxwell was a Patriot launching station-enhanced operator/maintainer, assigned to 5th Battalion, 52nd Air Defense Artillery at Fort Bliss, Texas.

He served in the military for three years, and recently was honorably discharged. Prior to entering service, he attended Illinois Valley High School.

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Recycled cell phones answer new call

Worldwide demand for the latest cell phone technology is projected to generate sales of more than 740 million new phones during 2005, according to industry sources.

Most of these purchases are replacements for cell phones that are working, but which lack the latest features, such as a camera or Internet access.

For consumers reluctant to discard an otherwise functional phone, or for those who may be concerned about the environmental effects of thousands of tons of batteries and electronics in America's landfills, recycling those unwanted cell phones is the solution. Most cell phone users don't know that every cell phone sold in the United States is required to be able to place an emergency call to 911, even without a contract with a carrier such as Verizon or Cingular.

This makes a recycled phone useful as an emergency means of calling for help for those unable to afford a monthly contract, such as residents living in battered women's shelters.

However, this form of recycling accounts for only a tiny percentage of the avalanche of working, unused phones that accumulates in desk drawers in homes and businesses.

As more cell phone customers upgrade their phones for the latest features and gadgets, many have expressed a growing interest in finding a simple, useful way to turn their unwanted phones into cash for themselves or a favorite cause.

Surprisingly, there is a demand for good used cell phones, primarily for export to other countries that are just developing their telecommunication networks. The reason: It is less expensive to put up cell phone towers than to run regular phone lines to homes and businesses in underdeveloped areas.

Once this infrastructure is in place, inexpensive recycled cell phone handsets complete the process of bringing modern communications to some of the least developed areas of the world. Older cell phones, often more rugged and reliable than the latest models, are highly practical in this environment. In other cases, some of the newer models are often remanufactured for resale in the United States, often with prepaid plans, or sometimes offered as a "free" phone with an annual contract.

So while there is a home somewhere for that cell phone gathering dust, getting it there is that challenge. The logistics of collecting, processing and recycling used cell phones requires a great deal of skill, and is tough to do on a small scale.

A company in the Oklahoma City suburb of Edmond has carved a niche in recycling used cell phones and is working with individuals, nonprofit organizations and even large businesses to turn used cell phones into extra money. The company's website, pacebutler.com, served as an online resource for individuals and groups interested in turning their unwanted cell phones into cash.

Those who would prefer to donate used cell phones to benefit a worthy cause, according to an announcement, can use americancellphonedrive.org.

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Parade forms at Evergreen Elementary School on Mon. Sept. 5th, 9:30 a.m. Parade starts at 11 a.m. sharp. Check one or more if qualified. ALL entries must be registered by Aug. 22.

☐ Music (youth band)	☐ Music (adult band)
☐ Commercial	☐ Truck
☐ Special (odd-non-category)	☐ Industrial
☐ Marching	☐ Humorous
☐ Horse & Rider (adult)	☐ Children
☐ Horse & Riders (group)	☐ Public Service
☐ Horse & Rider (youth)	☐ Military
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Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

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