



Jeanne K. Everson with Samuri sword reproductions; toys in background.

Doo-dads, what-nots, toys, tools line many shelves at JK’s Watchamacallit

From swords, blankets, radios, tools and toys to doo-dads and what-nots, you’ll probably find it at JK’s Watchamacallit.

It’s a new business in Kerby at Hwy. 199 and Finch Road in the former location of Merrill’s Merchandise, across from Joe’s Market.

And the store operator is none other than Jeanne K. Everson, Merrill’s daughter. She went through all three valley public schools, and is a graduate of Illinois Valley High School.

The stated intent of JK’s is to provide new merchandise at reasonable prices in tune with the valley economy. For example, a box of 24 Crayons goes for a buck; ceramic dolls are \$5, and there are shelves of toys for \$1, \$3 and \$5.

“We have a pretty good

variety of toys,” said Everson. And there are reproductions of Samurai swords.

There also are shelves of \$1 merchandise including bandanas and a variety of ceramic items.



JK’s is open Wednesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays and Saturdays from 10 to 6.

Her father operated the popular store from 1994 to

2001. So she’s following his lead, and he’s still involved, but not directly in the store.

“We have a lot of merchandise,” said Everson, “and we’re open now so that people can take advantage of our prices for their pre-Christmas shopping.”

She noted blankets with emblems including those of the Raiders, 49ers, Dora the Explorer, Scooby Doo, and Strawberry Shortcake.

Some items are one-of-a-kind while others could be restocked.

“There’s plenty to check,” said Everson, noting other items including candles, light bulbs, fishing equipment, and various tools and garden implements.

“We’re here for the valley residents,” she said, “and welcome browsers.”

RCC lists financial, scholarship help

A series of free one-hour workshops during the 2005 fall term to help students successfully apply for scholarships and financial aid is offered by the Rogue Community College Financial Aid Dept.

Sessions began Sept. 28.

Each year RCC awards more than \$14 million in

financial aid. During 2005 the RCC Foundation presented scholarships averaging more than \$1,000 each to 273 students.

The financial aid workshop will cover “What’s Available and How to Apply.” The session highlights the financial aid application process, eligibility criteria, and the various types and amounts of federal and state aid that are available.

Much of the financial aid process can be completed on the Internet, according to Anna Manley, RCC director of Financial Aid. One of the most important places to start as soon as possible is with the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FASFA), available at fasfa.ed.gov.

A financial aid workshop will be held Dec. 2 from noon-1 p.m. at Redwood Campus, Rogue Bldg., Grants Pass.

“Besides government aid, we encourage students to apply for scholarships,” Manley said. “Most scholarships have an annual appli-

cation window during which they accept new applications.

“This is generally in January and February of each year for the following school year. Students who plan ahead do best,” she added.

To assist students in finding and applying for scholarships, the college has developed Scholarship Central, a Web-based scholarship search tool available at roguecc.edu/financialaid/scholarship.asp.

Scholarship workshops are co-hosted by the RCC Financial Aid Dept. and the RCC Foundation and will cover recommended search sites, general eligibility criteria and essay writing advice.

The scholarship workshops schedule:

*Nov. 15, noon-1 p.m., Redwood Campus.

*Nov. 16, 6-7 p.m., Redwood Campus.

For more information contact Rogue Central Services for Students in Josephine County at 956-7501.



Photo by Roman Riggins

FROSH-SOPH VICTORY - Illinois Valley’s JV football team beat Hidden Valley 46-32 in Cave Junction Thursday, Sept. 29. Larry Ragsdale and Jesse Swift were stand-outs with TDs, and the team played well together. It’s 3-1 overall; 1-1 in league play.

Cougars start league season with loss

Faced with a hard-hitting Hidden Valley team that went to the locker room at the half with a 14-0 lead, Illinois Valley couldn’t recover and lost its first league game of the season 49-12.

The Cougars had gone through preseason play with a perfect 4-0 record.

But in Skyline Conference play against the Mustangs in Murphy Friday night, Sept. 30, a victory

escaped them.

The Mustangs ganged up on I.V.’s top ground-gainers, Zach Pagnotta and Ian Moore. They were limited to 54 yards on 12 carries, and 31 yards on 12 attempts, respectively.

Overall, the Cougs were held to 116 rushing yards on 34 carries. The Mustangs were good for 469 yards.

Cougar scores were by Jacob Ellis, who ran in the

ball from 15 yards out; and an 85-yard kickoff return by Moore.

There is some concern about I.V.’s senior quarterback Jeremy Pope, who suffered a hip injury early in the contest. Coaches were to evaluate his situation this week.

I.V. will play at home Friday, Oct. 7 at 7 p.m. against ninth-ranked North Valley, 1-1 in the Skyline.

County dispute group has vacancies

Applications from volunteers to fill three vacancies on the Josephine County Community Dispute Resolution Program (CDRP) Advisory Committee are being accepted by the Josephine County Board of Commissioners.

The advisory committee is a group that provides expertise, advice and guidance to CDRP and assists outreach into the Josephine County community.

Committee members are expected to:

*Meet as a group at least quarterly.

*Provide advice and consultation in areas of expertise.

*Provide credibility, moral support and political help as needed.

*Remain informed about CDRP policies and services.

*Assist in public relations efforts. This may include public speaking, networking, writing letters, and being a visible representative of CDRP.

*Assist in raising funds to help finance the organiza-

tion and its programs.

*Participate in training and serve in volunteer programs.

Applications will be accepted until Saturday, Oct. 15.

Applications are available at the commissioners office at the Josephine County Courthouse, Room 154, Grants Pass. Phone 474-5221 for additional information.



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All ages welcome!

Following are the high-and-low temperatures recorded in O’Brien by Cheryl & Harry Johnson.

- *Fri., Sept. 23: 65-44, 08
- *Sat., Sept. 24: 68-35
- *Sun., Sept. 25: 77-40
- *Mon., Sept. 26: 72-39
- *Tues., Sept. 27: 83-47
- *Wed., Sept. 28: 84-42
- *Thurs., Sept. 29: 85-44

Weather Watch

Illinois Valley

Wednesday, October 5
Partly Sunny. Chance of Showers
High--77 Low--41

Thursday, October 6
Sunny to Partly Cloudy
High--78 Low--41

Friday, October 7
Mostly Sunny
High--77 Low--43

Saturday, October 8
Partly Cloudy
High--82 Low--43

Sunday, October 9
Sunny & Warm
High--86 Low--50

Monday, October 10
Partly Cloudy
High--78 Low--37

Tuesday, October 11
Mostly Sunny
High--75 Low--38

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