

# Here, There & Everywhere

**\*FIRE VICTIM AID** - There is special account at SOFCU (#95631) to assist a family burned out of their Cave Junction home last week. The Pernicka/Arness Family, including their three daughters, 3, 4 and 6, lost everything Tuesday night, Dec. 6. Their rented mobile home, near Evergreen Elementary School, caught fire and was a total loss. Besides the community credit union account, there is a donation barrel at Puff-N-Stuff.

**\*BINGO LINGO** - Illinois Valley Grange will host fund-raising bingo games to benefit the I.V. High School equestrian team Saturday, Dec. 17 at the Grange hall on Holland Loop. Early bird games will begin at 6 p.m.; regular games at 6:30. The event will include door prizes and food from the Grange kitchen.

**\*RECOVERY RESOLUTION** - A resolution in support of the Forest Emergency Recovery and Research Act was to be considered by Josephine County commissioners. The board was to decide on the matter during its morning meeting in Grants Pass Wednesday, Dec. 14, according to the agenda received Friday, Dec. 9. The act, introduced by 2nd Dist. Rep. Greg Walden (R-Ore.), is designed to “more responsibly and quickly recover federal forestland damaged by catastrophic events.”

**\*‘IN HONOR’** - All flags at public institutions were flown at half-staff Wednesday, Dec. 7 in memory of U.S. Marine Corps Lance Cpl. John Holmason, 20, of Scappoose. He was killed Dec. 1 due to an improvised explosive device in Fallujah, Iraq.

**\*CJ CARES CALL** - From noon to 5 p.m. on Christmas Day, a free meal will be served by Cave Junction Cares at Jubilee Park. The annual feast is for all those lacking others with whom to share their Christmas morning. As it is a community effort, volunteers and donations of any kind will be accepted. Phone Lynn Boucher at 592-3594 or 592-6855.

**\*MUCHO MULCH** - Material described as “prime hardwood leaf mulch” is being made available Saturday, Dec. 17 by the Josephine County Parks Dept. The stuff will be available at Indian Mary and Schroeder parks beginning at 10 a.m. To arrange for picking up the material, phone 474-5285.

**\*CALL THE ROLL** - Attendance Initiative figures for public schools here are looking good. Provided by Three Rivers School District (TRSD), the figures are: Illinois Valley High School, 92.1 percent (satisfactory); Lorna Byrne Middle School, 95.1 percent (strong); and Evergreen Elementary School, 95.8 percent (strong). The goal of the initiative is to support students and parents to improve school attendance, said TRSD. Using a state grant, TRSD is able to contract with the JoCo Sheriff’s Office for the services of a district attendance officer.

**\*NOTEPAD - It’s not a potluck** at Illinois Valley Senior Center Friday, Dec. 16 at noon. For center members only, the annual luncheon will feature soup, chili and cornbread ... **At Shop Smart** Food Warehouse last week, a woman exiting her vehicle announced, “I’ve learned my lesson! Never leave a cooked chicken in your car!” Inside the car, her two dogs smiled contentedly ... **A Boy Scout** troop will be sponsored by American Legion Glenn Morrison Post 70. “It will cover everything from leadership to survival,” said Post Cmdr. Dan Warden. Those who want to join should phone Warden at 597-2979 ... **Christmas rummage** will be offered Saturday, Dec. 17 on the Sterling Savings Bank parking lot in Downtown CJ from noon to 5 p.m. It’s a fund-raiser for the I.V. High School Club Internacional ... **T-shirt:** I hate the fact that people don’t salute me. **Another T:** Gardening is therapy for a dirty mind. **One more T:** Some days you’re the bug. Some days you’re the windshield. **Yet another T:** WWBD. What would Bob do? **Last T:** What can I say? I’m Bob.

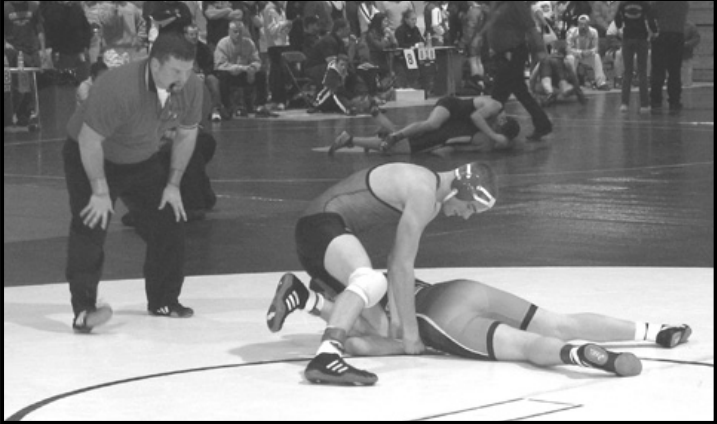
**\*LAST WORDS** - Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will toward men. (St. Luke, 2:14)

# Clubs & Organizations

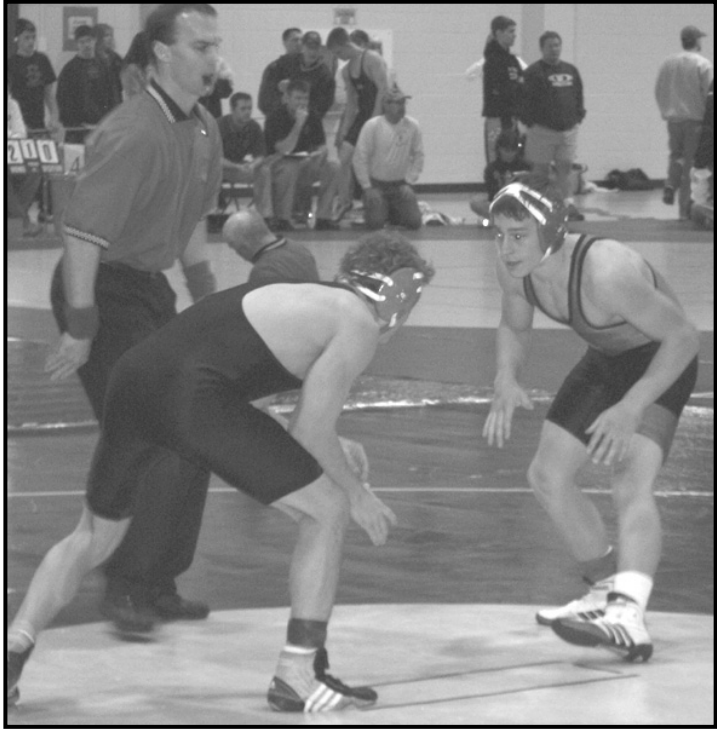
**Illinois Valley Garden Club**  
Friday, Dec. 16 at noon is set for the club’s Silver Tea and Christmas Party. The gathering will be held at Immanuel United Methodist Church in Cave Junction, across from Shop Smart Food Warehouse.

Attendees should bring finger food and a gift with no more than a \$5 value for the gift exchange. For more information: 592-3239 or 592-4257. \* \* \*

Remember the birds by putting out seed, suet and water.



ILLINOIS VALLEY varsity wrestlers placed 7th among 32 teams from throughout Oregon during a North Bend tournament Friday and Saturday, Dec. 9-10. Zach Pagnotta (top photo) finished 3rd in the 160-pound class, while Jesse Swift (bottom photo) took 2nd in the 140-pound class. Other top Cougar finishers were Paulo Rocha, 5th, 152; Jacob Miller, 6th, 135; and Adam Miller, 6th, 145. The entire Cougar team performed well, considering that most of the schools in the top 10 have more students than Cave Junction has people. The top three teams were Roseburg, Eagle Point, and Sprague. Grants Pass placed 9th. (Photos and text by Ward Winter)



## JV grapplers take 2nd place

Competing against nine other teams, Illinois Valley’s JV wrestling team placed 2nd at a Gold Beach tournament Saturday, Dec. 10. The Cougar squad was only eight points behind the 1st place Brookings team. Three IVHS wrestlers earned 1st place awards in their classes: Jared Miller, 135; Brandon Lynch, 140; and Eugene Keith, 145. The results demonstrate the depth of the Cougar wrestling team, it was noted.

You can’t have everything. Where would you put it?

- Steven Wright -

## Letters to the Editor

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infected with genital herpes, for which there is no cure! More women die of this virus, which causes cervical cancer, than die of AIDS. This is the price society pays, over and over, life long, for living with no absolutes in truth, in right and in wrong. The old, “If it feels good, do it,” thinking, can kill you. P.S. The laughter you hear is Satan’s, for those who push this “no morals” stuff, are doing his job for him.

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## I.V. Lions Club

is asking all who have received help by way of hospital equipment, beds, wheel chairs, etc. to please return them ASAP if you no longer need them.

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