



MANY VOLUNTEERS including Rep. Gordon Anderson making pancakes at the CJ Cares Christmas breakfast (right), helped make the day more merry for numerous Illinois Valley residents. These photos relate some of the scenes from the meal in Jubilee Park the morning of Dec. 25 and the I.V. Bikers Toy Run distribution the day before at the I.V. Senior Center.

(Photos by 'Illinois Valley News')

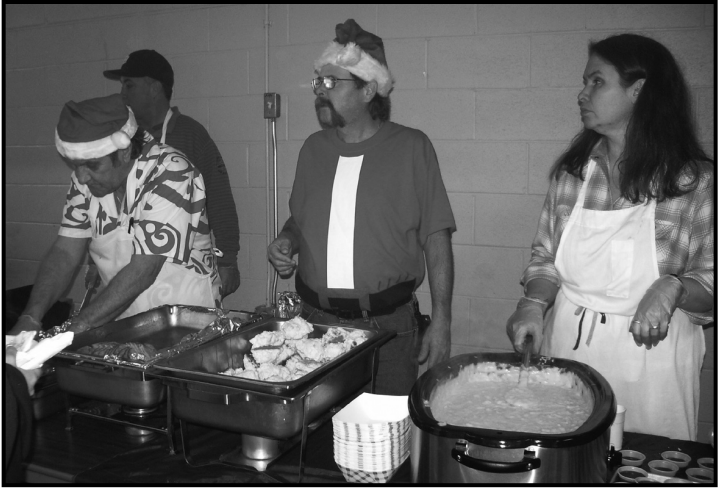


Stabbing suspect seized

A Grants Pass man was arrested on charges including first-degree assault in connection with another man being stabbed in his jugular vein, said Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety (GPDPS). The suspect, identified as Frank C. Tirado, 51, was arrested following an incident at Wonder Bur Bar in Downtown Grants Pass at 12:35 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 24.

Besides the assault charge he was accused of carrying a concealed weapon, and three counts of possession of a weapon by a felon, according to a GPDPS report. The victim was identified as Erik N. Thompson, 33, also of Grants Pass. The wound to his neck was minor, said police. Tirado initially was

wrestled to the floor by Thompson, and held by bar patrons, but escaped. However, officers nabbed him nearby, said GPDPS. He was carrying two concealed sap-like devices, and a double-edged knife with a brass-knuckle type handle, police said.



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