

Here, There & Everywhere

TREE FEE SPREE - Partners for the fourth annual 25-Cents A Tree Sponsorship Program are sought by Illinois Valley Soil and Water Conservation District (IVSWCD). The effort is in conjunction with the 14th annual Volunteer Riparian Tree-Planting Day (see Letters to the Editor) As a silent partner to the Forestry Action Committee, which sponsors the tree-planting, IVSWCD donates 25-cents per tree to youth groups in the annual planting. Approximately \$1,000 has been donated annually by the district. Because of limited funds, IVSWCD board members have been paying the amount from their own pockets.

Five support levels are available, and donors receive framed certificates of appreciation. Valley businesses and private citizens are encouraged to join IVSWCD's program. Donations are tax-deductible. The levels: Seedling (\$5), plants 20 trees; Sapling (\$10), 40 trees; Tall Pine (\$25), 100; Mighty Oak (\$50), 200; and Giant Redwood (\$100), 400 trees. Donations can be mailed to POB 352 in Cave Junction. Additionally, there will be coin boxes at Shop Smart Food Warehouse and Illinois Valley Building Supply. Phone 592-3731 for more information.

GRAD NIGHT FUND-RAISING - IVHS seniors will be bagging groceries at Shop Smart Food Warehouse after school on Friday, March 3 and Saturday, March 4, to raise money for the annual All-Night Grad Party.

AIDING KIDS - Tuesday, March 7 is the start date for a free 16-week series of classes for the valley community, "Helping Children Who Have Been Exposed to Batterers." Preregistration is required. The series is designed for parents, grandparents, foster parents or anyone interested in helping children who've been exposed to domestic violence. To sign up or for more information, phone the sponsor, Illinois Valley Safe House Alliance, at 592-2515. Classes will be held at the I.V. Family Resource Center from 1 to 3 p.m.

GIRLS BIG HOOP - With congratulations for winning the number-one spot in the Skyline Conference ringing in their ears, the Illinois Valley girls will host a state playoff game Friday, March 3 at 7 p.m. in Ken Mann Memorial Gym. The Cougars sealed their Skyline position with a 47-40 victory vs. Hidden Valley Tuesday, Feb. 21. Admission Friday will be \$6 for adults; \$4 for students. No passes will be honored. "We hope to have a huge crowd come out and support our I.V. girls," said Janie Pope, athletic secretary.

PLASMA PLEA - An American Red Cross blood drive will be held Thursday, March 9 at Illinois Valley Senior Center. Donations will be taken from 1 to 6 p.m. To schedule an appointment, phone (800) 448-3543.

NOTEPAD - **Airport advisory boards** for the Illinois Valley and Grants Pass airports were to be dissolved by the JoCo Board of Commissioners Wednesday, March 1. In their places, the plan is to establish the Josephine County Airports Commission ... **Cans and bottles** are sought by the IVHS Club Internacional to help raise funds for a Mexico trip. Donations can be brought to the Shop Smart parking lot Saturday, March 4 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. For pick up, phone Jaime Szijarto at 592-2116 ... **I.V. Chamber** office manager Dulcie Moore reports that 249 persons went to the I.V. Visitor Center during January, a decrease of 22 from January 2005 ... **Natalya N. Burn** will display her watercolors through March 25 in the Rogue Community College gallery. Her paintings "reflect a world that is real and one that is virtually real."

LAST WORDS - Never, never, never believe any war will be smooth and easy, or that anyone who embarks on the strange voyage can measure the tides and hurricanes he will encounter. The statesman who yields to war fever must realize that once the signal is given, he is no longer the master of policy, but the slave of unforeseeable and uncontrollable events. (Sir Winston Churchill)

Letters to the Editor

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out-of-town contractors, feeding different businesses and the economies of different communities. Why don't more of these get contracted to locals?

What are our options for keeping local public land benefiting our local people? Why aren't we asking for more options? Permanent jobs in Illinois Valley are needed. Public land in the Illinois Valley should serve the needs of the community they are in before handing it all over to a someone from hundreds of miles away.

What decides whether or not the local people manage their own land? According to the Medford land managers, what portion of this 28,000 acres is fair to the local Illinois Valley community to maintain?

Need seen for Eagles to replace Hawks
From Sue Norman-Jones
Cave Junction

War is not a movie; people don't come back. In Iraq, our smart weapons killed approximately 100,000 children with innocent men and women.

Going into Iraq because of weapons of mass destruction is an odd response because we have more weapons of mass destruction than any other empire.

I am a liberal, believing we need to bring the military complex's money home and spend it wisely. Protecting our precious environment; giving free health care to everyone; increasing the minimum wage so more folks can spend money, thus improving the economy. Poor people are usually of different nationalities and colors, and are very

much affected by cuts in food stamps and Medicaid.

These recent cuts by the conservative Right party will cause more homelessness and deaths, which seems a little like when the Nazis removed the Jews.

This country is in trouble. The Hawks in charge need to be replaced by the Eagles.

With Reunionmania, make it four events
From Michael McDermott
Medford

I graduated from Illinois Valley High School in 1959, and enjoy participation in a continual Class of '59 Reunion Committee. Our group is dedicated to coordinating preparations for our next reunion, the 50th in 2009.

Consequently, we read with interest your Dec. 28 article, headed, "Big plans afoot marking three special anniversaries," by Olivia Taylor-Young.

Our committee meets quarterly beginning with each annual July 4 IVHS Reunion in hopes of pulling off a memorable golden anniversary IVHS Reunion in 2009.

With our activity in mind, I submit that there are actually, "Big plans afoot marking four special anniversaries." The Class of '59 Reunion Committee, chaired by Joy (Parkinson) Samuelson, stands ready to help make all the celebrations of '09 enjoyable.

Our current activities are focused on locating as many

classmates as possible; identifying potential locations for our banquet; and available lodging for our out-of-towners.

I am pleased to read of long-range planning in Illinois Valley for 2009 that should coincide with our 50th reunion. We also invite any suggestions for making our event more successful.

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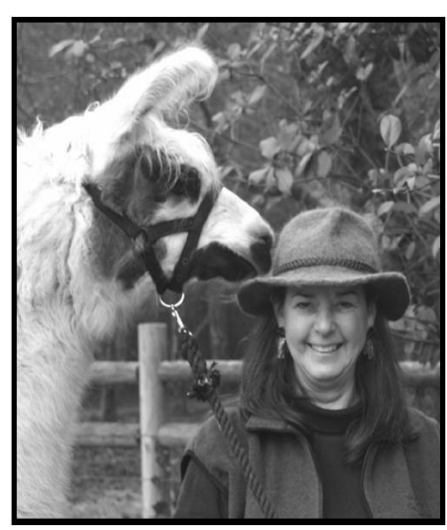
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