

# Here, There & Everywhere

**FUN STUFF** - A Country Fair, sponsored by Illinois Valley Family Coalition, will be held Saturday, July 1 from 10 to 4 on the Sterling Savings Bank parking lot in Downtown Cave Junction. There will be food and music, plus arts-and-crafts. Other attractions will be animal exhibits, special events for youngsters, and a farmers market. There also will be a raffle of prizes donated by more than 30 businesses. The coalition, headed by Carol Ronan, is "a community organization helping those in need."

**'ABIDING' MOVIES** - Free movies at its outdoor theater will be shown Saturdays by Abiding In The Vine Christian Bookstore in Cave Junction beginning July 1 and continuing through Aug. 26. Films will begin at 8:30 p.m., preceded by music and testimonies as a community outreach. The store is between Sterling Savings Bank and Carlos' Restaurant. For more information phone 592-8588.

**BLUEGRASS YES!** - Discount tickets for the third annual Siskiyou Bluegrass Festival at Lake Selmac can be obtained until July 20. The event, sponsored by Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce with help from several businesses, will be held Friday and Saturday, July 22-23. Tickets are available at the chamber office in the I.V. Visitor Center, and at Century 21 Harris & Taylor. The chamber telephone number is 592-3326.

The festival will run each day from 10 to 10. It will feature Bluegrass greats including but not limited to: "Alan Bibey & BlueRidge," "Moon Mountain Ramblers," "Dale Hopper," "Joe Ross," "Ida Viper," "Willie (Warwick) & the Poor Boys," "Gold River" with "The Antonuccis," the "Emmons Sisters," the "Goldman Family," and "Jefferson."

**OLD-TIME PICNIC** - An "Old-Fashioned July 4th Picnic" will be held Tuesday, July 4 at 737 N.W. Kinney St. in Grants Pass, as a campaign fund-raiser for Howard Owens, a Grants Pass Democrat running for the Oregon State House, 3rd Congressional District. Food, live music, games and fun for all ages, "mystery guests," local candidates and a service auction will highlight the event, said the sponsor. To purchase tickets, or for more information, phone 476-7683 Mondays through Fridays, noon to 6 p.m.

**SUITED TO A T** - A long line of restored Model T automobiles converged on Illinois Valley Wednesday, June 21. Participants were treated to a tour of portions of Rough & Ready Lumber Co. The caravan stopped at Taylor's Country Store for lunch, and visited Blakely's Automotive in Kerby, and the new Ray's Food Place in Selma.

**NOTEPAD** - Free programs are offered Illinois Valley families by Siskiyou Field Institute on July 15 and 16. Read "Club News" elsewhere in this issue for details ... **T-shirts:** \*Squirrels: Nature's little speed bumps. \*Dyslexics Untie! \*I'm confused. No wait, maybe I'm not. \*Here I am. Now what are your other two wishes? \*Real doctors can treat more than one species (T-shirt worn by a veterinarian).

**LAST WORDS** - \*We don't know a millionth of 1 percent about anything. (Thomas Edison)

\*The ultimate determinant in the struggle now going on for the world will not be bombs and rockets, but a test of wills and ideas -- a trial of spiritual resolve: the values we hold, the beliefs we cherish and the ideals to which we are dedicated. (President Reagan)

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projects, including anticipated delay times, as well as incident, weather and other conditions affecting your trip. The same information is available by phoning 5-1-1.

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### 'Going out on a limb' concerning Sugars From J. 'Kalvyn' Evans Cave Junction

Lately we've heard many arguments opposing the new strip club in town. Larry Goynes, the owner, says he feels that there is a silent percentage that supports it.

In the interest of fairness, I'm going out on a limb to speak for those in favor.

Recently, Abiding in the Vine circulated an open letter to Goynes, urging him to not open the business, with more than 600 signatures. I hate to burst anyone's bubble, but two weeks ago I witnessed a young woman signing a multitude of fake names onto one of those letters. That is what spurred me to write this.

# Letters to the Editor

Perhaps there are more than 600 people who want to stop Sugars from opening, but I think most of them would disapprove of this deception, especially the owners of Abiding in the Vine.

I am tired of people trashing the Midnight Oasis as a "haunt of immorality, poisoning our community." I see no signs of this poisoning, only happier couples. The fact that they are still open shows the public's desire for the business.

Goynes is going out on a limb to open this club, and he seems to want to keep the business upscale and discreet, which I appreciate.

Exotic dancing as a form of art and communication dates to the Stone Age. It's been independently developed by cultures from the Roman Empire to Hawaii. It has intrigued and captivated human imaginations for thousands of years, for good reason.

Our sexuality is inextricably tied up with almost every aspect of our humanity. Obviously, without it, none of us would be here. Over time, it has been expressed through many forms, but dance remains the perfect medium. The subtlety of its movements can communicate with crystal clarity a passion and desire that spoken words can only hint at.

It also has the power to take us out of ourselves, to quiet the crazy monkeys inside our heads. Some do this with art, music, and meditation, others through rock-climbing or skydiving. It is a state of losing the mind, and coming

back to our senses. After all, to deny ourselves our most basic desires is to kill that which makes us truly human.

Opening Sugars is not a tragedy. A much greater tragedy is how we force our women to keep their breasts covered at all times while men run shirtless and free. Adding insult to injury, female nudity is considered acceptable in art, but forbidden in daily life.

Women are made to feel that their bodies are something dirty or evil. Breasts, after all, are not even sexual in nature, at least no more so than ears or feet. They are for feeding infants.

We only think of them as sexual because we have been conditioned to think so by a society run by men; insecure men, who are themselves confused and embarrassed by their own feelings.

If we threw away every movie with female nudity, we'd lose everything from "Titanic" to "Fantasia." Exotic dancing is plastered across media, from Broadway to Hollywood. Sex is used to sell beer, food and cars, but as long as certain parts stay obscured, we tolerate it without a word.

Many have voiced concerns that opening a topless bar would bring an increase in crime and vandalism. If, so the only reason it would be because we associate the two together in our minds. This is called a self-fulfilling prophecy. The same thing occurs when we see "good guys" in movies shooting people to solve problems, and then hear

about kids in school doing the same thing.

Many have spoken of trying to reopen the former theater, cleaning up the park, and getting the "derelicts" off the sidewalks. It seems that most people are just complaining about the state of things, waiting for "somebody else" to do something about it.

This city belongs to all of us, and its state is directly related to how much energy we are willing to put back into it.

Finally, I hear a lot of people speak of morals and family values, urging Larry to "consider the children." First of all, children won't be there. Grownups need playtime, too. Besides, kids don't hang out at any of the other bars in town, either.

And secondly, we should consider the children. When our kids grow up, what kind of world do we want to leave for them?

Do we want to instill feelings of fear and shame of their bodies? Do we want them to be embarrassed and obsessed by sex, like we are? I don't.

I'm tired of people imposing their own morals and views on me and my family. As adults, I want my kids to have the right to choose what they want, and express themselves, regardless of what I think. I want them to have the freedom to run their own lives, and pursue happiness in whatever manner they see fit.

After all, isn't that what America is about? Isn't that what we've been fighting for all along?

**Bake Sale**  
Saturday, July 1  
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**Concerts in the Park**

Thursday, June 29, 6:30-8:30 p.m.  
'Valley Country Band'  
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Life is a series of collisions with the future; it is not the sum of what we have been, but what we yearn to be.

- Jose Ortega y Gasset -