

Plan for Sugars topless bar seen stripped due to bucks

Indications are that plans have soured to open Sugars, a so-called topless bar featuring women with their breasts bared.

The strip club, planned by Larry Goynes, of rural Cave Junction, was planned on the main street of Downtown CJ. The site is behind Bi-Rite Auto Parts and Stevereno's Family Restaurant, and adjacent to the "Illinois Valley News" office.

It became known early in May that Goynes was planning to open Sugars, when he obtained a city business license. He has since renovated the rear portion of the former Ivy Theater to accommodate his planned business. He planned to serve beer and wine.

But finances and delays have come into play.

"It's looking less and less like Sugars is ever going to open," said Goynes on Friday, Sept. 8. "I don't have a lot of money left, and I'm close to giving up the idea.

"I can't afford the architect fees for the sprinkler system that's being required, plus a new city water main.

"So I'm inclined to sell the building and move on.

"It looks like Sugars is not going to open," he concluded.

Many in the community expressed opposition to the topless bar plan. Late in May, more than 100 citizens jammed a Cave Junction City Council meeting to protest the business.

R&R co-generation plant raises anonymous fears

(Editor's Note: The following is only the preface to a lengthy discourse addressing the concerns perceived by certain anonymous "concerned citizens." We would refer you to their full presentation if we knew with certainty who the nameless persons are.)

"When the plans were announced by Rough & Ready Lumber Co. to install and operate a woodwaste-fired power generating plant in Illinois Valley, many issues raced through the minds of valley residents.

"We are not necessarily opposed to the concept, as it will replace an antiquated wood-burning steam plant with a new, more efficient power generating plant, but we are concerned that implementation of the project may introduce damaging, undesirable effects to our valley. We will address each of the issues along with some pertinent information that needs to be known in order to fully understand potential consequences.

"The purpose of this document is to compile relevant facts, information, and points of view to stimulate appropriate open and thorough discussion to make rational, well-informed decisions about the future of Illinois Valley. The basic concerns are:

"Air pollution, noise pollution, vehicular traffic, increased logging for fuels, economic impact on tourism, negative impacts on forest, plants, and animals; misleading claims, and other environmental effects.

"The public, the county commissioners, the county planning department, and organizations which have the best interests of Illinois Valley in mind, all need to be aware of the described concerns, to do further research, to answer questions, and to help make educated decisions."

Jennifer Phillippi, of R&R, on Monday, Sept. 11, sent the following to organizers of an Oct. 3 public forum planned in the county building about the project.

"We at Rough & Ready are excited to be involved in a project that has so many positive benefits and are eager to share information about it.

"For four generations, our family has lived and worked in this community, and we feel great responsibility toward continuing a positive influence environmentally and economically.

"We have high regard for the residents of our valley and we desire to provide an opportunity to hear their concerns. But, because of the lack of transparency of the nameless "Concerned Residents of the Illinois Valley, and their anonymous letter outlining answers to ostensible questions about our project, we worry that the Oct. 3 forum may not be a productive session.

"A separate, informal gathering to discuss Rough & Ready's co-generation plans might provide a more fruitful discussion."

(Another Ed's Note: A factual story about the project will be in the Sept. 27 issue.)



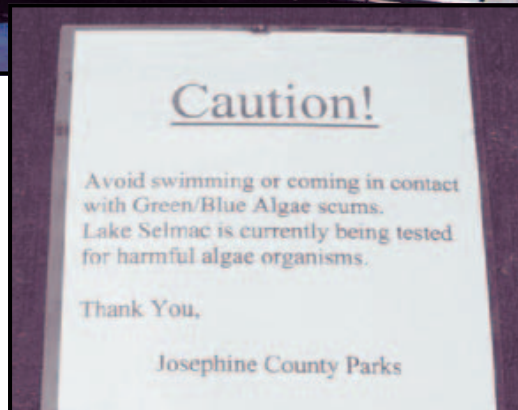
A DEMONSTRATION RECALLING the fifth anniversary of Sept. 11, 2001, when terrorists attacked the United States and killed some 3,000 persons, was held Monday afternoon, 9-11, at the southeast corner of Redwood Hwy. and Lister Street. Directly across the street, in front of the Josephine County Bldg., Women in Black and Friends conducted their weekly silent vigil standing for peace. Many persons driving by honked and waved at the dual demonstrations, most of them directing their attention to those honoring the memory of 9-11. A spokesman for those memorializing the 9-11 disaster said it was a protest to his perception that the other group decries the U.S. action in Iraq and to show 'the other side of better Muslim than dead, when their life mission is to kill us.' A spokesman for the peace demonstrators said that at least one of the other group was invited to stand with them, but did not. 'We have been standing for peace for several years,' the spokesman noted. (Photos by 'Illinois Valley News')

Two new businesses, Munchie's Coffee Roaster & Snack Shop, and Weeping Spruce Herb Farm, have opened in Cave Junction. See page 8.

Second Friday Art Walk was held Sept. 8 in Downtown Cave Junction. See pages 9, 11 and 16.



LAKE SELMAC RESORT co-owners Colin & Nona Clark are interested in making not only their operation more successful, but improving the entire lake to benefit the Illinois Valley economy by making it a more attractive location. The Clarks met last week with Steve Schalk, senior county park ranger at the lake. They viewed a presentation by Ray Smith, a regional manager for SolarBee, which deals in solar-powered reservoir circulators. The intent is to rid the lake of toxic green/blue algae scums, which forced closure of the lake a few years ago. There is no current health risk, as long as such scum is avoided. Camping, dining, hiking, horseback riding, and bicycling are among safe activities. The Clarks plan to seek grants and other financial aid from



various agencies and organizations including fishing clubs to pay for the estimated \$175,000 for four of the circulators which have proven results worldwide. Smith said that reduced maintenance costs and no chemical use work for positive results for many years. (I.V. News' photos)

GP man dies after gunfire

Criminal charges have not been determined in a case involving a man being shot to death near a Downtown Grants Pass restaurant, said GP Dept. of Public Safety (GPDPS).

The dead man was identified as Pavin Joseph Harrah, 21, of no known current address, said GPDPS.

Another man, identified as Justin Travis Rothkamm, date-of-birth not provided, was found after the shooting at Three Rivers Community Hospital. He was being treated for injuries suffered during an altercation with Harrah, said GPDPS. He also has no known address.

Police said that they and GP Fire/Rescue with American Medical Response went to the parking lot of River City Grill at 8:22 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9. Harrah was deceased at the scene.

A witness reported hearing several gunshots, according to a story in the Grants Pass "Daily Courier." It added that Rothkamm appeared to have suffered blunt head trauma.

I hold it to be of the highest importance for our interests that we should think rather of what we shall do than what we shall say. When we have decided upon that, it will be easy to accommodate our words to our acts. - Annius -



'CARE BEARS' were collected by Home Valley Bank in Cave Junction and presented by Manager Dawn LeGaux (right) to (from left) Josephine County Undersheriff Brian Anderson and Illinois Valley Fire District representatives Kamron Ismaili and Delaine Sherman. The bears, donated by community residents, will be carried aboard fire trucks and patrol cars to be given to children during traumatic situations to help soothe them. (Photos by 'Illinois Valley News')

