

Here, There, & Everywhere

CHAMBER SHINDIG - Citizen and Business of the Year awards will be given during the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce public dinner-dance Saturday, Feb. 10 at the Junction Inn. And **Friday, Feb. 2** is the deadline to pay and make reservations. Sheriff Gil Gilbertson and the board of county commissioners -- Chairman Jim Raffenburg, Vice Chairman Dave Toler and Commissioner Dwight Ellis -- will attend. There will be live music, and a no-host bar. Diners have the choice of prime rib, chicken or vegetarian plate.

Reservations are being accepted in person at the "Illinois Valley News" office, Northwest Hairlines, and Ted Crocker Financial Services. Members should mail their reservation forms ASAP with a check.

21ST CENTURY LEARNING - Free classes, open to all Illinois Valley High School students and parents, will begin Monday, Feb. 5 at IVHS. Parents and staff from Evergreen Elementary and Lorna Byrne Middle schools also can attend without charge. Classes include juggling, welding, knitting, beginning guitar lessons, mountain biking, and weight training. See the ad in this issue for the full schedule and how to sign up.

COLLEGE FINANCIAL AID - For parents and their college-bound students, filling out the federal financial aid forms (FAFSA) are a top priority. Some find the online application (www.fafsa.ed.gov) confusing. To assist, Illinois Valley High School and Rogue Community College are teaming and offering FAFSA workshops. They will be held at the RCC Learning Center in Kerby. Parents and students will be walked through the FAFSA process. Attendees will be able to log onto a computer and complete the forms during the workshop. Dates are Monday, Feb. 5 and Wednesday, Feb. 7 at 6 p.m. Phone Patrice Tucker at IVHS at 592-2116. Space is limited to 20 for each session.

WILDLIFE DINNER - In conjunction with Evergreen Federal Bank, Wildlife Images will hold a fundraiser, its inaugural Spring Wildlife Gala, on March 10. The four-course gourmet menu includes braised beef tips, salad, soup and "a sinfully exquisite dessert." A salmon dish is available for nonmeat-eaters. The event, including wine-tasting, will be held at the Bear Hotel in Grants Pass. As well, hotel tours will be available, and animal ambassadors will visit from Wildlife Images. Tickets can be obtained by phoning 476-0222.

VALLEY NOTORIETY - Originally written for "The Seattle Times," a recent Southern Oregon story that includes Illinois Valley was reprinted in the San Diego "Union-Tribune." The article was spied by 1954 IVHS grad Chris Duncan Leppert, who lives in San Diego, and coordinates the annual IVHS/KUHS alumni reunions. The story includes Oregon Caves National Monument and Bridgeview Vineyards Winery. Unfortunately, a map accompanying the article shows Grants Pass and Crescent City, but not Cave Junction. It does manage to include Hwy. 199 (Redwood Hwy.).

NOTEPAD - Authentic Filipino food will be among features Friday, Feb. 2 during an I.V. Chamber of Commerce mixer at Century 21 Harris & Taylor. Chamber members and their guests can attend from 5 to 7 p.m. ... **Much help** is available through Illinois Valley Family Coalition, which has 12 agency tenants, from Early Intervention and mental health services to Southern Oregon Housing Resource Center. Phone 592-6139 or visit www.ivfc.org ... **Affordable housing** is the topic of a workshop that will be presented Friday, Feb. 9 in CJ City Hall by Luz Moore, of C21 Harris & Taylor. More than 40 persons have signed up ... **'Illuminance, Mythology & Weird Little Fetishes,'** an art display by Sondra Schwetman, is featured through Friday, Feb. 9 at RCC's Firehouse Gallery in Grants Pass ... **Crash comment:** Ninety percent of citations for VBR (violation of the basic rule/driving too fast for conditions) are never issued. Because the driver died in the crash ... **Actual headlines:** *Sex education delayed, as teachers request training. *Include your children when baking cookies. *Visit your doctor before becoming ill. *New study of obesity seeks larger test group.

LAST WORDS - *The law is what we live with. Justice is sometimes harder to achieve. (Sherlock Holmes)
*We must cherish our differences. (Sarek of Vulcan)

Levy plan pondered ...

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Without a local levy or federal funds, JCSO would be limited to 54 full-time employees, Gilbertson said. The jail would be at 26 percent of its total capacity, and only 10 officers would be available for patrols.

"We would only be able to respond to life-threatening situations," Gilbertson said.

Under the basic levy, the agency could retain 88 employees, 53 percent of jail capacity and 22 patrol officers. The enhanced levy would staff JCSO at 122 employees, put the jail at 80 percent of capacity and put 35 deputies on patrol.

Gilbertson said that under the enhanced levy, he could put six individual patrol units on the road 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

"I don't know if you've ever had it at that level," Gilbertson said. "I think you'll have a safe environment to live in."

A question-and-answer session with audience mem-

bers yielded a variety of responses and opinions for county officials to consider. Resident Harry Harvey expressed his strong opposition to any proposed levy or tax.

"You're beating us to death with levy after levy after levy," Harvey said. "What will it be at the next election?"

Longtime local activist Paul Walter said that he planned to support the levy, but only because Gilbertson is now running JCSO.

"I would have never supported a levy with (former sheriff) Dave Daniel," Walter said.

Officials have a Feb. 14 deadline to submit a levy to the county clerk's office in time for the May ballot.

The two-hour workshop was the first in a series aimed at informing the public of the levy proposals.

Another will be held Monday, Feb. 5 at Illinois Valley High School at 6 p.m. Raffenburg and Commissioner Dave Toler are scheduled to appear.

Preparing for trip to an ER can lessen stresses, stains

You're headed to an emergency room: Someone close to you is in desperate straits and all you want is for somebody to see them fast and make them well.

Chances are that if the patient is not acutely ill, you're in for a long wait.

This occurs daily in nearly all emergency rooms. You may not be able to avoid this unfortunate scenario, but there are some actions you can take now to prepare yourself for an ER visit.

First, decide what hospital you would like to go to in case of emergency. In a trauma situation, you may not have a choice. But in all other situations, making this decision ahead of time will mean one less item to worry about.

To help you decide, ask your own doctor what emergency room he or she prefers and why. Find out whether this is for your doctor's convenience or whether it stems from a close, professional knowledge of and working relationship with the ER staff.

Another good source is people who have been to an ER recently and can relate their experiences.

If you are sick or in-

jured, don't be a hero and go to the emergency room alone. Phone a close friend or family member to go with you or to meet you there.

It also is wise to ask someone to accompany you if the emergency involves a close family member. You may not be in a good frame of mind to make decisions or understand everything that is being told to you. You need someone who can be somewhat objective and help you through the crisis.

Once inside the ER, chances are that you'll encounter nursing staff and doctors you've never seen before, and they will quickly order tests that may seem to take an eternity to complete.

Don't be afraid to ask what each test is for and why it is taking so long. If you establish a good rapport with the ER staff, you may be able to nudge things along. However, expect lab work to be slow.

If your family doctor is unavailable for consultation, the ER doctor may recommend specialists. There is a call roster from which the ER physician may arbitrarily suggest a specialist.

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Club & Organization Notes

Selma Center

A membership meeting and potluck will be held Friday, Feb. 16 at 6 p.m. Attendees should bring their own place-settings.

OSU Extension, JoCo

A free grape-pruning class for beginners with little to no experience will be held Saturday, Feb. 10 from 9 to 11 a.m. at the Oregon State University Extension Office at 215 Ringuette St. in Grants Pass.

The class is a lecture and demonstration activity only. Phone 476-6613 to sign up.

Are you ready for your sweetie? Valentine's Day is just around the corner and we at **BeBe's Art for Everyone** have just the right thing to bring a smile to your sweetheart's face.

We have Jewelry, Functional Art, Artist's Materials, and gifts for the man or woman in your life.

Don't forget!!!!
On February 3rd, from 11-1, we will be offering our first class. Sign-up for the "Beginning Jewelry" class by Master Artist Nora Price of Beau Teak. Space is limited. Cost \$25 for class and jewelry kit.

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Saturday, February 3
10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at **Nifty Gifty Store**
across from Shop Smart on Watkins

IVCDO Meeting Schedule
Making Things Happen!
February, 2007

Day	Date	Meeting	Time	Location
Mon	2/5	Community Relations	5:30-6:30 PM	IVCDO Office
Wed	2/7	Operational Oversight & Projects & Programs Executive Comm.	5:30-6:30 PM 6:30-7:30 PM	Visitor Center
Thurs	2/15	Workshop / Board Meeting	6:00-9:00 PM	Visitor Center

Mon-Thurs, 6 am-7 pm Fri, 6 am-8:30 pm 592-5358
Sat, 7 am-8:30 pm Sun, 7 am-7 pm
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