

Here, There, & Everywhere

GOT TOUGH TRUCK? - Illinois Valley Lions Club is planning a Tough Truck event as part of its annual Labor Day Festival. For details about the competition, or to sign up, phone Jerry Sommers at 659-3899.

FOREST OF COURSE - Concepts of public land restoration in Wild Rivers Ranger District will be explored during a U.S. Forest Service public workshop at Illinois Valley High School on Friday, July 27 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The gathering will be hosted by the district, which covers Illinois Valley. Said Joel King, district ranger, "The district is a special place with special people. I look forward to working with the communities as partners in having our public land become more resilient." For more information, or if there are special needs for attending the open workshop, phone King at 592-4001.


KERBY ART SITES - "An Evening of Art in Kerby" will be celebrated Friday, July 27. From Hampton's Rock Shop on the south, to Yanase Jewelers on the north, Kerby locations will welcome visitors from 5 to 8 p.m. for art viewing, food and fun. Other locations on the schedule are It's A Burl, Kerbyville Farm, Dovetail Joint, and Southern Oregon Guild Gallery.

NO SAVOR FLAVOR - Siskiyou Community Health Center (SCHC) regretfully has canceled the second annual wine tasting and auction planned for July 21 at Bridgeview Vineyards Winery. Said Judi Hill, SCHC community liaison, "A couple of weeks ago we realized the effect that not-for-profit fund-raising is having on our communities. The proceeds from Savor the Valley were to go to children's medical and dental services. There are so many worthy causes out there, and people just can't give to every one of them. We (the board of directors executive committee and the administration team) had to make a very hard decision. We appreciate all the support Grants Pass and Illinois Valley give SCHC, and we want to be good stewards of that support. We appreciate our major sponsors: Bridgeview Vineyards Winery, Home Valley Bank, Premier West Bank, Fire Mountain Gems, and Southern Oregon Public TV."

IN MEMORY OF JANNA - In memory of Janna L. Carter, a dinner to benefit the Susan B. Koman Cancer Foundation's S.W. Oregon Chapter will be held Friday, Aug. 3 by Weeping Spruce Herb Farm at 27893 Redwood Hwy. near Great Cats World Park. The menu will comprise a full-course dinner with choice of vegetarian or meat entrée. Wine will be available for purchase; complimentary nonalcoholic beverages will be included with dinner. Live New Age and Native American flute music will be provided by *Merlin the Magician & Tayazo*. Phone 592-2009 for information and reservations.

NOTEPAD - *Altered States* will perform Blues and Jazz numbers in Jubilee Park in Cave Junction Thursday, July 19 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. for the I.V. Chamber Concerts in the Park series ... **JoCo commissioners** will be available to the public in Cave Junction on Monday, July 23 from 6:30 to 7 p.m. in the county building. They'll also meet in the same place from 6 to 6:30 with the CJ City Council, and the public can sit in on that ... **Some punks** with not much brain power have stolen the I.V. Soil & Water Conservation District sign at the top of Hay's Hill ... **Nacho Mama's** in CJ offered cake all day recently to celebrate the birthday of Mexican painter Frida Kahlo, whose style and other attributes are captured by Lane Cosner's mural at the Mexican café. Kahlo died in 1954 at the age of 47 ... **Rotary International** has opportunities for four nonRotarian professionals between 26 and 40 to travel with a Rotary leader to northern Argentina during June 2008 on a vocational/cultural exchange. Applications are due Tuesday, May 31 this year. Phone Jill Gleysteen at 476-4663 for details ... **Chronic conditions** and how to live well with them will be explored during a free six-session interactive workshop. It's a Stanford University program brought here by Oregon State University Extension with Rogue Valley Council of Governments. Phone 864-9611 ... **The Fabulous Fairlines** will perform at Riverside Park in Grants Pass on Tuesday, July 24 beginning at 7 p.m. in the Grants Pass Chamber series of free concerts ... **Immutable Truths:** It's a small world, so you gotta' use your elbows sometimes ... Always remember that you are unique. Just like everyone else.

LAST WORDS - Guard with jealous attention the public liberty. Suspect everyone who approaches that jewel. Unfortunately, nothing will preserve it but downright force. Whenever you give up that force, you are ruined. (Patrick Henry)



Concerts in the Park

Thursdays 6:30-8:30 p.m.
Jubilee Park

July 19, "Altered States"
July 26, "Valley Country Band"

Sponsored by
I.V. Chamber of Commerce
Food available



Firefighters busy in June

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owing the presentations, the audience applauded the two; and joined them after the meeting for refreshments in their honor.

Lamb and Butler were administered their oaths of office by Rich. The newly constituted board then elected veteran Larrick Jones president and Sam Michel vice president; and re-elected Dusty Bouchard secretary.

Emergencies Outlined

Gavlik told the board that staff and volunteers had responded to more than 100 alarms since the previous meeting on June 14.

"It was a busy month," he said, including a single-vehicle crash on Takilma Road resulting in the deaths of two teen-age girls.

Besides that and the crash of a 38-foot RV towing a four-door Jeep into Pizza Pit, firefighters were faced with three structure fires, including a major blaze on Reeves Creek Road that destroyed a residence and two vehicles. A candle in a garage is said to be the cause, Gavlik said, and the couple and their two children escaped unharmed.

Two other structure fires occurred, one on S. Junction Avenue and another on Addison Lane. Both incidents involved flames getting into subflooring. A heat pump and a clothes dryer were listed as causes, respectively. No injuries were reported.

Firefighters also worked with Oregon Dept. of Forestry on at least 17 escaped debris burns and wildfires, none of which were large.

Gavlik noted that the district is unaware of any fires that began on July 4 because of fireworks. He attributed this to the fact that IVFD personnel patrolled areas of the valley in fire rigs "just in case" and that residents seeing them patrolling apparently paid more attention to safe practices.

He noted that IVFD staff can issue citations to those violating fireworks safety rules.

Med Training Pay Off

Gavlik, who also serves as training officer, noted that because staff and volunteers have concentrated on advancing their medical skills,

Boys & Girls weed whack at SFI ranch

This summer the Boys & Girls Club of Cave Junction is involved in restoration work, including weed removal, at Siskiyou Field Institute's (SFI) Deer Creek Ranch in Selma.

Wednesday, July 11 and Thursday, July 12 Suzanne Vautier, the Weed Program coordinator of the Forestry Action Committee (FAC), was asked by SFI to come to the ranch to talk about noxious weeds in our area.

She talked about the weeds that pose the biggest problem in our area -- Scotch Broom, Meadow Knapweed and Star Thistle. Then the children pulled some weeds, putting what they learned into practice.

First they pulled Star Thistle for a while. While they took a break, Vautier showed them the Knapweed Seedhead Weevils (*Larnius obtusus*) that were seen on Knapweed flowers at the ranch. She picked up one of these little long-nosed weevils and held it in her hand for the children to see.

As the children looked

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the July 2 RV crash in Downtown Cave Junction was handled well.

In fact, he noted, a California fire district chief and a member with him, who stopped at the wreck, were impressed at the level of medical training. It was indicated that his district wants to send some of its personnel to IVFD for training, said Gavlik.

Because of the number of medically trained IVFD personnel, with American Medical Response medics, it was possible to have four Emergency Medical Service teams aid the critically injured from the RV crash, which also involved two passenger cars.

The district, Gavlik said after the meeting, has 16 Basic Emergency Medical Technicians (EMTs), three Intermediate EMTs, and one paramedic.

District Adds Territory

Maintenance Battalion Chief Kris Sherman reported that arrival of a new tender is anticipated in 60 to 90 days. The rig is being paid for through a grant with a relatively small percentage coming from IVFD.

In another matter, the district was expanded through requested annexations. Directors OK'd annexation of 6.12 acres on Westside Road, and 20 Selma properties totaling 265 acres.

The Selma properties, mostly scattered on both sides of Hwy. 199, are owned by Selma resident Linda Crawford. All the annexations were recommended by IVFD Fire Marshal Jerry Schaeffer. He was on vacation, but provided the necessary paperwork for the July 12 meeting.

Rich said it is his understanding that the properties will be subdivided.

Also during the meeting, Rich praised the work of Gavlik during his absence. The chief was on vacation, and Gavlik added those duties to his schedule.

"Everything ran well thanks to Jeff," said the chief, adding that other staffers also deserve recognition for their support.

Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce presents

Siskiyou Bluegrass Festival

2007

Saturday, July 21 Lake Selmac, Trout Pavilion

The Goldman Family Joe Ross Band Gold River
Jefferson The Mighty Lonesomes Valley Country Band

Emcee "Kuzin Keith" Fuller, KRRM 94.7 FM

Band scrambles, dancing, 50/50 drawings
Kids Jams, fun & play areas
Food & beverages

Admission: \$10
Gates open at 9:30 a.m.

Parking fee \$2 per vehicle
Lawn seating, bring chairs or blankets
This is a Family Event * No Outside Alcohol
Everyone welcome, please NO DOGS!


20 minutes south from Grants Pass on Hwy. 199 to Selma. Turn left at the Lake Selmac sign and follow the signs to the Trout Pavilion
Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce 541.592.3326


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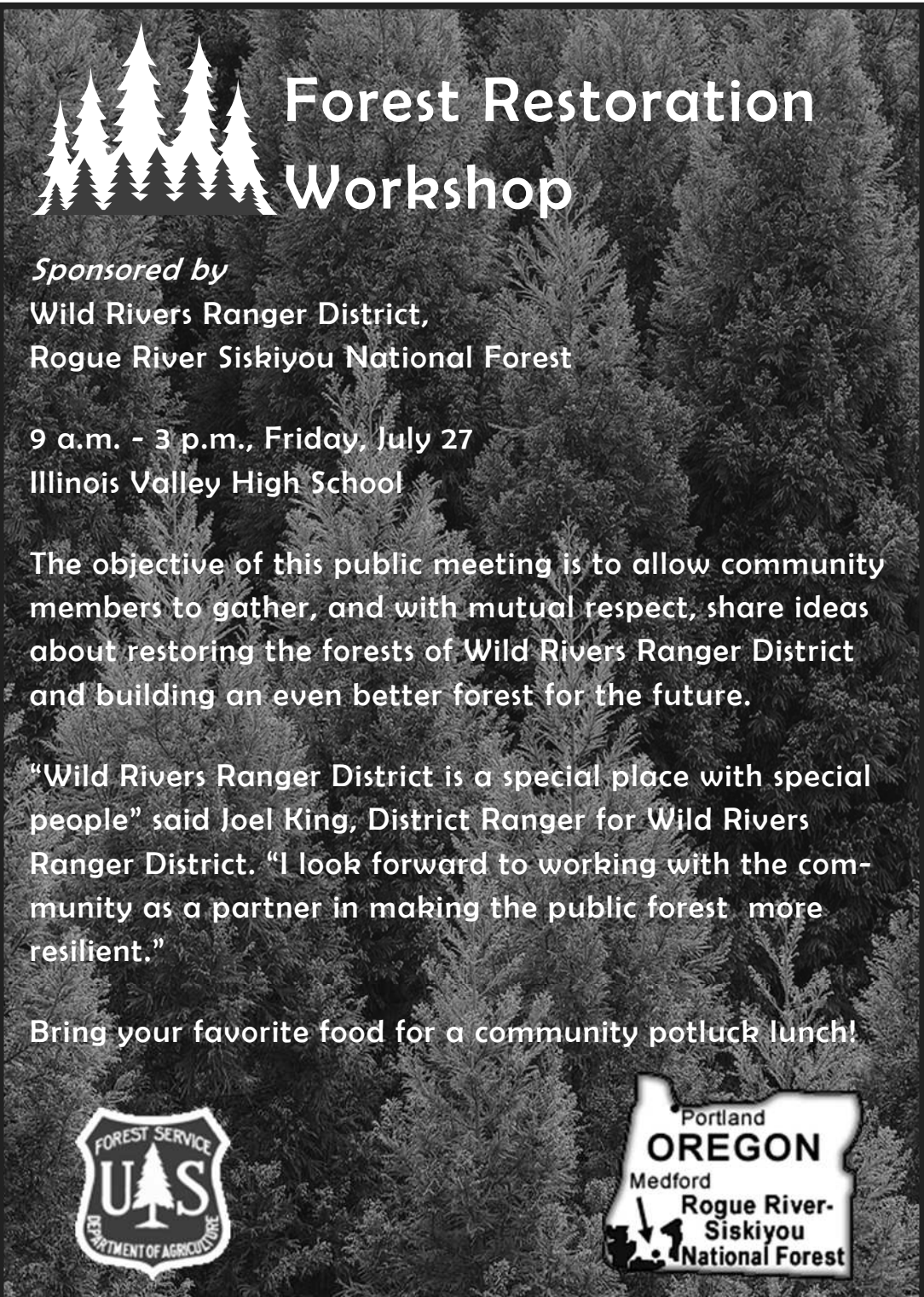
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Forest Restoration Workshop

Sponsored by
Wild Rivers Ranger District,
Rogue River Siskiyou National Forest

9 a.m. - 3 p.m., Friday, July 27
Illinois Valley High School

The objective of this public meeting is to allow community members to gather, and with mutual respect, share ideas about restoring the forests of Wild Rivers Ranger District and building an even better forest for the future.

"Wild Rivers Ranger District is a special place with special people" said Joel King, District Ranger for Wild Rivers Ranger District. "I look forward to working with the community as a partner in making the public forest more resilient."

Bring your favorite food for a community potluck lunch!

