

Here, There, & Everywhere

BIDDING BUDDIES - Fun and bargains, plus beer-and-wine tasting, are set for the 20th annual auction sponsored by Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce. It will be held Friday, Nov. 16 at Wild River Brewing & Pizza Co. in Cave Junction. Beverage tasting will begin at 6 p.m. Anna Swett, of Anna's Attic, will serve as clerk for the auction starting at 7, offering the usual pleasant and amusing time with auctioneer Jim Frick, of Century 21 Harris & Taylor Real Estate. Illinois Valley and Grants Pass-area merchants and organizations donate items for the auction. There is no admission charge, and anyone can attend without obligation to bid. Beverages for tasting will be provided courtesy of Wild River, Foris Vineyards, and Bridgeview Vineyards Winery.

Those who have auction items can leave them at Northwest Hairlines, across from the CJ Post Office, or phone the chamber office at 592-3326.

COIN A PHRASE - Tuesday, Nov. 20 is the deadline to donate pennies and other coins to the Illinois Valley Christmas Basket Program. It serves more than 700 families each year, and helps put toys under Christmas trees for children. Said leaders, "Every year, all IVHS seniors help this program by filling food baskets and candy bags, and distributing toys. With high gasoline prices, and everything else it seems, we fear we will not have enough time or resources to serve our families and children. Every little bit helps. Bring all your pennies and other coins to Illinois Valley Christmas Basket Program at 535 E. River St. in Cave Junction Mondays through Fridays from 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m." For more information phone 592-4149, Ext. 223 or 225.

BLANKET STATEMENT - Clean, used blankets are requested by The Open Door, a Selma-based grassroots organization that serves Illinois Valley. Phone 597-2197 for details.

HOLIDAY DÉCOR CONTEST- The annual Christmas Decorating Contest again is sponsored by Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce. Indoor and outdoor decorations must be ready for judging on Friday, Dec. 14. Phone 592-3326 for more information.

FORGET TO REMEMBER? - Oregon State University (OSU) Extension offers a 90-minute presentation with practical tips and techniques to maintain, protect and improve aging memories. "Memory Difficulties: Should I Be Worried?" will be presented Wednesday, Nov. 28 at 2 p.m. at the OSU Extension Auditorium, 215 Ringuette St. in Grants Pass. The presenter will be Sharon Johnson, associate professor with Extension's Family & Community Development Program, who uses humor and vivid illustration to introduce effective ways to manage memory difficulties and even improve memory ability in later years. Every attendee will be given a packet of information on how to optimize memory ability. There is a \$5 fee. Phone 476-6613 to register. (Registration is not required, but preferred.)

NOTEPAD - **Robert "Bobby" Parsons** inadvertently was left off a list of seniors on the IVHS football team last week. He's played all four years ... **OSU Master Gardener** registration for winter training will be held Thursday, Nov. 15 from 10 to 11 a.m. at the OSU Extension Auditorium on Ringuette Street in Grants Pass. Phone 476-6613 ... **Illinois Valley News** will be distributed Tuesday, Nov. 20, instead of Wednesday the 21st because of the Thanksgiving holiday Thursday, Nov. 22. The deadline for all items remains at 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 15 ... **A Christmas Craft & Bake Sale** will be held Saturday, Nov. 17 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at I.V. Pregnancy Center, 319 Caves Hwy. (former location of Siskiyou med center) ... **Three Rivers School District** (TRSD) directors will meet in regular session Monday, Nov. 19 at 7 p.m. at Lincoln Savage Middle School ... **Four days off** for students and employees of TRSD will run from Thanksgiving on Thursday, Nov. 22 through Sunday, Nov. 25 ... **Santa Claus** will visit Saturday, Dec. 1 during the annual I.V. Chamber-sponsored Community Christmas Tree Lighting & Sing-Along beginning at 5 p.m. on the Junction Inn vacant lot ... **"The Christmas Offering"** is the title of a free "Night of Beautiful Song" Sunday, Dec. 16 at 6 p.m. at Community Bible Church. The all-congregations *One Body-One Voice Choir* will perform ... **Actual headlines:** *Death ruins couple's holiday. *Lawyers give poor free legal advice. *20-year friendship ends at altar. *Foul play suspected in death of man found bound and hanged.

LAST WORDS - If we live good lives, the times are also good. As we are, such are the times. (St. Augustine)

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No injuries were reported following a rollover crash on Redwood Hwy. Friday afternoon, Nov. 9 at Z Coffee in Cave Junction. The unidentified driver refused medical aid. American Medical Response and Illinois Valley Fire District responded. (Photo by Michelle Binker IVN)

Grants Pass felon charged in kidnapping case

A city of Grants Pass resident has been charged by police officers with charges including second-degree kidnapping, and being a felon in possession of a firearm in connection with injuries to a woman.

Arrested Saturday, Nov. 10 at 4:30 a.m. was Roy Edward Harvey, 40. He was located inside the Office Tavern subsequent to the incident the day before, re-

ported at 8:38 p.m.

Besides the two previously listed charges, Harvey was charged by Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety with coercion, fourth-degree domestic assault, domestic menacing, and pointing a firearm at another.

The incident occurred at 218 N.E. E St. The victim was identified as Christina D. Burke, 39. She suffered a bloody nose, and lacerations

Safety net final check sent ...

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employment statewide to more than 12,000. It's at nearly 9,000 now.

The plan, according to BLM, could result in some \$108 million per year for the 18 counties. It would result in the sale of approximately 727 mbf.

Determining the future of the county's finances and

operations is a major topic for county commissioners.

The county commissioners will not meet Wednesday, Nov. 14 in Grants Pass, as they are in Albany at a meeting. The county board is scheduled to meet next on Wednesday, Nov. 21. The time has been changed to 9 a.m., rather than 6 p.m.

Letters

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this meeting, a woeful representation of the county.

Further, given that the public comment period for the WOPR has been extended yet again, and that other counties in Oregon are taking a "wait-and-see" approach before deciding to endorse the WOPR or not, it was inappropriate for our county commissioners to vote to endorse the WOPR at this time.

We and others are offended by the 2-1 vote to endorse Alternative 2 without adequate time to review the public testimony given during recent funding-crisis meetings around the county. We should not tolerate their disregarding our testimony.

Timber receipts will not arrive for several years, if ever. They will therefore not provide a stable, long-term, or immediate solution to our

county's budget crisis. Our commissioners should redirect their efforts to finding a real solution to our budget woes so we that can continue to have the services needed for a safe and educated community.

And those who support one of the funding options being discussed in the county, such as property taxes (bonus if you are a property owner willing to pay) or sales taxes, should let our commissioners know.

The commissioners should focus on educating the population of the county about the necessity of adequate taxation; advocate for the liberalization of Oregon's tax legislation to allow for intelligent taxation, particularly in funding crisis situations; and seek alternatives to timber for funding, economic growth, and energy security.

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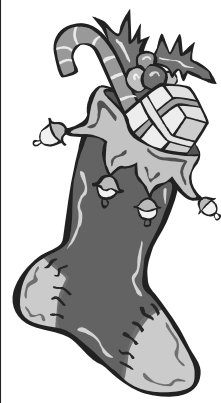
California big user of Oregon holiday trees

Oregon growers will harvest 7.5 million to 8 million Christmas trees this season, with approximately 47 percent going to California, said Oregon Dept. of Agriculture (ODA).

The southern neighbor is easily the top destination for Oregon's \$121 million Christmas tree industry, said ODA. Truckloads of trees will be heading south next month.

But first, ODA must issue the state's 720 licensed Yule tree growers their phytosanitary certificates. They give trees a clean bill of health, clearing the way for shipping.

Noble firs remain a popular species this year, said ODA. But there will be a large number of Douglas fir trees heading south also.

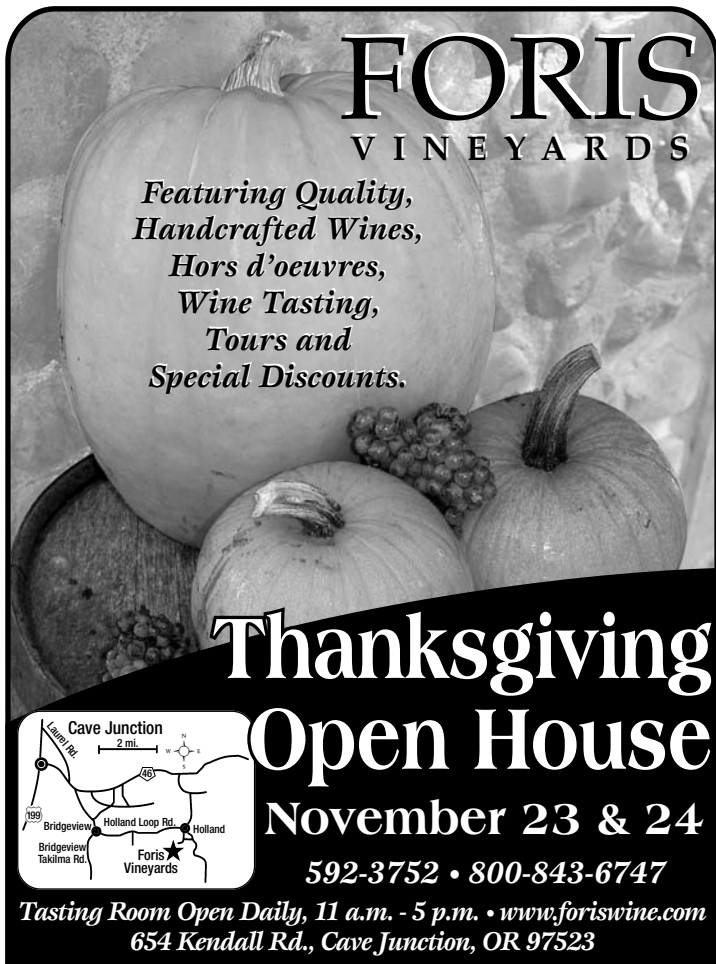


Christmas Craft & Bake

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Friday, November 16
Wine & Beer tasting begins at 6 p.m.
Auction begins at 7

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