

# Arts & Entertainment



A mixed doubles pool tournament was held at Illinois Valley Senior Center. The 'friendly' competition was preceded by a potluck meal. Participants enjoyed the informal contest and look forward to the announcement of winners. (I.V. News photo)



Nine new Illinois Valley Lions Club members were initiated recently at the Lions Den at Illinois Valley Airport. Initiates were (from left) Harry Johnson, George McElroy, Mark Camp, Dale Michaels, Don Moore, Joe Berklich, Jimmy Barnes, Ronnie Fuson and Lynn Neilson. Others in attendance were (second from left) Richard Milner, club President Dave Anderson (center, rear), and Cliff Guyton (second from right). District Governor Chuck LaTourette of Grants Pass Redwood Lions Club was present for the event. (Photo by Jennifer Newsted, Illinois Valley News)

## Precautions taken help prevent theft, keep holidays safe

Personal safety tips to avoid thefts from cars or bodily assaults during the holiday period are offered by Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety.

**\*Personal safety:**

- Make sure that someone close to you knows where you are going and when you will return.
- Avoid dark, deserted routes, even if they are the shortest.
- Carry a little extra money for emergency telephone calls or transportation.

- When possible, travel with friends or relatives.
- Hold your purse close to your body; don't dangle it.
- If you put your purse in a shopping cart, secure it to the cart and keep it zipped.
- Don't overburden yourself carrying packages or groceries.
- Have your key in hand when you approach your vehicle or residence.
- Be alert to your surroundings and the people around you. It's noted that

thefts of purses and wallets most generally occur inside retail establishments.

- Carry a cellular telephone, or pepper spray, if possible.
- If someone attacks you; scream, kick, hit, bite, scratch to do whatever it takes to get away. Get the best description you can and phone 911.
- \*Vehicle security:**
- At night, park in well-lit areas close to your residence or the building you're visiting.
- Always lock your doors and roll up your windows completely after parking.
- Never leave valuables visible in your vehicle. If possible, lock them in your trunk.
- If you have a vehicle alarm system, make sure that you use it.

For more information or to request a presentation, phone Officer Kevin Blach at 474-6374.

**"Redwood Highway's Best Kept Secret"**

12235 Redwood Hwy., Wonder 541-476-8990

Hours: Tuesday-Sunday, Noon to 10 p.m.

## Club & Organization Notes

**The Shining Stars**  
The annual meeting of The Shining Stars for voting members will be held Thursday, Dec. 27 at 6 p.m. in the upstairs meeting room of the art gallery above Bagel Junction in Cave Junction.

There will be reports regarding finances and fund-raising, as well as programs and projects.

**Forestry Action Committee**  
There will be a meeting Thursday, Jan. 3 at 1 p.m. in the FAC building at the lower compound of the forest service office in Cave Junction.

The meeting will include selection of officers. FAC is well into its 16th year of riparian tree-planting. Anyone can attend. Phone 592-4098 for more information.

**Women's Crisis Support Team**  
"Women Sing the Blues," a benefit concert, will be held Saturday, Jan. 26, at the Grants Pass High School Performing Arts Center.

Janiva Magness, the featured performer, is the 2006 and 2007 winner of the Blues Music Award for Contemporary Female Artist of the year. Southern Oregon Blues Society is producing the concert.

Advance tickets are available at Evergreen Federal Bank, Larry's Music; Listen Here, Grants Pass Chamber of Commerce office, Music Coop/Ashland and online at [www.wcstjoco.org](http://www.wcstjoco.org).

## OSU offers pesticide info

A new agreement means that the National Pesticide Information Center (NPIC) at Oregon State University (OSU), which receives more than 24,000 questions each year from all 50 states and several countries, can handle pesticide questions in more than 170 different languages.

Since coming to OSU at Corvallis in 1995, NPIC has helped thousands of callers with questions that range from pesticide contamination of well water to the effects of chemicals on human and animal health.

A new agreement with Language Line Services connects NPIC with staff trained in medical and scientific terminology. It can be accessed 24 hours a day for translations in real-time in more than 170 languages, including Mandarin, Russian and Farsi.

NPIC, a cooperative effort between OSU and the Environmental Protection Agency, provides science-based information about pesticide toxicology, safe and legal use of pesticides, environmental effects and regulation to the general public, medical community, government officials and applicators.

"Whether you're in the city or on a farm, whether you're combating cockroaches or weeds, whether you're a home owner, physician or pesticide applicator, you can get objective information about pesticides," OSU said.

In addition, NPIC has unveiled a new Website ([www.npic.orst.edu](http://www.npic.orst.edu)) that features fact sheets for pesticide-active ingredients, case profiles, resources for integrated pest management, a guide for West Nile Virus and links to helpful resources.

For more information on NPIC or assistance with pesticide-related questions, phone NPIC at (800) 858-PEST or e-mail [npic@ace.orst.edu](mailto:npic@ace.orst.edu).

## Student Achiever

Steven Paul, a senior student at Illinois Valley High School, is December Student of the Month, sponsored by Kerby Masonic Belt Lodge AF&AM.

Paul, the son of David and Ellen Paul, of Kerby, has maintained a 3.55 grade-point average (gpa).

Paul is a member of the IVHS Chapter of National Honor Society; and the football, basketball, track, and cross country teams. He was honored with Skyline Conference First Team linebacker and Second Team tight end awards in football. In track during his sophomore year he placed first in the high jump at District and sixth at State.

During Paul's freshman and sophomore years he was on the 4x4 relay team that went to State. Paul has received the Skyline Conference Scholar Athlete Award 13 times for maintaining a minimum 3.0 gpa.

He volunteers every year to help with the Christmas Basket Program at I.V. Family Coalition.

After graduation, Paul plans to attend the University of Oregon at Eugene to study business management.



### EVENTS CALENDAR

**Wednesday, December 26**  
- Karaoke, 8 p.m. at Art's Red Garter

**Friday, December 28**  
- Dave Angus, 5:30 p.m. at Taylor's Country Store  
- Lavender Blue at Art's Red Garter

**Saturday, December 29**  
- Sean Murphy, 5:30 p.m. at Taylor's Country Store  
- Lavender Blue at Art's Red Garter

**Sunday, December 31**  
- Lavender Blue at Art's Red Garter  
- Missing Pieces at Headers Tavern

PHONE 541.592.2541

TO ADD AN EVENT TO THIS CALENDAR.

**Superbowl Party**  
\$5 All-You-Can-Eat  
Sunday, February 3

**Headers Tavern** selma

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"Best burgers in town" 144 N. Redwood Hwy. 592-6205

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| 14 Sharp                      | 47 Story                                   | 7 Wipe away                      | 44 Vain dresser                   |
|                               | 49 ___ show; directed                      | 8 Cooking receptacle             | 46 Presidential nickname          |
| 16 Spinks' 1978 opponent      | 51 Driver's license item                   | 9 Arising                        | 48 Taj Mahal's site               |
|                               | 55 Civil War battle site                   | 10 Bacon servings                | 50 White-plumed bird              |
| 17 Rich desserts              | 57 Actor Richard                           | 11 Give stunt flying exhibitions | 52 Cow's employer?                |
|                               | 59 Southern constellation                  | 13 Offers                        | 53 Man's nickname                 |
| 19 Free                       | 60 Greetings                               | 18 Island nation                 | 54 Hits the ceiling               |
|                               | 20 Scrap                                   | 23 Savings acct.                 | 55 Exhibition                     |
| 21 Makes a lap                | 61 Putting in a different order            | 25 Snatch                        | 56 Give a job to                  |
|                               | 64 "The Web-foot State": abbr.             | 27 Delicately pretty             | 58 Commits a boner                |
| 22 Horned animals, familiarly | 65 Cafe' customer                          | 29 Christmas decoration          | 62 Philippine native              |
|                               | 24 Aeries builder                          | 31 Ms. Adams                     | 63 "Gosh!"                        |
| 26 Trimmers                   | 66 Weird                                   | 33 U.S. President                |                                   |
|                               | 28 Over                                    | 34 Exchange fee                  |                                   |
| 30 Supplied oxygen to         | 67 Get hitched                             | 35 Taken aback                   |                                   |
|                               | 68 Uses a blue pencil                      |                                  |                                   |
| 33 Jobs                       | 69 ___ Syndrome; potentially fatal disease |                                  |                                   |
|                               | 36 Archaeologist's interest                |                                  |                                   |
| 38 "___ to Billy Joe"         | 1 City in Georgia                          |                                  |                                   |
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