

Here, There, & Everywhere

LITTLE LEAGUE TIME - Illinois Valley Little League (IVLL) will hold player registration sign-ups through the end of January. Players who sign up before Feb. 1 can take advantage of a \$5 sign-up discount. IVLL is encouraging early sign-ups so that the final number of teams can be organized for the season. Any child between the ages of 5 years and 18 years is eligible to play. Watch for the Little League around town for registration times; or phone Janet Ewing at 659-8618, Trisha Arias at 592-5112 or Darlene Anderson at 597-4486. Leave a message and any of them will help youth register immediately. (See the ad and a story elsewhere in this issue for more information).

IMMUNIZATION DAY - Getting senior students at IVHS up-to-date on recommended vaccinations is the goal of Immunization Day on Thursday, Jan. 24 from 9 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at the I.V. School-Based Health Center. To learn what immunizations are recommended, students can bring their records for review. If they decide to use the health center, aides will need insurance data, immunization record, and a Vaccine Administration Record signed by parents. Those without health insurance can receive vaccinations through the Vaccine for Children Program. Phone 592-3749 or 474-5325 for more information.

BEST OF 2007 - Nominations for “Citizen of the Year” and “Business of the Year” are sought by Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce. Nominations must be submitted by Saturday, Jan. 26. They must cite explicit examples of the nominees’ achievements and contributions to the valley during 2007. Forms are available at the chamber office in the I.V. Visitor Center. For more information, phone 592-3326.

HELPFUL PROJECT - A meeting to receive information and chances to discuss the Glass Rail Outfit Community Center will be held Saturday, Jan. 26 at 1 p.m. The get-together will be held at the Rusk Ranch Country Cottage, 27742 Redwood Hwy. in rural Cave Junction. “Discussion about this exciting new project will include Phase I, the Wishes & Wings Therapeutic Handicap Program,” said Shirley Rusk. For more info, phone 592-4658.

CHAMBER RANGER - An awards dinner and dance is set for Saturday evening, Feb. 9 for the annual ceremony sponsored by Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce. The festive gathering, with music by *Jefferson*, will be held at the Junction Inn’s Boswell Room. The deadline to obtain tickets is Monday, Feb. 4. Menu offerings are prime rib, chicken, or vegetarian plate. Anyone can attend. Tickets are available at the chamber office in I.V. Visitor Center; for more information phone 592-3326.

HOT ‘ICE’ - An email notes that mobile phones with names and numbers in memory mean nothing to others than ourselves, as to which numbers belong to our closest family or friends. If we were to be involved in an accident or taken ill, the people attending us would have our mobile phone, but wouldn’t know who to call. The concept of “ICE” (In Case of Emergency) is catching on. It is a method of contact during emergency situations. As cell-phones are carried by the majority of the population, all one needs to do is store the number of those who should be contacted in case of emergency under the name “ICE.” For more than one contact name enter ICE1, ICE2, ICE3, etc.

NOTEPAD - Anna’s Attic is open, despite rumors to the contrary. “I’m still here with plenty of merchandise at bargain prices,” says Anna Swett ... **I.V. Wrestling Club** will serve food during an IVHS vs. Henley meet Thursday, Jan. 24 at 5:30 p.m. in Ken Mann Memorial Gym ... **“Women Sing the Blues,”** featuring Janiva Magness, will be held Saturday, Jan. 26 at GPHS Performing Arts Center to benefit the Women’s Crisis Support Team. Tickets are available at Evergreen Federal Bank branches ... **Overheard:** Yes, he’s obnoxious, but that’s part of the charm of being a good salesman ... **Organic gardening** is the topic for a free OSU Extension workshop Wednesday, Jan. 30 in Grants Pass. Preregister by phoning 476-6613 ... **A Labor Day** theme for the annual festival and parade is sought by I.V. Lions Club. Phone Steve Lyons at 287-0290 with suggestions ... **Two photos** showing scratch art by Cassandra Miller-Newton in last week’s issue were taken by IVHS student Kyle Reardan and art teacher Elaine Barker, when the artist visited Barker’s class ... **T-shirts:** *Yet, despite the look on my face, you’re still talking. *I have no idea what I’m doing out of bed. *Sanity is back-ordered. Sarcasm is in unlimited supply. *What I really need are minions.

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THURSDAY, JAN. 24

Chicken Alfredo, hamburger, pepperoni or veggie pizza, ham & cheese sand., chicken salad wrap, fruit & yogurt or garden salad.

FRIDAY, JAN. 25

Clerical day NO CLASSES

MONDAY, JAN. 28

Chicken nuggets, hot dog, burrito, totally turkey sandwich, cleaver club wrap, chef or garden salad.

TUESDAY, JAN. 29

Two taco Tuesday, hamburger, Hawaiian or cheese pizza, super duper sub, crispy chicken wrap, fruit & yogurt parfait or garden salad.

WEDNESDAY, JAN. 30

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by the city of Grants Pass. But he can’t do it alone. For those who realize that these county services are critical to our quality of life and our local economy, Toler is asking them to write letters to the editor supporting sane county government. Those who believe that local government is all we can really control are urged by Toler to get involved to assure that county government provides services we can depend on without clear-cutting our forests to do so.

County needs administrator From Pamela Tenny Selma

Josephine County needs to hire an administrative officer to carry out the day-to-day business of running the county. The current management system is unacceptable and allows politicians (who do not necessarily have the skills) to make decisions about roads, parks and other county services.

Being politicians, they listen to the few who get them elected, not the larger public who has to live with their decisions.

I support Dave Toler’s recommendation that we cut the commissioners’ time and salary and hire a professional (supervised by the commissioners) to give us the level of services we deserve.

Child molestation news From Wally Hardie Selma

A woman recently wrote a newspaper, inquiring why people don’t cease and desist on bringing up cases of child molestation committed by the Catholic Church.

She seems to think that this was something long since gone, and is no longer happening: Not so. Each month in the newspaper “F.F.R.F.” in Madison, Wis., a part is dedicated to each child molestation case in the United States.

Not only Catholic, but all the denominations, that commit these heinous crimes of child molestation. Crimes that last a lifetime in the minds of children, and these children suffer a lifetime, because they put their trust in a man of religion. The woman also should know that the fundamentalists, and all denominations are listed as well. It just so happens that the Catholics commit the most and have the most money and the awards are that much higher.

Each event is listed by the state, town and the name of the town paper in which it occurred and the date. No proof is lacking. The paper also follows each case through the courts and the eventual dispensation.

The reason religious organizations and others, such as the Boy Scouts, are at the top is because that is where the deviates go, and the public believes the leaders can be trusted. Nothing could be further from the truth. Any more than believing that religion and morality go hand-in-hand.

‘Divided We Fail’ From Sandy Ahlers Cave Junction

Are others as fed up as I am about our political “leaders” failing to lead?

Are others tired of letting Washington gridlock through partisanship stand in the way of all Americans having quality, affordable health care and lifetime financial security?

By uniting we can work for a common cause. There’s a movement, Divided We Fail, which represents all political persuasions, people of all faiths, union workers, retirees, big business and small. It’s Americans of all kinds and from every state in the union joining together to be heard. The Website is at www.dividedwefail.org.

In this election year we need to make our voices heard and each do our part.

Dislikes Bush a lot From William Schneider Cave Junction

“In questions of power, let no more be heard of confidence in man, but bind him down from mischief by the chains of constitution.” That’s a quote from Thomas Jefferson.

I would not by any means consider George Bush’s meddling with our liberties mischievous. I would and most certainly do consider them criminal, treasonous and incredibly dangerous to what is left of our democracy.

If ever in our history there was a time for indictment, impeachment and incarceration of a sitting president, it is now. Yesterday. Git ’er done.

Any employer with the slightest amount of intelligence would instinctively know to fire the employee who was on a constant basis and downright hurting the business.

There is no better example of miscreant employees than George W. Bush and Associates in the Senate and Congress and immediate administration including smiling little Condi, the liar-in-chief on 9/11/01.

The point being, it’s a new year. Do we have to put up with this scat for another year, and then replace these jerks with more of their own kind? Or is it time to stand up and take what is rightfully ours that is being stolen from us as I write? That being, the inalienable rights of a free nation as depicted in the Constitution of the United States of America.

That is up to us. The rest is up to Almighty God. But I don’t think for a minute that God is going to do anything about it without our help.

Unite valley community From Guenter Ambron Cave Junction

Illinois Valley during the past six years has had a growing history of land developers, real estate enterprises, and companies (mining and construction) trying to establish a foothold here and turn a big profit.

Plans to develop housing tracts and businesses are often half-baked and employ little

or no vision.

The city of Cave Junction and the county government are, I feel, very vulnerable to the growing legacy of private interests. Not that they are often ill-intended, but we don’t have a comprehensive plan that is adhered to or enforced to any real degree. I feel that the current state of the governing agencies is bloated and lacks many checks-and-balances.

Our communities’ concerns are often down-played, and the substantial approval of a matter by people often ignored. We have the legacy of some of the old-growth logging companies and their fringe activities. Deception and covert practices are too often “just part and parcel of doing business” and unchallenged.

Of course, the demographic structure has many more variables. They include the O&C funding fall-out, county and city cutbacks, and the lack of support by people to fund their own services due to improper education that I feel keeps us dependent on subsidies. Plus those entities that would exploit the land (they who pay the piper call the tune). Plus, law enforcement, libraries, schools, farm

land, forests, sensible economics, all expendable, and the list continues to increase.

The Social Justice Alliance, Siskiyou Project, Deer Creek Association; Takilma, CJ and Selma people; concerned businesses, I.V. Sierra Club, STRIVE (Save the Illinois Rural Environment, a neighbors unit to confront illegal mining on farm land), the Selma Community & Education Center, CME Center, and several other organizations have been chipping away making inroads to create awareness of some of the issues facing us. But we do not have a comprehensive outreach campaign or process, nor one that unites us on common issues.

Can we unite our efforts into a democratizing process inclusive to all? A place where people (mostly acting out in corporations) can’t just get away with murder (defining it as: Reckless indifference to the welfare of others, the local economy and the environment.)

My thought is to connect with a number of our activist groups and people in Illinois Valley and consider a workshop to focus on what we can do together. I can be reached at cmec@cavenet.com.



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We also thank Mike McNally for years of help, Taz & Monique Allen for the engraving on the medals & the great picture deals. Also thank you to all the great coaches for all the time you give to the kids of our valley.

If you would like to sponsor a soccer team or more information, please contact Tana Parker at 592-6070

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