

Absentee ballots for May 20 available

Absentee ballots are now available for voters who will be away when ballots are mailed May 2 for the May 20 primary election, said Georgette Brown Josephine County clerk and recorder.

The last day to register to vote or change political parties for this election is April 29. Oregon has a closed primary. Therefore Democrats will receive a ballot with Democrat candidates; Republicans will be sent a Republican ballot; and both also will have the non-partisan positions and measures.

Nonaffiliated and other party voters will receive a ballot to vote for nonpartisan candidates and measures.

“Because of recent events, the Secretary of State’s Office has issued a very stringent directive for verifying signatures,” Brown said. “A signature on a petition or ballot return envelope shall only be compared with the signature on a voter’s most current voter registration card in determining ‘match-no match.’

“Voters who have changed signatures since their last registration card are urged to re-register with a current signature in order to be sure their ballot is counted,” Brown said.



ILLINOIS VALLEY COUGARS lost both ends of a double-header in Cave Junction against North Valley, 7-3 and 14-9, in Cave Junction on Saturday, April 12. The Cougars' Jack Anderson pitched the first game with Ben Kendall catching. For the second game, Alex Berman was the starting pitcher for I.V., and Antonio Escalante was the relief hurler. Anderson and Kendall both caught in the second game. (Photo by *I.V. News*)

Guv bailing out coastal fishing economies

Gov. Kulongoski has ordered state agencies to help families and communities hurt by curtailment of ocean salmon fishing, and dedicated \$500,000 in strategic reserve fund dollars to help affected communities

He last week declared a state of emergency for affected

areas of the Oregon coast due to anticipated curtailment of the ocean salmon fishing season. Executive Order 08-10 directs state agencies to take immediate action to help mitigate the effect on Oregon’s communities and fishing-related businesses on the coast. The executive order di-

rects resources to those communities to help with job re-training, unemployment benefits, and re-employment opportunities. It directs the Office of Emergency Management “to seek all federal funds that are available to help mitigate effects from the emergency.”

CJ Council looks at new ethics reporting

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payment of utilities is a big problem for the city. He and Palmer chatted about the need for making property owners ultimately responsible for past-due bills, rather than tenants.

Becky Patton, utility and office clerk, said that the city has the capability to send bills simultaneously to property owners and tenants. How this would help landlords was bandied about, and Palmer

asked for enough lead time so that property owners would not be hit with too large a bill if their tenants bug out.

Details will be forthcoming during the second reading of the proposed ordinance.

Budget Unit Appointed

Besides the mayor and council, the city Budget Committee consists of five citizens-at-large. The council Monday night approved the following members:

Eileen McLean, Lynn Boucher-Johnson, Willa Gustavson, Barbara Ford, and Mary Orton. The date for the group to meet regarding the fiscal 2008-09 budget will be announced.

In another matter, Polk announced that the Nov. 4 election will include four council positions and the mayor’s seat. Only Position 1, held by Fiske, will not be up for re-election.

Obituaries

Nicole Lynn Horn

Nicole Lynn Horn, 14, of Kerby, a student at Illinois Valley High School, died Thursday, March 27, 2008 in Selma as a result of an automobile accident.

A celebration of life will begin at 2 p.m. Sunday, April 20 at Illinois Valley High School with Pastor Stan Smith of Illinois Valley Baptist Church officiating.

According to a coroner report related by her family, Nicole, (who did not live in Eugene as mistakenly reported April 9), died instantly from a broken neck in a motor vehicle accident in Selma on Thursday, March 27, 2008.

Parents are Michelle & Eric Blankenship, of Cave Junction; and Brett & Gena Horn, of Kerby.

Illinois Valley Funeral

Directors is in charge of arrangements.

Robert Lee Heatherly Jr.

A private service was held for Cave Junction resident Robert Lee Heatherly Jr., 38, who died Monday, March 31, 2008 in Cave Junction.

Mr. Heatherly was born on Sept. 4, 1969 in Eureka, Calif. to Robert & Yvonne Heatherly. He attended Cave Junction schools and lived in Cave Junction for 19 years.

For three years he worked as a laborer for Admiral Construction, and for the past year was a maintenance man for High Pines Trailer Park. He was an enthusiastic fan of the Oakland Raiders.

Survivors include his mother, Yvonne Heatherly, of Redding, Calif.; six sisters, Debbie Harrington, of Seattle, Chrystal Stallone, of Redding, April, of Arkansas, Christine

Burrow, of Grants Pass, Yvonne Evans, of Cave Junction, and Nichole Washington, of Redding; two brothers, Lloyd Heatherly, of Herbert, Utah, and James Harrington, of Missouri.

Illinois Valley Funeral Directors was in charge of arrangements.

Fannie P. Benacci

Selma resident Fannie P. Benacci, 90, died Wednesday, April 9, 2008 at Three Rivers Community Hospital in Grants Pass.

Rosary was recited Friday, April 11 at Chapel of the Valley-L.B. Hall Funeral Home. A Funeral Mass was celebrated Saturday, April 12 at St. Patrick of the Forest Catholic Church in Cave Junction. Father Peter O’Brien officiated.

A committal service was held Monday, April 14 at Gate of Heaven Cemetery in Los Altos, Calif. Memorial contributions can be made to St. Jude

Children’s Research Hospital, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis TN 38105.

Mrs. Benacci was born Fannie Phyllis Servidio on Feb. 22, 1918 in Manlius, N.Y. to Anthony & Barbara Servidio. She married Albert Anthony Benacci in 1936 in Erie, Penn. She raised her family in Erie; moved later to San Jose, Calif.; and moved from there to Selma in 1996 to live with one of her daughters.

Mrs. Benacci was a member of St. Patrick of the Forest Catholic Church. She also was a member of Illinois Valley Senior Center, and enjoyed bunco and poker nights with her friends in the area.

Survivors include two daughters, Linda A. Crawford, of Selma, and Grayce Klass, of Mission Viejo, Calif.; six grandchildren, all of California; and nine grandchildren. Besides her husband, four brothers and a sister preceded her in death.

Commissioner Raffenburg seeking *Courier* retraction

Josephine County Commissioner Jim Raffenburg has obtained legal counsel and asked that the Grants Pass *Daily Courier* newspaper print a retraction of a story the paper ran March 22 or face a libel lawsuit.

The article in question, headed “Who is Jim Raffenburg?” by *Courier* writer Stacy Stumbo, questioned his background and experience. Raffenburg has issued a refutation of those allegations, which he said the *Courier* refuses to publish.

Raffenburg’s attorney, Eugene lawyer David C. Force, said that the newspaper received notice on April 9, and has 14 days, until Wednesday, April 23, to print a retraction, “but it’s possible there will be a lawsuit.

“There’s certainly good evidence of malicious intent,” Force said. “It’s clear to us that they have an agenda.”

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Saturday - 4:30 to 5 p.m.

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113 S. Caves Ave., CJ
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Sunday School 9:15-10:15 a.m.
Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
Evening Service - 6 p.m.
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Youth Awana - K to 6th grade
Wednesday - 6:15 to 8 p.m.
Pastor Dave Gordon
Community Christian Academy
Preschool to 12th grade

SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST CHURCH
265 S. Old Stage Rd.
Sabbath School - 9:30 a.m. Sat.
Church Service 11 a.m. Sat.
Prayer & Praise 7 p.m. Tues.
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592-3330
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592-6604

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Morning Worship - 10:30 a.m.
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Pastor Doug Wilson
592-4872

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Pastor Don Torala
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Sunday Worship - 10 a.m.
Tuesday Youth group - 6 p.m.
Church Phone: 592-2290
www.goodshepherdlutheraniv.org

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139 Caves Ave.
592-4775
Worship Schedule
Sunday Adult Bible Study 10 a.m.
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Children’s Sunday School 11:15 a.m.
Wed. Service 7 p.m. Fall-Winter
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Phone for info on “Bible College Classes”
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2110 Caves Hwy.
Sunday School- 9:30 to 10:15
Sunday Worship - 10:30 to 11:30
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592-4716
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Sacrament Meet - 9 a.m.
Sunday School - 10:20 a.m.
Priesthood, Relief Soc. - 11:10 a.m.
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200 Watkins Ph. 592-3876
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Sunday School - 9:15 a.m.
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Morning Worship 11 a.m.
Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.

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498 Laurel Road
P.O. Box 1248
Pastor Les Knapp
Sunday School - 9:45 a.m.
Worship Service - 11 a.m.
evfree@frontiernet.net
592-6160

Church News

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church

There will be a public spaghetti dinner to benefit the Boys & Girls Club of Illinois Valley on Friday, May 2. The dinner will be without charge; free will offerings will be accepted.

All-comers Sunday school begins at 9:15 a.m., followed by worship and Communion at 10.

John 10 tells how Jesus likened himself to the good shepherd, and us as his flock. If we follow Jesus, we will be safe and secure.

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