

Here, There, & Everywhere

WHEEL DEAL - A free Bicycle Repair Clinic will be held Thursday, Aug. 21 from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Frog Farm, 9044 Takilma Road. Bike mechanics will be present, and those who want to volunteer are requested. This event, hosted by Spiral Living Center, will be the first in a series of clinics intended to promote bicycle use in Illinois Valley. There also will be a workshop on making bucket panniers from 9 to 11 a.m. Donations of good bike tires, brake pads, tubes and possibly other parts also could be used. To sign up or for more information phone 592-3722.

I.V. HIGH ENROLLING - Registration will be held at Illinois Valley High School on Wednesday, Aug. 20 from 8 a.m. to 7:30 p.m., and on Thursday, Aug. 21 from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Parents and students can fill out paperwork during those times. Students can be assigned lockers when papers are completed. The 20th and 21st are the only days during which registration forms can be submitted until classes begin on Tuesday, Sept. 2.

CHORALE CORRAL - The Three Rivers Chorale, directed by Dave Marston, will begin its fall session Monday, Aug. 25 at 7:30 p.m. Rehearsals are held at the Center for Spiritual Living at 466 S.W. 1 St. in Grants Pass. Performances will be held Dec. 6 in Cave Junction and Dec. 7 in GP. Membership is by auditions, which will be held after the first rehearsal. There is a fee. "Several singers drive from Cave Junction, so ride-sharing is a possibility," said Rachel Winters, board chairman. She can be contacted at 476-6243.

FESTIVAL A'COMING - The Illinois Valley Lions Club Labor Day Festival is fast approaching and again will offer an array of activities. The festival is provided by the I.V. Lions as a means of thanking the community for its continued support throughout the year. The club provides Sight & Hearing, and scholarship awards, plus hospital/medical equipment loans for valley residents. The festival theme is "Illinois Valley: We Grow Trees & Championship Athletes," and is scheduled for Saturday, Aug. 30 through Sept. 1 in Jubilee Park in Cave Junction.

The Tough Truck Races again will be one of the main features with competition scheduled for Saturday and Sunday. Cash prizes will be awarded to the first- through third-place winners. For entry information phone Jerry Sommers at 592-2603.

The Labor Day Parade will be held Monday, Sept. 1 in Downtown Cave Junction. For parade information contact Harry Johnson at 596-2104. The grand marshal is Lewie Spencer – a longtime valley resident and Lion Club member. Also honored this year are the Helen Keller Award recipients: Richard Strohl and David Anderson.

The Talent Show will be featured again during the festival and is open to amateurs of all ages. Juniors will perform on Saturday, Intermediates on Sunday and Adults on Monday. Cash prizes will be awarded the winners of each age group. Contact Donna Whitfield at 596-2719 or Sue Peterson at 592-2252 for more information.

As always there will be booths with a variety of delicious food including Lion Burgers, and many vendors offering a selection of arts, crafts, games and food. For vendor information contact Carl Jacobson at 592-2692. Music will be provided by *Moon & the Lunatics* on Saturday evening, Gospel by 1st Love Fellowship on Sunday morning, *T.J. and the Spurs* on Sunday evening, and Dale Hopper on Monday afternoon. The greased-pole currency climb, haystack money search and watermelon seed-spitting contest will be just a few of the events for youngsters.

Last but not least – a new 2008 Dynalow Rider 105th Anniversary Edition Harley Davidson will be raffled on Monday, Sept. 1. The bike is displayed at Taylor's Country Store, and tickets are available there.

Other events and highlights in this year's festivities will include the Lions Train with free rides, bingo games, breakfast, food booths, vendor booths, dunk tank, karaoke and many activities for the kiddies. Watch future editions of *Illinois Valley News* for festival updates.

PARADE DETOUR & ROUTE - Because of the annual Labor Day Parade sponsored by Illinois Valley Lions Club, Hwy. 199/Redwood Hwy. will be closed from Laurel Road to Hwy. 46/Caves Hwy. from 9:30 a.m. to noon on Monday, Sept. 1. The parade will begin at River Street and move south on Redwood Hwy., ending at Watkins Street at Shop Smart Food Warehouse. In previous years, the parade has ended at Caves Hwy. Judges will be in front of Home Valley Bank. "There will be lots of fun and candy for the kids," said I.V. Lions Club. "We're still accepting entries from individuals and organizations. Contact Harry Johnson at 596-2104."

NOTEPAD - Evergreen Elementary School is enrolling new students. Office hours are 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 3 p.m. Parents should bring their children's proof of birth and immunization record ... **Open bingo** games are held at Illinois Valley Senior Center on E. River Street in Cave Junction on Wednesdays from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Food is available beginning at 5:30 ... **Five AM** will perform on Tuesday, Aug. 26 from 7 to 9 p.m. at Riverside Park during the final free concert of 2008 sponsored by Grants Pass Chamber of Commerce ... **GolfToberFest**, a golf tournament fund-raiser for the Illinois Valley Branch of Boys & Girls Club, will be held Oct. 11 at I.V. Golf Course. Sign-up deadline is Oct. 1. Phone 592-4771 or download a form at bgcrv.com ... **Newspaper funnies:** *The bulk of the library budget will go toward salaries, maintenance, and purchase of books. The rest will go into the new toilet. *Recalling his time in the army, the one experience he remembered most vividly was the bungler who woke up the camp at 5 a.m. with *Reveille*. *According to advisers of the former U.S. conman, a strong rural vote defeated him in his bid for re-election to Congress.

LAST WORDS - Remember, always give your best. Never get discouraged. Never be petty. Always remember, others may hate you. But those who hate you don't win unless you hate them. And then you destroy yourself. (President Richard M. Nixon)

TRSD postpones voting on excise building tax

Voting to implement a construction excise tax (CET) -- that would affect all structures not requiring a building or placement permit -- was postponed due to lack of a quorum by the Three Rivers School District (TRSD) Board of Directors Monday night, Aug. 18.

Three directors could not attend the meeting at the district center in Murphy, so the meeting was canceled. The item is scheduled for consideration during the board's next regular meeting on Sept. 15 at the district office.

The new tax would be used for TRSD capital improvements.

At issue is an intergovernmental agreement (IGA) with the city of Grants Pass and Josephine County. Under the IGA, those entities would collect and remit the CET to TRSD. The city and county, whichever collected the new tax, would keep 1 percent as an administrative fee.

In connection with the IGA the TRSD board also will consider a resolution, that would be effective Jan. 1, 2009, to implement the CET under Senate Bill 1036. It

was adopted by the Oregon Legislature in 2007.

Under the resolution, the rates of tax would be "imposed only on improvements to real property that result in a new structure or additional square footage in an existing structure ... "

The rate for residential construction would be 50-cents per square foot between Jan. 1, 2009 and June 30, '09, rising to \$1 per square foot beginning July 1, '09.

And during the same time periods, the rates for nonresidential construction would be 25-cents per square foot, and 50-cents per square foot.

Definitions of residential and nonresidential construction are specifically defined in the resolution.

Additionally, there would be a CET not to exceed \$25,000 per building permit or per structure, whichever is less, on nonresidential structures. Also, if approved, "For years beginning on or after June 30, 2010, the tax rates stated in this resolution shall be adjusted for changes in construction costs."

The Email Bag

It is stated in printed information provided by Selma resident Ken LeGaux that Bill Gates, chairman of Microsoft Corp., gave the following unverified speech at a high school about 11 truisms the students did not and will not learn in school.

The email states that Gates talks about how feel-good, politically correct teachings have created a generation of kids with no concept of reality and how this concept set them up for failure in the real world. Here are the rules attributed to Gates:

Rule 1: Life is not fair. Get used to it.

Rule 2: The world won't care about your self-esteem. The world will expect you to accomplish something before you feel good about yourself.

Rule 3: You will not make \$60,000 a year right out of high school. You won't be a vice president with a car phone until you earn both.

Rule 4: If you think your teacher is tough, wait until you get a boss.

Rule 5: Flipping burgers is not beneath your dignity. Your grandparents had a different word for burger flipping: they called it opportunity.

Rule 6: If you mess up, it's not your parents' fault, so don't whine about your mistakes, learn from them.

Rule 7: Before you were born, your parents weren't as boring as they are now. They got that way from paying your bills, cleaning your clothes and listening to you talk about how cool you thought you were. So before you save the rain forest from

the parasites of your parents' generation, try delousing the closet in your own room.

Rule 8: Your school may have done away with winners and losers, but life has not. In some schools, failing grades have been abolished, and they'll give you as many times as you want to get the right answer. This doesn't bear the slightest resemblance to anything in real life.

Rule 9: Life is not divided into semesters. You don't get summers off, and few employers are interested in helping you find yourself. Do that on your own time.

Rule 10: Television is not real life. In real life people actually have to leave the coffee shop and go to jobs.

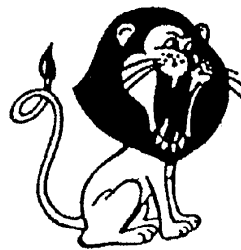
Rule 11: Be nice to nerds. Chances are that you'll end up working for one.

Illinois Valley Lions

36th Annual LABOR DAY FESTIVAL

August 30. 31. & September 1
Jubilee Park, Cave Junction
Theme:

"Illinois Valley - We grow trees
& champion athletes"



Official Parade Application

Parade forms at Evergreen School on Mon. Sept. 1st, 8:30 am. Parade starts at 10:00 am sharp. Check one or more if qualified.

- ☐ Music (youth band)
☐ Commercial
☐ Special (odd-non-category)
☐ Marching
☐ Horse & Rider (adult)
☐ Horse & Riders (group)
☐ Horse & Rider (youth)
☐ Classic Auto

- ☐ Music (adult band)
☐ Truck
☐ Industrial
☐ Humorous
☐ Children
☐ Public Service
☐ Military
☐ Antique Auto

Contact Person: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Describe entry and/or history: _____

Parade contact: Harry Johnson, 596-2104

Mail entries to: I.V. Lions, P.O. Box 396, Cave Junction OR 97523

Booth Entry

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ City: _____

Items of Booth: _____ Total Size: _____

Electricity: ☐ Yes ☐ No

To Reserve: Please pay in advance, \$75 for 3 days or \$30 per day for 12' x 12' space.

Booth Chairman: Carl Jacobson 541-592-2692 Gary Bell 592-3790

Leave name, phone & address.

All Parade Entries & Booths Subject to LIONS Approval.
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