Here, There, & Everywhere

SWEET SUITE - Shasta Fudge/Candy & More in Downtown Cave Junction is open Tuesdays through Saturdays. The new business, next door to King's Chinese Cuisine and across from Shop Smart Food Warehouse, is open from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The store offers a wide range of fudge and other goodies.

TOUGH GUYS - I.V. Youth Wrestling sign-ups will be held Wednesday and Thursday, Oct. 8 and 9, from 5:30 to 7 p.m. at the Illinois Valley High School wrestling room. Participants can have fun and learn life skills, sponsors said. The $45 fee includes insurance and a wrestlers card. First-time wrestlers need to bring their birth certificate. Practice began Monday the 6th. For more information, phone coach Matt Miller at 592-3946.

'FOLKS' & FIREFIGHTERS - On Saturday, Oct. 11 a home-style fund-raiser with chili and hamburgers for Illinois Valley Volunteer Firefighters Association will be hosted by Country Folks restaurant in Selma. During the event, from 2 to 6 p.m., volunteer firefighters will wait tables and collect fees. Proceeds will go for items not paid for by I.V. Fire Protection District. There will be a Guitar Hero video contest, a raffle for a Kristy Lee Cook autographed photo and a CD; plus Sparky the Fire Dog will be on hand for photos with children.

GOT 4-H? - An open house will be held by 4-H of Josephine County on Saturday, Oct. 11. The program is for youth from 9 to 18 years of age. The gathering will be held at the OSU Extension Service auditorium, 215 Ringuette St. in Grants Pass. There will be games and hands-on activities to demonstrate many of the 4-H activities. Youth can drop in any time between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m. For more information, phone Chris Names at 476-6613.

VETERANS' VOICE - Those who served in the U.S. military can speak with a veterans service officer about obtaining help at the Glenn Morrison American Legion Post 70 Hall at 2110 Caves Hwy. An officer will be available Saturday, Oct. 18, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. For more information, phone "Frank or Kay" at 597-8505.

HOME ON THE RANGE - The Harvest Kitchen free lunch program in Cave Junction is looking for a new coordinator. Linda Butler, currently in the volunteer job, has served (in many ways and at plenty of meals) for more than eight years. She said that she wants to have more free time to work with children in the valley community. Butler added, "Being coordinator has been quite rewarding, and I am willing to fully train a new coordinator. I will remain involved with the kitchen as a volunteer." More information about the Harvest Kitchen post, which uses space at St. Matthias Episcopal Church, is available by phoning Butler at 597-4383.

HAUNTING QUESTION - The Illinois Valley High School Senior Class Grad Night Committee still is looking for volunteers and prop donations for its haunted house at Jubilee Park. The house will be open nightly during the week of Halloween. Watch next week's issue for more details, or phone Bobbie Lloyd at 659-2028 or "Darlene" at 597-4486.

'CHOCOLATE SUNDAY' - Coming on Sunday, Oct. 26: *Speak Up and Sing Out!* plus "Chocolate Sunday" by Illinois Valley Safe House Alliance (IVSHA). The event at Immanuel United Methodist Church in Cave Junction, open to the public, will feature the *Libby Goines Trio* for singing out; the IVSHA staff for speaking up; "and chocolate in all its glorious forms." Among the offerings will be chocolate cake by Kate Dwyer Catering. Coffee, dessert and music will be provided for a free-will donation. More information is available by phoning Iris Chinook at 592-4147.

GOOD BITE - Boys & Girls Club of the Rogue Valley will present the second annual Bite of the Rogue Valley event on Saturday, Oct. 18 at Jackson County Expo from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Said the sponsor, "This is a great food-and-fun event involving more than 25 area restaurants, wineries and breweries; plus entertainment, an ice-carving competition, the ever-popular Iron Chef competition, and more." The event benefits the five clubs in Illinois Valley, White City, Phoenix, Talent, and Grants Pass.

NOTEPAD - A yard sale and car wash to raise funds for I.V. Wrestling Club will be held Saturday, Oct. 11 on the Sterling Savings Bank parking lot in Cave Junction from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. … **National Fire** Prevention Week is being observed through Saturday, Oct. 11. Our Illinois Valley staff and volunteer firefighters are people of distinguished "extinguishment" … **Dome School** in Takilma is the site for an informal presentation by I.V. Fire Protection District on Tuesday, Oct. 14 from 7 to 9 p.m. regarding Ballot Measure 17-21. Open discussion will follow ... **Does duct taping** a computer connection to make it work make the user a red neck? That's the question posed by one Cave Junction woman who found that duct tape works just fine to keep her computer operating … **"The American Dream"** of owning a home is the topic for a free workshop, including lunch, on Saturday, Oct. 18 at the Harbeck Road branch of SOFCU Community Credit Union in Grants Pass. Walk-ins are welcome, but seats can be reserved by phoning Pat Boice at 471-8657 ... ***The Wilderness Murders,*** a presentation of A&E, will be shown soon. One of those interviewed for the episode is Bob Rodriguez, now editor and publisher of the *Noose*, but who was news editor at the *Curry Coastal Pilot* when the crimes occurred … **Master Gardeners** of Josephine County have gone to winter hours. A gardener will be available Tuesdays and Thursdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. to answer questions. Phone 476-6613 or stop by the OSU Extension office at 215 Ringuette St. in Grants Pass … **Flu shot** reminder: A vaccination clinic is set for Thursday, Oct. 23 in CJ. Watch *I.V. News* for details ... **Newspaper slips:** *John Doe, already the father of six boys, was pleased when his wife last week gave birth to a 7-pound baby grill. *A recent survey shows that some drivers are so polluted that they are a menace to the health of their communities. *He denied that the aroma in his apartment was from marijuana. He insisted that the odor actually was from incense burned to hide the scent of a defective brain in the bathroom.

LAST WORDS - *Patience is the companion of wisdom. (St. Augustine). *Nine-tenths of wisdom is being wise in time. (Theodore Roosevelt)

Letters to the Editor

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representative and let them know it's not acceptable. Let's take back the streets and our cities and give local law enforcement the necessary tools to deal with this ever-increasing problem.

ORS 430.325: Prohibitions on local governments as to certain crimes. (1) A political subdivision in this state shall not adopt or enforce any local law or regulation that makes any of the following an offense, a violation or the subject of criminal or civil penalties or sanctions of any kind:

(a) Public intoxication (b) Public drinking, except as to places where any consumption of alcoholic beverages is generally prohibited. (c) Drunk and disorderly conduct. (d) Vagrancy or other behavior that includes as one of its elements either drinking alcoholic beverages or using controlled substances in public, being an alcoholic or a drug-dependent person, or being found in specified places under the influence of alcohol or controlled substances. (e) Using or being under the influence of controlled substances.

(2) Nothing in subsection (1) of this section shall affect any local law or regulation of any political subdivision in this state against driving while under the influence of intoxicants, as defined in ORS 813.010, or other similar offenses that involve the operation of motor vehicles. [1971 c.622 §3; 1973 c.795 §6; 1975 c.715 §1; 1977 c.745 §39;1983 c.338 §928]

Who will be president?
From Linda Corey-Woodward
Cave Junction

I have been observing and studying the candidates for president for considerably more than a year. It seems more like the longest presidential campaign in U.S. history. I have concluded the following and perhaps others have too.

Sen. John McCain looks like one angry man, a man who speaks with gritted teeth. He bristles with anger and impatience whenever faced with an obstacle to his goal -- to become the next president, no matter what. He lashes out with brittle sarcasm when criticized. He endlessly plays the tape saying that he is a patriot, a hero and a maverick who simply deserves to be president. I once believed and admired him. No more. Look at his track record and his friends.

Instead of choosing a seasoned political veteran to balance his ticket, he chose a pretty cheerleader type from Alaska. She seems to be window-dressing, someone to win over the "far right conservatives." Are they fooled?

At first blush, Republicans fell in love with her, just liking the idea of her, not what she really is. Who she is likely to be, if elected vice president, is a mere puppet to the real powers-that-be in Washington, D.C. She won't know who to trust and will trust the wrong people. She'll make terrible mistakes because of her lack of skill, judgment and sense. This combination makes me uncomfortable and worried.

I look at the other presidential ticket and see Sen. Barack Obama, who first caught my attention with his stirring speech at the 2004 Democratic National Convention. He appears to have learned much during the past four years. I see hope and enthusiasm, common sense, patience and political skill in him. He chose an elder statesman for a running mate.

I like the Biden and Obama combination because there is a balance of views, experience and approaches. He took a chance with Sen. Joe Biden, who could have overshadowed him. Biden was touted to be the attack dog for Obama, but so far he has remained temperate. He says all the right things, supports his running mate, and responds to attacks with poise. Where is Biden-the-pit-bull?

I looked again recently and began to see that Gov. Palin is the attack dog in this presidential race. Further, and unfortunately for McCain, she is turning voters toward Obama and Biden, with every public sentence she utters. How ironic.

Voters face a difficult choice on Nov. 4. Choose Obama, the young candidate for hope, for rebuilding America (which is in tatters on every level), for inclusiveness, and for not doing business as usual. Or voters can opt for McCain, who cannot be trusted because he changes course so often and who, with his burning anger and bitterness, is more likely to nuke Iran and any other country who rattles a spear at the U.S.

I worry that he and Palin will play politics as we have known it in Washington for years. In other words: no change, just more imperial presidency and more loss of our precious freedoms and democracy.

Never has a presidential election been more crucial, more important to our future course. One voice, one vote does matter, more so now than ever. Whatever one believes, they should consider the options and vote. It's our right and duty.

(Editor's Note: The writer, a correspondent for this newspaper, submitted the preceding as a private citizen, not as a representative of *Illinois Valley News*).

Weather Watch

Cave Junction

Wednesday, Oct. 8
A full day of sun
High--67 Low--33

Thursday, Oct. 9
Sunshine
High--65 Low--30

Friday, Oct. 10
Sunny
High--68 Low--30

Saturday, Oct. 11
Abundant sun
High--74 Low--34

Sunday, Oct. 12
Warmer with sun
High--77 Low--34

Monday, Oct. 13
Sunny
High--72 Low--35

Tuesday, Oct. 14
Sun with clouds
High--61 Low--34

Following are the high-and-low temperatures, and rainfall, recorded in O'Brien by Cheryl & Harry Johnson:

*Fri.,	Sept. 26	83	44	.00
*Sat.,	Sept. 27	83	43	.00
*Sun.,	Sept. 28	87	45	.00
*Mon.,	Sept. 29	90	49	.00
*Tue.,	Sept. 30	82	48	.00
*Wed.,	Oct. 1	76	50	.00
*Thu.,	Oct. 1	66	56	.67

Following are the high-and-low temperatures, and rainfall, recorded in Cave Junction at Illinois River Farm:

*Fri.,	Sept. 26	86	38	.00
*Sat.,	Sept. 27	85	35	.00
*Sun.,	Sept. 28	90	38	.00
*Mon.,	Sept. 29	91	41	.00
*Tue.,	Sept. 30	87	42	.00
*Wed.,	Oct. 1	79	45	.06
*Thu.,	Oct. 2	69	52	.63

2nd Classics at the Chateau

Classical guitarists
Scott Kritzer & friends
8:00 p.m.
Friday and Saturday,
October 10 and 11

Reservations for dinner or lodging: **592-3400**
The Chateau at the Oregon Caves
Brought to you by the IVCDO

You want to know...

Q: What is an Advance Directive and why should I have one?

A: If you become unable to speak for yourself, the Oregon Advance Directive form guides loved ones and physicians regarding your wishes for medical care. Illness, accidents and disability can take away your ability to make your wishes known. The form has three parts. You may: 1) appoint a health care representative; 2) give health care instructions; or 3) appoint a health care representative AND give health care instructions. Life is uncertain and completing an Advance Directive can provide peace of mind for you and your loved ones.

Nancy, Social Services Manager

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Lovejoy Hospice Community Education Calendar

Conversations With ...
Oct. 8 (11 a.m. to noon) Advance Directives
Nov. 19 (11 a.m. to noon) Holiday Blues
Free presentation & beverage - Bring your lunch

Good Grief! For families and children facing loss
Oct. 14 - Nov. 25, Tuesday evenings. Phone for information

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During October, up to 25% of fund-raiser show sales will be donated to the American Cancer Society. Place your order and book a future show & even MORE $ will be donated. Phone or log onto my Website for more information.

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In three years he helped:

- Restructure **county** government
- Save taxpayers dollars by revising benefits
- Privatize non-**mandated** services
- Bring a struggling veterans office into the county
- Build reserve from 1.5 million to **3** million
- Put another 6 million into dedicated Public Safety Funds
- Save thousands through personal 10% pay **cut**

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- John Harelson, Josephine County Treasurer

"A common sense leader who listens, thinks and then acts boldly on our behalf."
- Dennis Richardson, Oregon House of Representatives

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- Jason A. Atkinson, Oregon State Senator

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