

Here, There, & Everywhere

TREE TIME - Forestry Action Committee will conduct its 17th annual Volunteer Tree Planting Day on Saturday, Feb. 28. Participants should gather at 9 a.m. at the lower compound of the U.S. Forest Service Complex in Cave Junction. Volunteers are asked to bring tools if they have them. Following the work, there will be "a generous, buffet-style potluck lunch" available for all participants. Phone 592-4098 for more information.

CAR CALL - Vendors are sought for the Cave Junction Lions Classic & Antique Car Show to be held Saturday, June 27 in Jubilee Park in Cave Junction. For an application or more information contact Cori Allen at (541) 226-6570.

CHEAP FIX - SNYP (Spay/Neuter Your Pet) is offering discount spay/neuter certificates during its February "Prevent a Litter" campaign. The discounted prices are \$25 for a cat spay/neuter and \$65 for a dog up to 60 pounds. The certificates are available at Grants Pass Mini Pet Mart on Sixth Street and redeemable at a number of veterinary offices. Visit spayneuter.org or phone 858-3325.

HONORS HUMOR - Comedian Miles Kehoe (A&E, MTV and Comedy Central) will perform at Taylor's Country Store in Cave Junction on Saturday, March 7. The event is a fund-raiser for the IVHS Chapter of the National Honor Society. Dinner seating will begin at 7 p.m.; the show will start at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are available at Taylor's and the IVHS office; or phone Patrice Tucker at 592-2116.

IVCDO MEET - Illinois Valley Community Development Organization will hold its annual membership meeting and board election on Thursday, March 19 at the Business Entrepreneurial Center in Kerby. Membership is good for two years. Renewal forms are available at the IVCDO office in the I.V. Visitor Center, 201 Caves Hwy. or phone 592-4440 to confirm membership status.

NOTEPAD - New angling rules for 2009 allow a limited opportunity to harvest wild steelhead on the Illinois River, said Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife. As of Jan. 1, in the mainstream Illinois River from the confluence with Briggs Creek upstream to Pomeroy Dam, non-adipose fin-clipped (wild) steelhead at least 24 inches in length may be kept, one per day, five per year, as part of the daily or annual steelhead/salmon catch limit. Angling is restricted to artificial flies and lures only. The season closes March 31...

Getting More from Microsoft Office is the title of a free 21st Century Community Learning Center four-part series at Illinois Valley High School. The class is a hands-on series for parents and guardians of students at IVHS, Lorna Byrne Middle or Evergreen Elementary schools. It also is open to Three Rivers School District employees and IVHS students. Classes will be held Wednesday evenings beginning March 4. Josiah Dean, a Rogue Community College instructor, will teach. To register, contact Deb Murphy or Jen Marsden at IVHS at 592-2116... **Career Day** at Lorna Byrne Middle School will be held on Wednesday, March 18. The event will bring volunteers to share about the education, skills and training needed for a particular interest or career, and to provide an opportunity for students to become better informed about possible career choices ...

T-shirts: *Is it solipsistic in here, or is it just me? *Ask me about my complete lack of interest. **Bumper stickers:** *Consider: Amateurs built the ark, Professionals built the Titanic. *If at first you don't succeed, maybe losing is your style. *There are three kinds of people: those who can count and those who can't.

LAST WORDS - "God writes a lot of comedy... the trouble is, he's stuck with so many bad actors who don't know how to play funny." (Garrison Keillor)

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

*Fri., Feb. 13	40	32	.35
*Sat., Feb. 14	41	34	.71
*Sun., Feb. 15	46	34	.20
*Mon., Feb. 16	49	36	.09
*Tue., Feb. 17	50	33	.00
*Wed., Feb. 18	50	31	.00
*Thu., Feb. 19	55	32	.00

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

*Fri., Feb. 13	43	32	.23
*Sat., Feb. 14	43	32	.87
*Sun., Feb. 15	48	33	.01
*Mon., Feb. 16	55	35	.14
*Tue., Feb. 17	52	32	.01
*Wed., Feb. 18	55	31	.00
*Thu., Feb. 19	59	32	.01

Walden speaks on stimulus

(Continued from page 1) part of the solution.

In response, Walden said that a separate \$75 billion proposal is being considered. He added that "mark to market" requirements, put into place after the collapse of energy-giant Enron, contributed to the problems and should have been suspended.

"At a minimum, it needs reform," Walden said. "There are several systemic issues here that Congress needs to address."

A subsequent question involved the continuing wars in Iraq and Afghanistan. Wal-

den said that the United States is "beginning to work our way out" of Iraq, where a recent election was conducted successfully and peacefully.

Walden added that Iraqis are establishing a democracy and taking responsibility for their own security. He predicted that most U.S. troops would return from Iraq within the next 18 months.

Some 17,000 U.S. troops recently were sent to Afghanistan, Walden said. But he expressed doubt that forces would be able to withdraw from that war-ravaged nation any time soon.

Letters

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Pointing fingers
From Andrea King
Selma

The caption under a front page *Illinois Valley News* photo (Feb. 18) of two persons with middle fingers extended tells that "street drinkers ... express their brazen contempt of the law."

Are those words in brazen contempt of factual reporting?

The photo is placed within an article about combatting public drinking, but no containers are visible in the photo; and the persons, although identified, are not quoted in the article. If the subjects were expressing contempt, brazen or not, perhaps it was directed more specifically than at "the law."

Reductive labeling and inflammatory remarks are fuel for witch hunts.

Bird-flipping incident
From Crystal Costa
& Jeremy Beck
Cave Junction

The other day (Feb. 18, 2009) *Illinois Valley News* put a photo of us on its front page.

We feel that we were misrepresented and that the *Illinois Valley News* made it look like we were protesting the "law" with obscene gestures. We were simply trying to express our feelings about cameras pointed at us and public harassment.

We are sorry for any misunderstandings the public had to face for this act. We are truly sorry for any embarrassment that anyone, including us, had to face.

Club & Organization notes

National Honor Society

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Rogue Valley Rose Society

On Saturday, March 14, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. the annual pruning of Riverside Park's Memorial Rose Garden near the gazebo will occur. Harry Harvey will give a pre-talk regarding proper technique beginning at 10 a.m.

Those interested in helping should bring by-pass clippers or loppers, plus sturdy gloves. This is an opportunity to obtain hands-on experience, plus do something for the community. For further information contact Suzy Twist-Powell 862-7090.

Illinois Valley Safe House Alliance

IVSHA hosts a support group for survivors of domestic violence and sexual assault every Monday from 9:30 to 11 a.m. The group is intended to provide a safe place and support to provide tools to help victims find freedom from the past and regain their personal power.

For more information, or to sign up, please phone Grace or Suzie at 592-2515.

It's a Local Food Event!

Author Ann Vileisis will discuss "how we lost knowledge of where food comes from and why we need to get it back" and sign copies of her new book "Kitchen Literacy".

Friday, March 6
Del Norte County Fairgrounds
FREE TO THE PUBLIC

Local food producer displays open at 5:30 p.m.
Presentation begins at 7 p.m.

For more information
Call Michele Thomas
707 464-2141

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Women's Café
Saturday, March 7

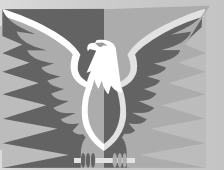
5:30 to 7:30 p.m. Art Exhibit & Sale
7:30 to 10 p.m. Performances

Café Atmosphere Serving:
Quiche ~ Salads ~ Sweets ~ Drinks

Admission is on a sliding scale: \$8 - \$15

Everyone welcome!
(please, no small children)

Info: Dome School - 592-3911
9367 Takilma Rd., Cave Junction



Eagle Scout
SKATE PARK
PROJECT

B.S.A. Eagle Scouts are
rebuilding the skate park
in Jubilee Park.

DONATIONS
WELCOME!

Take checks, payable to
City of Cave Junction, to City Hall,
Crossroads Animal Hospital,
or call Billy Dillard — 660-2694

I.V. CHAMBER OF COMMERCE
AWARDS DINNER
& DANCE

Saturday, March 14, 5 to 10 p.m.
Junction Inn \$25 per person
Music by "Jefferson"

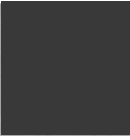
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Number of Guests_____ Amount Enclosed_____

Prime Rib_____ Chicken_____ Vegetarian_____

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or P.O. Box 310 (deadline March 9)

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Set-up is Saturday, February 28
1 to 8 p.m.