

## Here, There, & Everywhere

**SANTA'S HELPERS** - Rotary Club of Illinois Valley will present the I.V. Bikers Toy Run on Saturday, Oct. 24 to collect toys and donations for the Cave Junction Cares Christmas morning give-away. Poker run registration will begin at 10 a.m. at the Junction Inn, and music by *Broadway Phil & the Shouters* will start at 1 p.m. Bring a toy or cash donation and prepare to bid on some excellent auction items. Must be 21 or older to enter the Timber Room.

**HALLOWEEN HAPPENING** - AF&AM Masonic Lodge will hold a spaghetti dinner on Sunday, Oct. 25 from 1 to 4 p.m., at the RCC/Belt Bldg. in Kerby. There will be a Halloween Costume contest for children 14 and younger. Also, table space is available for vendors for a "Seller's/Buyer's Market" to be held at the same time. Phone "Don" or "Hazel" at 592-6433 for more information.

**HOMEcoming 2009** - Illinois Valley High School will celebrate Homecoming Week with various events, including the annual Powder Puff football game on Wednesday night, Oct. 28 at 6 p.m. on the football field.

The Homecoming Parade, featuring the IVHS Band in new uniforms, will be held on Friday, Oct. 30 beginning at 1 p.m. The cheerleaders and football players will walk in the parade, and each class will have a float. The equestrian team members will ride their horses in the parade. This year's shortened parade route will begin at IVHS, proceed west on River Street to Evergreen Elementary School; back along River to Kerby Street; left on Lister Street and across Redwood Hwy. to Lorna Byrne Middle School; left on Junction Avenue and right on River Street, to return to IVHS.

The homecoming football game will be played against the Henley Hornets at 7 p.m. Friday, Oct. 30.

**FLEE FLU** - Josephine County Public Health Dept. is offering seasonal influenza vaccinations on Thursday, Oct. 29 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Josephine County Bldg. in Downtown Cave Junction. The fee is \$30 for those without Medicare, Oregon Health Plan or BlueCross/BlueShield coverage (bring current insurance card). Pneumonia and tetanus immunizations will be available for an additional fee. Phone 474-5337 for more flu information.

**H1N1 Q&A** - What is it? How is it transmitted? What are the symptoms? What is the community concern? How is this different from other flu? Answers will be available during a Q&A session with Dr. Daniel Selinger on Monday, Nov. 9 from 7 to 9 p.m. at the OHMS Community Health Education Center, 128 S.W. "I" St. in Grants Pass. Phone 471-4208 for information and reservations.

**NOTEPAD** - An account has been established at Home Valley Bank to accept donations to augment Kellogg's Frosted Flakes "Plant a Seed" money and complete restoration of the track & field facility at Lorna Byrne Middle School, said the I.V. Booster Club ... **Oregon 4th Congressional District** candidate Sid Leiken will make a pair of open-to-the-public appearances in Josephine County on Thursday, Oct. 22. At noon, Leiken will be the main speaker during the Josephine County Republican Women's monthly meeting at Elmer's Restaurant in Grants Pass. From 4 to 6 p.m., Leiken will be at the Josephine County Bldg. in Cave Junction ... **Square-dancing lessons** will be held at the Josephine County Bldg. on Mondays from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. beginning Oct. 26 and continuing through June. The first week of class is free, said Steven Splean who can be reached at 474-6687 ... **A free concert, Coffee House Goes Hollywood**, featuring music from television and movies, will be held on Thursday, Oct. 29, beginning at 7 p.m. at Illinois Valley High School ...

**NBC, the world's largest overnight basketball camp**, will present a pair of one-day clinics in Southern Oregon. Rogue River High School will host both events. Boys and girls ages 14-18 can attend the Saturday, Oct. 31 event, which will run from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The following day, Sunday, Nov. 1, boys and girls ages 9-14 can attend the clinic, which will run from 1 to 5 p.m. Space is limited for both clinics, and there is a fee. Register on-line at [www.nbccamps.com](http://www.nbccamps.com) or phone (800) 406-3926. Contact Dave Ehrhardt at 621-6361 for more information.

**LAST WORDS** - "A dying culture invariably exhibits personal rudeness. Bad manners. Lack of consideration for others in minor matters. A loss of politeness, of gentle manners, is more significant than is a riot." (Robert A. Heinlein)

Say you saw it in the *Illinois Valley News*

## Club & Organization News

**Chetco Grange 765**  
Chetco Grange 765 will sponsor a free "Halloween Hoedown" for all ages featuring the District 5 Oregon Old Time Fiddlers on Saturday, Oct. 31 from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Grange Community Center, Hwy. 101 and Zimmerman Lane in Harbor.

There will be a jam session of fiddlers and area musicians from 10:30 a.m. to noon, followed by the fiddlers from noon to 3 p.m.

Area musician Carl Rovainen has been selected as the featured musician for this program. Rovainen is a self-

taught musician of 20 years, and plays old-time music on a long-neck five-string banjo, violin, and other instruments.

The program will include opportunities to sing and dance. Halloween costumes are optional. For additional information phone (541) 469-7120.

### Illinois Valley Airport Advisory Board

The Illinois Valley Airport Advisory Board will meet at 5:30 p.m. Monday, Oct. 26 in the former restaurant at the airport. Agenda items are: Mission Statement, Industrial Park update and fence.

## Letters to the Editor

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This is not an exception: This always happens when government thinks it is smarter than consumers. If Congress had allowed us to import ethanol from Brazil we could have saved billions of dollars. Why did Congress prevent this savings? Because it gets big money for campaigns when it passes laws, and wastes taxpayer money by giving it to special interests for these programs.

The reason I give these examples is because anyone who believes our politicians are really looking after the voters' interests are living in a fool's paradise. Did anyone believe our president when he promised transparency and a few days to read the bills? Did you believe him when he promised to go through the bills "line by line" to eliminate wasteful spending of taxpayer money? Was this before or after the 9,000 earmarks he approved by signing the bill?

Resenbrink's recently laid-off son and college-attending daughter are without insurance. If government would allow health insurance companies to compete across state lines and to customize policies to the needs of the people and not the "requirements" of the graft-taking politicians to protect special interests we could reduce insurance costs. By the way, the government health-care programs all require our children to pay for the care of old folks. Should young people be saddled with all these costs because the government says so?

Resenbrink's 77-year-old father was taken by ambulance to a hospital, but then felt fine and wanted to go home, but was asked to stay the night. Was this the fault of the hospital? No, because Congress refuses to do anything about the legal lottery run by the trial lawyers. Doctors and hospitals are forced to cover every possible problem by ordering tests and procedures not necessarily needed. Keeping the patient in the hospital overnight is an example. So the trial lawyers are calling the shots. If we had a cap of damages nationally like some states, it would be a huge drop in health costs. But the trial lawyers are right in there with the teachers unions and SEIU for the top three givers of big bucks to the Democrat Party. Do you think the Congress should pass laws to benefit the voters or the big unions? This also applies to the cost of drugs.

The public outcry Resenbrink refers to has nothing to do with personal feelings against our president. The outcry is because most clear thinkers realize this is not about health care at all. The president and this Democrat-controlled Congress don't give a whit about our health, but they are concerned about the power and control they will have over the American people. The public outcry is also against this insane spending and borrowing.

They are against the most malignant taxation of all, the inflation caused by 24/7 printing of money. (Editor's Note: A fee was paid for the preceding due to its length).

**Frustrated with JCSO From Shaun Murphy Cave Junction**

On a recent Sunday I was out of town when my phone rang at 4:30 a.m., and my wife said that an unin-

sured minor driving drunk plowed through our fence.

Not wanting this to go unreported I tell her, "I'll call you back, I'm calling the police." I call the nonemergency line -- no answer. I see another number and dial it, but discover I've reached the Grants Pass Police.

I felt embarrassed, and asked for the correct number. I'm told that, "It wouldn't do any good if I did; you need to call Josephine County Sheriff's Office, and they are closed Sundays."

A few days later I call the sheriff's office and ask to have someone come to make a report. I'm told that the officer for our area doesn't come on until 4 p.m. Sometime after 4 he calls, leaving a message. It appears he won't be coming out, it's a civil matter. Really? Since when was a drunk driver -- OK, an underage, uninsured drunk driver -- a civil matter? I'm confused now, so I call the sheriff's office next morning.

I'm told, "Well, if we don't witness the accident at the time it occurs we can't do anything about it; now it becomes a civil matter."

"You weren't open on Sunday to come out, though."

"Well, I'm not sure what to tell you," I'm told. "You need to deal with it through insurance from this point. Any time two people are in an accident it becomes a civil matter."

And I'm told that because he's uninsured, I will have to sue him.

I'm feeling aggravated, and advise that I'm not so much concerned with the money end, I'm concerned that he was drunk and wrecked a car without insurance.

"I'm sorry but there would be no way for us to prove it was him, or if he was even there without physically being there at the time of the incident." I can tell that her patience is running out.

"I can prove he was there. I have two witnesses. I have the license plate from his vehicle. I have half the vehicle's body parts still strewn across my property, and I know where the wrecked car is parked."

"I'm sorry, sir, we have done all we are going to do; it is a civil matter from this point on."

So here's the question: Is this simply a case that is outside their jurisdiction or is it a case not worth their time financially? It seems to me that the Police Blotter has more traffic stops than anything else these days. Are we being punished for repeatedly voting down measures that they continue to put on the ballot?

With unsatisfied citizens living up and down our street, and crimes that are quite solvable not being taken under wing, even with most of the footwork being done for the police, I believe we have a real problem with our sheriff and deputies.

From Sept. 24 through Oct. 8 there were 59 moving violations that resulted in a citation, as reported by this newspaper. If the average amount of money the county receives from citations paid was \$250, that would total \$14,750 for just the time period mentioned. Imagine for a whole year.

There is money coming in, but where is it going if it never goes toward a problem that doesn't have a financial benefit for the department in the end?

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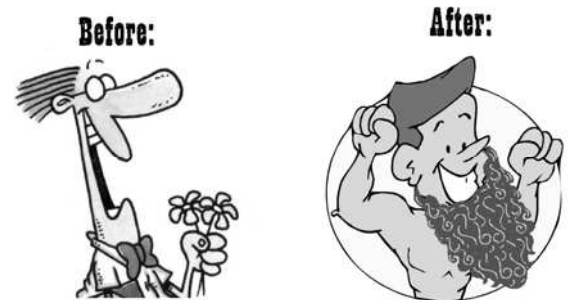
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Community Bible Church gymnasium 113 S. Caves Ave. Cave Junction

The Cave Junction Lions Club

## WANTED: Wanna Be Mountain Men

If you have always wanted to see how long and full your beard would grow, this is your chance! The Cave Junction Lions Club is hosting a beard growing contest.



If you think your testosterone level is intact, your facial pores are primed, and your mountain man thing is on enough, **You Should Enter This Contest!**

- Show up at the CJ Lions Club Turkey Bingo Night, November 14th, between 6-8 pm at the County Bldg. in Cave Junction.
- Make sure your face is clean shaven for a photograph, and bring a \$20.00 entry fee.
- Exactly one year later at the next Turkey Bingo Night we will measure all the participants' beards, and determine a winner.

The prize will be a trophy and a cash prize based on the number of contestants.

**Good Luck! And may you grow long and full!**

Please call Buster Vanderwoud for more information at (541) 660-2354.



### GOOD RECORDKEEPING IS VITAL FOR EVERY BUSINESS

Many business owners assign low priority to recordkeeping, at least until their first tax audit. Then they find legitimate deductions have been disallowed or revenues overestimated, solely because of inadequate documentation. Without supporting evidence, tax auditors create their own estimates of income and expenses, often resulting in inflated tax assessments.

Operating without keeping records is a little like driving blindfolded. Besides saving tax dollars, proper records can help business people identify and evaluate trends in earnings and expenditures and thereby plan more intelligently. They also facilitate preparation of financial statements, which are required when applying for financing or reporting to regulatory agencies.

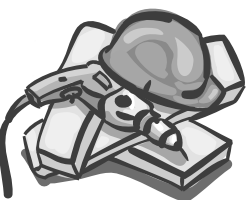
Recording begins with organizing original documents like sales and purchases invoices, cash register tapes, work orders, and check stubs. The individual transactions are then recapped in sales journals, check registers, disbursements journals, and similar books of original entry. These books, in turn, are summarized in general ledgers, which group activities by account categories. Using a computer does not guarantee proper end results.

You should also retain bank statements, financial statements, tax return copies, and supporting worksheets for income, payroll, excise, and sales taxes. Agreements, contracts, and similar legal documents should be filed in secured areas or stored in safety deposit boxes.

The normal statute of limitations for an IRS audit is three years, but that period may be extended to six years if the agency suspects gross income has been understated by more than 25 percent. Since the statute normally starts with the due date of a return (not the actual tax year), it's wise to keep most records for seven years. Certain types of records, such as loan papers, asset purchase contracts, or long-term investment documents, should be kept for the life of the loan or asset plus seven years. Partnership agreements, articles of incorporation, operating agreements, and similar documents should be kept permanently.

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Registration for the Illinois Valley Youth Wrestling Club will be held on Monday, Oct. 26 and Wednesday, Oct. 28, from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. at I.V. High School.

Participants will need to have their birth certificate and be accompanied by a parent. There is a \$50 fee. Practice will begin on Monday, Nov. 2.

Phone Marty Miller for more information at 597-4121.