

Here, There, & Everywhere

CARING COALITION - An account has been established at Home Valley Bank in Cave Junction to accept donations for the CJ Cares annual Christmas event at Jubilee Park. The Christmas-morning affair features breakfast and a visit with Santa Claus. Cash, toys and food are needed to ensure program success, and volunteers are appreciated. Phone Lynn Boucher-Johnson at 592-3594, or Fred Ball at Bi-Rite Auto Parts, 592-3601.

HOLIDAY RAIL - Closed unexpectedly on Saturday, Dec. 12 due to frozen water pipes, Kerbyville Museum will be open on Saturday, Dec. 19, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. with its annual Christmas model railroad display. There will be free museum admission for each person with two cans of food, which will be donated to Illinois Valley Family Coalition.

IN THE SING - Illinois Valley High School Choir will perform a Winter Concert on Thursday, Dec. 17, beginning at 7 p.m. In conjunction with the concert, IVHS Interact Club will hold a holiday bazaar beginning at 5 p.m. featuring a number of vendors, and some bargain items.

DONOR DAY - The American Red Cross has scheduled a blood drive at Illinois Valley Senior Center, 520 E. River St. in Cave Junction, across from Jefferson State Financial Group, on Thursday, Dec. 17. Phone (800) 448-3543 to schedule an appointment or to ask about demonstrating your right to bare arms.

VIRUS VIGILANCE - Josephine County Public Health Dept. has announced that it has a limited quantity of "seasonal" influenza vaccine available on a first-come/first-served basis to the general public. Public Health, located at 715 Dimmick St. in Grants Pass, is open Mondays through Fridays, 8 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. and 1 to 4:30 p.m. Phone 474-5325 for more information. There is a fee if uninsured.

NOTEPAD - Rotary Club of Illinois Valley has donated some \$1,700 in new toys to the Cave Junction Cares Christmas program. Those toys, and others gathered during the I.V. Bikers Toy Run or donated through the Sons of God Motorcycle Club, will be given away on Christmas morning at Jubilee Park ... **A bogus offer** of Illinois Valley High School-sponsored calendars is being pitched to valleyites via telephone, said Mark Higgins, IVHS athletic director. If anyone with caller ID can catch this "Grinch," Higgins would appreciate it if you'd let him know. Phone 592-2116 to drop a dime on the scammer....

Santa & Mrs. Claus (good friends of Frank & Linda Abernathy), will hold Christmas story time at 1 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 20 at Lue-van-o's. Santa said that he's also likely to "just pop in from time-to-time" to see his buddy, Fred Luevano. The store was selected as the Illinois Valley Chamber of Commerce's Holiday Decorating Contest winner ... **"Freedom from Smoking,"** a program to help smokers kick tobacco "for good," is offered through OHMS Community Health Education Center in Grants Pass. Classes are held twice weekly; a new series will begin Tuesday, Jan. 5. Phone 479-8847 to register. There is a fee ... **Laugh Lines:** "A man was advised that to avoid having cold feet at night he should place a brick at the foot of his bed. Asked later if it worked, he said, "Nav, it took all night for my feet to even get the brick warm." "A bald man, given a comb for Christmas, said, "Thanks, I'll never part with it." ... **Bumper stickers:** "It's OK to say Merry Christmas. *All I want for Christmas is my country back. *Got coal?"

LAST WORDS - "Christmas is not a time nor a season, but a state of mind. To cherish peace and good will, to be plenteous in mercy, is to have the real spirit of Christmas." (President Calvin Coolidge)

I.V. grapplers place ninth

By SCOTT JORGENSEN
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The Illinois Valley High School wrestling squad traveled to the Oregon coast last week, where one grappler was crowned a champion, another won third place and two won fifth places.

On Friday, Dec. 11, the team participated in the North Bend-Coast Classic, an annual tournament. Approximately 30 teams participated, a majority of which were from the 6-A and 5-A conferences. IVHS competes in 4-A, and will move to 3-A next year.

IVHS sophomore Jesse Ormdorff was named champion of the 112-pound division. Freshman Gabe Miller took third in the 125-pound division, and 103-pound sen-

ior Brandon Parker and 130-pound senior John Anderson took fifth places.

Overall, IVHS placed ninth out of all the teams.

"We didn't do as well as we wanted, but didn't do as badly as we could have," coach Jay Miller said. "But that's probably one of the toughest tournaments that we'll go to."

On Friday, Dec. 18, the squad is set to participate in a tournament at North Valley High School. Miller said that some 15 teams are to attend, and expects IVHS to be highly competitive.

"It's not going to be quite the caliber of tournament we just came from," he said. "I think we'll be right in the thick of things there."

Courthouse security ...

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that funding has been obtained to close public access to the rear of the courthouse. He added that the changes should be fully implemented sometime in the spring.

"We are making progress," Brust said.

Scrap Metal Considered

Campbell also addressed implementation of Senate Bill 570, which places restrictions on the sale of scrap metal.

Under that law, Campbell said, he is charged with establishing a plan to establish communication between law enforcement agencies and businesses regarding scrap metal transactions.

Businesses that purchase scrap metal now are required to keep a "pretty extensive record" of who they purchase materials from, Campbell said. They also cannot pay for

scrap metal on the spot, and have to send a check to a legitimate address, a concept Campbell said he supports.

SB 570 requires law enforcement agencies to report scrap metal thefts to the companies receiving such materials, Campbell said. Those companies also must take photographs of persons selling the materials to them.

"They're generally aware of their obligations now," Campbell said.

Henner said that Merlin-based Cascade Metal Recycling is the only such company in the county.

Campbell said that the law will go into effect as of Jan. 1. He added that he will submit his coordination plan at LPSCC's next meeting, which is slated for Jan. 28.

Club & Organization News

I.V. Fine Artists

Come and join the artists in action on any Monday from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at the RCC Belt Bldg. in Kerby.

The public is always welcome to visit and watch artists at work. Projects can include soapstone carving, oils, watercolors, acrylics, scratchboard, collages and occasional group critiques. There is experience and expertise at all levels, and everyone is friendly and willing to help newcomers.

Illinois Valley Garden Club

A Christmas Party & Silver Tea for members will be held during the Friday, Dec. 18

meeting beginning at noon. Members are to bring finger food, a wrapped gift valued at no more than \$5 for the gift exchange, and a can of food for the valley food pantry.

The Silver Tea is a fancy name for tea served from a silver tea service by club officers. Memorial donations to the fund for former members will be accepted.

The Scandinavians and other Europeans decorate a Christmas tree for birds at Christmas with bird food and straw ornaments. So it would be nice if we would follow in the tradition. Remember the birds and put out seed, suet and water this time of year.

Letters to the Editor

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American Civil Liberties Union (ACLU) a Christmas card. You have nothing to lose but 44-cents.

Make it a Christian card to brighten the organization's sad, dark little world. Make sure it reads, "Merry Christmas" on it. Let them know it's a Christmas tree, not a holiday tree and that Jesus is the reason for the season.

Their address: ACLU 125 Broad St./18th floor, New York N.Y. 10004.

For those who aren't aware, the ACLU is the one suing the U.S. government to take God, Christmas or anything Christian away from us. It represents the atheists and others intent on destroying our nation and way of life.

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* Please phone ahead.

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SONGS OF JOY AND PEACE

"Holiday Live at Lorna Byrne"

1 to 5 pm, Saturday, December 19th
Junction Avenue at Lister, Cave Junction

1 to 5 pm
* Photos with Santa to benefit
"Learning Through Art"
* "Ojos de Dios" Tree Ornament-Making
* Refreshment Sales to benefit
Future Farmers of America, IVHS Chapter

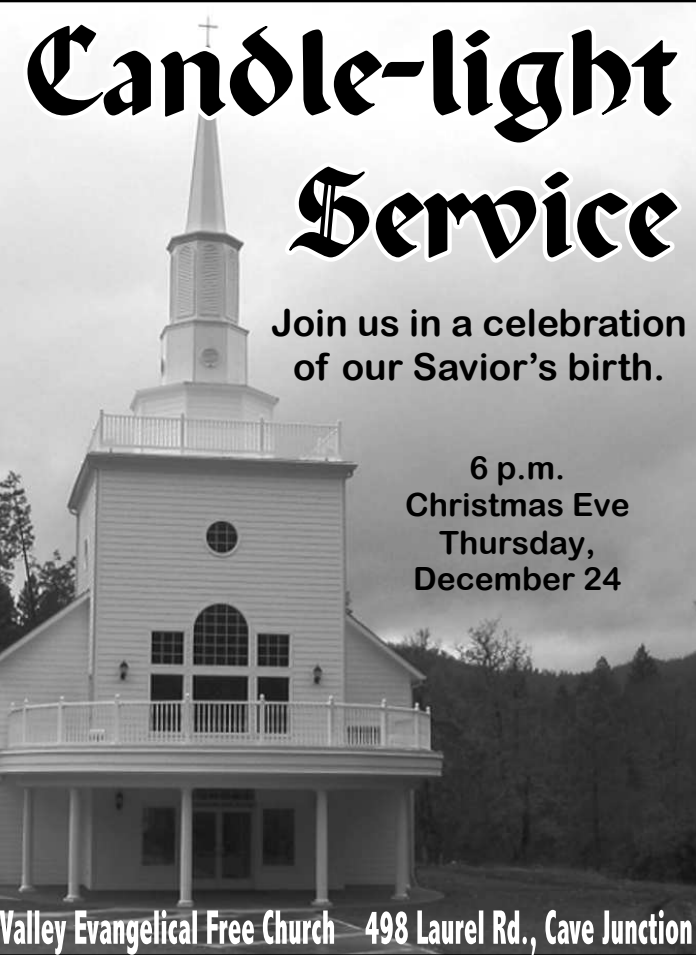
1 pm
* Rogue Brass Quintet –
Bill Shepherd, Randy Yoshida, Fred Holman,
Mark Coffman & T. Lund

2 pm
* LBMS Choir – Brice Cloyd, Director

3 pm
* Jefferson Baroque Orchestra –
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Candle-light Service



Join us in a celebration of our Savior's birth.

6 p.m.
Christmas Eve
Thursday,
December 24

Valley Evangelical Free Church • 498 Laurel Rd., Cave Junction

Give a Gift Of the Season...

...the cozy warmth of a beautiful light-weight Hand-felted Llama Wool Hat

At the Guild Gallery in the RCC Building in Kerby 592-5019 or at the Ranch at 5489 Takilma Road 659-3858

Forest Edge Farm



Illinois Valley Family Coalition Announces our...
5TH ANNUAL "CARING TREE"
for the holidays.

Illinois Valley Senior and Disabled persons receiving home care will have their gift wish noted on an ornament on our "Caring Tree".

We need your help to make these Holiday Wishes come true.

Stop by the Coalition after December 4th to select an ornament.

Shop for that person and return your gift to the Coalition by Friday, December 18th.

You may also donate cash and shopping will be done for you!

The Care You Show Will Bring Joy to A Homebound Senior or Disabled Person in Our Community.

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