

Here, There, & Everywhere

BREAKFAST BONANZA - Illinois Valley Senior Center on E. River Street in Cave Junction, across from Jefferson State Financial Group, will hold its monthly breakfast Saturday, Jan. 2. The menu will feature scrambled eggs, bacon, sausage, biscuits, gravy, pancakes and fruit. This month's value-priced special is a ham-and-cheese scramble with biscuit and fruit. Food is served from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m.

LAWS, LAWS, LAWS - New laws that will take effect Jan. 1, 2010, as passed by the Oregon Legislature, include:

- Drivers are not permitted to use hand-held cell phones. All cell-phone use must be hands-free while driving.
- Area code overlay: New numbers in the geographic region served by the 541 area code will get a 458 area code, requiring callers in Oregon to use a 10-digit number when phoning locally.
- Electronic recycle ban: TV sets, monitors, computers and laptops must be turned in to a legitimate e-cycler.
- Laws governing the use of seat-belts for passengers 16-years-old or younger now apply for off-road vehicles.
- Religious rights in the workplace regarding attire are strengthened.
- There is a ban on employer-mandated meetings that deal with religion, politics or union issues.
- Military discrimination is outlawed in employer hiring.

NOTEPAD - **IVHS Art Share** and Head Start student work will be displayed at Rogue Community College's FireHouse Gallery from Jan. 6 through 29. Inspired by a printmaking show at the Grants Pass Museum of Art, I.V. students used "texture boards" with the pre-schoolers to create a series of collographs. FireHouse Gallery is located at Fourth & H streets in Grants Pass. Hours are 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Tuesdays through Fridays ... **"Til Death Do Us Part**, a murder-mystery dinner theater production, will be performed on Saturday, Jan. 23 at Selma Community Center. Advance tickets are available at the Illinois Valley Family Coalition office, 535 E. River St. in Cave Junction, behind Jefferson State Financial Group. Contact Carol Ronan at 592-6139 ... **A short-story reading group** for valley literature lovers is forming. The first meeting is slated for mid-January at the Illinois Valley Branch Library. Phone Anita Salvio at 596-2994 or Rachel Goodman at 592-6947 for information ... **Bumper stickers:** *Don't make me release the flying monkeys. *Honk if you're Elvis. *Yes, this is my truck. No, I won't help you move.

LAST WORDS - "Worry never robs tomorrow of its sorrow, it only saps today of its joy." (Leo Buscaglia)

New laws govern metal recycling

One of several new laws that will take effect Friday, Jan. 1, addresses the continuing metal theft problem that affects communities throughout Oregon.

Senate Bill (SB) 570, passed by the 2009 Oregon Legislature, makes a number of changes and amendments to state statutes. It is also creating several crimes including one related to the transportation of metal property to a scrap metal business.

Under the offense of "Unlawfully Transporting Metal Property," most persons transporting metal property on a public highway or on a premises open to the public with the intent to de-

liver to a scrap metal business must possess a Metal Transportation Certificate.

As part of a requirement of SB 570, Oregon State Police was required to create the Metal Transportation Certificate form and make it available at www.oregon.gov/OSP. A link is now available through the OSP Website "Related Links" section. The accessible form may be printed for completion to have in one's possession when transporting metal property as required.

"Unlawfully Transporting Metal Property" is a Class C misdemeanor punishable by a fine up to \$1,250 or a maximum of 30 days in jail.

Election info coming soon

More than 1.7 million Voters' Pamphlets for the Jan. 26, 2010 special statewide election will start going in the mail Tuesday, Jan. 5.

Every Oregon household will receive a copy, reaching the state's 2.1 million registered voters.

On the ballot are Measures 66 and 67, referenda asking voters whether to uphold two tax measures approved by the 2009 Legislature. The 92-page Voters' Pamphlet contains 204 argu-

Health board member sought

Applications to fill a vacancy on the board of health are being accepted by the Josephine County Board of Commissioners.

The position is open to a

I.V. schools to gain from renewable energy funds

Nearly \$6 million in federal funds for 18 renewable energy projects in Oregon — including two at Illinois Valley public schools — were announced by Oregon Dept. of Energy (ODE). Included are:

*Illinois Valley High School, pellet boiler, \$283,700.

*Evergreen Elementary School, pellet boiler, \$220,122.

These projects are funded by the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act and bring the total number of energy projects in Oregon receiving awards to 164.

The Recovery Act funds are awarded through the State Energy Program (SEP) and can be used for energy efficiency and renewable energy projects in public buildings. The U.S. Dept. of Energy administers the funds, approves the projects and reviews the state's progress.

This current round of funding (\$5.9 million) will be used for eight biomass projects in Cave Junction, Estacada, Oakridge, Elkton, John Day, La Grande, and Days Creek. Biomass is the organic matter in trees, agricultural crops and other living plant material.

The selected biomass projects will receive \$2,060,194 in funding. Most of the biomass projects will be for the installation of biomass boilers at public school buildings.

ODE also awarded funds to other renewable energy projects, including geothermal and solar projects.

Four geothermal projects received \$3,203,491 in funding. These include geothermal projects at Oregon State University Cascades Campus in Hood River, Henley High

School in Klamath Falls, Portland State University Science Bldg. II, and Lakeview Geohat Barry Well Site.

The six solar projects that received funding are projects at two Wallowa County schools: Joseph High School and Enterprise School. Also included are solar projects at the Oregon Park & Recreation Dept.'s Milo McIver Pump Station in Estacada, the Grant County Historical Museum in Canyon City, the Eastern Oregon Correctional Institution in Pendleton, and the Joseph Fire Dept. in Joseph. The six solar projects received \$680,770 in funding.

ODE received more than 1,100 letters of interest in state energy programs, representing a request of more than \$2 billion in Recovery Act funding. This is the fifth round of awards for a total of 164 projects funded. The projects funded:

*22 school projects for \$531,042.

*21 Eastern Oregon projects for \$1.3 million.

*97 Western Oregon projects for \$7.1 million.

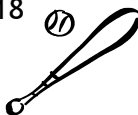
*Six large public entity projects for \$1.5 million.

*18 renewable energy projects for nearly \$6 million.

The public entities receiving SEP funds must complete their projects by March 31, 2012.

I.V. Little League

will hold sign-ups for
4 to 18-year-olds:
Saturday, Jan. 9, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Sunday, Jan. 10, 12 to 2 p.m.
at I.V. Golf Course
Phone 415-1718
for more
information



The Illinois Valley
Family Coalition
535 E. River Street
Cave Junction, OR 97523
541-592-6139

A Community Organization helping those in
need for more than 15 years.

New Year's Eve Special

**Spiral Ham
Dinner
includes salad bar
\$10⁹⁵**



Open 'til 8 p.m.
Thursday, Dec. 31
Open regular hours
New Year's Day
Friday, Jan. 1

Happy New Year

from all the staff at



Michelle's
Family Restaurant & Lounge
333 Redwood Hwy., C.J.
592-6434

It's breakfast time and you're hungry, where are you going to go to have a wonderful breakfast? Come on down to the Illinois Valley Senior Center on Saturday, January 2nd. You'll find all kinds of goodies to fill your tummy.

For only \$6 you can have scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, biscuits, gravy, pancakes and fruit. WOW! How can you beat that?

For only \$4 you can have a ham and cheese scramble, biscuit and fruit.

You can't even get this at a Denny's.

Breakfast starts 7:30 a.m. and ends at 10:30 a.m. on Saturday, January 2.

COME on DOWN.



Holiday Schedule

Kerby Transfer Station

**Closing at noon on Thurs., Dec. 24 & 31
Closed December 25 & January 1**

SOS Route Customers

Thurs., Dec. 24 Normal schedule

Fri., Dec. 25 No pick-ups

Sat., Dec. 26 Pick up for Friday customers

Thurs., Dec. 31 Normal schedule

Fri., Jan. 1 No pick-ups

Sat., Jan. 2 Pick up for Friday customers

Happy Holidays!



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Here's Wishing You a Happy
and Healthy New Year!

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Massage Therapist

Phone: 592-6947

