

## Letters to the Editor

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(Editor's Note: Views and commentary, including statements made as fact are strictly those of the letter writers.)

### GO COUGARS!

I would like to give a big shout out to head coach Ray Yarbrough and staff, and all the boys on the 2014 Illinois Valley football team for a great season this year. Back to back state playoff appearances for the first time in school history is certainly something everyone in the Valley should be so proud of. As disappointing as it is for you, coming up short on the scoreboard in Dayton is nothing to be ashamed of - it has never been an easy place to win football games (for any school) so hold your heads high as you reflect on your season. I have heard from so many friends in Dayton in regards to how impressed they were with the young men in our valley - almost all remarking on our team's willingness to compete, playing

hard, and playing very well. You certainly raised some eyebrows across the state with your performance! Well done!

Andrew Patton  
O'Brien

Dayton High School '79

### To the Illinois Valley Community

The Freedom from Pesticides Alliance wishes to extend our heartfelt appreciation to the wonderful volunteers, supporters, vendors, and in particular the worker bees, who helped with our pesticide campaign.

It would be disingenuous to pretend Tuesday's results were not disappointing, yet against all odds we were able to gar-

ner almost 11,000 supporters, who comprehend the importance and significance of not only bringing the chemical issues we face to light, but the awareness these practices need to end.

That alone is a victory.

To ALL, we are Forever Grateful.

Tuesday's results are but the beginning. Considering what we accomplished, amidst multiple campaigns, and with limited resources, a victory indeed.

THANK YOU to one and all, for every effort, every word, every deed, and every attempt to help us move our measure forward.

We cannot thank you enough!!!

Stay tuned.

Audrey Moore  
Selma

## Letter of Thanks

The Lyons family wishes to acknowledge those who made our dad's last months so much easier and of quality. Thank you and God bless!

\*\*Nordal staff, Medford Specialists, Riverside Home Health, Lovejoy Hospice, Hull & Hull, IV Lions members, Mike Long, Don Moore, T. Lund, Rob Gasser, Marty Haynie & Vicky, Carlos Restaurante, and Joy LaRue.

Also, thank you to all of those who attended his celebration of life.

If we have omitted anybody, we apologize, you know who you are.

I would like to acknowledge my wife Terri Lyons. Without her steadfast love and devotion, I could not have given my dad the quality of care he received. She spent

many hours alone as I spent time and slept at his house. She cooked for us and gave us unlimited comfort during difficult times. She is my rock and the love of my life. I am truly blessed! Thank you Terri and all who helped. I love you.

Steve Lyons  
Cave Junction

## Obituaries

### Clifford Devaughn Stockton age 71

of Cave Junction passed away Nov. 2, 2014. He was interred at Eagle Point National Cemetery Nov. 10, 2014. Clifford was a builder and carpenter and was a member of the Eagle Club and American Legion. He served as volunteer firefighters in Bend, Oregon and Spokane, Washington for many years. He loved fishing, hunting, traveling, camping and wood working. Clifford was a sociable and happy guy and was loved by many. He is survived by his wife of 30 years, Bonnie Stockton; two sons, Jimmy and Chris; one daughter, Cheri; two step-daughters, Lori and Candra and 6 grandchildren.

**John Alton (Jack) Brown, age 89**, passed away of natural causes Friday, November 7, 2014 at his home in Cave Junction, Oregon.

Burial will be at Laurel Cemetery Saturday, Nov. 15, followed by a memorial service at 1:00 p.m. at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints, 208 S. Junction Ave., Cave Junction, OR. Bishop Larry Hammersmith will be officiating

Jack was born October 17, 1925 in Kinistino, Saskatchewan, Canada. He is the son of Lawrence Otto Brown and Signe Linnea Kristina Anderson. He was the fourth in a family of seven children. He entered Prince Albert Collegiate Institute, grade 9, in 1939.

Following the example of his older brothers, he enlisted in the Canadian Army in April 1942 and was shipped overseas into combat duty. In the 8th Canadian Recce, he landed on Juno Beach during the D-day invasion and fought through France, Belgium, Netherlands and Germany until the end of the war. He returned home to finish his schooling.

He married Mary Ellen Horsley in 1946 and had five children. He worked in management with Eaton's of Canada for a number of years. He also became a pilot instructing in planes on wheels, floats and skis and instructed young Air Cadets.

He was an avid hunter and fisherman. He moved to Los Angeles and then New Mexico for business, returning home to Canada for a few years.

He moved back to the United States where he married Valerie Hammer in Reno, Nevada on Sept. 12, 1977.

They moved to Oregon in 1977 with their family of six children and settled in the Illinois Valley, where they have lived ever since. There Jack was well known in real estate and insurance sales.

Jack was a faithful members of The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints and was active in community service.

Jack was preceded in death by his

brothers Gerald D. Brown and Lawrence T. Brown and a grandson, Charles Edward Beck. Surviving are his siblings Orville C. Brown of Ottawa, Ontario; William C. Brown and Enid E. Taggart of Prince Albert, Saskatchewan; Patrick Brown of Victoria, British Columbia; all of his children - Carol Beck, Washington; Lorraine Cook, Los Lunas, NM; Penny Scanlan, Queen Creek, AZ; Maureen Brown, Ponoka, Alberta; John K. Brown, Portland, OR; Steve Brown, Indianapolis, IN; Anne Britt, McMinnville, OR; Nora Bleiler, Smyrna, TN; Miriam Mumm, Nacogdoches, TX; Joanna Sedgwick, Kamiah, ID, as well as 48 grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren.

Arrangements are under the direction of Hull & Hull. Jack blessed and enriched the lives of so many people. He will be greatly missed.

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## Save The Date

For more listings go to [www.ivcalendar.org](http://www.ivcalendar.org)

### Nov. 12

6 p.m., FREE Book Signing an. Teen Talk @ IV Library -

Local author and therapist Nicole Rensenbrink hosts a talk for and about teens. Join us for coffee, tea, cake and a special preview of new YouTube show "Counseling Tips for Teens". FREE books for first 3 attendees!

Josephine Community Libraries - IV Branch 209 W Palmer St, CJ 541-592-4778, [www.josephinelibrary.org](http://www.josephinelibrary.org)

### Nov. 14

The Cave Junction Lions Club will be holding their 12th annual, "Turkey Bingo" on Friday, November 14. They will be at the Senior Center on River St. in Cave Junction. Doors open at 5 p.m. and games start at 6 p.m.

### Nov. 14 & 15

IVHS Speech/Debate Varsity Invitational Away vs. Ashland High School

### Nov. 14

Siskiyou Crest Program November 14 at Siskiyou Field Institute -

Restoration ecologist Luke Ruediger will present "The Siskiyou Crest: Trails, Treks and Biodiversity" Friday night, November 14 at 6:30 p.m. at Siskiyou Field Institute in Selma. Ruediger operates Black Oak Restoration in the upper Applegate Valley. He lives off the grid at the base of the Siskiyou Crest and regularly chronicles his observations and adventures on a blog. Ruediger also recently published a book on the Crest's natural history and trails. He will have copies of The Siskiyou Crest: Hikes, history, and ecology for sale at the SFI event. Free refreshments will be provided.

For more information on this last Friday Night Free Learning program of the 2014 season, visit [www.thesfi.org](http://www.thesfi.org) or call 541-597-8530.

### Nov 15

9:00 a.m. - Noon

Work on the new disc golf course will include pouring concrete for tee pads, benches, and signs along with chipping the debris cleared for the disc golf fairways.

The cement truck should be able to get to most tee

pad sites but there may be a need to move concrete by wheelbarrow at a couple of locations. Wheelbarrows loaned for the day would be appreciated.

Some people may be needed to help with the concrete once it is poured into the forms. Wear clothes you don't mind getting dirty.

There will be a wood chipper on site and help may be needed to move branches to a location where the owner can feed the chips into the machine. Bring gloves if you want to help with this. The pile likely has some poison oak mixed in with the wood.

The attached photos show some of the work that was done during October.

For more info contact Carol Dickson [boxers@wildrivernetworks.com](mailto:boxers@wildrivernetworks.com)

### Nov. 15

The Spiral Living Center will present a delicious Local Foods Dinner, a silent auction, music and theatrical entertainment, Saturday, November 15, at the Illinois Valley Senior Center, 520 East River Street. The event will begin at 5:30 p.m. Proceeds from this event will

allow Spiral Living Center to continue to offer free and low-cost programs and projects such as the IV Farm and Garden Festival, skill-share events, bicycle repair, and gleaned food donations to people in the Illinois Valley. The dinner feast consists of many courses of locally grown, harvested or gathered food. Advance Tickets are available for \$15 each or 2 for \$25, or you may purchase unsold tickets at the door if available. Contact SLC Director Debbie Lukas (541) 592-3386.

### Nov. 16

Mushroom walk and mushroom talk-

Mycologists Eric McEwen and Ron Hammill present a walk 10 a.m.-4 p.m. (bring lunch and rain gear), followed at 4:30 by a presentation/Q & A session. Bring any mushrooms you'd like to identify. Walk meets at 10 a.m. at Dome School parking lot. Pre-registration encouraged at 541-592-5483. \$5-10 sliding scale with proceeds benefiting the Dome School.

### Nov. 17

The Freedom from Pes-

ticides Alliance is having a potluck celebration, in honor of the hard work and effort that went into our campaign

Join us Monday, November 17, 6 to 9 p.m.

Featuring Carol Valentine and the IV String Band & a surprise or two.

At the Illinois Valley Senior Center, 520 E River St, Cave Junction.

### Nov. 17

JoAnne Stone will give a free 1-hour presentation on using acupuncture for recovery and healing at noon on Nov. 17 at the I.V. Senior Center, 520 E. River St. in Cave Junction. Stone, owner of Illinois River Acupuncture Clinic, has practiced Traditional Chinese Medicine for 20 years. She'll offer a demonstration with one of her stroke patients and they will both answer questions. This November Senior Talk is part of a monthly series and is open to the general public. For information, call 541-592-5041.

### Nov. 20

Taste of the IV/Novemberfest, Hosted by Wild

River Brewing & Pizza Co., 249 N. Redwood Hwy., Cave Junction, \$35 per person, Includes a fun Novemberfest dinner and drink, this is a fundraiser that benefits the Boys & Girls Clubs. For tickets please contact Cyndi Spencer at 541-337-7949.

### Dec. 5

IV Chamber Mixer/Auction at Wild River Brewery Friday, Dec. 5 from 5-9 p.m.. This will be a no host pizza with beer and wine tasting donated by Wild River and Bridgeview Winery.

### Nov. 22 -23

Back by popular demand, OSU anthropology professor Margaret Mathewson will teach a 2-day willow basketry workshop Nov. 22 -23 at the Selma Community & Education Center. Class size is limited. Preregistration is recommended for this fun and informative session. Fee is \$100 plus \$20 for materials. Call the Cultural & Ecological Enhancement Network (CEEN) at 541-291-8860 to register.

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