



Thank You

to all who participated in yesterday's election, and a special thanks to those who voted for me.

*With gratitude,
Sandi Cassanelli*



Coffee

MONDAY-SUNDAY: 6AM-8PM

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I just got back from Guatemala and am having an open house sale Saturday, May 21 from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

I brought back lots of goodies from all sizes – little girls embroidered dresses, little boys shirts, lots of purses and bags, needlepoint pillow covers for couch pillows, men's long pants, ladies huipil shirts and more.

Also some wonderful things I brought back from Thailand last fall. See ya Saturday!

Judi, <http://www.alohaland.com>, 541-287-0691

STYX ...

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“Since Ted was the official park ranger and was paid to take risks, I sent him into the opening first,” Davis said.

“The first room had a low ceiling and was pristine. The walls were lined with white flowstone. To the right, I spotted a keyhole opening and poked my head through it. I heard the sound of rushing water and wiggled through the opening, which was barely larger than my shoulders.”

“On the other side was a second room and the clean gravel bed of the River Styx. We were exploring a part of the caves that had been hidden for over 50 years.”

“We followed the stream bed until the ceiling was a few inches from the water’s surface. This was as far as we could go. We had found the

source,” he said.

The marble cave system was created over hundreds of thousands of years. The water flowing into Upper Cave Creek mixes with carbon dioxide to feed the River Styx with a weak acid solution. This process continues to enlarge the cave system, while building stalactites, stalagmites and “soda straws” among several types of formations.

Rare species only found in the caves and this hydrological complexity makes the River Styx and the two above ground segments ecologically unique and good candidates for wild and scenic designation.

Public surveys for the preserve’s environmental assessment are available at the I.V. Visitors Center. Comments will also be accepted online at <http://parkplanning.nps.gov/preserveplan>.

PRIDE ...

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The entire process was initiated by the Illinois Valley Community Development Organization (IVCDO) and funded through grants from the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the Ford Family Foundation and supporting funds from Josephine County, the City of Cave Junction, Oregon Caves National Monument and Preserve and the IVCDO.

The I.V. Pride Campaign is designed to highlight the positive aspects of the community and instill local pride in the youth of the Valley.

Additional projects currently being planned include a promotional video of I.V. attractions and signage, bumper stickers and possibly t-shirts printed with an uplifting slogan.

The completed Strategic Plan created through the I.V. 20/20 Community Visioning process will be unveiled within the next few weeks.

A moment with Mary:

By Mary Halvorsen

Random House offers one definition of a garden as “yard...lawn...” and as I look out over the landscape I have opened the door to for the last 20 years, I wonder what, if anything, to do with ours. There have been grumbings about taking out the field grass and replacing it with a shorter, clipped, lawn-like version. It would cease to grow waist high by the time the mower could get to it, but also wouldn’t wave in the breeze, or sprout daisies and dandelions, along with an assortment of unknown wildflowers throughout the spring and summer.

Trying to take a wild, unkempt, but much loved small acreage, and steer it towards running as organized and productive, does not come without growing pains. We recently removed half an acre of trees from its center for a future project, as well as several from the perimeter. A father and son team from the area, experienced loggers, agreed to do the job, and after

introducing myself to the dad, explained why specific trees were meaningful to me. As he seemed to steel himself, I reminisced, “Our son’s kindergarten teacher sent that home to plant, when it was only this tall” and demonstrated the long ago length with stretched thumb and forefinger, gesturing with my other hand to the now bushy Cedar. Looking beyond, to a towering Pine, I explained, “We have been worrying about it falling on the house for awhile, every time a windstorm whips up. I hate the wind” and in the same breath, “That tree is the first thing I see every morning and the last before I close the blinds at night.” I went on to reveal, “We haven’t cut so much as a branch here in 20 years.” He stood listening, without saying anything. He had probably heard similar versions before, and eventually offered, “I like the sun.” I found myself thinking, “So do I.”

As I snapped the

kitchen blinds open the next morning I saw him hop onto, and quickly walk the length of a huge, downed pine, a chainsaw hanging loose from one hand, and felt like I had wandered into the movie, “Sometimes a Great Notion.” I had never begun a day watching someone walk a tree like an earth bridge. The next time I glanced out, the branches made a tall, rounded pile at the end of the driveway, and the tree was in fat segments.

Earlier in the week, on a tract closer to Grants Pass, I looked into a gray, misty canyon, on the wet, shining bark of madrone trees, noting that fir branches slant up, not down. The green needles glimmered in shadow behind a shield of falling rain, and a faded orange jigsaw puzzle of a pine trunk stood like a wide designer phone pole on the other side of the glass door. I knew this was Oregon’s true garden, that stands and hills like these are the landscape of our state. Some will never be

harvested and some will mass exit with an entire swath of hillside.

The heart of the community I have come to love was born not just of forest for recreation, but forest for families, jobs, a living, and a way of life. It creates a bit of a dichotomy in our small pocket of the state, and likely plays out all across it.

We walked slowly up the driveway the last day of the tree removal project, slowing down by the stump of the tree I’d had such angst over, first with wind storms, then with the prospect of it being gone. I knew I would mourn the loss of it. I thanked the men for the job they had done, shook their hands. The precision with which they worked, and their willingness to listen had made it okay. It was early October and the rains were about to begin. I was already looking ahead to spring for the sun, the warmth, and a season of growth.

Join the Illinois Valley Fine Artists

If you like to engage in artistic pursuits and enjoy interaction with friendly help from other artists.
Like to learn new techniques in watercolors, oil etc...
Like helpful positive suggestions about your work.
Work in a non-competitive environment, the more experienced helping the less experienced.
An art group in the Valley established in 1969.

Meet every Monday 10 to 2 at the RCC/Belt Building in Kerby, OR.
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The Illinois Valley Children's Fair and Pet Parade committee would like to thank the following sponsors for their participation in this year's successful event:

Dale Hopper, Siskiyou Community Health Center, IV Family Coalition, Early Head Start & Head Start, Cave Junction and Grants Pass Kiwanis, IV Safe House Alliance, IV Library, College Dreams, Boys & Girl's Club, IV Fire Department, Kerby and Grants Pass Masonic Lodge, Healthy Communities, WIC, Valley Girls Quilters, Josephine County Public Health, All Care, Baptist Church, Rogue River-Siskiyou National Forest, Rusk Ranch Nature Center, Master Preservers, Early Learning HUB, Siskiyou Field Institute, Girl Scouts, Rogue Valley Kennel Club, Canine Ambassadors, Pacifica Caterpillar Bus, Evergreen Elementary, U-CAN, Oregon State Police, Dutch Brothers, & the City of Cave Junction.

We appreciate your dedication to the children and families of our community!

Public Notice

AMENDED TRUSTEE’S NOTICE OF SALE. Reference is made to that certain Trust Deed made by Trenia L. Lansdown, fka Trenia L. Ingersoll, as Grantor, to Ticor Title Insurance Company, as Trustee, in favor of Gene T. Flory, Trustee of the Jacqueline M. and Gene T. Flory Family Trust, recorded on August 8, 2007, in the Official Records of Josephine County, Oregon, as Document Number 2007-015523, covering the following described real property situated in said county and state, to wit: Lot 1, Block B, FROST TRACTS SUBDIVISION, Josephine County, Oregon. Property Address: 2000 Lake Shore Drive, Selma, OR 97538. Both the Beneficiary and the Trustee have elected to sell the real property to satisfy the obligations secured by the Trust Deed and a Notice of Default has been recorded in the Official Records of Josephine County, Oregon, as Document Number 2016-001340, pursuant to Oregon Revised Statutes 86.735(3). The default for which the foreclosure is made is Grantor’s failure to pay when due the following sums: Monthly payment in the amount of \$735.00 for the Month of November 2015 and each month thereafter, together with unpaid interest accruing at a rate of 8.5% per annum on the principal balance of \$82,225.10 from October 14, 2015, together with accrued property taxes in the amount of \$2,048.81, together with all legal fees, costs, and expenses incurred herein by reason of said default; and any further sums advanced by the Beneficiary for the protection of the above described real property and its interest therein. By reason of said default, the Beneficiary has declared all sums owing on the obligation secured by the trust deed immediately due and payable, said sums being the following to wit: Principal \$82,225.10; unpaid interest calculated through January 5, 2016 of \$1,479.14; unpaid property taxes in the amount of \$2,048.81, plus all legal fees, costs, and expenses incurred herein by reason of said default; and any further sums advanced by the Beneficiary for the protection of the above described real property and its interests therein. WHEREFORE, notice hereby is given that the undersigned Successor Trustee will on June 17, 2016 at the hour of 10:30 am, in accord with the standard of time established by ORS 187.110, at the following place: the main front entrance of the Josephine County Courthouse, 500 NW 6th Street, in the City of Grants Pass, County of Jackson, State of Oregon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the interest in the described real property which the grantor had or had power to convey at the time of the execution by grantor of the Trust Deed, together with any interest which the grantor or grantor’s successors in interest acquired after the execution of the trust deed, to satisfy the foregoing obligations thereby secured and the costs and expenses of sale, including a reasonable charge by the Trustee. Notice is further given that any person named in ORS 86.753 has the right, at any time that is not later than five days before the date last set for the sale, to have this foreclosure proceeding dismissed and the Trust Deed reinstated by payment to the Beneficiary of the entire amount then due (other than such portion of the principal as would not then be due had no default occurred) and by curing any other default complained of herein that is capable of being cured by tendering the performance required under the obligation or Trust Deed, and in addition to paying said sums or tendering the performance necessary to cure the default by paying all costs and expenses actually incurred in enforcing the obligation and trust deed, together with the Trustee’s and attorney’s fees not exceeding the amounts provided by ORS 86.753. As of the date of this notice, the amount necessary to cure the default is \$7,979.95. This sum includes costs, fees and accrued interest. Interest continues to accrue at a per diem rate of \$19.148. In construing this notice, the singular includes the plural, the word “grantor” includes any successor in interest to the grantor as well as any other person owing an obligation that the Trust Deed secures, and the words “Trustee” and “Beneficiary” includes their respective successors in interest, if any. Without limiting the trustee’s disclaimer of representations or warranties, Oregon law requires the trustee to state in this notice that some residential property sold at a trustee’s sale may have been used in manufacturing methamphetamines, the chemical components of which are known to be toxic. Prospective purchasers of residential property should be aware of this potential danger before deciding to place a bid for this property at the trustee’s sale. Publish: 5/4, 5/11, 5/18, 5/25, 2016 in the Illinois Valley News