

Thoughts from the mayor: by Carl Jacobson Jr.



The Lions Club has done it again. This year's Labor Day Festival was a tremendous success. Some of us have been here since the first modern celebration began in 1973; it has evolved from a small club celebration to what we have now. It takes the Lions Club and all the other organizations in the Valley to bring it off.

Thus we come to Wednesday

after Labor Day; the first day of school. Citizens please remember to drive with attention to our little citizens as they are our future leaders, the ones we especially love. So do not pass a stopped school bus or run or speed through stop signs to ensure the health and safety of passengers.

This was the last year that I will be riding in the parade

as mayor of Cave Junction. Remember this is election year and we do have three races going on - the position of council No. 2, council No. 3 and mayor's position. I will not use this forum to tell you how to vote but I will tell you it doesn't take that much to VOTE and take your ballot to the drop box at City Hall. We as Oregonians have the privilege of voting in the privacy of our

homes. Please do that. Whatever party or group you are with please vote! We must not lose that right or privilege to perform our civic duty. I have enjoyed being your mayor these last six years. Right or wrong, I have tried my best to do what is best for the voters.

Thank you
Carl Jacobson Jr.



(Photos by Dan and Laura Mancuso, Illinois Valley News)

2016 I.V. Lions Club Harley Davidson raffle winner Gene "Bean Shooter" Benschoter Sept. 5.



Kevin Jones prepares to start during the Tuff Truck competition Sept. 3. Jones's truck was owned by Lance Hearn, sponsored by the I.V. News, Sportsman Tavern, Fort Hay Ranch and Umpqua Joe #1859 chapter of the ECV.

Selma man killed on bicycle crossing 199

A 45-year-old man was killed Thursday, Sept. 1, on Highway 199 near milepost 20 in Selma after attempting to cross the roadway on a bicycle.

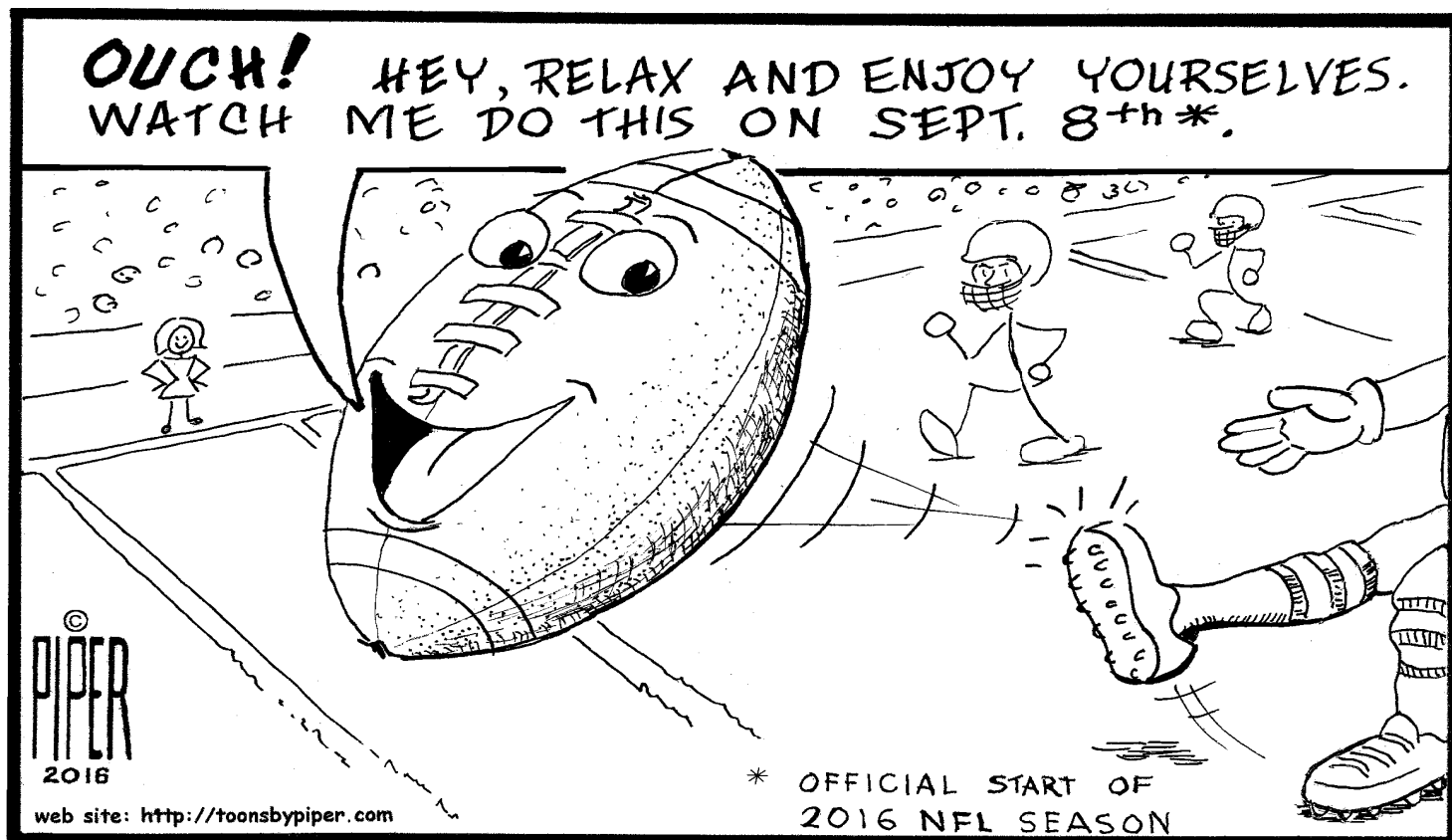
Police report that Robert L. Green, 45, whose address is unknown, hit the side of a truck and was thrown into a 25-foot RV being towed by the vehicle. The collision occurred at about 12:45 p.m.

A preliminary investigation

by the Oregon State Patrol (OSP) revealed a 1997 Ford pickup towing a 25-foot RV was traveling southbound on Highway 199 when Green attempted to cross all lanes of traffic, colliding with the side of the Ford. Green was thrown from his bike and struck the RV. He was pronounced dead at the scene. The driver of the Ford, Michael S. Mann, 58, of Redmond, was not injured.

Highway 199 was reduced to

one lane of alternating travel for two hours while the investigation was conducted. OSP was assisted by the Josephine County Sheriff's Office, the Illinois Valley Fire Department and the Oregon Department of Transportation. Alcohol is being considered a contributing factor as witnesses believed Green was impaired, according to police.



Obituaries

"Otto" James Richards-Crampton
Feb. 4, 1943 - Aug. 30, 2016

James Richards-Crampton, 73, of Takilma better known as "Otto," died Tuesday morning Aug. 30 at his home. James was born in Rahway, New Jersey. He attended Lehigh University in Bethlehem, Pennsylvania where

he received a Bachelor of Science degree in chemical engineering. After he graduated he worked for a period of time at Exxon Oil. He also pursued a career with the National Forest Service, where he was proud to have spent some time fighting forest fires. In the 1980s he opened his own business as an auto mechanic and

later as a well pump specialist, a service he performed until his retirement in 2004.

James was a resident of Westfield, N.J., New York, N.Y. and Pacifica, Calif. before spending over four decades in Takilma, the place he felt most at home.

James was a long time member of the BMW motorcycle club

and enjoyed touring the country. He loved movies and had an extensive collection. He was also a huge football fan ever since attending Super Bowl I.

James is survived by his daughters, Haley and Tara Crampton; his grandchildren, Isabelle, Paolo and Ayden; and sisters, Sally Bogert and Barbara Rowland. He was preceded

in death by his brother, Tom; his parents, Alton and Frances; and his two sons, Ru and Damien.

James was greatly loved and will be missed. A service took place at his home in Takilma Sunday Sept. 4 and at graveside in Westfield, N.J. at Fairview Cemetery Sept. 7.

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Save the date

Sept. 7
All IVHS students first day of school 7:55 a.m.

Lorna Byrne First Day of classes for 6-8 grade.

Gatekeeper training at the I.V. Family Coalition Sept. 7 at 10 a.m., River Room. The Gatekeeper program is a new program of the Aging and Disabilities Resource Connection (ADRC) that teaches employees at your business how to recognize warning signs and red flags that indicate an older adult or adult with disabilities may need some help. Contact Connie at 541-423-1383 to schedule a training or presentation.

Sept. 10
Rogue Valley Kennel Club will be celebrating Responsible Dog Ownership Day Saturday,

Sept. 10 at Riverside Park next to the Rose Garden off of Park Street. The event will be held from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and includes a breed parade, some sports demonstrations, many different dog-related vendors and non-profits. This is a FREE event. Well-behaved dogs are welcome to attend. Please, not retractable leashes.

It's a great way for current and would-be dog owners to share knowledge, have fun, and celebrate the unconditional love we receive from our canine companions. There will also be opportunities to "Meet the Breed" representing many different AKC pure breed dogs.

Sept. 12
Workshop Scheduled for Cave Junction-Living Well with Chronic Conditions, Sept. 12-Oct. 17. Meets

once a week on Mondays from 2:30 - 5 p.m.. Call for more information and registration required. Learn new ways to manage stress and improve the ability to relax; fight fatigue and frustration; eat better and exercise safely; control pain and improve activity; learn better ways to talk to your doctor and family about your health; solve problems and get the support you need. Sign-up now: Call Living Well Southern Oregon 541-864-9611 or Pre-Register online at www.sohealthyoregon.org.

Sept. 24
Agnes Pilgrim Birthday Party Benefit, book signing, and gathering, Saturday, Sept. 24, Takilma Community Center, 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. Everyone invited, get her book "GrandMa Says: Wake Up World!" Pledge your support, help organiz-

ing needed, call/email for info., or if you wish to participate or perform, Guenter 541-415-1929 or cmec@cavenet.com.

Continuing
Cave Junction Patrol, LLC is looking for volunteers. CJ Patrol is a private citizen volunteer organization dedicated to effectively addressing heretofore-unchecked property crime in our city and neighborhoods. The primary mission of CJ Patrol is to prevent, interrupt, report, and decrease property crime in the city of Cave Junction. Contact: Phone: 541- 592-9665 / Facebook: Cave Junction Patrol Public / Website: cjpatrol.org / Monthly CJP Meetings: first Thursday, 6 p.m. - 8 p.m. at Wild River Pizza Deli, 249 Redwood Hwy.

Have some spare time? The Illinois Valley Senior Thrift Store is looking for volunteers. If sorting, cleaning, staging is what you do, we could use your skills. Earn a free breakfast and a store gift card while you volunteer. Join the crew, make new friends, need not to be a member or a senior citizen to volunteer. Call the store at 541-592-6630 or visit us during store hours.

*The C.J. Substation is now open as follows: Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The phone number at the Sub is 541-592-5151. We are looking for more volunteers to expand the hours; applications to become a volunteer can be picked up at the Substation.

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