

Obituaries

Terrence Thomas Leach, 72, of Cave Junction, died March 10, 2017 at home.

Illinois Valley Funeral Directors are in charge of arrangements.

Mary Lou Clark, 67, passed on peacefully at her home in Takilma Feb. 11, 2017. Born in Petosky, Michigan on March 19, 1949, she moved to Takilma after her son was born in the early '70s. Retired from a career of homemaker, she enjoyed embroidery, knitting and crocheting. Mary was a passionate gardener specializing in herbs, a loving cat fancier and bible reader, loved by all who knew her. She is survived by her son Adrian Van Loo, 47 of Takilma, twin brothers Roger and Robin Clark and a deceased sister Pat Clark of Michigan.

A celebration of life will take place on March 19, 2017 at the Takilma Bible church at 2 p.m. Please bring a special potluck dish in celebration of Mary.

Gregory Wayne Sampley, 64, of Cave Junction, died Feb. 26, 2017 at his home.

A funeral service will be at 1 p.m., Friday, March 17, 2017 at Illinois Valley Funeral Directors. Interment will follow at Laurel Cemetery.

Dulcie Moore, see Page A-1

Robert "Sleepy-Eyed Bob" Earl Sisson, see Page A-5

Letters to the editor

Illinois Valley News welcomes letters to the editor.

Please e-mail them to dan@illinois-valley-news.com.

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

I'm for clean energy

Suppose I didn't pay taxes because my contribution is so small compared to the state or national budget. It is trivial – but represents a serious burden on me. Does anybody think this argument would fly as a moral or legal defense of my position?

Yet polluters make this argu-

ment constantly – and they get away with it because we let them. Polluters dump their toxic waste in our air and our water because it's free – and processing their waste would cost money and dent profits. So we all pay the price in health, environmental or clean-up costs. Does anybody think this represents justice?

The lamest argument for Oregon refusing to reduce its climate pollution is the parallel claim that – as a state – we pollute so little that our effort to reduce emissions is meaningless, so we shouldn't bother. Making this argument demonstrates a complete lack of morality. We know the livability of our planet depends on our reducing climate pollution globally. If we want our corner of the globe to be saved, we need to reduce our emissions first. Only then will we be able to urge others to do likewise.

Support Oregon SB557 for clean energy and jobs.

Trisha Vigil
Talent, OR

Cave Junction

Clean Up Day

When: Saturday, March 18, 8:45-11 a.m.
This is a quarterly event. Future dates will be posted.

What to bring: Garbage bags and a limited number of reflective vests provided. Bring your own gloves and trash grabber.

**Where: IV Family Resource Center Building
535 East River Street**

Sponsors:
IV Garden Club
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First Community Bank
Chevron
IV Family Coalition
IV Community Development Organization
Healthy U
Southern Oregon Sanitation and YOU!

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Contact Nicole for further info: (541) 660-2419

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Save the date

March 16

IVHS boys' varsity golf tournament at Bandon Crossings, Time to be announced.

March 17

Chili Cook-Off, Cave Junction Farmers' Market and KXCJ Benefit Dinner Friday, March 17, 6 p.m. Kerby Belt Building, 24353 Redwood Highway, Kerby

The Chili Cook-Off is a test of the best chili as tasted by the people. For a donation of \$5-20, you may eat all the chili and cornbread you want and vote for your favorites. Local wines and craft beers will be sold. Entertainment will include Irish tunes played by the Oregon Woodpickers and folk music by Southbound. Come party on St. Patrick's Day and support our Farmers Market and Local Radio Station, KXCJ. If you would like to enter chili in the contest or volunteer, please call Sarah at 541-415-0434 or email to cjfarmersmarketinfo@gmail.com.

March 17

The I.V. Garden Club's meeting on March 17 will have a presentation by Patty Downing on what's happening at the Rusk Ranch Nature Center and attracting pollinators. The I.V. Garden Club meets the 3rd Friday of the month at United Methodist Church, 200 W. Watkins (across for Shop Smart) in Cave Junction. Social time and finger foods at 12:30 p.m. Meeting at 1 p.m. Visitors welcome.

March 18

The Rotary Club of the Illinois Valley will be holding a clean up day. Interested parties will meet at the Illinois Valley Family Resource Center located at 535 River St. from 8:45 to 11 a.m. Bring your own gloves, bags will be supplied. Contact Nicole at 541-660-2419.

March 18

Ready-Set-Go! Selma. Be prepared for an emergency by attending one of these free public meetings. Selma Fire Station, Saturday, March 18, 10 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m. Learn what to have in your "go-bag"; shelter in-place or leave - necessary home supplies; evacuation assembly locations; and more. Meetings conducted by IVFD Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members.

March 18

IVHS girls' varsity softball game at home vs. Phoenix at 12 and 2 p.m.

IVHS boys' varsity baseball game at Gold Beach High School at 4 p.m.

March 20

Anxiety and Depression Program in Fellowship Hall at Seventh-day Adventist Church, 265 Old Stage Rd. in Cave Junction, Mondays at 6 p.m. Call Kathy for more information at 541-291-7016.

March 23

Local Legends, Thursday, March 23, 5:30 – 7 p.m., Lorna Byrne Middle School (LBMS). A free community event highlighting: Dinner provided by LBMS, displays by LBMS students about local loved ones who've died, IVHS students and community members and presentation: "Coping with Loss through Support, Education, Music and Movement." Anyone is invited to put together a display honoring his or her lost loved one. Displays will be shown on school cafeteria tables and are limited to the width of a three-fold with a small area in front where a notebook, memory box, and/or some small items can be placed. Contact Nicole at Healthy U to participate at 541-592-4888.

March 24

Hailing from Denver, Colo. Ferdinand the Magnificent, created and performed by Nick Trotter, will be playing at Healthy U in Cave Junction, Friday, March 24, 2017 at 7 p.m. Tickets: Sliding scale, \$8-infinity!

March 25

"Beatles Tribute" is the theme for annual Arts Council fundraiser at Selma Community Center, 18255 Redwood Hwy. Doors open 5:30 p.m. March 25. Dinner, dancing and live music by the Love Band. Silent and live auctions. Cash bar. Tickets: \$27 per person on sale at C.J. Umpqua Bank. Proceeds benefit arts program in public schools. www.irvac.com.

March 29

The Grants Pass Vet Center will be participating in a national celebration to welcome home Vietnam Veterans. The event will be held at the same venue as last year. Riverside Park Trevillian Pavillion 304 SE Park Street, Grants Pass, OR 97527. The event will start at 10 a.m. and conclude around 2 p.m. A BBQ lunch, service providers and guest speakers will be at the event. Please come and show your support. All are welcome!

March 31 & April 1

IVHS 2017 All night safe and sober graduation party fundraising event: Bagging Groceries at Shop Smart from 4-7 p.m. Friday, March 31 and from 11 a.m. – 7 p.m. Saturday, April 1

April 1 & 2

Josephine County Fairgrounds and Event Center Home and Recreation Show for 2017. Spring is here, and that means two things...Home Improvements and Outdoor Rec-

reation! The Home and Recreation Show at the Josephine County Fairgrounds and Event Center in Grants Pass has something for everyone! Products and services for your home, inside and out, plus RVs, boats and more to help you enjoy the great outdoors. Admission is FREE, so bring the whole family and enjoy all the demonstrations. Gates open Saturday, April 1, 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. and Sunday, April 2, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. Special demonstrations daily Saturday and Sunday by the Southern Oregon Fly Tiers and other vendors.

April 8

Ready-Set-Go! O'Brien. Be prepared for an emergency by attending one of these free public meetings. O'Brien Fire Station, Saturday, April 8, 10 a.m., 1 p.m., and 3 p.m. Learn what to have in your "go-bag"; shelter in-place or leave - necessary home supplies; evacuation assembly locations; and more. Meetings conducted by IVFD Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) members.

April 15

I.V. Emergency Prepare Fair, Saturday, April 15, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at I.V. High School. Let the experts teach you how to prepare for a disaster. Booths, presentations, planning tools, kids' activities, concession stand open and. First 300 families get a free tote bag full of emergency supplies. Sponsored by I.V. Fire District, IVCDO & CERT. Call 541-294-1598, email IVPrepareFair@yahoo.com or visit Facebook page at IVPrepareFair.

April 29 & 30

The 2017 Spring Fling Art and Garden Show will be held on April 29 & 30 from 10 a.m. – 4 p.m. at the Josephine County Fairgrounds. Featured are a variety of vendors with plants, art, crafts and food in addition

to educational exhibits. Enjoy a fun community event that benefits our Josephine County Fairgrounds. For vendor information, call Event Coordinator Sherry Young 541-778-5186. Admission is free!

Continuing

*The I.V. Senior Thrift Store: Join the crew and make new friends. You don't need to be a senior citizen to volunteer at the store. Call us at 541-592-6630. Open Monday – Saturday, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

*The C.J. Substation hours are changed. Open hours are now Monday and Tuesday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. The phone number for the substation is 541-592-5151.

Volunteers are needed to expand support service hours to the public. Applications are available at the substation or on-line at <http://www.co.josephine.or.us/Files/Volunteer%20Application.Mar%202014.pdf>.

*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. Call 541-592-9665, cjpatrol.org. Monthly meetings are first Thursday at 6 p.m. at Wild River Pizza, 249 Redwood Hwy.

* Committee Meeting STATE OF JEFFERSON Josephine County 1st Thursday of each month at 5:30 p.m. Black Forest Restaurant, Grants Pass and 3rd Thursday of each month at 6 p.m., Wild River Pizza in Cave Junction.

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