

Sports

Cougars start off year with a big win

The Illinois Valley High School Cougars returned to the gridiron last week. The boys traveled to Roseburg's Findlay Field on Friday, Sept. 1, chalking up a 40-20 win against the Culver Bulldogs in a non-league game. Kickoff was at noon, and the heat and smoky, hazy conditions were challenging. Sophomore Elijah Polk led the Cougars in scoring with four touchdowns and junior Caleb Hess contributed two TDs in the fourth quarter. The Cougars travel to Adair Village (near Corvallis) Friday, Sept. 8 to face the Santiam Christian Eagles.



Friday Sept. 1 IVHS traveled to Roseburg to play Culver High School. Quarterback Caleb Hess, No. 7, scrambles toward the end zone, earning a first down and positioning the Cougars to score on the next play.



(Photos by Michelle Binker, Illinois Valley News)

Elijah Polk, No. 1, pulls down a pass from Caleb Hess for a Cougars touchdown, Friday, Sept. 1 at Findlay Field in Roseburg.

Up-cycle Furniture Contest judging grows near

The opportunity to win \$500, \$300, and \$200 in cash for first, second, and third places is close! Judging will occur at the closing session of the Illinois Valley Farmers' Market Sept. 22, and awards will be given out that day.

For the second year in a row, the Southern Oregon Guild is sponsoring the Up-cycle Furniture Contest to encourage creativity. Unusual ideas and thinking outside the box are the challenge. With no entry fee and using "junk" for materials, the contest is available to anyone of any age with a creative idea.

Judging will be on the basis of creativity, not

workmanship. The only rule is that the piece does have to be safe for its function. A chair must be strong enough to sit on safely, for example.

"If you've started your entry, get ready to submit it. If you haven't started yet, you'd better move fast," said Guild President, Joyce Abrams.

Bring your piece to the I.V. Farmers' Market at Jubilee Park by 4 p.m. on Sept. 22. Judging will begin at 4 and awards will be presented around 5 p.m.

We are also proud to announce that a writer and photographer from the national magazine, *The New Pioneer*,

will be there to take pictures and interview folks. Guild members, hope to see you there.



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