



Life in the Valley of Riches

by Dan Mancuso,
publisher

As most of you know, I have always been anti-web, and at least to me, for obvious reasons. But, believe it or not, the Illinois Valley News now has a digital product.

When papers first went digital, they gave away their product for free only to draw ire when they realized what they had done and put up paywalls.

Now, those who won't pay for news get headlines that are shared on social media, and that's it. Can you imagine a world where people don't actually read a story, but rely on a headline and photo? Well, sadly we do.

I have fought going online, mostly due to the cost. A small weekly newspaper like ours barely keeps its head above water now - without the added costs associated with a website.

But clearer thinking has brought me to the conclusion that if Cave Junction and the Illinois Valley wants to keep its paper, I have to do it.

Our new site, www.theivnews.com came to fruition from conversations I had with Jody Lawrence-Turner, executive director of the Fund for Oregon Rural Journalism. The group was set up to help small community papers like ours. During one of our conversations, I told her it would be nice if there was a website, where small papers could use cost averaging to keep the prices down to the point I could afford a web presence. A few weeks later

she emailed me with my solution.

The Paywall Project is a company in West Virginia that is run by journalists for newspapers. The site is quite easy to navigate and I have plenty of leeway to make the paper look the way we want. Not being a web guy, you will need to be patient with me, this will take some time for me to get it the way we want it.

I have spoken to local web designer Jesse Dugas about working with me to keep it current in style.

Subscribers will have the option of paying one annual fee or a small monthly fee. We have advertising spaces that will link the ad to the advertiser's website or social media page.

While there have been some misconceptions that the print paper is going away, that is not so. I will print the paper as long as readers want it and there is paper to print on.

Thank you for picking up this week's paper, enjoy! ~ djm

Obituaries

Services for **Muriel Proett** will be held July 23, 11 a.m. at the Eagle Point Grange Hall. 5 S. Shasta Ave, Eagle Point.



Mary L. Paul, 74, died Jan. 13, 2022. She is survived by her husband Gary D. Paul Sr and three children, Heather Merrill, Gary D. Paul Jr., and Christopher Paul; and her sister Ann Crist. She has 11 grandchildren and three-great grandchildren. Mary was born in California and moved to Oregon in 1988. She worked at Evergreen Elementary School and Illinois Valley High School. One of her students had this to say about Mrs. Paul, "Mrs. Paul meant so much to me I don't know if I would have graduated high school without her. She was always so good to me, she'd call you out in a heartbeat if you were ever acting out but for the most part she was always so sweet and always cared so much about all the kids that came through her room. That was the best part about getting in-school suspension was hanging out with Mrs. Paul."

She was preceded in death by her parents, Roy and Vera Ferris and in-laws Howard

and Betty Paul.

Mary's memorial service will be July 22, 2022 at 11 a.m. at Valley Evangelical Free Church. The family is asking for donations to be made to either EV Free Church Women of Purpose, IVHS Cheerleaders, or the IVHS Family Advocate program, in lieu of flowers or plants.

sister Susanne (Elizabeth), who married Del Berglund, a G.I. from Wisconsin stationed in Germany after WWII. Susi and Del, with Del Jr., moved to Wisconsin, then they sponsored Susi's parents to the U.S. in 1954. And then, in 1959, they sponsored Gerlinde, her husband Guenter Ambron and child Guenter Jr. to the U.S.

Gerlinde, Del Jr., and Guenter Jr. were all born in the same house, in the forest, that Julius Kappes built in 1929 near Bishofsheim. The Ambrons started in Wisconsin, went to San Lois Obispo, to Oxnard, then Camarillo, Calif. while having two more children. In 1969 the Kappes' retired, Oregon reminded them of their forest home in Germany and insisted the whole family, the Berglunds and the Ambrons, join them and live closer together as a family. And now, in 2022, our two earlier generations have all passed in their S. Oregon Homes.

Gerlinde was grateful to make it to her 90th year. She had a steady decline, with CHF and high BP for several years. She died peacefully at her home two weeks after a left side paralytic stroke with her two sons by her side. Her urn now sits next to her husband's, Guenter, who died in 1990. She leaves behind her children: Guenter Ambron Jr., Duane Ambron, Renee Souza; grandchildren: Devin, Justin and Kaela Ambron, Sabrina and Charlene Souza.



Gerlinde Marie Ambron (Rorison)

Born August 10, 1931 and died April 30, 2022. A Celebration of Life will be held at her home July 16, beginning at 2 p.m. at her home on 211 Ivy Dr. Cave Junction. We wish also to honor and remember her husband Guenter, Gerlinde's sister Susanne E. Berglund - her husband Del, the two sisters' parents Julius & Susanne C. Kappes of Kerby, Ore.

From Germany to Oregon: Gerlinde was the youngest and last remaining living member of the Kappes Family, from Bishofsheim German, that migrated to the U.S. beginning with her only

Please join us to Celebrate the Life of **SKYE DILLON** July 24, 2 p.m. The celebration will be held at the Illinois Valley Senior Center. Bring your smile, your instruments and a snack to share if it pleases you. Snacks and refreshments will be provided as well. We hope to see you there.

A celebration of life and memorial service for **Mike Palmer** will be held noon, Saturday, July 16, in the Forks Park Pavilion. fried chicken will be provided along with plates and utensils. Please bring a dish to pass and a story to tell.

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Save the date

July 18

**Aglow 2nd & 3rd Mondays, The 18th guest speaker is Mark Sola, who is also our anointed worship leader. 10:30 Fountain of Life, 451 S Junction Ave. C. J. More info, call Victoria 541-592-4743.

July 17

Sunday, July 17 from 4-6 p.m. • The Southern Oregon Guild presents a new summer Guild Member Art Exhibit, titled Chaos & Order. Join us for a FREE opening celebration at the Guild Gallery Sunday, July 17 from 4-6 p.m. featuring live jazz music by Terry D. Davis, presentations by local creatives, refreshments, and appetizers. New Guild artists will be showcasing their work and visitors are encouraged to share their dreams for the future in our special "Tree of Hope" sculpture. Chaos & Order will be on display from July 17-October 1. The Guild Gallery and Art Center is open Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m.-4 p.m. and

is located in the Kerby Belt Building at 24353 Redwood Highway Kerby, OR 97531. For more information about the exhibit, visit www.southernoregonguild.org.

July 23

**Healing Hearts & Hooves, 6th annual dinner and auction night, ticket for sale at <https://ticketstripe.com/hhhdinner>. At the beautiful Augustino Estate Vineyard, 400 Brown Road, O'Brien, Saturday, July 23 at 5 p.m. There will be a raffle, silent/dessert/live auction. Music by Gary Margason and food catered by Casa Amiga tickets. \$25 per person (12 & under free). For more information call 541-659-8604.

Oct. 14

Mark your calendar now! The CJ Farmers Market and Southern Oregon Guild presents the 7th Annual Upcycle Art and Furniture Contest with Trash Fashion show! First place \$500 plus more cash

prizes for all ages! Reuse and repurpose found objects to make a piece of art, sturdy piece of furniture or clothing item! Bring your finished piece to display at the Cave Junction Farmers' Market Friday, Oct. 14 at 3:30 p.m.. Judging and awards will be given at 5 p.m. Questions? Contact cjfarmersmarketinfo@gmail.com

Tuesdays

**Food Pantry Tuesdays 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Cave Junction Adventist/Community Services Food Distribution, 265 S. Old Stage Rd. Volunteers are needed to help stock, date check, sort food, pack boxes and handout food boxes, etc. to volunteer please email cavejunctionacs@gmail.com. Contributions can be made out to the CJ Seventh-day Adventist Church and identify that they are in support of the Community Service by writing "CJACS" in the memo section of your check. Mail to: Cave

Junction Seventh-day Adventist Church PO Box 330, Cave Junction, OR 97523

** WeThePeopleUnited of Josephine County will be hosting John Chambers, also known as Mr. Constitution, on Tuesday July 12th, 6pm at Wild River Pizza in Cave Junction.

John started teaching the United States Constitution in 1991, is the author of The Constitution of the United States: A Study Guide, and believes self-government is the key to a productive and prosperous life. Come out and relish the knowledge and a local icon. This is a free event. For more information, please contact: wethepeopleunitedjoco@protonmail.com.

** HIV Alliance offers services in Cave Junction every Tuesday from noon - 3 p.m. at Immanuel United Methodist Church (across from Shop Smart). Services include: Free and confidential HIV

and Hep C testing, Needle Exchange and drop box (all syringes welcome), and overdose response and Naloxone training.

Wednesdays

**GAME ON! Grab a friend, drop in, and Game On at your local public library. Try your hand at a variety of games, including chess, Pictionary, Uno, cards, and BUILDZI, the fast-paced block-stacking game!

Every Wednesday from 4:30-5:30 p.m. 209 W Palmer St, Cave Junction. For more information call 541-592-4770.

Thursdays

**Starting July 7 and running every Thursday through August 25, at Jubilee Park Music is on from 6 p.m.- 8 p.m.. The next concerts are 7/14: Circle of Stone (Traditional, Original, & Contemporary Celtic music); & 7/21: Dale & Sharon Hopper- Country Western/Americana

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