



COUGAR CHRONICLE

4th Edition

November 2009

HOMECOMING 2009

Homecoming Week was crazy, wonderful, and very busy. Many thanks to Amy Hardy and her leadership students for their hard work to plan and organize this week. The senior class won the Spirit Award for their high level of participation in all the dress up days and for winning several contests during the week. The Sophomore/Junior team won the Powder Puff Football game. Though our football team did not win, they played a hard game and never gave up. The weather was perfect for all events, including the parade through town. Thank you to all the parents who helped with trucks, trailers, decorations, and support. Thank you to the Classic Car Club in Grants Pass and BJ Latva for providing drivers and amazing cars for the Court to ride in. Congratulations to the Homecoming King and Queen: TJ Parker and Callie Harland. The princesses were: Kayla Young (9th), Stephanie Agee (10th), and Kayla Johnson (11th). The princes were: Scandle Williams (9th), Andrew McLaughlin (10th), and Roger Hults (11th).

THE FIRST TRIMESTER IS ENDING

The first trimester is ending on **November the 20th**. Finals for periods 1, 2, and 3 will be on the 19th of November. Finals for periods 2 and 4 will be on the 20th. The 20th is a late start day, so school will not start until 10:40 AM. We have adjusted the schedule to accommodate 68 minute periods for 2nd and 4th periods on this day.

Students need to really stay on top of work during these last days of the trimester. The grades they earn will be transcribed and failing grades will result in the loss of credit. Encourage students to stay for after-school help, check with their teachers about missing work, and make sure they are studying for tests.

Homework help is available from 3:30—5:45 PM Monday—Thursdays.

Report cards will be mailed home on Tuesday, the 24th.

Remember—no school for students the entire Thanksgiving week.

STUDENT ADVOCATES

Beginning Monday, November the 9th, we will have our full team of student advocates in place. These folks will work with all students to help them be successful. As parents, you are encouraged to contact the appropriate advocate if you have concerns about your student.

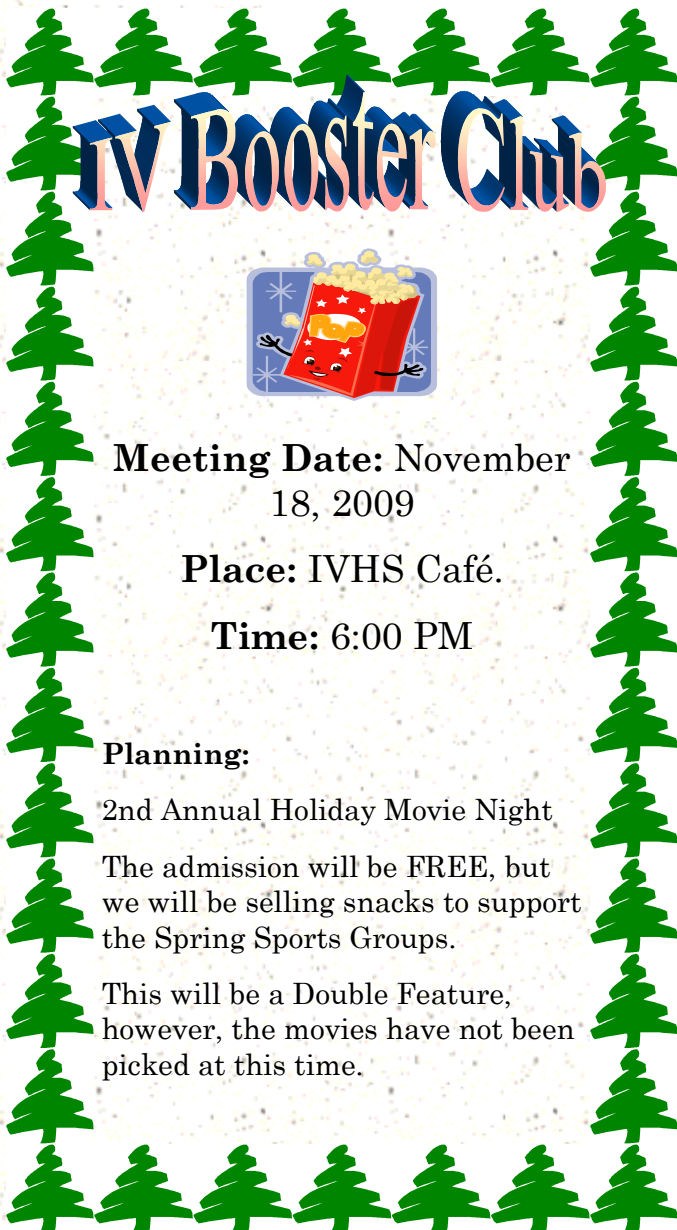
- ◆ **Anna Gutierrez** is the 9th grade advocate.
- ◆ **Ray Yarbrough** will be the 10th grade advocate.
- ◆ **Barbara Gamble** will be working as the advocate for 11th and 12th graders.
- ◆ **Heather Merrill** will advocate for all students including homeless youth and families. She also works with attendance issues.

If you have a struggling student—either with grades, attendance, behaviors—feel free to contact these folks, and they will do all they can to help your student be successful. Ms. Gamble will also be working with scholarships and helping the seniors get those completed.

SPECIAL THANKS

A very special thanks to Carole Windes for her amazing donation of 1/2 a pig and 1/2 of a beef to the school. She allowed us to raffle those off and put the money to some incentives for attendance. Carole was on the Site Council for two years, and she was passionate about improving our attendance rate. We made just over \$600 in the raffle. Thank you, Carole for your generosity and caring.

You made a difference!



Meeting Date: November
18, 2009

Place: IVHS Café.

Time: 6:00 PM

Planning:

2nd Annual Holiday Movie Night

The admission will be FREE, but we will be selling snacks to support the Spring Sports Groups.

This will be a Double Feature, however, the movies have not been picked at this time.

OSAA Sports Statement

In the area of sportsmanship, we ask our athletes to learn respect for coaches, their teammates, the opposing team, and officials.

Therefore, student athletes, coaches, spectators, and all others associated with high school activity programs and events should model the fundamental values of fairness, honesty, responsibility, and mutual respect. Remember what high school activities are all about – participation, teamwork, effort, and sacrifice. Please cheer in a positive manner and respect the decisions of the contest officials. Thanks for your support and enjoy each contest.

IVHS Athletic Department

WEBSTORE ANNOUNCEMENT TO STUDENTS AND PARENTS

We are pleased to introduce our upgraded Web Store. The online student store allows you to easily purchase items and pay for activities and debts, all securely via the internet.

For detailed instructions on how to setup your online account, go to

http://webstores.activenetwork.com/school-software/the_cougar_den/ and click on the Quick Start Guide.

Please note that purchases at the Cougar Den will include a 7.1% convenience fee to cover the charges for this service. For example, if you are purchasing a \$60.00 Season Family Sports pass, you will be charged \$64.26.



If you have any questions, or if you would like to see more items added to the Cougar Den, call Dianna Hall at 592-2116.

Find out what is available !

Parents, educators and concerned community folks are invited to come and have a closed door discussion about specific resources that may be available to help their child's unique and individual needs. School folks can come to see if a child is receiving services with community partners and/or to make a referral for a child to get services.

We have a board of professional people ready and available to talk about what their agency can provide and how to go about accessing services. This process is confidential. This process is intended to support families and kids and keep good communication with our schools. Child welfare, the juvenile department, drug and alcohol counselors, mental health counselors, teachers, school counselors and school administrators are just a few of the folks who are available for you to talk with each week. We also invite SOASTC and Family Friends to send from their agency's.

Please feel free to come and see what the meeting is all about. If you have a child you would like to get information about or for, please **call Kristi Ramsey, 541-472-9960** to reserve your spot. The meeting is each Thursday from 3-5pm. Always call ahead to make sure the team is meeting and has an opening for you.

Fall Sports Award Ceremony

Date: November 17, 2009

Time: 6:00 PM

Come support the amazing athletes at IVHS. Bring a dessert to share and have a great time.



Before School Detention

Due to scheduling conflicts for parents and students we will now have a Before School Detention Program to help students clear up their periodic attendance issues.

Once your student is on campus he/she will report to Ed Lab and stay there until the bell rings. They may work on homework or read a book. All school rules apply to this morning time.

If you have any questions, please, feel free to call the school at 541-592-2116.

Thank you for your help with keeping your student in school.



IT WAS A DUCKY DERBY, INDEED

Once again, our heartfelt thanks goes to all Rotarians for their hard work over many months to raise money for our kids. The dedication of these folks is beyond belief. The school was given a check for \$24,000 to use on upgrading our athletic facilities. If you have not seen the new press box on the football field or the new batting cages for the softball and baseball teams, you need to come by and take a look at what the Duck Derby monies have meant to our school.

**Rotarians—you have made
a difference!**

IT'S OFFICIAL!
THANKS TO YOUR VOTES
WE HAVE BEEN CHOSEN
AS ONE OF THE 30 WINNERS
NATION WIDE OF THE
KELLOGG'S FROSTED FLAKES



**Renovation will begin
soon on the
Track & Field Facility
at LBMS
for use by the
High School,
Middle School &
the Community!**

The \$15,000 renovation we will receive from Kellogg's is only a fraction of what is needed to upgrade this facility.



**DONATE TO THE
FIELD RENOVATION FUND AT
HOME VALLEY BANK**

IMPORTANT DATES

November 10	Mathletes to Southern Oregon University
November 11	Veterans Day—no school
November 14	IV Youth Wrestling Tournament
November 16	School Board @ 7:00 PM @ Manzanita
November 17	Fall Sports Awards—6:00 PM—Bring a dessert to share
November 18	Booster Club Meeting
November 20	Late Start Day and last day of the 1st Trimester
November 23 & 24	Clerical and Planning Days—No school for students
November 25	Budget Reduction Day—No school for staff or students
November 26 & 27	Thanksgiving Vacation—No school for staff or students
November 30	Classes resume
December 14	School Board Meeting @ 7:00 PM @ Jerome Prairie
December 17	Winterfest Concert @ 7:00 PM
December 22-January 1	Winter Break
January 2	Youth Wrestling Classic Qualifier
January 5	Classes Resume
January 11	School Board Meeting @ 7:00 pm @ District Office

Mark Your Calendar



FFA

Future Farmers of America (FFA) work hard all year. They are working with their live stock animals. Six students have pigs and two students are working with steers.



The Ag class is currently working on a candle fundraiser to help students with the costs for fair. There are several scents to choose from. The cost of a candle is \$10.00, but if you buy two you get the third one free. They will be on sale starting November 9, 2009 thru Christmas time.



If you have any questions or would like to help with some fundraisers contact Mrs. Amy Meyer at 541-592-2116.

WINTER SPORTS ARE STARTING

Winter sports will start practice on November the 9th. If you are planning to participate make sure that you have your athletic packet and sports physical completed.

JV/Varsity Boys Basketball

December 1 JV/Varsity @ South Umpqua @ 5:30 & 7:00 PM

December 7 JV/Varsity @ St. Mary's @ 6:30 & 8:00 PM

December 10 Varsity @ Mount Shasta @ TBA

December 15 JV/Varsity @ Rogue River @ 5:30 & 7:00 PM



JV/Varsity Girls Basketball

December 1 JV/Varsity Here South Umpqua @ 5:30 & 7:00 PM

December 8 JV/Varsity @ St. Mary's @ 6:30 & 8:00 PM

December 11, 12 Varsity @ Brookings @ TBA

December 15 JV/Varsity vs. Rogue River @ 5:30 & 7:00 PM

Wrestling

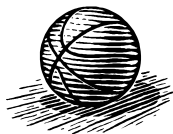
December 3 @ Brooking Harbor @ 6:00 PM

December 5 @ Del Norte @ 9:00 AM

December 11 @ North Bend @ TBA

ATHLETES

Remember students must maintain academic eligibility in order to play winter sports. If a student was on probation this season and they do not pass 4 out of 5 classes and have at least a 2.0 GPA this trimester, they will not be able to wrestle, play basketball, swim, bowl, cheerlead, or ride for the equestrian team. Parents, make sure your students are keeping their grades up. This trimester will be over in a matter of days. Also, remember student athletes are also required to continue making adequate progress toward the graduation requirements. If you have any questions, please contact Mr. Higgins at the school.



2009/2010 ADVERSE WEATHER CONDITIONS

Straight Line Routes For: Illinois Valley, Lorna Byrne, Evergreen

In the event of adverse weather conditions parents are advised to tune in to Radio Stations KRWQ, KAJO, KLDR, KBOY and TV Stations KOB1 (5), KDRV (12), KTVL (10) or the 3 Rivers School District Web Page for information on school bus schedules.

Sometimes weather conditions leave some roads blocked or unsafe to travel but school is still being held. Under these circumstances "straight line routes" will be run. This is the information you will get on the web page or radio/TV stations.

When straight line routes are run the roads affected are listed below.

If you live on one of the roads the buses cannot travel, you may bring your student to the nearest intersection of the main road traveled. This will also be the stop for the afternoon drop off.

ROUTE #	STREET NAME
C-01	Lone Mountain (Past Naue Way)
C-02	Cascade, Mesa Verde, Fernwood, Ivy, Simmons Cut, Patton Bar
C-03	Waldo Past O'Brien Road, West Side Road, Old 199 & Turner
C-04	No Pick Ups Past Four Corners
C-05	Caves Hwy (Past 6540, Caves Campground), Walters
C-06	Robinson Road, Jackadell
C-07	Hummingbird, Garner
C-08	Warren Road, Illinois River Road, Hwy 199 Past Rays Mkt.
C-09	Thompson Creek Road, McMullen Creek Road, Lakeshore past Dryden
C-10	Crooks Creek, Upper Deer Creek (past Intersection At Lakeshore)
C-11	Draper Valley Road, Reeves Creek

CREDIT MAKE UP

Credit makeup is now available after school on Monday thru Thursday from 3:30—5:30 with Ms. Anna Gutierrez. If you have any questions about what classes are available or just want general information, please call her at 541-592-2116. Credit makeup must now be done after school. All students participating will be asked to sign a contract of commitment. Ms. Anna is also available to help any Freshman who may need help with school work at this time as well.

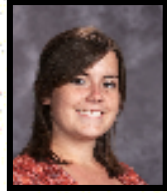
PRINCIPAL'S STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

SEPTEMBER 2009



Celilo is the son of Ginger and James Nordal. Celilo is a member of Mathletes, Band, Scouts, and the Soccer and Track Teams. He is a senior patrol leader in Boy Scouts and is a First Class Ranking Scout. Celilo is a National Honor Society Scholar. He has earned four varsity letters in sports and has received the Skyline Conference Scholar Athlete Award.

After graduation Celilo plans to attend college working toward a doctorate in law/medicine.



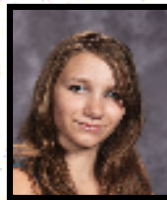
Megan is the daughter of Stephanie and Glenn Householder. She is currently the Sophomore Class Vice President. She is a member of the basketball and track teams. Last year Megan received the Summa Cum Laude Award for having a 4.0 GPA.

Megan plans to attend college at the University of Tennessee. She would like to become a nurse and then get more schooling to be a doctor.



Jon is the son of Amy and Michael Anderson. He is a member of the Wrestling, Football and Baseball teams. Jon has earned three varsity letters.

After graduation Jon plans to attend college and wrestle for that college.



Kayla is the daughter of Laura and Ray Young. Kayla studies dance in Grants Pass one day a week and is part of the yoga class at IVHS. Kayla was awarded Band Student of the Year last year.

Kayla plans to attend college after graduation in 2013. She is considering becoming a fitness trainer.

Congratulations to the Principal's Students of the Month. These students consistently demonstrate Cougar Pride by showing perseverance, respect, integrity, discipline and excellence. Parents of these students should be very proud of these young people. They are role models to other students and a joy to their teachers and the staff at IVHS.

STAND CLUB

"There is a new club this year at Illinois Valley High School, STAND: Students Taking Action Now for Diversity. This club formed late last year in the midst of too much school violence and graffiti. It was borne of an effort to bring our students together in spite of our differences; to stand as one. We currently meet every other Wednesday and on Mondays after school. The issues that our school tackled last year, with STAND's help, are now minimal. This year the club plans to tackle other issues that our students feel worthwhile, such as making sure that all teachers are treated with respect and that all students feel respected. We are currently in the process of brainstorming solutions that we feel will have an impact. There will be many other issues that we will STAND up for this year as time marches on." *Ms. Valenzuela, STAND Club Advisor*

IVHS After Hours—1st Trimester

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday
<i>Sign Language</i> 3:30-5:30 pm	<i>Yoga</i> 4:00-5:30 pm	<i>Scrapbooking</i> 3:30-5:30 pm	Archery 3:30-5:30 pm
Orchestra 3:30-5:30 pm	Martial Arts: Tai Yuan Tao 3:30-5:30 pm	Orchestra 3:30-5:30 pm	Poetry Writing Workshop 3:30-5:30 pm
Home-Style Cooking 3:30-5:30 pm		Salsa Dancing 3:30-5:30 pm	
		Sewing 3:30-5:30 pm	
Basketball Open Gym 6:00-8:00 pm (Girls)		Basketball Open Gym 6:00-8:00 pm (Boys)	
Homework Help Credit Retrieval Monday - Thursday 3:30-5:45 pm		SMILE Science and Math Club 3:30-4:30	IVHS Annual 3:30-5:30 pm College Prep ASPIRE 3:30-5:45 pm

IVHS *After Hours* programs are funded by a 21st Century Community Learning Center Grant. All classes are free and open to students, staff and parents/guardians. For more information contact Jen Marsden at 592-2116.

TO CONTACT A TEACHER

There are three ways to contact an IVHS teacher:

1. Email—can be accessed on webpage. Email addresses are all in this format:
firstname.lastname@threeivers.k12.or.us
2. Call the school and leave a message.
3. Call their school cell phone. Teachers will not be able to answer during the school day, but if you leave a message, they will return your call within 24 hours.

Ms. Barker—787-0854

Ms. Hardy—787-0861

Ms. Meyer—787-0858

Mr. Bradley—787-0855

Mr. Higgins—787-0862

Mr. Morgan—787-0867

Mr. Duffy—787-0871

Ms. Hipps—787-0872

Ms. Schiermeyer—787-0868

Mr. Enoch—787-0856

Mr. Knight—787-0863

Ms. Szijarto—787-0869

Ms. Farmer—787-0857

Mr. Lathen—787-0864

Ms. Valenzuela—787-0870

Mr. Grosenbach—787-0859

Mr. McHugh—787-0865

Ms. Hansford—787-086

Mr. McKee—787-0866

Mason's Student of the Month

September 2009



Wyllie is the daughter of Caitlin and Hans-Peter Ahl. She is currently the Editor-in-Chief of the Illinois Valley High School Newspaper. Wyllie is a member of Brain Bowl, Academic Challenge, Orchestra, National Honor Society and Mathletes. Wyllie competed in the Academic Masters in Social Studies last year placing 3rd.

Wyllie plans to attend the City University of New York, majoring in history and English with a Masters in Education to become a high school History Teacher.

October 2009

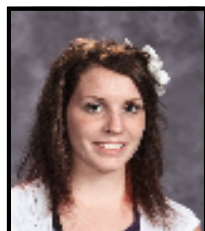


Ben is the son of Susan and David Kendall. He is currently the ASB Student Body President. Ben was also the ASB Student Body President his junior year and held the class offices of Sophomore Class Treasurer and Junior Class Treasurer. Ben is a member of National Honor Society, International Club, Mathletes, Fishwatch, and Soccer, Football, Basketball and Baseball Teams.

Ben has received Principal Student of the Month and Skyline Conference Honorable Mention in Soccer and Baseball.

After graduation Ben plans to attend the University of Oregon with a possible transfer to Oregon State University seeking a degree in sport and exercise science.

November 2009



Heidi is the daughter of Colleen and John Unger. She is currently the Senior Class ASB Business Manger. She has held the offices of Junior Class President and Sophomore Class Representative. Heidi is a member of STAND, Cougar Pals, SMILE, ASPIRE, Mathletes, Drama Club, Volleyball, Track and Cross Country Teams. She was awarded Best Attitude in Volleyball in 2007, Most Inspirational in Track - 2009 and the Cougar Pride Award.

Heidi has volunteered for Relay for Life, Gear Up mentoring and Bible Club Leader.

Heidi plans to attend Portland Bible College in the fall where she will receive her Bachelor's Degree in Theology. This will prepare her for a life as a pastor and later a medical missionary. She says this is not a typical profession for women, but it is what she feels called to do.

Family Advocate Fundraiser

TWO LETTERMAN'S JACKETS WILL BE RAFFLED OFF EACH SEASON AT THAT SEASON'S AWARDS BANQUET. PROCEEDS WILL BE USED TO SUPPORT THE FAMILY ADVOCATE PROGRAM AT ILLINOIS VALLEY HIGH SCHOOL. THE MONEY RAISED GOES TO HELP STUDENTS IN NEED.

TICKET PRICES ARE:

1 FOR \$2.00 OR 3 FOR \$5.00

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO PURCHASE A TICKET, PLEASE SEE EITHER HEATHER MERRILL OR DEANA ENGLER, OR YOU MAY CALL THE SCHOOL AT 541-592-2116.

Senior Information—News for the class of 2010

IV Scholarship Packet: Go through the packet and decide which scholarships you want to apply for. You will need **two letters of recommendation**, three staff recommendations, an activities chart and four typed scholarship statements. The application is available online at www.threerivers.k12.or.us. Due date 1/13/10.

Apply for the Oregon Student Assistance Commission (OSAC) Scholarships: This online application contains the Ford, Gear Up and many other scholarships. Complete the application at www.getcollegefunds.org. Available online 11/2/09. Early Bird due date 1/19/10-2/16/10. Final: 3/1/10.

Apply for RCC Foundation Scholarships: If you may be attending RCC you should submit their scholarships application. Three out of four students who submit an application receive a scholarship. Apply online at www.rccfoundation.org. Due date 3/2/09.

Take the SAT: If you are applying to a four year college, you need to take the SAT. The test will be given at IVHS on Jan. 23rd, 2010 (deadline to register 12/15/09). Register for the SAT at www.collegeboard.com. Our school code is 380150. See Ms. Thornhill to see if you qualify for a fee waiver.

Apply to Schools: Don't forget to get your applications for admissions and scholarships in by school deadlines (see below). You may be eligible for a deferment of application fees (see Ms. Thornhill).

Plan to come to our Financial Aid/Scholarship Info Night-December 2, 6:30-8:00 pm:

Get information on how to apply for federal financial aid, and state and local scholarships.

OREGON UNIVERSITY SYSTEM SCHOOLS 2010-11

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All OUS schools require a high school diploma and have the following subject requirements: 4 English, 3 Math (through Algebra 2), 2 Science, 3 Social Studies, 2 Foreign Language (passed with at least a C-). Students must take the SAT or ACT.							
Guaranteed Admission Requirements	3.0 GPA	3.0 GPA	3.0 GPA; Insight Resume	3.0 GPA	2.75 GPA	3.4 GPA w/16 college prep credits	2.75 GPA
Exceptions to Minimum GPA Requirements * SAT totals are combined Reading and Math sections	2.75 GPA w/1470+ SAT score (all SAT sections) < 2.75 GPA: Essay required	See www.oit.edu Freshman Admissions	Petition Undergrad Admissions Committee (UAC)	1000+ SAT score*	910-1120*	Course rigor and test scores considered; essay required	See www.wou.edu Student Admissions
Application and Scholarship Priority Filing Date	2/1/2010 Rolling after 2/1/2009	2/1/2010	2/1/2010	2/1/2010 Rolling after 6/1/2009	2/15/2010 Rolling after 2/15/2009	1/15/2010	2/16/2010

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Principal: Ms. Jo Ann Bethany
ice Principal: Ms. Patty Dickens-Turk
Athletic Director: Mr. Mark Higgins
Office Manager: Ms. Janie Pope



We are on the web

**[http://www.threerivers.k12.or.us/
index.asp](http://www.threerivers.k12.or.us/index.asp)**

Speed Limit on School Grounds

Students and parents, please, remember that the speed limit on school grounds is **5** miles per hour. That speed is going to feel **very slow**, but it is the law. We have had several issues of either parents or students going over the speed limit which can cause safety issues on campus. We do not want anyone hurt.

Watch the school zone signs on Laurel Rd and River Street. The speed limit is 20 mph. Many tickets have been issued in the school zone this year so be aware the speed limit is being monitored. We want to keep our students who walk safe. Take a deep breath and enjoy the ride! It will add up to seconds of your time that could save someone's life.

Thanks for your help!

