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## A Night At The Opera\* By Evan Kramer

How about starting your Valentine's Day celebrating a little early this year? This Saturday night the Port Orford Arts Council and Point Orford Heritage Society have just the ticket for you. They are sponsoring an appearance by members of the Portland Opera Resident Artists at the Port Orford Community Building. The eleven members of the troupe will not be performing an entire opera but selections from several operas and musicals. They will begin the evening with a number from the musical *Beauty and the Beast* by Alan Menken, performing the song "Be Our Guest". Other musical numbers will include several selections from *The Marriage Of Figaro* by Mozart, *Jenufa* by Leos Janacek, *Sweeney Todd* by Stephen Sondheim, *Der Rosenkavalier* by Richard Strauss and *Kismet* by Robert Wright and George Forrest.

The Resident Artists of the Portland Opera who will be performing on Saturday include Charmaine Hamann, Diane Syrcle, Kimberly Germaine, John Joseph Concepcion, Dominic Inferrera, William Andrew Stuckey and James Creswell. The musical director and pianist for the evening is Thomas Webb. Ken Weiss will also perform on the piano. Michael

Berkson is the stage director and Thorey Mountain is the choreographer.

This much anticipated and unique performance begins at 8:00pm. Tickets are \$10.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children and will be available at the door. They are available in advance at the Grantland Mayfield Gallery and the Cook Gallery.

By the way work is proceeding on the replacement of the metal roof on the Community Building and as of Tuesday it was over two thirds completed.

\*with apologies to Grouch Marx and his brothers Harpo and Chico.

## Surfing The Internet

Pacific High School now has a web page on the Internet. The address is [www.coos.or.us/~oconnor/stw/phs01.htm](http://www.coos.or.us/~oconnor/stw/phs01.htm). We printed up a copy of the information about the high school and it was quite interesting. No, the Internet is definitely not the solution to a paper free world. What happens, if you're like me, is that you get tired of looking at the computer monitor and start printing out all kinds of items of interest. Then you end up with more printouts than you could have imagined.

One section of the Pacific High page is devoted to the student company known

as Pacific Web Corporation. One of the three subsidiaries of this corporation is a one acre cranberry bog which is located at the high school. The bog is in the "under construction" phase right now and the students are planning to plant the cranberry vines this spring. The students and their teacher Stephen Hood have also set up a propagation greenhouse.

The web page had an article on the Pacific High School video lab. It says students are working on three videos in their video lab including one on Hughes House, another on the Cape Blanco Lighthouse and a third on the cranberry industry. The teacher involved with the video lab is Paul Young.

Also featured on the Internet site is a page devoted to the Poseidon II which is a radio operated submarine. It was recently launched in a pond at the high school, and in the ocean.

One of the articles noted that a crew from the PBS television station WQED, Pittsburgh, had been at Pacific High for two days filming part of what will be a documentary on the subject of School-To-Work. Hopefully other PBS stations will show the documentary including Oregon Public Broadcasting. I'm impressed that our high school students are attracting national attention. Good job!

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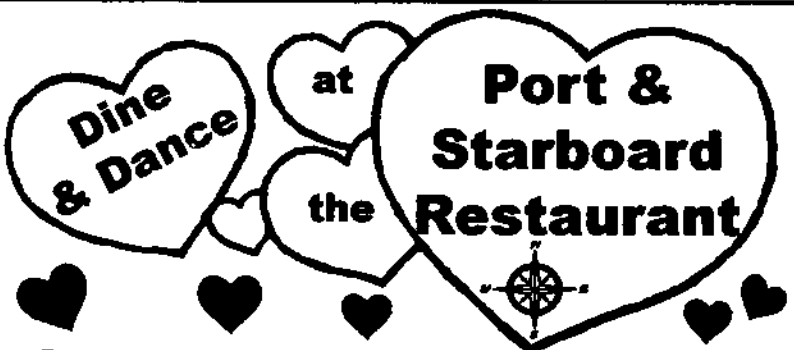
Teachers, day care providers, parents, foster parents, grandparents and any interested individuals are encouraged to attend this inspiring workshop opportunity.

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Courtesy of the Port Of Gold Beach

Date	High	Low	High	Low
Thu Feb 8	1:50am 6.7	8:00am 1.9	1:33pm 6.4	8:08pm 0.8
Fri Feb 9	2:21am 6.9	8:48am 1.7	2:21pm 6.0	8:44pm 1.3
Sat Feb 10	2:58am 7.0	9:44am 1.5	3:19pm 5.5	9:26pm 1.8
Sun Feb 11	3:40am 7.2	10:46am 1.3	4:33pm 5.1	10:18pm 2.3
Mon Feb 12	4:33am 7.3	11:55am 0.9	6:04pm 4.9	11:17pm 2.7
Tue Feb 13	5:35am 7.4	NONE —	7:32pm 5.1	1:08pm 0.4
Wed Feb 14	6:41am 7.6	12:32am 3.0	8:42pm 5.5	2:13pm -0.1
Thu Feb 15	7:47am 7.9	1:45am 2.9	9:41pm 5.9	3:11pm -0.6

### Official Weather

Provided by the City of Port Orford  
Public Utilities Department

Date	High	Low	Rain
Jan. 27	52	39	1.15
Jan. 28	48	40	.44
Jan. 29	45	41	.35
Jan. 30	50	43	.44
Jan. 31	57	35	—
Feb. 1	53	35	—
Feb. 2	54	41	.05

### Fish Fry

Gold Beach Locals and Visitors can find just the right meal on Saturday, February 17, at the Thirteenth Annual Fish Fry, sponsored by the Squaw Valley - North Bank Rural Fire Protection District.

It's an all-you-can-eat, down home event, that will be at the Curry County Fairgrounds from 11 am till 7pm. Tickets will be available at the door at a cost of \$6 for

adults, and \$3 for children under 9 years of age.

Larry Minnich, coordinator of the event plans to have enough Cajun-spiced or battered fried fresh snapper to fill all the appetites of those present. To compliment the fish you will find cole slaw, baked beans, bread, and of course the famous homemade desserts.

Averages	51.3	39.1	.49
		Total	2.43

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8:00am - 1:30pm

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Tuesday, February 13, from 6:00 - 9:00pm. This class is state-required for Adult Foster Care Providers. Don't miss out on the chance to maintain or gain your certification close to home. The course also contains information that may be helpful to anyone caring for adults at home. Tuition is \$34.00. Pre-registration is required. For more information, call your local SWOCC office at 469-5017 or 247-2741.

## Langlois Public Library News by Tobe Porter

We always have reason to be grateful to our volunteers, and that is especially true of the eight people who spent all the daylight hours of Jan. 19 and 20 doing the Library inventory. My heartfelt thanks go to: Sheryl Alexander, Loretta Hillman, Virginia and Amanda Hughes, Arlene Lawton, Buzzy Nielsen, Jon Porter and Keri Undell. A very special thank you to 2nd grader Megan Hughes who also donated her time, preparing materials for pre-school story time. These kind people made a tough job fun.

Our first Fourth Friday program, "The Versatile Crepe" with Chef Jeff Kerker was delicious and entertaining. Now we are looking forward to the next program on Feb. 23 at 4:00 p.m. when Financial Consultant Donna Stolle from Smith Barney Shearson will give us an expert's view of financial planning in words we can all understand. Hope to see you the Fourth Friday of every month or before.

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Senior News  
By Mary Yoder

This is the way February started out - February 3, Saturday the spaghetti dinner. Now if you missed this you missed something special - all you could eat even a dessert. There was a good turn out. Those who did such a good job were: June Dennison, Lee Hyle, Bobbetta Kron, Thelma Lagace, Glorene Godfrey, Gale

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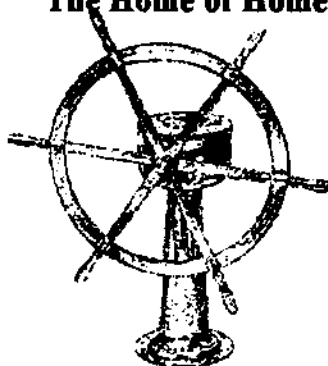
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Lee, Buddy Lee, Ruth Newkirk, Pieve Stalh, Mildred Welch. Now I don't know who was in charge. I only want to say good job - do it again soon.

Now these volunteers worked February 1: Norma Ellis, Bessie Laursen, Greta Carson, Betty Harper, Thelma Lagace, Ruth Newkirk. Now no one gets paid for cleaning, cooking, scrubbing, washing windows, or doing the grounds. The money that comes from the luncheons goes to pay the bills. Yes there are bills we even have to pay for a license to have the luncheon - a big one too. The money from the rummage sales also helps pay the bills. I bet you never thought of that. Even coffee, tea and water costs. So when I put the names of the volunteers in the paper it's because they are doing their part to keep this wonderful center going.

February 4 was the birthday party. Mary Corey and Vincent Dluge brought Harvey and Francis White - also a beautiful

birthday cake. Harry White was 90 years old February 5. There were others with February birthdays also - nice crowd. Mildred Welch, Bobbetta Kron, and Peigi Stalh did the serving, dishes and anything else. A good time was had by all.

February 5 the pinacole party. High for ladies was Dorothy Spencer. High for men C. David Klien. Low for ladies Betty Keeler and low for men Art Klima. Micky Harper and Betty Keeler ended up wearing the necklaces.

Don't forget Saturday, February 10 is Valentines Lunch at 11:30 - also the Sing Alongs singing. Rummage sale the same day from 8 till 1:30.

February 11 is the breakfast from 8 till 1:30 - you all come. Pool is on Tuesday and Thursday nights from 7 to 9 also cards and other games.

Wednesday, February 14 is the Board Meeting at 1pm. Guess that will do it for this time. See you at the Center.

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## Letter to the Editor,

On Feb. 2, Chairman Blount & Leader Wold declared, no special show to censure Board Member Marc Farmer. Farmer only violated State laws, naughty, naughty.

Valerie Kramer violated a local District rule, so censure her, embarrass her, chastise her, make her quit the 2CJ School Board in disgrace.

Alas, alas, the Boards plans didn't work, as Attorney David Dorsey said, "Kramer violated no State Laws and is still a member of the 2CJ School Board.

Who ever wrote the script should have left out the Board Member who with tears running down her cheeks and in a tearful voice told Kramer that she had deeply hurt so many people.

Sorry to say, her performance went over like a lead balloon. (It's hard to call 6 Board Members plus 1 superintendent so many).

Kramer unseated a local bar owner who at the time of the election was Chairman of the 2CJ School Board.

Kramer simply said, if you elect me, I'll do the best I can for the Students and Parents in the 2CJ District.

Whether or not you like Kramer, she has kept her promises, because she was honest enough to tell the truth. The following Vendettas the Board had planned cannot now take place.

- 1) The Board cannot cheat teacher Ringo out of his tenure as it did last year.
- 2) The Board cannot fire Principal Nickless because he refused to join the Boards Vendetta against certain District Staff.
- 3) The Board cannot install Superintendent Wold with a second job as High School Principal and stick the District with 2 salaries for their leader.

The censure hearing that Wold and Blount had so carefully planned blew up in their faces.

I agree with the spectator that said Blount and Wold reminded him of Edgar Bergen and Charley McCarthy except in this show I would substitute Mortimer Snerd for Charley.

Remember, the secret is to forget the one who's mouth seems to be doing the talking, keep your eyes on the quiet one who's lips are moving.

Rick B. Peabody

## Wilken Announces Candidacy

David A. Wilken filed for the Democratic Nomination for Curry County Commissioner, Position #3 on Monday. Wilken, a Port Orford tree farmer ( and holder of the Oregon State University "Master Woodland Manager" certificate,) is a 1970 graduate of the University of Notre Dame.

Wilken and his wife, Marlene K. (Marty) Wilken, first came to Curry County in 1970 from Omaha, Nebraska. Wilken ran as an Independent for County Commissioner in 1974 and '76, after which they returned to Omaha to rear their two sons near their families. Dave and Marty kept in touch, purchased their tree farm and residence on Port Orford's Hensley Hill in 1989, and returned "home" a year ago next month. Marty has a PhD. in rural health issues and is the Quality Assurance Coordinator and a nurse at the County's Home Health and Hospice Agency. Their sons are both in university studies back in Nebraska.

Wilken is presently chairman of both the Port Orford Watershed Council and the County's Recycling Committee, and is a member of the Port Orford Chamber of Commerce. In 1975 he was the first chairman of the County's Citizen Involvement Committee.

While they lived in Omaha, Wilken served for nearly fifteen years as executive di-

rector of the South Omaha Neighborhood Association, a community economic development nonprofit. He served on the boards of a number of community betterment groups and civic organizations, including a term as a state officer in Optimist Clubs. Wilken was chairman of the board of the NE State Recycling Association, and was honored at a White House ceremony as a national finalist in the U.S. Department of the Interior's 1988 "Take Pride in America" Awards for creating kindergarten through college recycling programs.

Wilken was elected and reelected to the Omaha School Board (1981-1989) and was elected to Omaha's Metro Community College Board in 1990, serving four years, two of them as Chairman. He was appointed by Nebraska Governor Ben Nelson as a founding board member of the Nebraska Environmental Trust, the agency which awards one fourth of Nebraska's lottery proceeds to innovative environmental projects statewide. Gov. Nelson also commissioned Wilken as an Admiral in the Nebraska Navy in recognition of his civic leadership.

Wilken said of his filing, "Issues I tried to bring out in '74 and '76 have come back to haunt us. Since then many Commissioners, including the incumbent in position #3, have been encouraging us to eat our seed corn. This must and will end. I have the experience and vision to help us get through these challenging times to a better tomorrow. I have proven my integrity and demonstrated my abilities. I know the process, I can match my "sensible centrist" credentials against those of the best, and I don't owe any political favors. I am the right candidate, and this is the right time. I'm looking forward to getting this message out to the voters."

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## **Community Response Team**

Community leaders and citizens charting the course of future community and economic development in Port Orford will hold their third meeting on Thu., Feb. 8, from 6:30-9:30pm, at the Port Orford Senior Center. The group, referred to as the Community Response Team (CRT), is engaged in developing a strategic plan for the community that develops specific projects to strengthen the community's economic base and quality of life.

At the third session the CTR will continue it's work to establish community and economic development goals, strategies to reach those goals and specific action plans to enact the strategies. The planning process is facilitated by Rural Development Initiatives, Inc. (RDI), a state wide non profit organization that assists rural Oregon communities, and is funded by the U.S. Forest Service and the Oregon Lottery. RDI can be contacted at 503-343-6708.

## **Mobile Mammography**

Curry General Hospital's mobile mammography unit will make its monthly visit to Curry Family Medical clinic in Port Orford, Wednesday, February 14\*. The unit comes to Port Orford clinic every second Wednesday monthly.

The American Cancer Society recommends a first-time mammogram for most women by age 40. Mammograms are recommended every one to two years for women 40-49, and annually for women 50 and older. Those 60 and older should be especially aware of the importance of early detection because they are at increased risk for developing breast cancer, Kathy Comer, RN, Curry Breast Health Network coordinator, says.

Low-income women can get funding for free mammograms through the Texas-based Susan G. Komen Foundation. Check with the clinic for eligibility details.

Besides scheduling visits in Port Orford, patients can schedule mammograms throughout the month at Curry General Hospital in Gold Beach.

To make an appointment in Port Orford or inquire about eligibility requirements for a Komen free mammogram, phone Curry Family Medical at (503) 332-3861. To make an appointment in Gold Beach, phone Curry General Hospital at 1-800-445-8085, or (503) 247-6621, ext. 116.

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Celebrate 45 years of community health care with exhibits, demonstrations, chamber music and munchies when Curry General Hospital hosts its third annual Sunday Valentine Open House, from 1 to 4pm, February 11<sup>th</sup>.

Along with their traditional tours and art displays, organizers this year promise some surprises associated with the theme,

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"Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow". At 3:30pm, the hospital board will dedicate the hospital's newly refurbished annex - formerly the home of the Vern and Anna May Kolen family.

"We're planning to honor the late Dr. Gladys Doll and our many past supporters during the dedication, so we thought it appropriate to incorporate the history of health care into our theme," said William Nickerson, MD, administrator.

Throughout the afternoon, members of the Curry County Historical Society will exhibit historical photos and artifacts; "old-timers" have been invited to recall their memories in the annex where visi-

tors can stop by to look at the exhibit and listen to the informal "recollecting," Nickerson added.

"We're also anxious to show the public around since making so many changes in the past few months," he said. "We're looking forward to talking with people about how we do medicine here now."

The open house will feature an emergency room demonstration starring "victim," John Muellner, of Gold Beach Summer Theatre. Supporting cast will include R.G. Williams, MD, chief of medical staff, as well as "true life" nursing and ambulance personnel.

The public also will get a chance to view the recently purchased blood gas analyzer made possible through Curry Health Foundation contributions. Radiology staff also will be on hand, including newly contracted physicians with Medford Radiology and Curry Breast Health Network staff.

Other highlights will include members of the Curry-Del Norte Youth Orchestra, directed by Gwen Rust. The wind trio includes Kim Villian, flute; Kristian Stremberg, oboe and flute; and Nanette Rust, clarinet. The string group consists of Roochita, Palak and Poorav Patel, all children of Dr. Pravin and Bharti Patel of Brookings. The youngsters will be joined by Gene Andrie on violin.

Everyone is invited to attend.

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But the sky is blue and clear.  
He could work lots of places,  
But he's happier right here.

My Ma is just a housewife,  
and not some yuppie geek.  
but she likes all our neighbors,  
and her garden by the creek.

And Sis, she likes to travel.  
We all do now and then.  
But the trip that we like most  
you see, is gettin' home again.

Well this may be the toolies,  
But to us it sure is bliss.  
So this is where we choose to live,  
Ma, Pa, and me and Sis!

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**Letter to the Editor,**

I want to apologize to the Mayor for my misunderstanding of City Policy, that questions must not be brought up in the press, when the public may benefit from the answers.

It seems that the Mayor would rather the public come to the City Hall to get their answers. This course of action will however, reduce the amount of persons able to take the time to ask questions and will allow all of the answers to be customized.

I will still be posing questions in the press and hopefully someone will have the courage to address them, instead of calling them allegations and accusations, so that answers do not have to be made.

Walt Kaplan

Sign in a Bucharest Hotel Lobby

"The lift is being fixed for the next day. During that time we regret that you will be unbearable."

**Love**

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His tongue would freeze.  
His teeth would chatter.  
The words won't come.  
He can only stammer.  
But in the end,  
It doesn't matter.  
She knows he loves her.

He doesn't send her,  
Cards and flowers.  
He doesn't sing,  
To her for hours.  
But she can almost,  
Feel the power  
Of him loving her.

It happens in,  
The darkest night.  
She wakes afraid.  
He holds her tight.  
And then she knows,  
That its all right,  
Because he loves her.

Its not about,  
Romance you know.  
He's just your plain,  
Old average Joe.  
But she will never  
Ever go  
Leave him for another.

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**Bereavement Support Group**

The regular meetings of the Bereavement Support Group will be on Fridays, February 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> at noon in the Zion Lutheran Church, Library Room, 149 - 20<sup>th</sup> St., Port Orford.

Anyone who is grieving the loss of a spouse, child, relative, partner, or friend is invited. For more information, please call Donna Smith at 332-1300 or Luana Berens, LCSW, at Curry County Home Health/Hospice at 247-7084, 469-0405 or 1-800-535-9472.

Sign in a Leipzig Elevator

"Do not enter the lift backwards, and only when lit up."

**Moonlight Serenade**  
© 1996 by Marlene Gay

Beyond the cantina,  
and in a puddle...  
Some crooning reptiles,  
began to huddle.

As mariachi frogs  
they carried a tune,  
and tonight they were urged  
by the clearing moon.

They began their song,  
staring up at the roof...  
charming the conchita...  
the spotted opera bouffe.

She hopped on the chimney,  
just above the eave...  
glared at the swooners,  
and begged them to leave.

"Your harmony is bad,  
there are no antidotes...  
for you reptiles who sing,  
with frogs in your throats!"

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### **Whale Watching Training**

In anticipation of catching sight of the gray whales as they pass our coast line this spring. Gold Beach is again hosting the Whale Watch Training Seminar for the Southern Oregon Coast. The Oregon State Parks and Recreation is calling for volunteers to join their "Whale Watch Spoken Here" program. The seminars prepare the volunteers to act as interpret-

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ers at the 28 sights for Whale Watching in Oregon.

Norma Christian, announces that Susan Riemer, Marine Biologist with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, will host the program in Gold Beach at the City Council Chambers at City Hall, on February 10<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup>. Registration will begin at 8:30am on Saturday the 10<sup>th</sup> with training to start at 9am. On Sunday, training will begin at 9am, followed by a visit to the Whale Watching site at Cape Sebastian. The seminar will adjourn at noon each day. Come and see first hand a gray whale baleen and view great videos as we track the 12,000 mile migration of the gray whale.

Whale Watching Week happens twice a year, timed to match the peak migration patterns of the gray whale. The dates for the spring watch will be March 23<sup>rd</sup> through the 30<sup>th</sup>.

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Q. Why don't cannibals eat clowns?  
A. Because they taste funny!

(Contributed by Flo Lichtig)

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