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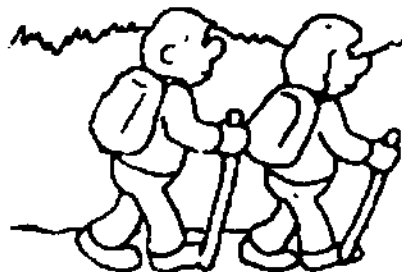
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## Port Orford Volkswalk By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford Arts Council and Chamber of Commerce have agreed to jointly sponsor a volkswalk in Port Orford on Memorial Day weekend, May 25, 26 & 27. I never heard of a volkswalk until a month ago but now that I understand it can hardly wait for this three day event. Volkssports are described in the Oregon Trails Magazine in the following manner: "Volkssports literally are popular or folk sports and a new and exciting way to exercise. Commonly referred to as volksmarches, volkswims, etc., they are non-competitive, recreational walking, swimming, bicycling, skating and cross-country skiing events providing aerobic exercise that contributes to physical fitness." Volkswalk means people's walk. It comes from the word Volkswagon which means people's car.

There will be three different volkssport events in Port Orford. One will be a 6.2 mile or 10 kilometer walk in town. Another walk will be at Cape Blanco. It will also be 6.2 miles. The third event is a 300 meter swim at Battle Rock beach. Sounds cold to me but participants can get credit for their swim even if they walk along the edge of the water with just their feet in the ocean. To illustrate how genuinely

non-competitive these walks are, participants can begin their walk any time between 9:00am and noon and must finish by 4:00pm. Each of the two walks and the swim will be held all three days of the Memorial Day weekend. The competitive aspect enters in with Volkswalkers who are trying to participate in and complete as many different walks as possible. The goal also is to finish the walk. Phil Harmon, from the Oregon Trail State Volkssport Association, told me the Volkswalkers enjoy it when there are garage sales along the route which they can stop and browse at and maybe even buy something.

The walks and swim are open to everyone whether or not you are a member of the Oregon Volkssport Association. The cost of each event is \$2.00 if you want to qualify for an entry pin. People from all over the state will be participating in these events. The start and finish of the walk in Port Orford will be the Port Orford Community Building. The start and finish point of the Cape Blanco walk will be the State Park day use area adjoining the Sixes River. The "westernmost walk in the lower 48 states" will take walkers by the Hughes House and Cape Blanco Lighthouse.

The Port Orford Arts Council is sponsor-

ing an event in conjunction with the Volkswalk at the Community Building on Saturday night, May 26. They are presenting Will Hornyak, a storyteller, from Lake Oswego. His repertory of material includes Native American and Pacific Northwest stories. His most recent storytelling performance is entitled "Storied Oregon". He spins tales of pioneer stories, explorer narrative as well as Native American and Oregon Territory folklore.

The Arts Council board of directors has met and decided to change the date of the annual Port Orford Arts Festival. It had originally been changed to Labor Day Weekend which is the same weekend as the Port Orford Grand Prix auto races at Cape Blanco State Airport. The Arts Council has decided to move the Arts Festival to the weekend of August 9, 10 & 11.

Other Port Orford events this year are the annual Fourth of July Jubilee Celebration followed by the Port Orford Jubilee Mountain Bike races on Saturday, July 6. Two things worth looking forward to this spring are the re-opening of Hughes House and the Cape Blanco Lighthouse to the public. This year those visiting this

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### Bed Tax Committee Report By Al Affonso

On February 12, 1996 the Bed Tax Ordinance Review Committee met to determine how Ordinance 212-90B could be clarified, in particular Section #24. The committee consisted of Councilman Robert Warring, Councilman Carl Eskelson, City Manager Dotti Myers and Al Affonso a member of the Bed Tax Committee.

After some discussion of Sections 1 and 24, Councilman Warring expressed that he was uncomfortable with the entire ordinance and the idea of a bed tax. I was in complete agreement with Councilman Warring and expressed my feeling on the

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subject. It is my feeling that it is an insidious concept to impose a tax on any particular segment of our society. I know it is an idea that has caught on in this country, but I don't believe that makes it just.

What if we enacted an ordinance that would demand all restaurant owners to impose a 6% tax on their clientele, or perhaps a 6% tax on any artisan's creation sold in this community to operate and maintain our cultural resources? It sounds absolutely crazy doesn't it to impose a tax on those people who travel many miles to view, appreciate and hopefully buy the work of one of our many artisans or choose to dine at one of our

restaurants. And yet, that is exactly what we are doing isn't it?

The argument could be made that tourists are impacting our community so should pay an extra fee. If tourists use more water and contribute more waste to our sewage treatment plant, isn't that paid for by those who are providing this service? Well of course it is! Are they not also keeping people employed?

Before the Bed Tax arrived on the scene, we all did quite well without it. The Jubilee Committee, the Lightnin' Bugs, the Arts Council, and yes, even the Chamber of Commerce. As a matter of fact, the dividing up of the Bed Tax money has been a flesh tearing, blood letting event. It certainly hasn't done anything to bring us together and help us work in harmony. We can do that on our own without the help of any ill conceived tax assess-

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Thu Feb 22	1:47am 7.6	8:13am 0.9	2:02pm 6.6	8:15pm 0.9
Fri Feb 23	2:26am 7.5	9:05am 1.0	2:58pm 6.0	8:57pm 1.6
Sat Feb 24	3:09am 7.3	10:01am 1.1	3:59pm 5.4	9:42pm 2.2
Sun Feb 25	3:56am 7.0	11:03am 1.2	5:15pm 5.0	10:31pm 2.8
Mon Feb 26	4:50am 6.8	11:34PM 3.1	6:41pm 4.9	12:09pm 1.2
Tue Feb 27	5:52am 6.6	NONE —	7:54pm 5.1	1:14pm 1.1
Wed Feb 28	6:55am 6.6	12:46am 3.3	8:53pm 5.3	2:14pm 0.9
Thu Feb 29	7:53am 6.7	1:54am 3.2	9:38pm 5.6	3:06pm 0.7

### Bed Tax Committee Report Continued

ments. Look what the Arts Council and Point Heritage Society did in their cooperative effort on Saturday evening. What a wonderful event the opera was and done so without any tax support. All these different organizations need is our support. Working together we can get off the tax handouts and do for ourselves.

Martha Weaver-Brittell has been hammering away at the need for maintaining and improving our city parks and the community building and she is 100% right. But doesn't that responsibility belong to all of us who use these parks and enjoy the community building? Why then should we expect people who are passing through to share this expense? Are they not already supporting our community by dining at our restaurants, staying at our motels and appreciating our artisans?

Think what a wonderful promotional tool

this could be, A Bed Tax Free Community on the Beautiful Oregon Coast.

The Bed Tax Ordinance Review Committee vote unanimously to abolish Bed Tax Ordinance 212-90B. The common council voted 4 to 2 to begin the process to abolish the ordinance. There will be plenty of opportunity for public input before any final decisions are made.

### Fair Weather Photo Hike

Still aiming to learn more about that camera you got for Christmas?

The public is invited to participate in a "fair weather" field trip of photo instruction and recreational hiking to Blacklock Point on Saturday, February 24.

Hikers will meet at 10:00am at the trailhead parking lot adjacent to the Cape Blanco State Airport.

Blacklock Point is a scenic and historically significant landmark along the Or-

egon Coast Trail between Cape Blanco and Floras Lake, about 50 minutes north of Gold Beach.

The hike is organized by photographer Frann Grossman for the Curry County 4-H program.

A photojournalist for more than 20 years, Grossman has taught local workshops for both adults and children through Southwestern Oregon Community College, Curry County Adult Education and the 4-H program.

Photographers of all ages and skill levels are welcome to come along. Bring a lunch and prepare for a water-logged footpath. The hike will be canceled if it's raining or blustery.

Donations to the Curry County 4-H program will be accepted.

Those wishing to carpool from Brookings or Gold Beach can phone Grossman for more information: (541) 247-7561.

### Project Graduation

Project Graduation will have their annual auction this Saturday evening at 7pm at Gold Beach Union High, in the multi-purpose room. If you have items to donate or need further information please call Piney Stansell at 247-6090. This event needs all the community support to have a safe graduation party for the graduating class of 1996.

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#### **Letter to the Editor,**

As a fiscal Conservative (and a social Liberal), it is my belief that if people or groups have a felt need they should raise the money to pay for it. In recent decades Oregon and the nation have been obsessed in their search to find "someone else" to pay their bill. In the case of the Bed Tax, these "someone else's", the motel patrons, were not out voted, they did not get a chance to vote! It has been explained to me that every town on the Oregon coast has a Bed Tax so why shouldn't we do it? Neither the store owners nor my mother thought much of that argument, and I grew to distrust it myself.

The explanation, "we need the money" was immortalized in the film, Bonnie and Clyde. This explanation has remained popular among a limited segment of our population:

It has also been explained to me that the money raised from the Bed Tax is being spent to make Port Orford more attractive for the tourist as well as residents, so why shouldn't the tourist pay their share. I personally approve of most of the projects funded from the Bed Tax, particularly

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those of the Gardening Clubs. I disapprove of the coercive way in which the money is extorted from those who may not think them necessary. I am in good company.

George, and English King, by trade, thought that his North American Colonies should pay more than they currently were, of the funds required to protect them from Frenchmen and Indians. Honest enough. If the money is being spent for your benefit you should kick out the cash right? To King George, some usage taxes seemed like a good idea. Maybe one on legal documents, one on mail and perhaps one on tea. Unfortunately those who were to pay these taxes were not consulted and their reaction has been called ungrateful.

The moral is, if you see a perceived need, raise your own money to meet it, don't tax, "someone else" to pay for it, they may not think it necessary.

A local businessman has shared with me his observation that Port Orford has had less of a cultural life since Civic Organizations can have money for the asking. In the past they organized community events to raise the money needed for their projects. It was his feeling that in those efforts he had won twice. First by attending the fund raisers and secondly by benefiting from the projects paid for by the money raised. I agree with him. I am in favor of community initiatives, and of taking responsibility. I am against taking

other peoples money. I am in favor of Port Orford setting a new trend by repealing it's Bed Tax.

**Robert J. Warring**  
City Councilman

#### **Public Meetings**

**Sixes Grange #856** will hold its monthly business meeting on Thursday, February 22, at 7:30pm at the Grange Hall, next to the Sixes Store. No pot-luck is planned.

**Port Orford City Council** holds a workshop meeting on Monday, February 26, 8:30am, at the Wheelhouse Restaurant.

**Port Orford Chamber of Commerce** membership meeting on Monday, February 26, noon, at the Port and Starboard Restaurant.

**Port Orford/Langlois 2CJ School District Board and Port Orford City Council** hold a joint meeting on Monday, February 26, at 7:00pm, in the Port Orford City Hall council chambers. Special guest for the meeting is attorney David Dorsey of Coos Bay who will discuss Oregon Public Meeting Laws. Editor's note: What a wonderful idea!

**Curry County Public Health Advisory Board** will meet on Tuesday, February 27, at 5:00pm, in the Commissioner's Meeting Room of the County Annex Building in Gold Beach. Any interested citizens are invited to attend.

## Letter to the Editor

Recently my wife and I were forced to return home from vacation in Mexico. We had found out we had become victims of an alleged crime.

To our utter disbelief, we were confronted with the fact our house sitter had been passing '2' party checks on our joint account. Signing my name!

Damage to ones credibility is severe in a small community. We are deeply sorry to all businesses in Bandon who've suffered a loss due to these activities.

For information regarding this call Curry County Sheriff at (541)249-7011 case #96C0235.

Gary Ross Kiefer  
Glenda Eakin Kiefer

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## Langlois Public Library News By Tobe Porter, Library Director

Our Fourth Friday Program, "Basics of Investing" presented by Donna Stolle, Financial Consultant with Smith Barney Shearson will be held at 4pm this Friday, February 23. Ms. Stolle will cover such topics as Risk vs. Reward, Tax Impact, and Estate Planning. This is your chance to question the expert and receive an answer you can understand. Baby-sitting will be available thanks to members of the Read and Review Club, with supervision by staff member Sheryl Alexander. The baby-sitting fee is \$1.00 per child; all proceeds will go toward R&R Club activities.

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## Home, Home on the Page by Valerie Jean Kramer

The last couple weeks have been pretty exciting for me as I have finally started getting The Downtown Fun Zone's Internet home page whipped into shape. I now have all the articles from the last couple issues of Port Orford Today! Online and I've just added listings of all of our videos to stimulate your interest.

If you are a @Harborside customer, you too can have a home page. A simple page is quite easy to create. Start by using Netscape, Internet Explorer, or your favorite web browser program to access the Harborside Home Page ([www.harborside.com](http://www.harborside.com)). From there, click on the link labeled, "What's New" and from there, choose the "beginner's guide link to making HTML World-Wide Web pages." Print this out so you can conveniently refer to it and read it carefully. You may also want to read (and/or print) the Beginner's Guide to HTML available on the net at <http://www.ncsa.uiuc.edu/General/Internet/WWW/HTMLPrimer.html>.

The guide says you need an HTML editor and it's true that one can make page construction much faster and easier, but you can do good work with nothing more than the DOS EDIT program or any other program or word processor that can save your file as an ASCII text file. I've been using Microsoft Word with the GT\_HTML template/macro additions. I've also used DOS EDIT, and more recently the Programmers File Editor (PFE) by Alan Phillips. PFE is a freeware program that I highly recommend. You can download it from [www.netex.net](http://www.netex.net).

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and-such. Blah, blah, blah.<P>
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This may not be the most sophisticated page in existence, but it's a start. Briefly note that most of the codes come in pairs: <HEAD>...</HEAD>. The first one marks the start of some feature and the second one (with the slash) marks the end. <H1> indicates the most significant of six heading levels (<H1> through <H6>). The <P> indicates the end of a paragraph and stands all by itself. There is no <P>. HTML documents ignore spaces, tabs, and the enter key, so to force the document to start a new line, you need to include <P>.

Once you've mastered the basics, you can add graphics, links to other pages, background textures, and lots, lots more! While browsing the web you can look at the source code to see how other people made their pages. From the Netscape menu bar, choose "View", "Document Source." In Windows 95 Internet Explorer, right click on the document and choose view source. In either program, you can use "Save As" from the File menu to save a copy of the HTML code to your own disk for later examination.

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**Letter To The Editor**

Some time ago the City Council complained that citizens of Port Orford did not have enough interest in what was going on at the council meetings for them to attend. Now at every meeting there are very few empty seats. The public obviously wants to be involved by joining the discussion on the items that are brought to the floor. So now our mayor has decided that the citizens may only discuss items on the agenda at the Public Input, prior to discussion. Sounds Good! The problem with that is, unless you are a Psychic, there is no way for you to know what the council's intention is for handling the questions. Activating this pro-

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cedure gives the council the ability to act without any pertinent comments from the public. I would guess that what they want is for the public to sit, observe and appreciate the wise way they use their superior intelligence to solve city problems without public dispute. Input from the citizenry, would not have, in their opinion, merit.

For correction of this procedure, or if you feel that you should be able to speak on agenda items as they are brought to the floor, inform the City Manager, Mayor and City Council Persons.

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The students of Driftwood Elementary and Blanco Middle School have joined together this year to offer the annual World's Famous Chocolate. Because of the restructuring and major changes with the school district, the kids need your help more than ever. The Booster Clubs at both Blanco and Driftwood have been called on to help supply some much needed items in preparation of the 1996-97 school year. Please help the kids, and enjoy some delicious chocolates at the same time!

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## School District Watch

This feature began in our Feb. 1, 1996 issue. Here are the current details.

Please note that this is not an official district notice and does not necessarily reflect the opinions of the board, the district, or its employees.

### Attitude Survey

**STATUS:** 55 weeks since inception, 23 weeks since it became a public issue. A public meeting was held in Port Orford with a panel including members from law enforcement, rehabilitation, etc. Each person had a chance to identify themselves and explain their job function. I applaud the effort. I'm impressed that so many important people could and would make themselves available. Considering that it was a cold and rainy night, the meeting was reasonably well attended though I'd have liked to see many more people there. Harry Shipman and I were, I believe, the only ones present from the school district's administration. The meeting was somewhat informative but didn't really get into the extent of the problem nor what people could or should do about it other than to call the cops. It certainly didn't explain why the police are so ineffective in controlling the situation.

I feel bad that I haven't published more on this subject. Hopefully we'll get to this soon. In a nutshell, drugs are a big problem and an important method of control is for parents to be more aware and for all of us to be less tolerant and more vocal with our anti-drug opinions.

### S.A.T. Scores

**STATUS:** 15 weeks since Ms. Eraut's letter. At this time, the SAT scores have not been made public by the district. Superintendent Wold claims to be preparing a booklet that will give evidence and explanations.

District testing coordinator, Jerry Cox, spoke briefly at the board meeting on

Feb. 13 and gave some information about the Oregon assessment scores. Briefly we are very close to the state average. Personally, I think that we can, and should, be much better than average! I think this is still an important issue.

### Superintendent's Contract

**STATUS:** 71 weeks until Mr. Wold's contract expires.

### Union Relations

**STATUS:** The parties are to meet again on Feb. 21 from 1-10pm. I still have high hopes that this process will continue productively and amicably.

### School Re-Organization

The board has voted to re-organize our schools next year so that Driftwood Elementary will have pre-school thru 5<sup>th</sup> grade and Blanco will have, I believe, K-8. Including 6<sup>th</sup> grade at Driftwood would have given the district about \$91,000 more from the small school correction factors. I felt this deserved more consideration and asked Board Chairman Larry Blount to include it on the agenda for the Feb. 13 meeting. I also asked the public to express their feelings to the board.

**STATUS:** The item was not put on the board's agenda so was not discussed. I have had no input from the public so I assume that everyone (except me) is perfectly happy and this item can be dropped.

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### Positively Overjoyed

Most of the Resident Artists of the Portland Opera who performed here last Saturday would like to move to Port Orford, or at least come back here once a year. And it wasn't just our beauty that impressed them. More than three hundred people packed the Community building. During the performance you could have heard a pin drop. After each peice the applause was deafening. A standing ovation at the end was accompanied by a shower of daffodils from children close

to the stage, and a bouquet of roses for the performers.

The Opera committee wants to thank all the members of this community who participated in and supported the event. It began with a suggestion from Carl Miller of the Castaway Motel, that if Yachats could host such an event, so could Port Orford. He also offered lodging for the ten Resident Artists. The Port Orford Arts Council and the Point Orford Heritage Society decided to co-sponsor the event, and appointed our committee - Ruth Bryant, who hosted the dinner for the performers, Sharon Leahy, who took care of publicity, Donna Roselius, who provided tickets, posters and programs, and Ellen Warring who was in charge of ticket sales.

Special thanks to Marilyn Overbeck, Sarah Quillen and Rory Meadows who provided the goodies during intermission and a gourmet feast for the cast; to Carl Miller, who made a great dessert; to Gail at Seabreeze Florist for the plants, and the bouquet of roses; to the Sunset Garden Club - especially Donna and Siggie Hoffman, Lucille Burroghs and Ruth Bryant for hauling in potted plants and flowers; to Al Luis at Buck Sentry for backup underwriting; to School District 2CJ for the delivery and use of their piano; to the Grantland-Mayfield Gallery for use of art prints; to John and Georganne White-Houtrouw, Maria L'Orange, Bob Warring and Rosy Roselius for lots of hard labor, to Serena Parton, Megan Gaustad and Eric Overbeck for help with serving food and cleanup; to the American Legion and Zion Lutheran Church for the needed extra seating; and to Viola Cuatt, Jean Kilburn and Donna Hoffman for help at the door.

With all that help, one would expect a spectacular event. And that's just what it was!

Thanks!

## Letter to the Editor,

I attended the January 22, 1996 school board meeting. It appears, to my way of thinking, that the Censure Motion is questionable. At all of the meetings that I have ever attended, the chairman did not vote, except to break a tie.

Question: Does the 2CJ School Board or the Superintendent have a different policy or do they make up their rules as they go along?

Ms. Kramer should be commended for her actions and given a Port Orford medal of honor for fighting for the students of Port Orford. It seems that some of the other school board members are more concerned about their own personal feelings and reputation than seeing that the school laws are carried out.

Question: How many of this School Board have a working knowledge or have even read the Oregon Revised Statutes?

Question: Are they aware of the rights, responsibilities and obligations of the position to which they were elected?

Question: Why is the 2CJ School District in such a financial mess?

Question: Why was such an old, outdated, obsolete school building that had served its purpose refurbished at tremendous expense?

Question: Was this why programs and activities were dropped at Pacific High School?

Question: Is this why grades were grouped together at Driftwood and the staff reduced?

Question: Is this what caused the loss of small schools money?

Question: Wasn't the Superintendent or School Board aware of what the State Legislature were going to do?

Question: Do the Superintendent and School Board keep up with what is done to education by the Legislature?

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Question: Why was the 4<sup>th</sup> year English class dropped? Mr. Wold said that only 25% of the seniors will go to college. The college bound may seek opportunities to make up this loss, but what of the remaining 75% who will need reading and effective communication skills in today's competitive job market?

With the reduction of programs it seems that Pacific High School could lose its accreditation.

Question: Why are qualified and proven to be good teachers laid off and others hired to replace them?

Question: Within Mr. Wold's tenure of office, how many teachers have successfully sued the 2CJ School District? How has this impacted the 2CJ budget?

Question: Why isn't the "chain of command" followed when it comes to student problems?

Question: What is 2CJ's policy concerning nepotism?

Mr. Wold presents a glowing picture of how well the students are doing.

Question: If this is true, why the coverage of the SAT scores and the Lutheran Broth-

erhood study played down? With this in mind, can any faith be placed in Mr. Wold's report on testing (as mentioned in his letter in the January 4, 1996 Port Orford Today)?

Question: Will the School Board reconsider the proposed reorganization of 2CJ until proper research has been conducted and public input reviewed?

In the January 22, 1996 special board meeting, Mr. Knapp said that being a school board member is a thankless job. Not true. It is only thankless if you make it that way. Mr. Knapp, when the time comes, I will file to run for the school board.

Question: Would it be possible for this board to put "Public Input" on the school board meeting's agenda? (Presentations could be time limited.)

Question: With a budget committee, site committee and teacher hiring committee, is it necessary to have a superintendent?

Final Question (?): will this Board show that they are not in the Superintendent's pocket by not renewing Mr. Wold's contract?

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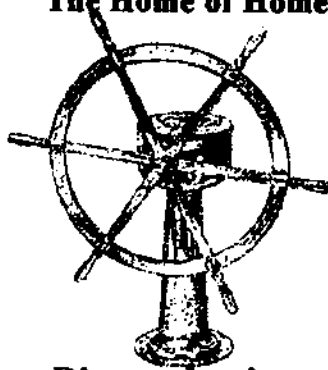
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### **What is a Master Gardener? By Donna Hoffmann**

This article "happened" because I had stopped by the Downtown Fun Zone and asked Evan if he could cut the spine off the Master Gardener books, so my husband, Sigg and I could put them in binders. Then Evan asked, "What do Master Gardeners do?" I had seen Master Gardeners at state and county fairs answering questions about plants and gardens. But to give an official answer, I had to do some research.

The Master Gardener Program originated in Washington State, in the early 1970's. David Gibby was an WSU extension agent for King and Pierce counties, and because interest in home gardening was, excuse the pun, growing, he became overwhelmed with request for horticultural information. He tried using mass media, but that caused an even greater volume of calls. He and Arlen Davidson, extension plant pathologist, along with other extension personnel proposed to give horticultural training to volunteers who in turn would help disseminate information to the public.

At least 300 volunteers applied for the first training courses, with 120 appli-

cants being selected and trained. So after more than 20 years, more than 45,000 Master Gardener Volunteers in 45 states and four Canadian provinces have completed Cooperative Extension Master Gardener training programs.

The program is designed to meet the gardening needs of the community with the purpose to teach people about growing plants and information related to plants. As a Master Gardener, we agree to do work related to horticulture for our County Extension office. So you will see us at county fairs and plant clinics. Giving talks to groups of interested in horticulture. Volunteering as 4-H leaders. Conducting school gardening programs. Educating the public about specific insect pest problems. The list of jobs done by Master Gardeners goes on and on. But perhaps, of greatest interest to you, is, the Extension office has Master Gardeners manning phones on Wednesday from 9-noon, to answer your questions about your home vegetable garden, fruit trees, plants and shrubs. And if we are unable to answer your question right away, we have the staff and personnel at Oregon State University available, to get the answer for you. Give us a call - Wednesdays 9 - noon, 1-800-356-39986.

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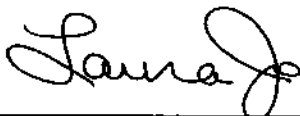
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**Contact with Flood Waters** - The most significant risk to the public is from drowning and other injuries. Flood waters are dangerous and unpredictable. Children in particular must be cautioned to stay away from danger. Flood water may contain debris, sewage, dirt, oil or other potentially hazardous materials. Floating debris can cause major injury.

Although accidental ingestion of flood waters poses a potential risk of disease, recent flooding in the mid-west showed that the risk of diarrhea illness, hepatitis A, and other diseases is minimal. Careful hand washing with soap and water after exposure is the key to preventing infection. Do not eat or smoke before washing hands. Areas exposed to flood waters should be cleaned with detergent and water. Specific vaccines to prevent communicable disease, such as immunogio-

bulin or vaccine for hepatitis A are not necessary.

Tetanus is always a risk after a puncture wound or cut, or if open wounds are contaminated with water or dirt. A tetanus booster shot is recommended after a significant injury if it has been more than 5 years since your last shot.

**Contaminated Drinking Water and Boil Water Notices** - As necessary, boil water notices may be issued by the public water suppliers in the local communities. Stay tuned to the local media. Immunocompromised persons, such as those with cancer or AIDS, may want to take additional precautions such as drinking only boiled or purified water. Individual wells or water systems that have been flooded should be considered to be contaminated until they are disinfected and tested by certified laboratory. If there is any concern about contamination, boil the water.

**Food** - Foods that have come into contact with flood water can be unsafe to eat. Canned or other sealed foods can be salvaged if they are washed and soaked in a solution of 2 tspns. Of bleach per gallon of water for one minute. Other foods should be discarded.

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Before entering buildings in flooded areas, make sure that it is safe and not about to collapse. Watch for loose fixtures that could fall.

In the event of a gas leak, evacuate the area immediately and contact emergency officials. Do not smoke or use an open flame until you are sure it is safe.

Do not turn on an electrical system that has been flooded.

Remove any garbage or food debris to avoid attracting rodents.

**Contact** - Citizens are encouraged to contact their local health departments with any questions.

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## Senior News By Mary Yoder

Pinochle club met February 19 - pretty good turn out - Ladies high - Beth Newkirk and Vaneta Marstall. - they tied. Ladies low June Dennison and men high - E. David Klien - low June Dennison. Men high - E. David Klien - low Wayne Goetter.

Saturday, February 24 will be a luncheon. Try to come by 11:30. There will be a speaker - Mrs. Meyers the City Manager. She will tell us about the new police department. This will be a good time to ask questions - if you have any.

Then same night the dance from 7:30 to 10:30pm. The Champaynes will be playing. There is always a break and lunch or goodies. So, put on your dancing shoes and come on down and enjoy yourself. Bet you a dime you'll have a good time - that's poetry.

Now on Tuesday and Thursday nights

from 7 until 9 there is pool, cards and even checkers. If you're sitting home wishing you had something to do come on down to the center.

On February 28 is the membership meeting at 11am at the center. After the meeting a get together for lunch at the pizza parlor. Mr. Smith - I mean Frank always makes a special desert for the luncheon - bet you'd like it.

This about does it for February 1996. Then comes March.

## Roaring Sea Open House

Everyone is invited to enjoy the featured artists and musicians at the last Last-Sunday-of-the-Month Open House for this year at Roaring Sea Arts, 41687 Highway 101 South, Port Orford, from 2 to 5pm, February 25.

Featured artists this month will be Maria and Marjorie L'Orange, (mother and daughter) presenting multi-media work;

and Ellen and Bob Warring, who will show some of their new baskets.

The Kammeroque Ensemble will present informal concerts at 2:15, 3:15 and 4:15.

Come share the entertainment, refreshments, and snacks - which are as usual, pot-luck. It's always fun, and always more fun with more people. If you have questions, call Donna at 332-4444.

## "Puttin on the Glitz"

Shannon Clarno has announced the theme for this years Annual Gold Beach Chamber Banquet and Business Meeting will be "Puttin on the Glitz". We are going to bring the Oscars to Gold Beach. Make your reservations today by sending in your card and check to the Chamber office, or stop by and see Shannon or Patty. Tickets are \$15 per person and you have a choice of dinner items. The Citizen and Business of the Year for 1995-96 will be announced at this meeting. Hope to see you there.

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## GARAGE SALES

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**PORT ORFORD** Community Children's Center will be having a rummage sale on Saturday March 2 from 10am to 3pm at the Children's Center. If you have anything you wish to donate please contact Janna Fraser at 332-0608 (W) or 332-9820 (H).

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