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You Take The High Road By Evan and Valerie Kramer

Day 8 (Aug. 22) - Glasgow - Loch Lomond - Fort William - Grantown
Scotland's rugged landscape dominates the day. Along the bonnie banks of Loch Lomond into the Highlands to visit infamous Glencoe. Then past Ben Nevis, Britain's highest mountain, to Fort William, to see the Commando Memorial with its stunning mountain views. Next we continue through the glens to Grantown. (FB D)

Although we were scheduled to see the Burrell Museum in Glasgow yesterday, we were running behind and didn't get to it till this morning. (We also didn't get our fish & chips at Harry Ramsden's till Edinburgh.)

Valerie's not usually excited by art museums but she enjoyed this one. She's been interested in the works of Rodin ever since she read about some of them in Robert Heinlein's "*Stranger in a Strange Land*." The museum had several bronze casts of his works including one of *The Thinker*. A guard explained that the original was carved in marble and that a number of bronze casts were made under Rodin's supervision thus theirs was "an original copy."

Valerie was also particularly interested in the stained glass and bought, and read, a book about it. Most, if not all, of the stained glass we had seen in America was merely different colors of glass, either flat or rippled, cut to shape and separated by lead moldings. This medieval stained glass had been abraded, overlaid with pigments, and otherwise processed to yield exquisite details and colors within each panel instead of just a single color. You have to see it to appreciate it but it produced a much more vibrant and alive kind of image. We also saw this kind of work in many of the cathedrals and castles we visited.

After leaving Glasgow we headed to Loch Lomond where we took an optional one hour cruise on a tour boat. Loch Lomond is over 600' deep and is the largest expanse of fresh water in Britain (as opposed to Lake Windemere which last week we said was the largest lake in England.) The waters of Loch Lomond lap round the foot of the 3200' tall Ben Lomond mountain. It is a beautiful sight and steeped in history and legend. From the boat we saw the entrance to a cave supposedly used by Rob Roy.

Loch Lomond is also famous in song and you probably have sung at least the chorus (full lyrics are available at [\[www.cs.hut.fi/~zaphod/search/lyrics/loch_lomond\]\(http://www.cs.hut.fi/~zaphod/search/lyrics/loch_lomond\)\)](http://</p></div><div data-bbox=)

O' ye'll tak the high road and I'll tak the low road,
And I'll be in Scotland afore ye,
But me and my true love will never meet again,
On the bonnie bonnie banks o' loch Lomond

The often jolly singing is wildly at variance with the real meaning of the song. The song is said to have been written by a Jacobite prisoner in Carlisle jail. His cellmate was to be set free while he was to be executed. In Scottish legend, when a man died, his soul would immediately return underground to his native country. Hence upon his death, he would take the "low road" while his freed cellmate would travel overland taking the "high road." Played to a slow beat, the beautiful melody and touching story make this a brilliant example of the Scottish spirit.

After a lunch stop in Tyndrum, we made an all-too-brief stop at Glencoe. The bus pulled into a modest size turnout overlooking the valley. A piper in full kilt was playing various songs such as *Amazing Grace*, *Loch Lomond*, and the *Ballad of Glencoe* on his bagpipe. Moderately heavy clouds over the green and purple

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Date	High	Low	High	Low
Thu Oct 10	11:05am 6.9	4:59am 1.2	11:24pm 6.5	5:28pm 1.2
Fri Oct 11	11:33am 7.1	5:33am 1.3	NONE —	6:05pm 0.8
Sat Oct 12	12:06am 6.5	6:05am 1.5	11:59AM 7.3	6:42pm 0.4
Sun Oct 13	12:45am 6.5	6:40am 1.7	12:30pm 7.5	7:20pm 0.1
Mon Oct 14	1:26am 6.4	7:12am 2.0	12:59pm 7.6	7:59pm -0.1
Tue Oct 15	2:10am 6.2	7:49am 2.3	1:35pm 7.6	8:44pm -0.2
Wed Oct 16	3:00am 6.0	8:30am 2.6	2:14pm 7.6	9:33pm -0.2
Thu Oct 17	3:56am 5.8	9:21am 2.9	3:00pm 7.4	10:26pm -0.1

You Take The High Road Continued from Front Cover

slopes lent a moody atmosphere to the view. Valerie is not much of a hiker but the trails winding through the heather made even her wish she could go for a walk.

All was not always so peaceful, however. In February of 1692 the Campbells came thru the snow with orders to kill the McDonalds of Glencoe. Ignorant of those orders the McDonalds offered them hospitality and, in return were murdered in their sleep. This marked the end of the Highland way of life. You can read much more about it on the Internet at: <http://www.almac.co.uk/es/history/> The Ballad of Glencoe poignantly tells the story:

(Chorus)

Oh cruel is the snow that sweeps Glencoe
And covers the grave o' Donald
Oh cruel was the foe that raped Glencoe
And murdered the house o' McDonald.

They came in the blizzard, we offered them meat

A roof o'er their heads, dry shoes for their feet

We wined them and dined them, they ate of our meat

And they slept in the house o' McDonald

(Chorus)

They came from Fort William with murder in mind

The Campbell had orders, King William had signed

Put all to the sword, these words underlined

And leave none alive called McDonald

(Chorus)

They came in the night while our men were asleep

This band of Argyles through snow soft and deep

Like murdering foxes among helpless sheep

They butchered the house o' McDonald

Official Weather

Provided by the City of Port Orford
Public Utilities Department

Date	High	Low	Rain
Sat Sep. 28	60	45	—
Sun Sep. 29	59	46	—
Mon Sep. 30	58	44	—
Tue Oct. 1	58	47	.03
Wed Oct. 2	58	47	.02
Thu Oct. 3	66	47	Trace
Fri Oct. 4	63	55	.26

(Chorus)

Some died in their beds at the hand of the foe

Some fled in the night and were lost in the snow

Some lived to accuse him who struck the first blow

But gone was the house of McDonald

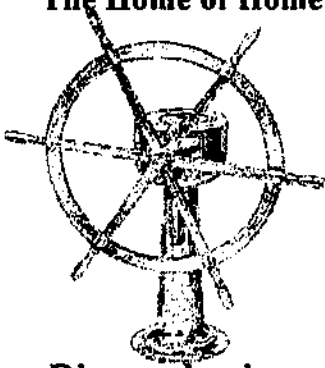
(Chorus)

The part of Scotland we saw from Glasgow north through the Scottish Highlands to the Isle of Sky and then east and south to Edinburgh was our favorite part of the trip. It had the highest mountains which because of the island's weather and rain pattern were a rich green with grasses and in many places covered in blooming heather. Both of us left pieces of our hearts scattered throughout Scotland. Someday we hope to go back and visit when we can spend more time.

Next week read about our visit to the Isle of Skye and the battle of Culloden Moor.

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At 8:00pm, the "Summer Angels, Some Are Not" quartet from Portland will be on hand to entertain you with their very own style of political satire. This year's tour is entitled "Rebels in a Minivan"

and will feature new tunes such as "Maarooned on Gingrich's Isle," "Born To Be Mild", and "The Pirates of Finance." Ride the range with Pat "Buckboard" Buchanan singing the western song "Just Fence 'Em Out". You may even catch the accordion-wielding Bavarian Babe adding to the Oktoberfest atmosphere with her version of "Polka-Hantas."

The "Angels" have performed several times in Coquille. During December, they are known as "The Fallen Angel Choir" and take advantage of the holidays to poke fun at all aspects of the Christmas season. This year will be the last tour for the group, who says it's time to hang up the wings and spend more



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time with their families. The "Summer Angels" have added a new member to their group and will continue to tour from spring until fall with a different show each year.

Admission to the concert is \$10 at the door. For more information, call the Coquille Chamber of Commerce at 396-3414.

A house with no books cannot ever be more than four walls.

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Kalmiopsis Audubon

The Kalmiopsis Audubon invites you to join Dorthea Petersen, on Sunday, October 13, 1996 at 1pm, for exploration of plant life and bird species along the coastline between milepost 333 and Cape Sebastian. Slight elevation changes, no steep climbs, plan on 3 hours. Bring water, lunch and binoculars. Gold Beach/Port Orford hikers should meet Dorthea at the Forest Service Parking Lot, south end of Gold Beach to car pool, as parking is limited at the site. Brookings hikers should call Dorthea regarding parking location at (541)247-7944.

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City Gets "Good" Dirt By Evan Kramer

I received a phone call on Saturday afternoon that work was going on at city manager Dotti Myers' house and city equipment including a back hoe and dump truck were being used along with city personal. A little later I received a call that the back hoe did not belong to the city. A little after 1:00pm I drove by her house to see what was going on. No equipment of any kind nor any people were visible though it did look like some excavation work had taken place.

The gist of the rumor and innuendo mill was that city equipment and personal had been used at Myers' house. On Tuesday morning I prepared a written list of questions directed toward the city manager about the situation and drove over to city hall. I asked to speak to Dotti and after she was done talking to two other people I went into her office and asked her what was going on regarding the equipment

and personal. By then she had already received an inquiry from one of the city councilors and had prepared a letter addressed to Mayor Kennedy and directed to all councilors.

Here's what I found out from talking to Dotti. The back hoe was owned and operated by a private licensed contractor in Port Orford who put in three hours on the job. I spoke with him and confirmed this. The dump truck did belong to the city and the driver was a city employee. He was working on his own time and was paid for his labor by Myers. One thing Dotti told me that surprised me was I had been the first person who had come to her and asked about the situation.

What did the city get out of the deal? Quite a bit actually. They received three dump truck loads of top soil which was transported to an area of Buffington Park the city has been filling in. The fill dirt or top soil is something you normally pay for the privilege of receiving. Dotti told

me it goes for up to \$150 a load. Top soil in Port Orford is actually at a premium. I know having just filled three half whiskey barrels planters full of it in front of our store and having received a number of inquiries where I got the "good" dirt from.

I learned a lesson from all this. Next time before I get sucked into the black hole of the rumor and innuendo mill I'll go right to the source and begin investigating the situation. The very fabric of life in Port Orford is being ripped apart by gossip and rumors. It's time all of us took a deep breath and found out what is really going on before we run around town or burn up the phone wires accusing someone of wrong doing. My apologies to city manager Dotti Myers for my small part in spreading misinformation.

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Port Orford Candidate Forum

Nine of the twelve candidates invited to participate in the candidate forum in Port Orford will appear at the Community Building at 7:00pm on Thu, Oct. 10. Sponsored by the League of Women Voters of Curry County, the forum is designed to give opposing candidates equal opportunity to present their views and answer written questions from the audience.

Only candidates who face opposition in the Nov. 5 general election were invited, for the county offices of Commissioner, Clerk and District Attorney and the state offices of Representative, District #48 and Senator, District #24.

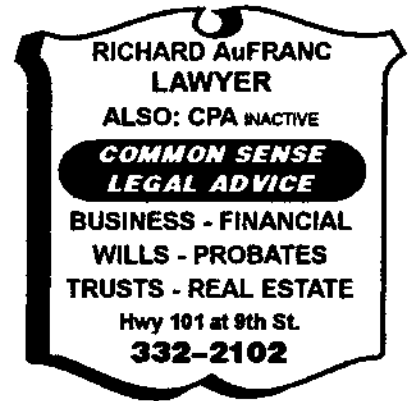
Candidates attending will be: State Representative, District 48 - Martha Weaver-Britell (D), Commissioner Position #2 - Lloyd Olds (D), Tamie Kaufman ©; Commissioner #3 - Bill Roberts ©, Cheryl Thorp (D); Clerk - Elaine Joy, Renee Kolen; District Attorney - Pat Foley, John Spicer.

Moderator for the Port Orford meeting will be Shirley Nelson, chair of the local unit of the County League. Other forums, with the same candidates invited, will be held in Gold Beach on Oct. 16 at 7:00pm, Gold Beach Senior Center and in Brookings on Oct. 17 at 7:00pm at the Best Western Conference Room. Lucie LaBonte will moderate the Gold Beach forum and Linda Brown the Brookings forum.

Survivor aWEARness

The Curry Breast Health Network is sponsoring a Survivor aWEARness fashion show and luncheon on Sunday, October 20, 1:00pm, at the Brookings Elk Lodge.

Tickets are \$10 for the luncheon which includes a fabulous salad buffet, raffles, gifts, educational information, live music and entertainment. All models are breast cancer survivors. There will be free custom-designed U.S. Post Office hand-cancellations. (Bring your own stationery and envelopes or purchase special notecards on hand).



Introductions and presentation will be made by Bets Byrtus, Curry Breast Health Network coordinator.

Tickets are available at the Curry General Hospital Auxiliary gift shop, Ladybug, Chetco Pharmacy & Gifts, Dixie's, The Dressing Room, Driftwood Tack and in Port Orford at the Grantland Mayfield Gallery.

The Elks Lodge is located at 800 Elk Drive in Brookings.

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Letter To The Editor

As anyone who has seen her performing at Soakers knows, Sharon Leahy is a funny comedienne. Her political advice last week seems to have been offered in much the same vein.

Which "more compassionate(ly) governing" women did Sharon have in mind? Margaret Thatcher, Britain's "Iron Lady" who broke unions, bashed immigrants, and helped to create an underclass of hopelessly demoralized and permanently unemployed? Indira Ghandi who ruthlessly crushed political opponents, driving them into hiding or to jail, and who regularly overturned state legislatures—a prerogative of the Indian Prime Minister—that supported regional land reforms and workers' and peasants' rights. What kind of "emotional hardwiring" caused Tammy Kaufman to compassionately pledge during her primary campaign to "fight the environmentalists?"

Sexist nonsense is sexist nonsense no matter who authors it. The world has never been faced with a shortage of petty fascists in skirts. Women's appearance of "virtuousness" reflects nothing more than that they have been largely excluded from public power in our society. As this political distortion slowly alters, Lord Acton's warning that "Power tends to corrupt, and absolute power corrupts absolutely," will increasingly be seen to be no respecter of gender.

Respectfully,

Nathaniel Wander

Letter To The Editor

I am writing to take exception to Sharon Leahy's letter of October 3rd. I believe it shouts 'prejudice' and there is already too much prejudice in the world. Sharon recommends "...if you don't like the destructive and careless way the earth and its citizens are being treated... vote for all the women candidates you

can... (and) cross party lines if you need to..." History and my personal experiences are replete with examples of devious and ruthless women. I do not believe all women are "kinder and gentler" any more than I believe all Blacks are poor, all Hispanics are lazy, all criminals are Mafia, or all women living in San Francisco are lesbians. (I'm sure Samson thought Delilah was kind and gentle as she stroked his lovely locks.)

Everyone deserves to be known for his or her own accomplishments, talents, skills, and personality. Life's experiences mold each of us; fairness demands that others judge us only by what we have done with what life has given us.

I hope the voters throughout America will learn what they can about each issue and each candidate, then cast their votes according to their knowledge and beliefs. There is no room in America for prejudice of any kind.

Geri Bird

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Interested students may still register for Creative Writing. If you are still trying to finish your novel, this class may be just what you need. Emphasis is on fiction writing techniques of characterization, thematic content, dialogue, scenes and structure. Class meets Tuesday evenings, 6:30 to 9:30pm.

Call your local SWOCC office to register. In Brookings, call 469-5017, Gold Beach 247-2741.

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A kitten is a rosebud in the garden of animals.

A leading authority is anyone who has guessed right more than once.

Kid Castle Playground

Volunteer forces come together this week to build the Kid Castle Playground in Gold Beach's Buffington Park. The construction will take place from October 9 through October 16. The result of countless fund-raising efforts, the project will now be a dream-come-true for organizers and community members. For more information or to join in, contact Sharon Mather at 247-6329.

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Letter to the Editor,

It isn't every election cycle that South Coast residents have the opportunity of sending a team so well qualified to represent us in the State Legislature as we have this November. We are referring to State Representative Veral Tarno, who is seeking the Senate District 24 seat, and Ken Messerle, who is running for House District 48.

It is important to have persons who can present a united front on issues which concern our area in a State Legislature where the votes from the heavily populated areas of the State outnumber those from the rural areas such as ours.

Veral has represented us well in Salem with his practical, no nonsense approach on such issues as criminal justice and natural resources. He has earned the respect of other legislators, too, in his position on the Ways and Means Committee. Veral served as Coos County Sheriff for many years before his retirement from that position.

Ken, whose background in ranching and his many years of experience on the Coquille School Board, Port of Bandon Commission, Soil and Water Conserva-

tion Committee, Coos County Planning Commission and a member of the Board of Security Bank, equip him well to deal with the broad range of issues affecting the South Coast.

These men are in like minded agreement as to how state government should and should not involve itself in our lives. This unity will more than double the strength and effectiveness of their voices in Salem.

We wholeheartedly encourage our friends and neighbors to vote with us and send this excellent team to represent us in Salem.

Sincerely,

Walt Schroeder, Sally Schroeder
State Representative 1985-93

2CJ School Board Opening

Marc Farmer tendered his resignation from the Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School Board at their meeting this Tuesday. The board will select a replacement to serve until June 30, 1997. Interested parties should contact the district office 348-2337. Four positions will be up for election in the spring and candidates may file at the Gold Beach Court House between Dec. 1 and Jan. 9.

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Thursday, Oct. 3 - those working were Marge Kyle, Bessie Laursen, Greta Carver, Clair Stahl and Leo Welch. Setting up the dining room etc. Were B.J. and Dutch Heinauer

Oct. 6 was the birthday party. I think this was one of the best parties I've been to. A real good turn out, nice cake and ice

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cream and guess what - a thing you put the cake on - believe it or not - plays happy birthday - isn't that something. Those who helped to make it so special were: Norma Ellis, Peigi and Clair Stahl, and Dutch Heinauer.

We had ten anniversaries too - one 54 years and one 63 years - both in October. One birthday lady turns 99 on Oct. 29.

Oct. 9 was the board meeting - more

about that next week. This Saturday October 12 the luncheon and rummage sale will be held at the Senior Center from 8am to 1:30pm. The October 13 Sunday breakfast will be from 8 to 1:30 and rummage sale during the same time. October 15 is blood pressure and hearing aids from 9:30 to 12 noon.

Oh, yes pinochle was Oct. 7. Those who were high were Betty Keeler and Henry Kron. Low were Maybelle Beith and Micky Harper.

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