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"The Force" comes to Port Orford on Thursday, Oct. 7

Council Applies for Grant By Evan Kramer



The Port Orford City Council conducted a public hearing followed by a special session last Tuesday night for the purpose of proceeding with a grant application for the sewer outfall replacement.

The issue regarded applying for a community development block grant from the Oregon Economic and Community Development Department (OECDD). The City is requesting \$750,000 in community development block grant funds. Another \$150,000 would come from the sewer construction fund. This is money which has already been collected. \$440,000 would be raised from the sewer and water users in the City of Port Orford and \$500,000 would come from a water/wastewater grant for a total project cost of \$1,840,000. This amount is for the ocean outfall at South Agate Beach using directional drilling. If the geotechnical investigation using jet probing at Agate Beach shows this isn't feasible the alternative is an ocean outfall at South Agate Beach bolting the pipe to rock surfaces at the South End of Agate Beach. The projected construction cost for this alternative is

\$2,422,000. These figures are "soft" in that are already nearly one year old and costs have gone up.

The council was presented with the minutes and recommendations of the waste water committee by chairman Ernie Gordon. They had met on Monday afternoon. The committee recommended by a 7-0 vote that the \$440,000 from Port Orford water and sewer users would be paid for by a fixed user fee of \$8.85 per billing cycle (about \$4.40/month).

There was little public testimony as the only public present were newspaper editors Jay Stoler and Evan Kramer as well as Ernie Gordon and Jack Pruitt. Councilor Jane Cramer asked City Administrator Martha Weaver-Britell when the Block Grant application would be submitted. Weaver-Britell responded it would be sent in by the end of the week (October 1) to the OECDD in Salem. Britell said it would go through a minimum 45-day review period with a two-year date for completion of the project set for September 30, 2001.

Councilor Ralph Donaldson made the following motion: The City Council of Port Orford authorize the City Administrator to submit the application for the 1999 Community Development Block Grant for the improvement and rebuild-

ing of our effluent disposal system into the ocean, to be paid for by an increase in a per hook up user fee to the sewer, the amount will be approximately \$4.40 a month, total increase (but it may be less). Seconded by Councilor Leeling. The motion passed 4-0 with Councilors Jim Campbell, Cramer, Donaldson, and Leeling voting for it. Councilors Robert Warring and Nathaniel Wander were absent.

On Friday morning Jay Stoler and I met with Martha Weaver-Britell in her office to discuss the block grant application.

Martha said the recommendations submitted by the waste water committee would be on the Monday, October 11 city council agenda. She said it was possible an environmental group could file a protest against the project, which would consist of an ocean outfall at Agate Beach. She emphasized it was important this project stay on track and the need for the community to be behind it. She said the Port Orford effluent water was some of the cleanest in the State of Oregon.

She explained that Community Development Block Grant money is federal money coming through the Department of Housing and Urban Development. This block grant money is distributed to

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Date	Midnight to Noon				Noon to Midnight				Sun				Moon	
	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Phase	
Thu Oct 7	5:03a	0.4	11:26a	7.2	5:29p	1.3	11:32p	7.1	7:20a	6:50p	6:01a	6:32p		
Fri Oct 8	5:43a	0.7	11:59a	7.4	6:10p	0.9			7:22a	6:48p	7:02a	7:00p		
Sat Oct 9	12:18a	7.0	6:19a	1.1	12:30p	7.5	6:49p	0.6	7:23a	6:46p	8:01a	7:27p	NM	
Sun Oct 10	1:01a	6.9	6:53a	1.5	1:00p	7.5	7:26p	0.4	7:24a	6:45p	8:59a	7:54p		
Mon Oct 11	1:43a	6.7	7:26a	2.0	1:29p	7.3	8:02p	0.3	7:25a	6:43p	9:56a	8:23p		
Tue Oct 12	2:25a	6.4	8:00a	2.5	1:58p	7.2	8:40p	0.4	7:26a	6:41p	10:53a	8:55p		
Wed Oct 13	3:10a	6.1	8:34a	3.0	2:30p	6.9	9:21p	0.6	7:27a	6:40p	11:47a	9:29p		
Thu Oct 14	3:59a	5.8	9:12a	3.4	3:04p	6.6	10:07p	0.8	7:28a	6:38p	12:40p	10:08p		

School Zone Lights
 by Evan Kramer

John Bennett from the Coos Bay Oregon Department of Transportation office said on Monday that the Driftwood Elementary School zone flashing lights and signs would be installed and working by Friday, October 15. Approval for the new lights was received from the Salem ODOT office and the signs have been shipped to the Coos Bay office.

The new signs will be located at each of the school zone. They will be mounted on poles and are 24" by 36" that read as follows:

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A 12" timer activated flashing yellow light will be placed on top of the metal warning signs.

Slow Down in Langlois

There are two middle schools located in Langlois adjacent to Highway 101. Overhead signs with flashing lights warn motorists they are in a school zone. Langlois merchant Keith Goldsworthy has given me a four-page letter addressing the problem of car and truck drivers ignoring the flashing lights in the school zone. The regular speed limit in Langlois is 40 mph reduced down to 20 mph when the schools are in session and the yellow lights are flashing. Goldsworthy complains in his letter of drivers not only ignoring the school zone speeds but also ignoring the 40-mph limit. He reports regular speeds of 55 mph and above through the Langlois area. He is deeply concerned with the danger this represents to school children walking in the area as well as other pedestrians and to cars entering and leaving the schools. Goldsworthy is asking for more Curry County Sheriff patrols and monitoring of

speeds in Langlois while school is in session similar to the Port Orford Police school zone presence.

Democrats Endorse Pipeline

The Democratic Party of Coos County has endorsed the new gas pipeline. After a discussion at their monthly meeting, the Democrats have thrown their support behind the proposal.

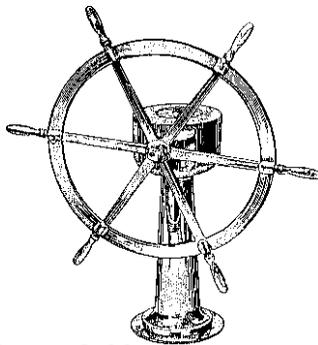
Dave Tilton, Chairman of the Democrats, said, "It means progress for our county. We are a progressive party. It follows that we would support the pipeline. This is a great opportunity to upgrade the infrastructure of the Bay Area. It could reduce our dependency on natural resources by attracting new businesses to the area. We would like to see our young people being hired at family wage jobs close to home."

For more information, Dave Tilton may be reached at 269-5661.

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Space Travel By Graeme Graydon



When the National Geographic appears in our box at the Post Office, I can't wait to see if there's a new map or if another ancient tomb has been uncovered. This

month's journal surpassed itself – it had both, but my enthusiasm was dampened when I found the map was a representation of our galaxy and its relationship to the Universe. It was well done, enough to remind me how very isolated and vulnerable we are on our tiny planet. One of the shorter distances on the map was the measure from one side of our galaxy to the other – only 100,000 light years. That's beyond my ability to imagine and yet it's our neighborhood. The more they tell me about our place in the sky, the more uncomfortable I feel about it.

There's a better way. I love to watch the same Universe, lying on my back on a silent hill top. This way, the stars aren't distant at all. They can be so close that I can almost reach out and touch them. It's

a very intimate sensation. Something draws me to focus on one point of light. My mind carries me to it and I know that contact is made. There's a sense of sharing with someone, a rich exchange of awe and wonder. Yes, there is distance, but there is no separation. I feel that I am known and received - it really does feel like I'm phoning home. Such contemplation is silent and private. It carries me beyond the limit of my normal perception, beyond my human capacity to measure. Perhaps I am touching the face of God.

The new map of course, prompts the concept of space travel – of finding people like ourselves out there. But everything is so impossibly far away – and who would want us with the track record we have. So I look at what seems more possible. The connectedness that I find when I put my focus Out There encourages me to explore a different Universe which is much more available to me. It's that place from which I have come, to which I will return. Our literature is rich with the observations of people who have traveled there and brought back their story. Many have had Near Death experiences. People under

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anesthesia often find themselves in a body that is not nearly as limited as the one they left temporarily on the operating table.

Meditators slip in and out of this dimension on a daily basis. There is no question that they go to a place where time as we know it and distance as it is measured, do not exist. I suspect that a lot of great music, ideas, art and writing come from the same place. So far no one has been able to measure it. When a human dies, no scientist has yet been able to tell us where the life went, let alone what the life was – yet we know it went. The other Universe is close by, it can be reached. I have come from it and will surely be drawn back to it. I watch people arrive from it and leave for it all the time. It seems so much more possible and certainly more natural to explore the Close Universe rather than the Distant one.

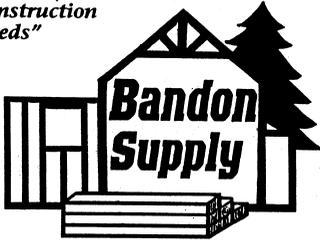
And things being the way they are – I wouldn't be surprised to find that they're not separate at all.

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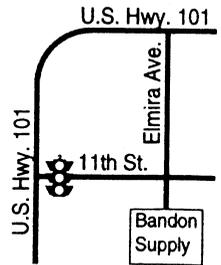
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Renee Kolen Curry County Clerk reminds us the November 2, 1999 Vote-By-Mail voter registration deadline is October 12, 1999.

Oregon law requires those wishing to vote in the November 2nd election and are not currently registered in Oregon must register by October 12, 1999. Voters registering by mail should mail their cards early in order for the registration card to be received by the deadline. Mail registration cards to Curry County Clerk Elections, PO 746, Gold Beach, OR 97444.

"We distribute Voter Registration cards to local libraries, city halls, banks and post offices in your area, to make it as convenient as possible to take part in the Elector Process" Kolen stated.

People who are unable to reach these locations may contact Kolen's elections office so they can make arrangement to

get you registered. The County Clerk provides a TTY phone number for the hearing impaired to contact the elections office. That number is 247-6440.

Ballot packets will be mailed out to registered voters between October 13 and October 15. If you have not received your ballot packet by October 20th, or need help in registering, please call our office at 247-7011 and ask for Connie Higgins.

Informational Meeting

The Curry County Taxpayers Association will sponsor an informational meeting and rally "Vote YES on 08/28", the measure on the Curry County November ballot.

The meeting will take place at the "blue room" on the ground floor of the County Annex Building on Monday, October 11, 1999, at 7:00pm.

We encourage all voters to show up and bring their friends and neighbors.

Fire Restrictions

We had several articles submitted regarding fire restrictions in various fire districts. In view of the change in the weather we've elected to print other material instead. You should be aware, however, that restrictions may still be in force. Call the appropriate agency for up-to-the-minute advice if you plan to engage in activities normally restricted during the fire hazard season.

Dungeons and Dragons

has no more to do with devil worship than reading The Wizard of Oz. It is a gaming system in which games are often, though not always, set in a fantasy realm of wizards and dragons, treasure and danger. It provides practice in problem solving, arithmetic, teamwork and reading. It can also be a LOT of fun! A limited supply of items are now at

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The principal, Phil Sword, of Pacific High School announced today that Colin Stevens has been named Commended Student in the year 2000 national Merit Scholarship Program. A Letter of Commendation from the school and National Merit Scholarship Corp., which conducts the program, will be presented by the principal to this scholastically talented senior.

Some 34,000 Commended Students throughout the nation are being recognized for their exceptional academic promise. Although they will not continue in the competition for Merit Scholarship awards to be offered next spring, Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than one million students who entered the year 2000 Merit Program by taking the 1998 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

A Merit Program spokesperson commented, "The young men and women named Commended Students have demonstrated outstanding academic potential by their high performance in the extremely competitive National Merit Pro-



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gram. These scholastically talented youth represent a valuable resource to our nation, and it is important to publicly recognize their attainments and to credit schools for the important part they play in their development. We hope this recognition will help to broaden the educational opportunities of Commended Students and serve as encouragement to them and other able students to develop their abilities to the fullest."

New Dock Construction

The first truck loads of steel sheet piles started arriving at the Port of Port Orford on Wednesday, September 29. The sheet piles ranged in size from 35 to 45 feet long and weigh over 2,000 pounds each. They are manufactured by a company in Texas. However, the most important part of the sheet pile walls for the new dock are the Y piles. There are only 14 of them on order and they were to have arrived on Wednesday, October 6. They have been delayed and are now scheduled to arrive on October 13, nearly a week behind schedule. The Y piles are the ones, which tie the sections together, and until they arrive none of the sheet piles can be set in place. They are also the ones, which are 57 feet long.

The replacement dock contractor Laskey-Clifton Corporation isn't standing still while awaiting the arrival of the Y sheet piles. On Monday they brought in more dirt fill and on Tuesday continued demolition and removal of the old wooden dock.

Clinic Closed for Week

Curry Family Medical will close the week of October 11, reopening at 9:00am, Monday, October 18, announced Judy Scholten, clinic manager.

The temporary closure is due to lack of physician services for those five days.

For further information, or for emergencies, phone Curry General Hospital at 1-800-445-8085 or 247-6621.

Friends of Cape Blanco

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Wetlands Presentation

Bruce Follansbee, coordinator for the Lower Rogue Watershed Council will present a program on "Evaluating Significant Wetlands in the Port Orford Wetland Inventory" on Friday, October 15, 7:00pm, in the Port Orford City Council Chambers. The public is cordially invited. Mr. Follansbee is trained in Restoration Ecology and Conservation Biology. His work includes upgrading forest roads to reduce sedimentation and other impacts to streams; restoration of riparian, wetland, and other types of habitat to aid in salmonid species recovery; and various types of education activity.

Driftwood Spaghetti Feed

The Driftwood Elementary School booster club is holding a spaghetti feed on Thursday, October 14, from 6:00-7:00pm, in the school cafeteria. The spaghetti feeds costs \$2.00 for adults and



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Thanks

The family of John Belcher would like to take this opportunity to express its heartfelt thanks to all those who supported us during these past weeks and during John's illness this past year. All of the cards, flowers, food, stories, hugs and well wishes, kindness and compassion have been sincerely appreciated and will be long remembered.

Thelma Belcher
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A Special Thank You

Thanks to the Sixes Fire Department and their personnel for all their help on the Sixes River fire.

I would also like to thank Julie and Chris Hawthorne, Gloria Eckoff and Mike Harrington for all their work on keeping the fire from spreading until the Sixes Fire Department and I could get some water on the fire.

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Joanne Ruoff,
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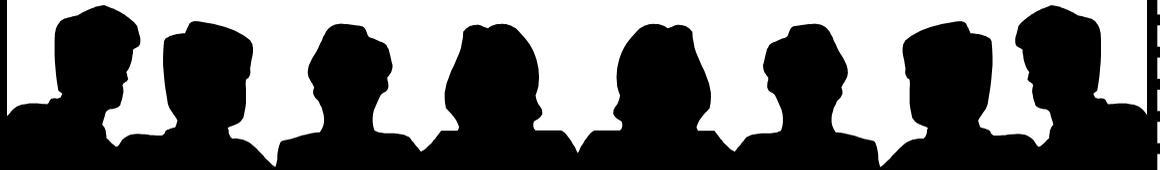
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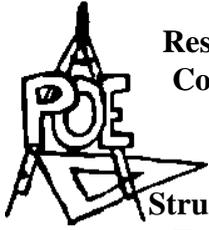
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What's New at the Library By Paula Cracas

Well, slap my wrist. And that's just what mystery fans did when they told me in no uncertain terms that I don't know a mystery novel from a suspense novel. I admit it! I don't, er, didn't. Now I do. A body, a detective, and the question of whodunit. But our list of books this week is no mystery. It's a hodge-podge. A pot-pourri. Different, yet with common threads. A list to peak your curiosity.

Let's get started with Ken Wilber's *One Taste*. Described as a journal, but so far up in the intelligentsia atmosphere, I'm having trouble breathing. Thought provoking, well written, and a taste of what Wilber describes as the ultimate way of being: *One Taste*. His sense of humor, wry insights, and personal experiences give his philosophical diatribe rest stops on a hard-going road.

Scattered, by Gabor Mate', M.D. is about "Attention Deficit Disorder (ADD), how it originates and what you can do about it." Dr. Mate' makes a powerful argument that ADD is the product of social and emotional environment factors rather than heredity. Do you know someone who lives with distractibility, hyperactivity, and poor impulse control? This book helps "create an environment of health and healing."

Ellen Handler Spitz's *Inside Picture Books* takes us on a journey back to our childhood. Did someone special read a



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picture book to you and did that book's images become a special memory? Reading to young children is very important. Spitz explores the profound impact picture books have on children and how they shape our lives.

Dancing Naked in the Mind Field by Kary Mullis is full of "outrageous ideas and extraordinary adventures...by a Noble Prizewinning scientist." Many subjects are covered, nothing is sacred, and it is a "multidimensional playland of ideas."

The idea of living "thickly" is explored by Kathleen Dean Moore in *Holdfast*; a book weaving nature and the natural world with philosophy and shared experiences in essays replete with insights to treasuring the "rich depths of each moment."

Written in Spanish and translated into English, Pablo Neruda's poems "the voice for those who have no voice." A bilingual edition: *Neruda Selected Poems* (written from 1924 through 1967), is testament to the power and glory of words in the hands of a master. Gabriel Garcia Marquez, an accomplished wordsmith in his own right, describes Neruda as "the greatest poet of the twentieth century in any language."

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September 28, 4:30pm: Skateboarders causing hazard at 15th and Oregon. Contacted and advised.

September 29, 8:45am: Assisted ambulance on Blueberry Lane. Person okay, non-transport.

September 29, 2:30pm: Report of excessive 'dog barking' on 18th Street. Owners to be contacted and advised.

September 29, 4:00pm: Report of 'hit and run' on Port Orford Loop – non-injury. Report taken – under investigation.

October 1, 11:20am: Report of abandoned vehicle at Port, handled by contact.

October 2, 5:12pm: Report of harassment of neighbors on 13th.

October 2, 10:00am: Report of barking dog on Hamlet. Owners to be contacted.

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Officer Resigns

Port Orford police officer Brian Ferguson resigned from the department on Friday. He has accepted a job with the City of Florence police department. Ferguson was a familiar sight in Port Orford on Highway 101 where he issued many speeding tickets and warnings.

Ferguson was hired earlier this year. He

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graduated from the Oregon State Police Academy on August 13. His salary as well as that of Police Chief Bill Rush has been paid for by Federal COPS grants. The grant for Ferguson's position runs out in March 2000. His new position with the Florence police department pays \$450 more per month than he earned in Port Orford.

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Marilyn Kaplan Lightin' Bugs

Public Meetings

Port Orford City Council meets on Monday, October 11, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

Port Orford Rural Fire District board of directors meets on Tuesday, October 12, 5:00pm, in the city hall fire station.

Port Orford Planning Commission meets on Tuesday, October 12, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

Port Orford Chamber of Commerce board meeting on Wednesday, October 13, noon at the Port and Starboard.

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CALL FOR ENTRIES Third annual mask show and exhibit on Halloween at the TransAction Gallery. Phone 332-1027 for more info.

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COFFEE FACTS: The final word on coffee changes every day, but even though we knew that a double cappuccino was bad for sleeping, it has many upsides: It increases the effects of painkillers, decreases the risk of cirrhosis of the liver, may aid in treating asthma, and has been shown to have anticancer effects. Come try a cup at the drive up coffee truck. Now serving white chocolate mochas.

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Classified Ads

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PUT A SMILE ON YOUR KISSER

and rent a comedy at The Downtown Fun Zone! New this week are "Never been Kissed", "Office Space", "Just the Ticket", "Pushing Tin", "Orgazmo", "Homegrown", "Lost and Found", "Joan of Arc", and "The Eternal". We also added "Mario Golf" to our Nintendo 64 collection. Something here for everyone! We also rent Sega, Sony, and Nintendo video games, DVD's and frequently acquire new material. The Downtown Fun Zone is open 9:30am till 6pm Monday thru Thursday and from 9:30am till 7pm Friday and Saturday. Closed on Sunday.

STOP! Lots to see at L&R Variety, 3,000 sq.ft. Used - old & new. Spices, tools, beads, household and gift items, books, collectables, too much to list. 10:00am - 5:00pm, 1819 Oregon St., Port Orford.

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Blanco School News

Student-of-the-Month for September is Jered Rush. Jered has shown improvement both socially and academically and will be honored at the Rotary Luncheon Thursday, October 7th.

The Langlois Fire Department will be visiting the Blanco Grade School on Thursday, October 7th to present a program on fire prevention.

Good behavior ticket drawing winners having gone the extra mile in school work and/or citizenship this week are Nicole Sullivan and Ernie Brannon.

6-7-8 Grade Open House was well attended at Blanco on September 29th and the 6A class got to enjoy ice cream treats for having the most families in attendance - 65%. Blanco Grade School opened it's doors on Monday, October 4th.

Blanco Step Dancers performed again superbly at Blanco's Open House...Thank you.

Cross Country News - Super effort by Ava Moses at the Sunset Course at the Empire Lake meet. Ava improved her time by one whole minute over last years

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time. Billy Weinblatt placed 4th breaking the school record by 30 seconds. The previous record was held by Nathan Lang. Job well done.

Volleyball News - 6/7th grade team is still undefeated narrowly defeating Powers in overtime 17/15 and 15/4. This group of girls are really developing individual skills and serving styles. They will be competing at the 6/7th-grade tournament at Marshfield on October 2nd. The 8th grade girls suffered their first defeat to Powers losing 15/4, 15/12 and 15/13. Individually they are great athletes. They are putting their skills together to improve their team work. Catch their next home game October 11th against Millicoma.

Open Gym Monday evenings 7-8 for students interested in laying basketball.

No school Friday, October 8th - State-wide Inservice and again October 29th - End of 1st Quarter.

Port Orford Library

Port Orford Public Library Board of Directors meet Wednesday, October 13 at 7:00pm in the library. The public is invited to attend.

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the states that then award it to individual communities.

She clarified one thing about the \$440,000 loan and said the bonds for that could be paid back in 40 years, not 20 with a projected interest rate of 5-1/2%. Britell said the City of Port Orford can not have more than 3% of their assessed value as debt. The debt is now \$1.3 million and cannot go higher than \$1.8 million. She said the sewer drain field at Agate Beach that was destroyed in February 1998 cost \$260,000 and we were still paying for it.

The City of Port Orford is currently under a Mutual Agreement and Order (MAO) with the Department of Environmental Quality regarding replacement of the Agate Beach drain field. The City has already missed two deadlines that were included in the MAO. The City was to have completed and submitted engineering plans and specifications by March 30, 1999. The City was to have completed local funding arrangements to insure construction of all necessary projects by April 30, 1999 and the project is to be completed by September 30, 2000. Martha said the April 30 guideline did not

coincide with the granting cycles. Former City Administrator Johnny Alexander informed DEQ on June 22 that the first two guidelines had not been met.

Now it's a waiting game for the City until the Oregon Economic and Community Development Department responds to the city's grant request.

Senior News By Mary Yoder

September came and then it went.

I guess you know it was well spent.

October came just like a queen.

Before you know it – it will be Halloween.

So here are the birthday people for October. Charles Sandholm 5 – Regi Stahl 6 – George Martinez 7 – Art Klima 10 – Robert Houck Sr. 24 – Lucille Tubbs 25 – Francis Smith 26 – Clare Stahl 26 – Mary Forsyth 27 – Henry Kron 29. We all wish you a happy birthday and lots more.

September 28 was membership meeting. At this time the volunteer pin for October was presented to Thelma Lagace by last

month's volunteer Lucille Douglas. Now Thelma will be the one to pick the November volunteer of the month. Nice going ladies.

September 30 was Rotary luncheon. Volunteers working were Loraine Hass, Norma Ellis, Kay Neal, Bessie Laursen, Judy Franklin, and Owen Miller. Everyone does several things like Owen Miller dishes, etc. and he was even serving the food – good going Owen – and all of you too. I set up the dining room. It's not much work when you learn how to do it.

Now coming up pinochle. Winners were ladies high Betty Keeler – 2nd Venita Marstahl – low a man Ron Vliet. Bunny brought zucchini bread – real tasty and yes there was popcorn. All had a good time.

October 5 nutrition meeting.

October 9 is luncheon at 11:30am birthday – rummage sale 8:00am to 1:30pm.

October 10 is breakfast 8:00am to 1:30pm.

October 12 board meeting at 11:0am – all are welcome.

Oh yes if you haven't paid your dues – still \$3.00. Guess I've said it all.

The joy of living fills my heart
And, Father God I pray
That I may share this joy
With all who cross my path today.

Letter to the Editor,

We would like to thank everyone who has been in our little gift shop, (The Shell Shack), during our twenty-three years in business here in Port Orford. We ask the Lord's blessing on the new owners, Dale and Paula Dearing, whom we love dearly. Drop by and visit them, and see what they can come up with for you.

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