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### Boat Hoists Installed By Evan Kramer



The Port of Port Orford commission met last Tuesday night, the same day the first of four sections of the boat hoists arrived.

The Commission discussed the public fishing dock. Four pilings have been driven for it in the riprap at the end of the dock. The public was told when bids were let out for the dock project that the public fishing dock was an addendum and now the Port has run out of money for the project. There was discussion about Port employees building the fishing dock with materials left over from the main project. Port Commission chairperson Leesa Cobb stated the fishing dock "definitely will be built."

Scott Mecum spoke to the commission about a shoaling problem near the fishing pier location. He said he damaged his boat against the pilings. He was told that the Port engineers have said the bumpers will take the energy out of the surge.

The first of four main parts of the two boat hoists arrived on Tuesday. The main stem of the commercial boat hoist was the first part and by Saturday the two stems and booms had arrived and been erected.

The commercial boat hoist is rated at 25 tons and the sport boat hoist at 15 tons. They both stand approximately 40 feet high. Rather than describe them any further go and take a look at these two impressive boat hoists.

The Army Corps of Engineers conducted a survey to see what the dredge barge Sandwick accomplished the previous week.

A figure of \$5 million was used as a potential cost in discussing the estimated cost of replacing or repairing the middle of the jetty (the low spot).

Interim Port Manager Ed Schlender said he had been trying to find someone within the Port's budget to conduct the strategic planning meeting. One thing the commissioners need to do is determine a price for square foot rental on the new dock. Schlender recommended a workshop-planning meeting. It will be held on Friday, May 26 from 5:00-7:00pm.

Louis Basey, owner of the Dock Tackle shop, requested an eight-month abatement of her rent because of the dock construction. Leesa Cobb counter-offered a five-month abatement. Basey said she felt the Port has an obligation to reimburse her for lost income mentioning she had lost last year's Labor Day weekend business. Ed Schlender said come to the

budget meeting next week. He said, "we're a disaster." Commissioner Scott Macdonald offered a motion to offer Louise Basey a five-month abatement of rent. The motion carried 5-0.

There was a brief discussion of the sewer pump station at the dock. Ed Schlender said the Port had paid to put it in. He said, "it is ours" and that it has to be fixed and this is a high priority.

Ed Schlender said he wants to talk to the engineering firm the Castaway Motel hired to change the discharge pipe and get the issue resolved.

Schlender presented the commission with change orders for the dock project for \$121,029. He asked they approve all of them now. He said the Port is within the change order budget. Commissioner David Darnell made a motion to accept the outstanding change orders and it passed unanimously.

Commissioner Chris Hawthorne made a motion to appoint Gifford Barnes to position #1 on the budget committee and Mary Taylor to position #4. It passed 5-0 and Hawthorne added another motion to appoint all five non-port commissioner members to the budget committee. It passed 5-0. The budget committee meets

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Date	Time	Tide	Time	Tide	Time	Tide	Time	Tide	Sun		Moon			
									Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Phase	
Thu	May 25, 2000	4:36a	5.5	11:47a	0.4	6:59p	5.5			5:44a	8:44p	2:12a	12:29p	
Fri	May 26, 2000	12:29a	3.5	5:43a	5.1	12:39p	0.7	7:44p	5.7	5:44a	8:45p	2:41a	1:28p	3Q
Sat	May 27, 2000	1:39a	3.0	7:00a	5.0	1:32p	0.9	8:25p	6.1	5:43a	8:46p	3:09a	2:29p	
Sun	May 28, 2000	2:40a	2.3	8:15a	5.0	2:22p	1.2	9:02p	6.5	5:42a	8:47p	3:36a	3:32p	
Mon	May 29, 2000	3:31a	1.4	9:24a	5.2	3:11p	1.4	9:39p	7.0	5:42a	8:48p	4:04a	4:37p	
Tue	May 30, 2000	4:18a	0.4	10:26a	5.4	3:58p	1.6	10:16p	7.5	5:41a	8:48p	4:35a	5:49p	
Wed	May 31, 2000	5:04a	-0.5	11:23a	5.7	4:44p	1.8	10:55p	7.9	5:41a	8:49p	5:10a	6:59p	
Thu	Jun 1, 2000	5:49a	-1.4	12:17p	6.0	5:31p	2.1	11:36p	8.3	5:40a	8:50p	5:50a	8:10p	

**Board Hires Superintendent  
 By Evan Kramer**

The Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School District Board of Directors met in executive session on Monday night for the purpose of selecting a chief executive officer under ORS 192.660(1)(a)(D). They adjourned the executive session at little past 8:00pm and went into regular session.

Board member Mike Knapp made a motion to hire Phil Sword as superintendent/principal as per the terms of the contract worked out in the executive session. Board member Don Smith seconded the motion. There was no board discussion on Knapp's motion. Board chairperson Virginia Hughes called for the vote, which was 4-1 in favor of the motion with Knapp, Smith, Alan Brown and Gary Anderson voting yes and Shirley Van Loo voting no. The chairperson doesn't vote except to break a tie.

Phil Sword is currently the principal at Pacific High School where he is completing his first year on that job. The district hired him in 1993 as Blanco Middle School principal. The motion to hire Sword as superintendent did not specify which school he would be principal of next school year.

The process of hiring a new superintendent began when the school board voted 4-3 not to renew the contract of Superintendent Dick Wold on December 16, 1999. His contract is set to expire on June 30, 2000. The board hired Dr. Jim Carnes of the Oregon School Board Association to hold a search for a new superintendent at a cost not to exceed \$7,000. The board received twenty-one applications for the position from Oregon and other parts of the United States. A group of seven volunteers from the community including myself were recruited to serve on the superintendent search committee along

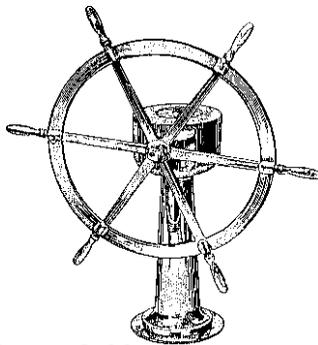
with three board members and three school district employees. We were appointed on February 21. I spent over ten hours at district headquarters reading and reviewing the applications and ranking them. However, the final choice for superintendent rested with the seven member elected school board and it all came down at the end to hiring someone from within the School District.

Dick Wold's last workday with the District will be June 13 though his contract with the school district does not run out until June 30. He has many vacation days to use up and Phil Sword will begin working as superintendent on June 14. Wold is moving on to the job as Sherman County schools superintendent. He told me he's looking forward to this opportunity but that when he retires it will be back in the Port Orford area. Good luck to you Dick Wold in your new job.

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## Unseen Powers By Graeme Graydon



Over fifty years ago, the dominant figure at my High School, Wellington College, was a very, very old teacher, one James Cuddie, known amongst us as J.C. or Jimmie. He was one of those who agreed not to retire, to cover for all the youngest teachers who went to war. I do not think he had any hair and he either had a tooth missing or a gap which caused him to whistle a little when he talked. When he smiled, which was very rarely, it scared me. But he ran the whole show. We hardly knew the Headmaster who was more a figurehead. J.C. was the voice of authority. He stood before us, one thousand teenager boys, at each morning Assembly, without a sound system, to make the days' announcements. In the five years I was there, he never had to ask or wait for attention- he claimed it, with dignity and respect.

One day, he introduced a new science subject in a most unusual manner, a subject so common that no one ever thought about it. His class of thirty boys waited

quietly for their science master. As J.C. came in, the boys stood, (with a clatter as the folding seats were flipped up) He stooped a little, but in one searching glance took an instant reading on his charges and firmly established his authority. At a nod, the boys sat down, again with a clatter), poised for the lecture. But J.C. didn't say a word; instead, he slowly drew his chair out from under his table, and to everybody's horror, and with some effort, climbed on it and then onto the table, towering shakily over his boys. No one dared to breathe—"the old boy's gone nuts-he'll kill himself-we should tell someone." But they were frozen. With deliberate movement he produced from within the folds of his gown—a fresh piece of chalk. Gazing at it as if mesmerized, he slowly extended it high in front of him, claiming every eye in the room. For a long moment, and then he dropped it. The chalk snapped on the oiled floor, but he wasn't finished. As all eyes went back to their teacher, in his rich, clear voice he announced—"Gravity, Gentlemen, the Power of Gravity" and he smiled his rare smile. In the following stunned silence, that brilliant teacher created a space in every young mind that allowed a fresh view of an unseen power that I, for one,

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have never lost. Have you ever thought about how we must protect ourselves from, or fight against, or use it for our security, all the time? Without gravity to hold us in bed, our bodies would float off when we went to sleep. Now there's a thought. James Cuddie was one of the great ones. He made an impact and he did it by bringing his passion to stimulate young minds along with an attitude of courtesy and respect for his charges.

## Roaring Sea Open House

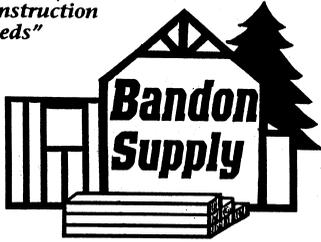
Everyone is invited to enjoy the featured artists and musicians at the last-Sunday-of-the-month Open House at Roaring Sea Arts, 41687 Highway 101 South, Port Orford, from 2:00 to 5:00, Sunday, May 28.

Guest artists this month include Larry Dildine of Gold Beach, who creates ceramic vases and lamps; Marily Melton, water color artist also from Gold Beach; and Kati Torbet, recent winner of the T-shirt logo contest for this year's Arts and Seafood Festival, with naturalist paintings.

Informal music is provided during the afternoon by the Kammeroque Ensemble, plus original poetry by Joyce Mueller.

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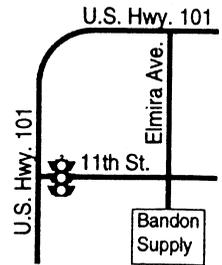
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### Blue Book Cover Contest

Secretary of State Bill Bradbury released guidelines for a statewide contest to select a cover for the 2001-2002 Oregon Blue Book. The contest, held every two years, is designed to showcase the talents of Oregon residents of any age who are amateur photographers.

The Oregon Blue Book, a compendium of facts, figures, and details about the state, is published by the Secretary of State. It is a who's who of state and local governments that provides extensive information about Oregon's economy, history, educational system, cultural resources, and much more.

"I encourage all amateur photographers in the state to send in their best shots representing aspects of life in Oregon," Bradbury stated. "We live in a beautiful state, and I'm proud to have the cover of the Blue Book reflect that beauty," he added.

The winner of the contest will be featured on the inside front cover of the 2001-2002 Blue Book in a narrative about the photograph and the photographer. Judith Zarn of Ironside, Oregon won the 1999-2000 Blue Book cover contest with a photograph of 'Grandma's Chicken House.' Selected entries also may be exhibited in the Archives Building following publication of the 2001-2002 Oregon Blue Book.

Entries must be postmarked by October 16, 2000. The photos must be 4 by 6 inch or 4 by 7 inch color prints in a vertical (portrait) orientation. There is no financial compensation offered in the contest. Secretary of State Bill Bradbury will select the winning image and the contest winner will be notified on or before January 31, 2001.

An entry form must accompany all images. The entry form and photo contest guidelines are available in PDF on the Blue Book web site: [www.bluebook.](http://www.bluebook.)

[state.or.us](http://state.or.us) or by contacting Blue Book editor Tim Torgerson at (503) 373-0701, extension 250 or by e-mail [Timothy.B.Torgerson@state.or.us](mailto:Timothy.B.Torgerson@state.or.us)

### Theater Acting Workshop

Members of the Acting Workshop met with members of the Nesika Little Theater on Monday, May 15 at the Nesika Little Theater for an evening of Improvisation and Theater Games. The thespians first enjoyed a small feast of light snacks prepared at the theater by Darlene Pieri and Richard Purdy, followed by a couple of hours in mini-performances on an aesthetically lit stage.

The next scheduled meeting of the two groups will be on Tuesday, May 30 (day after Memorial Day). Carpool to Nesika Beach will meet at 5:00pm in the Senior Center parking lot. Light snacks will be served to participants. The workshop fee is \$5.00. Those interested in learning more should call Nella at 332-9110.

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Sunday Lunch: ..... Eggs Benedict - Crepes

## Senior News By Mary Yoder

First I'd like to remind everyone young and old about the Flag ceremony on May 29 at 1:00pm. Where? - The Senior Center. There is quite a program planned and all will enjoy it. I'm sure. This is Memorial Day so best come. Also finger food is available.

May 18 was Rotary luncheon - volunteers working were Bessie Laursen, Lorraine Hass, Betty Berge, Connie Heida, Savannah Tremmel. Lorraine Hass set up the dining room and yes Warren Jewell and John Heida dishes, etc. I wonder if they do this at home?

May 27 Saturday at 11:30am a senior picnic - Roald Young and Pattie Young are in charge. It will be in the parking lot - rain - inside. I was told birthday cake and ice cream too.

I was told it's a barbecue picnic so best come. See for yourself - also rummage sale from 8:00am to 1:00pm.

Now this - someone lost eyeglasses two pairs have been found at the Center - also a red notebook. Call or come to the Center if they are yours.

May 30 - Tuesday at 10:00am - staff meeting - at 11:00am membership meeting - see you there - also blood pressure, hearing aid at 9:30am.

Monday May 22 at 1:00 meeting. It was to work on Center by-laws - updating them. It will be brought up at the membership meeting May 30. 11:00am please be there.

Dues are due July 1 too June 30, 2001. \$3 each.

We must take time to close the door  
on errors and mistakes  
And start anew another day  
and try for higher stakes

With honesty in full command  
Contributing purpose too  
That we may gain our goal in life  
With pride in what we do.

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## Business License Fees

(article submitted by City of Port Orford)

The City of Port Orford Budget Committee has been diligently reviewing revenues and expenses for the upcoming fiscal year. The Committee is determined to keep the Police Department a viable part

of the City and has recommended areas where revenues can be increased and expenses be reduced.

The City Council accepted several of the Committee recommendations and took action at a special session held on May 15, 2000 regarding business license and other related fees. The Council voted unanimously to the following changes in fees to take immediate effect:

Business License Fees .... \$48 annually  
Solicitors / Peddlers ..... \$48 annually  
\$8 per month  
or \$4 per week  
Jukebox ..... \$36 annually  
Amusement Devices/Machines  
\$120 annually

Shuffleboard ..... \$12 annually  
Pool Tables ..... \$10 annually

City Ordinances state that any profession, trade, occupation, shop and all and every kind of calling carried on for profit or livelihood is required to purchase a business license. The ordinances also include solicitors and peddlers, many of which come from outside of the city limits. Businesses located outside the city limits that conduct business within the city are required to obtain a business license.

The Council chose not to increase the annual sign fee for businesses, but directed the City Administrator to enforce policies that all businesses pay their annual license fee with appropriate sign fees. Renewal notices will be mailed to all businesses by June 1, 2000.

Business owners may contact City of Port Orford staff at 332-3681, with questions regarding the business license and sign ordinances, or for renewal or purchase of a business license.



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### What's New at the Library

By Paula Cracas

I'm back! New York was hot...90 plus degrees. The art museums were hot. The Broadway plays were hot. Mayor Giuliani is in hot water. The library has some books so hot they'll sizzle when you pick them up.

Fiction this week and hot off the press: Easy Prey, John Sandford's "most suspenseful novel yet." The murder victim is a top model and she didn't die from anorexia. Oops, there's another body in the closet. Almost too hot to handle is Deborah Knott solving the mystery of a scantily clad body in a North Carolina motel. Secret and illicit affairs abound in Storm Track by Margaret Maron. Then Anne Perry's hot new Victorian mystery Half Moon Street centers on a battered body in a body of water. A French diplomat is missing. Did he get himself chained to a boat? Count on Jack Higgins to heat things up in Day of Reckoning

with the combination of an international crime boss, FBI, money trails, illegal businesses, revenge and murder. Hot suspense!

To cool things down a bit, Danielle Steel (whose boyfriend, tan George Hamilton loves the hot sun) offers up her forty-eighth best seller: The Wedding; a Hollywood setting rife with celebrities. "Real people in an unreal world." Yeah, right. Then Diane Johnson writes about "a struggling American journalist who is hot on the trail of a breaking story: the theft of a valuable manuscript" in Le Marriage. And finally, Saul Bellow's new book is Ravelstein. Bellow has always been associated with Hot! Get it? There are lots of joke books at the Port Orford Library too. Check us out.

### Public Notice Notice of Special Meeting

The board of directors of the Port Orford Rural Fire District will hold a special meeting at 5:00pm at the Elk River Fire

Station at 94018 Elk River Road, on Tuesday, May 30, 2000.

The purpose of this meeting is to review the Rural Fire District contract with the City of Port Orford and to consider alternatives to the Rural Fire District contract with the City of Port Orford.

### Agenda

Port Orford Rural Fire District Special Meeting, May 30, 2000

5:00pm Call to order and roll call of the board members.

5:05pm Public input

6:00pm Action

- a. Review Rural Fire District contract with City of Port Orford
- b. Consider alternatives to Rural Fire District contract with the City of Port Orford.
- c. 7:00pm adjourn

## Letter to the Editor,

Lloyd Olds and Bill Roberts won their primaries. They took the prize, but they should be more careful about the conclusions they draw from it.

The incumbents actually LOST the countywide referendum on their accomplishments and taxing policies. What they won was decisive but much more narrow.

What they won was a local landslide on opening Port Orford's Garrison Lake. North County voters so overwhelmingly said: "We don't like the decision Nathaniel Wander made on the Port Orford city council, and we don't want him making next year's decision from the commissioner's bench," that it negated the vote in the more populous parts of the county. Don Tilton got caught in the backwash. Precinct by precinct returns demonstrate that without this specific vote, neither Olds nor Roberts would have won.

Even worse was the "undervote" – voters who cast a ballot but skip particular contests. Typically 3-5% in contested commissioners' races, this year 17% voted across the board for: "None of the Above." While that hardly credits the challengers, they started as relative unknowns. It totally discredits the incumbents, however who ran "on the record." (The undervote actually approached 20% in two of the three Garrison Lake precincts, hard to blame on any South County newspaper.)

From a win-lose point of view, this changes nothing. From the point of view of listening to the voters, it would be pleasant to imagine the incumbents could hear more than just the sound of their own hands clapping.

Respectfully,

Nathaniel Wander

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## Lifeboat Museum Opens

You are cordially invited to attend the opening of the Port Orford Coast Guard Lifeboat Station museum at the Port Orford Heads State Park in conjunction with State Parks Day, on June 3, from 9:00am to 4:00pm.

We have a display of photographs and information about this lifeboat station from the commissioning in 1934 to the decommissioning in 1970. A 36-foot motor lifeboat used at this station is on the premises waiting to be restored. On display in the Port Orford room is the Malaskey pharmaceutical collection and some history of the area.

Directions: Off Highway 101, at mile marker 301, proceed west on 9<sup>th</sup> Street and up Coast Guard Hill Road to the park. As you approach the entrance to the park, you will see the Barracks building in front of you behind the hedge and that houses the museum. **There is no turn around for motor homes and trailers.**

We will provide Free shuttle service for your ride to the park. Please park at the Community Building on 11<sup>th</sup> Street, one block east of Highway 101. The shuttle will depart every half-hour beginning at

10:00am and ending at 4:00pm. Be one of the first visitors to sign our guestbook. Hope to see you there!

The Port Orford Heritage Society is a non-profit organization and is available online at [www.portorfordlifeboatstation.org](http://www.portorfordlifeboatstation.org)

The museum will be open from June 1 to October 31, Saturdays and Sundays from 1:00 to 5:00pm.

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## Fire Station Tours

The Port Orford Rural Fire District invites all interested people to come out and tour the Rural Fire District Stations on Saturday, May 27. The first tour will be of the Elk River Fire Stations at 11:00am at 94018 Elk River Road and the second tour will be of the Cedar Terrace Fire station at noon, at the corners of Old Mill Road and Vista Drive in Cedar Terrace.

Board member Brice Wagner will conduct the tours and give information on the history of the Rural Fire District while other Board Members will be available to answer questions concerning happenings since they have been on the Rural Fire District Board.

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**Police Log**

- May 15, 2:40am: Motor vehicle crash on Oregon Street – driver transported to Bay Area Hospital in Coos Bay.
- May 15, 10:45am: Dog barking on Arizona – owner contacted and advised, written warning issued.
- May 16, 11:45am: Found baseball mitt at Buffington Park turned in.
- May 16, 4:20pm: Verbal altercation at PD – handled by contact.
- May 16, 8:00pm: Report of verbal argument at 1186 Idaho Street – handled by contact.
- May 17, 8:30am: Dog at large at 10th and Washington – owner contacted and advised.
- May 17, 10:56am: 9-1-1 call to W. 9th Street, reckless driving and verbal altercation – under investigation.
- May 17, 3:40pm: Citizen assist at 19th Street – subject assisted into wheelchair.
- May 18, 12:05pm: Vehicle hit and run at Jackson and 6th Streets – under investigation.
- May 19, 9:30am: Theft of services at Port Orford Inn – report taken.
- May 20, 7:00am: Disturbance at Circle K-handled by contact.

May 20, 8:20pm: Domestic argument at Jackson Street – handled by contact.

May 20, 11:00pm: Report of Criminal Mischief on Hamlet, rock thrown at windshield-under investigation.

**The Tale**  
**By Levi Anderson**

The Tale of the Very Queasy Stench!

Once upon a time, in a very messy classroom, with a very weird teacher, there was a dead bird!! But, let's not jump to conclusions. You see, it all started with birds. Yes, you heard me right, birds. Reports, cards facts, and even bird eggs, but in spite of all that, our very weird teacher brought in a dead bird! A dead robin to be exact. Well, when school got out, Mrs. Shely (the very weird teacher) was supposed to put the dead bird outside (that was Friday). On Monday, when we came to school we smelled a very weird smell. Oh the agony, oh the pain, oh the very queasy stench! We asked her what it was and she said, "I forgot to take the dead bird outside." Ohhhhhh nooooo! We'll be smelling that stench forever! We went to music and do you know what we smelled when we came back? Guess. I'll give you a hint: It wasn't a dead bird. Bathroom Freshener! Total relief! I was ready to be blasted by the scent of dead bird, and instead, I was blasted by bathroom freshener! No just me, the whole class! So far it has lasted four whole days.

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We've mostly gotten used to the freshener, but every time we open up the cupboard, we are blasted with so much freshener, we gag. So, if you're planning to become a teacher, and you are going to bring in a dead bird, remember. The Tale of the Very Queasy Stench.

**Memorial Ceremony**

The American Legion is holding a Memorial Ceremony on May 29, 11:00am, at the Port Orford Cemetery. It will be followed at noon by the American Legion Auxiliary Memorial Ceremony at the Port of Port Orford. This will be followed by a flag dedication at the Port Orford Senior Center at 1:00pm.

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year's programs. North Curry Summer Arts & Recreation is sponsored by North Curry Families' and Children's Center. This project is supported in part by a grant from the Oregon Arts Commission, the Port Orford Arts Council, the Oregon Commission on Children and Families and local donations. For additional information on the program and registration, please call NCFCC at 332-1042 or 332-9191.

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Coast Guard Lifesaving Museum open from 9:00am to 4:00pm. We have displays of photographs and information about this lifeboat station from commissioning in 1934 to the decommissioning in 1970. A 36-foot motor lifeboat used at this station is on the premises and waiting to be restored. Ernie Malaskey's pharmaceutical collection and some local history are on display in the Port Orford room.

Refreshments will be served at all activities. For information call Humbug Mountain State Park at 332-6774.

### **Room Tax Issues**

#### **By Guy DeTorrance**

Oregon Coast Visitor's Association (OCVA) – Executive Director

Received word from the Port Orford Chamber this week that a City Council decision there is pulling room tax monies from the Chamber to fund local law enforcement. Imagine losing a major source of funding in YOUR community for the work you do to promote YOUR community. Mechelle Billings with the Port Orford Chamber seeks OCVA assistance with funding options and fund-raising ideas for a small, local chamber of commerce.

This is a recurring concept being floated in many communities along the Oregon Coast – take existing or potentially increased room tax monies to fund everything from parks and general fund to new buildings and programs. Contact Scott

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### **Langlois Library News**

**by Tobe Porter, Library Director**

If you're wondering about the progress of the new Langlois Public Library, stop by Langlois Market this Friday between 10:30 and Noon to see the plans and talk about it. I'll be there and so will Library Foundation President Jon Porter. Come grab a cuppa coffee and find out the latest news.

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**Transfers Rescinded**

The letter notifying Curry County sheriff deputy Mark Creighton that he was being transferred to the Correction Department as of June 11, 2000 has been rescinded as has the one sent to deputy Ted Longton. Creighton received a letter from Sheriff Kent Owens dated May 19 that reads as follows:

Deputy Mark Creighton;

Please disregard the memo, dated May 16, 2000, transferring you to corrections on June 11, 2000. I have discussed the issue at length with county counsel and Teamsters Local Union No. 222 representative Wayne Botta and have determined that the transfers would raise contractual issues. Therefore, the May 16, 2000 transfer order is rescinded.

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**Port Orford Library News  
by Tobe Porter, Library Director**

The Library Board held its annual Budget Hearing on Wednesday, May 10th. The 2000-2001 budget was adopted as approved by the Budget Committee at that meeting in March.

Known as “the library that has always done a lot with very little money,” I’m pleased to say that we will be able to do even more since we go into this next fiscal year in pretty good financial shape. Thanks to careful planning

and spending, and the support we receive from the Friends of the Library, we will be able to fix the ceiling, purchase a staff computer, expand our reference collection, and still order the new books everybody loves.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, I thank our Budget Officer, Mary Taylor, and the members of the Budget Committee: Brenda Mitchell, Barbara Leeling, Ann Voltin, John Houser, and Bonnie Woodley.

**Curry Medical gets EKG**

Shirley Van Loo, board member with the Curry Health Foundation, got a quick course in cardiac electrical activity when she visited the Curry Family Medical clinic in Port Orford last week. The clinic staff showed Van Loo a new electrocardiogram (EKG) unit recently purchased with funds totaling more than \$4,700, made possible by the Curry Health Foundation.

Through fund-raisers and private contributions, the foundation raises money to support Curry General Hospital and other healthcare entities throughout Curry County. During the past six years of its existence, the group has distributed more than \$76,700 to different healthcare organizations throughout the county.

To learn more about or how to support the foundation or county healthcare organizations, individuals can phone Linda Fletcher, 247-3189. Donors can send tax-exempt donations to Curry Health Foundation, PO Box 1274, Gold Beach, OR 97444.

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**Letter to the Editor,**

On Sunday May 21 with the help of Jay W., great great great grandson of Captain William Tichenor, and Rod Boss, the Tichenor Cemetery was mowed (what a mess). Now you can find the graves at least! There is still more work to be done. It is a shame that a historical site should be so neglected. Many thanks to Rod for his donated labor and use of tools.

Copies of a map of Tichenor Cemetery and location of the graves have been made available at the Fun Zone.

Ray Tichenor  
Great-great grandson of  
Captain William Tichenor

**No Blank Check for China  
By Representative Peter DeFazio**

The upcoming vote in Congress to give China permanent normal trade relations (PTNR) is not about whether we will engage and trade with China. The U.S. currently accepts more than 40 percent of China's exports. This will continue regardless of the vote. After all, what other country can absorb such a massive amount of Chinese goods?

Instead the issue is about the unfair trade terms of this engagement. Will we push for improvements to China's record on human rights, environmental degradation, nuclear proliferation and unfair trade practices, or will we give China a blank check, demanding zero accountability from the discredited, dictatorial regime in Beijing?

I am squarely in the camp of those who believe Congress should not give up its right to annually review whether China deserves favorable access to the U.S. markets. Despite assertions this annual review is "toothless", it is precisely the potential of losing favorable access to the U.S. markets that has Beijing's rulers and China-based U.S. manufacturers pushing so hard for PNTR. The following are a few myths that deserve refuting.

Myth #1 China has agreed to open up vast markets to American goods.

We are being told to trust that China will comply with this agreement. Yet, China has violated all major agreements on trade and the non-proliferation of weapons including the 1992 Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) on Prison Labor, the 1996 (and subsequent years) Bilateral

Agreement on Intellectual property, the 1994 Bilateral Agreement on Textiles, and the 1992 MOU on Market Access. There is little reason to believe this time would be different.

In fact, the chief negotiator of the U.S. China agreement has been quoted in the Chinese press backtracking on a number of the commitments they made, calling them a "complete misunderstanding" or only "theoretical opportunities", explaining the incongruity by saying, "During diplomatic negotiations, it is imperative to use beautiful words."

Various reports in major U.S. newspapers indicate China intends to still protect its machine, electronic, chemical, medical, military, telecommunications, energy, transportation, automobile, and agriculture industries, even after accession to the World Trade Organization (WTO). Where exactly are the market opening opportunities?

Even if China reversed course and opened their markets, only a small fraction of Chinese workers could afford to buy products imported from the U.S. The average wage for a Chinese factory

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## **No Blank Check for China Continued from prior page**

worker is only \$60 a month, hardly enough to buy a Buick, Windows 2000, or even a pair of Nikes.

Like the North American Free Trade Agreement (NAFTA), this agreement is designed to protect U.S. manufacturers who want to build plants in China to take advantage of the low-wages and lax environmental and labor standards in order to export products back into the U.S. market.

Myth #2: U.S. business will lose out to foreign competition if Congress fails to grant PNTR

If Congress does not grant PNTR, our trading relationship with China will not cease to exist. If China joins the WTO and Congress does not grant PNTR, then our trading relationship would be governed by the 1979 U.S.-China bilateral trade agreement. The agreement requires China to grant U.S. companies the same concessions granted to businesses from other countries.

Myth #3: A vote against PNTR will cost American jobs

What will really cost U.S. jobs is our record and our growing trade deficit with China. In 1999, the trade deficit with China was \$68.7 billion, an increase of 14.6 percent. This reflects a 6 to 1 ratio of imports to exports, the most imbalanced relationship in the history of U.S. trade. In a report last year, the U.S. International Trade Commission (USITC) acknowledged the trade deal would increase our trade deficit with China. While the growth in exports would generate 325,000 jobs, this would be offset with the 1.4 million jobs lost in the U.S. due to rising imports from low-wage China.

During the debate on NAFTA, we heard similar economic myths from the President. Virtually all of the NAFTA promises have proved illusory. NAFTA turned trade surpluses into deficits; led to net job losses not job increases; led to worsening environmental destruction, not improved protection; and led to stagnant or failing wages, not rising wages, including in the agriculture sector. The results of the deal with China will likely produce the same results.

I don’t believe that China’s repressive regime deserves to be treated as permanent “normal” trading partner. Using



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forced prison labor and child labor is not normal. Threatening nuclear war with a trading partner is not normal. Repeatedly violating previously signed agreements is not normal.

Yes, we should continue to engage China. But, we should not give away all bilateral leverage we have without first extracting concrete improvements in human rights, environmental protection, and treaty compliance.

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### ALF Committee Planning By Frann Grossman

Assisted Living Facility (ALF) advisory committee members are jubilant this week following the overwhelming passage of a ballot measure that will allow Curry Health District to develop an ALF



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Speaking at a celebration luncheon, Friday, May 19, in the Curry Café, Dale Thomas announced that all precincts voted 70 percent or more in favor of the ALF endorsement except for three precincts in the Port Orford area. Even there, however, at least 45 percent of the voters favored the ALF, he said.

Tallying up the votes, "it was a landslide," he said, with 76.6 percent in favor excluding the Port Orford area; and 68.8 percent in favor districtwide. Thomas recognized the efforts and "hard work" of the ALF advisory committee and Citizens for a Caring Curry who helped answer questions and meet with the voters.

"The vote was an overwhelming message of support for our seniors and the need for assisted living residences in central Curry County," Thomas said.

Nancy Baum, R.N., who co-chairs the ALF advisory committee with Bob Van Leer and Thomas, thanked the people of the district.

"If I have anything to say about it, this ALF will be the best assisted living center around," Baum added.

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Getting the job done will be the group's next focus, Van Leer continued.

"Now that the voters have given their marching orders, the next thing for the district to do is get in and get the facility built," Van Leer said. A ground-breaking ceremony is expected later this summer.

Looking forward, Thomas said the ALF committee has formed four subcommittees to continue planning the facility: Grants; Design/Building; Management/Operations; and Working Capitol/Fund Development.

The ALF will hold its next advisory board meeting at 8:00am, May 25, in the hospital conference room.

For more information, phone Thomas at 247-7169.

### Letter to the Editor,

In response to the articles in the Port Orford News on May 17, 2000 regarding the Port Orford Rural Fire Department.

Please cancel my subscription to the Port Orford News as I do not intend to read a paper whose publisher would publish such trash without making any effort to ascertain its truthfulness.

As for the Editor, I have nothing to say or discuss with a person who, in my opinion, has such low ethical standards as you do.

Frank W. Smith

## Boat Hoists Installed Continued from Front Cover

on Thursday, May 25, 6:45pm, at the Port office.

The Port Commission will use part of their workshop meeting on Friday to look at the job description for Port manager in beginning the process of hiring a permanent manager.

Chris Hawthorne made a motion for the Port commission to support House of Representatives bill #3059 the **Seabed Protection Act**, introduced by Congressman Joel Hefley of Colorado. HR 3059 would "place a moratorium on bottom trawling and dredging practices in 16 key areas until assessments are completed on the impacts they have on fisheries production and marine life." One of the 16 key areas is off Cape Blanco and another is the Rogue River Reef. Scott Macdonald seconded the motion. Leesa Cobb spoke about keeping the draggers out and continued that the future of fishing was something we should be looking at now. Commissioner Dave Knapp wanted to know more about the bill and Commissioner David Darnell was concerned with more restrictions shutting

down fishing. The commissioners couldn't agree on this motion and defeated it 3-2 with Darnell, Macdonald and Dave Knapp voting no and Cobb and Hawthorne voting yes.

Ed Schlender said June 15 was the projected date for receiving the independent audit of the books.

## Chamber Fundraiser By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford Chamber of Commerce held their monthly membership at the Wheelhouse Restaurant. President John Ineson spoke about the Chamber future. The City of Port Orford is taking over management of the visitor center at Battle Rock Park as of July 1 of this year. The Chamber has managed the visitor center for the last five years and used the building as their office. The Chamber has an offer from a local business to donate office space but it's not a done deal yet.

Chamber office manager Mechelle Billings introduced Tiffeny Welch and Tori Smith, both students at Pacific High School. They have been volunteering at the visitor center and gaining work experience, which is a school requirement. They were both thanked for the efforts on

behalf of the Chamber and visitor center.

The guest speaker for the meeting was Jim Bouley. He is the coordinator for the Southwestern Oregon Community College Business Development Center. Bouley said the Center offers individual business assistance, short and long term management training, customized training and a business resource center. He talked about the special group for inventors they are sponsoring which meets once a month and has 15 members. Business counseling is offered in Port Orford and is free. The counseling is offered on the second Thursday of each month. For an appointment or more information call the Southwestern Business Development Center at 1-800-962-2838, extension 7100.

The next Chamber meeting will be held on Monday, June 12, noon, at the Battle Rock Deli. This is a board meeting.

The Chamber is holding a Summer Kick-Off Fundraiser this Saturday at Battle Rock Park. The Chamber will be serving a barbecue chicken lunch with baked beans, cole slaw and garlic bread for \$6.00. Besides delicious food the event will feature live music and lots of it. The music starts at 11:30am with Spring Head followed by the Trinity Lighthouse Gospel Choir, Jack of Arts featuring Jack Ponting, and Antique Dog. Everyone is welcome to help kick off the Memorial Day weekend at Battle Rock Park.

## Big Weekend Ahead

Friday and Saturday, June 2 and 3 are big days for Port Orford. It starts with the graduation ceremony for the Pacific High School Class of 2000 on Friday night in the high school gym. The next day is the grand opening of the Coast Guard Lifeboat Station Museum at Port Orford Heads State Park! The same day look for the Savoy Theater to be packed with music lovers as Hanneke Cassel and Ryan McKasson headline two shows. Just a reminder – tickets for those two shows are going fast.

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