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### New Blood For Fire Board By Evan Kramer



The Curry County Board of Commissioners met Monday morning and filled four vacancies on the Port Orford Rural Fire District. Commissioner Lloyd Olds was ill and not present for the meeting, which was attended by Chairperson Cheryl Thorp and vice-chair Bill Roberts.

Cheryl Thorp said she had attended a meeting of the Governor's Mental Health task force. Curry County is putting together a list of the services they offer and what their goals are in the mental health field. Thorp said a grant had been received for \$75,000 to pay for a psychiatrist for Curry County. Thorp added that the Curry County Human Services Department was going to take over administration of the local drug and alcohol program. It had been administered out of Baker County.

The two commissioners moved to postpone appointments to the Law Enforcement Fact Finding Committee because Thorp wanted to excuse herself from participating (she is the commissioner liaison to the sheriff's office) and she ques-

tioned the need for the committee. With Olds not in attendance they wouldn't have had a quorum. Curry County Sheriff Kent Owens got up and spoke forcefully to Roberts. He told the commissioners the "Sheriff's door will not be open to this committee." He said the committee would not come into his office. He pointedly told Bill Roberts that "You have no authority to investigate the Sheriff's Department." He asked Roberts why he wasn't there at the community meetings that had been held for the sheriff levy last year. He finished by telling Roberts, "You tend to your business, I'll tend to mine." This agenda item was postponed. The Law Enforcement Fact Finding Committee was formed by Bill Roberts to determine why the sheriff's department doesn't have enough deputies to respond to calls.

Laura Tesler, regional manager for the State Department of Agriculture spoke about Senate Bill 1010. Her district covers Curry, Coos and western Douglas County. She said they have formed a committee to develop an agriculture-water plan regarding non-source point water pollution. Senate Bill 1010 is set up to address flagrant non-source point water offenses. Tesler said it was better the state deal with this than the Environmental Protection Agency.

Dinah Van Der Hyde, representing the ODOT public transit division in Salem spoke about working on public transit projects. Oregon's government formed the Oregon Transportation Network (OTN) in 1999. The OTN has increased the amount of money spent from \$7 million to \$16 million annually for a transportation program for seniors, the disabled and with an emphasis on social service clients. Here in Curry County it is in the form of small mini-buses serving Brookings north to Coos Bay with stops in Port Orford and Langlois.

### Rural Fire Board Vacancies

The commissioners next went to work filling the four vacancies on the Port Orford Rural Fire Board. County counsel Gerry Herbage said all four appointments would be up for election next year in March. Position #1 will be elected for a two years term and positions #2, 3 and 4 will be elected to four-year terms. The appointments will put them in office through June 30, 2001. Commissioner Bill Roberts said he had received much support for putting former members on the board and staying with something proven. He said he didn't know about the work ethic of the people (other applicants) other than Gayle Wilcox. Commissioner Cheryl Thorp said she found it

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| Tue Jun 27, 2000 | 2:59a 1.0  | 9:01a 4.9  | 2:21p 2.1  | 8:52p 7.4  | 5:41a | 9:00p | 3:07a  | 4:38p     |
| Wed Jun 28, 2000 | 3:52a 0.0  | 10:11a 5.2 | 3:17p 2.4  | 9:37p 7.9  | 5:41a | 9:00p | 3:43a  | 5:51p     |
| Thu Jun 29, 2000 | 4:42a -0.9 | 11:13a 5.6 | 4:12p 2.6  | 10:24p 8.3 | 5:41a | 9:00p | 4:27a  | 7:02p     |

**Fire Season Begins**

The Coos Forest Protective Association announced on Tuesday, June 20, that fire season will officially begin at 12:01am, Monday, June 26. The start of fire season activates restrictions on both public and industrial forest use on all private, county, state and Bureau of Land Management lands as well as rural fire districts within CFPA's protection boundaries.

The start of fire season means the end of unregulated outside burning for people residing in Coos, Curry and parts of Douglas County. Written permits and on-site inspections will be required for all types of outside burning, including debris burning and the use of burn barrels. Permits are free of charge and may be obtained as follows.

Rural Fire district residents can call their local CFPA office during normal busi-

ness hours, seven days a week, at one of the following numbers: Bandon and Port Orford, 347-3400; Gold Beach, 247-6241 and in Brookings at 469-2302. A Fire Warden will typically come to the burn site to perform the inspection and write the permit.

County residents within an unincorporated city should call their local departments for burning restrictions and permit details.

Industrial fire regulations will also go into effect. Industrial Fire Precaution Level (IFPL) 1 prohibits smoking while working on or traveling through an industrial operation. Specified fire tools and suppression equipment must be maintained at all operations. A three-hour watchman service is also required at all industrial operation sites, unless waived or modified in writing by a Fire Warden. Changes in the Industrial Fire Precaution Level apply to all contractors

and permit holders working on private, county, state and Bureau of Land Management lands.

Non-industrial firewood cutters must have an 8-ounce fire extinguisher and a shovel. Power saws must be equipped with an approved screen.

As fire season progresses, additional closures and restrictions may be imposed as weather conditions become more severe.

For further information on burning restrictions and closures, contact the CFPA Closure Information Line at 267-1789 or visit their website at [www.odf.state.or.us/cfpa](http://www.odf.state.or.us/cfpa)

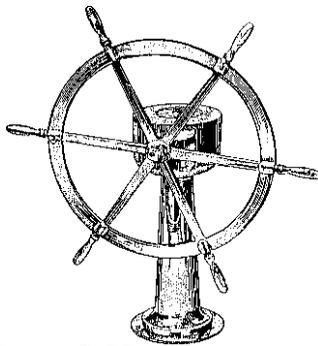
**Chamber Meeting**

The Port Orford Chamber of Commerce holds a membership meeting on Monday, June 26, noon, at the Wheelhouse Restaurant. All are welcome to attend.

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## Health District News By Frann Grossman

This column was created to help keep district patrons up to date with new improvements and changes in the Curry Health District, reaching from Pistol River north to just north of the Sixes River.

The North Curry Community Health Grant program will host a men's free health screening from 9:00am to 4:00pm, Friday, June 30, at Curry Family Medical. The screening will highlight early detection prostate cancer screening and education for North Curry County men. Besides free PSAs and optional clinical examinations, the screening will include blood tests for cholesterol and diabetes, tests for colon cancer and skin cancer, refreshments and brochures. Patients are reminded to fast for at least two hours prior to receiving a glucose blood test (for diabetes).

The North Curry Community Health Grant program also plans two activities for later this summer: a bike safety event in conjunction with RAD Outdoor Club, August 1; and "North Curry Walks On,"

August 5. For details, phone Cathy Boden, coordinator, 332-1042.

With voter endorsement of the proposed Assisted Living Facility, advisory committee members continue preparing for construction which could begin as early as next month. Subcommittees will address building/design, grant requests, beautification/enhancement, and management contracting/marketing and operation.

Bond funded dollars recently helped purchase waiting room chairs for Curry Family Medical, and an upgraded walk-in refrigeration unit for the hospital dietary department. The planned upgrade of the hospital's admitting and lobby area is set for January 2001.

Ginny Hochberg, M.S.N., who replaced Millie Bird as clinical administrator on the hospital's management council, has been named acting administrator. Randy Scholten, the former CEO, left in March.

Curry General Hospital recorded 132 patient days in April, increasing to 153 patient days in May. Outpatient visits totaled 1,551 in April, increasing to 1,868 in May.

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Curry Health District's fiscal year started July 1, 1999. It will end June 30, 2000. Looking at the census calculated during the fiscal year to date, inpatient days totaled 1,455 patients compared to 1,376 during the same period last year. Outpatient visits during the fiscal year to date total 19,521 in the current year compared to 17,074 visits in the same period last year.

Newborns in April totaled eight; newborns in May totaled 11. There have been 75 babies born during the current fiscal year to date, compared to 87 born during the same period last year.

## Police Log

June 12, 1:15pm: Altercation at 1186 Idaho Street. Report taken.

June 13, 8:55am: Criminal Mischief and theft at Suds N Duds. Report taken and under investigation.

June 14, 1:15pm: Offensive littering, Arizona Street. Report taken/under investigation.

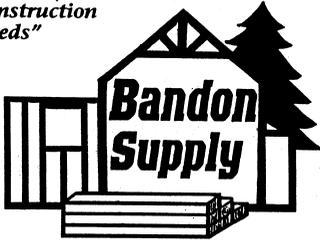
June 15, 6:45pm: Careless driving complaint in the Hamlet. Handled by contact.

June 16, 11:30pm: Two juveniles taken into custody for curfew violations. Cited and released to custodial adults.

June 17, 7:00pm: Dispute at residence on Jackson Street. Handled by contact.

June 18, 2:25am: Assault at Fire Department. Under investigation.

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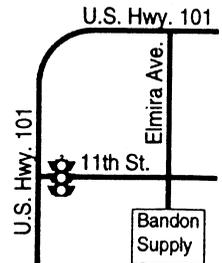
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### Senior News By Mary Yoder

On June 5 Monday night was pinochle and I missed it. I was told there was a nice turn out and here are the players who won – high June Heyl, 2<sup>nd</sup> Betty Harper and low Jean Shank. Notice – all ladies won.

June 13 was board meeting. I was told that at the membership meeting would be more about our bylaws. Please try to be there. It is June 27 at 11:00am. There is also blood pressure and hearing aid from 9:30am to noon.

Now the June 15 was Rotary luncheon. Volunteers working were Mary Evans, Lorraine Hass, Betty Berger, Judy Franklyn dishes, etc. Lila Sarratt and I setting up the dining room.

June 19 pinochle. Fun was had by all – high Katrina Montgomery, 2<sup>nd</sup> Donna Olsen, low Dorothy Spencer. Pinochle will be July 10 and July 24.

June 24 Saturday is senior luncheon at 11:30am. All are invited young or old. There also is a rummage sale from 8:30am to 1:00pm.

June 18 was Father's Day – hope all fathers had a very happy day.

Walking group is weekdays from 8:30 to 9:30am. Quilting class every Wednesday at 1:00pm. Dominoes every Thursday at 1:00pm. June 26 crafts at 9:30am. Hope I said it all.

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  
Controlling purpose too  
That we may gain our goal in life  
With pride in what we do.

### Domestic Violence Awareness

The OASIS Shelter Home, in conjunction with Southwestern Oregon Community College, is offering a free volunteer training in Domestic Violence Awareness. The seven-week course has OASIS staff, as well as presenters from various community agencies, covering violence and intervention topics.

The topics include the following: overview of services, women's issues, children's issues and advocacy, crisis and referrals, legal advocacy, and connection between substance abuse and domestic violence.

The class is free and will be held at the Gold Beach office of Southwestern, on Mondays, from 6:00 to 9:00pm, starting June 26. Telephone Southwest to register in Gold Beach at 247-2741 or in Port Orford on Fridays at 332-3023.



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## Gun Club News

By Bill Oleson

Eleven trap shooters from the Port Orford community including the sons of Ron and Mary Puhl (Nick and Gregory) exchanged shot for shot with the Myrtle Point Sportsman Association. Even though most of us are members of each other's club, this was the beginning of a home and home challenge. In reality Cape Blanco versus Coos County. Shot for shot is the only way to describe the first leg – the two clubs tied. Scores from the top five trap shooters from each club were used. Bottom line for each was 473/500. Scott Wurster and Robert McKenzie III each had a total of 96/100, Jim Harrison 95/100, Ron Puhl 94/100 and George Welch and Scott Macdonald tied with 92/100. These were combined scores for both the 16-yard singles and handicap. Jim Harrison and Scott Wurster shot perfect 50/50 from the 16-yard line. Little Nick Puhl outshot many of us in the singles with a 46/100. Leading scorers in the handicap were Robert McKenzie III and Ron Puhl with 47/50. Scott Wurster and Bill Oleson were runnerups one target back.

Apologies are issued to Ron Puhl who won the handicap last week instead of Ron Johnson. The handicapper forgot to use last names on the score sheets.

All pistol shooters who have indicated an interest in establishing a range please meet in the Cape Blanco club's building

Friday, June 23 at 5:00pm. Location of the club is the first driveway to the left off Grassy Knob Road. Scott Macdonald, president of Cape Blanco, will chair the meeting and explain the trap club's commitment to help organize a pistol group other than financial. At the same time we were competing in trap at Myrtle Point, approximately 150 men and women were taking turns on the pistol range. This could also happen in Port Orford.

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## Letter to the Editor,

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**South Pacific Performances**

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But even when all the virtues that can be isolated have been isolated there's an unexplained aura that still hovers and bristles under the oversize foliage, and

that crackles electrically even when the actors are pausing. It is felt, emphatically, during that early silence when islander Emile De Beque played by Bill Gibson and knucklehead Nellie Forbush portrayed by Jeanne Jo Perrone, are staring at one another over tentatively held decanters of cognac.

The Chetco Pelican Players production of South Pacific at the Performing Arts Center in Harbor continues through Sunday June 25 with Friday and Saturday performances at 8:00pm and Sunday matinee at 2:00pm. Tickets are \$10 for adults, \$5 for students and available at Mory's, Words & Pictures, Copy-All, Chetco Pharmacy,

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This program is intended to give students an opportunity to be involved in reading and using the computers to keep up their math skills over the long summer break. There is no fee and no registration for this program.

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**Jubilee Schedule  
By Evan Kramer**

The Fourth of July Jubilee celebration schedule of events is printed and available at locations all over Port Orford. The theme of this year's Jubilee is "Up, Up and Away in Y2K." The Jubilee celebration kicks off on Friday night, June 30, with square dancing at the Beachcombers Cove and continues with more square dancing on Saturday and Sunday evenings. There is a pancake breakfast at the Beachcombers Cove on Sunday morning from 8:00am to 11:00am and everyone is welcome. The horseshoe pitching tournament is on Sunday morning in Buffington Park and later that afternoon the pet show takes place at Salsa Rita's parking lot. This event is one of my favorites and I just may enter my dog Myrtle in it again this year. Her favorite trick is chasing the brown UPS truck.

Monday features the saltwater open golf game where participants play a form of golf using a tennis ball and golf club starting at Hubbards Creek and continuing along the beach to Battle Rock Park.

Tuesday, July 4 is the culmination of the Jubilee celebration and begins with the

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popular Rotary Club pancake breakfast at Driftwood Elementary School. While you're at the school you can enjoy a quilt show, flower show and Bonsai show in the classrooms. Another event that morning is the sand sculpture contest at Port beach on Dock Road. Things are looking very different down there this year with the nearly completed new dock having replaced the old wooden structure.

Everybody loves a parade and Port Orford's Jubilee parade is always fun. The parade starts at 11:00am at City Hall and travels along Highway 101 to Battle Rock Park. The grand marshal of the parade is Port Orford doctor Tom Pitchford. Clayton Lyons informed us that he is working on arranging for a fly by for the July 4 parade. He said there would be no night flight this year. He is hoping for an Oregon National Guard F-15 to fly by between 10:45 and 11:20am. The Senior Center is hosting a luncheon at noon and following that is the horse playday at Buffington Park at 12:30pm. The Dinghy races begin at 1:00pm at Battle Rock Beach. The Fish Box Derby is at 2:00pm on 11<sup>th</sup> Street east of Highway 101 with time trials beginning at 1:00pm. The Port Orford Fishermen and Wives Association puts on a salmon barbecue at Driftwood Elementary School starting at 3:00pm.

The Jubilee Celebration culminates with the Fireworks Display at Battle Rock at dusk. The Port Orford Volunteer Fire

Department is in charge of setting off the annual fireworks show in this beautiful setting.

**DUII Victims Impact Panel**

A DUII Victims Impact Panel will be held in Curry County on Wednesday, June 28, at 7:00pm in the Brookings City Council Chambers.

The Panel is designed to show DUII offenders the tragic consequences of driving under the influence of intoxicants. Victims who have suffered because of an intoxicated driver tell their stories to an audience of DUII offenders. By hearing a personal story, the offender can begin to understand the pain and suffering that results from a DUII.

The Panel is based on similar VIP models held in other counties. However, it was developed specifically for Curry County under the direction of a community Task Force, sponsored by the Curry County Council on Alcoholism through a grant from the Oregon Department of Transportation.

This is an ongoing DUII prevention program with Panels scheduled periodically throughout the year. The next schedule Panel is Wednesday, July 26, at 7:00pm in the Gold Beach City Council Chambers. Members of the community over the age of twelve are invited to attend. If you or anyone you know has been a victim, you are encouraged to call the Council at 247-2412.

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### 2CJ Board Members Resign

Three Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School District School board members resigned at the board meeting on June 13. Board member John Jensen resigned from the board effective immediately. In his brief letter to the board Jensen stated his reason for leaving as “recent events in the cranberry market have required me to re-enter the maritime industry.”

Long time board member Mike Knapp resigned effective June 30. Another long time board member Don Smith resigned effective June 30. In his brief statement Smith said “Ten years is a long time to serve on any School Board and I feel it is time for someone else to take my place.”

The 2CJ School District is now accepting application to fill the three vacant board positions. For more information and applications, contact the school district board office at 348-2337.

Those people remaining on the seven-member school board include Virginia Hughes, chairperson; Gary Anderson, Alan Brown and Shirley Van Loo.

[Editor’s Note: When I was on the school board there were a number of very vocal people who complained about the way the board and the superintendent operated. When there were openings on the board, I found it very disappointing and disillusioning that none of these people were willing to run for office.

Replacing these three board members can make a substantial difference in our district. I’d particularly like to see more candidates from Port Orford and the southern end of the district. It is a lot of work but also a lot of fun and very educational. You don’t need to be a genius or have a college degree - just a concern for the kids and our educational system, a willingness to do the job, and good old-fashioned common sense. Why not give it a try? - Valerie Kramer]

### Letter to the Editor,

I am writing this letter in regards to the decision to move our disabled children up to Bandon.

I have to disagree with this decision and feel that these children should be kept in the school that they attend now. Most of these children have grown up with their class mates and I feel by moving them up to Bandon would set a lot of their social and mental skills back. Please reconsider the decision to move them to Bandon.

Thank you,

Debbie Curry

### Book Signing

Winter River Books in Bandon is hosting a book signing and discussion with author Rick Francona on Saturday, June 24, at 2:00pm. Francona is the author of “Ally to Adversary – An Eyewitness Account of Iraq’s Fall from Grace.”

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### **Radio Field Day**

The Coos County Radio Club will participate in the nationwide Field Day, Saturday, June 24 until noon, June 25. Portable ham radio stations will be set up at the Bullards Beach State Park north of Bandon for public viewing.

The annual Field Day is sponsored by the American Radio Relay League (ARRL), the national association for amateur radio and is a large, popular ham radio event.

Portable stations will be powered by generators, batteries and solar assist to simulate emergency radio operating conditions during the 24-hour event.

Amateur radio operations provide important communications when other means of communication may be inoperative, such as cell phones and telephones.

### **Acting Workshop**

Those attending the Acting workshop on Tuesday the 20th will dine on make-your-own tacos, salad and fruits.... and après tacos, the work for the evening consists of the standard techniques of "method acting" as well as specific work on "Building a Healthy Ego", "Tension on Stage", "Selfless Involvement". Individuals in the group are working on "revue" type skits and monologues. The group is looking at a long running musical revue as possible future material. A cold reading is planned. The next Acting Workshop will be on Tuesday, June 27th at the Nesika Little Theater (who just got their brand new windows in). Meet at the Port Orford Senior Center parking lot at 5:00 PM. Or call Nella 332-9110 for more information.

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

As a concerned member of our discriminative society, it is justifiably wrong to take our much needed children from our schools. My children Amy and Solomon Peabody have had the pleasure of attending our public schools with these special challenged children. You people need to understand that we all need to know that our children are safe and will be cared for by other students.

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Debbie Peabody

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**Face Lift**

The T. Rex dinosaur at the entrance to Prehistoric Gardens is getting a brand new coat of paint thanks to Jason and Jeff, an art student and his friend, who volunteered for the task. The new paint job is much more dramatic and eye catching.

I spoke with the manageress who said her grandfather, who ran the park for some fifty years, was very conservative and had kept the paint colors the same for many, many years. Since he passed away last year, a new, though still cautious, spirit of adventure is being re-kindled. The face lift (actually a whole body lift) is one of the first steps.

The T. Rex, whom the artists have dubbed, "Cecelia", has been the target of several pranks over the years. While there is an element of comedy about stuffing a sheep or deer into her mouth, such vandals should remember that damage may occur and that some poor soul is going to get stuck cleaning up the mess. That unlucky person will have a hard time seeing the humor!

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following: "Tightrope" by Gillian Cross is about 14 year old Ashley who receives "chilling messages...that become threatening." This is a "spine-tingling thriller by a master of suspense." Or consider "The Killer's Cousin" by Nancy Werlin, about a high school senior acquitted of murdering his girlfriend. He goes to live with his cousin, Lily, who trashes his computer, glues his CDs in their cases, and...oops! You'll just have to read the book.

Diane Stanley's book "A Time Apart" is about a young girl sent to England to live with a father she hardly knows. A story "rich in humor and suspense" about her desperate journey to return home to her ill

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mother. "Smiling for Strangers" by Gaye Hicyilmaz is about a 14 year old girl in the middle of the war in Yugoslavia with only the "name and address of a complete stranger in England" to help her escape.

Kenneth Oppel was fifteen when he published his first novel. In "Sunwing" he continues his saga of "Silverwing," the story of a bat in search of his father. Touted as a "tour-de-force fantasy" this sounds like an exciting read. Finally, "Hard Love" by Ellen Wittlinger is about a young man hooked on zines. It's a "fierce and funny and ultimately transforming" look at divorce, stepparents, and teenagers caught in the middle.

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### Letter to the Editor,

I attended last week's school board meeting. I felt it was my duty to "guard the nest" for our disabled students. I surely didn't want Dick Wold to kick us in the teeth on his way out. Such as making our disabled children go to different schools or towns to be educated.

Our home is one half block from Driftwood Elementary. We planned this so our son could feel like school was home, comfortable to him. And not such an environmental change for him. Where I could keep an eye on him and be there for him (if needed). Our input has never been so needed as now.

I observed at the "honor party for Wold." Not one parent, not one teacher or student, or administrator that I saw was there for that reason. Although the few in attendance all had cake. I also was celebrating as many other community members who were not in attendance.

I also would like to say farewell to Mr. Wold. I would also like to write a letter to the disabled students parents that he will now be serving to "warn" them of what kind of a superintendent they will be re-

ceiving. Apparently some board members weren't willing to serve now that Wold left so they resigned. Three positions are now available. I am excited that maybe we'll get good changes.

I know there are three schools worth of personal who have been afraid for their jobs and retaliation if they were to speak up for the needs of a student and are afraid to right a wrong. What kind of an administration is this! These people should be recognized and rewarded.

Say no to banning disabled children from Driftwood Elementary. We need community support and we need our new administrators support too and board support as do all the students.

Carlen Armi (parent)  
President, North Curry Disabled  
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[The portion of this letter over 250 words was paid for.]

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quizzical why people who resigned from the board would ask to be reappointed (she was referring to Richard Mijs and Gayle Wilcox). Two persons who applied for the vacant board positions were declared ineligible because they were neither registered voters nor owners in the district. They were Dave Naiman and Tim Hunter. Frank Smith spoke next. He was the chairman of the Rural Fire Board until resigning on May 30. Smith told the commissioners a lot of nasty things went on. He said he wanted to see new blood on the district board. He said the two people who resigned and were applying for the vacancies didn't do anything on the board. He said he couldn't believe they would be considered. Smith complained about the good old boys. He said thousands of dollars of work went to Foster's shop without being bid but when Smith raised an issue about it all hell broke loose. He said the money the board manages was being controlled by special interests.

Bill Roberts made a motion to appoint Richard Mijs to position #1, John Johnston to position #2, Jeffrey Barnes to

position #3, and Janet Dacayana to position #4. Cheryl Thorp seconded the motion and it passed 2-0. Barnes, Dacayana and Johnston have never served on the board. (The other member of the five-person board is Brice Wagner.) Their first meeting will be on Wednesday, June 21, at the Elk River Fire Hall. The Board's first order of business will be to elect officers.

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## **Transit Assistance Provided**

The Oregon Transportation Network assists transit providers in Coos and Curry County with the following:

A grant of \$71,784 to pay for covered shelters at bus stops, provide waterproof route schedules posted at all stops, and to provide on board information stations for each bus in the Coos County system. This project enhances rider comfort, and improves customer service on the county system. In addition, six new vehicles for dial a ride service will be granted in Coos County to replace worn vehicles and add additional service.

A grant for \$20,500 in Coos County and \$17,000 in Curry County to increase dispatch hours for the Community Partnership Volunteer transportation programs.

These increases will allow volunteer transportation services to be expanded to include senior and disabled clients who need rides other than for medical appointments and to ensure a "one-call" coordination connection with Curry County Transit service.

Four small buses to replace old vehicles in Curry Public Transit's fleet. This will make service safer and more reliable, while decreasing maintenance expenses for the transit program. \$13,500 will expand hours of service.

These are just a few of many examples of how the Oregon Transportation Network is helping Oregon communities improve transit service and provide more rides for those who need them – elderly persons, persons with disabilities, and those who cannot or do not choose to drive a car.

Thanks to the members of the county councils, local transit districts, local transit providers and community nonprofit organizations who all help to make it possible for the OTN to offer these services in Oregon communities statewide.

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