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Sprague Theater Opens

By Evan Kramer



Valerie and I attended the final performance of South Pacific on a warm Sunday afternoon at Bandon's new Sprague Community Theater in City Park. This de-

spite the fact the grand opening for the new Community Theater is not until Saturday, September 30.

The Bandon Playhouse inaugurated the beautiful new theater with a three week long run of Rogers and Hamerstein's World War II musical South Pacific.

The Sprague Community Theater was built for plays and live music. It features a large proscenium arch and dressing rooms for the actors. There are twelve rows of comfortable seats and with the rake of the theater you don't have to worry about looking at the back of the person's head in front of you. The performance of South Pacific featured a thirteen-member orchestra playing in the orchestra pit in front of the stage. Port Orford resident Dwight Comer played the drums in the orchestra. This theater was designed with the acoustics in mind and they are excellent.

We thoroughly enjoyed this version of South Pacific and thought the two leads: Kerry Oxford as Ensign Nellie Forbush and Lev Davis as Emile de Becque were outstanding. Everybody who took part in this play from the actors to the set construction people to the musicians deserves a lot of credit for putting on a production you would expect of a much larger community.

The Sprague Community Theater is holding a grand opening celebration the weekend of September 30-October 1 starting with public tours on Saturday from 10:30am to 1:00pm; a ribbon cutting and more public tours from 2:00-4:00pm and a performance by the Oregon Coast Lab Band entitled "Evolution" from 6:30-8:30pm. Tickets for the musical concert are \$5 and available at Bandon True Value and Bandon Mercantile. There are more shows and receptions on Sunday. For more information contact Anita Almich (347-2517-Saturday); or Lorna Salt (347-2388-Sunday).

Other upcoming events include a Christmas variety show, "Waiting for Godot", "Arsenic and Old Lace" and "HMS Pinfore."

The Sprague Community Theater is a major new addition to the South Coast. The residents of Bandon have a lot to be proud of with their new theater.

FREE!



Skateboard Park
Under Construction

Community Dance

By Evan Kramer

The Kudana Marimba Ensemble played on Friday night to a packed house at the Port Orford Community Building. But this wasn't a concert so much as an audience participation experience. A crowd estimated at 300-400 people showed up for the free concert and of that number many, many got out on the concrete dance floor and let themselves go the beat of the African music of Zimbabwe. The ten-member ensemble from Eugene played marimbas they had made themselves, drums, and they also sang. They played for over an hour before taking a break and then returned for over another hour of music. By the end of the show several members of the audience had joined the ensemble on stage. The dance for health as it was advertised drew all age groups from small children to seniors and **all** got together on the dance floor and enjoyed themselves.

Special thanks to Cathy Bodin for bringing Kudana Marimba Ensemble to Port Orford. Financial assistance was provided by the North Community Health Grant, Port Orford Arts Council and the North Curry Families and Children's Center. Not only did Cathy arrange for the band to play here but she also worked

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Sat Sep 30, 2000	2:10a	7.0	7:59a	1.6	2:06p	7.6	8:39p	0.1	7:13a	7:01p	10:44a	9:04p
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Senior News
 By Mary Yoder

September 21 – Rotary luncheon – volunteers working were Betty Berger, Jane Black, and Mary Evans. Setting up dining room Mary Yoder, Lila Sarratt, dishes Warren Jewell.

September 23 luncheon – volunteers working were Mary Evans, Norma Ellis, Greta Carver, Betty Berger – dishes Amos Nelson – Mary Yoder – Lila Saratt dining room – Pauline Lenox at the money box. Rummage sale – Kay Neal, Thelma Lagace. The luncheon cooks did a splendid job. Most compliments on the food I’ve ever heard – keep it up cooks and helpers.

Was told crafts will be on last Monday of the month at 9:30am.

I also was told the Center is missing one wheelchair. As you know the Center loans out with no cost or should I say free

– crutches, canes, walkers, wheelchairs, etc. Someone borrowed a wheelchair and didn’t leave their name. If you have the wheelchair would you please call the Center at 332-5771.

Tuesday September 26 was membership meeting – more about it next week.

September 30 is potluck – all are welcome – bring your favorite food – lunch at noon, rummage sale 8:30am to 1:00pm.

October 2 – pinochle at 2:00pm. All are welcome. Walking is Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 8:30am. Dominoes at 1:00pm every Thursday.

Now did I miss anything or anyone?

Thank God for dirty dishes

They a tale to tell

While others may go hungry

We’re eating very well.

Letter to the Editor,

You missed out! Cape Blanco’s third (but not final) Annual PITA shoot was a great success. My thanks to the volunteers behind the scene who contributed to the shoot with either help, food dishes or both including DeNeise Welch, Stacey Kirchgesler, Mary and Ron Puhl, Doris Oleson, Kim and Scott Wurster, Barbara and Rudy Breuer, Katie Kemper, Eleanor, Glenna and Jim Harrison, Bill Cobb, Tyler Long, Ed Ten Eyck, Frank Barrows, Scott Macdonald. Also the gang at Ray’s Supermarket: Judy, Debbie, Gerri, Kevin, Wade, Jim, Jerry and Richard and the folks at Circle K – Lois and Rhonda. I know I’ve missed someone but I hope you know that you are very appreciated.

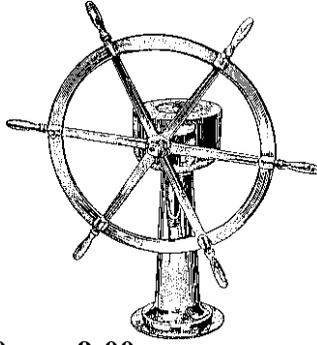
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A Great Event By Graeme Graydon



There was a great event in our town last week. There were announcements in our papers, a poster or two – no big build up – a group of enthusiastic people

would play African music in the Marimba style, whatever that was. The group photo showed a bunch of ordinary people just being people and I thought – I'd like to hear them. On the night of the concert, I got home from work and suggested that maybe we could go to it. So the meal got forgotten as my woman and I dropped everything to get there on time. Port Orford has a flavor all its own for having a concert. In the disorganized chaos, you can't tell who is likely to be a performer, who is presenting the show and who is the audience. It's a time for greeting friends – Oh look, so and so is here – a sort of pre-concert social occasion. Half of the floor of the hall was cleared of chairs. Seems like there's going to be dancers, and I wondered who would be doing the dancing. Then it became clear that the folk up on the stage would probably turn out to be

the musicians, there was quite a crowd, with standing room only, a cheerful young woman said a few words, then out of nowhere a lone, strident phrase of notes setting a rhythm and a melody that was echoed and enriched as the dozen or so players joined in, an incredible pattern of harmonies and beats that like wheels within wheels made one rollicking sound.

I found out who would be doing the dancing pretty quickly, before I had time to give myself permission to get up and dance, my legs had already carried me out there with a life of their own. This was music that caused the body to move. What kind of step? – Any old thing, just go with the music and see what comes.

The players were totally caught up in the sound – it was more that the music played them really, they became puppets played by something that they had created – but now it owned them – and there was no getting off. I felt that the song, if you could call it that, penetrated into my being, empowering me and everyone else, as if it was a living entity with its own existence, breathing and laughing into us. Something else, when each piece finally let go and released us, all the players got

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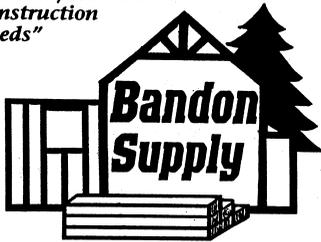
up and changed to another instrument. Some performers were exceptionally talented, but they never "stole the show" because in the next moment, they left their instrument to someone else and took a lesser role.

It was a great show – but what made it a really great event? There were Dads dancing with their daughters, Grandmas coaching the littlest ones, teenagers dancing to the same beat as me, babies in arms, we were all in there, the baseball team came in and did their thing in their way – and nobody noticed that we were all having one heck-of-a-time in the same place, at the same time, to the same music. Now that's great. It was a moment when a kind of magic happened – and we were a family enjoying ourselves, without trying and without thinking about it. I wonder how many of us went home with the idea that we could make one of those marimba keyboards, get together with other like-minded souls to have a jam session with our own marimba band, right here in our own town.

Library Book Sale

On Saturday Sept. 30 from 9 to 4 the Friends of the Port Orford Library will celebrate the opening of the fall season with its semi-annual book sale in the City Council chambers. There will be thousands of books, of course, potted plants, and the famous Peigi Stahl cookies and coffee to provide energy for shoppers as they load up their boxes and bags.

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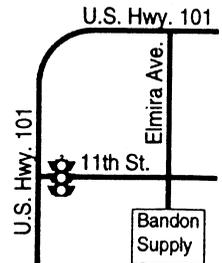
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Letter to the Editor,

Thank to Carolyn Shields for her letter and many others who spoke to the administrators on behalf of saving the glass block at Driftwood School.

You may not know that they plan on removing all sides of the remaining glass block windows through out this year and next. An all wall school. The architecture is being changed from school to penitentiary. All that is missing is the bars on the small glass windows. Hey, maybe they plan on turning it into a jail?

I am baffled at their snub to return and restore the vintage glass block windows back to new, good for another 50 years of service and earthquakes. My husband is a builder and designer. He told Harry Shipman, Mr. Sword and the board that most of the windows have many years left as they sit, with a new sill and new cement filling and grout. It could be done cheaply and fast. He offered to advise them for free.

Apparently scare tactics such as safety for our children and earthquakes are being used to turn our faces.

Replacing the glass blocks back structurally new again would be as safe as the day it was built.

Point your attention to the large stacked 1/8-inch windows that have replaced the blocks in the cafeteria and back sides of the building. They will be the first to break and cascade down like guillotines on our children. They are not safety glass. An earthquake with the magnitude to damage the glass block would shake the 1/8" windows to pieces.

Subtracting the safety and earthquake concerns now it all boils down to money and poor decisions.

Who is this person who is paid to take care of this building properly?

Every ten students in attendance pays for one teacher. When we lose ten students it

affects the school. When families see the penitentiary style school and are deciding whether to move here and have children attend school here...the building will be totally unattractive. The glass block told me...the room had good light and they wouldn't feel trapped from the outside. That made me feel good they were there.

Penitentiary style will cost you in the long run. Less students less money.

I've heard that the pen is mightier than the sword but for the building's sake I hope the "Sword" is not mightier "indeed."

Carlene Armi

[Editor's note: the portion of this letter above 250 words was paid for.]

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Skateboard Park By Evan Kramer

Construction has begun on the Skateboard Park at Buffington Park. On Thursday afternoon city maintenance employee Nick Paige was busy doing cat work in the "hole" which looks like a swimming pool. Skateboarder and skateboard park organizer and volunteer Jasper Shumaker-Pruitt gave me some background on the project.

First the city workers will do the rough forming of the double bowl and then volunteers including Jasper will work on the final forms for the concrete pour and set the rebar in place. The volunteers will have their hands full when the concrete is poured.

Funding for the skateboard came through a \$2500 grant from the City of Port Orford bed tax committee and donations by numerous citizens. Halstead Rentals

donated the use of a tractor and bobcat for three days. Jasper gave me some of the names of volunteers working at the site including Diego Cruz, Kean Fleming, Jack Pruitt and Emmet Cobb.

Donations to help pay for the skateboard park can be made at Chetco Credit Union to the Skate Park Fun. Shumaker-Pruitt said they could use some wood scraps for the concrete forms especially two by fours and pieces of plywood.

To prevent the Skateboard Park from turning into a swimming pool during the winter rains a heavy duty drain was installed along with a four-inch pipe. The drain was constructed and donated by Bill Foster. The pipe will drain the water into Mill Pond. The City of Port Orford donated the drainpipe and installed it. City public works director Allan Wagner told me city workers have put in about 100 hours on the project so far and he added, "We'll do what we can for them."

He even spoke of putting in some of his own time away from work on the project to get it done.

Jasper made a point of telling me how cooperative the city and in particular public works director Allan Wagner has been with this project.

In other news at Buffington Park but not of a positive nature vandals were busy Sunday night/Monday morning at the park. They turned on the sprinklers at the baseball field, which stayed on all night resulting in a waste of a considerable amount of city water. Signs advertising various businesses were pulled down from the chain link fence in the outfield and a couple of holes were punched in the concrete block wall of the partially built bathrooms adjacent to the baseball field.

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Health District Update By Frann Grossmann

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 proposed bond-funded project to upgrade Curry General Hospital's admitting and lobby area has been postponed while contractors rework bids to try to lower the cost of proposed construction. Originally remodeling was scheduled to begin this fall, but the lowest bid came in

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about 40 percent higher than the architect's estimate.

The health district board will begin meeting with community members who will help "finalize a job description" for a chief financial officer. The new CFO will replace Randy Scholten who left last spring, according to board Chairman Barbara Stover. The candidate will join Reg Williams, M.D., and Ginny Hochberg, M.S.N., on the district management council.

Tom Pitchford, M.D. of Port Orford's Curry Family Medical clinic, has signed a new contract with the health district reflecting his current schedule of 20 hours per week.

Gold Beach High School educators and hospital clinical staff plan to launch the Curry Health District Mentoring Program with spring 2001 as the pilot semester. The district also intends to involve

other school districts around the county.

The Assisted Living Facility committee is selling T-shirts for \$10 a piece. A shirt is on display in the hospital lobby. Check with the hospital receptionist for information on sizes at 247-6621.

The next health district meeting was set tentatively for 2:30pm, October 18, in the Port Orford City Council Chambers.

Thanks

Hurrah, hurrah! Our fish day in the sun has come and gone. Well let me just cut to the chase of the letter. Would I have done the Arts and Seafood Festival without Jon and Tobe Porter or Leesa Cobb? No way! Could we have pulled the Festival off without the volunteers including John Panozzo, Mary and Pat Evans, Paul Bodtke, Buck Dezern, Joanne Briggs, Mitch King, Stewart, Kathryn, Alex Porter and Amanda, Caren and John Leuthe, Mark and Dave Barnes, Paula Cracas, Anthony Mijs, Dave Knapp, Scott Macdonald, Chris Aiello, Jean Kilburn, Bill and Darrell Cobb, Vicky Nowlin, Jennifer Wilson and friend, Judy at Ray's Market, Kathy at Paradise Café and Stacey Nash. Again No Way! Friends every one of them who have never let me down. I would work with you anytime.

Many many many thank yous,

Pam Macdonald

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Hoists Working Again By Evan Kramer

The Port of Port Orford Commission met on Tuesday, September 19 with all present except for chairman Scott Macdonald. The commercial and sport boat hoists were fixed and back in working order at the Port on Monday, September 18.

The commission discussed the permanent dock project. The fuel pumps are not certified for use though the Port has applied for certification. There will be a 90-day testing period. The fuel system can still be in use during this period.

The dredge barge Sandwick will be back in Port Orford next March. The commission talked about keep inviting the Army Corps of Engineers project manager for the jetty back to Port Orford.

The commission discussed dock rates, which have been adjusted to \$160 per month. Commission member Leesa

Cobb made a motion that the commercial fishermen who leave the dock and don't continue to pay their \$160 per month fee, and then come back that they will go to the back of the line. The motion passed 4-0. Commission member David Darnell had an idea about offering fishermen discounts of either two months or 10% off their dockage fees if they pay their yearly amount in advance. Commission member Dave Knapp stood firm on the \$160 per month fee without a discount. The commission tabled the issue.

It was reported that the Port is averaging two sport hoists a day at a fee of \$15 per hoist.

The Curry County commissioners approved \$5,000 in matching funds to the Port for developing a business plan.

The commission discussed co-management with the Port of Gold Beach. The recommendation for this idea came from Special Districts Association and

OEDDC. Commission members Chris Hawthorne and Dave Knapp were to attend a meeting with the Port of Gold Beach concerning this issue and a countywide transient lodging tax.

Office manager Kathy Sherbourne will attend a grant writing class. Leesa Cobb asked that lead man Dave Barnes give a report at the monthly Port meeting. Barnes had been busy earlier in the day marking out the property lines at the dock.

150th Anniversary

Don't forget to drop your 150th Anniversary Surveys off by Sept. 30 at one of the drop sites: City Hall, Library, Post Office, Klamath First Bank and Chetco Credit Union. The committee values your input and wants to hear from you. We have received a number of responses and excellent suggestions, but the more people we hear from the better the celebration will be.

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delivery in Cedar Terrace and also to a special lady named Louise McCumber. She wrote Senator Gordon Smith twice about the issue and was convinced that had something to do with getting mail delivery.

Louise McCumber is a self-described fighter and asked us to put this note in the paper.

“Asking the people in Cedar Terrace to please send a note to Senator Smith thanking him for his help.”

To: The Honorable Gordon H. Smith
United States Senate
SR -404
Washington, DC 20510

Do you Yahoo?

Whatever your Internet server, if you are into ‘digging up’ your ancestors, you’ll want to come to our October Web-Crawlers’ meeting this coming Tuesday, October 3, at the Family History Center (the

LDS Church) at the corner of 20th and Jackson.

It promises to encompass some lively discussions; both successful webbing, as well as some less-than-marvelous results. If you’ve just begun to hunt for branches or twigs on your family tree, we have folks who’ve tiptoed through the research paths you are now trying to follow, and will share short-cuts as well as suggestions with you.

You may be one of the people who got in at the beginning of the Internet genealogy agenda, if so, you will surely have discovered some super highways of research - we’ll welcome you with open arms. Come share!

Meantime, our local Family History Center is open three days a week; Wednesdays, 9:00 am- 5:00 pm; Thursdays, 9:00 am- 9:00 pm; Fridays, 9:00 am- 1:00 pm. We can help you get started with your own Family Story. Information? Call 332-5501.

Dodrill Proposes Debate

Barbara Dodrill, Candidate for House District 48, has invited Wayne Krieger to discuss the issues that directly affect the lives of the people living along the Southern Oregon Coast and neighboring rural areas in a debate before the voters. A copy of her letter to Mr. Krieger is attached.

“Spending the summer walking in the communities of the district has allowed me to meet with many voters who are very concerned about a wide range of issues,” said Dodrill. “I am about people, not politics, and I think the public needs to hear from both of us together so they can compare our plans for the Coast and our stand on the issues.”

Both Dodrill and Krieger have been holding town hall meetings in various coastal communities during the campaign, and Dodrill has been walking the precincts, but that is not enough, she says.

“I have been talking to the voters about health care, our local economy, the need for quality schools and getting them the funding they need... and I know the public wants our answers to these pressing problems. Let’s allow the public to hear from both of us so they can judge the better plan.”

“I propose we hold a debate, moderated by a third party and with questions open to the public and to the representatives of the various newspapers. What could be more democratic? I await Mr. Krieger’s answer, and I look forward to discussing the issues with him in a public forum.”

For further information on Barbara Dodrill contact Jill Brunelle, campaign manager, at 347-2071, fax 347-4901, or jill_brunelle@hotmail.com

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Council Awards Contract

The Port Orford City Council was busy Tuesday morning. In the second of their three meetings they considered bids for the Arizona Street repair project. This work is in the part of the road surrounded by Garrison Lake on both sides. The city had received three bids for the project ranging from \$21,065 to \$29,329. The city engineering firm, The Dyer Partnership, recommended the city go with the low bid submitted by Johnson Rock Products, Inc. Councilor Norm Leeling made a motion to award the contract to Johnson Rock Products, Inc. and it passed 4-0.

The council then moved into a discussion of the geotechnical survey regarding the ocean outfall at Agate Beach. Ron Bush from TetraTech/KCM had sent city administrator Martha Weaver a letter stating that KCM’s subcontractor Advanced American Diving, wanted to be paid for

the “effort” they have already put into the project before doing any more work. City Administrator Weaver will check with city attorney Randal Tosh about the contract and an advance payment. KCM needs an answer this week on their request. The council will hold a special meeting on Friday, September 29, 10:15am to discuss the KCM situation. KCM is now talking about doing the geotechnical work on October 2 or 3.

The council then held a workshop meeting with Curry County Commissioner Lloyd Olds regarding a continuing maintenance permit to drain Garrison Lake. The city administrator will contact Mr. Mouchawar, owner of the Agate Beach property, and find out from him what it will take for the city/county to cross his property. The council will discuss this issue at the Friday, September 29, 10:15am meeting.

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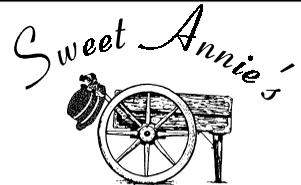
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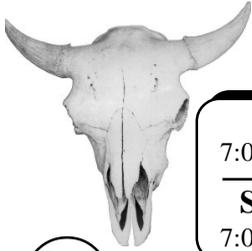
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Police Log

September 18, 8:30am: Report of barking dog at 1119 Idaho – report documented.

September 19, 9:50am: Report of attempted burglary on Tichenor Street – report taken.

September 19, 5:00pm: Disturbance at Curry Family Medical – handled by contact.

September 21, 10:35am: Suspicious circumstance at Castaway Motel – handled by contact.

September 21, 10:00am: Report of vicious dog on Port Orford Loop, medium size, salt and pepper color – unable to locate.

September 21, 3:45pm: Gregory Polley arrested at North Curry Service Center for violation of conditional release – transported and lodged at Curry County Jail.

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September 22, 10:30am: Report of missing dog – Jack Russell Terrier/Fox Terrier, 4 years of age, burgundy collar, answers to Mollie.

September 22, 1:00pm: Trespass at 2615 Port Orford Loop Road – handled by contact.

September 23, 5:20pm: Criminal mischief and menacing at dock – report taken.

September 23, 6:00pm: Report of UUMV (unauthorized use of a motor vehicle) – report taken.

S.A.F.E. Committee Update

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fund the local police department for the next five years! The S.A.F.E. Committee is very pleased that the voters have chosen to retain our local Port Orford Police Department. It is good to know that Chief Bill Rush, Officer Milo Arnesen and Clerk Ellen Mundell will continue to be here helping to maintain the safety and security of our community.

We want to say a very big “Thank You” to the private citizens and business people who donated money and time in supporting the passage of the levy. Through their monetary support and personal time they helped the S.A.F.E. Committee distribute posters and flyers supporting this very important issue for the future of the City of Port Orford. As a result, the informed voters have chosen to “Keep Port Orford SAFE.”

Gorka Benefit Concert

Nesika Little Theater proudly presents Red House Records and Windham Hill recording artist, John Gorka, on Sunday, Oct. 1 at 7:00pm. This concert is a benefit for the Oasis Shelter Home. Tickets for this concert are \$15 and available at Nesika Market in Nesika Beach and the Downtown Fun Zone in Port Orford. Doors open at 6:00pm and refreshments will be provided by Oasis House. Nesika Theater is located at the old Ophir Grange hall six miles north of Gold Beach on the north end of Nesika Beach Loop Road. For more info call 247-0633 or view www.goldbeach.net/nesikalittletheater

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Members studied issues and voted. They tried to educate others on issues and mounted campaigns to get legislation passed to improve government, improve election laws, and secure benefits for many people in health care, clean air and water, education, and international relations to name a few.

As women gained experience in studying and working on issues and in trying to influence legislators, several attained public office themselves, from city councils to the United States Senate. Many other League members – men as well as

women – continue to work at trying to increase the number of registered voters, encouraged voter turnout, and monitoring meetings of public bodies.

The League believes that our system of representative government will not work unless citizens become informed and participate. This means not only registering and voting but studying to become educated voters.

The mission of the League is to encourage the informed and active participation of citizens in government, to work to increase understanding of major public policy issues and to influence public policy through education and advocacy.

To be continued...

Senior Class Parents

There will be an important meeting for all senior class parents on Thursday, September 28, at 7:00p, in the Pacific High School library. It's time for Project Graduation 2001 to begin. Some of the project graduation officers from the class of 2000 will be there to help answer any questions you might have. You will be electing your officers that night. This committee is very important, and everyone is encouraged to come and help make Project Graduation 2001 bigger and better than last year. We're looking forward to a great turn out.

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Watershed Presentation

Coordinators Harry Hoogesteger and Bruce Follansbee have been leading watershed efforts this summer working with landowners and volunteers throughout the county. This month the South Coast Coordinating Watershed Council will be meeting at Soakers CoffeeHouse in Gold Beach. Coordinators Harry Hoogesteger – South Coast Coordinating Watershed Council Coordinator and Bruce Follansbee – Lower Rogue Watershed Council Coordinator will be giving a special slide show on Year 2000 projects. Included in the presentation will be Restoration Roundtable discussion and review. All of the rivers in Curry County, from the Winchuck to Floras Creek have had work done on them this year. Plans for the upcoming winter planting season and 2001 projects will also be discussed. South Coast Coordinating Council Chair Lucie La Bonte will briefly discuss the breaching plan on New River, her attendance at a meeting on Garrison Lake and the plans for the Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board Conference on November 6-9th in Eugene. State and Federal agencies in attendance will give brief activity reports concerning watershed restoration.

The meeting is open to the public and the public is encouraged to come and participate.

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The Last Festival Thank You by Tobe Porter

Part of the reason so many people were in town for the recent Arts and Seafood Festival was because of the extensive advertising. That advertising was paid, in part, by sponsorships. On behalf of the Festival Partners, I would like to thank the following individual and business Spon-

sors for helping to make this year's event so successful.

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Community Dance Continued from Front Cover

hard promoting their appearance and getting the word out about it. She even got me to attend and that's not a minor achievement.

The dance was a one-year celebration of the North Curry Community Health Grant and many people from the Curry Family Medical clinic were on hand to enjoy the evening. People had so much fun (written words are not adequate to describe what went on) that many including Cathy are talking about repeating this experience. I'll go along with that, and add that this was one of the best events I've ever attended in Port Orford.

A While Ago . . . By Jane Cramer

A while ago I visited the Storm Ranch at New River and discovered the site of one of the earliest cranberry bogs in southern Coos County. The bog was built near Muddy Lake in 1915. A spruce swamp was cleared by hand and a steam donkey was used to bring sand from the dunes east of New River. Each fall local women hand-picked berries in these

bogs and were paid with vouchers redeemable at various Bandon businesses.

Native Americans were known to harvest berries from natural bogs in the Sunset Bay/Big Creek area. C.D. McFarlin, who is credited with the development of one of the earliest varieties of cranberries, planted the first Pacific Coast bog near Hauser as early as 1885 with vines from New England. Because of favorable growing conditions bogs were planted in southern Coos County soon after.

One of the most common soils in northern Curry and southern Coos counties is the Blacklock soil series, which is characterized by a partially cemented layer about a foot below the surface. This hardpan layer makes water infiltration difficult, causing it instead to collect on or near the soil surface. Anyone who has hiked the Blacklock Point trail in winter is very familiar with the way standing water collects on this soil.

Dan Loshbaugh told me his grandfather was an early cranberry grower in the New River area. In those days growers used white or Port Orford cedar to make wooden culverts with one open side. These were placed on the hardpan and

covered with sand before the vines were planted. Water, pumped by windmills, flowed into these cedar culverts to irrigate the fields. The cedar was so dense what the water wouldn't leak out the solid sides, but would go through the open side to water the vines.

Now and then when someone digs where there were old fields, some of the old cedar culverts are unearthed. Although the cedar is in very good condition while buried, exposure to the air usually causes it to break down rapidly.

Northern Curry County also had a thriving cranberry industry by 1945. Names of some early Curry growers that farmed in Port Orford, Sixes and Langlois were Sweet, Baird, Stankovich, Zumwalt and Jensen.

Early picking was done by hand or with hand scoops. The scoops had long tines that were slipped under the vines and tipped up. The berries fell into the scoop and the vines went back into the bog. Later, growers walked behind a dry picker as they pushed it through the bog.

Today's growers tend and pick their berries with highly specialized equipment. Their hybrid varieties are developed to resist diseases; they use chemicals to fertilize and control weeds and sprinklers for irrigation and frost protection. Although they face an uncertain market today, they can look back with pride at the cranberry pioneers who worked so hard to build the industry in Coos and Curry counties a while ago.

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Mayor Gary Doran