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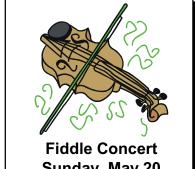
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Sunday, May 20

Ellen Warring Learning Center By Evan Kramer



A large gathering of friends and associates gathered on Saturday to dedicate the Ellen Warring Learning Center at the Storm Ranch at New River. The Learning

Center is located in a new two-story building adjacent to the parking area. The Storm Ranch is part of the New River Area of Critical Environmental Concern (ACEC) and is administered by the Bureau of Land Management.

Several people spoke eloquently about Ellen including Holly Witt, a Port Orford resident and BLM employee. Witt said she had met Ellen through the Port Orford Watershed Council The council had gone through difficult circumstances with a diverse group of people in the beginning but with no confrontation due to Ellen's efforts. Witt said Ellen Warring had been a role model for her and that Warring's life was equivalent to ten lives. She thanked Ellen's husband Bob for sharing her with us.

Ellen's friend Donna Roselius spoke next and talked about Ellen's love of music. The two played together in the Kammeroque Ensemble. Roselius said

Ellen had taught herself to play the viola, recorder and piano and that she did a lot of improvising. She went on to say that Ellen shared everything she knew with everyone and was never afraid of learn-

Curry County Commissioner Lucie La Bonte said Ellen understood consensus and people working together. La Bonte said Ellen had belonged to three watershed councils and was also involved with the Ocean Policy Task Force. La Bonte said she was glad the Learning Center was named for Ellen and that she had meant a lot to people from all walks of life.

Bob Bailey said he was here as a friend and also for his professional involvement with the Ocean Policy Advisory Council dealing with offshore oil and gas and mineral leases. Bailey said he had come to know and respect Ellen, who was also a member of the OPAC, having been appointed in 1992 by Governor Barbara Roberts. Bailey thanked the audience for sharing her at a larger state level.

Jim Britell said Ellen was a great facilitator and one tough person. Britell spoke about the positive effect the land use appeals Ellen filed had on the beauty of the coast. He called her the best land use attorney in the State of Oregon and said he had never seen her lose her temper.

Susan Richardson, Coos Bay Bureau of Land Management director, said though she had never met Ellen that she felt responsible for her legacy. Richardson thanked Neil Middlebrook for his involvement in the project. Middlebrook's idea to name the Learning Center after Ellen Warring.

Middlebrook gave a brief history of the BLM involvement with the Storm Ranch. The agency acquired the property in 1991 and a vear later Middlebrook went to work for the BLM. Middlebrook said he had worked with Ellen on the management plan for Storm Ranch and that Ellen had spent two years working on the New River Steering Committee.

Middlebrook listed the goals of the Learning Center as maintaining the biological diversity of the area, protection of the Native American resources, and through educational programs maintaining awareness of the natural environment. He said the Learning Center would provide opportunities for school field trips and for students to do studies with hands on field experience. He said the Learning Center was available for other environmental and educational uses.

The Storm Ranch New River area is home to several hiking trails and a boat ramp.

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Sat	May 19, 2001	4:23a	1.2	10:21a	5.2	4:05p	1.5	10:25p	6.8	5:49a	8:38p	4:42a	5:17p
Sun	May 20, 2001	5:02a	0.4	11:12a	5.4	4:43p	1.8	10:56p	7.1	5:49a	8:39p	5:08a	6:20p
Mon	May 21, 2001	5:40a	-0.3	12:00p	5.6	5:21p	2.0	11:27p	7.4	5:48a	8:40p	5:37a	7:25p
Tue	May 22, 2001	6:19a	-1.0	12:47p	5.8	6:00p	2.3			5:47a	8:41p	6:11a	8:33p NM
Wed	May 23, 2001	12:02a	7.7	6:59a	-1.5	1:35p	5.9	6:41p	2.5	5:46a	8:42p	6:51a	9:40p
Thu	May 24, 2001	12:39a	7.8	7:42a	-1.8	2:24p	5.9	7:24p	2.8	5:45a	8:43p	7:39a	10:45p

Community Planning Forum

Citizens of Curry County are invited to participate in a community economic development planning forum for a countywide economic development strategic plan. The same planning forum will be held on three consecutive evenings. On Monday, May 21, the community economic development-planning forum will take place in the Port Orford area at Pacific High School Library, Highway 101. Commissioner Marlyn Schafer said she is encouraged by the enthusiasm and interest that is being shown in completing a countywide plan that brings all parts of the county together.

Rural Development Initiatives, Inc. (RDI), a private non-profit organization helping rural communities in the Pacific Northwest build capacity to make strategic decisions about their futures, will facilitate each of the three meetings. Fund-

ing from USDA Forest Service and the Oregon Economic and Community Development Department is paying for RDI's facilitation of this economic development strategic planning process.

In each of the economic development forums, the participants will collect their ideas of what they want Curry County to be like in twenty years. The group will then consider the strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats that public and private groups in the county face when seeking to bring new jobs and economic development opportunities for all of the county's citizens. All ideas are welcomed and will be considered equally.

Since January of this year, RDI has been meeting with a core-planning group of Curry County citizens to move this economic development strategic planning process forward. In addition to attending one of the planning sessions, all Curry County citizens are invited to comment by contacting Marlyn Schafer at 247-7011, extension 222.

After the long-range vision and the present strengths, weaknesses, opportunities, and threats are identified, the coreplanning group will develop planning goals, strategies and action steps — projects to bring jobs and needed economic development to Curry County. In the fall of this year, the core-planning group will once again hold community forums to present the results of their planning work. The final version of the economic development strategic plan will be available for citizen's review and comment by the end of the year.

For further information about the community forums or participating in the core-planning group, please contact Commissioner Marlyn Schafer at the county offices at 247-7011, extension 222.

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Like Clockwork by Graeme Graydon



Last Sunday morning, as we walked towards my beach, I could tell that something was different. We had barely left the car when a barn swallow swooped around us.

almost within reach – its blue iridescence flashing in the sun. "Well, Good morning," I said, such exuberance, so early in the day. The tide was way out and there wasn't a ripple to break the mirror image of the lagoon. By the time we reached the dunes, I could hardly believe how unearthly quiet it was. The stillness was so powerful that I kept looking around as if looking would find explanation. The restless forces of wind and sea, tide and river, had collaborated to produce a pristine moment so hushed and peaceful that I felt as if I was in the calm pause between a vast outbreath and the breath yet to come.

Sitting on a log, I forgot about the issues that usually surface on my mind, instead, I became absorbed in the life before me. For once, the seals were completely indifferent to our presence, lying on their sides

sunning their happy bellies, an occasional sleepy stretch, but no raising up on the elbows to keep an eye on us. And there were baby seals everywhere, scampering about amongst the adults or so new that they kept close to their mothers. With no wind to ride on, the gulls were lining up on the river bank near the mouth to paddle out onto the stream, where they sat all prim and proper as the water bobbed them up and down on its standing waves, like a water -coaster -ride out to the sea. When threatened by an incoming wave, they flew back to take another ride. Now these guvs weren't feeding, washing themselves or drinking, they were joy-riding, again and again. (Just because gulls cant smile doesn't mean they're not smiling.)

A few hundred yards out to sea, lay Castle Rock, a nesting place for cormorants. We were sitting right under the fly-way of an unending procession of them, one after another, as they flew inland – at least a mile – and back, each with a single length of what looked like a dry stalk of grass for a nest. I wondered how they all knew that this was the morning to build nests, and how did they know the best place to get the right stuff. I don't know how many stalks make one nest, but at 2 miles, (at least), per stalk, that's a lot of flying time.

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Barn swallows, (unusual visitors to this beach), were picking up the fluffy, white down that the gulls had combed out, to take back to line their adobe houses.

Without thinking too much about it, I felt as if I was inside a kind of clockwork system that whirred and purred around me, where everything did exactly what it was meant to do, where everything was connected in harmonious inter-play with everything else, an intricate, perfect dance. Without calendars or watches, its sense of timing could hardly be matched in my world. (Will we ever get our garden in on time?)

It was easy to imagine that this whole vibrant scene had to be organized by some devoted entity, unseen, un-named by us, but whose hand was so obviously evident.

Democrat Committee Meets

The Curry County Democratic Central Committee will hold a special meeting to nominate candidates for the County Commission seat to be vacated by Cheryl Thorp on Wednesday, May 23 at 6:00 p.m. at the Gold Beach City Hall. All candidates seeking the position will be present. Members of the public will be able to observe the proceedings.

All potential candidates should contact Chris Hawthorne, 332-7635 (hawthorne @harborside.com) no later than May 21 to submit their names for consideration.



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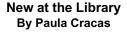
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"Every day in the United States, roughly 200,000 are sickened by a foodborne disease, 900 are hospitalized, and fourteen die."

"An American food processor can expect a visit from an FDA inspector, on average, once every ten years. At the moment, the nation's roughly 2000,000 fast food restaurants are not subject to any oversight by federal health authorities." "Until August of 1997, about 75 percent of the cattle in the United States were routinely fed...rendered remains of dead sheep, and dead cattle...dead cats and dead dogs...purchased from animal shelters. The waster products from poultry plants, including the sawdust and old newspapers used as litter, are also being fed to cattle. Cattle blood is being put into the feed given to American cattle."

One final quote: "The Center for Disease Control estimates that about 280,000 Americans die every year as a direct result of being overweight. More than half of all American adults and about one-quarter of all American children are obese or overweight."

The name of the book is Fast Food Nation: The Dark Side of the All American Meal by Eric Schlosser. It serves up a crash course in processed foods. If we are what we eat... Yikes! Leave it to the Port Orford Library to have books that will challenge you; maybe even change you. Fast Food Nation. Check it out.

Honoring Ceremony

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On Sunday, May 20, there will be an Honoring Ceremony and Salmon Bake/Potluck, led by Takelma Elder, Agnes Baker Pilgrim and Tututin Elder, Gilbert Townsend. Traditional cooking of the Salmon will be done by Speedy Fry. The Honoring Ceremony will be held at the Heads Wayside State Park on Coast Guard Hill for the 6th year.

Gathering begins around 11:00am. When the fish is done, some time after noon, we will eat and go home whenever it is over. Honoring the spirits of the old ones and of those who marched the South West Oregon Trail of Tears of 145 years ago will be observed.

This event is made possible by the Confederated Tribes of the Lower Rogue and the Port Orford Arts Council.

This is a drug and alcohol free event. For more information call 332-0045.

Art & Seafood Festival News

In a cooperative effort to support the Arts and Seafood Festival 2001, a group of Port Orford area churches have joined together to host this year's Tuna Barbecue on Sunday, September 2. Rev. Doug Jamison, pastor of the Port Orford Christian Center, has been named coordinator for the Festival's largest seafood event. He will be heading up a team that will involve people from most of the area churches.

The Tuna Barbecue will be held Sunday afternoon, 2 to 6 pm in the new Christian Center Gymnasium in the heart of the Arts and Seafood "Strolling Area" and just a block from the Community Building where the Arts and Crafts Emporium will be held again this year.

Jamison said, "We will not be varying much from the pattern that has made the Tuna Barbecue such a favorite Port Orford event in past years — fresh barbecued tuna, corn on the cob and a variety of salads and deserts produced by dozens of people around town." Part of the revenue from the Tuna Barbecue will be used to underwrite other Arts and Seafood Festival activities and the rest will be used by the churches in outreach ministries to the people of the area.

The Tuna Barbecue at the Arts and Seafood Festival has been hosted in past years by the Port Orford Women's Fishery Network and the Port Orford Arts Council, both of which will remain as active partners in the Festival. The Women's Fishery will be serving their famous clam chowder both Saturday and Sunday in the Legion Hall and the Arts Council will be hosting the Fine Arts and Crafts Emporium and the Junk Art Contest and Show in the Community Building.

This year's Festival will also include a Religious Art Show, hosted by the area churches in the Christian Center Gymnasium, the Show and Shine Auto Show sponsored by the Port Orford Rotary Jump into summer with an evening of multi-media magic:

M^2 = Movie and Music,

a benefit performance for Port Orford Public Library 6:00pm Sunday, June 3rd at the Savoy Theater

"Julie Hawthorne and The Librarians," "Dr. Adam," and "Jack Ponting" followed by a movie (title to be announced).

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Tickets are on sale now at the Theater and the Library.

Proceeds will go toward building a new Port Orford Public Library

Club, Theme Sweatshirts, an Extensive tival Program Book and dozens of special art and seafood events by local merchants.

An "Outdoor Strolling Area" along and adjacent to Highway 101 between Driftwood School and Battlerock Park is a new feature being planned for this year's Festival. Plans for this area include colorful booths offering "seafood finger foods" from local restaurants, special art sale booths from galleries and other merchants, working artists, and an array of street actors, clowns, and musicians. "It is our hope that, when anyone drives down 101 during the Festival, they will be so overwhelmed by the colors and sounds and aromas that they will be compelled to stop and stay awhile!" said Ronn Kerr, who, along with Jo Kerr, is serving as 2001 Festival Coordinator.

In the next few weeks, more than 200 organizations, artists, and merchants in the North Curry County area will be contacted about the details of the Festival and their potential participation. "In Port Orford, we are proud of our heritage as both an arts community and fishing community and the Arts and Seafood Festival 2001 will be a celebration of both these

great traditions," said Kerr. "Every year, the Festival has grown, more organizations and businesses have participated, and more and more visitors have come to know the unique charm of the Port Orford area. With the area churches doing the Tuna Barbecue and the Religious Art Show this year, the Festival will expand to involve even more of the community."

For more info about this year's festival contact Ronn or Jo Kerr (332-3703) or artsandseafood@kerrresources.com.

Alfonso F. Romero Jr.

Alfonso F. Romero, Jr. died Sunday, May 13, 2001, at Coos Bay Hospital, of lung cancer. He was 59 years old and was born on June 1, 1941.

Al had three children, two sons and one daughter, all in California, five grandchildren, his mother, four sisters and one brother.

He lived on Geer Circle in Port Orford with his sister Juanita (Jenny) Lozano and nephew, Chris. They are all parishioners of St. John's Catholic Church. Jenny is the owner of the Port Orford Inn.

Memorial Mass at St. John's on Wednesday, May 16, at 9:00am.



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Police Log

May 7

2:00pm: Truck lost wheel and fish at Oregon and 7th, no injuries.

May 8

4:40am: Suspicious circumstances at Port Orford Inn, harassment – report taken.

May 9

11:00am: Car broken into at Rocky Point – info relayed to Curry County Sheriff.

May 10

12:30pm: Report of box of bullet casings in road near Jackson and 7th.

1:35pm: Criminal mischief reported at Battle Rock Wayside – report taken.

4:00pm: Complaint of unauthorized parking in handicapped space – to be monitored.

5:30pm: Assist other agency with report of vehicle disconnected from RV and rolling on Highway 101 – non-injury, passed on to Oregon State Police.

10:30pm: Excessive smoke from residence behind Klamath First Federal – checked okay.

11:30pm: Contacted two juveniles, curfew violation – contacted parents and given ride home.

May 12

4:00pm: Suspicious circumstances at Deady Terrace, ongoing problem, speeding vehicle.

8:30pm: Report of illegal burn on Tichenor-referred to Port Orford Volunteer Fire Department.

May 13

4:00pm: Report of dog out of control on Geer Circle – handled by contact.

4:30pm: Assist other agency, POVFD, fire alarm at 561 King St. – false alarm.

7:00pm: Report of dog at large, being nuisance – handled by contact, owner contacted.

Safety Tip of the Week

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April Police Department Statistics

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Jubilee Parade

Port Orford is celebrating 150 years as a community. The townsite was established in 1856—the oldest on the Oregon coast. The community is celebrating with a big party. One of many events during the year is the Fourth of July Jubilee Parade. Port Orford is famous for its Fourth of July celebrations, and this year will be the best yet.

Everyone is invited to participate in the celebration, and a parade entry is a great way to do it. Whether it is a fancy Rotary float or a decorated tricycle, your entry is welcome. This is a real down home parade!

The parade theme is of course the 150 birthday celebration. For parade entry ideas check out Bob Sutton's wonderful Jubilee pin. How about mounted riders in period costumes? Or a float with a birthday cake? Let your imagination soar.

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Women's Health Screening

A fun and healthy day was had by 71 women on Wednesday May 9 as they gathered at Curry Family Medical for a free Women's Health Screening day. As they waited in the lobby, they received information on Osteoporosis, diabetes, breast cancer, mammography's, and the benefits of walking and exercise. Tables of wonderful food and drink were also available.

Once called into the back the women were offered Glucose and Cholesterol blood checks that followed with diet and exercise counseling. Pap tests, breast exams, skin cancer screening, diabetes foot

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check, and blood pressure were also offered.

A free drawing for all who participated included seven winners: Carene Panozzo-glass vase, Diana Leuthy-glass bowl, Martha Walker-handmade pen by Dr. Del Barber, and Gina Schnell, Barb Lorraine Vanderzanden. Maureen Affonso all won \$25 cash.

The Screening was sponsored by Curry Family Medical, funded by North Curry Community Health Grant, and dedicated to the memory of Vicki Webb, a doctor at Curry Family Medical who cared deeply about women's medical issues.

"I'd like to thank the hard working staff at Curry Family Medical, Public Health Department and the folks at Health Watch, for the organization and success of this day!" expressed Cathy Boden, Program Coordinator of the North Curry Community Health Grant. "Also the support from the Curry Health District, and food from the hospital's Curry Café, and Curry Family Medical Staff," Boden added. A special thanks goes to Gavle Wilcox at Sea Breeze florist for the beautiful boutique that greeted the women.

For more information regarding the Health Grant phone Boden at North Curry Families' and Children's Center at 332-1042.

Who Would Buy That?

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Gun Club News By Bill Oleson

Some of our members decided to test the climate in the trap shoots away from home. Jim Harrison and Duane Storm traveled to Walla Walla, Washington for a large American Trap Association meet. Harrison won the 16 yard singles, beginning with a 100/100 score and then winning the shoot-off against seven others. He then teamed with Duane Storm to take second place against fifty other teams in the Double Backers event. On the following weekend several of our members went south to participate in a Pacific International Association Trap meet at the Del Norte Club in Crescent City. Rudi Breuer won the B class 16 yard singles with a 98/ 100 and followed up winning the midyardage handicap from 23 yards with a 96/100. Scott Wurster was runner-up to Breuer in the handicap with 95/100 and shot a 96/100 in the singles. On Sunday, Wurster was a bridesmaid with respectable 97/100 and 96/100 scores. Al Enyart won the short yardage, 20 yard mark with a 96/100. Harrison scored 100/100 in A class from the 16 yard mark but lost by a target in the shoot off. At Bandon, a three way tie from 16 yards resulted in a short shoot off between Al Enyart, Rudi Breuer, and George Millen. Millen swept the win. The handicap also resulted in a tie between John Kreuger and Al Enyart. Enyart scored the best in that shoot off.

We had a modest turnout here at home last Sunday due to many of our members participating at Cottage Grove's P.I.T.A. meet. Rudi Breuer won the singles 49/50 and Bartlett's Restaurant's gift certificate. John Kreuger was runnerup 48/50. The handicap was stolen by Kreuger 49/50 along with another gift certificate from Bartlett's. George Millen followed with a 47/50. Late information from Del Norte gave credit to Corky Brewer, doubles winner, and Herb Hooker, retired Gold Beach police chief – short handicap, on Sunday 95/100.

Senior News By Mary Yoder

May 12 was luncheon and rummage sale. Volunteers working were Jane Black, Mary Evans, Lorraine Hass, Gretta Carver – doing dishes etc. Jacob Morrow, Mike Evans – high school boys – thank you. The money box Mildred Welch. Rummage sale Smokie Olsen, Donna Olsen. The luncheon was super and that's

not all – dessert cake with strawberries and ice cream or whipped cream. Guess what, I had a little of each. If you missed this luncheon it's sad.

May 21 pinochle at 7:00pm.

May 26 is luncheon and rummage. I was told the menu is ham, scalloped potatoes, salad and dessert. Yes home made pies. Haven't been told what kind best come and find out.

The walking group is Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 8:30am. Dominoes every Thursday at 1:00pm.

One more thing. The cakes for the birthday party were made by Mary Evans and Lorraine Hass.

May 18 is Community Music night from 7:00 to 9:30pm. All are welcome.

May God grant me
The serenity to accept
Things I cannot change;
The courage to change
The things I can;
And the wisdom to know
The difference.

Heritage Society Lecture

The Point Orford Heritage Society announces the first lecture of the 2001 season: "A History of Curry County" by Walt Schroeder. Mr. Schroeder is a former state representative, former Curry County commissioner, published author, historian and Civil War re-enactor. He will be presenting a detailed overview of the geology and history of the south Oregon coast.

The lecture will be presented Tuesday, June 19, at 7:00 pm, at the Port Orford Lifeboat Station. Seating is limited to 40, so reservations are a must. The lecture is free to Society members, and a donation of \$3.00 for nonmembers is requested. Email station@francona.com or call 332-2082. See www.portorfordlifeboat station.org for more information.

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Charles Hochberg, M.D. will talk about osteoporosis, a bone-thinning condition that affects especially women as they age, when Curry General Hospital hosts a special program of "Dining Room Dialogues" on Thursday May 24, in the Gold Beach Senior Center.

The presentation will begin at 11:45am. The public is invited to buy a hot meal at the senior or bring a bag lunch.

Dr. Hochberg has specialized in obstetrics-gynecology for the past three decades. As well versed in public health education as he is in his clinical practice, Dr. Hochberg is noted for his easy to understand lectures peppered with humor and insight. He is an associate professor at Oregon Health Sciences University and a member of the Curry General Hospital medical staff. He practices in Gold Beach and Brookings.

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Wyden Town Hall Meeting

United States Senator Ron Wyden is holding a Town Hall meeting in Port Orford on Saturday, May 26, from 1:30 to 3:00pm, at the Senior Center.

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Birum Appointed Coordinator

Sheriff Kent Owens has appointed Brookings resident Fred Birum to the position of coordinator for Curry County Search And Rescue. Fred brings with him 22 years of experience as a fire captain from Rochester Minnesota where he has assisted in many rescues. He recently completed the managing search operations course put on by the Oregon Emergency Management Office. Fred and his wife Martarita moved to Brookings about one year ago. They have a daughter who is an officer in the navy, stationed in San Diego and a son in the army air borne, stationed at Fort Benning, GA.

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Infrastructure Milestone

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In June, based on the project proposals, one of the engineering companies will be award the contract to design the sewer effluent disposal system. The company awarded the design contract will then proceed to prepare detailed engineering specifications, environmental assessments, and other technical materials which will serve as the documents we will use to solicit bids to select a company to build the "Outfall." The design will be paid for entirely with the over half million dollars in grants the city has already obtained. The RFP is located at: http://www.portorford.org/RFP.pdf



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State Park Activities By Laura Rhodes

State Parks Day is on Saturday, June 2. Free overnight camping and day use are offered on this day. The following are the local activities on State Parks Day.

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There are some tickets still available for the Celtic Fiddle Concert featuring Hanneke Cassel and Ryan McKasson at the beautiful new Sprague Theater in Bandon. Cali McKasson on keyboard and Chris Lewis will accompany them on stage on guitar along with Rushad Eggleston on cello. The Sunday evening concert begins at 8:00pm. The Sprague Theater is located in City Park in at 1202 11th Street SW in Bandon. Tickets are \$12 in advance and available at the Downtown Fun Zone, Port Orford Breadworks. The Bookworm in Gold Beach and Bandon Mercantile.

Hanneke Cassel recently released her first CD entitled "My Joy." It was produced by Laura Risk and features 12 tracks. The CD will be available for sale at the concert. You can keep track of Hanneke including her tour schedule at her web site, the address is www.hannekecassel.com.

Reception for Cheryl Thorp

The Curry County Board of Commissioners will hold a reception in honor of Commissioner Cheryl Thorp on Monday, May 21, immediately after the Commissioners' meeting which is scheduled for 10:00am. The reception will take place in the Commissioners' Hearing Room at the Courthouse Annex, 94235 Moore Street in Gold Beach. The public is invited to attend. For further information contact. the Commissioners' Office at 247-7011.

Oregon Wildflowers

Coastside Conservatory and Botanical Gardens sponsors a presentation by Floyd Vandervelden on Oregon Wildflowers on Saturday, May 19, from 1:00 to 3:00pm. This beautiful two-hour slide presentation will acquaint you with seldom seen, hard to find and rare wildflowers. The presentation will be held at the Far West Grange Hall, located on Highway 42 South in Bandon.

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Annual Spring Sing

Blanco and Driftwood vocal music students in grades K - 8 present the annual Spring Sing on Wednesday, May 23, 7:00pm at Pacific High. The theme this year is "Looking Back, Moving Forward," and will feature old and new songs, tunes, and dances. In addition to the Choirs, Soprano Singers, Blanco Step Dancers, Guitar/Fiddle Orchestra, and Orff Ensemble, will be the newly formed Driftwood Contradancers, and the Whistle/Recorder Ensemble. Families and friends are cordially invited to attend this last concert of the school year.

Letter to the Editor.

Where, oh where has the Port Orford Arts Council's annual T-shirt design contest gone? It has always been as integral a part of the Arts and Seafood Festival as the Salmon Bake and Fishbox Derby are to the July 4 Jubilee. The contest seems to have gone missing!

Judy Beregi

Letter to the Editor.

Thank you Blanco Boosters for funding the Home Economic seventh grade class to make special Mother's Day presents to take home! Mrs. Rundberg provided plants and baskets decorated with ribbons and bows for the students to put together and each baked a cake and professionally decorated them. They were beautiful. Thanks Boosters for making this and many other good things happen for our kids!

Christina Waller

Community Music Night

Just a reminder that this Friday night, May 18 is Community Music Night at the Port Orford Senior Center. The theme this month is "Cowboy Songs". The music begins at 7:00pm and the singalong begins at 8:45pm. Sing-along sheets are available at the Port Orford and Langlois libraries.

Everyone is welcome from musicians and singers to music lovers. Some of the singalong songs include "Home on the Range," "Mammas Don't Let Your Babies Grow up to Be Cowboys," and "Happy Trails." Sounds like a lot of fun.

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Ellen Warring Learning Center Continued from Front Cover

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Ellen Warring, who died in December 1998, deserves this Learning Center named after her. She was actively involved in Port Orford from the basket studio she ran with her husband Bob to playing music at the Roaring Sea Art Gallery. She loved animals and she and Bob had a black labrador they doted on named Jake. Ellen was on the Port Orford Planning Commission as well as being active for many years in the Kalmiopsis Audubon Society as land use chairperson. She was one of the founding members and secretary of the Port Orford Watershed Council. No matter what project Ellen Warring was involved she stuck with it and that is one of her best lessons. Her life is truly inspirational.

2CJ Board Adopts Policies

The Port Orford Langlois 2CJ School board met on Tuesday, May 8 and spent the majority of their time discussing school policies.

Board member Shirley Van Loo made a motion to adopt the second reading of the following board policies: nondiscrimination, discrimination complaint procedure, student conduct on school buses, and discipline procedures for district-approved student transportation. The motion passed 6-0.

The board then spent over an hour on the first reading of the following policies: visitors to district facilities, expense reimbursements, staff expense reimbursements, security officer, student skateboard/rollerblade/scooter use, assessment management, pubic engagement and communications program, and juried assessment. The board made numerous changes to the above policies as they had originally been submitted.

Shirley Van Loo made a motion to approve the co-operative sports agreement with Bandon for the coming school year for football and wrestling. It passed 6-0. Board member John Jensen made a mo-

tion to accept the health textbooks as presented and it passed 6-0.

Pacific High student body president Kevin Gore attended his last meeting as student representative. Gore who is graduating on June 1 told the board about the great job done at the school prom noting the decorations. Gore said he was going to get a job this summer and then in fall would major in music education in college. The Pacific High School graduation ceremony is set for Friday, June 1, 7:00pm, in the school gym.

The board next followed up on this year's senior trip. The district's insurance person had informed the district that the "exposure was too great" for them to allow the seniors to use private vans for their trip. Kevin Gore told the board the seniors were making a last ditch effort to raise money for bus transportation and they were keeping their hopes up for the trip. The seniors need \$500 to pay for the use of the school bus and \$480 to pay for the wages of the driver.

Blanco School principal Judy Shay showed the board two presentations on recent events at the school including "A Walk Through Time" with students dressed as historical figures in fourteen different time eras. She also presented photos from the recent science and watershed projects.

Transportation superintendent Justin Potter told the board he had been asked to drive for Project Graduation. He said he would do it again as he had for sixteen years. Phil Sword gave the recently elected school board members their certificates of election.

There will be a 2CJ bands and high school choir concert on Thursday, May 17, 7:00pm, at the high school.

Heritage Society Meeting

The Point Orford Heritage Society will meet on Tuesday, May 22, at 7:30pm at the Heads. All are welcome or for more information call Viola at 332-2352.

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