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Langlois Library Construction Begins

Langlois Library Construction
By Evan Kramer

The slab for the new Langlois Library was poured on Friday and the weather cooperated to a tee. Langlois Library Director Tobe Porter gave me a tour of the construction site the day before and brought me up to date on all the details.

The project began in 1995 and for the first three years plans were to either expand the current Langlois Library or build on a site adjacent to it. But when those plans didn't work out the library district found a site on Highway 101 in Langlois and purchased it for $50,000. The 1.75-acre site is directly across the street from the Blanco Middle School (White Building). Tobe told me the library will be 3,100 square feet and was designed by architect Jim Tronson. The building is a 52-foot square but each side has a "pod" sticking out giving the foundation the look of a star. There were three large trees on the main part of the property before construction began and none was taken down. Two of the trees "frame" the parking area.

Ralph Swanson won the bid to construct the library. His bid of $261,000 was $14,000 less than the second lowest bid. Swanson is an energetic and enthusiastic man. He is a contractor from Wolf Creek, Oregon and told me the town is so small the newspaper comes out once a month. He said the concrete pour the next day would be around 110 yards of concrete and that the slab would be 6 inches thick. That work was sub contracted out to Brock Concrete Construction of North Bend. The ten members of the concrete crew were busy working pushing "mud" around on Friday morning. Swanson referred to them as "a jelled team."

A dark green metal roof will cover the new library. The siding for the building will be 4' x 8' fiber-cement panels.

Tobe Porter explained the four pods and said three of them would be for storage space and the fourth will be a bathroom. The circulation desk will be in the center of the room where the four roof trusses meet and the area will be lit partially by a large skylight. The entrance to the new library will have a small gift shop featuring local artwork.

The Library District hired an electrical engineer to help design the lighting and outlets. They hired Stuntzner Engineering to do a topographical study to help with the drainage plan. Ralph Swanson said the library is a symbol to a top-notch design team and will be state of the art.

The library will have 12 parking spaces. The parking lot will be paved with asphalt as will the access road to the library and subdivision. The road will become a dedicated county road after it is paved.

Swanson told me he plans to be finished and out of here by mid-September. Some of the finishing touches will up to the library district including carpeting and tile work as well as new book shelves.

It was exciting watching the concrete being poured and finished on Friday morning. I've followed this story from a distance for several years and share in the enthusiasm of Tobe Porter, the Langlois Library Foundation, library district board members, and the taxpayers of the library district in the construction of their new library. This is a case where perseverance and hard work have paid off. Congratulations!

Chamber Notes
By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford Chamber of Commerce board met on Monday at Bartlett's Café and got a first look at the new Arts and Seafood Festival T-shirts and sweatshirts.

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Thu Jun 14, 2001	1:02a	3.1	6:16a	4.8	12:44p	1.2	7:43p	6.1	5:38a	8:58p	2:22a	2:04p	
Fri Jun 15, 2001	2:06a	2.5	7:34a	4.6	1:33p	1.6	8:20p	6.4	5:38a	8:58p	2:45a	3:03p	
Sat Jun 16, 2001	3:01a	1.7	8:49a	4.6	2:21p	2.0	8:56p	6.7	5:38a	8:59p	3:10a	4:04p	
Sun Jun 17, 2001	3:49a	0.9	9:56a	4.8	3:09p	2.3	9:33p	7.1	5:38a	8:59p	3:37a	5:12p	
Mon Jun 18, 2001	4:33a	0.1	10:55a	5.1	3:56p	2.6	10:10p	7.5	5:38a	8:59p	4:08a	6:18p	
Tue Jun 19, 2001	5:15a	-0.7	11:48a	5.4	4:43p	2.8	10:50p	7.9	5:38a	8:59p	4:46a	7:26p	
Wed Jun 20, 2001	5:58a	-1.4	12:37p	5.7	5:30p	2.9	11:32p	8.2	5:38a	9:00p	5:32a	8:34p	
Thu Jun 21, 2001	6:42a	-1.9	1:25p	6.0	6:19p	3.0			5:38a	9:00p	6:26a	9:38p	NM

Police Log

June 4
11:40am: Report of disturbance at 1216 Lakeshore Drive, unwanted subject – handled by contact.

2:30pm: Report of man sleeping in restroom at Buffington – contacted and advised.

3:30pm: Lost bicycle returned to owner.

5:00pm: Obnoxious person in Duds and Suds – contacted and advised to move on.

9:30pm: Assist other agency, Curry County Sheriff Office, suspicious circumstances at Arizona and Krieger Lane – unable to locate.

June 5
7:00am: Alarm at Driftwood Elementary School – employee error.

June 6
10:20am: Civil assist at 2727 Port Orford Loop Road.

2:40pm: Assist other agency, Animal Control, on Arizona St. and Paradise Point Road.

4:55pm: Deliver message to Mr. Hansen at Lakeside Terrace Apts.

June 7
11:00am: Report of deer hit south of Langlois – referred to ODOT.

4:10pm: Report of 3 syringes found on Idaho St. – volunteer fireman collected them. Thank you.

June 8
11:55am: Report of harassment at 935 Jackson St., which occurred on June 6 – report taken.

2:30pm: Report of increased commercial truck traffic on Washington St. – to be monitored.

4:00pm: Report of harassment of person at post office – report taken.

5:00pm: Report of harassment on 13th St. – civil dispute, handled by contact.

June 9
2:40pm: Report of ordinance violation at 2625 Port Orford Loop Rd. – report taken.

8:00pm: Report of dog hit on Coast Guard Hill – owner contacted.

9:00pm: Suspicious person running, contacted at Oregon and 13th St. – juvenile contacted, handled by contact.

June 10
6:00pm: Vehicle trespass at 2625 Port Orford Loop Rd. – report taken.

9:00pm: Assist other agency, CCSO, with stranded motorist at Milepost 318.

Safety Tip of the Week

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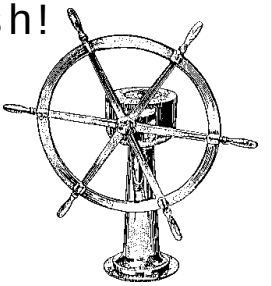

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Everyone Wins 166

by Graeme Graydon

It has been the season, again, of high-school graduation speeches. No matter how worthwhile or inspiring, everyone knows that only a handful of kids will become movers or shakers, only a few will have real power or wealth, the rest will have mostly unimportant lives, with varying degrees of material comfort - it looks as if only the few will be the winners.

I see it quite differently. Each young person, (graduate or not), has his or her own mountain to climb - every single one of them - and it's different for each one, having little to do with becoming clever or popular. Its more to do with the ever-present process of personal refinement, for which our society gives no prizes - ever.

Eastern philosophy has a name for this - dharma - a divinely chosen path, selected before birth, most likely to provide the elements needed for attaining the refinement. Everyone of us is placed exactly where we need to be for this path to unfold, so stop blaming your parents - you needed them just the way they are, or were.

There was a man who spent many lifetimes being a real pain to everyone around him. He was just plain nasty. No one knew that he was secretly very critical of himself. He just did not like anything about himself, so he took it out on others. His miserable lives looked very different. Besides the differences in time, he had many nationalities, religious and political beliefs, but a common thread remained, his next real achievement would be to find compassion for himself. When he was ready for it, a "stage" was selected for him to be born into, the right parents in the right place for the seeds of compassion to grow. With no inkling of his past, and less of his purpose for being here, he lived out his days and somewhere along the way, chose to be compassionate on himself. It mattered not that he was a hunter, an executioner, a lawyer or a truck driver, he made the big break-through - which no one knew anything about - except that he was easier to live with.. After he left his body, he was unveiled enough to see that, indeed, he had successfully completed his mission, and that anything he did or didn't do for a living in the human world was now irrelevant.

So there seem to be two measures of success for us, making it to the top in our human world., and the near invisible process of self refinement, which doesn't look like winning. For a good stretch of my life, I looked at other men and wished that I could be like them - brilliant, gifted, confident, poised - there had to be something wrong with me. Finally a teacher with unusual insight told me flatly – "You are a poet and a dreamer." I didn't have to conquer the world, save mankind or know everything - and I stopped comparing myself to others. A funny thing happened, as soon as I did this, I began to find success in my life. Winning is for everyone, no matter what their life looks like to anyone else.

Community Music Night

Everyone is welcome to attend the Community Music Night on Friday, June 15, from 7:00 to 9:30pm at the Port Orford Senior Center. Play or listen to songs beginning at 7:00pm and the sing-along begins at 8:45pm. The sing-along song sheet is available at the Port Orford and Langlois Libraries. There is no admission charge but donations are accepted for the Port Orford Senior Center, a non-profit organization. Call 332-0131 for more information. The theme of this month's Community Music Night is "Songs of America."

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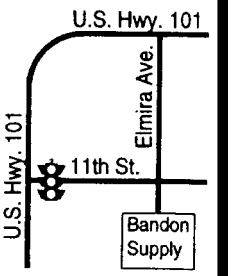

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Gun Club News
By Bill Oleson

Election day stimulated an excellent turnout last Sunday. Rain threatened all day but skies remained calm so that we could meet outside and shoot well. Scott Macdonald was reelected president; Bill Kemper, Coos Bay, vice president; Bill Oleson was reelected secretary/treasurer and Scott Wurster was given the task of Shoot Master. Rudi Breuer handled this task last year which includes squading for all events and overseeing our stringent safety requirements. Remaining board members elected are Jim Harrison, Ron Puhl, Jack Morgan, Pam Macdonald, Howard Ganette, Coos Bay, and Scott Wurster.

Rudi Breuer and Bob Scoville, Coos Bay, tied in the 16 yard Singles Event, 48/50. The shoot off was carried over to the Handicap event with Scoville the winner. Scott Macdonald was runner-up 47/50. Howard Ganette and Bill Kemper tied with scores of 47/50 in the Handicap. Bill Kemper won the shoot off. John Dillingham, Gold Beach, scored the only perfect 25/25 in the handicap and was runner-up 45/50.

Members who did very well in the Pacific International Trap Meet at Myrtle Point included Dale Fults, Coos, Bay, who shot himself from A class to AA class by winning the Sunday Singles event. Bob Scoville was runner up to Dale. Jack Morgan, foreman for Coos-Curry Electric won High Overall in D class. This included being promoted to C class by winning the D class singles, runner up in the short range handicap event and runner up in the C class doubles. The total P.I.T.A. event attracted six All Star trap shooters and resulted in the highest handicap average score for all P.I.T.A. events this season.

Starting Wednesday June 13 Cape Blanco trap fields will be open from 5:00 to 8:00pm to allow those who work to get a few practice rounds. Beginners are encouraged to attend; there is always someone to assist. The second and fourth Sundays will continue to offer competition and practice. Bartlett's again donated gift certificates won by Scoffield and Kemper.

Float #14 Found

Delores Freshour of Port Orford found the hidden float on Battle Rock Beach June 7th. Congratulations Delores. Each week an authentic float decorated with 150th anniversary 1851-2001 will be hid on the Battle rock beach. Each float is numbered and will be hid in descending order until the # 1 float is found on the 15th week of celebration. Each winner is presented with a certificate of authenticity with a ring for displaying when reporting the find to the visitor center. There are additional numbered floats for sale at various locations around town. All floats are numbered up to 150 signifying the anniversary of Port Orford.

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Letter to the Editor,

On behalf of the "Citizens Group", as referred to in the Letters to the Editor by Mike Nielson and Kathy Sherbourne, Port Orford News, June 6, 2001, it is not the intent of our group to create animosity among our commissioners, management, staff or the community. Participants of this group have a genuine interest in preserving and promoting the integrity of the Port of Port Orford. Regardless of the intent or purpose of this group it is a fact that under current management this port is approaching bankruptcy. Immediate action by the owners (District Tax Payers) is mandatory if we are to avoid this loss.

In particular the group takes offense to Mike Nielson's reference to the "editorial license and dubious journalistic integrity" of our news media. While Mr. Nielson's use of words is somewhat unusual he is "out of order" on this issue. Editors of the Port Orford News, Jean Kilburn and Molly Walker and Port Orford Today's Evan Kramer are, in our opinion, of the highest integrity and among the most accurate and unbiased reporters in this state. Unlike many news publications our local newspapers carefully segregate news from opinion. They deserve credit and a vote of thanks for presenting the facts as they occur.

Gifford D. Barnes
Bob Walters

Curtain Rises Next Weekend

The curtain for Noel Coward's "Blithe Spirit" rises June 21, 22, 23 and June 28, 29, 30 at 7:00pm at the Ophir Grange in Nesika Beach. The Grange Hall is located at 33043 Nesika Road. Fireball 451 Productions is proud to present the three act mystical comedy. Tickets are available at Soakers in Gold Beach and will also be available at the door. Additionally you may reserve tickets by calling (541) 247-9956.

This play is the highlight of the traditional summer theater presentations in Central Curry County and features an uproariously funny story enhanced by an imaginative comedic cast of characters.

"Blithe Spirit is regarded as Coward's finest work. Our production at the Ophir Grange is a wonderful way to spend a June evening and escape into a crazy world of a seemingly well-mannered British couple whose decision to entertain a local flake changes their lives forever," said Michael Hall, the play's producer/director. "It's a great show, a great laugh, and a chance to go play with and laugh with the Brits for an evening."

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Junk Will Become Art

The popular Junk Art Contest is once again scheduled as a primary feature of the Port Orford Arts and Seafood Festival on Labor Day Weekend. All artists, junk collectors and people who just want to "creatively clean out their basements" are invited to submit entries to the annual event.

"So you've finished the spring cleaning and have a bunch of junk left. Do we have a deal for you?" said Tobe Porter, Contest Coordinator for the Port Orford Arts Council, "Your treasures could take first prize at the Junk Art Contest to be held this September. Take all that left over stuff, add a little hot glue here and a little wire there, and you've got a first class work of junk art—the happy face of the art world."

The rules of this favorite annual contest are simple but, in past years, the competition has been keen with as many as fifty entries from the Oregon South Coast. Entries must not be physically harmful to others and no larger than 3 x 4 x 6 feet. Artists do not have to notify anyone in advance. They merely show up with their "objet d'jonque" at the American Legion Hall on East 11th Street in Port Orford on Friday evening, August 31, between 3:00 and 6:00 pm to set up their work. Then, at the end of the show, the work must be picked up between 4:00 and 6:00 pm, Sunday, September 2.

The contest is judged by the visitors to the show. Each visitor votes for his or her favorite piece of junk art and the winning entries are awarded fun prizes from the Port Orford Arts Council. The art will be on display at the American Legion Hall in Port Orford from 10:00 to 5:00 on Saturday, September 1 and from 10:00 to 4:00 on Sunday, September 2. For questions, contact Tobe Porter at 332-4340.

Junk is just one of the many arts that will be a part of the annual Arts and Seafood Festival in Port Orford. The Fine Arts and Crafts Emporium will be in the Community Building with booths featuring the work of arts and crafts persons from Western Oregon and Northern California. In addition, galleries and merchants throughout the community will be holding special shows, many with working artists on the premises and booths with working artists will be in the new "Strolling Area." The Religious Art Show, sponsored by the area churches, will be displayed in the Christian Center Gymnasium on Saturday and the Show and Shine Antique Auto Show, sponsored by the Rotary Club, will be at Driftwood School on Sunday.

A variety of music and theatrical performances are also being planned for this year's Festival. A major music event, sponsored by POET, is scheduled for the Savoy Theater on Saturday evening and a "bandshell" with various music acts and skits is planned for both days in the new Arts and Seafood "Strolling Area."

And, it wouldn't be the Arts and Seafood Festival without the seafood! The popular Albacore Barbecue, hosted by the Port Orford churches, will be Sunday afternoon from 2:00 to 6:00 in the Christian Center Gymnasium. The Fishermen's Wive's famous Clam Chowder will be available for lunch both days at the American Legion Hall and several booths, operated by area restaurants, will be serving seafood "fingerfoods" both days in the new "Strolling Area." All weekend, area restaurants will be featuring special seafood entries to help celebrate the Festival.

The Annual Arts and Seafood Festival is sponsored by the Greater Port Orford Area Chamber of Commerce, the Port Orford Arts Council, the Port Orford Women's Fishery Network, the Port

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HEAD START PRESCHOOL SAYS THANK YOU

We are near final approval for purchasing the new site. We anticipate remodeling to begin in late July. We wish to thank those who have helped **and** those who have committed to continue helping.

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Junk Will Become Art
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Orford Area Churches and the North Curry Families' and Children's Center. For more information about this year's Arts and Seafood Festival, contact Festival Coordinators Ronn or Jo Kerr at 332-3703 or ArtsandSeafood@KerrResources.com.

Senior News
By Mary Yoder

June 7 was Rotary luncheon. Volunteers working were Betty Berger, Lorraine Hass, Verna Pretti – setting up the dining room Bessie Laursen, Brenda Oakley, Patty Berger – dishes etc. Brenda Oakley, Warren Jewell, Chris Lozano. All did a fine job.

June 9 luncheon and rummage sale and birthday for June. Volunteers working were Mary Evans, Lorraine Hass, Savannah Tremmel – dishes etc. Brenda Oakley, Owen Miller, Ron Panozzo. The birthday cake was make by Bessie Laursen – really two cakes – really nice. Taking care of the money box Pauline Lenox – rummage sale Harold Pace and Kay Neal.

June 10 breakfast nice turn out – fine food. Volunteers making it like this Betty Berger, Jane Black, June Heyl, Lee Heyl, Gretta Carver, Brenda Oakley and a young man Kyle Pace – all did a fine job. The waffles were super. I know I had one.

Pauline Lenox took care of the money box and Kay Neal and Harold Pace the rummage sale. Did you ever think the volunteers give up their Sunday to work for the Center? Thank you all from the rest of us.

June 12 is Board meeting at 11:00am. Blood pressure and hearing aid from 9:30 to 11:00am. More about the meeting next week.

June 15 Community Music Night from 7:00 to 9:30pm. All are welcome. Come bring your instrument – large or small.

June 18 pinochle at 7:00pm.

Sorry to say there will not be a luncheon June 23. The Coos Curry Electric annual meeting and dinner that day – but there will be a potluck June 30. I hope I've said it all and missed no one.

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

Meetings

Port of Port Orford Commission meets on Tuesday, June 19, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

Port Orford Watershed Council meets on Wednesday, June 20, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

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Port Manager
Editorial opinion by Evan Kramer

Petition signed by approximately 215 residents of the Port of Port Orford District have been collected and will be sent to Port of Gold Beach Commissioners. The petition, which is, addressed both to the Port of Gold Beach and Port Orford commissioners requests a full time Port manager for Port Orford.

A small group of people including a bigger group in the second meeting has met twice to discuss this issue and many others concerning problems and solutions to problems at the Port. Jean Kilburn and I attended both of the meetings. Kilburn wrote an article on the first meeting, which was published as an editorial in the Port Orford News, dated May 30. Her article was responded to the next week in the Port Orford News by a mean spirited attack against her written by Port of Port Orford Manager Mike Nielson. Nielson failed to realize in his article that the people have a constitutional right to assemble and meet. A majority of Port commissioners were not in attendance and it wasn't an official Port meeting but a gathering of interested citizens.

I attended both meetings and signed the petition because of several concerns I have with the current state of the Port of Port Orford. The Port needs a full-time on-site manager, which it does not have despite Nielson claiming to be the full time manager of the Ports of Gold Beach and Port Orford. The Port needs to complete the dock project. The Port needs to build the public fishing dock, which was promised the taxpayers during the bond election. The Port needs to remedy its financial situation and the Port Commission needs a printed Employee's handbook. Recently Port commissioners have made motions at the end of their meetings to pay the bills "when funds become available." The Port is losing money every month and needs to develop new means of becoming financially solvent. I didn't attend the meetings as part of an "insurrection" at the Port as Nielson says in his letter but as part of what I consider a group of concerned citizens.

An example of where an on-site full time manager would have made a difference is the handling of Port hoist operator Billy Potter being fired. Nielson fired Potter yet had no contact with him and did not observe his job performance. Nielson told me in a phone conversation three and a half months ago that Potter failed to live up to his expectations. Had Nielson been at the Port on a daily basis he would have understood Potter's work performance. Dozens of fishermen and deck hands who worked regularly with Potter and understood his job performance signed petitions in support of him.

Mike Nielson is an intelligent man and would be better off working for our Port as a grant writer because of his extensive contacts with government agencies. In the meantime I feel he owes Jean Kilburn a public apology for his tirade against her letter which he described as "Judas journalism." I have some suggestions for Mr. Nielson. Don't use condescending language, write in a manner that is easily understood, and remember that the taxpayers assembled are your bosses.

Beach Clean Up Project

What is Join Hands Day? It's an opportunity for all ages to work together for the benefit of their community. Join Hands Day is a national day of service started in 2000. Together, youth and adults carry out a service project that fixes a problem or enhances the community. On Saturday, June 16, between 9:30am and 11:30am volunteer participants will meet at the Visitor Center at Battle Rock Park to participate in a beach cleanup that will extend towards Hubbard's Creek and the dock road. Please join this experience that links people, creates friendships, produces a positive outcome. Wear warm clothing. Bags and gloves will be provided by Humbug State Park and free pop and water will be donated by Ray's Food Place. Community service credits may be obtained by Pacific High School students. For additional information, contact Roxanne Arnot at 332-9075.

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Hot Tip From Valerie

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Water & Sewer Solutions

By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council met on Monday night and started off with a discussion of the water master plan. Nancy Shute, a consultant with Coos Curry Douglas Business Development and Ann Berblinger from the Economic Development Administration – US Department of Commerce attended the meeting. They were at the meeting to answer questions and talk about the pre-application for funding for projects in the City of Port Orford water service area. The two aspects of the plan concern a rehabilitation study for Garrison Lake to bring it back to a usable water source. The second part includes updating the Water Master Plan including bringing Gold Run Creek online as a water source, watershed protection, wells as a source of water and other ideas. Ann Berblinger said the EDA preapplication form is a way to assess the cost benefits and the follow-up step is the full application. She said that if the city got to the full application stage its chances of getting the grant money were 95%. The grant from EDA if approved would be as high as 70%.

Public Works Superintendent Allan Wagner was questioned about the vandalism at Battle Rock Park. He said the back half of the one of the pillar caps at the Wayfinder was missing. Wagner has talked to Eric Carter about volunteering to fix it and said there was some stone available for the job. The council then focussed on the ODOT signs for Battle Rock Park as well as stenciling signs for the RV and bus spaces in the park. Councilor Emily Francona said the council needs to decide what to do now that the summer season is here. Councilor Norm Leeling made a motion that the council directs the public works superintendent to have signs installed for north and southbound traffic saying limited RV parking at Battle Rock Park. The motion passed 5-1 and Wagner will negotiate with ODOT about placement of the signs.

Police Chief Bill Rush said the department had exhausted all leads in the vandalism at the park and was going to put the case into Crimestoppers.

Emily Francona reported on the ordinance review committee. She said they had discussed an animal control ordinance and at the committee's next meeting on June 28 would discuss right-of-way ordinances.

The council discussed the public works maintenance position that has been advertised. City administrator Martha Weaver said there are two applicants for the job who could be interviewed. Allan Wagner said this is a very important position and that he didn't have enough people in his department to make the work flow. Mayor Gary Doran threw out the idea of contracting out the work rather than hiring a new person. Wagner said that solution would cost more and the city would get less. Wagner said the worker who is out on disability won't be coming back. Councilor Jane Cramer recommended looking into the private contracting route. Councilor Jim Campbell made a motion the council proceed with hiring the public works maintenance position and it passed 5-1 with Cramer voting no.

Bob McArthur, representing the engineering firm of H.G.E. gave a lengthy update on the completion of the water treatment plant project and told the council it would be complete by the end of this month.

Norm Leeling made a motion to not extend health insurance to heterosexual

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domestic partners and the motion passed 5-1. The city provides health insurance to homosexual domestic partners and received a letter from Randal Tosh explaining why which is an Oregon Court of Appeals ruling.

Councilor Robert Warring made a motion the council adopts Resolution 2001-16, which extends Workers', Compensation insurance for volunteers at the visitor center and "unanticipated volunteer projects". The motion passed 6-0.

Jane Cramer made a motion that section 2.3.1 of the council rules be amended and not include a specific order of business. It passed 6-0 and the result is there will be changes in the order of items on the council agenda including possibly moving the administrative and financial reports to the beginning of the meeting.

The council on a motion by Jim Campbell approved a contract with Howard Lichtig for municipal judge and it passed unanimously.

The council had by a unanimous vote added one item to their agenda under new business. This was discussion of the real estate sign at Battle Rock Park that appeared on Sunday, June 3 and was taken down on Monday, June 4. Jane Cramer said she felt strongly that the city should take some action against the realtor. She said they were a professional person and should have known how to handle the sign. Cramer recommended pursing the realtor with charges or sanctions from a real estate governing board. Councilor Campbell disagreed and said "I would forget it" and continued if you don't want to make the owner mad leave it alone. He told the council he had seen three other real estate signs in city rights-of-way. Robert Warring said the sign had been put up in a shell midden and asked if any state agency could do anything. Martha Weaver said the sign had been stolen this past Saturday. Norm Leeling recommended the city administrator contact the realtor about reimbursing the city for the costs of taking it down. He then made a motion directing the city administrator to send a bill to the realtor for costs incurred in removing the sign and it passed 5-1 with Campbell voting no.

The Requests for Proposals to provide Engineering Design Services for the Wastewater Effluent Disposal System were due in by Monday, June 11. Martha Weaver said the proposals would go through a screening process. She said the scoring would be done this week and that later this month the council would hold a special meeting to review them. That meeting will be held on Monday, June 25, after the budget meeting which begins at 7:00pm. Note: This is important and good news for the city.

This article is abbreviated because this week there is too much news for too small a newspaper.

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By Tobe Porter, Library Director

The Little Library-That-Can opened on June 17, 1971. We are going to celebrate our 30th birthday with a week long open house. We invite you to stop by anytime between the hours of 1:00pm and 5:00pm Tuesday, June 19 through Friday, June 22.

Over coffee and cookies we will have a grand old time looking at old pictures, remembering when, seeing old friends (maybe a former librarian or two if we're lucky). A couple of special events will highlight the week. On Thursday we will have another family story time: Silly Snuggle Tales at 6:30pm – an evening of stories and surprises. Pjs and teddy bears are welcome. Then on Friday, between 3:00 and 5:00pm contractor Ralph Swanson of AAR Company will be on hand to talk about the progress of our new library.

Lots to celebrate in our community: 30 great years in our little library and a very bright future in our new one. Please join us.

Local Bands Play

Port Orford is host to a major music festival this weekend, June 15-17, at the Arizona Beach RV Park, located twelve miles south of Port Orford. Local bands **String Fling** and **Antique Dog** will open for the world famous David Grisman Quartet on Friday, June 15, starting at 3:00pm. The evening show features headliner bands, Garaj Mahal, Les Claypool's Fearless Flying Frog Brigade, The Dave Nelson Band (a.k.a. New Riders of the Purple Sage), and other great shows including Grisman.

String Fling entertained at the Port Orford Arts and Seafood Festival the past three years, and Antique Dog is well know here, recently producing a multi-band music extravaganza at the Port Orford Community Building this past April. They have often played at town events.

The Family-A-Faire festival starts on Friday and goes through Sunday. See ads for details on band lineups and ticket information.

Sign Up For Swim Bus

There's still room! Sign up Thu. June 14 at 7pm at City Hall Council Chamber. The cost is $40 ($30 lessons + $10 bus fee per child.) Lessons will be held Mon–Fri, June 18-22 and June 25-29. In addition to 6 years old and up swimmers, pre-school children ages 3 to 5 years may sign up. A parent or guardian must accompany each pre-school child. Children 6 years and up can choose from 7 levels of lessons. The PO Women's Fishery Network wants every child to be able to have lessons, please ask about scholarships if money is an issue. Call Cecil Ashdown 332-0806 or Leesa Cobb 332-5250 if you have any questions.

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Letter to the Editor,

As a former Publisher and Editor of the Port Orford News I have seen every kind of letter to the editor imaginable, from the sublime to the ridiculous. The letters from Mike Nielson and Kathy Sherbourne in the June 6, 2001 Port Orford News criticizing Jean Kilburn's editorial fall into the latter category. They bring to mind a line from a William Shakespeare play, "Thou protests too much!"

What really concerns me is the lack of accessibility to public information. I covered the Port extensively in my three and a half years with the News. There was never a problem finding out what was going on. I was also on the Port Budget Committee for three years and I have seen a definite change in the day to day management of the Port, and it is anything but full-time. Tax paying citizens go the Port office to get copies of documents and are told the documents "aren't in house" or "the manager isn't here and only he can give you the documents." This is not full-time management, nor is it legal. Because the Port is NOT in litigation with the contractors, virtually all documents pertaining to the dock project, or any other Port function, is public information. These ORS laws are clearly stated the Attorney General's Public Meetings Handbook and are the basis of the relationship between the Port District and the Taxpayers. It's time to get back to the basics and start the healing process.

Respectfully,

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Letter to the Editor,

The auction to raise funds for the fireworks display at the upcoming 43rd Port Orford Jubilee was held last Saturday at the community center. While individuals and businesses donated generously, public attendance was very disappointing. Barely more than 40 people showed, and many of those were individuals who had donated the very items to be auctioned off. Consequently, auction proceeds are considerably lower than in past years.

The 4th of July fireworks display is arguably the most popular community event each year: residents have come to expect a spectacular display and the Jubilee committee works hard each year not to disappoint. However, as the main fundraiser for the event, the annual auction depends entirely on a bidding audience - if community members do not attend and bid, the auction cannot succeed. As with all community events, support from the residents of that community is crucial!

Emily Francona
www.francona.com/emily

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Chamber Notes
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Jubilee committee member Wilbur Green said there would a volleyball tournament this year, put on by the Pacific High Class of 2003.

The Chamber will have a fireworks trailer at Battle Rock Park and needs volunteers to work it. You have to be 18 years or older to volunteer. The fireworks will go on sale July 1 at 10:00am and the trailer will be open through 5:00 or 6:00pm.

Wilbur Green said Pauline Lenox would be this year's Jubilee parade Grand Marshal. Green said that Lennox is a direct descendent of Jake Summers, A pioneer who is buried on Battle Rock.

Chamber office manager Susan Shannon spoke about the Beachcomber's square dance club. She said this was their 48th year of continuous operation and that made them the second oldest square dance club in the world.

Ronn and Jo Kerr gave a presentation on this years Arts and Seafood Festival. They said the 150th anniversary coins would be here on June 25 and would be on sale for $5.00 through July 4. After July 4 they will cost $7.00. Both Kerrs were wearing their colorful festival sweatshirts. The T-shirts cost $15 and the sweatshirts cost $23 and come in medium, large, x-large and xx-large. They will be for sale at numerous local businesses including Bartlett's and the Wheelhouse Restaurant. Ronn Kerr spoke about the Festival program booklet and said 3,000 would be printed.

Office manager Susan Shannon will be working for State Parks this summer and the Chamber will need to replace her for three months.

The Chamber was given a 1971 Aristocrat Travel Trailer, which they will use for fireworks sales.

Chamber president and parks commission member Linda Culbertson said the young people involved with the skateboard park in Buffington Park are putting together a grant proposal to the State of Oregon for $25,000 to complete the project. They asked for a letter of support from the Chamber of Commerce and the board voted unanimously to write a letter of support.

Theresia Hewitt and Lance Cox have collaborated on a beautiful new wall hanging, which they donated to the Chamber for a fundraiser. The quilt is called "On the Wild Side" and features several wild animals on it. The concept was by Theresia Hewitt and pen and ink art done by Lance Cox and signed on the back by the artist. The quilt blocks are original first run prints. The quilt will be on display at Bartlett's and then Chetco and then Klamath First Federal Bank.

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Rachelle Schaaf Selected

The Curry County Commissioners have selected Rachelle Schaaf as the next Curry County Commissioner. Commissioners Lucie LaBonte and Marlyn Schafer held a workshop meeting on Monday, June 11 and asked a series of eleven difficult questions to candidates Rachelle Schaaf, Martha Weaver and Olive Woolridge. After the question and answer session was conducted the commissioners considered their choices and announced their intention to select Schaaf. Lucie LaBonte said later in the day they "wanted to look to the future." The meeting was a workshop and no vote was taken. The official vote will be taken on Wednesday morning and Schaaf will be sworn in on Thursday morning at 10:00am at the County Courthouse. The vacancy was created when Commissioner Cheryl Thorp resigned for health reasons on May 21.

Schaaf said on Monday afternoon that she was honored to have been chosen commissioner. Schaaf currently works for Curry County as Program Director of the Commission on Children and Families and has been with that department the past three plus years. She is 31 years old and has BA in Sociology from Oregon State University and an MA from the University of Pittsburgh in Sociology. Schaaf lives in Hunter Creek.

Schaaf plans on running for election next year in the May primary. The term of office she is being appointed to runs out on January 1, 2003. Schaaf said of her pending appointment, "This is collossally exciting."