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Department Honors Garwood By Evan Kramer



The Port Orford City Council met on Monday night and the meeting began with a tribute to Volunteer Fire Department Captain Jim Garwood who died on April 12.

Mayor Gary Doran introduced Fire Department Chief Randy Foster who then spoke about Jim Garwood. Foster was emotionally overwhelmed as he talked about Jim. He said that Jim had treated all the members of the department as equals and taught them all a lot. Foster said Garwood had been very involved with the fireworks program. Foster thanked members of the Sixes and Langlois Fire Departments as well as Port Orford Ambulance for attending the meeting. They stood in uniform at the back of the council chambers and at 6:30pm that evening had participated in a procession of personnel, and ten pieces of rolling stock from Knapp Road to Battle Rock Park and then back to City Hall in honor of Jim Garwood. Mayor Doran presented Jim Garwood's daughter Linda with a hybrid cedar tree, which he asked the fire department to plant in the park in honor of Jim. Jim Garwood's

wife of 53 years Kay had been invited to ride in a fire truck and attend the meeting but was ill and did not attend. Councilor Jim Campbell said Jim Garwood was the most highly respected and most knowledgeable firefighter we had and that he would be extremely hard to replace.

Councilor Jim Auburn gave a parks commission liaison report and said the commission now had a good secretary in Jeri Thurkow. Auburn said a new and attractive door was being donated to the visitor center at Battle Rock Park.

Councilor Campbell made a motion for the council to adopt Ordinance 2003-03 (RV Abatement and Penalty) and it passed 6-0.

The council next considered Ordinance 2003-04 (RV Siting Permits). Lon Berube, a member of the committee, which worked on this ordinance, had several questions about the final product. His questions about what "proof of ownership" and time limits for parking an RV, as well as what "improved real property" was led to a few changes in the way the ordinance was written. The City's attorney John Trew, was present at the meeting, his recommendation was to make the changes to the ordinance and put it out and vote on it next month. The council concurred with their attorney's

advice. Ordinance 2003-05 (RV Temporary Uses) was put off until Ordinance 2003-04 is voted on.

Councilor Auburn made a motion the council approve Resolutions 2003-22, 2003-23, and 2003-24 all having to do with the personnel subcommittee recommendations for the city employees. The motion passed.

Auburn then made a motion to approve the grade/step schedule for city employees recommended by city administrator Erna Barnett. This motion included implementation based on annual job performance reviews. According to her report the City currently has no structure for employee performance reviews and/or raises. She says in her report that city employees are paid "at best 66% of the average for like cities in this area." The motion passed.

The council next took up Resolution 2003-25 (Sewer Rates). Mayor Doran first took public comment and Mary Corey spoke first. She owns a duplex in the City and said to the council she wanted to reemphasize that if Option #1 is voted in her rates would go up 100% which she said was unfair. She said Option #1 would have major implications for low-income people.

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Sat Apr 26, 2003	3:38a	2.5	9:19a	5.7	3:47p	0.5	10:24p	6.3	6:18a	8:13p	4:59a	3:53p
Sun Apr 27, 2003	4:28a	1.8	10:18a	5.7	4:29p	0.8	10:54p	6.5	6:16a	8:14p	5:19a	4:52p
Mon Apr 28, 2003	5:09a	1.2	11:08a	5.8	5:05p	1.1	11:21p	6.7	6:15a	8:15p	5:38a	5:55p
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Wed Apr 30, 2003	6:19a	0.1	12:35p	5.7	6:07p	1.9			6:12a	8:17p	6:18a	7:52p
Thu May 1, 2003	12:11a	6.9	6:52a	-0.2	1:16p	5.7	6:37p	2.3	6:11a	8:19p	6:41a	8:51p NM

**April Port Meeting
By Jane Cramer**

The Port Orford Port Commission met on April 15, 2003 with all commissioners and the Port Manager present.

Under unlisted items, Evan Kramer reported that the Port Manager, Port Commissioners and candidates for the commission openings were invited to the Chamber of Commerce membership meeting at 1:00p.m. on April 28. Kramer also reported as liaison to the City Council that the City has recently discovered an error in the sewer billing system that had not charged for sewer service for the Port restrooms. This will be corrected with the next billing. Under Public Comment, Mary Corey spoke to say she felt the Port should be billed according to water used just like everyone else.

Linda Smith reported she worked the dock beach on Beach Cleanup Day and was disturbed by the large amount of

trash on the beach. She asked the Port to encourage Port users to be more considerate about trash disposal. Ed Dowdy mentioned that the Windfest would be held on the dock beach and special efforts should be made to have the beach clean for that. Buck Haynie commented that the beach should be kept clean all the time.

Under Old Business Gary Anderson introduced Leo Ryder of Pac Norwest Charters and asked that he tell the Commission about himself and his plans for his new business. The charter business will operate two boats for diving, whale watching and sightseeing, rent kayaks and supply a much needed service filling air tanks for divers. He will also bring his offset printing business to Port Orford and will be hiring employees in both businesses. He pledged his willingness to help keep the beach clean and predicted his businesses will attract people from

the valley to spend money in Port Orford.

Frank Barnes gave a crane update and reported that recent changes should make the crane safer. After a discussion of various problems, Kramer suggested that Anderson use the information from Barnes to deal with Issco about the disputed billings.

The commissioners voted to run a slightly different ad in this year's Visitor's Guide and accepted Ryder's offer to pay the additional cost to upgrade to a color ad.

Anderson reported that he was still working on plans for the sale of surplus items, but has not had a lot of time to spend on it.

Dowdy gave a filing update, reminding the commission of the legal requirements about retaining records. The Port records

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are not in good order because of personnel turnover in recent years. Dowdy is working organize files and establish a cross referencing system.

Anderson reported that Port Orford's summertime dredging will start by the end of the week and that he is looking into ways to work with the Corps of Engineers to allow the Port to do the dredging if further funding cuts are scheduled. Dowdy suggested that Anderson put together a package of information and ask for a meeting with the Corps.

Also under Old Business Dowdy distributed copies of the Principles of Operation for the Port Planning Committee which had been submitted previously. Welch asked that commissioners review the information for discussion at the next meeting.

The first item under New Business was discussion of the Premium Pacific Seafood lease. Mark Barnes requested that the discussion be moved to the end of the meeting and occur during an Executive Session.

Anderson reported on talks with State Parks about the beach access road about whether the Port needs a permit to improve and use it. He asked David Knapp to look at the road and estimate how much rock would be required for improvements.

Jay Stoler gave a report on suggested changes to the Port Website that would make site upkeep easier and cost less than the current amount. The commissioners approved upgrade of the website by Stoler.

Anderson gave the Manager's Report, outlining a recent conversation with Jim Arntz of Coos Curry Electric about getting help with electric costs if the Port has to do its own dredging. He also told of a visit from a writer who plans to do an Oregon Coast Magazine article about the Port.

Anderson reported he is still working to bring the Port's finances into compliance in several areas.

At 8:15 the public portion of the meeting was adjourned and the Executive Session was convened.

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Springtime at the Library by Tobe Porter, Library Director

Ah, springtime, when the hills are covered with wildflowers... and sheep! If you want to know more about the sheep you see while enjoying a Sunday drive through North Curry, stop by the library and check out these books: *Profitable Sheep Farming* by Cooper & Thomas; *Spring Fleece, a Day of Sheep Shearing* by Paladino; or Virginia Paul's *This was Sheep Ranching*.

For the younger passengers, you'll want to take along some picture books like: *Red Berry Wool* by Eversole; *Emma's Lamb* by Lewis; and our personal favorite by Shaw, *Sheep in a Shop*. Yes, you will find lots of sheep information in the library, including the Entry Form for artists interested in designing an original sheep and invitations to the Sheep Show at TransAction Gallery on May 3 from 6:30-8:00pm. Come on, don't be sheepish, stop by and find out how you can join the fun of raising funds for the new library.

Coos-Curry Meeting

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative, Inc. has been scheduled for 10:00am on Friday, April 25, at the OSU Extension Services, at the Event Center on the Beach (Curry County Fairgrounds), in Gold Beach.

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AWRC Receives Award

The America's Wild Rivers Coast Consortium was honored at the 2003 Governor's Conference on Tourism, in Lincoln City on April 14, with the coveted Gene Leo Memorial Award, presented by the Tourism Industry Council of Oregon. The Gene Leo Memorial Award was established in 1994 to honor the late Gene Leo by recognizing "outstanding contributions and efforts for a tourism-related activity or attraction in Oregon that specifically focuses on the state's natural beauty or outdoor recreation."

"This was a great surprise," said AWRC President Ronn Kerr, "and it is an amazing tribute to all the work that has been done by many people in Curry and Del Norte Counties." In Kerr's absence, the award was accepted at the Governor's

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The award reads: "For their regional marketing efforts to attract visitors to the natural beauty, wilderness areas, quiet beaches, wild rivers and premier coastal experiences of the Southern Oregon-Northern California Coast."

America's Wild Rivers Coast is the theme of the regional marketing plan embraced by the chambers of commerce, port commissions, local governments, county governments, tourism boards, state and national parks, and Native American Nations in Curry County, Oregon and Del Norte County, California and the communities of Port Orford, Gold Beach, Brookings-Harbor, Oregon and Crescent City and Klamath, California.

In March 2002, a consortium of the above-mentioned organizations came together to discuss the idea of presenting their unique stretch of the Pacific Coast as one destination. The name *America's Wild Rivers Coast - 101 Miles of Nature's Best!* is the result.

The *America's Wild Rivers Coast* regional marketing plan is aimed at attracting visitors who are independent and attracted to natural beauty, outdoor experiences, wilderness areas, outdoor sports, wildlife, historical villages, working ports, scenic lighthouses, quiet beaches, majestic forests, wild rivers and unhurried and uncrowded coastal experiences. It focuses on promoting the two-county area as a premier coastal experience that will some day be as well known as the Florida "Gold Coast" or the California "Wine Country" as a tourism destination brand name.

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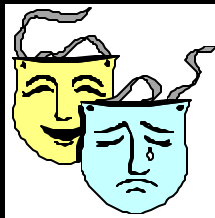
Indian Sands hike

Dick Bateman, retired US Forest Service geologist for the Siskiyou National Forest, will discuss Curry County's unique elevated marine terrace known as Indian Sands when *Sole Pursuits* sponsors a free hike through the geologic wonder, Saturday, April 26. The hike will begin at 10 a.m. at the Indian Sands parking lot. Indian Sands is located on the west side of Highway 101, north of Whaleshead State Park and south of the Thomas Creek Bridge.

Brian McNulty will guide participants along a moderately difficult trail for one to three miles, depending on the weather and ability of the group. McNulty rates the outing as intermediate with some slopes and possibly unstable footing. Coastal views are spectacular. Organizers suggest that out-of-shape walkers bring a buddy to help them back to their cars, if needed.

Bateman, who currently instructs part-time through Southwestern Oregon Community College, says that sometimes it is possible to find evidence of Indian arrowhead chippings at Indian Sands. He said few people realize that the sands are the same elevation as the Thomas Creek Bridge.

Sole Pursuits is an incentive walking program organized by Curry General Hospital, and co-sponsored by SWOCC. Volunteer guides lead monthly hikes



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The *Sole Pursuits* program, originally set for May 17, has been cancelled. The next hike is scheduled for the Kalmiopsis Wilderness, June 7, with guides Walt Schroeder, historian; Fred Bowen, botanist; and Skye Seiber, U.S. Forest Service recreational planner. Participants will carpool from the SWOCC campus in Brookings at 8:30 a.m. The group will investigate the aftermath of the Biscuit Fire, examine old mining claims and search for the prehistoric wildflower, *Kalmiopsis leachiana*. Other *Sole Pursuits* hikes include:

July 19 - loop along the easy, breathtaking, Shrader Old-Growth Trail east of Gold Beach with Pam Tracy, R.N.

August 9 - Azalea Middle School coach JoAnn VanDerschaaf leads hikers across the river at low water and up the U.S. Forest Service Chetco River Gorge Trail.

Sept. 13 - explore the Woodruff Estate, 16 miles east of Gold Beach, with historian Walt Schroeder.

October 4 - tour private trails around Winter Springs Ranch, a vacation retreat

up the North Bank of the Rogue River, with guide Jim Coffee.

November 1 - Ed Gross, retired US Forest Service scientist, leads an amble along the Winchuck River Redwood Trail on the Oregon-California border.

For more information or to obtain a schedule, phone *Sole Pursuits* at Curry General Hospital, (541) 247-3187; or 1-800-445-8085, ext. 187.

Letter to the Editor,

I have heard via the Oregon Grape Vine that the Library Board has seen fit to graze a flock of sheep on the Library Property. I no longer have control of the property, but a great fondness for it.

As you know I have returned to the "arid west" and see all around me the deleterious effects of overgrazing, erosion of the foothills and the incursion of worthless "Cheat" grass are a few. I just hate the idea of having sheep in the center of the Port Orford and the availability of "Sheep Ticks" to my friends on the Library Board.

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April 16, 07:35hrs: 9-1-1 hang-up call from residence on Twelfth St. – kids playing with phone. Handled by mom and dad.

09:00 hrs: Report of burglary and theft from residence on Qua-ta-mah Lane – report taken, under investigation.

09:30hrs: Report of menacing/harassment between juveniles over weekend at Driftwood – no crime, handled by contact.

19:16 hrs: Assist other agency, Curry County Sheriff Office on warrant arrest on Port Orford Loop.

April 18, 13:40 hrs: Report of theft from residence on Idaho – report taken.

19:40hrs: Report of suspicious person(s) and vehicle sitting on Jackson St., for approximately 30 minutes. Possibly re-

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lated to earlier warrant arrest – person(s) and vehicle gone on arrival, report taken.

April 19, 15:45 hrs: Contacted subject at skate park parked in “authorized vehicle only” area – verbal warning to subject of “failure to obey traffic control device” violation, subject agreed to move vehicle.

17:10 hrs: Report of intoxicated subject sleeping in grass at “Sixes River Peddler” – subject advised to go home due to extreme intoxication level.

17:24 hrs: Report of subject urinating behind Duds and Suds, same intoxicated subject as above, subject agreed to be courtesy transported home, released to girlfriend at residence on Port Orford Loop.

Safety Tip of the Week

When riding a bicycle, wear an ANSI or SNELL approved helmet. Ride on the right side of the road, with the flow of traffic and obey traffic signs, signals and pavement markings. Use proper hand signals for turning or stopping. Bicycle manuals are available at the Police Department and Library. Ride safe and have fun.

Spring Cleaning Protection

Before planting perennials this spring, take time out to make your home safe from summer wildfires. Coos Forest Protective Association officials say this

is the time of year to perform simple clearing that could save your home in the future.

“Residents should create a ‘survivable space’ around their homes to keep fire out,” says CFPA spokesman Tom Fields. Survivable, or defensible space, is the area between a house and overgrown vegetation. Pruning nearby trees, mowing high grass and moving all fire prone materials at least 30 feet from your home can make a big difference.

Fields says cleaning up is half the battle. He says the roof is the most vulnerable part of your house in a wildfire. Fire embers from an approaching wildfire can be carried great distances and land on rooftops. If it’s time to replace your roof, Fields says to consider fire resistant material. It’s also beneficial to clean pine needles and leaves from your roof and gutters and remove dead branches hanging over your roof.

CFPA reports that 67 fires burned 409 acres in Coos, Curry and Douglas counties last summer. While no homes were destroyed in the Coos district, 25 homes perished statewide as a result of fire.

For more information contact your local fire department or the CFPA at 541-267-3161.

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#445 1930s era home, very nice ocean view, needs foundation. \$159,500

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#426 Older manufactured home on 1 acre, needs well \$89,500.

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Notice of the Availability of an Environmental Assessment

The USDA, Rural Utilities Service (RUS), has received an application for financial assistance from the City of Port Orford for its proposed Wastewater System Improvements Project. The improvements would address the City's need for an adequate and acceptable effluent treatment and disposal system. The City has entered into a Mutual Agreement and Order (MAO) with the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality that requires the City to bring its wastewater treatment and disposal facilities into compliance with their wastewater discharge permit. The proposed project would be accomplished in two phases and would consist of the following elements:

Phase I

- 1) An effluent disposal system based on an ocean outfall at Agate Beach. The offshore sewer outfall pipeline would be installed from Agate Beach using Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) techniques.
- 2) Replacing the existing chlorine disinfection system with an ultraviolet (UV) disinfection system.

Phase II

- 1) Installation of a new Return Activated Sludge (RAS) pumping station located adjacent to the existing sludge pump room.
- 2) A new dissolved oxygen (DO) control system.
- 3) Hydraulic components to allow contact stabilization process modes.
- 4) Construction of a new secondary clarifier and associated sludge pumping systems.
- 5) Collection system rehabilitation.

The project area would encompass the region within the Port Orford city limits and urban growth boundary, but primarily the improvements would take place at the existing wastewater treatment facility and the proposed HDD site. The HDD operation would occur near Agate Beach, southeast of the Garrison Lake outlet, on the Mouchawar property.

The proposed project would not impact the 100-year flood plain, prime farmland or forestland, and would not conflict with the policies of the Oregon Coastal Management Program. For construction of the extended outfall, an Ocean Shores Permit would need to be obtained from the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. In addition, a wetland delineation study was completed which found that approximately 16,000 square feet (0.37 acre) of wetland could be impacted during construction of the outfall. Therefore, a joint removal/fill permit would be required from the Oregon Division of State Lands and the US Army Corps of Engineers.

The State Historic Preservation Office required the City to conduct an archaeological study to assess potential impacts to archaeological sites from the proposed ground-disturbing activities. The study found that significant cultural material could be present where excavations are planned for the effluent disposal pipeline and horizontal drill launching area and recommended that archaeological test excavations be conducted to assess the character of the site in the area to be impacted. Subsequent to the testing, recommendations would be made as to mitigation and specific impacts, if any, could also be addressed. Archaeological monitoring during excavation activities also may be required.

A Biological Assessment of the proposed project concluded that the effluent outfall "may affect, but (would) not likely adversely affect" Oregon Coast coho salmon, which are listed as a threatened species. Due to this finding, RUS would be required under Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act to initiate consultation with the National Marine Fisheries Service prior to approval of funding for this project.

As required by the National Environmental Policy Act, RUS has prepared an Environmental Assessment that evaluates the potential environmental effects and consequences of the proposed project. This notice announces the availability of the Environmental Assessment for public review and comment. Copies of the Environmental Assessment are available at the following RUS office:

One Main Place Building, Suite 1410
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For further information, contact Mona Ellison at (503) 414-3364 or by e-mail at mona.ellison@or.usda.gov. Any person interested in commenting on the proposed project should submit comments to Mona Ellison at the address or e-mail listed above by May 23, 2003.

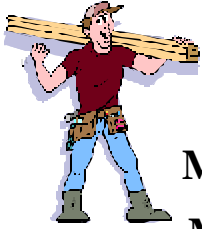
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'Strawberry Jam' Fundraiser

Curry General Hospital and the Curry County Child's Advocacy Team are seeking vendors to help stage a family music and dance event that will raise funds for the continuing "For Our Children" campaign.

Known as Curry's First Strawberry Jam, the event is planned from 6 p.m. to midnight, Saturday, June 14, at the Grange Hall in Nesika Beach, according to co-organizers Kim Fletcher, R.N., and Vikki Eells.

The "Jam" will spotlight music and performance art, produced and performed by Tony Kalhagen. Entertainment will include new original sounds by Greg John, Gold Beach drummer; Gaia tribal music from Mattie and Andrew Mataus of Portland; DJ'ing dance music; spoken word performance from Joey and Love; DJ Jefe, and more.

The event will open with family activities such as face painting, balloon animals, bubbles and hair braiding, drumming, massage and body work, KidCare I.D. photos, and Savory's signature strawberry shortcake.

Proceeds will be used to support the hospital's new exam room project for children and women suspected of physical and sexual abuse. The hospital sponsored the exam room project so that young patients and their families no longer will have to travel to Medford for the specialized care, further adding to their trauma.

For event details, or to tour the special exam room, phone Kim Fletcher, R.N., at (541) 247-3105.

Chowder Festival April 26-27

The Curry County Animal Control and Shelter is planning its biggest event they have endeavored, this being the Chowder Festival, on April 26 and 27 in the

Docia Sweet Hall at the Curry County fairgrounds in Gold Beach.

The theme this year is Charms, Colors, & Critters. There will be a judged flower and art shows put on by the Innominata Garden Club and the Curry Arts Association.

The staff from the shelter, volunteers and most of all, board member Lisa Brunner, have worked very hard to put on a very large auction with over \$5000 dollars worth of merchandise donated from all over the county.

This is a must come to event starting at 1pm on Sunday April 27, there is something for everyone from young to old. Of course there will be chowder for sale along with bread and desserts and don't forget if you want to enter the chowder, bread or pie contests to please call the Animal Shelter at 247-2514 any time between 9am & 4:30pm Monday thru Saturday before the event.

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Senior News By Mary Yoder

April 17 Rotary luncheon – volunteers working were head cook Kay Neal, Dolores Care, Shirley Squire – Dolores Care setting up the dining room – Warren Jewell, Isaac Jamieson dishes, clean up etc. A very nice meal all enjoyed.

April 21 pinochle.

Saturday April 26 luncheon 11:30am – rummage sale 8:00am – 1:00pm.

April 27 card games 1:00pm.

April 29 membership meeting 11:00am.
Hearing aide 9:30am to noon.

There will not be a breakfast May 11 – that is Mother's Day.

Walking group Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday 8:30am.

Art and quilting class every Wednesday 9:30am to 3:00pm.

The bus is Monday, Wednesday and Thursday 9:30am to 1:30pm. Need a ride call the Center at 332-5771. Isaac Jamieson is there ready to take you or pick up a prescription from the drug store.

I was told the Center needs volunteers for the kitchen and the office. Come on in I think you will enjoy doing it. Also for those wanting to visit there is coffee and cookies – come bring a friend.

Oh yes blood pressure every Tuesday morning.

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Gardening Symposium

The Curry County Master Gardener Association of OSU Extension Service will be holding a gardening symposium on Saturday, April 26. This will be in

Join the Art Adventure

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2:00 to 5:00 pm

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conjunction with the Chowder Festival, Flower Show and Art Show to be held at the Event Center in Gold Beach.

Two classes will be held in the morning from 10:30am to noon. Cindy Myers will give a class on “Learn about the importance of water in a plant’s life” and Bob Kamph will give a class on “Herbs, how to grow your favorite herbs and use them in recipes.” The afternoon classes will be held from 1:00 to 2:30pm.

You will have a choice of hearing Bob Van Leer, president of CCMGA, give a talk on “Growing Vegetables for the highest yield” or Scott Thiemann, landscaper, “The best plants to survive in a coastal environment”. Simultaneously, classes will be given to children ages 5 to 12.

Preference will be given to the children of adults attending the workshops. Cost of the classes is \$10 per class for the adults and \$2 per class for the children.

Reservations can be made by calling the Extension Office at 541-247-6672 or 1-800-356-3986. Call Bev Hall at 247-7264 or Heather High at 247-6672 for further information.

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Henry A. Lustig

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Arts & Artists By Jean Kilburn

The Meyer Memorial Trust has awarded the Port Orford Arts Council a grant in the amount of \$9,800.00. The purpose of the grant is for staffing to streamline and document organizational activities, create new revenue streams, improve the website and manage two summer events. The grant period is for 12 months, from April 1, 2003 to March 31, 2004. Supporting records to document expenditure of funds and activities supported by these funds are required by the Trust. The Meyer Memorial Trust was created by the personal philanthropy of Fred G.

Meyer. (No connection to/with Fred Meyer, Inc.)

April 23 is the monthly meeting of POAC, which will be dedicated to discussing and planning for the Arts & Seafood Festival 2003. Meeting time is 7:00 p.m. at the A-Frame in Buffington Park.

Shutterbugs mark you calendars – June 6???

It's a Boy

"It's a Boy Jake" is not the name of the current movie playing at the Savoy Theater. What this announcement on the marquee of the theater means is Chris Speed and Derrick Watjen are proud parents of a baby boy named Jake Aran Watjen. Jake was born on Monday morning and weighed in at 8 pounds, 1 ounce. Mother and son are doing fine. Congratulations Chris and Derrick!

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Then return to the Transaction Gallery for refreshments and conversation. This is a fundraiser for the League of Women Voters of Curry County.

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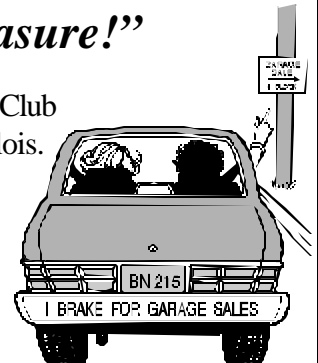
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Featured artists this month will be Maggie Karl from Bandon with her paintings, and, from Port Orford, Doug and Joyce Kinney with baskets, and Elaine Roemen with her paintings.

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Letter to the Editor:

Evan,

Steve has given me permission to share his letter to me, with you for possible publication.

Alan Mitchell

Mr. Mitchell,

Thank you for the letter. It is VERY nice to know people are back at our home towns supporting what we are doing millions of miles away. The war as you know is nearly over. Some things people don't realize is the things and support that comes from the homefront helps get things done a whole lot more efficient and faster. For instance Iraq. Iraq doesn't have the support from their people mostly cause they are scared of each other and their country gets ruined. That's a good thing in a way for them so we can carry out our orders from the President and free Iraq. The pictures are nice and more would be appreciated. I will be out of the Navy in September and starting a concrete pumping service, so look me up!

Thanks for the support,

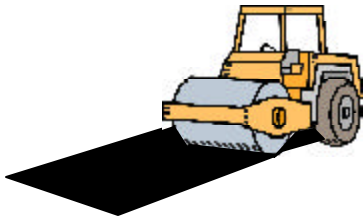
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Wedding Anniversary

Friends of Sally and Walt Schroeder are invited to their fiftieth wedding anniversary dessert reception to be held Saturday, April 26 from 2:00 to 5:00pm in the Showcase Building at the Event Center on the Beach (Curry County Fairgrounds) in Gold Beach. Their three sons and their families are hosting the reception.

Sally Hartz and Walt Schroeder were married in Corvallis on April 23, 1953 and lived in Coquille during the early years of their marriage before moving to Florence, Corvallis, Hillsboro, and then Gold Beach, where they have lived the past 36 years.

Your presence will be appreciated but no presents please.

Correction

Martin Myhre owns the Sea Crest Motel, not the Shoreline Motel as was incorrectly reported in last week's paper.

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Department Honors Garwood Continued from Front Cover

Al Affonso said that we have an exceptional city administrator now. He said he would like to see the council approve the resolution and move on.

Caroline Clancy said she hadn't been aware of the workshop earlier in the evening. The council held a workshop meeting at 5:30pm with the agenda listed as "Sewer Development Charges" but Ray Bartlett, the consultant who developed Option #1 and was present also discussed sewer rates. Discussion of sewer rates was not on the agenda as posted. Clancy read from a study, which said that residential users use 59.2% of water usage and pay 67.1% of water/sewer fees.

Mayor Doran then read a document entitled "What will happen if the Revenue Bond does not pass?" written by Erna Barnett. Among other things it says, "If the voters deny the Revenue Bond referendum and the City is then unable to issue bonds and thereby secure the million dollar grant, the City will have to borrow an additional million dollars for the building of the plant." She goes on to say, "The election is NOT about whether or not citizens want any particular sewer rate schedule. The election IS about whether the citizens want to borrow less or want to borrow more."

Councilor Auburn made a motion the council adopts Resolution 2003-25. Councilor Ed Beck said he couldn't support this and that it was really going to hurt a few users. Councilor Carl Eskelson referred to the Resolution as not the best we're going to get and that it was not fair to everybody. But he thought we ought to pass this and get on with it. Erna Barnett spoke about some of the things Ray Bartlett had talked about at the workshop meeting. Bartlett had said RV park renters use one-third the water of a residential unit and that very few units were full all year round.

Ed Beck recommended the council keep on the present rate schedule for duplexes and apartments (they are charged one base rate for the building). There are 43 affected units as the city has 32 apartments units, and eleven units divided up by 4 duplexes and one triplex. Erna Barnett said the council can look at this rate issue as often as they want. The vote for the Resolution was 5-1 with Councilor Beck voting no. The base rate for residences, apartments, duplexes, commercial and RV parks will go up to \$36.60 effective July 1 of this year and rise to \$51.65 on July 1, 2004. The sewer commodity rate will be \$3.91 per thousand gallons of water used.

The council tabled a request for a street vacation on a portion of Sixteenth Street and Arizona Street until a corrected map is available.

The council considered a management agreement put forth by the Port Orford Rotary Club to manage the American Legion Hall. This includes a five-year rehabilitation program for upgrading the Legion Hall. Some of the proposed improvements include strengthening of the foundation, replacement of the roof, upgrading the plumbing and upgrading the kitchen appliances. Councilor Auburn made a motion to ask the city attorney to review the contract with subsequent execution by the mayor should there be no changes and it passed unanimously.

Councilor Auburn made a motion to approve the consent calendar, which included the minutes for seven meetings and the mayor's appointment to the budget committee of Bob Ewalt and John Lincoln. The motion passed 5-0 with 1 abstention. The council next meets on Monday, May 19.

Wildfire Protection

Before planting perennials this spring, take time out to make your home safe from summer wildfires. Coos Forest Protective Association officials say this is the time of year to perform simple clearing that could save your home in the future.

"Residents should create a 'survivable space' around their homes to keep fire out," says CFPA spokesman Tom Fields. Survivable, or defensible space, is the area between a house and overgrown vegetation. Pruning nearby trees, mowing high grass and moving all fire prone materials at least 30 feet from your home can make a big difference.

Fields says cleaning up is half the battle. "You could have perfect firescaping that is lean, clean and green, but your home could still be in trouble if your roof is prone to fire." He says the roof is the most vulnerable part of your house in a wildfire. Fire embers from an approaching wildfire can be carried great distances and land on rooftops. If it's time to replace your roof, Fields says to consider fire resistant material. It's also beneficial to clean pine needles and leaves from your roof and gutters and remove dead branches hanging over your roof.

CFPA reported that 67 fires burned 409 acres in Coos, Curry and Douglas counties last summer. While no homes were destroyed in the Coos district, 25 homes perished statewide as a result of wildfire. "Fire can't tell the difference between trees and homes. Homes are just another type of fuel that the fire feeds upon."

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