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### **Road Trip**

**By Evan and Valerie Kramer**



Valerie and I took our annual trip to Southern California a couple of weeks ago and at first it felt like a scene from the movie *Groundhog's Day*. We've settled into a comfortable route

down to Burbank and like to take Highway 101 south to Highway 20, which is south of Willits. Highway 20 heads east and travels along the banks of Clear Lake on the way to Williams where you can join Highway 5 for a speedier trip to southern California or stay the night and head out early in the morning which we chose to do. We hit some rain and heavy traffic on 5 going through downtown Sacramento but after that the road was clear and the traffic moved at a fast pace. We stopped for lunch at my favorite fast food restaurant – In-N-Out Burger and then continued on to Burbank.

We arrived in Burbank a bit too early. Evan figured his friend, Larry, with whom he planned to spend the first few nights wouldn't get home till about 4:30pm. We decided to browse around Fry's Electronics to kill some time. I'd wanted to do a bit of comparison-shopping there

anyway. The Fry's ads in the newspaper always sound wonderful but I'm afraid the reality is a bit different. Valerie found many items for sale there that she also has for sale at the Fun Zone but her prices were consistently lower. In many cases much lower. Caveat emptor. Nonetheless, it's hard to resist the large selection and we didn't leave empty handed.

By then it was past 4:30 and Larry still wasn't home nor was his answering machine working. We wandered around killing time and eventually parked near Larry's apartment to wait his arrival. We waited. And waited. And waited. We agreed that if he hadn't made contact by 6:00pm we'd just go on over to Bob and Bernie Mateer's where Valerie planned to stay and Evan would have to rendezvous later with his friend. By this time our cell phones were starting to run low on battery power and tensions mounting. Finally about five after six, Evan prepared to start the car to drive away. Just then we saw approaching headlights. It was Larry and the smile on Evan's face was worth the frustration. It turned out that Evan had been mistaken about Larry's schedule.

We went our own way for the next couple of days so I could visit with my friend Larry and do some rapid transit riding.

Saturday I got in a ride on the Red Line from the end of the line in North Hollywood to the Hollywood and Vine Station to visit with my brother who met me across the street from the Pantages Theater. On Sunday Larry and I got a chance to take a round trip ride on the Metro's newest transit line – the Gold Line from Pasadena to LA Union Station and back. It deserves the Gold Line name as it travels from downtown to Chinatown to Highland Park, South Pasadena and then Pasadena and Sunday is the day to ride it if you want to sit down and enjoy the view in a relaxed way.

The next day Larry and I went to Amoeba Music on Sunset Blvd., just west of Vine Street and it is the best music and video store I've ever been in. The building is much larger than Ray's Market and has a mezzanine area. I checked out the rockabilly section followed by the musicals and then the DVDs. Amoeba sells new and used versions of the music and video products and does a brisk trade-in business. They have two other stores; one in Berkley and one in San Francisco and are not only people-friendly but also dog-friendly. I saw one person with their dog in the store and then while browsing the stacks heard an employee over the loudspeaker tell whoever owned the dog tied

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**Senior News**  
**By Mary Yoder**

February 14 was the dance – more about in next week

Monday TOPS 9:30am and 6:00pm.  
Tuesday blood pressure every week.

Monday's osteoporosis exercise 5:30pm.  
Walking group Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 8:30am.

Wednesday women's workshop from 9:30am to 3:00pm.

Wednesday osteoporosis exercise at 5:30pm.

Thursday gentle exercise from 1:00-2:00pm.

Thursday wood carvers 2:00-5:00pm.

Friday Tai Chi at 8:30am.

February 20 trip to Eugene.

February 21 rummage sale 8:00am to 1:00pm.

Sunday February 22 rummage sale 8:00am-1:00pm.

February 24 membership meeting at 10:30am. Birthday lunch at noon. All are invited. Hearing aid 9:30am to noon.

You can still sign up for the trip to Eugene at the Center. The bus will leave the Center at 8:00am and go to the Valley River Shopping Mall and return to the Center at around 6:00pm.

February 16 was pinochle. All had a fun time. Be sure to remember the birthday luncheon after the membership meeting. Remember we get to sing happy birthday to our members. I like that. No cost for the luncheon – okay? See you there. Only the February birthday lunch is free. Starting in March it will be the regular price. Not bad huh?

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**Heritage Society Meeting**

The annual meeting for The Point Orford Heritage Society will be held on Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock, February 22, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. All members and interested parties are invited to attend.

The slate of officers for 2004 will be presented by the Nominating Committee and a brief business meeting will be held. Included in the program will be an interesting presentation by Rick Francona, out-going president, entitled "How Life-saving Came to Port Orford."

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## Fraud Alert

By Valerie Jean Kramer

The old saying is truer today than ever – “If it seems too good to be true, it probably is.” Those who shop on the Internet would do well to heed it.

I recently needed a copy of Windows XP Professional. Microsoft suggests a price of \$299 for it but I knew better than to pay that! A quick trip to [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com) showed a price of \$269.99. Ouch! They showed their associates listing “new and used” copies from about \$50, which sounds much better! Online comparison-shopping sites, such as [www.pricegrabber.com](http://www.pricegrabber.com) showed a range of prices from \$187.00 to \$305.95 and “generic” prices from \$126.94 to \$159.99. [www.dealtime.com](http://www.dealtime.com) showed prices from \$135 to \$213. (To find these and other similar sites, search for “online price comparison shopping”.)

I’ll spare you the details of my research. I discovered that there were three different flavors of XP Pro software being sold: Retail packages, OEM disks, and License packs. (There were also other versions of XP, such as XP Home, as well as upgrade packages but I’ll ignore

them to keep this simple.) The retail package is what you would normally buy in a store. It includes the CD and some sort of manual in a box. The OEM (Original Equipment Manufacturers) disks are just the CD with a thin manual that has the license key and certificate of authenticity. It’s what you may get when you buy a new computer. Manufacturers don’t like companies to re-sell their OEM disks to customers except as part of a system, but it’s often done anyway. Finally, the license pack is just a certificate authorizing you to run Windows but does not include the CD nor the manual. Not very helpful unless you already own a copy of the CD! Generally the license packs are the least expensive, then OEM disks, then retail boxes. Since I didn’t really need an instruction manual nor a useless box, but I did need the CD, I was looking at the OEM versions.

There seemed to be two interesting price levels for the OEM version of XP Pro. Some emails I’d received and some Amazon associates offered it for about \$50. From there the price seemed to jump up to about \$130 then go higher. I knew the \$50 versions would have some catch but I was curious...

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The \$50 disks are sold under a variety of names, web sites, and email addresses. I learned that they trace back to Eastern Europe and that the odds are if you order one, you won’t receive anything (though your credit card may be run up!) If you do receive a disk, it is probably an illegal copy and may be contaminated with some kind of virus or “back door” program. The \$50 disk vendor on Amazon had 100% negative ratings and many complaints about non-delivery. (You can click on the vendor name link to see their rating and feedback about them.) I guess they sell a few copies till they get a reputation then drop that email address and move to another. Even some of the vendors with higher (but still good) prices had 100% negative ratings. It’s always a good idea to check before using a new online vendor!

Keep an eye on shipping costs too. Some companies offer great prices but charge incredibly high s&h fees. The lowest price is often not the best buy. I finally bought a copy of XP for under \$140 including shipping. I might have saved a dollar or two more, but that would have taken time and I had previously done business with this company so and knew they were “real”. The web is a great place to shop and there are many bargains but it can be hazardous to the unwary. “Caveat Emptor” is Latin and means “buyer beware.” It dates back to the ancient Roman days so I guess things still haven’t changed all that much.

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### Letter to the Editor,

We have a lot of work to do together to develop a strategy that assures that Curry County voters support a Democratic candidate for president. This next election may be our last chance to save our democracy, as we have known it.

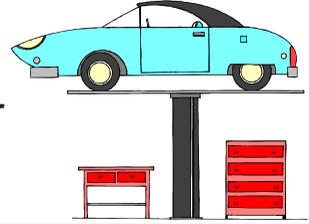
I'm sure that within the local Democratic Party, and within the ranks of registered Independents, there are people who are skilled in many areas. And because we are all so busy these days, our volunteer time has to be used wisely. By sharing our experiences and ideas we can learn to support each other in volunteer teams

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Albert Einstein said "Imagination is more important than knowledge." We Democrats must be the visionaries. We must attract young people to vote and become our future leaders. We need the philosophers, patriots, artists, writers, and other concerned members of our community. We need an economic vision for the south coast.

My husband and I have never been involved in party politics but we feel that this year we must be. We care about the

future because we have children and grandchildren. The Iroquois planned for seven generations. We believe we must at least be concerned with the generation we brought into the world.

We are looking for others who are also inspired by ideals, their love of country, and their hope for the future.

Nella Reed Abbott

### Bereavement Class

Curry County Home Health & Hospice is offering a bereavement class in North Curry County at the Langlois Community Church beginning on Saturday, February 21, from 1:00-2:00pm. The subject of this week's class is "Telling Your Story." The class on February 28 is "Coping Strategies" and on March 6 "How Things Have Changed." Call Kathleen Muller, bereavement coordinator for more information.

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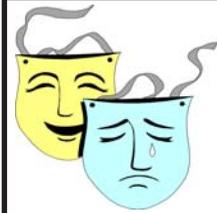
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### Langlois Library News By Director Viv Williams

Stargazers of all ages are enthusiastically awaiting amateur astronomer Dan Neal's presentation of The Winter Night Sky at 7:00pm either Friday February 20 or Saturday February 21 depending upon Mother Nature. If the weather is inclement on Friday, the program will be presented on Saturday. If the weather does not cooperate on Saturday, Dan will present the lecture and slide show portions of this program inside the Library. You are invited to bring your telescope and a lawn or folding chair as seating is limited. Dan presented our highly popular Mars and Summer Stargazing Program last August.

Our annual Books 'N' Stuff Sale is fast approaching. We are continuing to accept donations of all books (excluding romance-type paperbacks and Reader's



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customers and the community for their sup-  
port.

Digest Condensed Books) at the Library through Saturday February 21 during regular hours (Tuesdays/Fridays 11am/5:45pm and Saturdays 11am/3:45pm). We are also accepting new and like-new items for our "Stuff" table during these same hours. Baked Goods for our Delectables Table will be accepted at the Library Friday February 27 and at the Lions Club Saturday February 28.

The Books 'N' Stuff Sale will be held Saturday February 28 9am/4pm at the Langlois Lions Club on Floras Lake Loop Road. Mouth-watering cinnamon rolls and coffee will be served for you early risers by the Lions Club as well as a

delicious soup and sandwich lunch. The ever popular "\$1.00 A Bag Sale" will be held from 3pm/4pm but you might not want to wait as your favorite books may be gone by then. Our volunteers are looking forward to seeing all you book lovers there.

### Democrats Meet

Curry County Democratic Central Committee will have its monthly meeting on Wednesday, February 25 in the downstairs 'Blue Room' at the Courthouse Annex in Gold Beach at 6:30pm. A bring-your-own-cookies social at 6:00 precedes the meeting. All Democrats are welcome.

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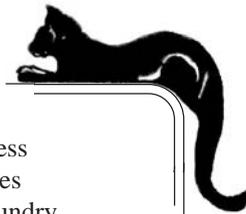
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The Gold Beach Chamber of Commerce and SCORE (Service Core of Retired Executives) is sponsoring the second annual Helping Businesses Prosper on America's Wild Rivers Coast on Tuesday, March 2, from 9:00am to 4:00pm. The conference will be held at the Event Center at the Beach in Gold Beach. Pre-registration for the conference is \$20 or \$25 at the door and includes all workshops, lunch and speakers. The conference is also presented by the Small Business Development Center of Southwestern Oregon Community College and is presented with financial support from Chetco Federal Credit Union.

The keynote speaker this year is Len Blackstone speaking on the subject of "Marketing Tough Times in Small Rural Communities." Blackstone is a marketing expert with over 25 years experience and president of his own strategic mar-

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keting consulting firm. His firm, Blackstone Inc. serves as the Marketing Consultants for the Promotion Committee of Gold Beach. This session will be packed with thought-provoking ideas and challenging insights about marketing for small businesses in small rural communities.

After the keynote speech the conference attendees will go into breakout workshops in three rooms. Some of the workshops include "Starting or Buying a Business, led by SCORE counselor Ed McQuade. Other workshops include record keeping, sources of financing a business, writing a business plan, hiring and firing for small businesses and fraud prevention. Bob Miller, an accountant and teacher at SWOC will lead the workshop entitled "How's Your Bottom Line."

There will also be over 20 resource tables and exhibits at the conference with representatives from the IRS, Oregon Department of Revenue, SCORE, and Small Business Administration among others.

Last year over 100 people attended the business conference and organizers are planning for another good turnout. Enrollment forms are available at the Port Orford News, Downtown Fun Zone and Port Orford Visitor Center at Battle Rock Park.

Curry Transit offers a morning bus to Gold Beach at 7:45am with the last afternoon bus leaving for Port Orford from

Gold Beach at 3:45pm. The bus departs from Ray's Market parking lot and will drop you off in Gold Beach at the Fairgrounds front door.

### School Board Report (abridged)

The Superintendent reported that the Pacific High School (PHS) bleachers have been repaired, allowing home games to be played there. The new PHS water supply system has been completed. Work on the wastewater system has been stopped until drier weather returns.

The Bandon School Board has proposed talks about consolidating our districts. Sword provided an analysis indicating that a significant sum would be lost by consolidating. The Board was concerned additionally by the increased amount of time students would spend on the road if the districts were combined. The Board decided to respond with the suggestion that the two districts explore ways to enhance our elective offerings by combining resources.

The next Board meeting will be Tuesday, March 9 at 7 pm at the PHS library. For further information, call the district office at 348-2337.

### Sole Pursuits hike

The next hike will be a moderately challenging 4.5 mile dune trek, combined with cardiac warm-ups and a lake-naming ceremony on Saturday, Feb. 21, in Pistol River. 800-445-8085, ext. 187.

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### Community Pancake Supper

St. Christophers Episcopal Church will celebrate Shrove Tuesday with a community pancake supper on Tuesday, February 24 from 5:30 – 7:00 p.m. Cost is \$5 for adults, \$3 for children under 12, and \$15 for a family of four or more. Scrambled eggs, ham, pancakes, orange juice and coffee will be served. Head cooks for the event will be Frank and Bonnie Smith from the Port & Starboard Restaurant. St. Christophers is located at 9th and Washington Streets (behind the Downtown Fun Zone) in Port Orford.

Shrove Tuesday, which is also called Fat Tuesday, (in French, Mardi = Tuesday, gras = fat) is the day before Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent. Long ago, strict Christian Lenten rules prohibited the eating of all dairy products, so keen housewives made pancakes to use up their supplies of eggs, milk, butter, and other fats. The rich pancakes were eaten as a ritual or symbol of self-indulgence before the fast. In many traditions, Lent is a time for cleaning, in preparation for Easter and spring: first your soul, then your kitchen, then the rest of the house.

St. Christophers is a congregation of the Episcopal Church U.S.A. that is made up of people from many different denominations that come out of the Anglican tradition such as Presbyterians, Methodists, Disciples, Baptists, etc. The public is invited to join us in celebrating Shrove Tuesday at our annual Pancake Supper.

### Port Overlook

The shelter on 5th Street overlooking the port was originally constructed by Rotary and donated to the Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber has since deeded the structure to the City of Port Orford. The Parks Commission is inviting public comment on what to do about the structure.

The Port Overlook building is presently in a sad state of repair. The window frames on the south side of the building are rotting out, as are several structural members. The roof is also in need of repair. Individuals have been using the facility for the unintended purpose as a public restroom. The concrete floor and foundation requires holes placed through it to facilitate hosing it out for cleaning. It is becoming a burden on the Public Works Department to clean and maintain. The Parks Commission estimates that refurbishment of the existing struc-

ture would cost the City something on the order of \$5,000 which has not been budgeted.

It has been suggested that the present structure be removed and replaced with a high back bench on the existing concrete pad. Alternatively, the existing structure could be refurbished if somebody would volunteer to obtain the necessary materials and do the work. The Parks Commission would like to make a formal recommendation on the disposition of the Port Overlook at their next scheduled meeting on Wednesday, March 3 at 7pm in the Visitor's Center. Public comment is welcome and encouraged.

### Community Music Night

The Port Orford Arts Council sponsors Community Music Night on Friday, February 20, at the Community Building. The music starts at 7:00pm and this month features Dean Duarte.

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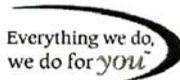
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### NCFCC & 2CJ to be Honored

Port Orford/Langlois School District 2CJ and North Curry Families' and Children's Center were selected for the Oregon School Board Association's Salute To Success award for January of 2004. The OSBA explained on their website: [www.osba.org](http://www.osba.org) the following information regarding the award.

*Background:* The southern coastal communities of Port Orford and Langlois have a Healthy "independent streak". They pride themselves in rallying behind their communities to solve problems and pull together. This "can do" spirit resulted in a three-year Rural Community School grant from The Ford Family Foundation.

*Unique Approach:* School boards often reach out into their communities-but how often does the community come knocking on a school door to get involved? The North Curry Families and Children's Center, non-profit agency, was actually the group to apply for the grant that supported the school district.

*The grant:* The partnership secured a \$300,000 three-year Rural Community School grant from the Ford Family Founda-

tion. It was the only one of the 16 grants awarded to rural school districts that involved an outside agency-not the school district as the chief applicant. Grants are aimed at strengthening relationships among families, communities and schools.

*Strong ties:* "We were thrilled when the community came to us with this idea," said Board Chair Virginia Hughes who serves on the grant's advisory committee. "Plus it opens up communication with more people who don't have kids in school."

*Program focus:* The grant coordinates year-round education such as outdoor school and art programs for students, support for classrooms, the online [northcurryresourcenetwork.com](http://northcurryresourcenetwork.com) resource bank, Elder Wisdom project, parenting activities and theater ArtWorks activities. "We believe in lifelong learning, that schools are resources for the entire community," Hughes said.

*Lasting legacy:* "Our community has always been proudly independent, wanting to find its own solutions and resources to solve problems," said NCFCC Director Tere Tronson, who coordinated the grant. "Our goal is to create a strong

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sustainable network of school support that remains long after the grant is gone."

NCFCC board Chair Larry Blount, a founding member of the organization, will be attending the annual awards dinner in November to accept the award on behalf of the organization.

The Oregon School Board Association represents more than 1400 locally elected school and education service district board members and members from the 17 community colleges and the State Board of Education. OSBA, founded in 1946, is a non-profit association.

### A Plea to the People

Do you have knowledge about the Patrick Hughes family that could be shared with the Friends of Cape Blanco? We are always striving to make our talks to visitors as accurate as possible.

Do you have any furniture or artifacts that once belonged to any of the Hughes family? Would you be willing to return these or, at least, let us look at them?

Do you have any old photographs of the farm, especially the original where Patrick and Jane lived in the 1870's, or of family members?

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### School Furlough Days

The Port Orford Langlois 2CJ School District begins a series of furlough days at the district's three schools on Friday, February 20. There will be another school closure February 27, then three Fridays off in March, four in April and school will close three days early, resulting in 12 days cut from the school calendar this year. Superintendent Phil Sword said these furlough days are the result of a budget shortfall. He said the District could have avoided these days off if Measure 30 had passed, but it was defeated by nearly a 3-2 margin.

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### Chamber Meeting

There will be a Chamber of Commerce membership meeting on Monday, February 23 at 1:00p.m. at the Port and Starboard Restaurant. The meeting will feature two speakers, Ed McQuade and Tere Tronson, talking about making business prosper and building a strong community. It is open to the public and all interested citizens.

Ed McQuade is a SCORE (Service Core of Retired Executives) counselor. He will talk about the upcoming (March 2) one-day business workshop in Gold Beach entitled "Helping Businesses Prosper on America's Wild River's Coast." McQuade is one of the organizers of the event and he will lead a workshop on starting or buying a business.

Tere Tronson is the director of the North Curry Families' and Children's Center. She will discuss how the key to a strong school system is strong community. Tronson will talk about how the Chamber and NCFCC are partnering up to promote a more resourceful and stronger community with the NorthCurryResource Network.com and other community outreach programs.

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### Fair Board Meeting

There will be a workshop meeting of the Curry County Fair Board on Saturday, February 21 starting at 1 pm in the Oceanview Room, upstairs in Docia Sweet Hall at the fairgrounds. The agenda will include discussions of fairbooks, data changes, judges, entry fees, and other fair-related items.

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## Road Trip Continued from Front Cover

up to the bike rack outside to bring it in the store.

With Evan settled in, I headed off to Monrovia. After driving through the Burbank, Glendale, and Pasadena Friday rush hour traffic, I was awfully glad to arrive, unload, enjoy Bernie's great Swiss steak dinner, and chat with the Haines' – other friends of the Mateers who were visiting for the evening. [The Haines are/were editors for the LA Times] After dinner I enjoyed watching these true Masters show how the game of Bridge is supposed to be played.

On Saturday I drove back to Hollywood to spend some time with Barry Johnson, a friend I've known since college some 33 years ago. I also enjoyed visiting with "Booger" – a very affectionate and very soft black and white cat. Barry's other cat, a marmalade male, wasn't too sure it wanted to be petted by some stranger. With transportation available, Barry was delighted to be able to make his own pilgrimage to Fry's and, again, neither party left empty handed. After taking Barry home I rushed back to Monrovia, again hitting rush hour traffic. The new Gold Line rail system and the HOV (High Occupancy Vehicle) lanes and other improvements must be helping the city because rush hour traffic wasn't as bad as I remembered from the last trip down but it's still a bit of a shock when you're used to a town without even a traffic light!

I spent most of Sunday going over some of the roughly 50Gb of computer files I'd brought to share with Bob. In the evening I drove south roughly 35 miles to Placentia where David Baumann, had convened a mini-convention to coincide with my presence. David, Mike Dodd and Jon Cooper, are the authors of the Starman Series of juvenile fiction books. ([www.starmanseries.com](http://www.starmanseries.com)). Six of the planned books have now been published. Valerie edited books five and six. Cur-

rently they are just finishing a re-write of the first book in the series. They felt that they had learned a lot in writing the other volumes and wanted people's first impression to be even better. As soon as the revised version, titled "Mutiny on Mars", the original "Assault on Mars" will no longer be offered. If the series becomes popular enough those AoM books may well become quite valuable. Some months ago the Starman team was contacted about having their books published as audio books and the first couple of titles have just hit the sales racks. I haven't gotten mine yet but I hear they are well done.

Valerie and I linked up again on Monday and on Tuesday drove down to Laguna Beach for a concert at the Laguna Beach High School Auditorium featuring John Williamson, Pixie Jenkins and Warren H. Williams. The three Australians were doing their first performance in America and it was a special evening. Williamson ([www.johnwilliamson.com.au](http://www.johnwilliamson.com.au)) is a folk/country singer who writes his own material and introduces most of his songs with the story behind them. He grew up in a small town in wheat farming country with his parents and four brothers in the Mallee District of Australia. He farmed on his own for seven years before becoming a full-time songwriter and performer. Williamson played the guitar, harmonica and box bass in front a truly impressive set which was a backdrop of an outdoor Australian bush scene complete with fire. Pixie Jenkins was the class clown of the group and played the fiddle in addition to being Williamson's comic foil in one of the numbers. Warren H. Williams is an aborigine and "Keeper of the [sacred] Stones" for his "mob" – they don't call them tribes in Australia.

The concert was a benefit for the "Save the Bilby" fund with the money going to build a fenced in enclosure for the endangered bilbys. The bilbys are a small mammal, which looks like a cross between a rat, a rabbit and a kangaroo. The bilby is a marsupial, which means the mother

raises her young ones in her pouch. Imagine how uninteresting this world would be without Australia and its wildlife. Williamson and his mates were off to Springfield, Missouri for their second and only other stop on their first US tour. Williamson has sold over 2.5 million albums in Australia and is a well-known, loved and much honored musical performer. His manager said his reluctance to come to American was related to his wanting to get Australians to appreciate their own music and culture in addition to the Aussie's love of American and British music.

Williamson, Jenkins and Williams took up a table in the lobby of the auditorium after their nearly three hour long show and signed autographs to a really devoted crowd of fans. Dozens of photos were taken and the three mates stayed until everyone was satisfied.

*To be continued next week...*

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## Wishes for a New Library By Tobe Porter

There is a Japanese legend that says if you fold one thousand cranes you can make a big wish and it will come true. In the spirit of that legend, we invite everyone in the community to make paper cranes so our big wish for a new library will come true. We have a fine start on the wish thanks to the 20 creative students in Mrs. Weinblatt's third/fourth grade class. They folded over 150 cranes last Thursday.

You don't know how to fold paper cranes? Come to the Port Orford Library any Tuesday between 10:00am and noon and we will show you how. No money asking for awhile. We're just taking time to create an atmosphere of generosity and openness of heart in which the new library can grow. Remember, Paper Crane Folding 101 every Tuesday, from 10:00am to noon.