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Road Trip, Part 2

By Evan and Valerie Kramer



[Continued from our Feb. 19, 2004 issue]

The next day Valerie and I drove down to Gardena to a video distributor where we purchased a number of new

DVD's for the store.

We then headed back to Baldwin Park to go to the In-N-Out Company Store but not without some adventure on the way. Our first choice of routing was foiled. The police had blocked traffic on East Imperial Highway and had apparently apprehended some people, though we never learned what had happened. Selecting an alternate street, we eventually found ourselves on a road that dead-ended in the middle of Watts. Fortunately it was the middle of the day and all seemed peaceful. We continued to zig and zag and eventually found our way to the store.

Valerie started to take my picture but was stopped by a guard who informed her politely that picture taking was forbidden on company property. She backed up a few feet into the street and proceeded to get the pictures anyway from public property. The store was small but inter-

esting. They had a large selection of T-Shirts with various drawings of cars and In-N-Out Burger stands, license plate frames, key rings, etc. We thought they might have a museum or at least some historic photos but they don't. For that you'll just have to look at the drawings on the shirts.

From the store we drove a few blocks to the In-N-Out Hamburger Institute where the privately held company trains their managers and used to train their employees. Attached to the institute is a small drive through In-N-Out where we ate lunch. This is located adjacent to the south side of the San Bernardino Freeway on Baldwin Park Boulevard. Just on the other side of the freeway, also on Baldwin Park Boulevard, is In-N-Out Number 1. The company started selling their burgers in 1948. The employees of In-and-Out were all as nice as could be and seemed to enjoy their jobs very much.

We left for Port Orford on Thursday morning and drove to Santa Monica for a trip along Highway 1 to Point Mugu and the weather and scenery were both fantastic as usual. The idea for this part of the trip was Valerie's. She's been re-reading the "Three Investigators" series of books and the kids in them are based out of the "Jones Salvage Yard" in "Rocky Beach". Rocky Beach is a fictitious

town that appears to be located somewhere near Malibu. Valerie wanted to see if there might be any existing buildings or other features that could have been used as inspiration for the books but we didn't really find anything worth mentioning. Still, it was a lovely drive and well worth doing for its own sake. Unfortunately the battery in Valerie's digital camera died so we didn't get any photos from this stretch of road. As we left the road and came into Oxnard, we stopped at a roadside stand and bought a basket of strawberries right from the field. They were large, red, and very tasty. It's sad to see how many fields have been paved over for strip malls, industrial complexes and other commercial buildings but there are still a lot of acres of prime farmland left.

We took the shore road north and in Ventura we joined Highway 101 and finally started to make some miles. After a beautiful red sunset in the west and with a full moon to the east, we arrived in King City where we stayed the night.

We saddled up early Friday morning and got off Highway 101 in Salinas on John Street, named after John Steinbeck. We were intrigued by the sign for the National John Steinbeck Center in downtown Salinas and found it at one end of the

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Snowy Plover Habitat

Oregon State Parks and Recreation (OPRD) are currently working on a Habitat Conservation Plan for the recovery of the Pacific coast population of the snowy plover. Tentative plans have been drawn up which affect 57 miles of Oregon's 230 miles of sandy beaches. There are 23 "emphasis" areas for snowy plover habitat divided into areas in which the snowy plover now habitats and areas where it currently does not habitat. These actions are being triggered by concerns over the State of Oregon's liability under the Endangered Species Act. The snowy plover is protected by the Oregon Endangered Species Act (since 1987) and the Federal Endangered Species Act (since 1993). The Habitat Conservation Plan, if adopted will be submitted to the US Fish and Wildlife Service, which has authority for managing species that are on federal threatened or endangered species list.

Curry County beaches affected are New River to Floras Lake which is a 6.09 mile area currently occupied by the snowy plover. There are four unoccupied emphasis areas in Curry County including the Sixes River mouth area (0.83 miles); Elk River spit (2.27 miles); Euchre River spit (1.13 miles); and Pistol River (from the rock south 1.87 miles).

The state park plan describes unoccupied emphasis areas as future breeding sites for the snowy plover. The report says, "Unoccupied emphasis areas are those sites where snowy plover may have nested in the past, but not within the past two years. Once nesting occurs at these emphasis areas they will be considered "occupied emphasis areas" and managed accordingly."

OPRD is recommending the following restrictions for emphasis areas during the snowy plover breeding season (March 15 – September 15): Note that occupied emphasis areas have more restrictions

that unoccupied emphasis areas and that not all the restrictions are listed in this article.

In all emphasis areas, dogs will be prohibited.

In all emphasis areas, camping prohibited, except in specially designated areas and by OPRD permit.

In all emphasis areas, fires will be prohibited, except for specially designated areas and by OPRD permit.

In all emphasis area, driving on the beach will be prohibited without a permit from OPRD or for emergency related purposes.

In occupied emphasis areas, kite flying will be prohibited.

In all emphasis areas, horseback riding will be restricted to the wet sand.

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In occupied emphasis areas, bike riding will be prohibited.

In occupied emphasis areas, pedestrian traffic will be limited to the wet sand areas.

Any changes in beach use would not begin for two years.

State Parks has not made a decision on these plans and is currently taking public testimony on them. Public comments can be mailed or e-mailed to Kathy Schutt, 725 Summer Street NE, Suite C, Salem, Oregon 97301-1271 or you can e-mail comments to OSMP.HCP@state.or.us

Comments must reach state parks by March 19 to be considered. There are two more public meeting scheduled to take public testimony with both on the north coast, one in Pacific City and the other in Tillamook.

OPRD's habitat conservation plan management strategy and recommendations survey for the snow plover emphasis areas is available online at www.prd.state.us/images/PDF/masterplans/osmp.

The Draft Habitat Conservation Plan for the Western Snowy Plover is available at the Port Orford Public Library. It can be read at the library but not checked out. Also available at the library is the OPRD Draft Ocean Shores Management Plan.

Permit Request Withdrawn

The City of Port Orford notified the press on Monday, February 23, that it is withdrawing their application for a permanent permit to breach Garrison Lake. Outgoing city administrator Erna Barnett shared part of the City's letter to the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department regarding the withdrawal of the application. "The City finds that with the changes of the past year – especially the discovery of rich archeological resources in the bluff at Agate Beach Park, we cannot afford to continue taking responsibility for the lake level in view of this serious increase of liability.

"Now that Garrison Lake is, indeed, a lagoon similar to many, many other lakes along the southern Oregon and northern California coast, we realize that breaching Garrison Lake will cause the rapid draw down of the lake level just as it does in

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every other one of the lagoon lakes. Breaching will continue to carry away sand.

The decision to withdraw the permit was endorsed by the Council at its 2/17 meeting."

Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department had held a public hearing in Port Orford on Wednesday, February 18 to take testimony from the City and residents on whether or not to issue a permit for breaching. There were a large number of people in attendance and several spoke for and against breaching the lake. The City's decision to withdraw their application makes that meeting mute.

Garrison Lake level stood at 16.6 feet at the fishing pier at Twelfth Street on Tuesday morning. A request by the City of Port Orford to open the lake on Wednesday, February 25 was turned down by Oregon State Parks because of expected surf conditions. The City's emergency permit to breach the lake runs out on February 29.

Parks Commission Meeting

The City of Port Orford Parks Commission meets on Wednesday, March 3, 7:00pm, at the Visitor Center at Battle Rock Park. The Parks Commission is asking for public comment on the future of the Port Overlook building.

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Senior News By Mary Yoder

Well the dance February 14 turned out nicely. The music was special – not recordings. There are plans to have another one soon and a new time for all.

February 20 was the bus trip to the Eugene Mall. It took off at 8:00am. Each one got to pick their own place for lunch. All had a nice time. There are plans to have another trip soon so be ready.

Every Monday TOPS at 8:30am and 6:00pm.

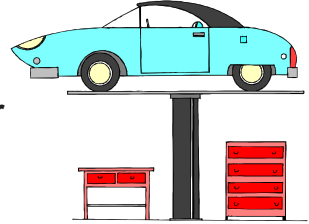
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Every Wednesday Osteoporosis exercise at 5:30pm.

Every Thursday from 1:00 – 2:00pm gentle exercise.

Second and fourth Thursdays wood carvers from 2:00-5:00pm.

Every Friday at 8:30am Tai Chi.

March 1, pinochle at 7:00pm.

Here is a reminder – The bus is ready for a ride five days a week now, Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday from 9:30am to 1:30pm. And if you need to go to the doctor or clinic after

1:30pm just call 332-5771 and Isaac can take you.

Want advice? Speak to people. There is nothing as nice as a cheerful word of greeting. Smile at people. It takes 72 muscles to frown and only 14 to smile. Call people by their name. The sweetest music to anyone's ears is the sound of their own name. Be friendly and helpful. If you would have friends be friendly. Be cordial. Speak and act as if everything you do were a genuine pleasure.

Silent Auction

The Curry Health Foundation is gearing up for the High on Health Dinner/Auction for April 3 which will support various programs for children's health. We are asking anyone for donations to be part of the silent auction portion of the evening. If anyone has items for baskets, or display, please contact a co-chair member or the Curry Health Foundation at 247- 3189. We can't express enough how grateful we are for the support and generosity the community continues to exude. Thank you in advance. P.S. Have you made your plans and commitment to be a part of this "extraordinarily" fun and entertaining evening???

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February 11: Report of harassment involving two subjects at the Port Orford Inn. Report taken and will be submitted to District Attorney for action.

Report of careless driving on Arizona Street. Stopped described vehicle and warned driver.

February 12: Report of telephonic harassment. Under investigation/report taken.

Report of criminal mischief to vehicle at Chetco Credit Union. Report taken.

February 15: Report of stolen vehicle from garage on Fourteenth Street. Under investigation.

Report of prowlers at residence on Twelfth Street. Unable to locate anyone.

February 16: Responded to motor vehicle crash at 1250 Arizona St. Non-injury



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February 17 Report of harassment at Port Orford Inn. Report taken.

February 20: Report of criminal mischief/harassment on Wyoming St. Unfounded.

Report of telephonic harassment. Under investigation.

Report of trespass and littering on lot of Vista Lane. Report taken.

February 21: Dispute on Port Orford Loop. Incident under investigation.

Safety Tip of the Week

We have had several anonymous calls providing the police with tips on crimes in our community. We thank those of you who have taken the time to call and leave messages or stopped in to provide tips. If you have information about a crime or incident you can call the Port Orford Police Department at 332-9013 and leave a message.

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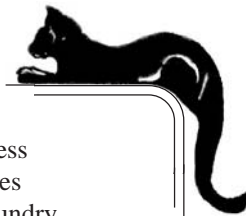
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Chamber of Commerce

The Chamber of Commerce held their annual membership meeting at the Port and Starboard Restaurant on Monday. They heard from two speakers starting with Ed McQuade, SCORE (Service Core of Retired Executives) counselor. He spoke about the business conference which will be held in Gold Beach on March 2 in which he is participating as one of the speakers. McQuade spoke about the main guest speaker for the conference, Len Blackstone, who he said works with the Gold Beach Promotion committee. McQuade said Blackstone would do an excellent job as speaker.

The conference will be held at the Docia Sweet Hall at the Event Center on the Beach from 9:00am to 4:00pm with a cost of \$20 (\$25 at the door). This includes all the programs and lunch. McQuade noted this was the second year for this business conference and said this

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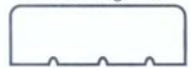
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year there would be more time for people to visit the exhibit tables. Dick Benson, owner of the Radio Shack in Gold Beach, will lead one of the workshops this year. His talk is entitled "Do you own a business – or does it own you? (& What you can do about it.) Conference forms are available at the Downtown Fun Zone and the Port Orford News or you can sign up at the door.

The next speaker was Tere Tronson, director of the North Curry Families' and Children's Center. NCFCC is a 501C3 non-profit organization which recently received a \$300,000 grant from the Ford Family Foundation for the Community Learning Partnership program. Tronson said NCFCC was the only community organization awarded a grant in the program with the other 15 grants going to school districts.

Tronson described some of the programs, which are already in place and will come out of this grant including the Elder Wisdom project, which will record the stories of seniors; a weekly radio program called "Sounds Fun" on our local radio station 100.9 FM, and which will be put on by students. This program will air from 7:00 to 9:00pm on Friday nights. Another program is the VIVA Spanish Club for children in grades 1-8 with 40 students already signed up. They will learn Spanish through language immersion rather than books. The Artworks program, which recently produced the

"Elevator Stop" play at the Community Building, is working on a new play called "Class Action". There is also the Edible Garden Project, which includes vegetable gardens at Driftwood and Blanco Middle School. Tronson mentioned the already popular parenting program including Mommy and Me and the also successful RAD Outdoor Club, which is working on a federally funded guide to hiking trails in Curry County.

Tronson emphasized at the end of her talk that this Ford Family Foundation grant is a "grant about life long learning for everyone."

Tronson passed out copies of the recently printed North Curry Blue Book, a guide to the organization and institutions and services for North Curry County. It's a must have resource guide with over 200 listings.

Free Bus Day

Curry Public Transit/Coastal Express says due to the extra day in this leap year, let's have a leap on board for free day! Monday, March 1, will be FREE!

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February Port Meeting By Jane Cramer

Commissioners Gifford Barnes, Ed Dowdy, Evan Kramer and George Welch, as well as Port Manager Gary Anderson were present at the February 17 regular meeting of the Port Commission. Commissioner David Knapp was absent.

Under New Business, commissioners approved an amendment to the NorCal lease of the cannery building as well as the draft of a letter from Anderson to OECDD informing them of the current financial condition of the Port and the progress being made towards reducing the Port's debt.

Anderson also reported on the Army Corps of Engineers (ACOE) feasibility study regarding the proposal that the Port might be able to do its own dredging in the future. The ACOE was encouraging and said that funding would be available for the project under Section 107.

Commissioners also voted to run another ad in the 2004 Visitor's Guide if Pac NorWest will again pay half of the cost of the ad and voted unanimously to appoint Anderson as Budget Officer.

Under Old Business, Anderson reported that surplus materials in the upper building were all laid out in lots and ready for the surplus sale at 9 AM on February 28.

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Dowdy reported he sent pictures of the interior of the shop building to a technical person at DEQ. After some more information is furnished to DEQ, they will make an assessment of the extent of the pollution and the cost of cleaning it up so the building can be an asset in the development of Port property.

The Manager's Report indicated that although the crab season was profitable for most boats, it could have been better. Anderson told of his efforts to determine if there was any legal recourse to the problems relating to the "Gentlemen's

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Agreement". He also reported on the permanent concrete-base light the Coast Guard wants to put on the end of the jetty. The report also gave information about the status of the audit and the ice machine grant.

After a review of the Financial Report, the meeting was adjourned.

Coos Curry Board Meeting

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative, Inc. has been scheduled for 10:00am on Friday, February 27, at the Cooperative's headquarters in Port Orford. Items on the agenda include a report by Tom Hall on organizational assessment and a report on the NRECA annual meeting.

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Letter to the Editor,

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While I wholeheartedly applaud every syllable of this invitation, I think the Democratic Party is the party of and by everybody, so I would like to expand the invitation to everyone, including, but not limited to: mothers, fathers, teachers, students, waitresses/waiters, small business owners, handypersons, loggers, truck drivers, the unemployed, the disabled, the retired, cooks, sanitation workers, flaggers, heavy equipment operators, child care providers, senior citizens, the young and possibly inexperienced for their refreshing perspective, the over-whatever age for their cunning and experience, police officers, government workers, mill hands, secretaries, accountants, fishermen, cashiers, nurses, clerks, electricians, firemen, bookkeepers, tenders, farmers, ranchers, mo-

tel maids, clergy, the rich, the poor, those who need health care, members of a bowling team, red hat ladies, gardeners, bridge club members, old movie buffs, and just flat out anybody who wants to improve the Democratic Party.

Anyone interested in or who has questions can call me at 332-6060 weekdays until 6 pm or at 348-2208 other times.

P.S. My husband pointed out that I forgot to include lawyers... Anybody can join.

Flo Lichtig

Arrest Made

Port Orford resident Bert Ainsworth was arrested on Monday night by the Port Orford Police Department. Ainsworth had driven his van into a parked truck on Highway 101 at approximately 8:20pm. The accident forced the unoccupied truck into the fence at Madrona 101 RV Park. Port Orford Police Chief Bill Rush responded to the scene of the accident along with Port Orford Ambulance and Port Orford Volunteer Fire Department, and the Curry County Sheriff's Department.

Ainsworth was arrested by Chief Rush and taken to the Curry County Jail and charged with DUII, Reckless Driving, Criminal Mischief II, and attempted assault on a police officer. The District Attorney's office said that Ainsworth might also be charged with disorderly conduct. Ainsworth refused to take a Breathalyzer test. He received light injuries from the accident. Security was set at \$25,000. Ainsworth asked for a court appointed attorney and will appear in court on February 26 with his attorney.

Childbirth Classes in March

Classes to help couples prepare for childbirth begin in Gold Beach at 6:30p.m., Wednesday, March 3, in the Curry General Hospital Annex, 94220 Fourth St.

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Centrally located, it is close to Buffington Park and shopping while maintaining its privacy and rural charm. The ocean and Lake Garrison are within walking distance as well as the rest of the town. This lot will not last long at \$69,000.

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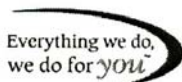
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Young Poets Awards

The Friends of the Bandon Library and William Piehl are sponsoring the eighth annual Celia Piehl young poets awards. The contest theme this year is "What I Hope for in 2004". Awards are first prize \$150, second prize \$100, third prize \$75, and three honorable mentions of \$50 each.

Deadline for submission of poems is March 11, 2004 with the award date for winners on March 19, 7:30pm in the Bandon City Council Chambers.

Any student between the age of 12 and 18, living within the Bandon, Langlois and Port Orford School Districts may enter the contest.

Any form of poem, rhyme or free verse, with a maximum of 40 lines, may be submitted.

Enter one original, unpublished poem. Make two copies, typed or neatly written on a letter sized piece of unlined paper. On one copy put the poem's title and your age and school in the upper right hand corner. On the second copy write your name, address and phone number. All poems must be submitted no later

than March 11 and should be at the Bandon Public Library available for the contest judges. The Bandon Library address is Bandon Public Library, Poetry Contest, PO Box 128, Bandon, OR 97411.

Celia Piehl, a life long supporter of civil and personal rights, a social worker-counselor and poet, died in 1997. She devoted her life to change that would lead to understanding, peace and unity among people, regardless of their various backgrounds and differences.

Jubilee Button Contest

The Jubilee Committee wants to remind all artists who intend to participate in the Jubilee 4th of July button contest that their submission needs to be in now so that the committee can choose the design and begin production on the 2004 buttons. If you have a submission in mind but have not made up your design yet we need to know you are in the process so you will not be left out of the selection. It is very important to the success of the program that we get started early enough so we can collect enough money for the fireworks. As you know we have a reputation for having one of the best fire-

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Letter to the Editor,

The primary way in which all of us vote is with our pocketbook. If we believe that protecting all industry through subsidy until that industry becomes large and powerful enough to leave the country and take the jobs and money with it, then by all means buy new American cards and appliances. If you believe in driving out small local businesses and destroying community cohesion, then go and shop the huge outlet chain stores. "Shopping for less" is the claim I recall. However if you take into consideration all of the hidden costs in the price we pay—loss of towns and the labor issues, family breakdown, the cost of these products is way above what we can afford to pay. Our children's children will still be paying long after we are gone.

So yes, very assuredly, get out and vote and remember that without our support the injustice and despair today would cease to exist.

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Roaring Sea Open House

Everyone is invited to enjoy the sharing of artistic, musical, and edible treats at the next Roaring Sea Open House, from 2:00 to 5:00 on Sunday, Feb. 29. Last-Sunday-of-the-Month Open Houses are held at Roaring Sea Studio-Gallery, 41687 Highway 101 South, Port Orford. The entrance from the highway is shared with the Sea Crest Motel.

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Refreshments will be served, as well as pot-luck snacks. For further information, please call Donna at 332-4444.

Curry County RSVP

Curry County RSVP Money Management program is looking for caring volunteers to assist seniors and disabled individuals. If you can write checks, balance a checkbook and budget; you are needed in a very big way by the MMP. Do you have an hour or two a month to volunteer? If you do call Shirley Craig, coordinator for the MMP, 469-0353 or Sharon Mather, Director of RSVP, 888-811-1521. All volunteers are FBI background checked, bonded and covered by liability insurance through the Curry County RSVP (Retired Senior Volunteer Program). The MMP has been in existence for six years, and our waiting list for help is growing much to long. Please call!

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Book Lovers Alert

by Viv Williams, Director

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Yes, the ever-popular \$1.00 a bag of books will be held from 3 to 4 p.m. but you might not want to wait as many of your favorites may be gone by then!

If you were not able to get your books and "stuff" donations to us last week, we will be glad to accept them at the Library this week.

You may bring your donations of baked goods to the Library, Friday February 27 from 11am to 5:45pm, and to the Lions Club Saturday, February 28.

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Road Trip, Part 2 Continued from Front Cover

historic downtown. I'm not a cheapskate but I didn't care for the price of admission to the Steinbeck museum, which was \$10.95 for adults. We were told it would take two or three hours to see everything. I wonder what the author of Grapes of Wrath, Cannery Row, Sweet Thursday, and In Dubious Battle would have thought about this swell museum they made in honor of him. The people he wrote about including the Okies, the down and out, and the apple pickers wouldn't have been able to afford it. So we elected not to cough up the do-re-mi and proceeded to get thoroughly lost in Salinas. There were signs from the freeway directing you to the museum but there didn't seem to be any to lead you back to the freeway! It wasn't until I went into a gasoline station mini-mart and admitted to the clerk that I was hopelessly lost (men don't like to ask for directions) that we found our way out of Salinas and back onto Highway 101.

For our next exciting adventure, we passed San Jose and began to see a lot more traffic. We were heading to a large surplus computer store in Santa Clara but we'd conveniently misplaced the address or directions. Fortunately we were able to phone them while stopping for gas and found the store without too much trouble. Valerie had been intrigued by their ads on the Internet but she was disappointed when she found a number of items that she had for sale at the Fun Zone for the same, or lower, prices. She has added it to her list of places that she's glad to have seen but doesn't need to see again.

Not knowing when enough is enough I got out my In-N-Out location finder and got directions to the one in Santa Clara. This company isn't like the other fast food chains and all its ingredients are fresh; from the hamburger, which is never frozen, to the French fries, which are

made on the site from peeling the potatoes to slicing them. The employees start at \$8.75 an hour and I've never spoken to one who didn't enjoy working for the company. The company provides them with health insurance and steady raises and keeps its employees. It is the opposite of the Wal-Mart / McDonald's corporate model. Being privately owned with no franchises In-N-Out Burger is not beholden to stockholders and can do it their own way without outside interference. However, it would be hard to imitate or keep up with them in a small town in Oregon because we don't have the volume of business, nor the frequency of deliveries to offer that fresh of a product.

From there it was up to San Francisco via Highway 280 and a trip through Golden Gate Park without a stop in the city by the bay save for numerous red lights. We continued on to Willits, which is one of my favorite California towns and ought to be Port Orford's sister city. Both have a thriving downtown movie theater and Willits hasn't been bypassed by a freeway version of 101 as has Ukiah and Cloverdale so motorists traveling south on 101 have to drive through town, which is a good thing. Willits has lots of old motels; a variety of restaurants and a comfortable feel to it. It used to be the home, along with Ft. Bragg, of the Skunk train but as of last year that train was discontinued which is a shame.

We made a short stop at a store called "Real Goods" in Hopland, California. They focus on alternative energy and living "green". Their store is very interesting with many unusual items but I'm afraid I wasn't impressed with their prices which were higher, sometimes much higher, than the same goods cost elsewhere. As an example, they wanted \$6.95 for a mini-flashlight similar to one we'd purchased elsewhere for 99 cents!

After spending a night in Willits, we continued back to Port Orford. We took our time getting home and drove the entire length of the Avenue of the Giants

(with a stop at the visitor center, of course) instead of the much faster but less scenic Highway 101. The redwoods are my favorite trees so it's always nice to stop and visit with the 4% of them that are still left in Northern California.

Our last stop before home was at Fred Meyer's in Brookings to get gas and a few groceries. We got back Saturday evening and it sure felt good to sleep in our own bed again! Sunday we put in a brief appearance at the store to check our email. Valerie had a mere 7,997 messages to examine, 300 of which had some kind of virus attached. It took her a few days to work thru all that! Now all we need is a vacation to rest up from our vacation.

Women's Time Out

Ladies of all ages are invited to a Wednesday Women's Time Out buffet luncheon and program on Wednesday, March 3 at 11:30 a.m. at Bandon Face Rock Golf Course, 3235 Beach Loop Dr., Bandon. Cost is \$9.00 Inclusive.

Roberta Morin of Hereford, OR will be our music guest and speaker. Roberta is a former nightclub singer for whom music was both her escape and her salvation from events in her life until she found something even more valuable. Roberta is a retired schoolteacher whose family includes 2 children, 15 exchange students and 9 foster children. She is currently very active in the Red Cross and running her ranch.

To make reservations and arrange complimentary child care today, please call Marge - 347-4224 for Bandon/Langlois; Patti - 332-2703 for Port Orford or e-mail Maybelle at maysway@juno.com. Reservations must be honored, given to a friend or cancelled 24 hours prior.

Wednesday Women's Time Out is sponsored by Stonecroft Ministries and Bandon/Port Orford CWC.