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## **Traveling the Oregon Coast By Evan Kramer**



A group of us took a trip up to Newport on Sunday to visit the Oregon Coast Aquarium. We also wanted to see if my new used 1995 Buick LeSabre was up to a 300 mile round trip from

Port Orford. We had planned to eat at Mo's Seafood on the waterfront in Newport. We drove down the main street where Mo's is located and kept driving and driving and couldn't find a parking place. That part of Newport was wall-to-wall cars and people. So we gave up on that idea and drove over to Highway 101 and ate at the Courthouse Café. Then we drove over to the Oregon Coast Aquarium and paid our admission (a bit steep at \$11.25 but a 10% discount is available if someone in your party is a member of the Triple A auto club).

This month the special exhibit features not creatures that live under water but bats, mammals that hang upside down above the ground or water. The emphasis of the exhibits was partly to debunk the myths about bats and partly to point out the many benefits that bats are responsible for like eating flying insects all night long.

From there we visited the enclosed aviary and were captivated by the numerous tufted puffins. They put on a quite a show swimming under water and with their bright orange beak and blond tufts are a very distinctive bird. They are found off the Oregon coast but few people have seen them this far south. They nest on offshore islands but because they burrow into the ground, need to find an island with enough soil to dig out a nest. From there we visited the three indoor aquariums known as Passages of the Deep where visitors walk in a tunnel through the aquarium. The most popular of the three areas contains the sharks and manta rays. The way the exhibit is built the fish and sharks are swimming under you, to the sides of you and over you.

From there we walked outside and went to the otter area to watch those playful funny animals. They were all active and putting on a good show, which was nice timing for those who were at the aquarium.

The most famous former resident of the Aquarium died last year at the age of 27. Keiko the killer whale and star of Free Willy and Free Willy II was living in Taknes Bay off the coast of Norway when he died of pneumonia on December 12, 2003. Keiko was the star attraction at the Aquarium between 1996 and

1998 and is fondly remembered to this day. He is commemorated in drawings done by school children, which are on display at the Aquarium.

Once we finished walking around the Aquarium we headed back to Coos Bay driving back through the classic Oregon coastal towns of Waldport and Yachats. As you can imagine they, just like Newport, were crawling with people and cars. This is the Oregon Coast and it is summer. We stopped the car at Stone Beach, north of the Sea Lion Caves and took a walk. It was fine if you don't mind getting sand blasted but to be honest the wind was blowing too hard and made it very cold.


My favorite thing to do while tooling up and down the coast whether as a passenger or as a driver is enjoying all the classic cars and trucks which are on the road this time of year. The ones we saw

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### **Notice**

Due to the increased number of submissions and particularly to the number that come in shortly before (or after) our deadline, effective With our Sept. 9 paper, our deadline for submissions will be changed to 3:00pm Tuesdays instead of 4:00pm.

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Fri Sep 3, 2004	3:23a	6.3	9:11a	1.9	3:27p	7.2	10:05p	1.0	6:44a	7:49p	10:06p	12:18p
Sat Sep 4, 2004	4:20a	5.6	9:48a	2.7	4:03p	6.9	11:00p	1.1	6:45a	7:47p	10:32p	1:21p
Sun Sep 5, 2004	5:29a	5.1	10:28a	3.4	4:43p	6.6			6:46a	7:45p	11:03p	2:23p
Mon Sep 6, 2004	12:03a	1.2	6:55a	4.9	11:21a	4.0	5:34p	6.4	6:48a	7:43p	11:40p	3:22p 3Q
Tue Sep 7, 2004	1:14a	1.2	8:32a	4.9	12:37p	4.4	6:39p	6.2	6:49a	7:42p	12:24a	4:16p
Wed Sep 8, 2004	2:24a	1.1	9:44a	5.1	2:04p	4.4	7:51p	6.2	6:50a	7:40p	1:15a	5:07p
Thu Sep 9, 2004	3:23a	0.8	10:31a	5.4	3:13p	4.1	8:56p	6.4	6:51a	7:38p	2:12a	5:47p

**Traveling the Oregon Coast  
Continued from Front Cover**

Sunday tended heavily toward fully restored 1950's and 60's brightly painted vintage American cars. This Sunday as part of the Labor Day Festival we'll have a chance to enjoy many classic restored cars at the Port Orford Rotary Club's annual Show and Shine car show at Driftwood Elementary School. One advantage to this show is that since the cars will be parked you'll have a chance to leisurely take photos of them and talk with the owners. Remember the watchword these car owners live by – look but don't touch, and everyone will be happy.

**Honor Labor**

The first Labor Day holiday was observed on Tuesday, September 5, 1882, in New York City. This according to the United States Department of Labor website. This Labor Day holiday, which was organized by the Central Labor Union in

New York City, moved to the first Monday in September in 1884.

Oregon was the first state in the union to pass a bill recognizing the first Monday in September as Labor Day. The law was passed on February 21, 1887. In the years following state after state followed Oregon's lead until June 28, 1894 when the United States Congress enacted a law making the first Monday in September each year as a legal holiday known as Labor Day.

On this the one hundred and eleventh Labor Day celebration the nation observes it sporadically. Government offices, banks and the post offices are closed but most small businesses are open. Labor Day means back to school to many students including those in the Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School District who go back to school on Tuesday, September 7. Labor Day marks the end of summer in the northeast when the area's


amusement parks close for the season, to reopen again on Memorial Day.

Here's what the Department of Labor web site had to say about the American worker. "The vital force of labor added materially to the highest standard of living and the greatest production the world has even known and has brought us closer to the realization of our traditional ideals of economic and political democracy. It is appropriate, therefore, that the nation pay tribute on Labor Day to the creator of so much of the nation's strength, freedom, and leadership – the American worker." Honor labor.

**Equipment Restrictions**


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## Hospital Statistics

The number of patient visits around the Curry General Hospital Health Network approximately doubled in some instances, according to statistics comparing the first month of the current fiscal year with the same period last fiscal year.

At Curry General Hospital, medical-surgical patient days during July 2003 totaled 92. Patient days soared to 187 during July 2004.

Also at the hospital, the number of births increased from six in July 2003, to nine in July 2004, with nursery patient days climbing from seven to 21 during that same period. Emergency room visits increased from 249 to 300.

Patient visits increased similarly in the health network's outlying clinics. At Curry Family Medical in Port Orford, patient visits in July 2003 totaled 289. The total in July 2004 jumped to 463.

At The Brookings Clinic, total patient visits increased from 452 in July 2003, to 830 in July 2004.

At Chetco Medical Center in Brookings, patient visits went up from 410 visits in July 2003, to 800 in July 2004.

The statistical report was part of the regular Curry General Hospital management Council report presented during the districts regular board meeting, Wednesday, Aug. 25. Also during the meeting, Ginny Hochberg, chief executive director, announced the hospital's new Cardiac Health Center is preparing to open Sept. 7. Amy Keusink, P.T., is now working at a desk in the new facility 20 hours weekly. She is giving tours to potential donors who have expressed interest in funding vital equipment and supplies. State Inspector Mike McDermott inspected the new facility recently. "We passed with flying colors," Hochberg says.

Medicare will reimburse eligible patients for the rehabilitation services if they have had cardiac problems or surgery in the past 12-18 months, excluding stents, Hochberg adds. Meanwhile, Keusink plans to survey the public for interest in disease prevention classes that will be paid out-of-pocket.

For more information on the Cardiac Health Center, or to help fund equipment, phone Keusink at Curry General Hospital, (541) 247-6621 or (800) 445-8085.

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## Port Orford Library News

The new library site looks like its ready for something to happen, thanks to a work party comprised of Carrie Carr, John Cervini, Elaine and Ted Owen, Jon Porter, Jim Rhoades Carrie Rogers, and Mike Stefanik.

And things are happening. Our pre-application to Ford Family Foundation was accepted, so now we submit the formal proposal for \$150,000. We won't know the outcome until the end of the year, but just being invited to submit it is noteworthy. We also have grant applications out to the Coeta and Donald Barker Foundation, the Coquille Tribal Community Fund, Keiser Foundation and the Oregon Community Foundation for a total of \$105,000. Keep your eye on the money gage now on the library property—it's going up!

I am sure the Ford Family Foundation liked our pre-application because it highlighted the fantastic community support. Please keep that support coming by attending the Loreto Burrito Breakfast feed and Artful Flea Market this Sunday at the American Legion Hall. This is going to be a fun event—you can't imagine the number of artful fleas we already have for your sheer shopping pleasure. Free balloons too! All proceeds from these events will go toward new library construction. Thank you.

## Letter to the Editor,

Driftwood “sports” a new coat of paint, thanks to the hard work of many folks. As coordinators/participants of the project, we would like to both personally and publicly recognize the following wonderful and generous citizens of the Port Orford community (and other areas of the state) for lending their time and talents, toward the Driftwood Paint Project::

Maureen Affonso, Gary Anderson, Paul Bodtke, Lara Barba, Sheila Boren, Vickie Courtright, Adrienne Digby, Eva Digby, Emily Francona, Carol Fugere, Tom Fugere, Shari Jarboe, Camilla Johnston, John Johnston, Todd Johnston, Scott Klein, Tony LaPlante, Ellie LeMaster, David Lunsford, Sonja Mason, Georgia Mayea, Christie Phillips (and Garrett, too!), Donna Ott, Marv Ott, Grey Podorean, Pam Podorean, Jon Porter, Jack Pruitt, Bill Savage, Jen Sejlund, Bob Webber, Suzanne Webber, and Phil Zellner.

Our special thanks to:

- Paul Bodtke, for his willingness to spray the building (“from dawn ‘til dusk, if necessary”);
- Georgia Mayea, for her “painting prowess” on the doors;
- Jen Sejlund, for his diligent door sanding/grinding efforts;
- POSD staff (Marv Ott, Tony LaPlante, Louis Lang, Sheila Boren) who offered not only their personal time and assistance, but willingly helped us at every turn
- Coos-Curry Supply, Inc., and McNair True Value Hardware, whose owners/managers and employees “served up” our paint and supplies with good prices, precision color, expert advice and friendly smiles
- Port Orford Inn Coffee Shop, which gave us a welcome “Saturday sur-

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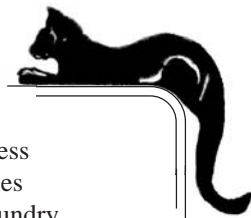
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- And last, but certainly not least, to the following “known” financial donors, we sincerely thank you—your contributions, in addition to those in our “cans,” allowed the project to be completed at minimal cost to the District, thereby reserving their much-in-demand funds for other capital improvements in the District:

Port Orford RV Village (Al and Maureen Affonso), Peggy Alessio, Gary and Norma Anderson, Jim and Karen Auburn, Ken Brewer, Chetco Federal Credit union, Compliance Solutions (Donna and Bob Mileans), Driftwood Boosters, Chuck Forsyth, Hodge Distributors, Inc., Island Rock, Inc. (Dale and Paula Dearing), Ray Johnson, John

and Sally Johnston, Charlie Kocher, Mary Jane Labelle, Dolores Mayea, Millie North, Port Orford Horseshoe Club, Port Orford News, Jo and Roger Rieber, Sixes River Land Company, Frank and Bonnie Smith, Joyce Spicer-Kinney, Verlyn and Anita Thomas, Teresa Tronson, and Bob and Suzanne Webber.

We would like to particularly recognize three absolutely tireless volunteers, without whose “day-in, day-out” efforts this huge undertaking could not have been possible: Ellie LeMaster, Jon Porter, and Jack Pruitt...*Thank you, thank you, thank you!!!* Your collective hundreds of hours are deeply appreciated.

If we have mistakenly left someone off the above lists, please forgive us—the “record keeping” may not be as accurate as it should be (we’ll chalk it up to paint fumes!) but it certainly is not our intention to slight anyone. The community of Port Orford should be proud of itself...the Driftwood Paint Project was “signed, sealed, and delivered” to its citizenry, by some of its citizenry and, hopefully, for the benefit of all of its citizenry.

Sincerely,

Peggy Alessio  
Norma Anderson  
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## Sport Fishery to Close

The sport fishery for major groundfish species will close in all saltwater areas (including fishing from shore, in estuaries and the ocean) starting Friday, September 3, 2004, much earlier than originally expected.

This is the first year the sport rockfish fishery will not be open the entire year.

This closure includes all rockfishes, lingcod and greenling. Fishing for cabezon closed in August. Retention of these species is prohibited by all methods of take.

"Landing data for the saltwater sport fishery show that we will meet our limit for the sport harvest of black rockfish and lingcod by the end of this week," said Don Bodenmiller, project leader for marine recreational groundfish fisheries for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

The decision came after ODFW met informally with representatives of the sport and charter fishing fleet in an emergency meeting on Monday, August 30, in Newport. Others along the coast joined in the discussion through a conference call.

While the commercial nearshore groundfish fishery remains open, the trip limit of black rockfish was cut in half for that fishery in July to prevent an early closure. Other commercial fisheries are not affected by this action.

According to Patty Burke, manager of ODFW's Marine Resources Program, "This is only the second year the fisheries managers have used harvest caps to limit the take of black rockfish, cabezon, greenling and other nearshore groundfish."

Saltwater fishing opportunities, which remain open, include flounder, sole, sand dabs, perch, herring, anchovy, smelt,

sardine, striped bass and offshore pelagic species. Salmon continues to be an active sport fishery and some limited seasons are open for halibut.

The complete text of this ODFW press release is available at their web site at [www.dfw.state.or.us](http://www.dfw.state.or.us). Go the Marine Resources page for the article.

## Horse Shoe Tournament

The Port Orford Labor Day Festival now includes a horseshoe tournament on Sunday, September 5 at Buffington Park, starting at 10:00am with sign-ups at 9:30am. Everybody is welcome.

There is a \$5.00 entry fee for the tournament with prizes awarded the first and second place finishers in the singles and doubles ladies and men's divisions. For more information call Jerry White at 332-2103 or David Lunsford at 332-0300.



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The Chamber wants to invite everyone to the 153rd Birthday Party Pot Luck in the Park on Sunday, September 5 from 3-5 p.m. in Buffington Park. BBQ chicken, baked potatoes and birthday cake will be provided while supply lasts. Please bring a salad or side dish to share. The chamber is looking for volunteers to help with set-up, serving and clean-up. Please contact Jay at 332-3106. This event is sponsored by the Chamber and Arts Council.

The Port Orford and North Curry Chamber of Commerce has been very busy of

late. Right after the Labor Day Weekend Festival the Chamber will be moving into the Visitor's Center and will have some regular manned office hours. To start out the chamber office will be open Tuesdays and Thursdays from 11-1 p.m. More hours will be added as chamber volunteers become available.

The chamber will be sponsoring an Ask the Candidate Forum and Ice Cream Social in late September. Watch this space for the exact time and date. This forum will feature all the candidates for City Council and ballot measures and ice

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Also watch this space for an upcoming survey about your Internet service and speed. This is an ongoing project of the chamber to make hi-speed available to everyone in North Curry.

The next chamber board meeting will be on Monday, September 13 at 1 p.m. at the Crazy Norwegian's restaurant. Anyone interested in being on an aesthetic development review committee is encouraged to attend. You do not have to be a member of the chamber.

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### Langlois Library News

By Nancy Angelesco,  
Assistant Librarian

Excuse our shaggy lawn. We're saving our once-a-month mowing until just before the Peddlers Faire. After all, we want to look good for guests! In the meantime, please enjoy the beautiful butter-yellow dandelions and frilly Queen Anne's lace, all courtesy of Mother Nature.

Okay, okay! This is the last time I'll mention it. Don't forget "Support Your Local Libraries" weekend is THIS WEEKEND. Both the Port Orford and Langlois Public Libraries are hosting fundraising events to tickle your funny bone, fill your tummies, and put smiles on your faces. The Langlois Library Peddlers Faire will be held on Saturday, September 4, 10am – 6pm On Sunday, September 5, 9am – 4pm, the Port Orford



THANK YOU PORT ORFORD!

We've loved serving you this summer.  
You've been great!

See you all next Spring!

Public Library is hosting the Artful Flea Market and Loreto Burrito Breakfast Feed at the Port Orford American Legion Hall. Proceeds from these events will directly benefit the libraries and the services we provide to our patrons. We hope to see you there!

With that in mind, stop by the Langlois Library and check out the items we have for the raffle: paintings by local artists, gift certificates for a massage and for a stay at a local guest home, baskets full of gardening items or food treats, books by local authors, pottery, and much more. We're receiving additional items for the raffle every day. Tickets can be pur-

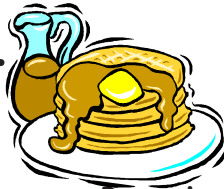
chased at the Library: one ticket for \$1 or six tickets for \$5, and the drawing will be held at the Peddlers Faire at 5pm (you don't have to be present to win). And while you're buying raffle tickets, don't forget the raffle for the beautiful quilt currently on display in the library. All proceeds from the quilt raffle will benefit the construction of the new Port Orford Library.

And as long as you're thinking of new libraries, drop by Bandon's shiny new library, which is opening this week.

Whatever you do, have a safe and enjoyable weekend. We hope to see you in the library soon.

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### **Letter to the Editor,**

I grew up Republican. I even championed Barry Goldwater for president in 1964.

Back then, being a Republican meant being for a balanced budget and for an honest, Eisenhower-like approach to problems.

Those days are as distant as Ike in his grave.

Today, supporting our Republican President means supporting the largest budget deficits ever, engaging in preemptive wars without cause, and tax breaks for the rich. It means giving away anything that's publicly owned, from the U.S. Treasury on down. Look no further than the Enron boss who is Bush's close friend, and to Halliburton—Cheney's company.

I know there are plenty of Republicans who are great Americans, much of my family and many of my neighbors among them. But the party leadership has let us down in a betrayal of unprecedented proportions. Republican congressmen followed Bush in lockstep—lockstepping off a cliff that fell to places such as Abu Ghraib, taking us all in a freefall from which it will be very difficult to recover.

The Republican Party has become a party of arrogance in which the Vice President publicly uses the “F” word on senators who disagree with him, a party that touts high “values” while lying about Kerry's record in the Navy. As if Bush ever got anywhere near enemy fire.

The sad state of affairs can be changed, but only if Republican voters get rid of George Bush and start over with someone worthy of their support.

Tim Palmer

### **Shoes for Children**

When children arrived at St. John's church on Saturday August 28 to pick up their new shoes, they were surprised to find a roomful of new and nearly new clothes. Requests for donations of children's clothing were answered and the children were so happy to select a new outfit or two to wear to school. Volunteers who wish to remain nameless (“we don't help to get our name in the paper,” said a volunteer, “we do it for the kids”) helped the children find their sizes and favorite items. A lunch of fruit, peanut butter and jelly sandwiches, power bars and milk was provided. A good time was had by all. 70 children from Port Orford and Langlois will start school with a new pair of shoes and two pairs of new socks. Thank you to everyone who donated money to pay for the shoes. One child was so excited with his new shoes he ran and showed his dad and then wouldn't take them off.





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### Fall Rummage Sale

Zion Lutheran Church will again hold its annual fall rummage sale this coming Saturday, September 4, from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Furniture, clothing, and other assorted houseware items will be available for your choosing. We invite our families and friends, and visitors to our community to come and stop by the church for this very special rummage sale, sponsored by the Mary-Martha Women's Circle.

Our members, friends, and neighbors have donated many items. Come, and stop by with a friend and pick up something you want and need, or buy an excellent gift for that special someone. Maybe there is something at the rummage sale, which you'll see that you have been looking for a long time. Often times, you will know a friend or neighbor who will need something that they just can't afford at the moment, but you can lend a helping hand!

We look forward to seeing you at the church rummage sale at Zion Lutheran Church, 2015 Washington Street. Because of you, our rummage sale will be a successful, worthwhile cause. Remember the time is 9:00am to 2:00pm.

### Paradise Point Intersection

The latest news in the ongoing saga of building of a left turn lane at Paradise Point Road and Hwy 101 is, "next spring."

Oregon Department of Transportation Lee Sparks said on Monday in his car while traveling on 42 South that the project would be re-bid in Spring of 2005. ODOT had put the project out for bid earlier this summer but both of the two bids received were so far over budget they were rejected. Now ODOT has gone back to the drawing board and reduced the amount of work including less guard rail and re-use of some of the construction materials from one side of the road to the other. Sparks said the

money designated for the Paradise Point intersection has to be spent by July 1, 2005. Sparks said one thing that caused the bids to be so high is the contractors are very busy now. He said some parts of the project will be done in house including painting of the stripes on the road in an effort to save money.

When the project is put out to bid again and a winning bid is accepted Port Orford will get a much needed left turn lane at Highway 101 turning on to Paradise Point Road.

### Suicide Support Group

The Survivors of Suicide Support group will meet from 5 to 6:30 p.m. in the Health and Human Services Building, 306 Wharf Street, Brookings on Tuesday, Sept. 7. The group is for any family member, friend, significant other and loved one of a person who died by suicide. For more info, call Heather Adam at (541) 661-9481.

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- **10 a.m. – 6 p.m.** Junk Art and Day in the Life Exhibit
- **7:30 p.m.** Square Dancing at Beachcombers Cove.

**Sunday, September 5, 2004**

- **8 a.m. – 11 a.m.** Classic Car Show registration.
- **8 a.m -11 a.m.** Pancake Breakfast at Beachcombers Cove.
- **9 a.m. – 4 p.m.** Artful Flea Market and Burrito breakfast at American Legion Building across from Classic Car Show
- **10 a.m. - 3 p.m.** Exhibits at Face the Wind & Arts Council
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## Letter to the Editor,

The Port Orford City Council and City Administrator are to be commended for bringing forth a new City Charter for citizen consideration at the November election. The present charter has several conflicting directives (a problem which often occurs when a charter attempts to be too specific), while the proposed charter is especially general and designed for cities of all sizes leaving the specifics to be implemented through the Rules of Council which are set by council resolution. In talking with the City Administrator, it is my understanding that the proposed charter is the "boiler plate" version provided by the League of Oregon Cities and that "the Port Orford version has fewer changes by the city than any other the League has previously provided."

As already explained at the August city council meeting, the major change is toward a manager-council form of government with the mayor no longer having direct powers by virtue of becoming a voting member. With much of the actual details needing to be delegated to the Rules of Council, the proposed charter is workable, but only if attention is paid to keeping power in the hands of the governing body.

The proposed city charter includes no process for calling a special meeting by members of the council and/or the mayor. This needs to be in place prior to times of conflict - whether that be among council members or between the council and administration - and can be included in the Rules of Council. Additionally, nothing is said about setting the council agenda or proposing names for consideration in filling elective vacancies on the council.

I would prefer to see serious consideration given to the title City Administrator as opposed to City Manager which is cited in the proposed charter. The title of "Manager" should not be awarded to the

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administrative head of our government until such time as when Port Orford can attract, and pay for, the caliber of professional who can fill that position and all that is implied by the title. In a city the size of Port Orford, the power of the City's chief executive needs to be limited and governed by elected officials who represent the unique history and needs of our community. (There is no reason to change the title in the charter; there it is used merely to designate the chief executive officer.)

Considering the above points, specific changes to be made to the Rules of Council prior to the election for implementation with the new charter on January 1, 2005 include:

- The procedure for the mayor to call a special meeting.
- The procedure for the council to call a special meeting.
- Who proposes candidates to the council to fill empty council seats.
- Under whose auspices is the council agenda set.
- The specific title of the chief executive officer.

Additionally, in the future it might be well to change from setting the Rules of Council by resolution to setting them by ordinance, thus placing the rules within the municipal code as does Brookings who operates under a charter similar to that being proposed.

Although I'm sure that the City will make changes to the Rules of Council incorporating many guidelines from the present charter, without the above specific issues being addressed prior to the election by our well seasoned council I have definite reservations about voting for the proposed charter in spite of the very clear need for a new one. I'd rather sail with a shallow keel than without a rudder.

Erna Barnett

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**Critical Updates  
 by Valerie Jean Kramer**

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Please don't be part of the problem! Make sure you check at least once a month for new updates. Microsoft usually releases new ones on the second Tuesday each month though sometimes additional releases are made. The patches are free.

**Letter to the Editor,**

Last week while showing off the Heads to out of town visitors, we came upon a charmingly constructed driftwood arch on the site of the old Coast Guard watch-tower. Rose petals strewn beneath it seemed to indicate that a wedding had taken place, and we all took pleasure in imagining the happy event.

A few days later, however, the pleasure evaporated after discovering that the arch had been partially dismantled and tossed in a heap beyond the fence on the west side of the site. Tangles of baling wire and protruding metal screws were still attached to the wood, waiting to ensnare unwary wildlife. Apparently those responsible love the place enough to have chosen it for their special event but do not have sufficient respect for it to have cleaned up their mess. The Heads are one of the last most beautiful and unspoiled

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Betty Olson



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and roll back on stage.

Al Dvorin, the man who made the phrase  
"Elvis has left the building" famous died  
on Sunday, August 22 near the town of  
Ivanpah, California when he was thrown  
from the car he was riding in. Dvorin was  
with Elvis many years including his final  
tour in 1977. He wasn't the first an-

nouncer to utter the famous exit phrase  
but was the man to make it his own. The  
night before Mr. Dvorin was killed he  
attended an Elvis impersonator contest  
and let loose with an "Elvis has left the  
building."

Elvis performed his last live concert on  
June 26, 1977 at the Market Square Arena  
in Indianapolis, Indiana. It was the  
last time in Elvis' life for Dvorin to  
publicly say those famous words, "Elvis  
has left the building." On the day of  
Elvis' death he was planning to fly to  
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Al Dvorin has left the building.

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The VFW Political Action Committee is the political action arm of the nation's leading Veterans Service Organization. It is the only Veterans Service Organization (VSO) Political Action Committee in the country.

In endorsing DeFazio's re-election, the VFW Political Action Committee cited comments from VFW leadership in the state of Oregon, DeFazio's voting record, and his exemplary service on key committees with jurisdiction over veterans' affairs, national security and defense issues, military quality of life, personnel, procurement, and readiness issues.

DeFazio, seeking re-election in Oregon's Fourth Congressional District, currently serves on the House Select Committee on Homeland Security, the Transportation and Infrastructure Committee, the Aviation Subcommittee, the Coast Guard and Maritime Subcommittee, and the Railroad Subcommittee.

### Construction Noise

Construction has begun on the upgrades to the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Pile Driving will commence during the week of September 6 and may continue for several weeks. While the City has restricted pile driving to between the hours

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Ken Knight  
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**Letter to the Editor,**

I don't know about you but I'm always amazed when Bush supporters bring up Kerry's military service. It only highlights Mr. Kerry's commendations and heroism. You might as well paint a sign on the side of the Republican elephant that says "kick me here." In the Reporter several weeks ago a letter-writer noted that he spent more time in Vietnam than Mr. Kerry, but the point is the Bush-Kerry military service records.

Kerry was awarded a silver star, a bronze star and a purple heart (with a second and third award, meaning he was wounded three times).

Bush did not serve in Vietnam. He was suspended from flying as a pilot in 1972 for "failure to accomplish the annual medical examination" during the Vietnam conflict. But it isn't clear whether he failed to pass it or refused to take it? He was also absent from his National Guard duty station in Alabama for unexplained and unknown reasons, usually described as AWOL? The Pentagon lists the criti-

cal records concerning these incidents as "destroyed" and searches for back-up copies as "unsuccessful." Imagine that. (See the New York Times July 9, 2004 for all this material.)

The latest flap about the Swift boat officers looks more like something out of Donald Segretti black bag of "dirty tricks" from the Nixon days, except it's run by pro-Bush big money Texans. (See the N.Y.T. August 20, 2004, for a great article diagramming and explaining the history of it).

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### Fahrenheit 9/11

Michael Moore's movie Fahrenheit 9/11 will be released on DVD and VHS on

Tuesday, October 5. Fahrenheit 9/11 is the most popular documentary film in the history of Hollywood and as of Sunday, August 22 had sold over \$116 million dollars worth of theater tickets.

Moore's film on the Columbine High School shootings, Bowling for Columbine, was the number one documentary before he broke his own record.

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## Open Letter to the Citizens of Port Orford:

I have been asked by several people why the city does not respond to any of the items that have been printed in the newspapers of Port Orford.

The simple fact is: All of the things written have been either personal or political opinions. Such is the nature of public forums. Also, it should be noted that as a signatory to the International Cities Manager Association's Code of Ethics I can not, except in the privacy of the voting booth, be involved in local political affairs and questions.

If people want a response to their questions, they need send a letter to City Hall

address to either the Mayor or the City Administrator. Also, for people to receive a response from myself or the Mayor correspondence **must** be signed, the issues must be specific, and the issue(s) raised must be within the legal authority of the city to take action. There are appropriate venues to address such issues and newspaper forums are not one.

In regards to the Port Orford Common Council, any member may at any time express their personal opinion on the subject of the day. For the Council to act, however, they can only do so at a duly noticed public meeting and, with a quorum present, by majority vote.

I hope this clears up any confusion that people may be feeling.

With Warm Regards,

Ken Knight  
City Administrator

## Letters Policy by Valerie Jean Kramer

As a general rule, letters submitted to this paper for publication should be just what they are called, "Letters to the Editor" and not letters to the government or to the people at large. One time we may make an exception is when our elected officials want to communicate with the public as Mr. Knight has done in his letter on this page. However, this is an EXCEPTION. Please bear that in mind when writing letters to us.

Another policy we have is that letters should be limited to no more than 250 words. If your letter is longer than that, we will be happy to consider printing it if you are willing to pay for the space required beyond the first 250 words (currently \$3.50 per column inch.)

Beginning next week our new deadline for all submissions will be 3:00pm Tuesdays instead of 4:00pm. Between the increase in submissions and the growing number that come in just under deadline, we need to insure more time to get the masters ready for printing.

If you are writing about controversial matters, your letter will have more chance of convincing others (and less chance of a response by the editor) if you stick to facts and provide supporting evidence than if you merely offer opinions with no supporting basis. Letters are published on a "space available" basis.

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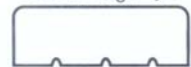
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### GARAGE SALES

**306 19TH ST. SAT. AUG. 4 9AM** to 1pm. No early birds.

## Seaweed Natural Grocery & Café

Store Hours: ..... Mon-Sat. 10-6  
Café Hours: ..... Mon-Fri. 10-3  
832 Hwy 101, Port Orford 332-3640

## Pampered Pooches Selling County Dog Licenses & Solid Gold Dog Foods

Mon.-Fri. 9:00-3:00  
545 W. Tenth St. 332-0520

**HUGE FLEA MARKET** Labor Day weekend, Sunday September 5th in cooperation with the annual Show and Shine at Driftwood Elementary in Port Orford. Vendors wanted. Set up at 7:00am, starts at 8:00am, end at 3:pm. \$10.00 per space. Please call and reserve your spot now. (541) 332-0880 ask for Karen or Bob.

**HUGE RUMMAGE SALE** and country faire, Saturday, September 4, 10am-6pm, Langlois Public Library. Arts, crafts, music, food, games, free balloons. Fun for the entire family.

**INDOOR SALE** Washer, dryer, side by side refrigerator, 16/18" womens clothes, misc household. This Friday through Monday, 10:00am-5:00pm. Corner 9th & Jefferson.

**MULTI-FAMILY YARD SALE** Sept. 4th 9 to 3 behind Bartlett's, look for signs. Too much to list. Rain cancels. No early birds.

**YARD SALE 8AM SATURDAY** 2am Sunday Monday 8am boats pickup motorhome electronic casio keyboard toys clothes antiques jewelry more... Port Orford Loop Rd. watch for signs. Monday all 1/2 off. Wanted huckleberry sorter cleaning machine.

**HUGE YARD SALE** - 25 year collection. Toys, Levis, dishes, and things. Start 12:00pm noon Friday to 4pm Sunday. 92844 Averill Hill Rd. 1st house.

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for 50% off all Xmas items  
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**NEW!** Call Today!

**CHURCH RUMMAGE SALE:** Saturday, September 4, 2004, Zion Lutheran Church from 9:00am to 2:00pm. Furniture, clothing, and other assorted houseware items are available.

### MISCELLANEOUS

**FORSALE:** Loveseat Rowe custom fabric blues \$400.00. Leather coat \$75.00 1X. Old doors \$15.00 each. Old windows \$2.00 each. Old light fixtures \$7.00 each. Call 541-332-8028.

**ORGANIC BLUBERRIES** - Stock up for winter. Call Julie Ells to place your order. 332-0327.

**HUGE PRODUCE SALE** White sweet corn, Tomatoes, some melons, Garlic, Squash, Peppers, and much more. Saturday, and Sunday 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM, at Creighton Plants and Supplies, 325 16th Street in Port Orford. 332-0149.

**HUGE PLANT SALE,** at Creighton Plants and Supplies. All plants 25% off. Saturday and Sunday 9:00 AM to 6:00PM. 325 16th Street Port Orford, 332-0149.

**FOR SALE: FRENCH** Strawberry plants - everbearing, large, sweet berries. Plant now. \$1.00 and \$1.50 332-4255.

**ONE HOUR FOR PEACE** 5 to 6pm on the corner of Hwy 101 and Washington every evening, sun, rain, wind or fog "Got Peace!"

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Curry Public Transit

Remember: We are  
here for you

332-5771

## Classified Ads

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**20FT EVINRUDE** needs engine & out-drive with 20ft Deluxe trailer \$1200.00. 16ft Gaspar with trailer 20horse Evinrude needs work \$150.00. (2) 40ft Refer trailers \$500.00/ea you haul 1970 all fiberglass Dodge motorhome \$750.00 Electric keyboard Casio call 332-0500.

**1977 MERCURY BOBCAT** 2 door station wagon runs and looks good. Leave message for Lori at 332-6774 extension-0 between 8 and 2 \$500 obo.

**ART SHOW** featuring the paintings of Bandon artist Richard Herr at BASS Art Gallery and Art Supply old town Bandon 175 Second Street. Meet the artist Thursday Sept 2, 5:00 till 7:00pm. Refreshments will be served; come join the fun.

**1986 FORD TRAVELVAN** fuel inj. 20 mpg, 2 gas tanks. 30,000 miles. Custom wheels, new tires, microwave, ice box, stove, TV. Excellent condition \$3,000. 332-0385.

**TREATED LUMBER** 6" x 6" x 20ft. Ten posts, \$30.00 each. 332-6060 U-haul.

**72 TERRY TRIP 23'** at southwest corner of Paradise Point Rd. Garrison Lake Rd. \$400.00 o.b.o. Between 12:00pm 7:00pm.

**CONCRETE FORMS LUMBER:** Used one side. 15 x 3/4" sheets plywood. 570+ board feet in 2x4's. 6, 7, 10, 18, & 20 ft. lengths. Local delivery possible. \$550. (541) 332-0172.

**HIGHTECHROCKET ENGINES** Inc. accepting applications for investors, engineers, machinists, welder. P.O. Box 313, Port Orford, OR 97465.

**GREEK FISHERMEN'S HATS**, excellent selection of sizes and colors, and the best price around! At the Shell Shack at BattleRock Park.

**ENJOY AMERICAN HISTORY** with our new American History Trading Cards. Presidents, Inventors States and other people, places, and things are showcased on these cards. Great photos! Collect 'em all! Downtown Fun Zone, Inc.

**STEPPING STONES** – Custom made, see at 41863 Old Mill Road or call 332-8899. Get ready for Winter!

**IS THAT A REAL BIRD?** By request, just arrived! True-to-life-bird Kite/Socks at the Shell Shack.

**BABY KITES** and Big-Boy kites, new selection just in at the Shell Shack at Battle Rock Park.

**SUMMER SALE** and back to school specials (10% off on all student sales) of art supplies - "two for one" stretched canvases, easel sale, 10% off on M Graham watercolors, acrylics and oil paints, how to do art books and other markdown items at BASS Art Supply 175 Second Street Old Town Bandon open daily.

**"CHOPPER" T-SHIRTS** with a "BattleRock" logo. See the hottest look of the season at The Shell Shack at BattleRock Park.

**ULTIMATE SOUVENIR SHOP!** Don't miss The Shell Shack at BattleRock Park. We've got shot glasses, mugs, caps and T's, keychains, spoons, thimbles, magnets, postcards, shells, shells, shells and a "bazillion" other things! Old-est curio chop in town!

**CROISSANT BENEDICT** A fresh baked croissant – filled with scrambled eggs, ham, cheese, & Hollandaise sauce – only at Java Casa next to Paula's Bistro. Open 7-11am Tues-Sat.

**CINNAMON ROLLS** A fresh baked cinnamon roll heated to perfection, dripping with melted butter – only at Java Casa next to Paula's Bistro. Open 7-11am Tues-Sat.

**DRY SEASON FIREWOOD** mixed loads soft wood only \$120 per cord. 348-2184.

**TRADITIONAL CHINESE** Medicine formulas available for Herpes, sleep, allergies, hepatitis C, joint tendon, chemo support, glucose balance. Sea Breeze 332-0445.

**CARPET TECH** Carpet and Upholstery Cleaning now serves Port Orford. Satisfaction guaranteed or the job is free. All we leave is the clean. 347-2259.

**MISTY MEADOWS JAMS** and syrups at the Shell Shack at Battle Rock Park, a locally made Oregon product! New sugar free varieties now in stock!

**PREPAID PHONE CARDS \$7.00** – 2-hour cards – no minimum usage! The Downtown Fun Zone.

**NEW MOVIES THIS WEEK:** "The Passion of the Christ", "Twisted", "Outfoxed", "The Girl Next Door", "Before I Say Goodbye", "South Park: The Passion of the Jew", "One Eyed King", "Chris Rock Never Scared", and "Ike Countdown to D-Day". Please remember items are due back by 3:30pm the next business day. Reservations must be prepaid so cannot be taken over the phone. Downtown Fun Zone, Inc. Open 9:30-6 Mon-Thurs and 9:30-7 Friday and Saturday. Closed Sundays.

**MINISTORAGE/U-HAUL.** 200+ storage units, 150+ climate controlled. Airport-U-Stor, across from Ocean Spray 347-4356.

## Please Drive Carefully

The Port Orford Volunteer Fire Department reminds motorists to drive carefully over the upcoming Labor Day weekend. Remember to pass in passing zones or in areas with the broken yellow lines when enough visibility makes it safe.