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Port Orford Jail

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Historic Jail Gets Reprieve By Evan Kramer



The Port Orford City Council held a public hearing regarding a request for a demolition permit for the old city jail on Monday night amidst much public interest.

City attorney John Trew called this meeting a “quasi judicial hearing”. He said the council was to have an impartial role in the hearing and not act in their normal policy making role. Mayor Jim Auburn said comments from the public would be limited to two minutes. Councilor Ed Beck excused himself from the hearing because he works with Joyce Kinney who was involved with the sale of the property the jail sits on. The other five councilors and mayor all declared they had Ex parte contact. This means they spoke with members of the public about the jail or attended planning or parks commission meetings where the issue was discussed.

City Planning Director Chuck Nordstrom detailed the various “exhibits” related to the hearing included the staff report which was the same one presented to the planning commission. He read from a letter

from Jane Cramer who wrote opposing vacuation of city streets and was specifically opposed to trading the property the jail sits on for vacuation of a street adjoining the other side of the property.

Grey Podorean, representing the Podorean Family Trusts, which owns the property, spoke next about their request for a demolition permit for the jail. Podorean said the family felt there was a substantial amount of people in the community supporting the jail. He said a street vacuation was okay with the trust and that he wanted to work with the city. He added that if the jail was demolished they wanted to preserve salient features of the jail. The other option presented by the trust was a trade with the city whereby the city would gain title to the jail building and the south 40 feet of the lot it sits on. The city would then relinquish the south 40 feet of Eighth Street. Attorney Trew said the council can vacate a street and continued that the title to the Eighth Street to the centerline would go to the both adjoining property owners (Podorean Family Trusts and Sandra Anderson). Trew asked the council a few questions like why they would vacate a street and how they were going to carve off the jail section off the Podorean property. Podorean said he only wanted a partial vacuation of Eight Street – the first 150 feet and that he would work with his surveyor

to get the survey and minor partition process done.

Mayor Auburn read a letter from Alan Mitchell. It said he and his wife had moved here 37 years ago and the jail was an eyesore then and that they were glad when the city returned the property to the tax base by selling it. He expressed strong feelings that the sooner the jail is removed the better.

Many people then spoke in favor of saving the jail during the public comment period beginning with Chamber of Commerce president Jay Stoler. He spoke of our history as an operational theme for the area and discussed the sentimental value and tourist benefits of saving the jail. Stoler said moving it to another location wouldn't work.

Barbara Breuer, president of the Point Orford Heritage Society, said their group always supports the efforts of people to preserve history but the Society didn't have the resources to help with this project.

Parks Commission chairman Jim Billings said it was the unanimous decision of the commission to keep the jail where it's at and added they had started a grant application today for a new roof for the jail. Larry Henigh, who had written a

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**Historic Jail Gets Reprieve
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story on the jail for Oregon Coast Magazine, spoke about the people he has seen photographing the jail and that it would be in several books. He said people would see these photos and come to town expecting to see the jail.

Gayle Wilcox who put in the most effort of anyone to preserve the jail said she had been in contact with the State Historic Preservation Office and the jail meets the criteria for nomination for historic status. She also spoke of a letter she had received from Oregon State Parks outlining the timeline for getting the jail on the National Register of historic buildings. Wilcox said the process could take six months to get the building on the National Register. She spoke of trying to hold on to our unique building and said it was far from an eyesore.

Councilor Milton Finch asked Wilcox what the fire department had volunteered to do for the jail. Wilcox told him they would make it safe and remove the roof and expressed a willingness by the department to help raise funds for the jail and work with the parks commission.

George Gehrke, a member of the fire department for 48 years, said the jail was very important to the people. Chris Speed said she wanted to see the jail preserved but wanted to see it moved to a city park. Linda Smith, who lives just up the street from the jail on Jefferson Street, said she was in favor of retaining the building and making it safe. Not all speakers were represented in this article but all spoke in favor of saving the jail and none spoke in support of the demolition permit.

Mayor Auburn then declared the public comments part of the hearing closed and the council began their discussion.

Councilor Jim Campbell said vacating the first 150 feet of Eight Street was the best way to go. He wanted assurance some group will take care of the jail. Councilor Carl Eskelson asked if the city owned the jail if they would assume liability and John Trew told him yes.

Mayor Auburn said if this worked out the city would have a mini "day park." Councilor Steve Abbott said he was in favor of accepting the proposal of the trade. He asked what effect the jail property would have on the city's insurance and city administrator Ken Knight said it may have a small effect on the premium.

Councilor Abbott then made a motion to deny the request of the permit to demolish the jail and that the city accepts the property owner's offer to preserve the jail with the city vacating a portion of Eight Street to the two adjoining property owners in exchange for the jail proper-

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ty. Milton Finch seconded the motion and it passed unanimously.

Chuck Nordstrom told the council another hearing would be needed to vacate the street. Trew called the council decision tonight a “tentative decision” (it’s not over until it’s over). Grey Podorean said he would like to see the issue expedited and done within 90 days.

City Budget – Round 3 By Jay Stoler

The Port Orford City Council and Budget Committee met on Thursday, May 12 for the agreed upon two-hour limit, from 6pm until 8pm. The volunteer Budget Committee members are local CPA John Lincoln, Gary Doran, Emily Francona, Joanne Ruoff, Ken Williams and Jim Rhoades. (Note: Apologies to John Lincoln, his name had been omitted in a previous story by error.) All Council members except Mayor Auburn, who was ill, were at the meeting.

It has become clear that Ken Williams is the conscience of the committee, questioning many of the line items and want-

ing to make sure that there was balance and clarity of vision of the big picture. Williams often asked thought provoking questions that seemed to make the committee think and ask good questions.

Police Chief Mark Creighton helped reorganize the Courts and Police department budgets. Creighton said that because traffic citations are up in the first half of the year he would upwardly revise the \$70,000 estimation to \$90,000.

Budget Committee member and also member of the Parks Commission, Joanne Ruoff was surprised to see a gutting of the Parks budget that was in excess of \$56,000 this year. After some discussion Ruoff suggested a tax levy to obtain a dedicated Park fund, citing that the Parks were a drawing card to the area and could not be left without proper maintenance. Many agreed. Ultimately the original amount of \$59,747 was put back for now.

In addition the Tourism and Beautification money allotted for in the 2005-2006 budget of \$12,100 was totally cut, but after some discussion that amount was also put back in at the request of many committee members.

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City Administrator Ken Knight made all the changes and updates on the spot using a “live” spreadsheet on his laptop computer. He was able to instantly update the changes and see them reflected in the overall budget, a big benefit and time saver. He told the committee that because there is a reserve fund the budget would work with most all of the things that had been asked for and put back in. However, he also said that unless there is more income it might not be a good idea because it might affect the 2006-2007 budget adversely.

Councilor Jim Campbell said that developments and new homes in the city were the key to new income. He asked Public Works Superintendent Dave Pace for a prediction on new sewage and water hook-ups. Pace replied there were more than 30 and that it might be hard for one person to keep up with the paperwork in the coming year.

The Budget Meetings continue on Tuesday, May 17 at 6pm at City Hall. The dates of Monday, May 23, and Wednesday, May 25 have also been tentatively scheduled based on not finishing up on Tuesday.

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Public Safety Committee

The Public Safety sub-committee of the City Council met with Police Chief Mark Creighton on Tuesday, May 10 to discuss the on-going operations of the Police Department and to look at Ordinances. In addition to the Chief were Chairman Jim Campbell, Mayor Jim Auburn, Councilor Ed Beck and Councilor Steve Abbott. Also at the meeting were Councilor Milt Finch and Jay Stoler. There were two citizens in the audience.

Chief Creighton spoke about a number of topics that concern the Police Department. Here is an overview of the highlights:

- Discussed getting volunteers into the VIP program that would allow trained citizens to help with office work and other light duty jobs to help the department. This program is working successfully in Brookings. In addition, there would be volunteer Reserves and a Citizen Ride-a-Long program.

- The formation of a Chief's Advisory Board made up of area citizens to give input and ideas. It is necessary, according to the Chief, to have this advisory board in place to be eligible for certain grants. Creighton said that committee would meet on May 26 at 6:00 pm.

- The LEDS system is coming back to the Port Orford Police Department. This vital information system that cost over \$25,000 seven years ago (the reason it was dropped) is now going to cost less than \$2400 per year and most of that will go for a secure telephone line connection. LEDS can provide information on the spot that will save unnecessary paperwork later on.

- The panel looked at animal ordinances from Bandon and Brookings and discussed the need to study and perhaps revise some ordinances. The discussion centered around dogs and horses, health and sanitary concerns, and a desire to not be too restrictive in terms of horses in the

city, as the committee thought horse back riding was a fine recreation opportunity for city youngsters.

- Talked about securing the Police Department office for insurance and other purposes. Creating a secure property room and an interview area that was laid out in a more professional manner. This is necessary to the outcome of criminal and civil investigations or cases that involve properties (evidence) and a secured interview area.

- Said traffic citations may increase this year over last, possibly to \$90,000.00 or more.

Overall, the committee seemed pleased with the way the way the department is going under Chief Creighton. The next meeting of the Public Safety Committee is June 14 (Second Tuesday of month) at 5:00 pm at City Hall.



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Coos-Curry Annual Meeting

The Sixty Seventh Annual meeting of the members of Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative, Inc. will be held on Saturday, June 18, at Pacific High School. The business meeting is scheduled to begin at 11:00am. Members and guests will have the opportunity to take part in an informational health fair that begins at 10:00am and a pie baking contest sponsored by the Curry County 4-H Leader's Association, and to enjoy a barbecued chicken lunch and local entertainment.

The annual meeting is held for the purposes of reviewing reports by Cooperative officers covering the previous fiscal year, election of Directors from Zones 3, 6, and 9, and transaction of such other business as may be raised by the membership or otherwise come before the Board. Members unable to attend and vote at the annual membership meeting may cast ballots and return them by mail. Ballots will be sent to each member on or about May 31.

The Cooperative received no nominating petitions but write-in candidates will be accepted for all zones.

The nominating committees nominated the following candidates for Director: Zone 3, Gold Beach, Gary Schlottmann; and Zone 9 Myrtle Point, Grant Combs, incumbent.

The Board recommended several changes to the Bylaws for a vote by the membership. Some of the proposed changes deal with voting by mail. One change is a recommendation from the Member

Advisory Committee (MAC). The MAC recommended that the current zones be reallocated, along with a reduction of the number of board members from nine to five over a period of the next three years. A detailed explanation of the proposed bylaw amendments will be enclosed in the annual meeting packet, which will be mailed to each member on or about May 31.

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Water Supply by Dave Pace

There has been discussion of blending Garrison Lake water with Hubbard Creek water during the summer months to supplement the water supply and not draw down the Hubbard Creek impoundment. There have been concerns of Garrison Lake not being *safe* to use as a drinking water source.

At this point there are many unknowns as to the condition of Garrison Lake as a drinking water source and as the water plant operator I will assure that Garrison Lake water will be thoroughly tested to assure it meets all drinking water guidelines and public notices will be posted before distributing.

Osmosis is described as a process by which molecules of a solvent pass through a semi permeable membrane from a less concentrated solution into a more concentrated one. Reverse osmosis is a process by which molecules of a solvent pass through a semi permeable membrane from a more concentrated solution into a less concentrated solution.

In the process of producing drinking water the *solvent* would be Garrison Lake and/or Hubbard Creek water that has been processed through the current water treatment plant and then processed through the R/O treatment plant to further remove impurities. The typical rejection for a R/O plant is usually between

92 and 99 percent for the most commonly encountered dissolved inorganics.

Garrison Lake and/or Hubbard Creek raw water would be processed as normal through the existing water treatment plant and the treated water would then be processed through the R/O plant to further remove any contaminants. By treating the water in the conventional filtration system most of the suspended solids are removed through coagulation/filtration increasing the efficiency and removal percentage of the R/O system.

Garrison Lake is tested monthly for sodium levels at two locations. One test sight is the Pinehurst Boat Ramp area to repre-

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sent the sodium levels near the Garrison Lake intake. The second test sight is on the East side of Arizona St. (Mill Creek) to use as a comparison where there is no Ocean water intrusion. The last test had a sodium level of 61 mg/L at the Pinehurst Boat Ramp and 42 mg/L at the Mill Creek sight.

Sodium is not currently regulated by the Oregon Drinking Water Program or by the EPA and the guidance level for sodium in drinking water is 20mg/L.

Blue-green algae are *Microcystis aeruginosa* and grows naturally in many surface waters. In most bodies of fresh water

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Many water suppliers blend more than one source to supplement the primary water source during dry weather months, low flow conditions or as common practice. The City has current water rights for Hubbard Creek and Garrison Lake and can use Garrison Lake as a water source as needed.

Jubilee Auction

The Port Orford July 4 Jubilee Auction is scheduled for Saturday, June 4, at 6:30pm, at the Community Building. A variety of items will be available including gift certificates for a weekend stay at the Castaway by Sea, two rounds of golf from Bandon Dunes Golf Resort and two tickets from Jerry's Rogue River jets. Gift certificates from the area's favorite restaurants and merchants from Coos Bay to Gold Beach will be auctioned off as well.

We are still looking for gently used times from the community for the auction. Please no clothing or shoes. All money raised will be used to purchase fireworks for the July 4 celebration. Please contact Amy Wilhite, chairperson (332-0957), Pat Bry (332-1765), or Marion Johnson (332-3773) for more information.

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and most weather conditions it does not pose a health hazard to wildlife or human beings. It can produce a *microcystin* toxin, which is a liver toxin. The State Drinking Water program has no guidelines for testing for *microcystins* but has been very helpful in supplying information in the past. The State Drinking Water Program has also stated that the City's current treatment plant should be capable of treating water that contains *Microcystin*.

There has never been a confirmed blue-green algae bloom in Garrison Lake producing *microcystin* toxins. Garrison Lake does experience a heavy growth of algae in the fall and it is a type commonly known as pond scum.

The signs of Blue-Green algae are a bluish tint to the water and the presence of dead rodents and small animals along the shore. The presence of *microcystin* toxins would also be a health issue and would be reported to the County Health Dept.

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Love Monkeys for Peace By Paula Cracas

A snack potluck will be held on Saturday, May 21 at 3:00pm at Mary Jane LaBelle's new office at 455 5th Street (the old TransAction Gallery). The potluck is being held to explain the upcoming "Walk for Truth, Justice and Community" that takes place between June 12-18 from Salem to Portland. At the potluck there

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will be an opportunity to write to Governor Kulongoski, Senator Wyden, and Senator Smith urging them to take a stand against further deployment of Oregon's National Guard to Iraq and to bring home our brave men and women serving there. Other issues that will be discussed by the Rural Organizing Project representatives are the deep cuts that schools and social services have endured while giving corporations and wealthy individuals tax breaks.

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Coos Curry Board Meeting

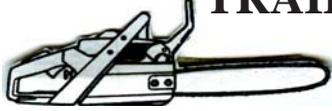
The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative, Inc. has been scheduled for 10:00am on Friday, May 20, at the headquarters of the Cooperative in Port Orford.

Agenda items include the monthly financial reports, power supply report, and the annual meeting update.

Coos-Curry Electric's annual membership meeting will be held in Port Orford on Saturday, June 18.

Fishing Derby

All area young people 13 years old and under are invited to the free VanWormer Fishing Derby on Saturday, May 21 at Floras Lake in Langlois. The Derby is sponsored by the Langlois Lions Club. Registration is from 7 to 8am. Fishing is from 8am to 12 noon. Boats will be provided and the lake will be stocked. Those who are 13 years old will need to have a fishing license. Prizes will be given in each category: largest fish, smallest fish, most fish and most unusual catch. For more information, please call 348-2202.



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Chamber News By Jay Stoler

Steve Shunk of Community Solutions, a Sisters, OR based company, presented a great talk on Birding and a wonderful economic opportunity last Wednesday night at the Senior Center in Port Orford. Shunk is a consultant for Rural Community Development, Nature Based Tourism and Wildlife Conservation as well as operating ParadiseBirding.com and leading birding expeditions on a nation-wide basis. Shunk is also on the Oregon coast Birding Trail Steering Committee. He used a well thought out PowerPoint presentation to captivate about 16, mostly local, residents. In the audience and also on the steering committee was Judy Fleagle, an Oregon Coast Magazine editor. Also at the presentation were local writer/volunteer/board member Ann Vileisis, and other members of Kalmiopsis Audubon.

“Nature has become big business,” said Shunk. More than 40 Billion is spent annually in the USA and 2 Billion dollars a year in Oregon. Of 74 activities Bird Watching comes in at number 3 overall. Couple those national numbers with some Oregon statistics on tourism that show 8 out of 10 tourists that come to Oregon go to the Coast, in addition nearly 7 out of 10 want to see animals in their natural habitat. This points to a genuine “nature-based” economic opportunity for the Port Orford area.

What makes this even better is that the best bird watching is in the winter, a time when some Oregon coastal towns need something extra to attract “winter” tourists. “It’s sustainable community development,” said Shunk.

There are 150 bird watching sites that have been identified so far on the 363-mile stretch of Oregon coast. That includes six wildlife refuges and 83 State parks. There are 385 species of birds that thrive along the coast. Oregon has nearly 500 species of birds overall and ranks seventh nationally.

Shunk invited anyone to go to Oregon BirdingTrails.com and submit a prospec-

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tive bird watching location to be put on maps and other material distributed by the Steering Committee. Shunk handed out attractive and informative brochures. There are a few available at our Port Orford Visitor’s Center.

The group totally enjoyed the presentation and many were in agreement that a committee needed to be formed to explore integration into the local economy. The Chamber of Commerce will look into sponsoring this committee.

There is still room for a few more Wind-Fest vendors. If you want to have a booth call Jay at 332-8055 and leave a message. Cost is \$25, tables can be provided.

Artists’ Reception

William P. Gaetjens – “New Work”

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PHS Graduation

The graduation ceremony for the Pacific High School Class of 2005 will be held at 7:00pm Friday, June 3 in the school's gymnasium. Graduates will march to the stage with processional music performed by the Blanco/Driftwood Middle School Band under the direction of Mr. Will Jarvis. Marv Ott, 2CJ superintendent/principal will deliver the welcoming address which will be followed by a greeting from class president, Brittany Morgan. Autumn Anderson will deliver the salutatory address, and Warren Manning the valedictory address. Lieutenant Colonel Rick Francona, US Air Force retired and Middle East Specialist, will present the commencement address. Scholarship presentations will follow, then Mr. Ott will present the graduating class to 2CJ Board Chair, Virginia Hughes.

Eleven of the thirty-three graduates have earned a Certificate of Initial Mastery, and eleven of the students have earned the distinction of "Honor Graduate" for having maintained a 3.00 GPA+ or better throughout high school.

Graduates include: Jacquelyn Aiello, Shane Alexander, Autumn Anderson❖❖*, Kelsey Anderson❖❖*, Andrea Baker, Reann Blount*, James Bradford, Robert Casillas, Joseph Compton, Joshua DeVoll, Meara Fleming*, Jeanie Hensley❖❖*, Miriam Hernandez, Mirta Hernandez, Heather Howell, Holly Klein, Warren Manning❖❖*, Kyle Martindale, Russell McKenzie, Justin Merryman, Ashley Moore❖❖*, Brittany Morgan❖❖*, Melissa Odson, Casey Murphy❖, Cameron Ousley❖❖*, Holly Rupe, Jered Rush❖, Pierce Shields❖❖*, Paul Smith, Scott Sullivan, Nichelle Veien, Matthew Wayne❖❖*, and Pete White.

❖ = Certificate of Initial Mastery

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Valedictorian Warren Manning leads the PHS Class of 2005 academically with a perfect 4.00 GPA. Manning's leadership roles have included president and vice president of the local chapter of National Honor Society, Student Council three years, and class treasurer one year. Manning was on the soccer team for two years, played varsity basketball four years, and served as team captain and co-MVP for the 2004-05 school year. Throughout high school, he has been a Big Fir Scholar Athlete.

Manning has distinguished himself as a public speaker, placing 1st in the Rotary-sponsored 4-Way Speech Contest and qualifying for upcoming regional competition. He also placed first in the Lincoln Day Speech contest during his junior year, and was a local winner and State finalist for the DAR Essay Contest. He has been a strong participant in youth activities, serving as a member of a local church youth group, summer camp counselor, and a summer bible school assistant. He was selected as the PHS repre-

sentative for Oregon Boys' State in 2004, and has volunteered numerous hours as a SWOYA and city league basketball referee.

Warren is the son of Pamela James (Langlois) and Herbert Manning (Cottage Grove). He will attend George Fox University in the fall on a Confederation of Oregon School Administrator's Scholarship, the George Fox Duke Scholarship, and the George Fox Science Scholarship.

Salutatorian Autumn Anderson has earned a cumulative GPA of 3.824 with a rigorous curriculum supplemented by summer studies with the NASA Summer High School Apprenticeship Research Program at Cal State Los Angeles, and the Upward Bound Math and Science at the University of Idaho. Both pursuits were designed to enhance her interest in engineering. Autumn's leadership roles have included Site Council Representative for Port Orford-Langlois School District 2CJ, the National Young Leaders' Conference in Washington D.C., class vice-president in 2001, and class president in 2002. She was named Rotary Student-of-the-Month in 2004, and is a three-year member of National Honor Society. Awards have included the Mentor Award sponsored by Curry Prevention Services, STARS Teen Leader Award, Big Fir League Scholar Athlete Award, and various honors for academic excellence. Throughout her high school career she has committed herself to community service, chalking up a total 202 hours of volunteer work.

Autumn will attend Embry Riddle Aeronautical University in Prescott Arizona where she will launch herself into a five-year degree program in aerospace engineering. She is the recipient of a US AFROTC scholarship to pursue those studies.

Autumn makes her home in Port Orford with her mother, Rebecca Miller, and brothers Levi and Alex.

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Letter to the Editor,

We feel pretty comfortable addressing the issue regarding the Pacific High School students who were cited for Minor in Possession at a recent Elk River BBQ. Over the years, we have volunteered hundreds of hours to the 2CJ School District. Our first two children graduated from Pacific High School while our second two found the school system too narrow and constricting and chose the option of home schooling. It has been several years since we have been involved in the day-to-day activities of the school district. We have not felt it appropriate to comment on what we saw as questionable issues over the past several years. This does not mean that we are not interested in the welfare of our local children.

Besides our years of service to the school district, we spent 18 years as 4-H leaders working with local youth. We found it to be very counterproductive to overreact to the natural curiosities and activities of adolescents.

It is with a great deal of reluctance that we take the school administration to task for the handling of the Elk River BBQ.

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We feel strongly that the administration has overstepped their bounds and have become policemen instead of teachers. The Curry County Sheriff's Department seems to have the instance well in hand and have deployed more than an adequate amount of personnel to investigate and prosecute the offenders.

Our children are too precious to stifle their future scholastic careers over this type of incident.

Sincerely,

John & Mary Guynup

Salmon Fishery Disaster

U.S. Representative Peter DeFazio organized 37 members of Congress from Oregon and California to ask for the west coast salmon fishery to be declared a disaster. In a letter sent on May 12, west coast members asked Commerce Secretary Carlos Gutierrez to direct NOAA (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration) to expedite the declaration process and make the determination by May 31. Declaration of a fishery disaster is the first step needed to allow the affected individuals and businesses to access federal disaster relief programs called for under the Magnuson-Stevens Act.

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Police Report

05-09 A report of a dog causing a public nuisance by running at large in the area of Geer Circle. A report was taken, and the case is pending further investigation.

05-09 A complaint was received of a man trying to get into a home on Arizona Street. Officers responded, and upon arrival determined the person had left the area. The area was patrolled to attempt to locate and identify the subject but the subject could not be located. Note: if you have any persons on or around your property that are suspicious in nature please call the Port Orford Police Department and report it. If there is no answer call the Sheriff's Office Dispatch at 1-800-543-8471. They usually know how to contact police personnel and can immediately dispatch someone so the suspicious person can be located checked and identified.

05-09 A report of possible child abuse. The information was obtained and it was determined to have occurred in the County. The information was given to the Curry County Sheriff's Office, and the case is under further investigation by that agency.

05-10 A set of car keys were turned in to the Police Department. The keys were found on the Elk River Beach and Ocean on May 8. On the key chain is an automatic door lock opener. If you can identify the keys contact the Police Department at 332-9013.

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05-11 Information received from Curry County Dispatch that a male being transported by West Ambulance service on a mental transport stopped at the Circle K Market to let the subject use the restroom. The male then fled through the back door causing damage to the door. The male later tried to hide his identity by removing his Sponge Bob Shorts but was later located by Port Orford Police and Curry County Sheriff's deputies while hitchhiking south on highway 101. The male was taken into custody by a Curry County Sheriff's Deputy. Port Orford Police issued the male subject a citation to appear in Curry County Circuit Court for Criminal Mischief because of damage he caused to the back door of Circle K Market when he broke through it to escape.

05-11 report of graffiti at Buffington Park. Photographs and a report were taken. There are no suspects at this time. If anyone has information regarding the graffiti please contact the Port Orford Police Department at 332-9013.

05-14 a travel trailer that was left abandoned on Arizona Street has been removed. An investigation determined the persons responsible for the travel trailer being abandoned onto city property. Officers contacted the subjects, and the vehicle has been subsequently removed. No further action taken on this incident.

05-14 Deana Litterell was arrested pursuant to bench warrant #96CV0318 is



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sued out of the Curry County Circuit Court on a charge of Contempt of Court. She was arrested, and transported to the Curry County Jail by Officer Halse where she was lodged on the above listed warrant. Her bail was set at \$10,000.00.

05-15 a report by a citizen that checks had been taken, forged and cashed. A report was taken and the case is currently under investigation.

SAFETY TIP: Public safety officials can't be everywhere at once, and protect you all the time. Everyone should assess their homes, property, and implement some safety steps for good home security. We all need to make our homes and property an undesirable target for any would-be criminal. Make yourself and your possessions harder to get to, and reduce and eliminate the opportunities for a criminal to invade your home or property.

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On Friday, May 20, Mr Gaetjens will open at the Face The Wind Art Gallery to introduce his latest pieces in a series titled “New Work”. The series features both pastel drawings and steel sculptures. The public is invited to attend the Artists’ Reception that evening from 5 to 8pm. The event will be catered by Rory’s Gourmet Catering. Musical interlude to be provided by Dr. Adam on the guitar.

Face The Wind Art Gallery is located at 246 6th Street (Hwy 101). Regular viewing hours are 11 to 5pm, Thursday through Saturday. The gallery may be reached at (541) 332-0989 for more info.

Letter to the Editor,

As Membership Secretary and Chief of the Love Monkey Outreach, therefore, I hereby publicly extend to Richard AuFranc, Esq., a very special invitation to our next May Day Wave. Then, if not before, kind sir, simply cross the highway into the Fun Zone, hang by your tail from a laughing limb, and cry out with the rest of us for peace.

With your voice added to our own “screeching and chest beating” – as you characterize our wayward efforts to communicate – we may together actually be heard all the way to Washington. At the very least you’ll have had a CCEC-like enLIGHTening experience and, best of all, phun.

Richard Drinnon

Spring Sing

The Port Orford-Langlois School District vocal music department presents the annual Spring Sing on Tuesday, May 24, 7:00pm, at the Pacific High School gym under the direction of Diane Cassel. The final concert of the year will feature the Pacific High Choir and String Band plus

the Blanco/Driftwood Soprano Singers, Fiddle/Guitar Orchestra, Step Dancers and the Blanco Elementary Choir and Orff Ensemble. The public is cordially invited to come out for an evening of lively music, song and dance!

Letter to the Editor,

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