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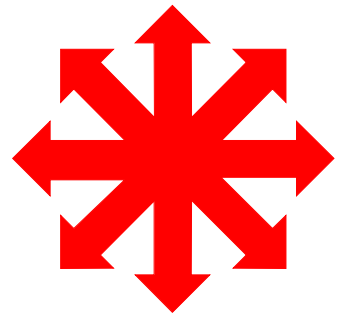
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Which Way, Port Orford?

Port Orford Refinement Plan By Evan Kramer

The City of Port Orford hosted a town hall workshop on January 31 in order to take a look at whether the City should update the Comprehensive Plan for the southern part of the City.

The meeting was led by Crystal Shoji who was hired by the city council to be the lead planner and facilitator.

Mayor Jim Auburn opened the meeting by explaining the goal was looking at the Comprehensive Plan for the southern part of the City which has not been updated for 30 years. He spoke of keeping Port Orford a better place.

The project timeline is January through June of 2006. Funding for the study came from the Department of Land Conservation and Development in a \$30,000 grant.

One "goal" the city set out is to make sure there are no obstacles for private business.

There is no requirement to change the comprehensive plan, but if people determine changes are needed, the city could apply for further funding for the process.

Shoji called the area in question a "study area". It encompasses the Port of Port

Orford, Battle Rock Park and the southern end of town to Tenth Street and goes up Coast Guard Hill past the water tower. Shoji said this process was not the same as the CRT but rather a land use plan. The map of the study area is on the wall in the city hall next to the council chambers.

Information was given out about the GIS mapping (Geographical Information Systems) which is mapping through computer data.

Shoji was asked why the City was doing this study and she said DLCDC had offered the grant because Port Orford hadn't done any analysis of their plans for 30 years. She said it was an opportunity to see if the zoning and planning rules are current. One question that came up more than once was why the study area only included the Port and southern part of town rather than the whole City and urban growth boundary.

Port Orford City planning director Jodi Ferrin said most of the land considered under the "refinement plan" is zoned commercial but that a person can live in or build a home in the commercial zone.

The most interesting group of statistics given out at the meeting came from Mike Wilson a workforce analyst with the Oregon Employment Department. He pre-

sented a lengthy economic and population study of Port Orford and Curry County.

He said the fishing industry was not part of the employment numbers because they don't pay into or collect unemployment. He estimated 100 people are employed in the fishing industry in Port Orford.

Wilson said that 60% of the residents of Port Orford are 40 years or older with the median age being 50.5. Only 5% of the population of Port Orford is between 20 to 29 years old while 12% is 10 to 19 years old. This is why our school district enrollment has been shrinking. The median age for Curry County is 48.8 which is the highest median age of any county in the United States except for six counties in Florida.

Wilson had statistics on the fastest growing occupations in our area from now to the year 2014 and the number one is medical assistants followed by customer service representatives, leased workers and home health aids.

Crystal Shoji then asked the many people in attendance at the meeting what their goals were for Port Orford. She said that of the many surveys which have been turned back in many people want no

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Port Orford Refinement Plan Continued from Front Cover

change, another group wants slow change and others want change.

One suggestion from Tim Palmer was change Port Orford as little as possible as well as his concern with the "no obstacles to private business." Dave Wilhite said there hadn't been much publicity about the current Comprehensive Plan for the City. That document is well over 200 pages long.

Jack Pruitt said we need employment for younger people and that they be living wage jobs.

Other comments included someone wanting to target bringing businesses to town like a pharmacy and veterinarian. Appreciation was expressed for the greater infill going on within the city. Another suggestion was to shrink the commercial zone while another was to encourage mixed use zones and encourage housing attractive to artists.

Further comments including the City needs to work with the Port's Master

Plan and the need to support new economic growth. The Port of Port Orford needs a "front door" on Highway 101. Zone out large scale developments. We need to encourage the businesses that we want.

Port Manager Gary Anderson told the people that there were 35 resident businesses at the Port with 120 people employed in fishing and another 35 businesses that come in seasonally.

The next Town Hall workshop meeting will be held on Thursday, March 16, in the city hall council chambers from 7:00-9:00pm. It will be a discussion of community values and what we want for the community, what our goals are.

The third and final Town Hall workshop will be held on Thursday, April 13, in the city hall council chambers from 7:00-9:00pm, with a site walk starting at 5:00pm. The goal of this meeting is to define and expand on the vision and goals.

There are two main ways to participate in this refinement plan. One is attend the

meetings and voice your opinions, goals, etc. The other way and time is running out for this one is fill out the survey which was sent to all Port Orford residents who get a water and sewer bill. These surveys have to be received at City Hall no later than Friday, February 17. Extra copies of the survey for those who didn't get one are available at Port Orford City Hall or at the Downtown Fun Zone.

4-H Horse Gaming Day

The Good, The Bad and The Ugly 4-H group is sponsoring a gaming day at the Gold Beach arena (fairgrounds) on Sunday, February 26th. Games include barrels, figure 8, poles, keyhole, and more. It's only \$20.00 per rider for a day of fun. High point prizes and candy/ribbons for individual winners. All profits will be donated to the Gold Beach High School Equestrian Team. Come join the fun. Sign ups begin at 10:00 and we ride at 11:00 a.m. Concessions will be available. For more information please call 290-1976.



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Police Report by Chief Mark Creighton

02-06 Police and ambulance were dispatched to a resident on 12th Street on a 911 call from a female advising she had been beaten. After making contact it was determined that the female was intoxicated, and had called 911 for no apparent reason, and then lay the telephone down. The female was cited to appear in Circuit Court for Initiating a false report, and Improper use of the 911 system.

02-08 Police were dispatched to one of our local churches on an intoxicated male subject. The male was moved and placed in another area of Port Orford where he could rest some before hitchhiking south.

02-08 A 911 call was received from a male subject advising that he was having a seizure. Upon officer, and ambulance arrival, it was determined the male subject had misused the 911 dispatch. The male was transported by police to Gold Beach Hospital where after being checked, was issued a citation to appear for initiating a false report, and provided a room by the Sheriff's office through Salvation Army funds.

02-08 An ODOT employee replacing the school zone sign on 101 reported that a woman walked by him yelled vulgar language, and spit at him. Police are cautiously looking for a woman who likes to spit at people.

02-09 Police received a complaint of a dirt bike driving on the sidewalk in Port Orford, Police located the motorcycle, and its occupant near 101 and Madrona Street. The operator had no valid drivers license. The subject pushed the motorcycle to the owner's establishment where he was issued a citation for driving without a license, and also given numerous warnings for other traffic infractions.

02-10 while on patrol a vehicle ran a stop sign in the area of 18th, and Idaho Street almost striking a police vehicle. After police stopped the vehicle, It was surprisingly determined the driver did not have a valid drivers license. The driver was cited and his vehicle impounded.

02-10 A report was received that a female had been hit by a vehicle near 10th Street on Highway 101. Port Orford Ambulance personnel were already tending to the injured person. It was deter-

mined the person had fallen on the sidewalk. She was transported to the hospital by ambulance.

02-10 A complainant reported that another female jumped her at the Post Office, strangled her, and threw her to the ground causing injury. The suspect has been identified, and a report sent to the Curry County District Attorney.

02-11 a male subject requested a welfare check on a female because he thought she might be in danger. The female was suppose to call him when she arrived home but hadn't. Police responded to her residence to check on her welfare. After a search of the area, the female was located with a male subject following her. The male subject quickly left the area when he saw police. After receiving further information, a search was conducted to locate him. Police located the male subject near Oregon and 20th Street. Arrested for menacing was Roy Fernandez. He was transported to the Curry County Jail without incident where he was lodged on the charge. A report has been sent to the Curry County District Attorney for review, and prosecution.

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No Deal at City Hall By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council met on Monday night, minus Mayor Jim Auburn, to review and discuss the proposed city administrator contract. At their meeting last Monday morning the council had offered the job to George Bennett.

The council went into executive session, then returned to the special public session after about half an hour. Councilor Milton Finch made a motion to offer the city administrator job to candidate #3 with the contract to be negotiated. Councilor Jerry Steinhorst said that person's educational background was not there. Councilor Steve Abbott agreed with Steinhorst. Councilor Jim Campbell said the city needed someone that fits and #3 has the right personality. The council does not use the names of candidates in the public session but has assigned each one a number to provide anonymity.

The council then voted on the Finch motion ending up with a split council vote of 3-3 with Finch, Carl Eskelson and Campbell voting yes and Ed Beck, Steinhorst, and Abbott voting no. The motion did not pass.

Councilor Steinhorst made a motion that the council reopen the job and advertise for a city administrator. That vote was 4-2 in favor with Campbell and Finch voting no.

You may wonder what happened to George Bennett during this process since the contract negotiations took place in executive session which are not to be reported. Councilor Jim Campbell gave me a statement after the meeting was over that the council was unable to come to a contract agreement with George Bennett.

This will be the third time the City has advertised for the vacant City Administrator position since Ken Knight left.

Students of the Month

Eighth grader Katie Peters talked to the Port Orford Rotary Club about her interests and plans at the February 9 Rotary meeting. She was selected to receive this honor due to her academic achievements and Katie explained that she likes sports, walks on the beach and her favorite subject is PE. Her mom Sara Peters accompanied Katie.

Lindsay Dougherty, a senior of Pacific High School, accompanied by her mother Janet, described her many activities including planning the upcoming Talent Show to be held at Pacific High School on Saturday, February 25 at 7:00pm. Lindsay has also played volleyball and basketball, worked on the school newspaper and loves to go to the beach and to shop. After high school, Lindsay plans to attend the Floral Design Institute in Portland to become a florist.

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Water Resources

Since studying the water resources and uses of Curry County in the early 1990's, The Curry League of Women Voters has been committed to monitoring the health of watersheds and water availability in the county. For the last year and a half, League members have been attending meetings, researching public documents and putting together information to educate themselves and those who live in the county about water sources and uses.

Discussion units for the month of February will be focused on water availability. At the North County unit, set to meet Feb. 13 at noon in the small conference room in the Biscuit Building, 29707 Pacific Hwy 101 in Gold Beach, Milt Nelson will talk about the challenges facing the water system in the Port Orford area. This community, which depends upon water impoundment of Hubbard Creek, has had to deal with siltation in its water supply as well as salt water intrusion into Garrison Lake, which has served as a secondary water supply for the community.

In the South County, Yvonne Maitland and Pat Russell will present information on the City of Brookings and Harbor PUD water systems which rely upon the Chetco River as their raw water source. The South County Unit will meet at 10 a.m. on February 16 in the small meeting room at Chetco Community Library, 405 Alder Street, Brookings.

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Everymember material, "Water Sources and Uses, 2006" has been sent to League members. This material is also available online on the Curry League's website at www.lwvcurry.org/water_update.htm.

All League meetings and activities are open to the public. Anyone interested in receiving a paper copy of the Water Update should contact Pat Russell at 412-4416 in Brookings Harbor or Milt Nelson at (541) 332-4002, or contact the League through email at lwvcurry@lwvcurry.org.

Letter to the Editor,

Did you know that our schools don't have any money for Art Supplies and that our childrens' teachers pay for Art supplies out of there own pockets? The Arts Council has an idea to raise money for the schools to give them much needed arts supplies specifically needed for art projects in our schools. I went to the school board last year and got an approval for the "School of Fish" plan to raise the funds for all three schools Arts programs.

Here is the plan:

1. Ask for volunteers in the community to donate scrap plywood and/or cut "fish" from a pattern we would supply. Enough fish to give one to each child in the elementary schools, Blanco and Driftwood.
2. The arts council committee and community volunteers would prime the fish for painting and drill holes for hanging on the Driftwood Elementary School fence on Highway 101.
3. Volunteer artists would then go into the Blanco and Driftwood schools for Fish Painting Days.
4. The fish would then be mounted on the fence and presented to the community for adoption for \$15.00 each fish. When you adopt a fish, all the money raised will go directly to the classrooms for much needed arts and craft supplies for the kids.

If you would like to volunteer to help with the project or have wood to donate, call Stacy Romele at 332-1140 for more information.

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Stacy Jo Romele,
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Letter to the Editor,

Port Orford is a community that cares. I'm sure that every homeowner and resident loves this unique, unspoiled environment in which we live.

Recently I visited a friend in the Hamlet and was met by a horrifying scene. A large number of acres had been clear-cut directly across the street from their home – tree trunks were piled high on a knoll and the rest of the earth had been wiped clean of all greenery. The sound of earth-moving equipment and huge trucks shattered the afternoon.

How could we have allowed this land rape to take place?

Now it is too late. But not too late for the community to prevent another such incident. Free enterprise, the opportunity to garner wealth from personal property, must be balanced with the well-being of the community as a whole. We can't trust our development to those who are here to exploit.

We need to promote land-use policies that preserve the integrity of our tranquil neighborhoods, our green spaces, water resources, trees, streams and wildlife

habitats – we need to back them with ordinances that protect our way of life without clashing with Measure 37.

The next town hall meeting to discuss this issue is on March 16, 7:00pm, at City Hall.

What unites us is more than we realize!

Nella Reed Abbott

Letter to the Editor,

Two hundred people joined us for the Port Orford premiere of "Common Ground: Oregon's Ocean." Thanks to everyone in the community who came to the reception, film screening and discussion on protecting ocean habitat to both sustain the marine environment and the local fishing community. Port Orford is a very special place, and we applaud the independent spirit that thrives here. I'd like to say a special thank you to Leesa Cobb and Jeff Miles for participating on the panel and sharing their knowledge, experience and vision with the audience. Also a big thank you to Jim and Maurissa of the Wild Wind Café for holding the reception in their restaurant. They did a

terrific job. And our hats are off to Chris Speed at the Savoy Theatre for graciously hosting the film and discussion in this wonderful theater. I hear we beat "Fahrenheit 911" and "The Perfect Storm" in terms of number of people attending. So continue the discussion and get involved if you are interested. You can check in on the Common Ground website www.oceansonline.org for updates, information, and ways to make your voice heard.

Karen Anspacher-Meyer
Executive Director,
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HIV Testing Day

Friday, February 24 is HIV Testing Day in Curry County. The tests are conducted by the Curry County Health Department and are anonymous, free and use no needles. Take the test and take control. For more information contact Sherry Cleghorn at the Health Department at 541-247-3300 or Mary Murphy at the HIV Resource Center at 1-877-440-2761.

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Filing Deadline Nears

The filing deadline for the spring primary election is on Tuesday, March 7, 5:00pm. The filing deadline is for persons running for precinct positions for the political parties. County offices which are up for election are the surveyor and the county commission seat currently held by Brookings resident Ralph Brown. The primary election will be held on Tuesday, May 16 and with all elections in Oregon is vote by mail.

Brown announced at the County Commissioners meeting on Monday that he would not be running for a second four year term of office for position #1. The commissioner job is a partisan office pitting Democrat versus Republican.

There will be a primary election for the seat currently held by Republican Wayne Krieger in the State House of Representa-

tatives. Krieger has announced he will run for another term in District 1 of the State House. The winners in the primary elections will face off at the election on the first Tuesday in November.

Statewide Oregon voters will be electing a governor with incumbent Democratic Governor Ted Kulongoski having announced he will run for another four year term.

The City of Port Orford council election coincides with the November general election. There are three councilors whose positions will be up for election including Ed Beck, Jerry Steinhorst and Jim Campbell. Special Districts hold their elections in odd numbered years.

The deadline to register to vote in the primary election is 21 days before that election. Oregon voter registration cards are available in Port Orford at the library.

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The program features Earl Mohr as The Reading Wizard of Od'. Mohr will read from the Conference authors own works. Folk guitarist Richard Purdy, who recorded the 1970's national hit, The Ballad of DB Cooper, will provide a musical interlude.

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welcome. The library is located at 1204 Eleventh St. S.W., in City Park next to the Sprague Theater.

Any student between the age of 12 and 18 years, living with the Bandon, Langlois and Port Orford School Districts may enter. Any form of poem is acceptable, rhyme or free verse, not to exceed 40 lines.

Enter one original, unpublished poem. Make two copies, typed or neatly written on 8 1/2 x 11 sheets of unlined paper. On one copy put your age and school in the upper right hand corner. On the second copy write your name, address and phone number.

Democrat Dinner

On Saturday March 25 at 6:30pm the Curry County Democratic Party will host its annual dinner at the County Fairgrounds Event Center in Gold Beach. The event is an opportunity to see old friends, meet new friends, hear an inspiring speaker, and support the efforts of the party in getting good people elected to office.

According to County Democratic Party chair Mary Jane LaBelle, "Our annual dinner is a good opportunity for people to support the direction that our party is taking to work for better education and health care, a sound economy, a healthy environment, and a balanced-budget government that serves all of the people." LaBelle added, "To come to our dinner, you don't have to be a Democrat. We welcome everybody to come and share this inspiring evening with us.

A silent auction will include art pieces from major local artists. Music will be provided by The Comforters with soft country and rock and roll, and a no-host bar will be open.

Tickets are \$25 each. Anyone interested in attending is encouraged to call ticket chairpeople Gail Rathbun in Langlois/Port Orford at 348-9910, Barbara Eells in Gold Beach at 247-7921, Stan Millstone in Brookings at 412-8753, or dinner chairwoman Rosaria Williams in Port Orford at 332-0564.

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Greathead's New Work

Local Gold Beach artist, Tim Greathead, is showing his paintings of Otter Point Feb. 18-25 from 12-5pm daily at the new temporary art space at Battle Rock Park in Port Orford. His unframed paintings of gouache and acrylic were painted on location and show the progression of his work over time.

"I've been painting at Otter point for almost two years and this is my work," Greathead said. Known for his beautiful use of color and simple, improvisational style, this show is the first exhibition of Greathead's new work. Everyone is invited to a reception on Saturday, Feb 18 at 1:00pm, or drop by 12-5pm the following week.

Planning Commission Meets

The Port Orford Planning Commission meets on Thursday, February 16, 7:00pm in the city hall council chambers. Planning commission meetings are normally held on the second Tuesday of each month but this one was changed because of Valentine's Day.

The Hero's Journey

This Friday at 7:30pm, the Biscuit Show-room at Gold Beach Books will host a free presentation by Robert Walter, the Executive Director of the Joseph Campbell Foundation. Walter's lecture is titled, "The Hero's Journey," and will include references to Campbell's life-long work on heroic myths. Walter will be joined by Chungliang Al Huang, founder of the Living Tao Foundation; the two will describe their ongoing collaborations, including periodic "roundtables" held at many international venues. Many Living Tao seminarians from around the world plan to attend Friday's event.

In 1979, Walter began working with Campbell on several projects and Campbell subsequently named him as editorial director of Campbell's Historical Atlas of World Mythology. Following Campbell's death in 1987, Walter served as literary executor of Campbell's estate, where he completed and supervised the publication of the first two volumes of the Atlas. Walter continues to oversee the publication of Campbell's materials, including a video and audio series.

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Walter's background includes work as a Faculty Fellow at the California Institute of the Arts, where he lectured widely on experimental education. He has also been involved in professional theatre, serving as writer and director for many productions; and he is a founding trustee of United Religions Initiative.

Campbell and his mythological studies attained a widespread audience following Bill Moyers' television interviews with Campbell, which aired shortly after Campbell's death.

Al Huang, a Tai Ji master, author and internationally known authority on East-West cultural synthesis, taught joint seminars with Joseph Campbell for ten years at the Esalen Institute in Big Sur. He is a research fellow at the Academia Sinica, a member of the World Academy of Art and Science, and a recipient of the Republic of China's Gold Medal of Education.

The event is open to all without charge. The bookstore is located on Pacific Highway 101 and First Streets in Gold Beach.

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The unique workshop will be the best starting place for the home gardener wanting to feed their family organic food, the commercial grower gearing up for the marketplace and everyone in between. John will answer your individual questions while walking you through exactly what it means to be an organic grower, according to USDA. We promise an in-

teresting and very educational event for all who attend.

For questions about the presentation, cost, comments or concerns call 541-347-9081 anytime.

Project Graduation Auction

Mark your calendars! The Pacific High School Graduation Auction will be held on Saturday, March 11 at 7:00pm in the high school gym. All proceeds go to benefit the safe and sober Graduation Celebration for the Class of 2006. Prices are \$4.00 for a single, \$3.00 for seniors and students and \$10.00 for a family. With your admission you are in for an evening of fun, heated bidding and of course all you can eat desserts served by this year's graduating seniors. If you would like to donate an item for the auction or would like to sponsor the celebration, please call Maureen Wayne at 332-9765, Brenda Bowman at 332-8001 or Cecil Ashdown at 332-0806.

The Project Graduation Committee is meeting every Monday at 6:30pm at the Pacific High School Library.

CoastWatch Programs

CoastWatch is hosting two presentations of a free public lecture, "The Natural History of the Driftline" followed by guided beach walks, on Saturday, Feb. 25 at 1:30pm, at the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology Boathouse, Charleston; and on Sunday, Feb. 26 at 2:00pm at the City Hall in Gold Beach. Dr. Cynthia Trowbridge, a marine ecologist from the Hatfield Marine Science Center, will show many of the natural materials found in the beach driftline and discuss their origins. Also information will be presented about the CoastWatch Program of volunteers who adopt a mile of Oregon coast to walk, watch and to report on natural and man-made changes.

Meeting Cancelled

The Feb. 16 meeting of the BLM Coos Bay Resource Advisory Committee has been cancelled due to a lack of a quorum. The meeting was to occur at the Ellen Warring Learning Center located at the BLM-managed New River Area of Critical Environmental Concern near Langlois, Oregon. A new meeting date will be announced soon.

CLASSIFIED ADS

CLASSIFIED ADS are \$3.50 for the first 25 words or less, and 10¢ each additional word (if any.) Our normal deadline for submission is 3:00pm Tuesday to be in that Thursday's paper. Downtown Fun Zone, Inc., 832 Hwy 101, Box 49, Port Orford, OR 97465 (541) 332-6565.

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Brown Won't Run Again By Molly Cooley

At Monday's County Commissioners meeting commissioner Ralph Brown publicly announced that he will not run for reelection. He will serve out his current term, which ends in January 2007. Commissioner Lucie La Bonte expressed sadness at the prospect of losing such a hard working colleague.

In an interview on Monday afternoon Brown was asked what motivated him not to run. He said, "I've been in public service of one kind or another for twenty years. I think I've accomplished some things for fisheries. Now it seems like time for me to attend to private business."

Asked about his future plans he said, "I'll start by looking at my fishing business and trying to find ways to make it more profitable. The people who've been running it in my absence could probably use some more energy from me."

Brown will leave legacy of important marine policy work. He wrote the Developmental Fisheries Policy for the State of Oregon. He said, "The buy back program was probably initially my idea. I worked with Pete Leipsig, who wrote up

that program." Brown served on the original Ocean Policy Advisory Board.

Brown moved with his parents to Curry County when he was in the seventh grade, and graduated from Brookings High School in 1967. He grew up in a time when there were abundant jobs in Curry County and when the schools were the centers of each community. "I remember how they used to pack the gymnasium for ball games, concerts, every kind of school event." Brown commented that in those times when money was plentiful people were optimistic and willing to take risks and try new things. Brown hopes that the county's residents can regain some of that willingness to venture and develop ways to increase family incomes.

"I'm pleased that the County's Office of Economic Development has come into being during my term," said Brown. "My hope is for a better quality of life for our citizens. I'd like to see Curry County be an easier place for families to live."

Port Commission Meets

The Port of Port Orford Commission meets on Tuesday, February 21, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

Port Orford Library News By Tobe Porter

Any day now you will see a few people stalking through the new library property. Stuntzner Engineering will be doing a topographical survey so our architect Rich Turi can begin the construction documents (better known to most of us as blueprints).

That's right, it's all beginning to happen – we just need \$276,000 more to begin construction. I remain confident we will have the money before too many spring flowers bloom. We have three grant applications in the works: Paul G. Allen Foundation for \$50,000; Weyerhaeuser Company Foundation for \$40,000; and USDA for \$50,000.

We have also asked a number of corporations in our general neighborhood for donations totaling \$30,000. The money meter is running, and so are we to gather just a few more dollars. The time has come to build this new library!

We have final sketches of the new library design. If you would like to see them, just ask at the front desk next time you stop by to check out books or just relax and read some newspapers or magazines.

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