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**Drinking and Driving
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Glug, Glug, You're Dead by Valerie Jean Kramer

Sometime in the next 18 minutes your son or daughter may be killed in an alcohol-related accident. Maybe they'll be lucky, but that's the grim truth about our country. Every 18 minutes, give or take a few seconds, someone dies. That's an average of about two people in our county every three weeks. Drunk driving is now the leading cause of death for teens in the U.S. This is Red Ribbon Week. The week set aside to remind people of the problem and to educate them as to its extent and danger in the hope that this will help.

I visited Pacific High School (PHS) and spoke with Christy Bewsee, the president of the PHS chapter of SADD (Students Against Drunk Driving.) The first thing I noticed as I arrived was that there were rows of white crosses covering the lawn. Inside I found black paper tombstones affixed to many of the students' lockers. Christy told me that Michelle Steinfeld and Echo Pruitt had headed up the committee to put one up every 18 minutes to remind everyone of the frequency with which alcohol kills. On Wednesday a representative from the sheriff's department is scheduled to speak to the students about drug and alcohol abuse. Other events are scheduled for Thursday and Friday.

Up to this point this is another typical report which we can all read and shrug

off. Yep. I read something about that last year too. Ho hum. Then I asked Christy how many of our local students were involved in this alcohol problem. "Maybe 75%" she said. That woke me up. She's just guessing, of course, based on her day to day interaction with the other young adults but any way you look at it, she feels most of our kids are involved. I asked Pacific HS principal, Mike Nickless, for his opinion. He first spoke about the 5-10 students who have a major addiction problem but I was asking for the number of students involved in MIP (Minor In Possession) to any degree. "Might be as high as 50% or a bit less" he said. Well, 50% and 75% are a fair bit different but there's a lot of motive for students to keep the principal uninformed about such matters too. Whoever is right, it tells me we have a pretty big situation here.

My next question was, "Why?" Christy felt that there isn't much entertainment around for teens, so they go out and "party" which too often means alcohol. I spoke to a professional in the field who disagreed. She claimed these people are making a choice then trying to blame it on others. I'm inclined to agree. I know I sure never find time to do all the neat things I'd like to do. Perhaps that just comes with getting older, wiser, more experienced, more mature, whatever. Seems like the older I get, the more things I find I'm interested in and the less time I have to be involved in all of them but, yes, I remember those days when I'd

mope around the house and complain to my mom that, "there's nothing to do!" Sure wish I had all those wasted hours back now!

Alcohol abuse and teen sex are frequent partners. Female abuse of alcohol is on a sharp increase and a drunk teen may find herself host to multiple sex partners whether she wants them or not. So far, Port Orford only reports one teen pregnancy among its students but unfortunately more are likely before the year is over. The depressing fact is that teen pregnancy is also on the rise.

Curry County, especially north county, has a very low rate of MIP arrests. Mostly if a deputy catches kids with alcohol he confiscates it or makes them pour it out. Rarely is an arrest made. The kids think it's a big joke. Who cares. Even if they catch you, you don't get punished so why not? I was told that Deputy Mark Metcalf is making a project of reversing this trend but I didn't have time to reach him for comment. I hope it's true and that others will join him.

Finally, it isn't all just alcohol. Crack, Crank, Acid and other drugs are no stranger to Curry County. Drug dealers aren't usually the evil dudes portrayed in the cinema. Typically they think of themselves as ethical. They are more likely than others to believe the moral climate has deteriorated in the last 30 years. They

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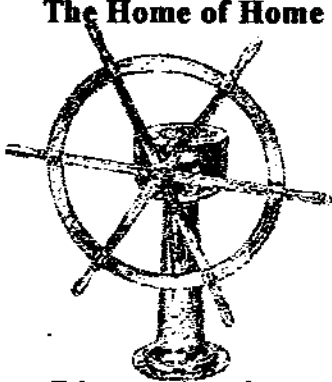
Republican women to meet

The Curry County Republican Women's Club, will meet for their monthly luncheon meeting at 11:30 am on Thursday, October 27, 1994, at the Rod and Reel Restaurant, Gold Beach, OR.

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I am a wisp of Autumn fog...
dancing gleefully,
from mountain top to golden brush
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Vote for Marlyn Schaefer for County Commissioner Seat #1

September 23, 1994
Marlyn Schaefer
Mayor, City of Gold Beach
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I know that you worked hard to make sure that all of Curry
County was taken care of and that all of Curry County could work
together to compete effectively for regional strategies funds.
As I remember, your whole effort to generate cooperation in Curry
County started with your drive to form the Tri-Cities Council to
be of odds.
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by Evan Kramer**

Arriving fresh on the heels of the recent opening of the Paradise Cafe, Port Orford's new quilt shop, The Quilter's Corner is now open for business. The Quilter's Corner is located in a completely remodeled building next to the Post Office. It formerly housed an auto body and paint shop and if you've been on another planet or in California for the last several months when you see it in its new incarnation you'll wonder if you're in the right place. They've done a fantastic job! The general contractor on the fine remodeling job was Dale Garnick and the electric contracting work was done by

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Another store that has a whole new look is Sentry Market. They recently put in a new produce section and then last week took out the old freezers and put in brand new stand up freezer units. They're light years ahead of the old units (they are better lit). The deli section has also been remodeled. It's almost like a brand new

store. Owner Al Luis told me there were a few more things left to before they finished sprucing up the store. All in all it looks very good.

Lion's Club Car Wash

Last Saturday, the Port Orford Leo's Club, part of the Lion's Club, held a car wash at Sentry Market. What made it special was that the \$164 the car washers earned will go towards purchasing books for the Driftwood Elementary School library. The Leo's Club is also putting together a reading club where an older child will assist a younger child with their reading. Until this car wash I'd never heard of this reading club but it sounds like a great idea. The Lion's Club recently constructed a new school bus shelter for children on Port Orford Loop Road in front of the Silver Springs Motel. They'll appreciate it this fall and winter as the rain continues to fall.

Jubilee Committee Meets

The next meeting of the Port Orford Jubilee committee is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 2, at 6:30pm, at Jennie's Old Towne Cantina.

Eastern Star Rummage Sale

Order of the Eastern Star will hold their annual rummage sale (with bake sale & craft table) at the Masonic Hall in Port Orford behind St. John's Catholic Church on Friday, Nov. 4 from 8:30 to 3pm. Lunch will be served from 11 to 1pm, with pie & coffee available anytime.

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Authorized by T.V. Skinner for Commissioner, Position No. 1,
Walt Schroeder, Treasurer, 95102 Rogue River Heights, Gold Beach, OR 97444

Roaring Sea Arts Open House

Everyone is welcome to attend the next last-Sunday-of-the-month Open House at Roaring Sea Arts, October 30, from 2:00 to 5:00. It will be even less formal than usual, with a mask-making workshop conducted by maskmakers Delvalle Lewis, Debbie Lohry and Karen Schofield. If you wish to be a participant and not just a spectator, bring decorations, or pay for supplies you select.

Music makers will include the Kammeroque Ensemble, Steve (Montana) Lawrence, guitarist, and the favorite local singing group Bella Acapella that includes Debbie Lohry and Julie Hawthorne.

Refreshments and snacks are pot-luck, as usual. If you have questions, call Donna at 332-4444.

Welcome Champion Party

The annual Champion Party takes place this Monday, October 31, from 6:00-8:00pm, at the Port Orford Community Building. Admission to the party is 1 bag of candy per person. Enjoy the costumes, games, air bands, skits and puppets.

Please no skimpy or scary costumes. If you would like to perform or help call or contact Ruth at 332-7685.

Time Changes This Weekend

It's time to Fall Back this coming Sunday morning at 2:00am. Don't forget your wristwatch, clocks, VCR, microwave, stove, stopwatch, car radio, computer, and sundial. (In Oregon, should it be a fogdial or rindial?)

I could see where this time change thing could be a problem if you had a 1:30am appointment. Do you meet the first 1:30am or the second time? Or both? How would a birth certificate read? How do they list stuff in the TV Guide? What if you're working nights and your scheduled from Midnight to 8am - Do you work 8 hours or 9? Hmm. Maybe I'd better just sleep thru the whole thing.



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Soccer News

Coach Cassel's team came up against Gold Beach with a 3-2 win. Jason Keeler scored 2 goals. Stephan Baudry scored 1 goal. Ryan Gehrke played very aggressively and hard. Last Saturday they came out on top of Gold Beach again. Sunday the game against Coquille ended with a 4-3 victory for Cassel's team.

Jon & Garrett played goalie and made some good stops. Tim & Tyler pushed the ball up the field real good. Nate & Morgan kicked the ball out of the goalie box when it got close.

Coach Fleming's team played a 2-2 tie with Gold Beach. Fleming said they played hard and worked well as a team. Warren pushed the ball up the field fast & hard. Soloman helped Warren push it up hard.

Coach Kalina's team played a 2-0 loss to Gold Beach. Kalina said the team played good as a unit. They worked hard at it and kept right after the ball all around the field.

Coach McKenzie's team played Gold Beach and took a 3-1 victory. The next



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game against Gold Beach ended in a 1-1 tie. Last Saturday they played Gold Beach again and Gold Beach came out on top 5-3. Joel Foster & Aaron Martin played halfback and pushed the ball up the field good. Shawn & Marvai were fullbacks and helped push the ball up the field even farther. Jason & Jake did a good job keeping the ball out of the goal box.

Coach Rachel Swenson had a kindergarten scrimmage Saturday. Kids that played were Benjamin House, Thomas Manning, Kelsey McKenzie, Jon Swenson, Ciara Meeks & Shannon Young. They all have a lot of fun playing and looked like they have great potential as soccer players.

Coach Swenson's team played Gold Beach White Water Pizza and won 4-2. They also played Gold Beach Heather House and won 4-0. Last Saturday they played Gold Beach All Stars and tied 0-0. Coach Swenson said halfbacks Russell and Hannah pushed the ball up the field good. Fullbacks Michael & Tara helped out Goalie Tony by kicking the ball out of the goal box. Daniel House scored 2 goals.

Reunion

The 1945 class of the Port Orford High School is planning a 50 year reunion for Labor Day Weekend of 1995.

Since classes in the 40's were small it was decided it should be a reunion for all those attending P.O.H.S. in the 1940's (1940-1949).

There will be a planning meeting at the Whalecove Restaurant in Port Orford, Wednesday, Nov. 9 at noon. Please come, eat lunch and share ideas for this gala affair.

Names, addresses and telephone numbers are needed to make this a great celebration.

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Fri Oct. 28	7:29am 5.9	12:39am 0.9	6:37pm 5.8	1:15pm 3.1
Sat Oct. 29	8:14am 6.3	1:37am 1.0	7:56pm 5.8	2:22pm 2.5
Sun Oct. 30	7:53am 6.8	1:29am 1.1	8:06pm 6.0	2:20pm 1.6
Mon Oct. 31	8:32am 7.3	2:18am 1.2	9:08pm 6.2	3:11pm 0.7
Tue Nov. 1	9:10am 7.8	3:05am 1.4	10:05pm 6.4	4:01pm -0.1
Wed Nov. 2	9:49am 8.3	3:50am 1.6	10:59pm 6.6	4:48pm -0.9

Thank you

I would like to say thank you to everyone who helped me through the recent difficulties that I have experienced. The moral support that I received through all the cards, visitors, phone calls, and the gifts for my new born son Zachary Allen Machado, were more than I can thank any of you for. I appreciate all that you have done for my family and I.

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City Council Audits by Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council met with city auditor Rob Wall Monday morning at the Wheelhouse Restaurant. Wall was there to bring the council up to date on the condition of the city audits. He said the postings for the 1992-93 audit have been complete and the postings for the 1993-94 audit are nearly done. Wall stated that the reports with PERS, SAIF, and other agencies which had been filed late are now brought up to date and current. He said he would file a corrective plan of action with the secretary of state.

The City will be sending Mayor Delaine Kennedy, councilors George Kennedy and Martha Weaver-Britell and city manager Dotti Myers to the League of Oregon Cities Conference the weekend of November 18-20.

Dotti Myers presented the council with information about the Law Enforcement Grant application. This money is available as a result of the recent passage of the Clinton Crime Bill. Dotti said there is a good chance of receiving a grant if the city puts in an application for either a town police officer or marshal. The grant would fund this position for two years. Dotti said the revenue generated from the officer's enforcement of city ordinances and traffic citations would be put aside and used to fund the position for the third year. At the end of the third year it would then be up to the voters to approve

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a serial levy or a tax increase to make the position permanent. She said we would need a municipal judge where violators could be sent, thus keeping the money in the city's coffers. Paul Peterson noted that back when he was on the city council he served as municipal judge for free. The council will discuss this issue at their next meeting and is seeking the public's opinion on this idea.

Portland State University is conducting a survey this week in Port Orford to determine the amount of low and moderate income residents in the City. They are going to do a random sampling of 350 residences and have the results back to the city by December.

Ellen Warring representing the watershed council, spoke to the city council about a proposal submitted by the watershed council. They are asking the City to get involved with a program to map and delineate the wetlands and streams in the Garrison Lake and Hubbard Creek watersheds. \$10,000 is available from the Department of Land Conservation and Development as long as the city can provide 25% addition funding in either money or "in kind" labor. The council agreed to send a letter to Frank Flynn, wetlands specialist with DLCD, expressing the City's interest in pursuing an application for a grant from that agency.

The very busy Matt Gray, representing HGE Inc., the City's engineering firm submitted a letter to the council regard-

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ing the City's new sewage treatment plant. According to Gray the sewage treatment plant will not start up this week. You can blame this one on the Department of Environmental Quality. They will not let the plant begin operation until the Operations and Maintenance Manual is approved. Gray had thought that, with "some stipulations," the plant could be started up while the manual was being completed but DEQ has rejected that idea. Gray's letter to the council accused the DEQ of using double standards in reviewing different projects. Gray thought the manual could be completed and submitted to DEQ within two weeks.

Gray expressed some dissatisfaction with both the geotechnical report on the Bussmann property landslide and the French drain installed to correct that problem. He said the geotechnical engineer may not have been aware that the landslide affected the city's reservoir and primary source of water. The council took no action and made no comment regarding his concerns.



THIS WEEK'S TOP VIDEOS

The Cowboy Way

Kiefer Sutherland & Woody Harrelson star as the best roping team ever but they're on the outs. Now they have to team up to help a pal who has vanished into the badlands of New York City looking for his missing daughter. Rip roarin' action-comedy PG-13

Snow White

The Walt Disney classic is now available on video for the first time ever!

Clifford

Smart, hyperactive, 10-year-old Clifford Daniesl (Martin Short) is dangerous. He wants to to to Dinosaurworld in L.A. so he forces a jet to make an emergency landing and drops in on Uncil Martin (Charles Grodin). When his uncle breaks his promise to take him to Dinosaurworld, Clifford schemes to get even and go on his own. Uh-oh! PG

Guarding Tess

Shirley MacLaine and Nicolas Cage star in this delightful comedy about a cantankerous former First Lady and her reluctant bodyguard. "Driving Miss Daisy with attitude" - USA Today PG-13

The Hudsucker Proxy

Norville is a schmoe who gets voted president in the hopes he'll wreck the company so it can be bought cheap by scheming board members. He has other plans. This comedy puts Tim Robbins, Paul Newman, and Jennifer Jason Leigh thru all the hoops. PG

Jimmy Hollywood

Joe Pesci and Christian Slater star in this wild comedy. Only one thing stands between Jimmy and stardom... Reality. R (Note: some footage was added and some deleted from the version seen in theatres.)

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Elect Martha Weaver-Britell by Evan Kramer

Rarely have I seen an election where I'm as sold on a candidate as I am on Port Orford city councilor Martha Weaver-Britell. She is running for the 2 year council position on the ballot. The Port Orford City Council chose her to replace Jim Grey on the council in August when he resigned. Now she is running for the 2 years left remaining on that councilor term of office against David Elsdon.

Weaver-Britell is no stranger to citizen involvement. She is the secretary and publicity person for the Port Orford Jubilee Committee. I know from the quality and amount of press releases she sent out for last year's Jubilee celebration she did a conscientious job. Martha is also the president of the Point Orford Heritage Society, as well as one of the founding members, which though recently formed is already on a fast track. They've held

several successful programs at City Hall including one on the earthquake hazards of our area and continue to work toward their goal of a museum of Port Orford history at the Coast Guard station. Martha has served as an alternate member at several sessions of the watershed council meetings and has a good understanding of the many water problems facing the city.

Weaver-Britell has shown great interest in her job already. She is the council representative on the City parks committee and has talked about developing a master plan for the City parks. She understands the importance of maintaining our city parks and buildings.

I believe we can count on Martha Weaver-Britell to attend the frequent city council meetings and workshops and participate with knowledge and fairness in all discussions. The qualities I'm looking for in a candidate are leadership ability,

honesty and intelligence combined with the ability to work with and for the people. Martha Weaver-Britell fits that description to a tee.

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Bill Roberts A Write-In

Bill Roberts filed the necessary papers to allow for a write-in of the Sheriff's race on the Nov. 8 ballot. Bill Roberts said, "The phone has been ringing off the hook, people are coming up to me on the street and telling me they are writing my name in for Sheriff." Apparently this all started when the Wedderburn Courier published an unauthorized article asking for a write-in for Sheriff in the election. When Roberts was asked if he was upset for the newspaper printing the article, he stated "How could I be upset with those wanting a change and asking for help, and those who have been so kind and supportive. I have no problem with those who want to write my name in for Sheriff. It has always been my contention to serve the people of Curry County." He went on to say, "If I do not ask for the write-ins to be counted, they won't be, and I don't like to see votes wasted. I just want to give the voters a choice."

When it was pointed out that write-in campaigns are very difficult to pull off, Mr. Roberts said "Change doesn't come easy. If enough people want a change, something will get done. I see a new strong movement sweeping our country where people, ordinary people, are getting involved with their communities and its government, this is a good sign. Together we can make a difference. Remember, if you don't vote, you will be required to live under the rules of those who did."

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Rabies In Jackson County

A family dog from the Applegate area killed a fox that tested positive for active rabies. The dog had obvious wounds, was not vaccinated, and had to be destroyed. This was the third fox which has tested positive after coming into contact with a person or pet in Jackson County. Both Curry and Josephine County have also reported rabies positive foxes. Rabies is prevalent in the local bat population, and this appears to be the means of infection of the fox population. Animal Control and County Health officials urge people to vaccinate all of their pets against rabies to help prevent the spread of rabies to domestic animals. This most recent case confirms how easily family pets can become infected.

License canvassers will continue to check for the required rabies vaccination and license for all dogs in Jackson County. Due to the presence of the rabies-positive foxes, this activity will increase in the Applegate area. We are also urging cat owners to vaccinate and license their cats since they are at even higher risk of rabies exposure due to their possible contact with bats. Cats have been a higher contributing factor in animal to human transmission of rabies than dogs, due primarily to the higher numbers of unvaccinated cats.

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domestic animal population through vaccinations. Rabies vaccination and licensing is required for all dogs over 6 months of age.

The public should not be alarmed at the sight of a fox, but should take precautions and know the signs of abnormal behavior. A fox seen during the day or acting sick or disoriented should be treated with added precautions. If a dead fox is found, Fish and Wildlife officials are asking that the body be disposed of by wearing heavy gloves to put the body in a plastic bag, and then bury the body without any direct contact. If you find a dead fox or suspect sickness or if you have additional questions, you can contact one of the following agencies.

You can reach the Curry County Public Health or Sheriff's Office at 247-7011. Fish & Wildlife can be reached at 888-5515.

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Election Around The Corner

County Clerk, Renee Kolen, reminds voters the November 8th, General Election is right around the corner. If you have any concerns pertaining to your voter registration or your Official Ballot, do not wait to contact the Clerk's Office after the election.

"On occasion voters have addressed election issues after the election. We can only facilitate your voting concerns during the voting process. After the ballot has been deposited in the ballot box, the law will not allow voters to take back the ballot and vote over," Kolen said.

You can contact Renee or one of her Deputies at 247-7011, extension 223, prior to the 8:00pm election day.

"The Haunted Castle"

The Bandon Lions Club is sponsoring a Halloween Chamber of Horrors at the Barn, City Park in Bandon on Friday, Saturday and Sunday nights from 6:00 - 9:00pm. Admission for adults and seniors is \$3.50 and children \$2.00. Repeat trips through "The Haunted Castle" are \$1.00 per person. For more information call 347-2517.

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To the Editor,

One of the more important measures to many people is Measure 8, which, among other things, will force the public employees to contribute 6% of their salaries to help pay for their retirements as they did for many years prior to 1979. There has been much commentary on this measure, most of it conflicting. I have attempted to find out the truth of the matter.

In 1979, a year of near record high inflation, the public employees unions and the Oregon legislature negotiated an agreement to have the taxpayers pay the 6% contribution normally paid by each employee if the employees would agree to forgo their normal raises. This agreement was codified in SB 5077 passed in 1979. The bill specifically stated that in 1981 the bill would automatically expire, the raises would resume, and the employees would again pay 6% into their retirement fund.

However, the story continues with SB 179 introduced in the 1981 regular legislative session which amended the original bill by changing just one sentence. This change removed the words "and

terminating on or before June 30, 1981". The effect of this change was to have the taxpayers pay both the 6% contribution and the pay raises for all time to come.

From this history, I can only conclude that Measure 8 really has nothing to do with the agreement negotiated with the State reflected in SB 5077, but is in fact a referendum on SB 179. It is impossible to see how SB 179 was in any way of value to the majority of Oregon's taxpayers.

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The Heritage Of Port Orford

The Point Orford Heritage Society invites you to join us October 28 in a discussion of the heritage of Port Orford as we continue to explore what is unique about the Port Orford area. This meeting will also explore the Society's possible roles in promoting this heritage in and for the community.

At the first meeting on October 14, lead by Tina Harbert of the US Forest Service, a list was compiled of those things that are unique about Port Orford. At the October 28 meeting we will broaden this list, and also list those things newcomers most want to know about the area. For example, how did the jail get to be where it is?

We will then discuss the Heritage Society can work with other groups in town to enhance our individual projects. The Curry County Fair Booth is an example of this kind of "partnership". The Heritage Society, the Chamber of Commerce, the Port, the City and many area businesses and artists all contributed to this award winning project.

This meeting will be lead by Janet Joyer of the Siskiyou National Forest Service office in Grants Pass. Her area of expertise is history and archeology.

Join us in a discussion of the heritage of Port Orford and the mission of the Point Orford Heritage Society this Friday, October 28, at 7:00pm in the City Council Chambers. For more information call Viola Cuatt at 332-2352 or Martha Weaver-Britell at 332-9775.

Home Computers Change Lives

The August '94 Readers Digest ran an interesting article titled, "How a Home Computer Can Change Your Life." They said that one out of three American homes now have a personal computer and they add that the home market is just heating up. Bill Gates, CEO of Microsoft, predicts that by the end of the century his company will get 50% of its income from home sales where today they get less than 10%. Why is this happening? PC's are cheaper, easier to use and fill a demand for inexpensive education, entertainment, and home business uses. CD-ROMs are also credited with much of the growth.

"I've been preparing myself for this leadership position for the last decade."

-a quote spoken by Mayor Marilyn Schaffer, referring to her decision to run for Curry County Commissioner, seat #1 in the November '94 election.

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