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Happy Valentine's Day

Winter Kayak Challenge by Evan Kramer

Port Orford played host to the 1995 Oregon Coast Winter Kayak Challenge this past Thursday, February 2. Three men, Steph Dutton, Dave Slover and Lee Bonfiglio, set out along the ocean at Smith River on January 27 in their kayaks bound for the Maritime Museum at Astoria. The press release that accompanied them states this is the "first ever transit of the Oregon Coast in winter" in a kayak.

The purpose of kayaking north along the entire Oregon coast is to raise money for the Doernbecher Children's Hospital in Portland. Pledges can be made by phone by calling Dave Slover's place of employment which is the Alder Creek Supply Company at 503-285-0464 or mailing them to Alder Creek Kayak Supply, 250 N.E. Tomahawk Island Dr., Portland, OR 97217.

The men are paddling their way in Eddyline expedition outfitted sea kayaks. Steph Dutton works as the Ambassador for Eddyline Kayaks. He lost his right leg in 1980 as a result of being hit by a vehicle while serving as a firefighter two years earlier. After losing his leg he became a paramedic and later graduated from the state police academy and worked as an undercover narcotics detective for several years.

Dutton is also the first person to kayak from British Columbia to Baja California, starting in Victoria and ending in Ensenada. This was a benefit for Team USABLE, an organization which provides outdoor recreation activities for the disabled. Dave Slover is the sales and tour manager for Alder Creek Kayak in Portland. He loves the outdoors and has worked as rafting and kayak guide as well as instructor. Lee Bonfiglio is the co-owner of Lightning Paddles and National Sales Manager for USIA Drysuits. He is 25 and has been kayaking since the age of ten. He has been competing in the Whitewater Freestyle competition events and won the Gold Medal as the 1993 World Freestyle Squirt Champion at the World Freestyle Championships held on the Ocoee River in Tennessee.

The winter kayak challenge has a support van and trailer being driven by Heidi. She maintains radio contact with the kayakers and drives ahead to scout out landing conditions. Accompanying everyone on the trip are a Blue Front Amazon parrot named Pirate and an 11 year old Chesapeake Bay Retriever named Doxie. Pirate is one of the more talkative parrots I've run across and is taking the whole tour in stride as he startles people who pass by the van with his loud chatter.

The people of Oregon have opened their hearts to the kayakers. One person in Brookings loaded them up with food to

take with them. The manager, Mary Miller and the owners of the Castaway Motel donated a room for the night at the motel on Thursday and a local citizen treated them to a hearty breakfast at the Wheelhouse Restaurant on Friday morning. Steph told me that on his BC to BC '93 trip the people in Oregon treated him the best of the three states and two countries he visited.

After eating, they drove down to Dock Beach and started getting their kayaks ready. They carry a supply of fresh water, compasses, maps, camera, short wave radio and are dressed for wet and cold conditions. Dutton, Bonfiglio and Slover set off at Dock Beach at 9:30am, paddled past the breakwater and headed for Face Rock in Bandon. They picked a great day as the waves were relatively small though some of the fishermen told me there was a large swell in the ocean that day.

Conditions on Thursday when they left from Gold Beach for Port Orford were so bad that only Dutton made it past the breakers while the other two traveled north in the van.

One interesting side note. Steph is making his second sea going excursion of the Oregon coast yet he has never seen it from a car traveling on Highway 101. But just imagine what a view and a different perspective he has than the rest of us land lovers. Good luck to the Winter Kayak Challenge.

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Coquille Performing Arts

The Duttons, a family of accomplished, versatile musicians, will bring their special blend of country, folk, classical and toe-tapping blue grass to Coquille on Saturday, Feb. 18th at 7:30 pm in the Coquille Community Building.

Since beginning their professional career, the Duttons have earned praise from critics and standing ovations from audiences all over America and Europe. The family maintains a busy traveling schedule, performing more than 250 concerts a year.

The children, who range in age from 14 to 22, play a variety of instruments ranging from violin and fiddle to guitar, banjo and mandolin. Several have not only won recognition in national fiddling contests, but also garnered praise and awards in classical violin competitions. In addition to their musical talents, the children also carry on the fine old American tradition of clogging, and the entire family sings.

The United Nations selected the Duttons to record and perform the theme song for the 1994 International Year of the Family. The Duttons experienced three other milestones in 1994: their first Nashville



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recording contract, the filming of their first television special, and the formation of the Dutton Foundation to aid children in need.

After opening a concert with an engaging mixture of folk, country, bluegrass and clogging, often the Duttons amaze audiences by switching to formal clothing and classical music by the likes of Handel and Bach, then switch back again for a rousing folk/country finale.

Tickets are \$7 for adults, \$5 for under 18, and \$20 for a family. They may be purchased at Off the Record in Coos Bay, the Country Merchant in Bandon, Bonney Drug in Coquille, or at the door. For more information, call 396-5131.

Sewer Rate Increases will be a hot topic at the Port Orford City Council Meeting on Monday Feb. 13 at 7pm at City Hall.

Point Orford Heritage Society

The Point Orford Heritage Society recently held its annual membership meeting. Elected to the Board of Directors were Jackie Stoope, Marcia Donaldson, Georganne Houtrouw and Fred McMillan; reelected was Viola Cuatt. They join directors Martha Weaver-Britell and Hannelore Von Spaeth.

Winning the Chris Hawthorne vase was Mayor Delsaine Kennedy. She was very excited when notified that hers was the winning ticket, and said it was the most valuable item she had ever won. The Society wants to thank all those who helped with the sale of tickets, and especially the artist for his generous donation.

After the business meeting and drawing, refreshments were enjoyed by all. The Society looks forward to an exciting 1995.

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Bandon Friends of Music present the swinging sounds of "Cats & Jammers" on February 14, 8:00pm at Harbor Hall in old town Bandon. Join us for a romantic evening that will bring you back to a time "when jazz was synonymous with America's popular music, its social dances and its musical entertainment." This is an evening not only for those who

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grew up with this music, but also those discovering it for the first time. An evening of music that is both fun and immediately recognizable, with a fresh style, including rich harmonic vocals, soaring harmonies and intricate arrangements.

Cats & Jammers, a San Francisco bay area trio with a passion for the 30's and 40's music, was founded eight years ago



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Bring your dancing shoes and plan on kicking up your heels to the sounds of songs like, "Sentimental Gentleman from Georgia," and Duke Ellington's "It Don't Mean a Thing If It Ain't Got That Swing."

Or come sit at a table on the edge of the dance floor and relish the sounds of a time gone by.

The culinary delights of Epicurus School of Cooking will be available for dessert during intermission.

Tickets are \$10 and available in advance from The Country Merchant, Latte Amore and Coast to Coast in Bandon. Or charge by phone call at The Box Office at 1-800-676-7563. For additional information contact Colleen Cardas at 347-2484.

The event is sponsored by Bandon Friends of Music, a not for profit organization.

Tom,

A big Valentine anniversary hug and kiss.
It's been a wonderful year. I love you.



Dave,

Susie



My love, my husband of 9 years. Happy Anniversary and Happy Valentine's Day. My love forever.

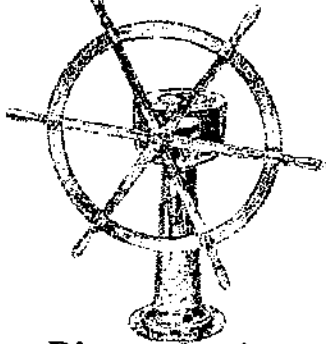
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The work day is part of a larger effort to restore habitat along the lower Sixes River, and at the same time protect the valuable agricultural land in the area by reducing stream bank erosion. Healthy vegetation provides low cost protection along Oregon's many streams and rivers. This "riparian zone" of vegetation also keeps water temperatures cool for young salmon, and provides food and shelter for a wide variety of wildlife species.

If interested in participating in this important work, please meet at the old Barn located just off Cape Blanco Road at the entrance to the Park. Signs will mark the

registration point. For more information please call Humbug Mountain State Park at 332-6774. The work will be a demanding but rewarding opportunity to help enhance Oregon's fish and wildlife resources.

Barking Dogs by Keith Wenner

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Far and near

They're on your porches,
In your yard
Can't you hear them or,
Are you a tard

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A bump on a log
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Port Orford Arts Council

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Ms. Parrish has a strong improvisational background, having performed with Brainwaves at Theatre Paris and co-founding Raging Hormones, performing at Stark Raving Theatre and Portland Woman's Theatre Company. Her "straight" shows include "Mary Shelley, Mary Shelley", "Expatriots" and "Dolls" for Stark Raving Theatre, "Blythe Spirit" and "Goodby Charlie" for Sylvia's Dinner Theatre.

"I Think He's A Sociopath..." originates from a series of monologues workshoped at Gallery 8 this past summer. "This show is for the monster that's been growing inside of me since I was small. When I make it laugh, it gets distracted and forgets to swallow me up" says Parrish.

The Performance will be held at the Port Orford Community Building on 11th St at 7:30 pm., Feb. 18th. Admission is \$4. For more info call 332-1721 or 332-0045.

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If damaged or lost, the programs can be re-installed from the original vendors' disks but this is time consuming, the disks themselves may have become damaged, and you may not be able to remember exactly how you had the software configured for your printer, mouse, video monitor, etc. It is much easier to simply restore the files from a recent backup!

Data that you have created is another story. Your word processing documents, spreadsheets, accounting files, and database information is not available anywhere but on your hard disk and on the backups you have made!

In the good old days, we backed up our 20Mb, 40Mb and even 80Mb or 120Mb hard disks to floppy disks. A 120Mb hard disk could require as many as 80 floppy disks! With today's 340Mb, 540Mb or 1Gb disk drives, floppy disk backup has become impractical. Unfortunately, many people haven't given the matter much thought and have disasters just waiting to happen!

Modern disks need larger backup media and the most cost-effective solution is a tape drive. Today's typical tape drives hold more than 100Mb per tape, often up to 350Mb or 420Mb per tape! Another benefit of tape is that you can start the backup and let it run overnight unattended. No need for someone to sit at the computer laboriously inserting floppy disks for hours at a time. A Colorado Jumbo 250 tape drive sells for about \$160 and can hold up to 250Mb per tape. Tapes sell for about \$17-20 each. (By comparison, one tape holds as much as 175 floppy disks which would cost \$87.50!)

You should use at least three sets of backup tapes and rotate them. The first week, backup to set 1. The next week to set 2. The third week to set 3. The fourth week you re-use set 1, and so on. Businesses may want to use a series of three tape sets for weekly backups and a separate series of three sets for end-of-month backups, end of quarter backups, end of year backups, etc. A good backup plan can take time to develop and is a bit of work to live with but I have seen a single backup tape save a company \$10,000,000.00 and have read of other companies that went out of business for lack of good backups. It's worth it!

About Printers

There are three kinds of printers in common use: Dot Matrix, Ink Jet, and Laser. Actually, all three kinds print by forming

an image made of tiny dots. "Dot Matrix" today really means an *impact* printer where tiny wires push a ribbon against the paper to form the series of dots that make up your characters. 9-pin Dot Matrix printers have 9 wires in the print head and produce a more coarse image than the 24-pin printers which use 24 wires. Dot matrix printers are slower, noisier, and produce a lower quality image than ink jets or laser printers but they are also cheaper and can print on 2-part, 3-part or other multi-part forms. Many dot matrix printers can print in color with an optional color kit. Dot matrix printers should be chosen if you must print to multi-part forms or if cost must be kept to a minimum and print quality can be sacrificed (such as on a home system.)

Ink Jet printers spit little dots of liquid ink onto the paper to form the image. They are quiet, fairly fast, and produce a very high quality image - often indistinguishable from a laser printout. Their cost is in between dot matrix and laser printers. The biggest drawback is that the ink will smear if it gets wet. Setting a coffee cup down on an ink jet printout can totally ruin it. You cannot use multi-part forms with an ink jet printer since there is no impact to transfer the image to the second and subsequent copies. Many ink jet printers include the ability to print in color. Ink jet printers should be chosen for economical high-quality printouts or for high-quality color printouts. They make great home printers for the more



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Friday, March 3rd, the meeting will again be held at the Senior Center with Lucille Tubbs and Kay Neal as hostesses.

Work continues on piecing the quilt for the July 4th raffle. All are invited to help at the Quilter's Corner February 14th, Valentine's Day at 10 am. Work will continue into the afternoon.

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Bandon Storm Watchers

The three programs are free and provided every Saturday at 3 pm at Harbor Hall in Bandon. Join Shoreline Education for Awareness for Wildlife Interpretation 1-2 pm at Face Rock State Park every Saturday before the programs.

February 11 - "The Hughes Ranch of the Future" by Jack Zaring, Curator of Hughes House

February 18 - "Indian Legends of the Bandon Beach" by Reg Pullen

February 25 - "Cranberry Production & Water Related Issues" by Wayne Scherer, slides by Mary Schamehorn

Bandon Storm Watchers is a non-profit organization which has been operating for 11 years. They educate residents and visitors on subjects relating to the ecosystem of the Southern Oregon Coast and promote this very scenic part of the Pacific coastline as a great place for an enjoyable get-away weekend! Membership is \$10 per season, and entitles members to receive an informative monthly newsletter, and special discounts from many of the Bandon merchants each weekend the programs are presented.

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About Printers - Continued

affluent and may be a good choice for a second printer, especially if you already have a dot matrix or a laser printer. Some models hold only one cartridge which must be changed to switch between printing black and color documents.

Laser printers are also quiet, fast, and produce very high quality images. They work by melting small particles of plastic onto the paper. They are the most expensive of our three kinds of printers and cannot print in color nor can they use multi-part forms. Laser printouts will not smear if they get wet. Laser printers should be chosen where speed and quality are more important than cost. They are often a first choice for businesses where printouts are to be mailed out and a smeared document could affect your company's image.

Be sure to look at both initial cost and operating expense. In many cases a printer with a lower cost will use higher cost ribbons or toner thus making it the more expensive printer over its entire life. One printer we encountered was great in many ways until it was discovered that it could only print about three pages from one \$8 ribbon!

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Fri Feb. 10	7:24am 6.8	1:15am 1.5	9:29pm 4.7	2:52pm 2.9
Sat Feb. 11	8:17am 7.0	2:18am 3.3	10:11pm 5.5	3:37pm 0.3
Sun Feb. 12	9:05am 7.2	3:12am 3.1	10:46pm 5.8	4:18pm 0.1
Mon Feb. 13	9:47am 7.4	3:58am 2.9	11:17pm 6.1	4:53pm -0.1
Tue Feb. 14	10:29am 7.5	4:41am 2.5	11:46pm 6.4	5:26pm -0.2
Wed Feb. 15	11:07am 7.5	5:23am 2.2	NONE --	6:01pm -0.2
Thu Feb. 16	12:15am 6.7	6:06am 1.8	11:49AM 7.4	6:33pm 0.0

A Canine's Lament

by Marlene Gay

I'm all penned up...
But I wanna' go.
My owner won't let me...
He says, "NO!"

There's a "scent" in the air
Of a BITCH "in heat"...
My nose tells me south,
Just down the street.

It's Valentine's Day...I'm "hit"
With an arrow.
Why must I stay here and suck a
Bone's marrow?

**Can You Explain It?
Answers**

81. A baseball game is going on. The base-runner sees the catcher waiting at home plate with the ball, and so decides to stay at third base to avoid being tagged out.
47. It's a game of Monopoly.
46. It's the cabin of an airplane that's crashed there.
60. It's in Canada; she pays in American money and receives change in Canadian money.
71. It is sunny and hot.

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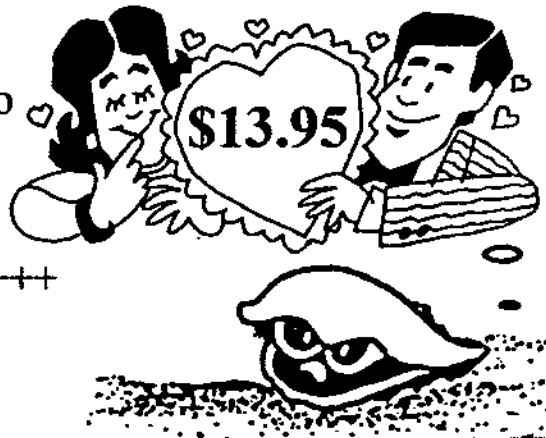
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Employee of the Year

Curry General Hospital employees chose Bruce Sickles, 41, as Employee of the Year for 1994 in year-end balloting for the prestigious title, announced Gordon Ensley, administrator.

Sickles is a Gold Beach resident who first began working for the hospital as a temporary helper in the maintenance department in July 1993. He became a permanent member of the staff in September the same year. Currently Sickles serves as the Curry Health District's transportation director, biomedical coordinator and engineer's assistant. As biomedical coordinator, he is responsible for maintaining medical equipment such as infusion pumps and aspirators.

In balloting, Sickles's colleagues commented that he is "willing to help; no job is too small or unimportant," and also, "he's always there." Others extolled his character: "It's always a pleasure to work with Bruce because he's so pleasant."

Can You Explain It?

Try to find a reasonable solution to these situations. The answers are elsewhere in this issue.

44. Adults are holding children, waiting their turn. The children are handed (one at a time, usually) to a man, who holds them while a woman shoots them. If the child is crying, the man tries to stop the crying before the child is shot.

46. A cabin is found in the woods where there has never been one before. Two dead bodies are found within.

47. A man pushes a car up to a hotel and realizes he's bankrupt.

60. A woman goes into a convenience store to buy a can of Coke. She pays for it with a \$20 bill and receives \$20.05 in change.

71. Three heavy people try to crowd under one umbrella, and nobody gets wet.

81. Joe wants to go home, but he can't go home, because the man in the mask is waiting for him.

Answers in this issue

"two's company and three's a crowd" so four is two companies, five is a company and a crowd, six is two crowds or three companies, seven is two companies and a crowd, eight is four companies . . .

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Public Meetings

Port Orford Chamber of Commerce holds its monthly Board meeting on Monday, February 13, at noon, at the Port and Starboard Restaurant.

Port Orford City Council meets on Monday night, February 13, at 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers. It is expected the council will finalize the wording for the ordinance concerning

increases in sewer rate fees and vote on it tonight. If you have any more comments on the ordinance this is the night to make them known.

Port Orford Rural Fire Board meets on Tuesday, February 14, at 7:00pm, at the city fire station.

Port Orford/Langlois 2CJ School District Board meets on Tuesday, February 14, at 8:00pm, at the Pacific High School Board.

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Falling Water
By Evan Kramer

This past weekend Valerie and I decided to "get away" and go to the big city. No, we don't mean Coos Bay. We drove up to Portland and stayed in the shadow of the new basketball arena across the Willamette from downtown. On Sunday we drove east through the Columbia Gorge along Interstate 84 to Cascade Locks. I had only been through the Gorge once before many years ago at a different time of year. Our first stop was at Multnomah Falls. I experienced feelings of total elation at the foot of the lower falls looking up at the cascading water falling over 600 feet. We walked up to the bridge that is built right above the lower falls and got nice and soaked by the mist while taking the requisite photos. Many people continued up Larch Mountain on the trail but that'll be for another day.

The parking lot at Multnomah Falls was full and the only way to get a parking space was either to make one where one shouldn't be, or circle the lot until someone pulled out and left. I was talking to John Ineson when I got back from the Falls and he told me it is the most popular tourist attraction in Oregon.

From the falls, we drove to the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Bonneville Dam. A representative from the Corps was stationed at the visitor center office and when I asked her if she knew about Port

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Orford and the breakwater problems she said she never heard about it. The visitor center has a viewing area under the Columbia River for fish sightings but we didn't see any. We drove only as far as Cascade Locks and then turned around and headed back to Portland. The cascades at Cascades Locks were covered over with water well before we got there. Actually they disappeared in 1937 when Bonneville Dam went into operation.

We picked up the very narrow and historic Columbia River Highway between Ainsworth State Park and Troutdale. This road is more interesting than the freeway and takes you right by Oneonata Gorge and Latourell Falls as well as several other worthwhile stopping places. The Highway also led to Crown Point where the historic Vista House sits perched atop the Gorge affording visitors a really incredible view. Vista House was closed for the winter but when it reopens it will serve travelers as a visitor center and gift shop.

Happy Valentine's Day

There's only a few more days left before Valentine's Day which falls on Tuesday this year. Still time to get those cards in

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Benefit Dinner

The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a benefit dinner for the Over the Rainbow Special Needs Riding Program.

The dinner will be held on Saturday, February 18, at the Star-of-the-Sea Catholic Church in Brookings, from 4:00 - 8:00pm.

The dinner will include a choice of steak or chicken, baked potato, salad, roll, beverage and dessert. Tickets are \$10 for the steak dinner and \$7.50 for the chicken dinner. To purchase tickets in Gold Beach call 247-2707. They are available in Port Orford at the Downtown Fun Zone.

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There will also be benefit auction next door at the American Legion Hall. To make donations for the auction call Karl Lagace at 332-8235 or Christine Bailey at 332-3406.

Theater In The Balcony

Pacific High School drama class holds its Theater in the Balcony on Mon., Feb. 13, at 1:45pm in the balcony at Pacific High School. The Three Thumbs Up productions will present three one act plays.

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