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I Don't Understand It by Valerie Jean Kramer

It isn't the first time I've seen this and I fear it won't be the last. I still don't understand it and I guess I never will. I'm talking, of course, about those situations in which otherwise intelligent people enthusiastically cut their own throats.

The last time I saw this was when I worked for a manufacturing company that wanted to encourage improved productivity. They offered a bonus plan whereby all employees would get a percentage of any improved profits at the end of the year. This was in addition to all existing wages and benefits. Any extra efforts you made were purely voluntary. If the profits increased due to your harder or smarter work, your co-workers efforts, or just because of a better business climate, you made more money. The union turned it down. I never understood it.

Now this situation seems to be re-appearing in Curry County with the vote on joining with SWOCC. The opponents claim there is no free lunch and there is some truth to that but this isn't a case of a free lunch. This is a case of whether we want to bring back to Curry County some of the existing taxes we already pay or whether we want to generously donate them to residents in other counties and get nothing back. Pretty easy choice from where I'm sitting!

Lets look at some of the "no on SWOCC" arguments.

1) "Measure 5 limits property taxes but doesn't limit assessed value." True, but assessed value has to reflect the real value of your property. Ultimately this is based on actual sales of comparable properties. If you feel your assessment is unfair, you can appeal it and present your case. We actually did this on our home this year and got a substantial reduction in our assessment. There is no reason to believe that this annexation will cause any increase in taxes that won't occur anyway. Schools, including SWOCC, are now mostly funded from the state's general income and not from property taxes so it is even less likely that property taxes will be affected.

2) "Coos County will dominate SWOCC" True. They do now and because of their greater population they will probably continue to do so but at least we will begin to have some voice in their operation. That doesn't mean Curry County won't benefit from SWOCC.

3) "We have no firm commitment from SWOCC" SWOCC is required by law to provide a certain level of service to people within its boundaries. If we join SWOCC, we benefit from those requirements. Exactly how this will be met will require planning and input from Curry County. There is no point in going to this expense until the voters decide if they want to

join. If the vote passes, SWOCC WILL provide service to us.

4) "Our problem is lack of jobs." It's certainly true that this is a problem. It's also true that without proper training our residents won't be able to qualify for jobs as they become available. Just because the annexation doesn't solve ALL of our problems doesn't mean we should throw it away and thus have NONE of our problems solved!

5) "We don't need SWOCC to help our high schools." False. The Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ school district already contracts with SWOCC to provide a variety of counseling and special education services. In fact, we recently complained because we felt we needed even more support from them than we were getting. SWOCC enables several districts to share professional counselors, therapists, etc. so that good quality service can be provided even if the district is too small to afford a full-time professional.

6) "There are better alternatives to SWOCC" False. The nay-sayers would have you believe that watching TV at home is as good as sitting in a classroom. Perhaps that's how they came to their wrong conclusions about joining with SWOCC.

I believe that everyone benefits from good public education. Better education

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Dear Editor,

I read with awe the ad in this paper supporting the SWOCC ballot measure.

It is amazing to me that there are so many responsible citizens in Curry county who believe there is such a thing as a "free lunch". To this large group of hopeful people, I offer an interest in the Thomas Creek bridge, the highest bridge in Oregon. Such a deal!

Why would any property owner in Curry county be willing to mortgage their property to pay SWOCC's existing bonded indebtedness? There is no guarantee that Curry county residents will ever have a college level class offered anywhere in this county by SWOCC. What we are guaranteed is that we will be responsible for their debt! And once we're in the district, we will never be able to escape!

"Gift horses" should never be looked in the mouth.

"Pigs in a poke" are bad buys!

"Free lunches" are never free!

I strongly urge a "No" vote on the SWOCC ballot measure!

Richard AuFranc

Dear Editor,

If joining the College weren't so important to our futures, the scare tactics being used to oppose annexation would be laughable. The opposition still insists that Curry citizens will go bankrupt, when in fact:

- a. The College has no indebtedness
- b. The last bond election was defeated in Coos County by two-to-one.
- c. The education property tax will be \$5.00 per thousand whether we join the College or not.
- d. We have been paying for, and will continue to pay for, community college services whether we join the College or not.

All the principals, all the superintendents, all the three major school boards have endorsed joining the College district. If all of them are unanimous about something pertaining to education, we probably ought to believe them. I would hesitate to trust anyone who did so little research as to oppose the annexation.

We need the services the College will bring us. Vote YES.

Larry Minnich

Summer Arts Program Grant

The Port Orford Arts Council is extremely pleased to announce that we have just received a grant to fund a new and exciting art program for kids this summer. The grant was awarded to the Arts Council by the Lorene Sails Higgins Charitable Trust in Portland.

The "Summer Arts" Program is a quality arts program for young people, ages 6 through 18. It will begin in July and run for 8 weeks. Four distinct classes will be offered: basket weaving, paper making, pottery and theater.

Keep your art eye peeled for more details, including a schedule and sign up information.

Meantime, reserve April 1 on your calendars because you won't want to miss the next outstanding performance the Arts Council is bringing to Port Orford: Joanne Muleahy in "Clotheslines," part of the Chautauqua series offered by the Oregon Committee for the Humanities. Saturday, April 1, at 7:30pm at the City Council Chambers.

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School Board Report by Valerie Kramer

The Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School Board held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, March 14.

The board voted to approve a calendar for next year that will have school begin on August 28 and end on June 7 with two weeks off at Christmas. Six minimum days are approved for restructuring but the exact dates will be determined later.

As is customary, all temporary instructional positions were non-renewed. The board voted to accept the resignations of M. Dean Davis and Jay Nave and to renew the contracts of probationary teachers Beth Mitchell, Stephanie Wornath, Kate Martindale, Stephanie Stevens, Steven Hood and Karen McGowan.

Justin Potter has received bids from three companies for two new busses to be purchased next year. He is familiar with

the products of two of the companies and will inspect a sample of the third company's busses. Based on his technical inspection and a financial analysis of the costs, the board expects to approve one of the bids at a special meeting to be held at 8pm on Monday, March 27 in the Pacific High School Library. (In case you're curious, school busses sell for about \$50,000 each. Doesn't that make your new car feel less expensive?)

Next week, March 20-24 is spring break for the 2CJ district. Please drive safely.

Pacific High School sent fifty-two students to Skills Day in Coos Bay. They competed in a variety of competitions with students from other area high schools. Our students can be VERY proud of the outstanding showing they made. With 40 students competing in keyboarding, for example, PHS took 1st thru 5th and 10th places! For more winners, please turn to the back cover.

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"Words of War", a talk by Allen Widerburg, will be presented on Friday, March 31 at 7 pm, in the Coquille Community Building. The public is invited and admission is free.

The program is sponsored by the City of Coquille and is made possible by the Oregon Council for the Humanities, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

"Words of War" combines poetry and historical background to explore how poets have addressed the moral political complexities of wartime through their art. Using the words of Walt Whitman, Wilfred Owen, and others, Mr. Widerburg demonstrates how war has inspired the creative impulse even while taking the lives of many promising writers.

Allen Widerburg is a professor of English at Clackamas Community College in Oregon City.

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Council Makes Decisions by Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council met in regular session on March 13, and for the eighth and final time dealt with the issue of increasing the sewer rate fees. The council, with all members attending, had before them two resolutions regarding the rates. One was the E.D.U plan and the other was the simplified method. There was discussion from council members and the public including a presentation by Martha Weaver-Britell on a way to pay for the \$159,000 bond. Her idea was to take the money the city had collected from the \$5 a month sewer construction fund and put it in an interest bearing account. That interest would be used for the \$159,000 bond payment, depreciation and debt fund payments. There was a question of just how much of that construction fund money we will get back from Farmers Home Administration.

The council voted and by a 5 - 1 margin with Robert Warring casting the sole dissenting vote and the "simplified method" resolution #195-05 was approved. The highlights of this resolution are as follows:

To start with forget everything you ever learned about E.D.U.s.

Every user pays \$19.60 bi-monthly for the bond payment, sewer debt fund and sewer equipment reserve. In addition each user is charged \$3.10 per thousand gallons of water for operation and maintenance of the sewer plant. The \$5 sewer construction fund fee will be dropped off the bill. You will continue to be billed bi-monthly. The next bill with the new rates will come out at the beginning of May.

The council then moved on to consideration of a second resolution. This one dealt with increases in rates for sewer connection fees. Councilor George



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Kennedy made a motion that all property owners who had had letters sent them notifying them of the requirement to be hooked up to the sewer would have 30 days to hook up at the old hook up rates. The motion passed. You can get a complete listing of the new sewer hook up charges at city hall. The resolution, # 0195-06 was passed by the council unanimously.

The council approved a motion paying for the cost of sending Martha Weaver-Britell to two grant writing classes in Coos Bay.

Martha Weaver-Britell gave a report on the parks committee. She said at the recent meeting of the committee supported the closing of the recreational vehicle dump station at Buffington Park. The council discussed this issue and voted by a 5-1 margin (with Carl Eskelson dissenting) to close the dump station

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The incident command officer orders his nozzle crew to hold an opening side door and then makes the decision to call for ventilating garage roof. A vent hole is

quickly placed by two firefighters which instantly releases hot gases and smoke from the structure.

Next the airpacked attack crew opens the side garage door after having just checked their protective fire stream pattern. The engineer is pumping 120 to 150 pounds per square inch pressure to his attack crew to give them maximum personal safety and quick fire knock down. The nozzleman and his or her partner are on their knees in extreme crowded position and feed their fire stream in knocking out the seat of the fire and cooling instantly the room temperature.

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Sincerely,

Brice Wagner

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Driftwood Boosters

The Driftwood School fund-raiser is in full swing. Two important questions were asked by students and should be shared with everyone.

What are the Driftwood Boosters?

The Driftwood Boosters are primarily parents that volunteer their time and energy to focus on activities, projects or programs that they deem necessary or worthwhile for the education, health and welfare of Driftwood students and their community.

What's the money for?

100% of all the money netted by the Driftwood Boosters is applied to activities, projects or programs. Past items include; playground equipment, playground safety pads, computer equipment, computer software, tape records, tapes, a camera, bulletin boards, library books, educational materials, providing funds toward OMSI programs, a laminator, the summer swim bus, sponsored the science fair, the book fair, open house and much more. Future items include costly improvements to the playshed and more community focused events, such as the OMSI evening program.



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Apparently, the Driftwood Boosters have an image problem. They are not a bunch of mommies whose duty is to bake cookies for open house and class parties. They take great lengths to target educational and social issues. Part of the Booster image problem is that fathers do not attend Booster meetings. It is a sad message to our children that a group comprised of mostly women, is neither respected or taken seriously. The Boosters want very much to have more adults attend their meetings.

Yvonne Ousley

1995 Beach Clean-Up

Help! Once again the time has come for the annual "Company Is Coming Beach Clean Up." Oregon State Parks are seeking volunteers to assist in the beach clean-up which is to be held on Saturday, March 25, from 10:00am to 1:00pm.

There will be access point coordinators at Cape Blanco State Park, Battle Rock wayside, Humbug Mountain State Park, Ophir Rest Area and Gold Beach Fairgrounds in Gold Beach to cover North and South jetty, to hand out garbage bags, give safety tips and assist volunteers. This annual event gives citizens of the



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By donating a small portion of one Saturday morning, you can make a difference for our beaches. I am looking forward to seeing you, the individual, groups or organization at our beach clean up. I am hoping that together we can make this year's annual beach clean up a big success!

If you would like more information on this years "Company Is Coming Beach Clean Up" please contact me, Paul Wayne, at 332-6774, Humbug Mountain State Park, Monday - Friday from 8:00am to 4:30pm.

O'Toole and Finnegan stumbled out of the pub at closing and decided to take a shortcut home along the railway.

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"Yes," replied Finnegan, "But the banisters are nice and low."

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Council Makes Decisions Continued

permanently. There is a new but unused dump site available at the Chevron station and they will be approached about opening it for public use which will be for a fee.

The Port Orford watershed council made a presentation to the council. John Mayea spoke about the need for acquiring a water storage right for the weir project on Mill Creek. Holly Witt spoke about the grant for a wetland delineation project. There is a \$10,000 grant available for a professional study. The council passed a motion offering support for the watershed council's grant request by a 5-1 vote with George Kennedy dissenting.

Library Board chairperson Alice Pfand submitted a couple of plans for the proposed library expansion that she and Buck Rogers had developed. Alice was merely presenting the tentative plans and not asking for any action at this time.

Mayor Kennedy announced that the Port Orford clean up days are this Friday and Saturday, March 17 and 18. The clean up site is the Curry Transfer & Recycle transfer station and is open to city and area residents this year. The only exceptions are household garbage, white goods (refrigerators, etc.), and tires.

The council approved an audit contract with Wall and Wall for \$7,950.

The council heard from Common Good President Ray Johnson about the city owned lot at Madrona and Highway 101. This is the proposed site of the Common Good building. The council made a motion and agreed to lease the building site to the Common Good for \$1.00 a year for 20 years and that the city will receive the building plans before construction begins.

Martha Weaver-Britell spoke about the city water master plan. She asked if there was a final copy of it available. If there is, the councillors don't have them.

Mayor Kennedy announced that Lee Heyl is resigning from the city planning commission as of March 15. The city will be looking for a replacement.

The next city workshop session will be held on Mon., March 27, at 8:30am, at the Wheelhouse Restaurant. Councilor Ralph Donaldson asked for a follow-up on the watershed council's requests for the city to apply for an increase in water rights on Garrison Lake and in Mill Creek.

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Fri Mar. 17	11:44am 7.1	5:48am 0.8	NONE —	6:02pm 0.7
Sat Mar. 18	12:01am 7.6	6:33am 0.3	12:30pm 7.0	6:39pm 1.0
Sun Mar. 19	12:34am 7.8	7:19am 0.0	1:19pm 6.7	7:18pm 1.4
Mon Mar. 20	1:13am 7.9	8:08am -0.2	2:13pm 6.3	8:00pm 1.9
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"The universe is full of magical things patiently waiting for our wits to grow sharper."

- Eden Phillpots

"Any sufficiently advanced technology is indistinguishable from magic."

- Arthur C. Clark

"And vice versa"

- Unknown

Driftwood Elementary

Read to Children at Elementary School and Enjoy Free Lunch. Volunteers are needed for an 8-week reading program beginning March 27. On Mondays through Thursdays from 12:45-2:45. Driftwood's CHOICES (formerly Chapter 1) will be providing a special reading lab for first, second and third grade youngsters.

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Tell A Friend

Speaking before members of the Curry General Hospital Auxiliary on Monday, March 6, the ACS's Raylene Dion of Portland talked about a cancer information program known as Tell A Friend. Based on word-of-mouth" communication, Tell A Friend is designed to encourage friends to get mammograms.

Mammograms are very low dosage x-rays that can detect early forming breast cancers, even the size of a pinhead. "Breast cancer is 100 percent curable if caught in these very early stages," Dion said.

Tell A Friend operates with volunteer power in individual communities, Dion explained. After a formal training, each volunteer agrees to phone five friends. A party marks the end of the project after about three months.

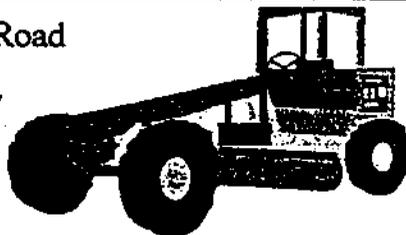
Travel reimbursement is available for those who drive a friend to have a mammogram. Respite care reimbursement is also available if children, spouse or parents need care while a woman leaves her home to get a mammogram.

Dion said that free and low-cost mammograms are available based on need. She encouraged women to not only get mammograms but to do monthly self exams and get yearly physician exams.

The American Cancer Society recommends a first-time mammogram for most women by age 40 and mammograms every one to two years for women 40 to 49, then annually for women 50 and older. Those 60 or older should be especially aware of the importance of early detection because they are at increased risk for developing breast cancer.

For more information, or to find out how you can participate, phone Kathy Comer, Curry Breast Health Network coordinator, Curry General Hospital, 503-247-6621, extension 171, or toll free at 1-800-445-8085.

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Supports College

The Curry Adult Education Advisory Council unanimously voted to support the Southwestern Oregon Community College annexation. The Council, in its March 13 meeting in Gold Beach; discussed the overall adult education program in Curry, and the possible outcomes of the SWOCC vote. The members listed the positive past relationship with the college, growth in Curry County, expanding needs of the population, and the decreasing u budget of the current contracted-out-of-district program as reasons to support the annexation. The Council noted that Curry residents have been paying income tax dollars for many years to pay for community college services which local residents have been unable to access. With the 1990 census showing

2307 adults (over 25 years of age) without high school diplomas in the county, annexation can provide a means for residents to take advantage of continuing education opportunities. For example, current state funding provides a yearly stipend of \$74,000 to supplement local programming, which could increase to \$1.3 million for the first year of the biennium to provide start-up funds and services in Curry.

The nine member Curry Adult Education Advisory Council is appointed under Oregon State Law by the County Commissioners to serve 3 year rotating terms, currently providing advice to the Contracted Out of District program operating out of Curry Education Service District and contracting for services with Southwestern Oregon Community College.

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Dear Editor:

A "yes" vote on the proposed annexation of Curry County to the Southwestern Oregon Community College District can help to create a brighter educational future, particularly for the youth of our county. So often, it seems, our vote is required on rather mundane or confusing issues, and we find ourselves wondering if voting is worth the effort. Please be assured that the SWOCC annexation is an issue worth your time, effort, and postage stamp!

It is time that we responsibly address the educational needs of our county. Educational opportunities beyond high school are currently very limited to those who

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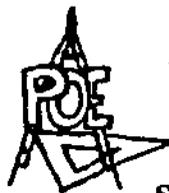
need it most. Graduating youth who wish to seriously pursue their education must now leave our area, a financial hardship or impossibility for many families. Annexation to the SWOCC District will greatly improve the scope of local offerings.

In addition, improved vocational training programs for current employees will help local businesses meet the needs of new technology and strengthen our economic base. Does this sound too good to be true? How will the new community college services be financed? You are already paying for community college services through your state income tax contribution. Annexation will allow us to receive

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our share of these much needed services.

Please do not let a small group of well-intending, but misinformed individuals allow you to become fearful that this annexation will bring about property tax increases. Your property taxes for education will be capped at \$5.00 per \$1,000 valuation beginning in 1995. This is the law under Ballot Measure 5 and it is in the constitution.

As a twenty-two year resident of this county, and a current member of the Adult Education Advisory Council, I implore you to vote "yes" on this vital issue.

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