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SWOCC Annexation Passes by Evan Kramer

Election results are in for the special district election. Voters in Curry County were faced with deciding whether or not to annex into the Southwestern Oregon Community College District. Voters said yes by a margin of 4,136 to 3,310 after a campaign which generated more interest than any other on the ballot.

They also had choices to make in the Port Orford Rural Fire District where incumbents Brice Wagner and Evan Kramer turned back challenges. Wagner defeated Dennis Gehrke 218 to 113 while Kramer defeated Vern Larsen 178 to 137. Bill McMullen was elected to the fire board unopposed.

There was also a race for a position on the Port of Port Orford commission between Gifford Barnes and Clayton Lyons. Barnes defeated Lyons by a 431 to 176 margin. Bruce Yocum was elected to another term on the port commission unopposed.

One contested office on the Port Orford Library Board saw incumbent Robert Warring defeat challenger Sam Stalford by a margin of 358 to 301. William Shenberg and Dorothy J. Mathews were elected to the library board unopposed.

Shirley Van Loo was elected to the Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ school district unopposed.

The majority of special district offices in the county had only one candidate running in them or in several cases no one ran.

New Fire Truck Arrives!

The Port Orford Rural Fire District took delivery of their new fire truck last Saturday afternoon. The front mount pump truck was delivered to the Port Orford Fire Department by an employee of H & W Emergency Vehicles of Forest Grove. Several members of the department spent that afternoon and evening being trained on the new vehicle. On Monday night at fire practice fire department members loaded 900 feet (9 sections) of 4 inch supply line hose on the vehicle. Enthusiastic fire fighters spent a couple of hours that night going over the truck and taking it for a test drive.

Some of the distinguishing features on this truck which is numbered 6708 are the front mounted pump, 5 seat enclosed cab (2 front seats and 3 back seats for the air pack crew, light weight 6 inch suction hose, deluge gun, Class A and B foam dispensing unit and 1,200 gallon water tank.

The Rural Fire Board spent \$181,000 on this truck and it was completely paid for as of delivery to Port Orford. The plan is to house the new truck at the Port Orford City Hall fire station and move engine #2 to the rural fire station on Elk River Road.

Cougar Wounded In Port Orford

A cougar was shot and wounded on Sunday night, March 26, in Port Orford. The cougar was sighted and shot at 1155 9th St. by Ken Pennington, according to Pete Perrin, an employee with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife in Charleston. Perrin said the best way to handle finding the cougar would be the use of trained hunting dogs. Zip Fendrich, a hound hunter from Gold Beach, came up to Port Orford on Monday morning but declined to let his dogs loose looking for the injured animal on Coast Guard Hill. Area residents reported hearing cougar screams on Monday night. As of Wednesday morning there were no new sightings of the cougar and its whereabouts and condition are unknown.

Cougars, scientific name *Felis Concolor*, are more closely related to your household pet cat (*Felis Catus*) than to the large cats such as the lion (*Panthera Leo*) or tiger (*Panthera Tigris*). Like the smaller domestic cat, cougars meow and purr but do not roar. Cougars are also known as pumas or mountain lions. They normally hunt elk, deer or smaller mammals and avoid humans but have been known to attack children, especially when they have been wounded and can't catch their normal prey.

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Council Workshop

The Port Orford City Council held its monthly workshop meeting on Monday, March 27, at the Wheelhouse Restaurant. The council first heard from Matt Gray, representing the city's engineering firm of H.G.E. Gray presented the council with the final copy of the Water System Master Plan for the City of Port Orford. Gray reviewed page S-10 of the document which lists the recommended water system improvements, ranks them by priority and includes the construction and other associated costs. The total for the improvements if the City followed all the recommendations would come out to \$1,943,450. You may wonder where the money for this is going to come from. Gray spoke about going to Salem on Tuesday, March 28, for meetings on grant developments for this project. Also attending from the City are Dotti Myers and Robert Warring.

Councilor George Kennedy complained to Gray that no local residents were hired for the recently completed sewer project. He explained the City wants a "right of hire" built in the project grant and contracts so local workers will have to be used on the water project. Three cheers

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Councilor Martha Weaver-Britell raised a couple of interesting points when she asked if this final copy of the water plan had been approved and public meetings held on it. There was confusion as to the answer to both questions. Weaver-Britell said she wanted public meetings held on the plan.

Rob Wall, the City's auditor was the next person to step up to the plate. Wall presented the council with a couple of preliminary rough draft copies of the 1993-94 audit. He explained they were not for distribution. He said if a single audit hadn't been required for 93-94 the audit would be complete. The single audit is required because of the federal grants the City received for the sewer project. He thanked Dotti Myers and Norma House for their help with the audit.

Mayor Kennedy announced that the first meeting of the 1995-96 Port Orford budget committee would be held on April 20, at 7:00pm in the council chambers.

Councilor Ralph Donaldson brought up three watershed priorities and asked what kind of progress had been made on ac-

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quiring the additional water right on Garrison Lake, water storage right on Mill Creek, and permit for impounding water at the City's reservoir on Hubbard Creek. The impoundment permit has been found and the other two water rights are being proceeded with according to Matt Gray.

Donaldson also brought up Curry County's unwillingness to relinquish the space at City Hall formerly occupied by the Justice Court. The Library is looking at the space as a way to expand.

Robert Warring spoke about a city newsletter which would be sent to residents with their water and sewer bill. Bob Wilson will help the city in acquiring a bulk mail permit.

The meeting ended before all the councilors had their say. Carl Eskelson and Robert Warring had other business to bring up but some members had to return to work. Something to think about would be changing the meeting time to evenings.

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This hands-on children/parents activity is part of the arty happenings over the Mother's Day weekend in May. Sponsored by the Port Orford Arts Council, at least three fun things are planned this year: fish printing, recyclable materials sculpture, and weaving activities. Terri Reinhold and Stephanie Stevens are coordinating this year's event.

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And now at the threshold of "Kitty Heaven",
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Fri Mar. 31	11:59am 6.7	5:55am 0.5	11:56pm 7.4	5:57pm 1.4
Sat Apr. 1	NONE ---	6:34am 0.3	12:40pm 6.5	6:30pm 1.8
Sun Apr. 2	1:25am 7.3	8:12am 0.3	2:20pm 6.2	8:04pm 2.2
Mon Apr. 3	1:54am 7.2	8:48am 0.4	3:03pm 5.9	8:39pm 2.5
Tue Apr. 4	2:25am 7.0	9:30am 0.5	3:52pm 5.6	9:18pm 2.9
Wed Apr. 5	2:58am 6.8	10:18am 0.7	4:43pm 5.4	10:00pm 3.2
Thu Apr. 6	3:41am 6.6	11:08am 0.9	5:49pm 5.2	10:56pm 3.4

A World of Feeling

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We talk on the surface
And all we say is
"Hey! Nice day!"
Okay
But beneath it I cry
Why? Can't we say more?
I live
I love
I long to tell you
But I'm trapped
On the surface.

We grow on the surface
And all we say is
"Your place? Or mine?"
That's fine
If that's all you want
But I want more
So bore
Beneath my surface
And explore
The stalagmites of my thoughts
The stalactites of my feelings

We live on the surface
And all we do is get by
Till we die
Sometimes my inner feelings
Burst through in a volcanic
Emotional outburst
Spilling onto the surface
Sailing, for a few brief moments
In the air before they fall back
Trapped. On the surface

We live on the surface.
And all we know is
Each other's surface
But beware
We all have depths
We all are more
Than the surface
We all want more
Than the surface
And we're all stuck
On
The
Surface

Letter To The Editor

I was absolutely appalled when I read the headline saying the City was going to remove the RV sewer pump station at Buffington Park. This is one of the pluses for our City along with wheelchair access at every city block. This facility is used by both local people and tourists alike, and is something that is sorely needed.

I pass this site often, and am amazed at how much it is used by both local people and out-of-towners.

I served many years ago on the Park Commission, before there were any improvements, and was instrumental in getting the restrooms, the horse arena, the Swiss paracourse, and personally appeared before the County Commissioners to ask for (and got) the money for the tennis courts, which my husband designed free for the City. I was on the City Council when the caretaker's house was built.

I was there when the Park was dedicated, have always been proud of it, and taken an interest in it.

There was no explanation given about why this was being done, no public input taken—So What Is Going On?

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62. Two children born in the same hospital, in the same hour, day, and year, have the same mother and father, but are not twins.

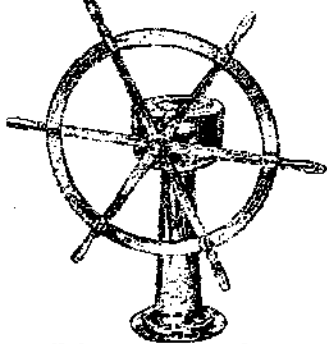
70. An ordinary American citizen, with a clean police record but no passport, visited over thirty foreign countries in one day. He was welcomed in each country, and left each of his own accord.

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61. Europeans use commas and decimal points in numbers the reverse of American usage. We would say 62,137 miles. 62. They are two of a set of triplets. 70. A mailman delivered to foreign embassies in the United States. The land of an embassy belongs to the country of the embassy, not to the United States. 88. It's a model train set.

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Talk on Tourism

The Port Orford Chamber of Commerce heard from Bob Harvey on Monday, March 27, at its meeting. Harvey owns Egret Communications in partnership with Diane Kelsay. They are currently working on the planning phase of a Curry County Sustainable Nature Based Tourism development project. Egret Communications clients include the states of Wyoming and Oregon and countries, including Belize, Peru, and Thailand. Their contract with Curry County is to develop a new component of county economics. He told the Chamber they should be sales people for the community in telling visitors about all the things to do in the area.

Harvey spoke about the nature based tourism economy county-wide committee which includes 4 members from North County. He gave as an example of one of the new "products" the committee was developing one where people would come to the county and pay to restore stream habitats. He also spoke of adventure tourism which would include things like guided drift boat trips and hiking trips into the wilderness areas. Harvey said the planning phase of the project would be complete by July of this year. It has been paid for with state lottery fund money. The implementation phase would begin after July if a \$300,000 funding grant is approved from the Clinton Northwest Economic Initiative Plan. He said the chances were good to receive this money.

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Port Orford Rural Fire Board

The original Rural Fire District was formed on January 25, 1977, with a board that included John Campbell, Verdo Harris, Jim Carter, Bill Cobb and John Black. The first tax base was voted in June of 1977. The second tax base was passed in May of 1980. After this, the construction of the Elk River fire hall began in October of 1981, and was completed in March of 1982. A Kenworth Tanker was then purchased and after that a new equipment fund was set up to save for the purchase of another truck.

During this time, from the passing of the first tax base, a yearly fee was paid to the

City of Port Orford for the use of their manpower and their equipment. It was in this way that rural fire protection was assured.

The tax bases have allowed numerous purchases including a salvage van, a GMC flat bed and a folding tank which was half paid for by the fire department. At this time a new structure is being built next to the existing Elk River fire hall. It will be completed as funds become available. The tax base increases yearly at a rate of 6 percent. Portions not used were saved and accumulated. A new International Pumper is being purchased on a cash basis and without any debt being incurred. The labor for the first building was donated by the Fire Department personnel. The property was donated by the Marsh Ranch.

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Langlois Library News

by Tobe Porter

We were delighted to hear that the Oregon Library Association chose our 1994-95 Children Services Improvement Grant project as one of the 10 "Outstanding Projects" in the state. Our Library will receive a certificate and we are invited to make a presentation of our program at the upcoming OLA Conference in Portland. You may be asking yourself, "What's this all about?" I'm glad you asked. In 1993 the Legislature passed bill SB 22 to "establish, develop or improve public library services for children (from birth to 14 years)." The amount of money available to each public library that decides to submit a grant is a set figure based on per capita statistics. Langlois Public Library generally is allocated about \$170.

We are now in our second year of a program that addresses how we can best serve young people in grades 4 through 8. This year we are sponsoring Read and Review, an after school program for this

age group, working more closely with faculty and staff at Blanco Middle School, and expanding our collection of junior and young adult reading material. Sheryl Alexander and I work together on all aspects of this program and we agree that it is a most enjoyable endeavor. Our circulation statistics for this age group have tripped and you have only to visit our Library any afternoon at 3:00 to be part of the 15 minute "rush" for books and videos before the late bus arrives. Ms. Alexander will represent our Library at the OLA Conference where she will speak to over 100 people and tell them how proud we are to have so much involvement from so many young readers.

We have a new video that will undoubtedly be of much interest to anyone who cares about education and the future of our children—"Common Miracles." This ABC News documentary looks at such topics as interactive study, individual-

ized apprenticeships, catch-up programs and parental power in the schools. It may be of particular interest in view of Oregon's Education Act for the 21st Century. Check it out!

Among our new purchases we are pleased to feature a small, but every growing, number of Spanish bi-lingual books, from easy to read level to adult. On display this month we have a glistening array of crystals from the collection of Nina Berry and a kaleidoscope of artwork by the story hour kids to celebrate National Youth Art Month. Let's face it—there's something for everyone at Langlois Public Library, starting just inside the door.

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Wanted: Adult Volunteers to Help Children Read

If you have patient ears for listening to children read, speak with a soft voice when reading to children, and enjoy helping children read successfully, you are needed!

Driftwood Elementary's Choices (formerly: Chapter 1) program is doing an intensive reading workshop for 2nd and 3rd graders who are currently receiving Choices services.

Adult readers and "readees" are needed to help individual students. The hours are 12:45 to 2:45 Monday through Thursday. If you can come in by 12:20, we'll treat you to our school lunch!

If you believe yourself to be on of these people or know of someone who meets this description, please make haste to Driftwood Elementary School and sign up!

Contact Stephanie Stevens at school (332-0151) or at home (332-0243) for more information on giving children a reading boost!

P.S. No experience required.

Bonsai Club Meets

The monthly meeting for the Far West Bonsai Society will be held on Monday, April 3, from 7:00 to 9:00pm in Recreation Room of the Port Orford Trailer Village. It is located on Port Orford Loop Road. Exhibits, demonstrations and a new video on Bonsai will be included on the program. Plans will be made for the exhibit in conjunction with the Port Orford Arts Festival in May. Interested community members are invited to attend. For further information, please call 332-7633 or 332-1041.

Woodruff Place Hike

Botanist and birder, Veva Stansel, will lead a hike into the Woodruff Place, near Gold Beach.

It is 14 miles up Jerry's Flat Road, off Quosatans Road. Hikers can expect to see wildflowers and birds. Bring your lunch, binoculars and appropriate clothing for the weather situation.

Meet Veva at the Fairgrounds parking lot in Gold Beach at 9:30am. If you have any questions, please call Veva at 247-7153. The hike is sponsored by the Kalmiopsis Audubon Society.

Immunization Clinics

April 1, 1995, from 10:00am to 1:00pm, there will be an immunization clinic for all children who need shots. We will be open on Saturday to accommodate the parents who work and can't make it in during the week.

April 22, 1995 from 10:00am to 2:00pm, we will have a **Free Shot Day** for all the children who need to catch up on immunizations. This is also a Saturday, so the working parents can bring the kids in at their convenience.

Over The Rainbow

Over The Rainbow Special Needs Riding Program has received a \$1,000 grant from the Sage Foundation of Brighton, Michigan.

Over The Rainbow provides free riding opportunities to special needs youth and adults throughout Curry County.

For more information contact Kathryn Jamieson-Hazard at 332-2675 or Mary Margaret Smith at 332-1095.

Nails by Delaine at Juanita's Salon

Due to illness in the family, Juanita will be out of the Salon for awhile. I am still doing nails (manicures, pedicures and artificial nails) Tuesday through Saturday by appointment.

My hours are sporadic so please call the shop and leave a message (332-4575) or call me at home (332-1275).

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School Board Report by Valerie Kramer

The Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School Board held a special meeting on Monday, March 27 to vote on two matters which needed immediate action.

The district will be acquiring two new school busses next year. Bids on these busses had been received from three companies. The board, based upon the recommendation of Transportation Supervisor Justin Potter, unanimously decided to accept the lowest of three bids for each bus. The district will, therefore, contract for a 71 passenger bus from Larson Bus Sales at a total cost of \$60,731.80 and a 36 passenger bus from Western Bus Sales for a total cost of \$57,174.50.

The next item to be decided was the fate of Math Teacher, Mike Ringo. A large

audience had turned out for this meeting and public input had been scheduled prior to the decision in anticipation that there would be people who wanted to comment before the board voted. No comments were offered and the board voted 6-1 to renew Mr. Ringo's contract placing him on fourth year probationary status for the 1995-96 school year.

The dissenting vote (mine) was cast because I felt we should renew him without the probationary restriction. Mr. Ringo is a "tough" teacher. He sets a high standard for his students. He is more than willing to (and often does) help students before or after school, during lunch or activity periods, and any other free time. He doesn't, however, have much patience with those who aren't there to learn. Neither do I.



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Gold Beach Flea Market

The Gold Beach Flea and Collectable opens its 1995 season on Saturday, April 1, at the Curry County Fairgrounds. The Market offers both indoor and outdoor spaces for vendors and hopes to attract a wide variety of sale items as well as local arts and craft.

For more information contact Mike Philipscheck at 247-7165.

We're looking for local crafters who want to show their wares. Stop in and talk.



Curry Community Education

Personal and Business Law II, BA227, has been added to the Curry Community Education/SWOCC Spring Term of class offerings. The course will begin Tuesday, April 4, 6:30 - 9:30 pm, at Brookings Harbor High School, and will run 10 weeks.

This course can be taken for transfer level college credit for \$99 tuition plus \$5 fees or at a non-credit rate of \$49.50 tuition plus \$5 fees.

This course is intended to teach anyone the legal environment of today's world. If you ever deal with contracts, the court system, dispute resolution, etc., you may need this course.

The curriculum includes personal property and bailments, law of sales, commercial paper and legal relationship in agency and employment contracts, security and collateral under the uniform commercial code, and other topics.

Public Notice

To all homeowners in the City of Port Orford

To qualify for old rates under Ordinance 212-90, you must notify the city and make arrangements with the city to hook up to the sewer system by April 28, 1995.

This is For Existing Homes Only

By failing to make arrangements by April 28, 1995, Resolution No. R195-5 will be in effect as adopted by council on March 13, 1995.

Call the Curry Community Education Class nearest you today, to pre-register for this class, 469-5017, 247-2741 or 332-1325. Curry Community Education is a service of Curry Education Service District, by contract with Southwestern Oregon Community College.

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