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Council Approves Deck Again by Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council met on Monday, April 10, at 6:00pm for a special session concerning community block grant availability then continued with a full agenda for their regular meeting. What little there was of public testimony was taken. Some of the suggestions for use of the funds were to rehabilitate housing and make affordable housing available, an indoor community swimming pool, a building for the Common Good and a halfway house for victims of domestic violence. Grants for public works projects are accepted all year while those for other projects can be submitted next at the end of January, 1996.

Parks Department

The council then moved on to the Parks. Mayor Kennedy started by displaying a two page copy of council rules which she said the council has not been abiding by but which they would be from now on. They are available to the public at City Hall. The Council unanimously passed a motion appointing Jack Pruitt to the City park's committee.

A motion was made and passed to accept public comments on the closing of the RV dump site at Buffington Park. Mayor Kennedy reported that several people had written letters opposed to the closing but these people didn't show up at the council meeting and speak. The Council

will let the motion to close the RV dump site stand. The Chevron station has a RV dump site which will be opened for public use.

The council decided to consider public input on the whale watching observation deck at Battle Rock Park. One piece of information the council distributed at the meeting was the minutes from the May 9, 1994 council meeting. At that meeting the council had voted on and approved the observation deck at Battle Rock Park. Several citizens spoke on the issue including Joanne Ruoff who said she was against the deck and the railing because they would block the ocean view. She said it would not be conducive to local people who enjoy the view of the ocean. Brice Wagner urged the council to change the location of the deck toward the visitor center building or not build it all and use the money on another project. Mayor Kennedy read a letter from the beautification committee supporting the deck and explaining all the work that had gone into it. Councilor Ralph Donaldson said if the council changed it's decision on the deck it would discourage volunteerism. He made a motion to accept the deck plan as it was voted on and accepted at the May, 1994 council meeting. It passed.

Mayor Kennedy mentioned a petition was submitted to the city concerning the proposed site of the Common Good building at Highway 101 and Madrona. She said the petition and issue were mute

since it has been determined by a couple of Realtors that the site is not zoned commercial. The Good has assumed it was zoned commercial, not R-1. The petition stated among other things that the Common Good building "will not be harmonious with the immediate area." Vice President of the Good, Ray Johnson, got up and told the council the poor would always be with them.

The council then brought Matt Gray forward to deal with the City's Water Master Plan. The council was concerned about the way this project has been proceeding. Martha Weaver-Britell said she didn't want the plan approved until public input is taken and that the City hasn't been aggressive enough in informing the citizens about the plan. A public hearing will be held on Monday, May 1, at 6:00, regarding the city master water plan. Mr. Gray will return on that date and give a public presentation about the plan. Copies of the plan are available at the library. Ralph Donaldson wanted to establish a "stone wall" date when the council would have its work complete on the project. The council agreed to hold the final hearing no later than June 12.

Gray said the water rights applications for Garrison Lake and the Mill Creek weir project are proceeding and should be complete within a week.

The council passed Resolution #R0495-
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Cook Gallery, Port Orford (332-0045) April 29 through May 22. Opening and Reception April 29, 6 - 9 pm, of "With the Grain" Works in Wood. Artists are Rick Cook, Donna Goss, Hugh McKay, Gary Mück, George Shook, Jerry Stoope, Brandt Weaver and Keith Wenner.

Roaring Sea Arts, Port Orford (332-4444) Sunday, April 30 Open House from 2 to 5 pm. Artists include Tim Beem, Lloyd Eiters and Larry Roberts. Refreshments and snacks are pot-luck. Informal music performances are at 2:15, 3:15 and 4:15.

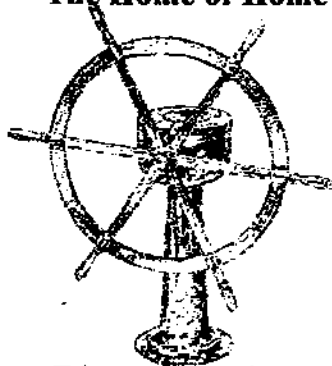
Espresso Gallery, Brookings (469-3161) Month of April. Artist: Aqua Vision, Underwater Photography.

Manley Art Center, Brookings, Month of April. Artist: Capitoela Lammi, Multi-Media.

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CCCCF

The Curry County Commission on Children and Families is excited to report that 26 proposals have been received and will be reviewed at committee meetings on April 12th, 22nd, and the 27th.

Larry Blount, the RFP Committee Chair was excited by the the fact that 10 of the 26 proposals were submitted by first time proposers.

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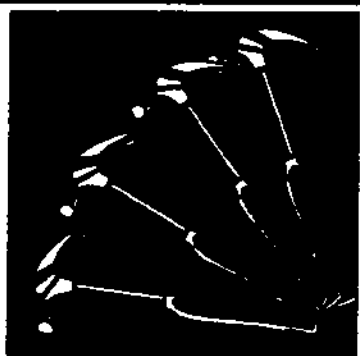
The American Red Cross will be holding classes in Port Orford on April 21, 22, and 23rd. These classes will be the start of the formation of the Disaster Action Team for the north Curry County area. These classes will be held in the Community building on the corner of 11th and Washington.

The class held on Friday, April 21st at 6 pm, will be the American Red Cross Introduction to Disaster. Saturday and Sunday, April 22nd and 23rd, from 9 am to 4 pm, the classes titled Mass Care and Emergency Aid to Families will be conducted simultaneously.

All persons attending these classes will be certified as official D.A.T. team members. We are open to the public and we urge all interested citizens to participate.

On a further note, the American Red Cross blood drive will be in Port Orford on July 10th. You will be hearing more detailed information on this event in a few weeks.

For more information you may call Scott Hoy, Curry County Red Cross Office Manager at 247-7505.



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Passover commemorates the exodus from Egypt. In the Torah (Jewish doctrine) it is designated by several names including the Spring Festival of the Unleavened Bread and the Festival of Paschal Lamb. Current Passover observance is a unique blend drawn from the agricultural and pastoral origins of the festival as well as from a seminal event in Jewish history.

The liberation of the Jewish people from Egyptian bondage has become a powerful symbol of redemption, not only the redemption of the Jewish people but the redemption of the entire world. The Haggadah (Jewish instruction), reflecting the historic experience of the Jewish people, recognizes that slavery is not limited to physical bondage, but that spiritual slavery and social degradation



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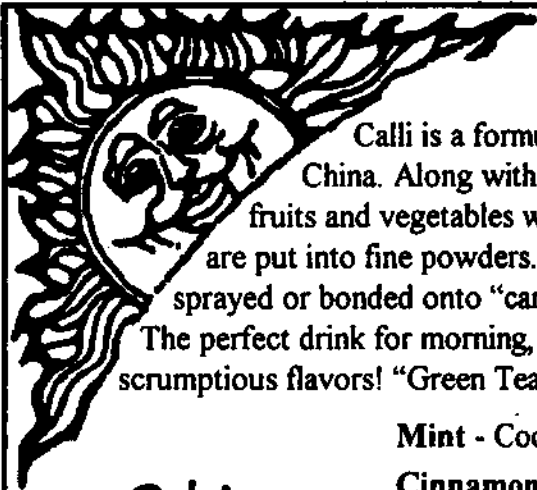
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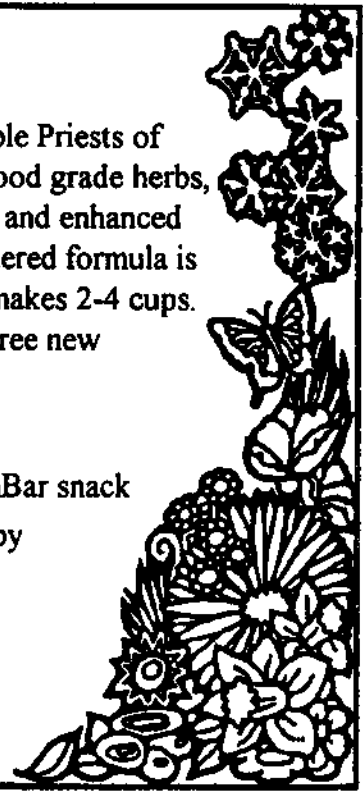
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The performance is a benefit for Aaron so he may attend the summer enrichment program for gifted and talented students at the University of Oregon in July of this year.

Congressman DeFazio Visits

Congressman Peter DeFazio is holding a series of town hall meetings on Wed. April 19 as follows:

Gold Beach: 11:00am - 12:00pm, City Hall Council Chambers, 510 S. Ellensburg

Port Orford: 1:30 - 2:30pm, City Hall Council Chambers

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The Jubilee committee is like Santa's elves working all year on the next celebration. You can help make it happen. Redecorate your your car or your spouse and join the parade. Make money for your organization with a concession. Maybe something new?

This year's Jubilee theme is "Early American", so get ready to show off your Pioneer costumes and Frontier spirit in this year's Jubilee Parade. To be a part of the fun pick up a Parade Entry form available in Port Orford at the Cheteo Federal Credit Union, First Interstate Bank, and the Chamber of Commerce office.

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Fri Apr. 14	11:48am 6.8	5:47am 0.3	11:45pm 7.8	5:49pm 1.3
Sat Apr. 15	NONE --	6:30am -0.3	12:38pm 6.8	6:28pm 1.5
Sun Apr. 16	12:21am 8.2	7:17am -0.8	1:27pm 6.7	7:10pm 1.8
Mon Apr. 17	1:00am 8.3	8:04am -1.0	2:20pm 6.6	7:55pm 2.1
Tue Apr. 18	1:44am 8.3	8:04am -1.0	3:16pm 6.4	8:44pm 2.5
Wed Apr. 19	2:32am 8.1	9:48am -0.9	4:17pm 6.2	9:40pm 2.8
Thu Apr. 20	3:25am 7.7	10:44am -0.5	5:23pm 6.1	10:46pm 3.0

Letter To The Editor

Do you love the unobstructed and beautiful view from the parking lot at Battle Rock? To me, it is a treasure of Port Orford. So many of us go there every day for at least a few minutes to take in the view of the beach and out to sea. It is a special and unique spot right here in our town.

That view is slated to change shortly and permanently. A "Whale Watching Dock" is soon to be constructed with a 42" tall railing with cross pieces every six inches. The deck will be 42 feet long and 12 feet wide. You will no longer be able to see the beach from your car. Your view out to sea will be obstructed.

While a deck may be a good idea, one that will permanently destruct that natural and beautiful view seems wholly unnecessary. There may be another location that would be less obstructive. At the parking lot level, it will be completely

exposed to the howling, cold northerly wind that blows nearly every day in the summer. And certainly in the winter, it will not be used much because of weather.

Some people opposing the location of this deck spoke Monday night at City Council. The City Council said that as the project had been approved, it would set a bad example to change their minds. Yes, we should have spoken up when this project first came up. Had I been aware of it, I would certainly lobbied for a different location. I am sure many of you are as unaware as I was. Many of you may oppose this plan as it stands that will obstruct this wonderful view.

With so many natural views being obstructed or obliterated in today's world, why must we follow suit with a whale watching deck in the middle of Battle Rock Park.

Please sign a petition requesting reconsideration of this location of this project

as soon as possible. My thanks to the joint efforts of several garden clubs for their work on beautifying Port Orford. My apologies to them for now opposing so late in the game the location of their project.

Petitions are located at McNair's Hardware, Bartlett's, Sea Breeze Florist, Shell Shack, Swinney's Espresso & Paradise Cafe.

Gayle Wilcox
Port Orford

Senior Center Report by Mary Yoder

This month has been busy for the senior citizens. First our April birthday party was held on April 2. Then we held our Easter luncheon on April 8. We served turkey and other goodies. Bobetta had the hall looking real nice with Easter decorations. On Sunday, the 9th the center served breakfast from 8:00am - 1:30pm. Over 80 people were served. I just had to put their names in here. They served at different times or cooked. They were Lee Heyl, June Dennison, Norma Ellis, Lucille Tubbs, Bessie Laursen, Hazel Klima, Gloria Godfry, Pauline Lenox, Ernie Gordon, Beth Newkirk, Betty Harper and Dutch Heinauer. I hope I didn't miss anyone.

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ESA Sorority invites you To join the fun on Easter Sunday for the annual **Easter Egg Hunt**

April 16th at 1:00PM at Buffington Park



(Note New Location)



quite technologically sophisticated. However, if you think we've lost the personal touch that makes a small library such an integral part of the community it serves (whether school or town), not so.

Curry County libraries just might be the only ones in Oregon with a Courier Person Service. Ray Johnson, Phil Ringnald, and Ruth Shea graciously haul books, magazines and videos from Brookings to Gold Beach to Port Orford to Langlois and back again. Chetco Community Public, Curry Public Library and Port Orford Library act as distribution centers, making sure the patrons at Agness Community Library, Azalea Middle School, Brookings Harbor High School, Gold Beach Union High School, Kalmiopsis Elementary School, Ophir Elementary School, Riley Creek School, Pacific High School, and Langlois Public Library receive what they requested.

All of us involved in this intricate system

of information distribution - the staff from each library - sincerely thank Ruth, Ray, and Phil for the very generous donation of their time and their dedication to the value of library services. We wish you three an especially Happy National Library Week.

Tobe Porter
Library Director,
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**Official School Board Report
by Valerie Jean Kramer**

The Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School Board held their monthly meeting on Tuesday, April 12.

Members of the Blanco Site Council were approved but action on the by-laws was postponed for a month.

The board voted to accept the election results which proclaimed Shirley Van Loo to be the new 2CJ board member beginning next year replacing Don Smith.

The board approved the employment of Kim Kamph as Girls Volleyball Coach for the 1995-96 school year.

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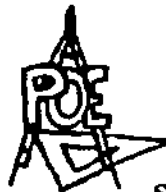
A board policy on Child Nutrition was approved upon second reading. First readings were accepted for policies on School Bus Safety Program, Suspension, and Expulsion.

High School Principal Mike Nickless reported that this year's tougher eligibility requirements for sports has been a success. The four most ineligible players (3 or more times ineligible) last year have remained completely eligible so far this year! Last year's statistics show a total of 75 ineligibilities compared to this year's 17.

The first meeting on the school budget will be next Tuesday, April 18 at 7:00pm. This should be a short meeting though the board plans to continue with a work session to discuss various matters.

Board meetings are held on the second Tuesday each month at 8:00pm in the PHS library and are open to the public.

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Clarification

By Valerie Jean Kramer

In the "School Board Report" article in the March 30th issue I included a paragraph explaining the reasons for my vote on Mr. Ringo's contract. The opinions expressed were my own and do not necessarily reflect those of other board members. To avoid misunderstandings in the future, I will try to write the official report as straight news and keep interpretation and opinions in a separate article. My apologies to any who were offended by my mixing the two.

Unofficial School News

By Valerie Jean Kramer

Here's where you'll find my personal views which do not necessarily reflect the opinions of the board as a whole or those of other board members.

Hats off to the athletes of the 2CJ school district. Faced this year with tougher sports eligibility requirements, they showed that they could meet the challenge and maintain their grades as well as play sports. Well done! Keep up the good work!

I've seen nothing official yet but the rumors are that 2CJ will get less money next year. Lots less. We could lose as many as 3-5 teachers (some by attrition.) Some hard choices will have to be made and the budget meetings may be very interesting. The first meeting is next Tuesday at 7:00pm at Pacific High School.



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Letter to the Editor,

Port Orford, like most other small towns on the Oregon coast gave very little thought to their water supplies in the past. It must have seemed to those early city fathers that there was an unlimited supply of water for their small populations, and in fact, there probably was. However, as the populations of both the cities and the surrounding areas grew and increasing pressure was placed on the watersheds by all types of development and commercial activities, the old easygoing existence of not only Port Orford but most other Oregon cities is dependent on a source of quality water. By "quality" I mean not just water which can be tested and shown that it will not kill the drinker, but meets general standards of taste and odor.

Port Orford's past city councilors had the foresight to purchase a forty acre site on Hubbard Creek, build a small dam for creek water storage, and obtain waters rights for some of the creek water. This simple approach worked for many years, but was made much worse by the City accepting an urban growth plan which incorporated this watershed land into the urban growth boundary and zoning it R-2.

Mistakes were made in the past, but we must put the past behind us with a firm resolve that there will be no further mistakes in the future. I feel that the City is once again at a critical point to guarantee

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the City's future water, or simply let the future take care of itself as it has in the past with the ever increasing water problems we have today.

City Manager Dotti Myers and Councilman Bob Warring visited Salem recently and have determined that there is still block grant money available to the City that could be used for the water system improvements and repairs. The city engineer has prepared a very detailed plan itemizing those items required just to maintain the water quality that we presently enjoy. A series of public hearings are scheduled to lay this plan before the people for comment and hopefully to approve the plan.

I urge the people to participate in this process and understand the issues involved. The grant money is very rapidly disappearing and we must move fast in order to get our share, something which the City as not done before. Let us work together in this vital matter to guarantee our City's future.

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Curry Health Foundation

Members of the Curry Health Foundation board of directors will consider final revisions on a forthcoming brochure when they meet in regular session April 18.

The meeting is set for 7 pm in the Curry General Hospital board room.

The foundation was formed eight months ago to "support Curry General Hospital and the delivery of health services throughout Curry County by representing the hospital's mission and the needs of the public, and by soliciting, holding and granting of funds for use in providing the medical and hospital facilities needed in the general community of Curry County," according to its mission statement.

For more information on the Curry Health Foundation, phone President Jim Gardner, (503) 247-6615; or Judy Stringham, director, 247-6621.

Council Approves Deck Again Continued from Front Cover

07 amending the sewer rate resolution to \$3.10 per thousand gallons of water used.

The council unanimously approved a cost of living pay increase to city employees of 2.7% for fiscal year 1995-96. City manager Dotti Myers said regular pay raises for employees would be based on merit.

The council unanimously approved Justin Baumann to fill the position on the city planning commission.

Counselor George Kennedy offered a motion that the city council write a letter on behalf of Martha Weaver-Britell to the Coos, Curry, Douglas and Lane county commissioners in support of naming her the new State Senator. Weaver-Britell is one of three finalists chosen by the Democratic party to fill the position of Senator Bill Bradbury who is resigning on April 16.

Dotti Myers thanked the Port Orford Arts Council for their work in acquiring a grant for a summer arts program for children. She said G.T.E. has approved a grant for remodeling the Community Building. The amount is not known.

Myers presented the council with a list of six citizens to serve on the 1995-96 budget committee. They are Gary Doran, Claire Stahl, Jean Swinney, E.J. Wyeth, Ron Culbertson and Bill Oleson. George Kennedy and Carl Eskelson objected to Oleson's placement on the committee. A motion was made to accept everyone but Oleson. It passed unanimously. The council then solicited someone from the audience to serve on the budget committee. Tom Hamilton volunteered and was approved unanimously.

The next council workshop is scheduled for Monday, April 24, at 8:30am, at the Paradise Cafe.

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Site Council Meeting

The next meeting of the Blanco site council is scheduled for April 13, at 3:15pm. Agenda items are the 1995-96 budget and middle school staffing.

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