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## No Paper for the next two or three weeks but We'll Be Back!

### Just Say No By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council at their February 12 meeting voted by a 4-2 margin to begin the process of repealing the city's bed tax ordinance. They will have to write and pass an ordinance that abolishes the bed tax ordinance to accomplish this goal. The ordinance as currently written provides for the collection of a 6% bed tax on people staying at motels and bed and breakfasts within the city limits. Every year several civic organizations, including the City of Port Orford, apply for the dispersal of these funds. The 1995-96 amount was \$28,000. Every year there are more grant requests than money available and this has caused more than a little hard feelings.

I urge the City Council to reconsider their vote and not proceed along this course. I speak to the four council members who voted to begin the repeal process; Ralph Donaldson, Carl Eskelson, Tim Sparks and Robert Warring. The majority Council vote was in response to and in agreement with the recommendation of the bed tax review committee to abolish the ordinance.

Several civic organizations have benefited from the funds raised by this ordi-

nance. The Lightin' Bugs are one of those deserving groups. Though they receive bed tax money they also put on fund-raisers and do a lot of hard work. Every year since moving to Port Orford in 1990 Valerie and I have attended their Little Reno night (except 1995 when they didn't hold one.) These evening have been one of the social highlights of the year. The Bugs are typical of many groups in town. They have a small core of dedicated volunteers but are spread too thin for the amount of work and money they need to raise. The bed tax funds helps them pay for replacing some 50% of the Christmas lights every year that either break or burn out. The Bugs provide the time consuming labor as well as additional money through their fund-raising efforts.

Another group that receives bed tax money is the Chamber of Commerce. This money is used for promotional materials including the Discover Port Orford brochure and advertising in several vacation guides including the Del Norte Vacation Guide, the World vacation guide, S.O.V.A. magazine and the Fabulous North Curry. The Chamber does its share to raise money including sponsoring the Labor Day Auto Races, Circus, Fourth of July Jubilee and this year, the Volkswalk. These events are put on for the enjoyment of local

people and to attract tourists to visit Port Orford. The Chamber will continue to function without bed tax money but the advertising and promotion money won't be there. I don't see any benefit to the motel owners who agreed with the bed tax review committee's recommendation. One thing about the argument about this town promoting itself as the only one on the coast without a bed tax. Take away the bed tax and there won't be the money to promote this concept.

The two garden clubs are another fine example of a group that receives a small amount of bed tax money and goes a long way with the funds. They buy bulbs and plants with their money and then provide the labor and time to plant and tend to these beautification projects.

A portion of the bed tax money goes to the repair and maintenance of the city's cultural and tourist related facilities. Take away the tax and these facilities including the visitor center at Battle Rock Park, Port Orford Community Building and the restrooms, horse paddock, A-frame cabin, etc. at Buffington Park will suffer from the lack of capital that is needed to both maintain and improve them. What will happen is that instead of some support for

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Date	High	Low	High	Low
Thu Feb 29	7:53am 6.7	1:54am 3.2	9:38pm 5.6	3:06pm 0.7
Fri Mar 1	8:46am 6.8	2:51am 3.0	10:16pm 5.9	3:49pm 0.5
Sat Mar 2	9:31am 7.0	3:40am 2.7	10:48pm 6.1	4:25pm 0.4
Sun Mar 3	10:13am 7.1	4:23am 2.4	11:14pm 6.4	5:00pm 0.3
Mon Mar 4	10:52am 7.1	5:02am 2.0	11:42pm 6.6	5:31pm 0.4
Tue Mar 5	11:27am 7.0	5:40am 1.7	NONE —	6:01pm 0.5
Wed Mar 6	12:08am 6.8	6:16am 1.4	12:06pm 6.9	6:33pm 0.7
Thu Mar 7	12:36am 7.0	6:57am 1.1	12:44pm 6.7	7:05pm 1.0
Fri Mar 8	1:05am 7.2	7:40am 0.9	1:30pm 6.4	7:39pm 1.4
Sat Mar 9	1:37am 7.3	8:25am 0.7	2:19pm 6.0	8:19pm 1.9
Sun Mar 10	2:16am 7.4	9:18am 0.6	3:20pm 5.6	9:03pm 2.3
Mon Mar 11	3:01am 7.4	10:21am 0.5	4:32pm 5.3	9:57pm 2.7
Tue Mar 12	3:57am 7.3	11:26am 0.4	5:57pm 5.3	11:08pm 3.0
Wed Mar 13	5:06am 7.2	NONE —	7:17pm 5.5	12:39pm 0.3
Thu Mar 14	6:23am 7.2	12:25am 3.1	8:20pm 5.9	1:45pm 0.0
Fri Mar 15	7:36am 7.3	1:43am 2.8	9:12pm 6.4	2:45pm -0.2
Sat Mar 16	8:44am 7.5	2:50am 2.3	9:58pm 6.8	3:37pm -0.3
Sun Mar 17	9:43am 7.6	3:50am 1.7	10:38pm 7.2	4:22pm -0.2
Mon Mar 18	10:38am 7.6	4:42am 1.1	11:15pm 7.5	5:06pm 0.0
Tue Mar 19	11:27am 7.4	5:31am 0.6	11:52pm 7.5	5:46pm 0.3
Wed Mar 20	NONE —	6:17am 0.3	12:17pm 7.2	6:25pm 0.7

### Official Weather

Provided by the City of Port Orford  
Public Utilities Department

Date	High	Low	Rain
Feb. 10	59	44	—
Feb. 11	62	41	—
Feb. 12	68	40	—
Feb. 13	67	41	—
Feb. 14	63	41	—
Feb. 15	64	47	.25
Feb. 16	59	55	.42
Feb. 17	56	53	1.74
Feb. 18	55	47	2.15
Feb. 19	56	44	.79
Feb. 20	53	39	1.56
Feb. 21	53	34	.35
Feb. 22	49	41	1.12
Feb. 23	48	34	.16
<b>Average</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>42.9</b>	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>8.54</b>	

### Square Dance Canceled

The March 2 square dance for the Port Orford Beachcombers is canceled. Members and guests will be attending the Birthday dance at Driftwood Hall for the Saints and Aints. Wayne West will call the squares starting at 8:30pm. The

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Driftwood Hall is located in North Bend on Airport Drive across the street from the Senior Center.

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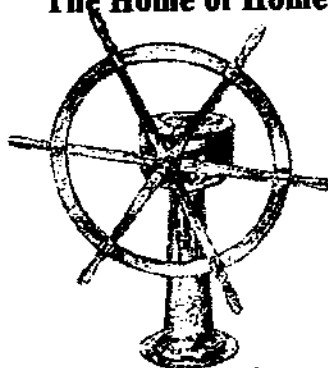
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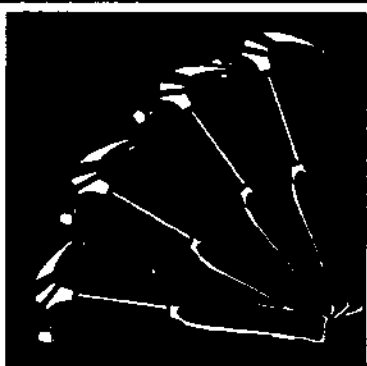
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The theme of this month's luncheon is "The Great Escape". The special feature is "Making the Right Connection" given by Brenda Willoft, a travel consultant from Gold Beach. Music will be pro-

vided by Helen Dorlon from Coquille and is "On Wings of Song". The speaker is Barbara Cooper whose talk is entitled "Bon Voyage". Ms. Cooper is an avid "refunder" and a grandma who loves to travel.

Reservations are essential and cancellations are necessary and may be made by calling 332-0825 or 332-2765. Preschool childcare will be provided.

### March Council Meeting By Martha Weaver-Britell

Several people have mentioned to me that they wish the Council would hold our workshop sessions in the evening. I'm curious how the Council and the public feel about this. We certainly want to be responsive to the public. Please place "Time and Day of Month of Council Workshop Meetings" on the agenda of our March regular meeting.



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### Letter to the Editor,

(Submitted via Email on the Internet!)

Dear Friends, in reference to the possibility of Port Orford rescinding its bed tax, perhaps we should confirm exactly what the County bed tax ordinance is. It seems to me that at the time Curry County was writing its bed tax ordinance, the language read that the County ordinance shall apply to all areas of the county that do not have a city bed tax. If the county ordinance does in fact read this way, if Port Orford dropped its bed tax, the county bed tax would go into effect in Port Orford. I respectfully suggest that Port Orford keep its bed tax if the county would otherwise impose one. I respectfully suggest that Port Orford bed tax be fully dedicated to a fund for the upkeep, maintenance and improvement of the Community Building, the restroom building at the beach, and the A-frame. The Community Building is a resource for all of the community social and civic groups.

The Community Building needs insulation, lighting, a multiple microphone sound system, finishing of the wall paneling, removal of the dark wallboard and substitution of drywall plasterboard, improvements to the bathrooms and the dressing rooms for performers. The Community Building is an extraordinary resource that should not be allowed to deteriorate.

Thank you for your consideration of my suggestions.

Sharon Leahy

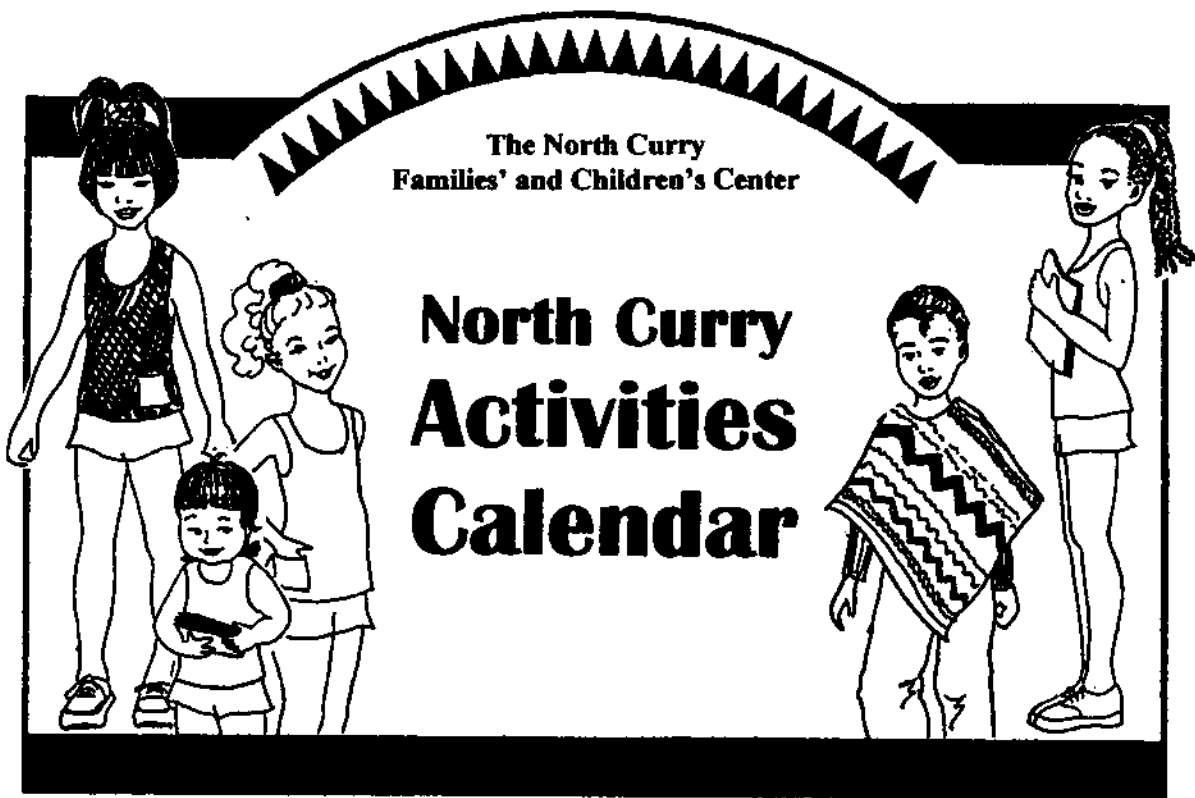
### Elk River Management Plan

Elk River is one of several rivers on the southern Oregon Coast that has been included on the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality's proposed list of Water Quality Limited Water Bodies. The Elk River was listed for high summer water temperature and habitat modification. In order to remove Elk River from this list and any State and Federal regulations, Elk River must have a functioning management plan.

On Tuesday, March 5, 1996 at the Elk River Campground, 7pm, there will be a meeting of a working committee to begin a management plan for the Elk River. This plan will commit the landowners to provide fencing for livestock, off-stream water systems, and riparian planting to begin rejuvenating the lower Elk River for fish rearing habitat. Any persons willing to provide useful input are welcome to attend.

### Correction To Letter

In last week's paper we printed a letter from Councilor Robert Warring. We left out the following sentence in the first paragraph of his letter. The missing sentence goes as follows: "In the second grade, my good friend Larry, when telling me about shoplifting, explained, 'everyone does it.'"



**The North Curry Families' and Children's Center**  
**905 Oregon Street, P.O. Box 1145**  
**Port Orford, OR 97465 call 332-1042**  
**North Annex located at 1403 Oregon, Port Orford**  
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## **March Highlights**

- March 2 - Troll Reading Program** - Free books & more for kids at Driftwood 10-12noon
- March 3 - Coast Baseball League Meeting** - Volunteers needed- 7pm at City Hall
- March 7 - Youth Center Meeting** - All interested plan to attend! 6:30 pm at City Hall
- March 19 - School Board Meeting** - at Pacific High School at 8pm
- March 22 - Surfing the Internet** - for adults at Langlois library - 7pm
- March 25 - 29 - SCHOOL SPRING BREAK** - school resumes April 1

# North Curry Activities

- a service of North Curry Family

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Sun. Mar. 3, 1996	Mon. Mar. 4, 1996	Tue. Mar. 5, 1996	Wed. Mar. 6, 1996
6:30p Christian Center Royal Rangers every Sunday: Contact Gary Derran 332-6161 7:00p Coast Baseball League Meet @ City Hall	9:00a TOPS @ N. Annex 6:00p TOPS @ N. Annex 7:00p PO Fire @ Fire Hall 7:30p Langlois Water Board	9:00a Annex Health/Vets 12:00p AA @ North Annex 6:30p Lion's Club @ Truculent Oyster 7:00p Langlois Fire Bd 7:00p PO Planning Comm 7:15p Langlois Lib Bd	9:00a North Annex 10:00a COMMON 1:00p Langlois @ Comm. Church 4:00p Story H 7:00p Langlois Church Club @ 7:30p Langlois
Sun. Mar. 10, 1996	Mon. Mar. 11, 1996	Tue. Mar. 12, 1996	Wed. Mar. 13, 1996
8:30a SR CTR Breakfast	9:00a TOPS @ N. Annex 12:00p PO Chamber Comm. @ Wheelhouse 7:00p Lang Fire Bd 7:00p PO Fire @ Fire Hall 7:00p PO Comm Children 7:00p PO City Council Meeting	9:00a Annex Health/Vets 12:00p AA @ North Annex	9:00a N Annex 9:30a Mobile Mammogram @ CFM appt. 10:00a COMMON 1:00p Senior 4:00p Story H 7:00p PO Libr
Sun. Mar. 17, 1996	Mon. Mar. 18, 1996	Tue. Mar. 19, 1996	Wed. Mar. 20, 1996
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Sun. Mar. 24, 1996	Mon. Mar. 25, 1996	Tue. Mar. 26, 1996	Wed. Mar. 27, 1996
	8:00a PO City Council Workshop 8:30a SPRING BREAK 9:00a TOPS @ N. Annex 12:00p PO Chamber of Comm. @ Paradise Cafe 7:00p PO Fire @ Fire Hall	9:00a Annex Health/Vets 12:00p AA @ North Annex 7:00p PO Parks @ City Hall	9:00a North Annex-Correct 10:00a COMMON 11:00a Sr Ctr Meeting 4:00p Story H 7:00p Port Or Ambulance @ M
Sun. Mar. 31, 1996			
2:00p Roaring Sea Arts Studio-Gallery Open House			



# Calendar - March 1996

Families' and Children's Center-

		Fri. Mar. 1, 1996	Sat. Mar. 2, 1996
		6:00p Langlois Sr. Potluck @ Firehall call 348-2227 7:00p PO Arts Council Meeting @ Sr Ctr	10:00a Troll Reading @ Driftwood 3:00p Lang Lib Rec Prog (Preschool-8)
6, 1996	Thu. Mar. 7, 1996	Fri. Mar. 8, 1996	Sat. Mar. 9, 1996
Annex / WIC N GOOD ois Food Bank rch Hr-Lang Lib ois Comm. each Wed. ois Lions	9:00a N Annex-Health 10:00a Lang Lib Pre-School Stories 12:00p PO Rotary Club 4:00p PO Lib 3rd-5th Gr 5:30p PO Lions Bingo 6:30p Youth Center Group @ City Hall	12:00p Bereavement Gp @ Zion Luth Ch	11:30a PO Sr Ctr Luncheon 3:00p Lang Lib Rec Prog (Preschool-8)
13, 1996	Thu. Mar. 14, 1996	Fri. Mar. 15, 1996	Sat. Mar. 16, 1996
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20, 1996	Thu. Mar. 21, 1996	Fri. Mar. 22, 1996	Sat. Mar. 23, 1996
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27, 1996	Thu. Mar. 28, 1996	Fri. Mar. 29, 1996	Sat. Mar. 30, 1996
ctions N GOOD r Mems  Hr-Lang Lib Orford Mortuary	9:00a N Annex-Health 10:00a Lang Lib PreSchool 12:00p PO Rotary Club 3:00p Lang Lib Teen Gp. 4:00p PO Lib 3rd-5th Gr 5:30p PO Lions Bingo 7:30p Sixes Grange Meeting		3:00p Lang Lib Rec Prog (Preschool-8)

# North Curry Families' and Children's Center

**Youth Center News-** NCFCC is taking the lead in the coordination and facilitation this exciting project. A grant to the county from the Oregon Department of Transportation provides some money to start a youth center in Port Orford. Anybody- parent, teenager or concerned person - who would like to be a part of the planning or operation of this center should come to a meeting on March 7 at 6:30 at City Hall. Call Maureen Wayne or Tere Tronson at 332-1042 for more information.

**Many thanks to Evan and Valerie Kramer at The Fun Zone for supporting us. This has made the calendar more available!** If you have activities to include for April, call Maureen at 332-1042 by Monday, March 25th.

**Family Appreciation Week** funded in part by *Oregon Together!* is coming up April 7-14. Fun activities are planned including the **Wizard of Oz** play on Saturday April 13 and The **Magical "No" Show Magician** also in April. If you or your group has a family event idea, call Maureen Wayne at 332-1042.

The *Oregon Together!* training was held at the City Hall in January. Diane Glass and Caroline Cruz of *Oregon Together!* were here along with the Statewide director of the program, Barbara Groves, to train Coos and Curry County key leaders in the program - a risk prevention approach to negative behaviors of our kids. A core group has started - anyone interested in protecting our kids from the today's risks, please call Janet Pretti or Maureen Wayne at 332-1042. There's a \$4000 grant to spend on activities!

**CHILD CARE PROVIDERS** please call Brenda Sims at the North Annex (332-8044) to register with the new child care Resource and referral, **Child Care Link**. You'll be on our mailing list for access to training and subsidy opportunities and resource materials! The county-wide toll-free number for referrals is **800-611-7555**.

## INTEGRATED SERVICE NEWS

### North Annex

The Annex is staffed by Brenda Sims, receptionist, daily between 8am - noon and 1 - 5pm. There are 39 Service Integration Projects in Oregon. Ours is designed to provide help for children and families in a local, non-threatening way, reduce the bureaucratic red-tape so often involved in public services and when possible, to bring services to one location - like our North Annex building.

### Workforce Quality Learning Module

A reminder that the computerized Learning Module is available to the public at the North Annex. You can explore medical careers, computer skills, business procedures and communications, introduction to business and workplace ethics, entrepreneurship, and multi-media presentations for small businesses. Contact Brenda Sims, 332-9191, for more information and to schedule time on the computer.

### State of Oregon Services Available Locally

In addition to County departments, several state agencies provide service at the North Annex. Adult and Family Services takes food stamp intakes 2 - 3 days a month; call 1-800-419-1371 to schedule an appointment. An Employment Department representative is available the third Tuesday morning of every month. Senior and Disabled Services schedules appointments as needed.

## Letter to the Editor

I wish to go on record as opposing the city council's plan to cut city taxes!

Why? Because your and my property taxes will go up!

Bed tax revenues were intended to be used to maintain our city's parks, public buildings and other recreational and cultural facilities. Instead, the tourist supported element of our community insisted on using the taxes to promote their own personal business interests.

A majority of the city council lacks the back-bone to say "NO" to this group or any other group for that matter! Instead, the council decided to plunge their heads into the sand and cry "REPEAL"! There is no city problem too large or too small that they can't close their eyes to and ignore.

And for those who so eloquently cried out in the press about the inequity of the bed tax, I say Bovine Shingles! Just remember, the bed tax meets the requirements of the perfect tax which is:

"Don't tax you,  
Don't tax me,  
Tax that man  
Behind the tree!"

Well, when this same city council comes crawling to me wanting to raise my property taxes to make up for the lost bed tax revenues, I'll know to "Just Say No"!

Disgustingly submitted,

Richard E. AuFranc

## 12<sup>th</sup> St. Fishing Dock

A proposed fishing dock to be located at the 12<sup>th</sup> St. Boat Ramp mini park will be up for public discussion at the next Planning Commission meeting. The design of the dock includes handicap access and is the first of several proposed projects for renovation of the park. Public comment on the project is welcomed.

# 2nd Family Get-together 2nd For "Love of Reading" Driftwood Elementary School

Saturday March 2nd 1996 10:00 am

- \* Free new book for each child
- \* Buy 1 book, get 1 free (TROLL Book Fair)
- \* Personal photo bookmarks
- \* Used book exchange (*bring a book in good condition, to exchange for another*)
- \* Enjoy our story readers
- \* Share reading ideas with other families
- \* Babysitting by the 4H club
- \* Refreshments
- \* Door Prizes (*must be present to win*)

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## More Free Children's Books!

If you have children from Pre-Kindergarten through grade 5, mark your calendars for next Saturday morning, March 2. The second "Family Get-together for the Love of Reading" with Hands-on creative literacy activities is this Saturday! It is at Driftwood Elementary and begins at 10am and will run for about 2 hours.

The activities include: TROLL Book Fair, buy 1 and get 1 free. A used book exchange. Make a bookmark with your photo on it. Explore computer programs. There will also story readings by volunteer adults and family sharing which will be talking about what works, and what doesn't in reading at home.

Each child will receive a special free book and, again, there'll be door prizes: beanbag chair, dictionaries, clip on reading lights, free pizzas, and bookstore gift certificates.

The 4H club will baby-sit small children. Don't miss this family fun at Driftwood Elementary School in Port Orford. For further information contact Sharon Bazor at 332-3141 or Stephanie Stevens at 332-0151 or 332-0243.

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A collection of over 900 searchable databases on genealogy, software, etc. (Thanks to our anonymous Gold Beach tipster!)

# Celtic Fiddle Evening

Star Theatre in Port Orford

featuring National Scottish Fiddle Champions

**Hanneke Cassel and Ryan McKasson**

with Cali McKasson, keyboards  
and Katrina Cameron, Step Dancer

**Saturday, March 16, 1996 • 7:30pm**

Tickets: \$7.00 in advance, \$8.00 at the door

Tickets Available at:

Port Orford: *Crazy Norwegians & The Downtown Fun Zone*

Gold Beach: *One Horse Coffee Co.*

Coos Bay: *Headlands Country Mercantile*

## Celtic Fiddle Evening

A Celtic Fiddle Evening will be presented on Saturday, March 16, 7:30pm at the Star Theatre in Port Orford. An ensemble of young musicians will combine their musical talents to celebrate the St. Patrick's Day weekend. The teenagers include:

**Hanneke Cassel**, age 17, Port Orford, Oregon, Two-time National Scottish Junior Fiddle Champion and Two-time Oregon State Junior Fiddle Champion

**Katrina Cameron**, age 16, Mendocino, California, Cape Breton Step Dancer

**Ryan McKasson**, age 17, Puyallup, Washington, 1995 National Scottish Junior Fiddle Champion, and First Chair Viola, Tacoma Youth Symphony

**Cali McKasson**, age 19, Puyallup, Washington, Pianist, entering Cleveland Institute of Music, fall 1996

Hanneke Cassel and Katrina Cameron first met at a Scottish fiddle school on the Isle of Skye in the summer of 1993. Last July they teamed up for a concert at Balnain House, the Home of Highland Music, in Inverness, Scotland. In January they were featured performers for a Rob-

ert Burns Night at the historic Mendocino Hotel for a bicentennial celebration of the famous Scottish poet. Coming up in April they will be on the road for a three day concert tour in northern California with Alasdair Fraser and the San Francisco Fiddle Club.

Ryan and Cali McKasson, brother and sister, play traditional folk music as well as classical music. They are currently gathering songs for their first album and hope to make folk music their life's work.

All four young people love nothing better than a *ceilidh*—Gaelic word for "a gathering"—with lots of music and dancing.

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## Health Care History Exhibit

Surgical instruments from the early 1900's, century-old bed pans, archaic medical journals and glass syringes are just some of the artifacts included in the Curry County Historical Society's current exhibit continuing through March 15 in the Curry General Hospital annex.

The exhibit includes old photos of former doctors, nurses and the old Gold Beach hospital, which was located where the current Coast-To-Coast store stands today. A velvet-covered, wooden wheelchair is one of the highlights. Old news articles and pages from the late Dr. Wilbur Cartwright's 1933 appointment book have been enlarged and hung for viewing.

The exhibit was originally assembled for the hospital's open house held Sunday, Feb. 11.

The public is welcome to view the exhibit from 9:00am to 5:00pm weekdays. The newly refurbished annex is located behind and to the east of the hospital emergency room entrance. To assure the annex is open, please phone (541) 247-6621, extension 109.

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