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Another Election By Evan Kramer

it's hard to believe after what we faced in November but another election is drawing near. The special districts election will be held on March 11. The filing deadline for this election is January 9. 1997. There are three openings on the Port Orford Rural Fire District, four openings on the Port Orford/Langlois 2CJ School District and numerous other openings throughout Curry County. As of December 17 no one had filed for any of these positions. There are two ways to set your name on the ballot. Both involve a pleasant drive to Gold Beach and a visit to the Curry County Elections Division located on the bottom level of the Curry County Courthouse. The easy way to see your name in print is pay a \$10 filing fee and voils, you're qualified to run. The other route is getting the signatures of 25 registered voters in the district you will run in. Do it this way and don't pay the \$10. This March election will be conducted by mail-in ballot. There will be no exit polls or ridiculous early predictions of winners. In fact the biggest worry is whether they'll be able to find enough people to run for all the offices. Many positions will run on "empty" and be decided on by write-in votes. It's worth being interested in these district

elections since the elected boards that run them decide how our tax money will be spent.

Trains Running On Track

Despite much speculation and doubt whether it would ever happen the trains are up and running in the front window of the Downtown Fun Zone. The battery operated toy train and track layout have been dismantled and placed in dust storage. We're operating both HO and N gauge trains. By "trains," I really should any "streetcars" or "electric intertribans" until we get the locomotive fixed. Come by and watch two Pacific Electric PCCs (Presidential Conference Cars), one HO and the other N speeding around the tracks. These cars represented one of the last and best easp of the Pacific Electric Railway that once connected perts of the Los Angeles Basin with over 1,000 miles of track. The brightly painted red and orange double ended PCCs were operated out of the Subway Terminal Building at Fifth and Hill in Downtown Los Angeles with service to Glendale and Burbank. This line ceased to operate in 1955 as streetcar and interurban operations continued to be cut back in the 50's with complete cessation of operations of the last five Los Angeles Railway streetcar lines on March 31, 1963. Now they're

putting in new lines at a cost of billions of dollars. The trains are running at the Fun Zone in large part because Carol Malley took an interest in the project and provided vital labor, rail fan support and, most importantly, creativity.

Packages On The Move

My compliments to our local branch of the Postal Service. The letters and packages increase tremendously this time of year yet the service remains its usual excellent self. Check out Postmaster Sonia Mason's hand-painted ceramic buildings set in a traditional Port Orford winter scene (winter 1990). Watch Michael Hall deal with several people at once. Also the United Parcel Service has once again held up their end of "helping" Santa so thanks to the drivers especially John and also Gayle and Frank at Sea

Continued on Back Cover

Due to the Christmas and New Years bolidays, the deadline for submissions to the next two weeks' papers will be 4:00pm SATURDAYS instead of Tuesdays.

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Senior News

First lets talk about the Christmas hmcheon December 14. Nice nun out delicious food - and as I told you the Sing A Longs would be the program. The songs they sang were Christmas ones. Mildred Stutsman did the piano playing - also the guitar and sang a song - really nice. Hope she does it again soon. These volunteers are the ones who made it all so special were Bessie Laursen, Betty Harper, Kay Neal, Norma Ellis, Lorraine Hass, June Dennison, Peigi and Clair Stahl, E. David Klein and What's his name. Now also same time the Rummage Sale: Henry Kron, Nadine Viles and What's his name and Nadine Viles worked the December 8th one too. Did you see the beautiful flower arrangement the center received from the Sea Breeze Florist? Here is a great big thank you from all of us.

Remember December 25th is the pot luck luncheon at 12, the center will fur-

nish the meat and coffee, tea or milk. I was told to tell everyone to bring a dish with something in it.

Well Monday night was pinochle - Ladieshigh Betty Keeler - Ladies low Venita Marstal. Mens high Mickey Harper - low E. David Klein.

Election of officers for the club - President Henry Kron and Betty Keeler is again the Secretary and Treasurer.

Want to tell you about Thursday, December 12 - the Rotary Luncheon. Those volunteers worker-not only for the rotary but the students sang and were served ice cream and cookies. Those working were Greta Carver, Lorraine Hass, Norma Ellis, Bessie Laursen, June Dennison, What's his name, Clair Stahl and Dutch Heinauer.

Pll leave you with this -

More often than we e'er suspect.

The lives of others we affect.

Cash Stolen

Monty's Texaco station in Port Orford was burglarized sometime Sunday night or Monday morning. Entrance was gained by breaking out a window of one of the rear bay doors. Approximately \$350 was taken from the gas station. No suspects have been detained regarding this crime.

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Be sure and stop by and visit the tree, perhaps pay a silent tribute to those who have been remembered from our community, and pick up a brochure for more information on the annual Hospice "Light Up A Life" campaign.

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No prescriptions or doctor's orders are necessary, for example, to receive any number of health screening tests from the clinic's full-service laboratory.

For \$5 a test, you can give friends or loved ones gift certificates for cholesterol, glucose, anemia screening or pregnancy tests. No appointments are needed. Patients may have to wait, however, depending on the work load.

Also in the clinic, the staff will be happy to check pulse, blood pressure or respiration rates for anyone who walks in.

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- Avoid chimney and flue fires by checking and cleaning if necessary.
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And we of the Fire Department wish you a safe and happy holiday season and New **Уеят**.

Highway 101 Beautification

The Port Orford Community Response Team (CRT) and many members of the community, met on December 12 at the Senior Center to hear a report on the "Highway 101 Beautification Project Questionnaire".

Beautifying 101 is one of the high priority strategies in the Port Orford Area Strategic Plan adopted recently by the City Council as the City's own. In October CRT members distributed 160 copies of the questionnaires to residents and businesses along and within sight of Highway 101. Absentee property owners were contacted by mail. The questionnaire asks for opinions for improving the look of 101 through Port Orford, slowing traffic and increasing safety for pedestri-

The overwhelming response of those that returned (47) the questionnaire was in favor of landscaping along 101 and to provide a clear sense of entry into Port

Orford from both the North and the South. The CRT will be placing a box with blank questionnaires in the Post Office so the rest of the community will have the opportunity to comment on the future look of 101 and Port Orford. There will be a collection box provided at the Post Office and at the Library until January 15, 1997,

NCFCC

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The Curry Health Foundation received a \$2,500 grant from the Oregon Community Foundation to purchase specialized computer software, announced Judy Stringham, the foundation's executive director.

The Curry Health Foundation's goal is to raise philanthropic gifts and make grants to support Curry General Hospital and other health providers in Curry County. A non-profit organization, the foundation is now conducting its second annual fund-raising campaign.

Thanks to about \$18,000 in donations from local businesses, organizations and individuals last year, the Curry Health Foundation purchased much needed equipment for the hospital. Curry Good Semaritan Center in Brookings, Curry Family Medical in Port Orford, the Curry Breast Health Network and Curry Home Health Hospice.

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For more information phone Judy Stringham at (541)247-6621.

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CRT Seeks New Name

The name, Community Response Team (CRT), suggests a medical emergency response group, according to many CRT members, and they would like a new name that better reflects what the group is doing. The CRT is working to implement the Strategic Plan that was developed by members of the community and adopted by the City of Port Orford as its



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Community and Economic Development Plan. The Plan presents a vision of what the community would like Port Orford to be like in fifteen years and selects projects to realize that vision.

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Ideas for a new name may be dropped off at the CRT box in City Hall, mailed to P.O. Box F in Port Orford, given to any CRT member, or brought to the next CRT meeting on Thursday, January 9, 1997 at 7pm at the Senior Center. All members of the community are invited to join the CRT in making Port Orford a better place to live.

For more information: Nancy or Ed Dowdy (541) 332-0131

Book & Video

Kalmiopsis Audubon Society is pleased to announce two donations to Curry County Libraries. They are:

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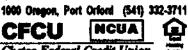




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The class will be held at Gold Beach High School on Mondays and Wednesdays from 6 to 10pm. The class may be taken for non-credit for volunteers not

pursuing a college certificate. Students are required to complete a special application and meet minimum entrance requirements to register for this course.

Winter term begins the week of Jan. 6. 1997. For application information, call the Curry SWOCC offices at 469-5017 or 247-2741. This is a two-term class with EMT-Basic planned for Spring term.

One sunday a cowboy went to church. When he entered, he saw that he and the preacher were the only ones present. The preacher asked the cowbov if he wanted him to go ahead and preach. The cowboy said. "I'm not too smart, but if I went to feed my cattle and only one showed up.

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The quilt was made and donated by Dot Barnes of Quilter's Corner in downtown Port Orford. An example of a traditional piece of artwork that will last for a lifetime of use, Dot's old-fashioned quilt is a wonderful prize and many tickets were sold by society members over the last six months.

The drawing was held December 7 at Port Orford's Christmas Bazaar. "Thanks to everyone for buying tickets," says Viola Cuatt, president of the Heritage Society. "Proceeds from the raffle are earmarked for a heating system at the former Lifesaving Station at the Heads. However, even with such a great response, our Buy-A-New-Boiler Funds still has some grow-

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The cost of the course is \$50.00 per student, with \$20.00 refundable if the graduate completes 50 "Pay Back Hours".

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GARAGE SALES

CARPETS DIRTY? Need Janitorial

Services? Call Sunrise Carpet Cleaning! Residential and commercial, licensed and

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FLEA MARKET: Christmas ideas!

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Toys, jewelry, tie dyes, scarves, dolls, clothes, furniture, appliances, much more! House for sale too. 1160 Idaho St., Satur-10-3. John. Sunday dav & 332-9585 irewood by the cord. Call 332-

SIXES GENERAL STORE, Christmas Sale - 20% off all fishing tackle and bait, 20% off all candles, 25% off all lewelry and gift items in stock. This sale is stock on hand only. Have a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

INDOOR VARD SALE: #3 Hamlet on December 21st and 22nd from 9-7 OUON'SET HUT, HWY. 101, Langlois - hand painted tree ornaments, toys, toy

box stuffed animals, chain saws, tools, fine china, flat ware, food dehydrator, blenders, electric grill, PC software, and lost more. BIG GARAGE SALE: Lots of good

stuff, 2 1/2 miles north of Port Orford on

Nicholson Dr. Sat. Dec. 21 from 9 - 5.

Rain or shine.

MISCELLANEOUS PORT ORFORD'S FINEST. Wonder-

ful hand tied Christmas wreaths of fresh noble, juniper, cedar. Shipped anywhere. Sea Breeze Florist, 332-0445.

NOTICE: ACE OF GEMS will be closed January, stock up now and check

out the inventory reduction sale on all merchandise, Happy Holidays.

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FINAL MOVING SALE: Buick 1988 Park Ave. \$5,500. Trailer 448 \$150, freezer 25 ft. \$275, Com'l. Refrig. \$125, outboard motor 9 1/2 hp \$125, edger 3 hp. \$35, seeder \$20, garage door opener \$20, bicycle - 10 speed \$15, floor fan \$20, carpet cleaner \$20, porta potty \$25. Call 332-9600.

WOMAN'S BIKE: Like new: basket, bell. Perfect Christmas gift! 332-1945 evenings. Also antique Victorian dresser.

26" GE TV with remote plus exterior antenna \$75. 348-9989.

YOUR FORTUNE on the pilgrim's path "When on the wild sea of this world, tack into God" Song of the Spirit, P.O. Box 474, Port Orford, 97465.

ART SUPPLIES. Don't forget BASS art gifts for Christmas! Sets are available for every art medium - painting, drawing, colored pencils, pastels, oil pastels, Fimo, charcoal, watercolor, etc. BASS, on the Pedway, 175 Second St. Open 10 to 5:30 daily, Bandon.

FOR SALE 1977 DATSUN B-2 10 \$200 or best offer and 1950 Oldsmobile Rocket 88, 4 door \$2500 or best offer. For more details call George 332-4215.

ONLY FOUR DAYS LEFT! Santa has Rudoiph you've got Meanders Delight, next to Langlois Market, to help you! Come in and browse. Happy Holidays to ail.

DO YOUR CHRISTMAS shopping at L & R Variety, 1819 Oregon Ave., Port Orford. Toys, pewter picture frames, wood and brass inlaid jewelry boxes, pictures, knives, gift ware, Christmas decorations. Something for everybody. Open 7 days a week 9am to 5pm. SATELLITE RECEIVER - Panasonic C2000A w/instruced remote \$100. 332-6565.

FOR SALE SEASONED firewood by the cord. Call 332-9031.

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Wind and Trees By Donna L. Hoffmann

I had started this article a couple of weeks ago after our big storm, then came down with a wonderful head cold, with more "fog" in my head than outside. But with our winter winds, it's still timely information.

After our big storm, it seemed serendipitous that we received one of our periodicals ("Avant Gardener") with an article entitled "Weatherproof Trees". I'd like to share some of the information with you. Although our native trees have adapted to or climate, you probably have specimen trees that bear watching.

Windstorms can make any tree a hazard to life, limb and property. Unless one lives in a region of perpetually benign weather, some trees should probably not be planted. No tree is immune to the rots. cracks and injuries which can weaken its structural integrity. Fortunately, trees give warning of defects which could nunder or topple them. Some of the signs to watch for: Internal rot manifests itself by an outward bulge or an inward depression in the trunk. Another indicator of interior decay is the presence of large colonies of fungi growing up the truck; the tree may be so severely infected with rot that the truck is virtually hollow. Internal cracks can occur in trees due to unusual wind pressure or because the tree's canopy is out of balance due to the removal of one or more large limbs on one side. Sharp "ribbing" on the trunk is a sign of interior cracking. Bark cracking and flaking, esNew Construction
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pecially on one side of a trunk or the top of a major branch, show excessive stress from wind or gravity. If any of these symptoms is strongly expressed, consulting a professional arborist could be vital to prevent injury and damage. Prevention, of course, is the only ideal course; selecting structurally strong trees (no codominant branches or trunks), planting properly on the right site, pruning correctly (no topping, flush-cutting or wound dressings), avoiding bark injuries by string trimmers, mowers, etc., and nurturing the roots with mulch. Be sure and check your trees, especially after heavy wind storms. Until next time, good pardening and call us on Wednesday, nine until noon, 1-800-356-3986.

Youth Center Holiday Hours

The Youth Center in Buffington Park, in Port Orford will be open 11am - 3pm from Monday thru Friday and 10am -2pm on Saturday beginning December 23rd -January 4th.

The North Curry Pamilies and Children's Center would like to thank the Lightin' Bugs for the wonderful Christmas Party they sponsored at the Youth Center on December 6th. Over 200 kids participated in decorating, making ornaments and paint ball pool. Thank you to all the volunteers who have supported the Youth Center project. If you have any questions about the Youth Center or NCFCC call Tere Tronson at 332-1042.

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Breeze Florist. John did quote me a figure that UPS delivers 3 billion packages a day and I wonder if he's in the ball park on that one. What I do know is I've never sent a package by UPS that was lost and that's impressive. Speaking of Sea Breeze Florist every year I order two or three of Gavle's hand tied wreathes and have them shipped out to places with different climate and vegetation than Port Orford. Of all the gifts these wreathes are as popular and well enjoyed as any I've given. A great reason to shop locally for Christmas and keep that money circulating in town.

Common Good Says Thanks

The community was kind to the Common Good this year. Many people were generous with donations of canned foods while others donated money. The Common Good will distribute Christmas boxes

on Saturday, December 21. John Stockman, president of the Common Good. told me the organization will pass out 60 boxes, each of which will include a turkey. The same day at the Common Good. gifts from the Tree of Giving will be distributed to the children. Stockman made note of the contributions of the Port Orford Lion's Club, Rotary Club, Lutheran Brotherhood, Chamber of Commerce and Al Luis at Sentry Market, among others who were generous in their giving. Thanks should also go to all the volunteers at the Common Good who keep things running smoothly.

Letter To The Editor

Be careful what you say in Port Orford. I complimented a woman on her Oxford University sweat shirt. And, against my protest, she took it off and give it to me. Now that it is Christmas, I received an anonymous gift - a T-Shirt I had previously commented on. I wish I could remember whose it was. So around here.



be careful what you say, or people will give you the shirt off their backs.

Jean Kilburn

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