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Garrison Lagoon By Evan Kramer



The Garrison Lake outlet at Agate Beach was opened for the fourth time in the last two and a half months on Monday evening. The City once again hired Joe Marsh to bring his D-6 cat out to Agate Beach and dig a trench at a right angle from the outlet to the ocean. It had been exactly two weeks since Marsh was last out at Agate Beach opening up the outlet.

The City has a pipe at the Pinehurst dock area that is their "yardstick" for when it is time to open the outlet. When the water is 18" above the pipe then the City opens the outlet according to city administrator Johnny Alexander. That threshold was reached on Sunday.

On Tuesday morning what was left of the lake was an amazing site. In my opinion the level is by far the lowest of the four times since the outlet has been opened since November 1998. I drove over to the 12th Street boat ramp and fishing dock. I spotted several dead fish trapped in the now exposed weeds in the lake. The water was so low in this part of the lake that the sewer effluent pipe leading out to Agate Beach was exposed.

Former Port Orford Mayor Mary Yoder, a resident on and off since 1956 and continuously for the last 29 years told me on Tuesday morning that this is the lowest level she has seen the lake.

It was high tide at 12:30pm on Tuesday afternoon. Robert Warring and I drove out to Agate Beach Trailer Park and then walked out to the beach for a look. Wave after wave washed across the sand and into the outlet as it poured into the lake. Once again the damage caused by the torrent of water flowing out of the lake had changed the landscape radically. What had been left of the temporary rock road from Agate Beach to the dunes was gone replaced by a rapidly eroding bluff. More trees and other vegetation were washed out to the sea. I thought as Warring and I surveyed the scene of destruction that the outlet looked like a shipping channel.

This Sunday, February 7 marks the first anniversary of the destruction of the city effluent drain field at Agate Beach. The dune in which the siphon vault rested had been eroding steadily the previous weeks. Finally with nothing left to keep it in place the siphon vault slid into the surf. The drain field had a life span of three years and the city is currently in the process of replacing it with an ocean outfall at Agate Beach.

Later in the afternoon on Tuesday as the tide went out so did the water in Garrison Lake making it into a tidal lagoon for at least this one day.

Skateboard Park

The Port Orford Parks Commission met last Wednesday night and the main topic of conversation was skateboarding.

First the commission elected Rick Cook chairman and named Pacific High School student Ayesha Brookshier as their secretary. This is part of her community service work that all high school students perform.

The first thing on the agenda was a request from former Chamber of Commerce president John Phillips. On behalf of the Chamber he requested the City put up signs in Battle Rock Park saying no skateboarding. Currently there is no city ordinance dealing with skateboarding. John Shippe spoke and said if we exclude skateboarders we should exclude bicycles and said there hasn't been an accident yet. City Councilor and parks liaison Nathaniel Wander said he had a feeling skateboarders are discriminated against in general. Kelly Vahradian said skateboarders should have access to the park. The parks commission took no action on the Chamber request.

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Date	Midnight to Noon					Noon to Midnight					Sun Moon			
	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Phase	Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Phase	Rise	Set	Phase	
Thu Feb 4	2:27a	7.2	8:16a	2.6	2:03p	6.9	8:29p	0.8	7:27a	5:35p	10:02p	9:58a		
Fri Feb 5	3:04a	7.1	9:06a	2.6	2:51p	6.2	9:05p	1.5	7:26a	5:37p	10:58p	10:24a		
Sat Feb 6	3:41a	7.0	10:01a	2.5	3:46p	5.6	9:43p	2.3	7:24a	5:38p	11:54p	10:52a		
Sun Feb 7	4:21a	6.9	11:02a	2.4	4:54p	5.1	10:25p	2.9	7:23a	5:39p	12:49a	11:20a		
Mon Feb 8	5:06a	6.8	12:10p	2.2	6:19p	4.8	11:17p	3.5	7:22a	5:41p	1:44a	11:51a	3Q	
Tue Feb 9	5:56a	6.8	1:17p	1.8	7:49p	4.8			7:21a	5:42p	2:38a	12:26p		
Wed Feb 10	12:22a	3.9	6:51a	6.8	2:16p	1.4	9:00p	5.1	7:19a	5:43p	3:31a	1:05p		
Thu Feb 11	1:31a	4.0	7:45a	7.0	3:06p	0.9	9:51p	5.4	7:18a	5:45p	4:23a	1:49p		

Curry General Hospital

Volunteer EMT's Linda Foster of Port Orford Community Ambulance exhibited and displayed its new training manikin before members of the Curry Health District board and for the public during the open house at Curry Family Medical in Port Orford, Wednesday, Jan. 20. The health district purchased the manikin with bond funds to help improve community emergency services in the in the north county. The manikin also is scheduled to appear at the hospital's Sixth annual Valentine Sunday Open House, 1 to 3pm., Feb. 14 in Gold Beach.

Bond expenses to date are \$325,000 including \$13,152 in surgical equipment; \$5,690 for the training manikin; \$17,165 in lab equipment upgrades; \$19,903 in architectural fees; \$23,077 in legal/consulting/engineering fees; \$43,910 for the roof; \$100,000 for a new ultrasound; \$25,277 down payment for new x-ray equipment; \$54,400 for the new phone

system; \$9,366 in computer equipment; and \$13,060 in miscellaneous expenses.

CGH still is seeking contractor estimates to complete the roof when the weather lets up in the summer.

Don Venes, M.D., (pronounced "Venice") the north county's first internal medicine specialist and Victoria Webb, M.D. a family practice physician with a special interest in obstetrics and women's health care, began staffing Curry Family Medical in Port Orford last month. Both look forward to meeting district residents at the hospital open house Feb. 14. They share a full time position providing coverage with the current family practice doctor on staff, Tom Pitchford, M.D., who plans to cut back his hours over the next several months.

The search continues for an eligible candidate to participate in the district's Gift of Sight program co-sponsored with the area Lions clubs. Anyone unable to pay for cataract surgery can contact a Lions

club representative in Curry County, or phone (541) 247-3187.

The December income statement reflects a new profit of \$7,457 compared to \$29,081 at the end of November. Two profitable months have helped reduce the year to date loss to \$113,000.

Reporting at the regular January board meeting, Randy Scholten, chief executive officer, said the district has spent more than a third of its current year tax revenues in a two month period. He said the district is reviewing ways to "roll back the spending." Tax revenues totaled \$340,000 or about 6% of the district's \$6 million annual budget.

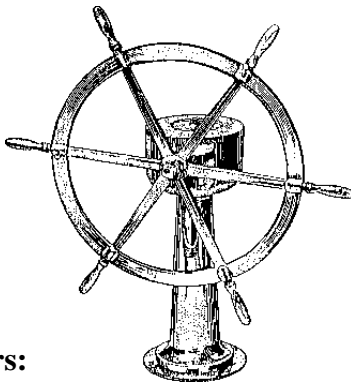
Port Orford Library News

Ribbit, Ribbit, means "hop" over to the library to "ponder" the diverse collection of frogs, in our display case, created by Pat Rhoades and Midge Hayes. These delightful creatures will be on display during the months of February and March.

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Easter Island II By Graeme Graydon



My first day on Easter Island seemed to be a mundane process of seeing how and where the modern people lived. I walked the dusty, obsidian studded coast-road to Hanga Roa, the only settlement on the island. A young man I greeted on the road gave me a hostile stare. There was a sheltered swimming hole, a tiny boat harbor, a dozen fiber glass working skiffs with out boards only. On the launching ramp, a trio of curious dogs intrigued by the body of one of their own kind, rolling gently in the water. There was a soccer field and a bank which wouldn't accept my Master Card but would exchange my \$20 Travelers check for a fee of \$15. While I contemplated this offer, a compassionate customer whispered that I should go to the gas station to get a much better deal – another angel in disguise. I bought some soap and acquired a couple of plastic bottles to expand my water supply to 7 liters. The coast north of the town was a harsh, barren, rock-strewn place with jagged black lava everywhere, no beaches to be seen. There was a group

of the huge stone statues (moai) gazing blindly into their ancient world.

I had walked the green pastures of my farm just yesterday, but already the memory was unclear and tomorrow, was just an empty space. The jet plane that had delivered me was supposed to take me back to my family in a week's time but I could find no assurance in me that I would ever see it again. The nearest humans lived 1400 miles to the west or another speck, Pitcairn Island, to the east, it was 2400 miles to Chile – don't even think about north or south. This day had been the doorway in time through which I moved, removing me from the certainty of my renewed family life in New Zealand and the solid goodness of a treasured life I had in Sams Valley, Southern Oregon. The only place left for me was the cheerful security of Annies Boarding House to which I returned at sundown with great thankfulness.

The next morning I set out to visit Orongo, a village on the rim of a crater that forms the western tip of the island, site of the Bird-man Cult. On the way, I met a Dutch couple and for a few minutes lapsed into "who I was and where I was from," but alone on the hot climb again, I soon forgot

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about all that as I began to get a view of the island, 14 miles by 7 miles, the inland slopes of 4 volcano's. There were a few scattered plantations of exotic trees all planted by the Chilean Government in an attempt to reforest the denuded land. I noticed several fires which I later learned occasionally burn out the plantations of precious trees, the natives don't seem to care. The road led to a high plateau – there was a great view but where was the crater? I walked away from the road through the low scrub. Without warning the world dropped away – 700 feet down into the half-mile wide cauldron to a mysterious surface of dark water and mats of reeds. The impact was so scary that I had to sit down.

To be continued.

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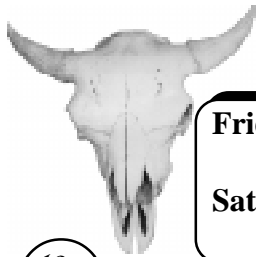
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1-25-99, 1:47pm: Report of theft at Castaway Motel. Report taken, under investigation.

1-25-99, 10:00am: Suspicious vehicle parking on 12th St., near Oregon Ave. in the evening hours.

1-26-99, 10:50am: Report of harassing neighbor on Qua To Mah. Being monitored.

1-26-99, 10:55am: Found calculator type Rolodex, looking for owner.

1-26-99, 1:20pm: Complaint of speeders at Arizona just before Paradise Point Rd. Being monitored.

1-27-99, 3:40pm: Black dog at large on school grounds during school. County dogcatcher would not respond. Owners to be contacted.

1-28-99, 11:10am: Transient in library contacted, asked to leave, complied.

1-28-99, 11:50am: Report of vandalism in cemetery. Report taken by Curry County Sheriff's office.

1-28-99, 4:15pm: Report of telephone harassment. Handled by contact.

1-30-99, 6:10pm: Report of abandoned vehicle at Hwy. 101 and Jackson, gone on arrival.

1-30-99, 6:15pm: Theft from Thomas residence on 19th. Report taken.

1-31-99, 7:11pm: Assist ambulance at Thomas residence. No transport, all okay.

1-30-99, 9:12pm: Report of harassment. Under investigation.

Races Off

Members of the Port Orford Chamber of Commerce met with members of the Cape Blanco Airport Association Monday morning at the Wheelhouse Restaurant. Those attending including George Welch, Beverly Walters and David Pesonen from the Airport Association and Frank Smith, John Ineson and Jay Stoler from the Chamber of Commerce plus David Kimes from Team Continental. The purpose of the meeting was to find a way for both groups to work together in continuing the Labor Day auto races at Cape Blanco Airport. The hope was for a racetrack to be built in North Curry County by Labor Day of 2000.

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The Chamber wanted the approval of the Cape Blanco Airport Association to use the airport for one final year in 1999 if needed, but were turned down.

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Bargain Of The Month

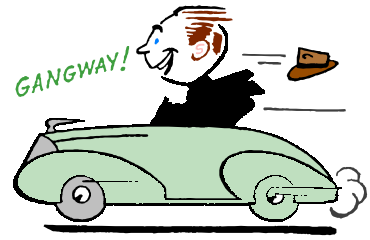
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Public Meetings

Port Orford City Council holds a special session on Monday, February 8, 6:00pm, to discuss pending litigation.

Port Orford City Council regular session on Monday, February 8, 7:00pm, in the council chambers.

Port Orford Planning Commission meets on Tuesday, February 9, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School District board of directors meet on Tuesday, February 9, 7:00pm, in the library room at Pacific High School.

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Port Orford Chamber of Commerce board of directors meeting on Wednesday, February 10, noon, at Spaghetti West.

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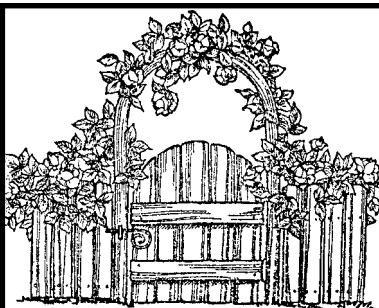
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Ballot packets will be mailed out to registered voters between February 17 and February 23. If you have not received your ballot packet by March 1, or need help in registering, please call our office at 247-7011 and ask for Connie Higgins at extension 223. Hearing impaired may call 247-6440 with their TTY.

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By: Paula Cracas

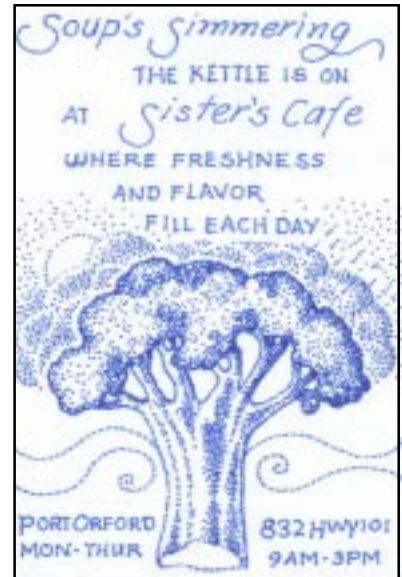
"Possessions have the tendency to possess their possessors." - Art Gish

An interesting Feng Shui exercise, to help you reduce clutter in your life, is to look around your space and become aware of where your eyes stop. In my house it was a pile of newspapers and magazines "I will read... sometime." What was it really? Clutter! Newspapers were bagged and dropped off at the recycling bin in Buck's Sentry's parking lot. A quick review of the magazines and two piles emerged. Those I would read tonight. And the stack that were recycled in the hallway of City Hall. I vowed that if I didn't read those magazines tonight, they'd be recycled too. Our landfill will recycle magazines, catalogs with shiny paper, and newspapers. Or drop the fancy magazines off at your doctor's office.

Back to becoming aware of what surrounds you in your environment. Ask yourself, what does this or that object mean to me? Where did it come from? Why do I keep it? Does its history bring me down or lift me up? (Not appropriate questions regarding someone you live

with or a pet that belongs to someone you live with.) Any items which no longer have a place in your life can be donated to the Senior Center or Common Good. If items, things that look like they belong in Grandpa's attic, have some value, have a yard sale or call a local antique store to see if you can sell them. Now that you've cleared off a few shelves, give them a good cleaning, and pat yourself on the back for getting rid of some clutter. On to the next step:

All those books stacked beside your easy chair or next to your bed...are you ever going to read them? My friends know we don't have a bookstore here, so they send me books when they finish them. I was surprised to find I had more than 25 books piled around my night-stand. By sorting them in three piles: YES, NO, and MAYBE, I had quite a few I could donate to the library. I donate most of my books to the Langlois Library because Toby Porter, their librarian, is always gracious when she receives them and promptly mails me a receipt and a lovely thank you note. Port Orford Library will take books for their twice a year book sales. Bonnie will give you a receipt if you ask. As a rule of thumb, if you haven't read a book in two years, unless you're keeping it for a



reference or it has value like a signed first edition, why hang on to it? once you get rid of some things, you have room to add things that really mean something to you or things you can use. or to keep life simple and clear out your space, don't bring any new thing into your life until you've gotten rid of two things.

On a final note, the beginning of the year is a good time to check your smoke alarms to make sure their batteries are working. If you rent, Oregon Landlord/Tenant Laws require the landlord to provide smoke alarms. Remind them, if you don't have one. Check your radiator to make sure you have adequate antifreeze just in case we have another cold snap. Did you forget to write down your year-end odometer mileage for tax purposes? And finally, make sure your fire extinguisher is charged. If you have simplified your life and would like to share some tips, send them to me c/o the Fun Zone.

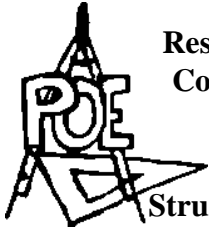
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A Letter to All By Scott Spencer

This is a letter of thanks for an evening, both entertaining and informative. Last Monday, the 1st, my wife and I and a lucky number of folks, had the good fortune to attend an informal informative multi-media presentation of slides and an all to short lecture. The subject was Marine Biology, the location was the Sixes Grange Hall, the speaker was DeBoyd L. Smith – noted Marine Biologist and world renowned expert on plankton – who happens to live right in our neighborhood – Sixes River that is.

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He showed slides of all varieties of plankton from Phylum Arthropoda Crustacea and Diatom Coscinodis cophyceae right through to zooplankton. I learned more in one hour than I could possibly remember without taking notes. But considering that we live on a planet mostly covered by water, and our local economy is so dependant on the ocean and all its inhabitants, we should all have a much greater understanding of our aqua-amigos, as they are 'link one' in a little thing commonly known as the food chain that most usually ends with we human beings. So keep your mind open to strange and wonderful things, that you maybe can't see, but without, you might not be.

You should take a look at one of his books available at our local library titled "A Guide to Marine Coastal Plankton and Marine Invertebrate Larvae" by DeBoyd L. Smith, Kendall Hunt Publishing Co., 2nd edition. My sincere thanks.

We're Going To Have A Party!

Port Orford is going to have a party on Sunday, March 7 from 2 PM to 4 PM. Bring your favorite dessert to the Community Building that Sunday afternoon and join the fun.

We're working on having some entertainment from groups like the Sing Alongs, the Step Dancers, Children's Theater Group and a chime choir. We'll also plan for time to just eat and visit. Port Orford has many wonderful, talented people, but it's hard to appreciate each other's unique gifts when we don't really know everyone. This is our chance to become better acquainted with our neighbors.

This party was originally scheduled for February, but was changed because of a conflict with the visit from the Oregon Coast Lab Band. Please mark your calendars for March 7 for the very first Port Orford Dessert Potluck afternoon. We'll be looking for you there. For more information, or if you'd like to help with the plans, please call Jane Cramer at 332-2113.

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The course is coordinated with AARP and is aimed at drivers 55 and older. After passing this course, you may be eligible for insurance cost reductions.

There is an \$8 charge for materials and is made payable to AARP. Pre-registration is appreciated. Call Southwestern for more information or to register. Gold Beach 247-2741 or Port Orford (Fridays) 332-3023.

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Garrison Lagoon

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The next topic on the agenda was the proposed skateboard ramp/park in Buffington Park. Jasper Shumaker-Pruitt gave a presentation on behalf of the skateboarders about the ramp. He had a clay model of the proposed ramp and park. He requested a change in location from the area adjacent to the handball court to the Pinehurst parking lot. He said the handball court and adjacent area was too small. He said the Pinehurst parking lot ramp could be built on solid ground and it would be easier for the police to patrol. He said he had talked to city public works director Jerry McNurlin about the different location and McNurlin said he had no problem with them using part of the parking area. Police Chief Bill Rush has volunteered to be the supervisor of the work crew on the ramp. City Administrator Johnny Alexander said it would take public input to change the location since the handball court area had already been approved in the Port Orford Parks Master Site Plan, which was approved by the council in 1998. Councilor Wander said he had strong feelings against using the Pinehurst site. His principle objection is

that part of the park is a wildlife area and a "quiet" part of the park. He recommended using the 14th Street parking lot for the skateboard park which met with opposition from this reporter.

Rick Cook said the Parks Master Site Plan version of the skateboard ramp originated because the city didn't have a lot of money for it. John Shippe said skateboarding is the sixth fastest growing sport in the country. He recommended building the skateboard park in increments.

It was decided to meet the next day at 1:00pm at Buffington Park and take another look at the handball court area site to see if it was big enough.

Wander, Cook, Shippe, Pruitt and several others met and both measured and marked out the area they would need for the skateboard park. They decided by using some of the concrete area adjacent to the handball court the area would be big enough for their needs. So as it now stands once the money is raised that's where the skateboard park will be built. Fundraising efforts have begun and will intensify in the coming weeks.

Senior News

By Mary Yoder

Now it's time for the February birthdays and here they are: Wayne Goetter 2/10, Lorraine Hass 2/12, George Gehrke 2/14, Ina Lefter 2/18, Nadine Oliver 2/22, Grace Houck, Lyman Beach and Mildred Welch 2/27, Adda Rose and David Walkup 2/28. Hope you all have a very happy birthday – from all of us. The volunteers had January 28th off. There was no rotary luncheon. I wonder how the volunteers spent their day.

Jan. 30th was the pot luck lunch. Volunteers working were James Black, Thelma Lagace, Kay Neal, Bessie Laurson, Mary Evans – doing dishes and lots of other things - Bill Butt, Owen Miller and Pete Becker. Gee what a fine meal – all the good things to eat only no deviled eggs. There was a nice turn out. Rusty Miller entertained with his harmonica. He really knows how to play it. Thanks Rusty.

February 1st was pinochle – good crowd – five tables – high score Imogene Stern – 2nd Ruth Goetter – low Katrina Montgomery and you know what – no popcorn.

February 2nd was the Nutrition Meeting.

February 3rd – Tax Aide – Every Wednesday 9:30 to 12 – it's free and will be till April. If you need help come to the center.

February 9th is the board meeting – at 11am – all are welcome.

February 13th is the luncheon and birthday party at 11:30 and rummage sale from 8 till 1pm.

February 14th – that's Valentines Day and that breakfast from 8am till 1pm – also rummage sale from 8 till 1. Come bring your sweet heart.

February 15th is pinochle at 7pm.

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