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Dogs for the Deaf

By Evan Kramer

 This short article goes under the good news department. Curry County Commissioner Cheryl Thorp called me on Tuesday afternoon with a positive story. On Monday of this week she had gone on a tour of the Curry County Animal Shelter in Gold Beach. She told me there were over 40 dogs at the animal shelter and the animal control officer was planning to euthanize 20 of them on Tuesday night.

Meanwhile Cheryl got in touch with a group called "Dogs for the Deaf" concerning the animal shelter dogs. "Dogs for the Deaf" takes in dogs that are between 6 months and three years old, no more than 25 pounds and with good natures. They may be able to take some of the Curry County dogs for their program and train them for deaf people. Some of the things the dogs do are warn their owners when a smoke alarm is going off. Because Thorp's actions the animal shelter is going to hold off for now on euthanizing the 20 dogs.

Commissioner Thorp is the animal control liaison on the board of commissioners. She told me she is trying to get better

animal control services for county residents. She also spoke about a program for finding homes for purebred dogs, many of which end up at the Animal Shelter.

I shared with Commissioner Thorp a bad incident I had with the County Animal Control officer and apparently wasn't alone in my complaints. I suggested to her than when the South Coast Humane Society in Brookings gets their animal shelter built they take over animal control services in Curry County.

You can meet Cheryl Thorp on Thursday night, March 4, 7:00pm, at Port Orford City Hall when the three commissioners hold a Town Hall Meeting for North Curry residents.

Vandalism at Park

Cathy Boden reported more vandalism occurred at the Adventure Center at the A-Frame in Buffington Park on Saturday. Someone threw a chunk of asphalt threw one of the west facing windows. It was the same window that a couple of weeks ago had been broken but hadn't been fixed by the city. Boden, who is the director of the Adventure Center, also reported another instance of gum being stuck in the front door lock. Other vandalism, which has occurred at the building, includes breaking the outdoor lights.

FREE!



Frank Cramer drove over to the Adventure Center with a sheet of plastic and stapled it to the window to keep the driving rain out of the building.

City public works administrator Jerry McNurlin said his department will place on a sheet of Plexiglas over the broken window as a temporary fix until they can get the new double pane glass window ordered and installed at a cost of around \$100. The crime was reported to the police who are investigating it.

The Adventure Center held an Open House for the community on Tuesday night.

Fire Board Vacancy

Bill McMullen resigned from the Port Orford Rural Fire District Board last week for health reasons.

The Board is seeking a replacement to fill the vacancy. You must be 18 years of age, a registered voter and a resident of the Port Orford Rural Fire District to qualify. Interested persons should write a letter of interest in serving on the Fire Board and mail it to the following address:

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Date	Midnight to Noon			Noon to Midnight			Sun Rise	Sun Set	Moon Rise	Moon Set	Phase	
	1:08a	7.1	7:06a	1.6	1:05p	7.0	7:19p	0.8	6:46a	6:11p	8:51p	8:28a
Thu Mar 4	1:39a	7.1	7:46a	1.5	1:46p	6.5	7:51p	1.4	6:45a	6:12p	9:48p	8:55a
Fri Mar 5	2:10a	7.0	8:28a	1.5	2:31p	6.0	8:23p	2.0	6:43a	6:14p	10:43p	9:23a
Sat Mar 6	2:42a	6.8	9:14a	1.6	3:21p	5.5	8:58p	2.6	6:41a	6:15p	11:38p	9:53a
Sun Mar 7	3:17a	6.6	10:06a	1.6	4:22p	5.0	9:38p	3.1	6:40a	6:16p	12:33a	10:26a
Mon Mar 8	3:59a	6.4	11:08a	1.6	5:40p	4.8	10:30p	3.6	6:38a	6:17p	1:26a	11:03a
Tue Mar 9	4:51a	6.3	12:17p	1.5	7:07p	4.8	11:41p	3.9	6:36a	6:18p	2:17a	11:45a
Wed Mar 10	5:55a	6.2	1:23p	1.2	8:20p	5.0			6:35a	6:20p	3:06a	12:32p
Thu Mar 11												

Senior News By Mary Yoder

First thing today is the March birthday people – Lyle Knutson – 3-3, Ruth Elliot – 3-8, Lee Heyl – 3-8, Marie Barrington – 3-10, Erwin Morgan – 3-18, David Eloden – 3-17, E. David Klein – 3-18, Holdie Partridge – 3-27, Marge Kyle – 3-24, Francis Wallace – 3-25, Ruth Goetter – 3-30, Ellis Zimmerman – 3-30. We wish you all a very happy birthday – remember free lunch those who have a birthday member or not.

February 25 was Rotary luncheon. Volunteers doing their thing were Norma Ellis, Kay Neal, Mary Evans and June Dennison setting up the dining room – doing dishes and all those other things Bill Butt and Mary Evans – Roald Young and Pattie Young worked Wednesday preparing the food – aren't they super?

Saturday February 27 was the luncheon and dedication of the rummage depart-

ment downstairs. As you know it was in honor of Mildred and Leo Welch. Bobbetta Kron did a very special presentation. Nice going Bobbetta. If you missed it you missed something very special. The volunteers who served and etc. were Kay Neal, Betty Berger, Harold Pace, June Dennison setting up the dining room – dishes and other things Bill Butt and Owen Miller and I was told Harold Pace did some dishes too. Roald Young and Pattie made the main dish of the luncheon was very tasty and all enjoyed it. Downstairs rummage workers – what's his name and Bobbetta Kron.

Now into March – March 1 pinochle – high – 2 tied Betty Harper and Judy Peacock Klein – 2nd Betty Keeler low June Dennison. You know what? Norma Ellis had a hand with fifteen hundred trump. Beat that if you can.

March 9 is board meeting

March 13 is luncheon at 11:30am corn

beef cabbage. This is also the birthday party – rummage sale 8:00am to 1:00pm. Best come – the sing-a-longs will be doing their part.

Will close with this.

A little word in kindness spoken
A motion or a tear.

Has often healed the heart that's broken.
And made a friend sincere.

Then deem it not an idle thing
A pleasant work to speak
The face you wear the thought you bring
A heart may heal or break.

Friends of Cape Blanco

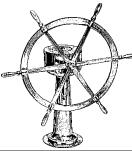
The March meeting of The Friends of Cape Blanco will be at 7:30 PM on March 10 at the historic Hughes House. It is not necessary to be a member of the Friends of Cape Blanco to attend. Everyone is welcome.

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**Lake Opening Authorized
by Nathaniel Wander**

The Port Orford City Council met in Emergency Session at 8 am Thursday, February 25 to discuss a lake opening. Present were Mayor Doran, Councilors Leeling, Cramer, Wander, Donaldson and Campbell, the City Administrator, Public Works Director, and Recorder.

Administrator Alexander proposed to regularly open the lake when it reached a level 10" above a small culvert beside the Pinehurst pumphouse. This followed from discussions with several parties, notably the County Commissioners and Roadmaster. Waiting until water reached the previous 18" benchmark allowed flooding of the soils supporting the Arizona Street causeway, and subsequent rapid draining was causing the road to fail, threatening water and sewer pipes routed over the bridge.

Wander called the council's attention to the February 17, 1998 report by Consulting Oceanographer Paul Komar and Consulting Ocean Engineer William McDougal. The author's wrote: "The occurrence of a breach could be devastating.... Once released through a narrow

breach, the high discharge would rapidly erode the sand to form a wider breach. Tidal exchange could then occur, bring saltwater into Garrison Lake, with the flood-tide flows also carrying beach sand into the lake. Wave surge through the breach could become significant and might threaten the homes that exist along the lake's shoreline ("Shoreline Erosion at Port Orford Related to the 1997-98 El Nino," p.4.)"

Wander said that on the basis of this report, he could not vote for another direct, short breach. He preferred to postpone a decision until Dr. Komar's arrival the following day, or failing that, excavate a longer, more southerly opening. He also proposed that instead of seeking multi-million dollar engineering solutions on an unstable beach, the city, county and state consider the possibility of buying out affected land-owners and shifting city and county infrastructures.

After discussion, Councilor Campbell motioned to return the decision-making authority on the matter to the City Administrator. The motion carried with Campbell, Donaldson and Leeling voting in the affirmative, Cramer and Wander opposed.

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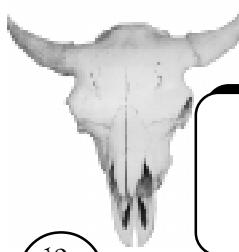
Wander then motioned that the excavators try to reproduce as much as possible the old streambed channel. Public Works Director McNurlin noted this would involve moving a large quantity of sand, and would require permission from the agent for the Mouchawar property. The motion failed 4-1, with only Wander in support.

At 11 am on Friday, the Public Works Director supervised a channel opening. The cut was moved some yards to the south of earlier excavations, and angled off the beach obliquely. By 5:30 pm, lake water was still running gently through the excavation, without enlarging the opening or noticeably lowering the level of the lake.

On Saturday, early risers could see that the lake level had fallen dramatically during the night. A group of observers who accompanied Dr. Komar to the outlet at 9 am, viewed an enlarged outlet with strong flows, probably excavated by the overnight high tide. While the outlet closed again by Sunday, a break in the weather has kept the lake level low since.

Corps of Engineers Meeting

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers will hold a meeting in Port Orford on Wed., March 10, 1:00pm, in the board of directors room at Premium Pacific Seafoods. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss dredging at the Port of Port Orford and the dredge management plan. The meeting is open to the public.



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Easter Island Concluded By Graeme Graydon

Early the next morning, I left Rano Raraku, heading for Anakena – the only real beach on the island. After walking for a while, I noticed a curious illusion, a distance I judged would take an hour to cover, was done in 15 minutes – another puzzle. Where the road left the coast to cross the island, a huge mobile crane, donated by Japanese interests, sat forlornly amongst the fallen statues that it was meant to re-erect, its paint beginning to harmonize with the black and tan landscape.

Anakena, welcome change from the drab colours of the island. Clear blue water, gleaming white sand backed by green vegetation, imported coconut palms, four top-knotted statues on an “ahu” or platform – and three beautiful young women in the water waving their bikini tops at me. I swept off my hat and bowed, which prompted a chorus of giggles and much

jumping around. Over the next few days they would continue to appear when I thought I had the whole day to myself – it was always a sweet surprise. The rangers supplied me with fresh water, I had the use of their Casa Guarda at all times. I shared my rations with them and they cooked fish on heated stones for me. The bay lake like a jewel in the clasp of black lava claws. There were caves everywhere, lava tubes reaching from the sea. One day I found a cave with three sets of bikini drying outside – we had been neighbors all the time. There were no sea birds, no seaweed, no shells, the only bird I saw was a small brown hawk – once. One night, while sleeping on the beach, the arrival of three vehicles woke me at 1:30am. For 5 hours the people seemed to be fishing with bright lights off the concrete jetty built by Thor Heyerdahl years ago. They left the area littered with bottles, plastic and paper.

At the appointed hour, Riccardo turned up to drive me back to Hunga Roa where I spent a restless day – just wandering. In the evening, I hiked out to the airport along a dark, lonely road accomplished by a friendly yellow dog who later sat with my pack in the airport – a warm send-off. Two hours later at 30,000 feet, they played a video of Easter Island. The lady next to me asked lightly – “How was Easter Island?” To my surprise, a choking feeling welled up inside and I began to sob. I apologized and explained that I had been where people had gone from

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prosperity to poverty by their own hands and I had seen how man had been able to lay waste his own land. I must have absorbed some of that pain and carried it in me. And then, more to my surprise I added – There is nothing to exploit anymore, the worst has happened, man has failed but the island is poised to be reborn. Those clear seas and rich soils are ready to fill with life again. In that moment I knew that I had been more than a spectator to the past, I had been witness at an Initiation of something incredible on the Island at the Center of the World.

To the editors: Thank you for allowing me to tell this story. It is written from my journal but only in the re-writing have I found some cleansing and relief at last from the emotional scars which I sustained on that awesome visit. I can let it go now.

In a sense, the island is a demonstration of what can occur if people lose their common sense, their compassion and their caring for others. Competition and always wanting what someone else has – taken to its limit – produces an Easter Island. It is a very sobering lesson for today. Thank you.

Graeme

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**Campaign Finance Reform
By Shirley Nelson, President
League of Women Voters**

Voter turnout in Oregon elections in 1998 was the lowest ever. At the same time, more money was spent on legislative races than ever before. What is wrong with this picture? Could it be that candidates need to spend more time with voters—ordinary citizens—and less on courting large contributions? Wouldn't it be better for the ones who get elected to focus on constituent concerns and the general good rather than issues of interest to major private or corporate contributors?

The League of Women Voters of Oregon has joined with other groups to form the Oregon Working Group for Campaign Finance Reform. This group is proposing legislation to establish a voluntary system by which candidates who comply would be eligible for public funds through a strict process that emphasizes community support rather than support big money contributors. Similar measures have passed in Maine, Massachusetts and Arizona.

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This is an effort to bring the process of representative democracy back to us, the people. More information on this was printed in an opinion piece by Phil Keisling, Secretary of State, and Paula Crane, President of the League of Women Voters of Oregon, in the February 10 issue of the Portland Oregonian.

If you believe campaigning can be improved in Oregon, contact your legislators. Representative Ken Messerle re House Bill 3015, the Clean Money Act: messerle@state.or.us or Senator Veral Tarno, sentarno@aol.com

Both men can also be reached by calling 1-800-332-2313 or writing to them at the State Capitol Building, Salem, OR 97310.

Letter to the Editor,

The bad news, good news event

The bad news: Friday morning about 10:30am while traveling north of Port Orford going into Coos Curry Electric our van was struck from the rear. The impact crushed the back of the van causing both back doors to fly open and ejecting our large dog Spike, a 70 pound Blue Heeler onto the Highway. He proceeded into the woods east of Highway 101.

Just a very few minutes later George Gehrke and Gale Wilcox were on the scene with their fire and ambulance crews. Everyone did their jobs with the utmost efficiency and expertise. Gale took a look at Jerry and sent him off to the hospital while many other people most whom we don't even know were on the lookout for our dog.

The good news: That afternoon Vern and Barbara Larsen, John and Carol Suchy, Lone and Vena Berube, Ed Schlender and Barbara Forest and many other good people who's names we do not know went out into the driving rain and searched for our dog. That evening at 9:30pm Denise Pigott knocked on our door and said she had seen Spike on Cemetery Loop Road. Dee went back out with Denise and he was found, bruised, wet and exhausted but okay. "He was on his way home."

Our many thanks to all the fine people of Port Orford, the fire and ambulance crews plus all our neighbors who went out of their way to help us.

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The carnival will be held at the Showcase Building which will be packed full of interactive game booths and activity areas designed to appeal to children in sixth grade or younger. Among the myriad of activities, youngsters can: Try on magic spectacles and learn what it's like to drive drunk.

Watch the inside of Mr. Yuckmouth's mouth to see what tobacco does to teeth and gums.

Pet a real kitten or puppy to learn safe pet handling.

Sit like a frog in a yoga session for kids.

Participate in a health and safety relay supervised by an emergency room nurse.

Try "drop and roll" techniques taught by Gold Beach fire department personnel.

Shake hands with Spiderman, Smoky Bear, Kool the Clown, and Elliot the Elephant.

Watch the American flag turn from green and yellow to red, white and blue using healthy eye power.

Eat free "ants on a log" provided by Curry General Hospital's dietary department.

Drink free cranberry juice provided by the Bandon cranberry growers.

Judge a poster contest on "What's Healthy Look Like?"

Color health messages and health posters at a big coloring table.

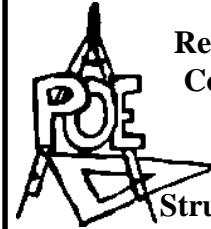
Tours of the hospital with balloons and snacks are available March 3 through 5. To schedule a tour, phone 247-3187.

Fishermen's Memorial

Dark skies threatened the fishermen's memorial work group Sunday, February 20. Before the darkness became heavy

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rains, the group accomplished quite a bit. The area for the bricks to be installed was measured off and flagged. As one member of the work party stated, "The memorial is easier to visualize with flags up." Working with the contractor, the memorial designs were gone over with a fine tooth comb, and how the proper way to build the memorial was covered. As the weather turned for the worse the group concluded that this day's work was done. Plans to meet when the weather improves were made. Even with the bad weather and the news of no grant funds coming from the last request, everyone involved felt good about the day.

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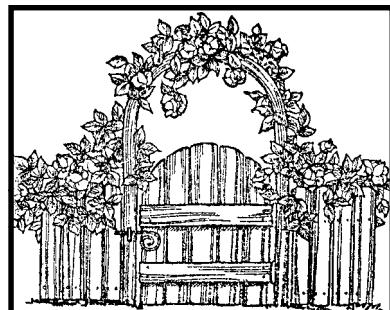
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Blue Book Arrived

The North Curry Blue Book which was compiled by North Curry Families' and Children's Center (NCFCC) is now complete and available for free while they last at the North Curry Service Center (blue building). This little booklet is a comprehensive guide of local community, school and faith organizations in the Port Orford/Langlois area. We at NCFCC applaud the efforts of the numerous primarily volunteer organizations that enrich the lives of us all.

Information on organizations and how to reach them is included in the Blue Book under the headings of community organizations, school organizations and the faith community. This booklet is intended as a help to all of us to access and form partnerships with the many groups working in our area. If you notice mistakes or omissions, please call NCFCC for the next printing update.

NCFCC received grant funding in part for this booklet by the Anne E. Casey foundation. The book was compiled by Matthew "Buzzy" Nielsen an dedicated to the memory of the late Madeline Hagelstein for her volunteer help and work in collecting the information to help families and children. The booklet was printed by the Downtown Fun Zone.

NCFCC is a non-profit 501-C3 grassroots organization dedicated to the vision that all families are safe, healthy, and self-sufficient involved members of the community. For more information, call Tere Tronson at 332-1042 or 332-9191.

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February 24, 3:20pm: EMT's dispatched to Thomas residence.

February 24, 3:45pm: Reporting of computer tampering. Under investigation.

February 25, 11:00am: Report of forged check at Sentry Market. Same suspects that forged checks at Jewels by the Sea, and the Painted Lady.

February 25, 11:40am: Report of telemarketer phone harassment. Referred to Better Business Bureau.

February 26, 3:45pm: Welfare check at Thomas residence. Transported to Coos Bay.

February 27, 6:08pm: Report of teens 'getting high' at 328 11th Street. Under investigation.

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Public Events and Meetings

Curry County Commissioners Town Hall meeting on Thursday, March 4, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers. This is a North Curry County meeting.

Port Orford Arts Council will meet on Friday, March 5, 6:30pm, at the North Curry Service Center (back door) 1403 N. Highway 101. Bring your wonderful ideas for the art and culture you would like to experience in Port Orford!

Port Orford Community Dessert Potluck, March 7, 2:00pm, at the Community Building. Everyone is welcome.

Port Orford City Council meets on Monday, March 8, 7:00pm, in the council chambers.

Port Orford Rural Fire District Board
of Directors meet on Tuesday, March 9,
5:00pm, in the city hall fire station. Plan-
ning for the new fire hall continues.

Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ special board meeting on Tuesday, March 9, 7:00pm, in the Pacific High School library. The 2CJ School District Board of Directors will meet to discuss personnel and district matters. The Board may adjourn into executive session under ORS 192.660 (1) (I) Personnel.

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

Port Orford Chamber of Commerce
board meeting on Wednesday, March 10,
noon, at Bartlett's Restaurant.

The Journey by Tom Charnock

The Journey begins on hands and feet,
Oblivious to the world's good and bad.
The Journey continues needing only two feet to walk
And the world's evil starts to show

Instinctively I start to build the shield,
Darkness to protect me from the dark of the world.
Cloaked in pain and resentment I continue The Journey.
Beset on all sides, my cloak and shield turn aside the attacks.
Eventually though a few barbs get through and I start to falter,
As I start to fall, a few valiant souls come to my rescue.
In their care my shield and cloak start to fade.
The realization comes that I have found a home,
But the Journey must continue, it must continue.

I am exiled from my home sent away in the name of scholarly pursuits,
The Journey continues and the cloak and shield return.
Look there before me, it is the False Dawn!
Slowly my armor starts to dissipate under the light from the False.
But alas one minute I stand in the light, the next the False Dawn leaves,
Sending me back to misery in pain.

I adorn the helm forged of cynicism and loathing,
It joins the cloak and shield, forming a suit of impenetrable armor.
Though I add to my armor I also stumble,
The False fools me, making me believe I am mortally wounded.
I continue the Journey, staggering, reaching out blindly for help.
I am blessed and a Star shines its light down upon me.
The Star's pure light heals my imaginary wounds,
Cleansing and healing the soft light plays over my face.
Once again my armor is beset and cracks form and it is weakened,
But Journey is not finished, the Journey must continue.

The Star's light eventually starts to fade,
But the damage to my armor remains.
I set out once again on the Journey,
Where should I go? What should I do?

I wander this way and that, no direction or destination in mind.
Then it happens, The True Dawn arrives, And it is glorious!
One ray of the True, and my weakened armor dissipates into nothing.
Pain, anger, fear, are all washed away as I bask in the light of the True.
I feel whole, complete. Is this the end of the Journey?
I think these words but dismiss them swiftly.
I realize with light of the True shining down upon me,
The Journey has only begun.

Fire Board Vacancy *continued from front cover*

Please send letters of interest in by April 9, 1999. The board will review the letters at their April 13 meeting and make a decision. The term of office will be through June 30, 2001.

The members of the Rural Fire Board thank Bill McMullen for his work and effort on both the Board and the Port Orford Fire Department.

Gun Club News **By Bill Oleson**

Sunday, the last day of February, was a fine day to shoot trap. The sixteen-yard event was won again by Scott Wurster, Port Orford, with a score of 49/50. Jim Harrison, Port Orford and George Millen, Coos Bay were runner-ups with 47/50 scores.

The Handicap event was won by George Millen. Jim Bussman was runner up. The scores for all were embarrassing considering the good weather.

The Doubles event (the trap is set to throw two targets on each call for target) was again won by George Millen with a 45/50 score.

Scott MacDonald, Port Orford, won both Custer events and also two Wacker Backers. Jim Harrison won the last Backer.

After leading the Myrtle Point League for over two months the Port Awful Team was beaten on the last night by a team called the Spooners. The Spooners were represented by Jim Harrison and Don Chase, Bandon (also a member of Cape Blanco). Port Awful was edged by the narrow margin of four targets. The two leading teams included seven Cape Blanco members. On the last night Scott Wurster shot a 49/50. Ron Puhl and Scott MacDonald were runner-ups in the A class. Jim Harrison and Robert McKenzie were tied for high honors in B class. Shooting under the light in gale force winds was an experience.

Search Warrant Served

On February 26, 1999, the South Coast Interagency Narcotics Team (SCINT) served a search warrant in Port Orford at 1186 Idaho Street. SCINT was assisted by Brookings Police detectives, Curry County Sheriff's Department personnel including Ted Longton and his K-9 Alf and Port Orford Police Chief Bill Rush.

Three Port Orford residents – Linda Ray

Wilson, Colleen Rae Johnson and Susan Lea Beech were arrested, lodged in the Curry County Jail and have been charged with possession of a controlled substance.

Susan Beech was also charged with frequenting a place where controlled substances are used and Colleen Johnson has been charged with child neglect. The three are being held on security release agreements ranging from \$50,000 to \$100,000.

Property seized during the search of the residence included firearms, methamphetamine, marijuana, packaging material, scales and other evidence related to the use and possession of controlled substances.

Services to Child and Families were called to the scene and took protective custody of a four year old child, who has been placed in foster care.

Information provided by the Curry County Sheriff's Department

Community Party

Next Sunday, March 7 is the day to remember. Please plan to be at the Community Building from 2:00pm to 4:00pm for a dessert potluck, entertainment and a chance to visit with old and new friends.

This party is just for fun. We're not trying to raise money or attract tourists. We just want to get to know each other and appreciate the talented cooks, musicians and actors of Port Orford. We'll be looking for you!

Pig Bowl Cancelled!

The Pig Bowl scheduled for this Saturday night has been cancelled due to the bad condition of the field.

Watershed Protection Meeting

There will be a public meeting at 5:00pm on March 8, in the Council Chambers located at 555 W. 19th Street, Port Orford, with Sheree Stewart from the Oregon DEQ.

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