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Let The Fireworks Begin By Evan Kramer



The July 4 weekend and Jubilee Celebration are upon us and fireworks are on sale now at Battle Rock Park. The Port Orford Chamber of Commerce operates the fireworks trailer and staffs it with volunteers. Hours for the fireworks sales are approximately 10:00am – 6:00pm through Sun., July 4.

One of the many Jubilee events is the Quilt, Flower and Bonsai show at Driftwood Elementary School. The exhibits open to the public at 9:00am. I've been told the quilt show is also a contest with about 20 quilters starting with the same material and all coming up with something different. The public is invited to vote for their favorite entry in the quilt show. The show is conveniently located in the same building as the ever-popular Rotary pancake breakfast. The Rotary Club serves several hundred people breakfast with all the profits going to the Rotary Scholarship Fund for Pacific High School graduates. You can have a hearty breakfast and then enjoy the exhibits.

Port Orford Arts and Seafood Festival '99 long sleeved tee shirts and sweatshirts will be on sale at the Salmon Barbecue

sponsored by the Port Orford Fishermen and Wives Association at 3:00pm. The barbecue will be held at Driftwood Elementary School.

One last minute change in the Jubilee schedule is that the Fishing Pond at Battle Rock Park has been cancelled. This was a popular event for children under 12 years old last year but was cancelled because of a lack of support including a problem with getting enough ice.

They say everybody loves a parade and I know I thoroughly enjoy Port Orford's every year. The Grand Marshal of this year's parade is Charles Ells. Other highlights to look for this year include an entry organized by Julie Hawthorne representing women in history. There will be many motorcycles in the parade, including one group of riders from Redding, California and another from Coos Bay. Another group to look for is the colorful Bicycle Ballet.

Big Air Windsurfing in Langlois will be represented in the parade with two wind surfers. Port Orford and Langlois' young people will be represented by the Junior Court. Parade entries will be accepted through Friday, July 2. You must enter if you want to be judged for a prize.

More exciting news: Port Orford and more specifically Battle Rock Park will

see a flyover from the Oregon National Air Guard the night of July 4 at around 9:20pm. This according to Clayton Lyons who arranged it. Then the darkness will settle in and the fireworks will begin!

Council Goes Ahead By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council took a major step Thursday night toward replacing the Agate Beach sewer drain field. City Administrator Johnny Alexander led off with an overview of the situation. He said KCM Engineering estimated the replacement cost for an ocean outfall is \$1,840,000. The granting agencies would come up with \$1,250,000 in grants with city coming up with \$150,000 from the sewer and water construction fund and \$440,000 to be repaid by either ratepayers or taxpayers. Alexander presented a chart with a 20 year repayment cycle with a \$36,819 annual payment if the City goes with user fees to repay the debt. In his letter to the council Alexander stated that for the city to qualify for the grant money the city sewer rates have to equal the statewide average of \$30 per month. The current average in Port Orford is \$27.87 per month. Alexander's figures showed an increase of \$12.00 per billing cycle would

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Thu Jul 1	1:24a	7.2	8:27a	-0.9	3:16p	6.0	8:21p	3.3	5:42a	9:00p	10:59p	8:57a
Fri Jul 2	2:03a	7.0	9:04a	-0.7	3:54p	6.1	9:08p	3.2	5:43a	9:00p	11:34p	9:57a
Sat Jul 3	2:46a	6.7	9:43a	-0.4	4:34p	6.2	10:02p	3.1	5:43a	9:00p	12:05a	10:58a
Sun Jul 4	3:36a	6.2	10:24a	0.0	5:16p	6.4	11:04p	2.8	5:44a	8:59p	12:36a	12:01p
Mon Jul 5	4:35a	5.8	11:08a	0.5	6:00p	6.6			5:44a	8:59p	1:05a	1:05p
Tue Jul 6	12:11a	2.3	5:46a	5.3	11:58a	1.1	6:46p	6.9	5:45a	8:59p	1:36a	2:10p 3Q
Wed Jul 7	1:21a	1.7	7:08a	5.1	12:53p	1.6	7:35p	7.3	5:46a	8:58p	2:08a	3:17p
Thu Jul 8	2:27a	0.8	8:32a	5.1	1:53p	2.1	8:25p	7.7	5:46a	8:58p	2:45a	4:26p

Weekly Police Log

June 22, 8:00am: Found bicycle at corner of California and 12 Street.
 June 22, 6:30pm: 9-1-1 call from 12th and Idaho. Unable to locate, gone on arrival.
 June 23, 3:30pm: Motorist relayed report of injured bear north of Western Builder's. Gone on arrival. OSP advised.
 June 23, 8:00pm: Hang-up call from 12th and Idaho Street. Unfounded.
 June 24, 1:15pm: Motor vehicle accident at 14th and Oregon Street. Non-injury.
 June 25, 10:30am: Parking complaint at Port parking lot. Handled by contact.
 June 25, 11:30am: Report of dead deer in yard of Arizona. Referred to OSP.
 June 25, 3:20pm: Report of reckless driver northbound from Gold Beach. Vehicle stopped north of Port Orford, information taken and passed on to Gold Beach. Handled by contact.

Natural Gas

HB2153, which included the Natural Gas Pipeline to Coos Bay passed out of the full Ways and Means Committee this morning. The bill will now go to the House floor and then to the Senate.
 "I am very encouraged by the unanimous committee vote," said Rep. Ken Messerle (R-Coos Bay.) Messerle also stated for the record at the hearing, that the state \$20 million bond leverage is contingent on Coos County approving a \$20 million bond measure and Northwest Natural Gas building a \$10+ million grid to provide service within the community. This will provide over \$50 million for the project. Attending the committee meeting from Coos County this morning were Commissioner Nikki Whitty, Lawton Verger, Doug Fletcher, Tim Bishop, Harry Davis and Roy Perry.

Wiggins Responds

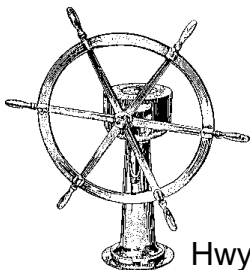
Oregon Department of Forestry forest practices officer Katherine Wiggins sent me an e-mail about the article on the Logging Operation which was in last week's paper. She wanted to correct the e-mail address which should be kwiggins@odf.state.or.us.
 She also responded to comments made by councilor Nathaniel Wander at the June 14 council meeting and reflected in statements printed in the June 17 edition of this paper.
 "The last time I checked my job description it was to administer the Forest Practices Act, not "expedite logging". It does not entail taking "sides". It does not entail "buying into a system stacked in favor of the timberowner." It does include administering statutes and laws in a consistent, professional manner without discrimination. (Nathaniel knows better!).

- Katherine Wiggins

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Gun Club News By Bill Oleson

The recent Pacific International Trap Association's Oregon State meet was held in Medford, Oregon. Six Cape Blanco members attended including Robert McKenzie III, Ron Puhl, Jim Harrison, Scott Macdonald, and Bill and Katie Kemper. It usually takes a score of 100/100 targets to place in a meet of this level or to qualify for a shoot-off. Two of our members, Scott Macdonald with a Handicap win and trophy buckle, and Jim Harrison a tie for a win but had to settle for runner-up in the shoot off. His trophy is a huge carved bear.

Last Sunday's trap event was shot in a steady 20 mile per hour wind which caused some very tricky targets. Scott Wurster won the 16-yard singles with a 49/50. Runner up in the same A class was George Millen with a 48/50. Roy Carr won the B classification singles. He is automatically promoted to the A class.

The Handicap was a run-away for John Paulus, Coos Bay. He will be promoted from the 21 yard line back to the 22. George Millen was again runner-up. Scores were too embarrassing to record.

Rocks and Minerals

Are you curious about the type of rocks you find on the beach or in the woods? Would you like to know where certain rocks and minerals are found? Then join local geologist, Richard Bateman, for a two-week workshop on rocks and minerals.

The workshop, offered through SWOCC is a combination lecture and field trip. There are two lectures at the Gold Beach campus: Friday, July 9 and 16, from 6:30pm to 9:30pm, each followed by a field trip, Sat. July 10 and 17 from 9:30am to 3pm.

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Bateman, an enthusiastic and knowledgeable instructor, is a Gold Beach favorite when it comes to teaching about rocks and minerals. This class will cover the nature, origin and use of minerals and rocks. The lectures and field trips will concentrate on identification, sampling and collection methods of common rock forming minerals.

The field trips will show locations of rock deposits in the area, as well as rocks and minerals from other locales. Come and join the fun and learn about the area at the same time. Call SWOCC in Gold Beach at 247-2741 for more information or to register.

Arts Council Meets

The Port Orford Arts Council will meet on Friday, July 2, at 6:30pm in the back of North Curry Service Center (blue building), 1403 N. Highway 101. All are welcome.



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Dock Project Goes to Bid By Evan Kramer

The Port of Port Orford Commission met last Tuesday night and at the top of the agenda was the permanent dock project.

Port Manager Gayle Paige said the last permit for the new dock had been received and that 50 bid packets have been printed. She said the advertisements for the new dock would be printed in the newspapers that week. The two most important dates in the bid process are July 8 when there will be a pre-bid conference at the Premium Pacific Seafood office for interested bidders and sub-contractors. The bids will be received at the Port of Port Orford office until 4:00pm, July 22, 1999 and at that time publicly opened and read aloud.

Paige said until a contractor is selected it won't be known if the Port will use a trestle system to put boats in and out of

the water. She said she expects major grumbling but the Port will stay operational during construction.

Mike Ashdown said he was concerned about the effect on the crab season. Scott Mecum said he was concerned that the opening month of crab season would be the worst time for construction. Ashdown told the Commission he was concerned with safety on the dock with an influx of additional boats and the time it would take to get them out of the water. Paige reiterated the Port cannot afford to shut down. Ashdown asked for a safety net for fishing boats that use the Port year round. He said he didn't want to see anybody drown. Paige told him the Port has no control of who goes out in the water. Port Commissioner Leesa Cobb asked if the Port could limit use of the facility. Commissioner Scott Macdonald described the trestle system as a really poor set-up. Paige said she has plotted usage of the Port from year to year and

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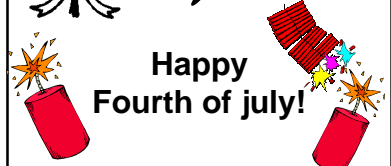
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said there was no good window of slow usage at the Port. She said the Port needs to proceed legally. Macdonald suggested the fishermen work out a rotation amongst themselves for dock lift use.

Port Commissioner Chris Hawthorne made a motion to allow fishing vessels to be removed from Port property during construction and retain their seniority. It passed 4-0.

The Commission next heard about the dredging situation from Gayle Paige. She said three or four Army Corps of Engineers employees would be in Port Orford at her office on June 29 to discuss the situation. She had stated earlier in the meeting the Corps was not through dredging and would be back and here through September.

The Commission considered the Port lease with the Division of State Lands for \$647 a year. Leesa Cobb made a motion to approve the lease and it passed 4-0. A second motion to transfer \$1950 from the insurance deductible to pay the land lease passed.

Paige talked a lot about the amount of public contact she has at the Port office. She told the Commission she needs more undisturbed time at the office to do her work. Several ideas were exchanged including getting caller I.D. to screen nuisance calls, looking into an answering service, turning the workshop area into an office and hiring a temporary office worker to help answer the telephones.

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Letter to the Editor,

The training to respect our Flag began in grade school when it was an honor to assist the teacher in raising the Flag in the morning before classes and lowering the Flag at night after school was out, being instructed that you never let the flag touch the ground because that did not show respect and you always folded it properly because it was our symbol of liberty. Many of us went to war, fought were injured or died for the symbol of our land. We never let it fall no matter how tattered it got, it was still our Flag and we honored it. Now we have people saying that they have the right to wipe their feet on or burn it, because they say it is their right of free speech. They say that this action they may do to show their contempt for the government. I was taught that if you wanted to change the government you ran for office, or voted for the person that you thought would put your point across to the people of the country. Some people in other countries have burned our flag to show contempt for our country. When this happens we feel contempt for those who do these acts. Many of us fought, were injured or died for our country and Flag, do not allow anyone to defile the symbol of our country. Vote to make it a crime to burn or in anyway deface our flag!

Walt Kaplan
Port Orford

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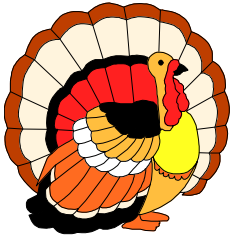
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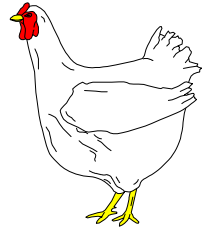
with an opinion at variance with yours. I'm truly sorry if anyone, as you said, "went to war, fought were injured or died for the symbol of our land." I'd hope they went to defend justice, freedom, and the American way of life. Symbols may be important but they're still just symbols. It's the item being represented by the symbol that is important. Freedom is worth dying for. A piece of dyed cloth is not. By

your logic, people shouldn't burn the flag. Next you will prohibit pictures, cartoons and T-Shirts of flag burning. It's a small step then to ban talking or writing about it and your well-intentioned effort will have become the tyranny which you fought against. By all means, condemn flag burners and speak out against them but let's not pass any laws. - Valerie Kramer]

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Democrats Meet

What has been happening in the current Oregon Legislative session? Charlie Burr, the Constituent Service Director for the Senate Democratic Caucus will be speaking at the June 30 meeting of the Curry County Democratic Central Committee.

The meeting will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the Blue Room of the courthouse Annex, June 30.

In addition to his present position, Burr has worked with Sue Kupillas for Congress (CD 2), Brad Avakian for State Senate during the last election cycle, and Judy Uhebelau's first state representative race. In addition, he has been involved with the 1994 ballot measure to increase restrictions on cyanide mining and the 1997 effort to fight the repeal of Oregon's Right to Die law. Charlie Burr can be contacted at (503) 986 1012 phone at the Capitol, or (503) 250-1091 mobile.

All people interested in participating at the "grass roots" level in the Democratic Party are encouraged to attend. If you have any questions about the organization, or if you would like to become active in the county Democratic Party, call Chris Hawthorne 332-7635.

Fire Season Begins

Effective at 12:01am, Wednesday, June 30, 1999, the official forest fire season begins in the Coos Forest Protective Association district. This closure effects all state, county, private and BLM lands within CS-1, CS-2, CS-4, CS-5, SK-1 and SK-2. This action puts the Coos district at a Level 1 closure. After this date, logging operators must have their fire tools and equipment as required by law and all open burning will require a permit.

Burning permits will be issued at the site. Plan any burning in advance to allow ample time for an inspection by the Forest

Officer. Call the nearest Coos Forest Patrol office listed in the telephone directory to request permits. Permits for open burning are issued for no more than ten days and incinerator permits may be issued for extended periods of time. All permits must be signed by the permittee and Forest Officer at the burning site.

The Coos Forest officer for Port Orford and Langlois is Joanne Ruoff. She can be reached at 332-1625 by people needing new permits or old ones renewed.

Gene Brock, Coos Forest District Manager.

Era F. "Granny" Smith

Funeral services will be held on Thursday, July 1, 2:00pm, at St. Christopher's Episcopal Church for Era F. "Granny" Smith, widow of Lester T. Smith, mother of Betty Dodge, Tom, Jerry, Jimmy, Frank, William, Steven and Darla Smith.

In lieu of flowers, contributions to St. Christopher's Church will be appreciated.

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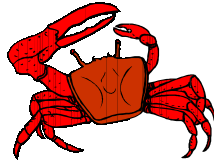
Summertime is a great time to keep up your artistic skills, or to learn some new ones. Let SWOCC help.

Ceramics, with Maggie Frazier, has become a local favorite. Learn with beginners, and a few experienced, returning students, the basic process of working in clay. Topics that are covered include; designing, curing, glazing and firing. The class day is now Wed., from 6:30pm to 9:30pm, starting July 7. This class includes a \$5 fee.

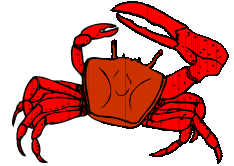
Well known Gold Beach artist, Jo Bailey, will start her Painting on Location later in

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the summer. The class will be Thursday, from 9am to noon, starting Aug. 5th. There will be eight weeks of on-location painting. Get outdoors and enjoy some great company, all the while learning and improving your painting skills.

Call Southwestern for more information or to register: Gold Beach 247-2741; Brookings 469-5017.

Letter to the Editor,

I was fortunate to be asked to sponsor a baseball team this year. As luck and lots of hard work would have it, the Sea Breeze Red Socks won the Coast Baseball Tournament this past weekend. Though the trophy is at Sea Breeze, it truly belongs to the players, parents, coaches (Paul and Maureen Wayne) and the organizers, Tim Armi and Steve Martin. We are lucky to have so many dedicated people volunteer so much time for young people in Port Orford. This one's for you! And dedicated to Red McWilliams.

Sincerely,

Gayle Wilcox

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Letter to the Editor,

This is to thank all of those people who have thus far signed the petition to place the initiative concerning the caNOpy project on the November ballot. It is most apparent that the citizens of Curry County believe in participating in the democratic process by exercising their civil rights to vote on this issue.

Collecting signatures has been an interesting and enlightening experience. People have quite openly shared their concerns about the project.

Although the County Commissioners appear to have withdrawn their support for the project, there still remains an entanglement between the Canopy Board and the State Parks Department.

Because of this, it is most important to continue on with the initiative process. In order to send the message that people do not want this in Curry County, we will continue to collect the appropriate number of signatures to result in a vote. A voice in opposition echoed by many should be heard and acknowledged.

Sincerely,

Carole A. Lustig

Canopy Project Reconsidered

The following letter was sent to the Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission. It was dated June 22, 1999.

The Curry County Board of Commissioners took the following actions at its June 21, 1999 meeting:

Due to what we believe is a lack of support from citizens, Curry County will honor its current contracts on the Canopy Project, but end its involvement at that point and Curry County will ask the Canopy Board of Directors to find another organization to sponsor this project.

The Canopy Project Board has advised us of their interest in continuing the project.

In light of this transition, we would like to request that our presentation slot be turned over to The Canopy Project Board of Directors.

Sincerely,

Curry County Board of Commissioners
Lloyd Olds, Chair
Cheryl Thorp, Vice Chair
Bill Roberts, Commissioner

Before the Parade

Highway 101 in Port Orford offers one a variety of places to view local artists offerings. On July 4th there is something special planned for the artist in all of us. There are three galleries in a row - across from Circle K - referred to by locals as '*Port Orford's Gallery Row*'.

Paul Bodtke Gallery is our very own pottery studio and Paul will be outside for his annual sale of pottery art, sculpture and practical items.

Next door to Paul is *Michael Thielan Gallery* that will be displaying a selection of Michael's own works including sculpture and paintings. He'll be the one sittin' out front with a few friends blowin' some Blues harmonica.

Two doors down in the Au Franc Building *Uptown Frames* will be presenting two guys just south of Port Orford - Tom Farmer and Tim Greathead. Their new works are big and exciting. Stop by after the parade for snacks, blues and art.

NCFCC

Those lavender colored letters and hand-decorated bookmarks have been arriving in all North Curry households. NCFCC is pleased to say that many supporters have already sent in their donations that will directly go to pay for the Summer Arts and Recreation program that begins August 2 and runs every week day until August 13 in Port Orford and Langlois.

The NCFCC board wishes to thank the Development Committee for all its work on the fundraising effort. The members of the committee are Tobe Porter, Evan Kramer, Jon Porter, Will Green, Larry Blount, Carolyn Barnes, Carol Malley and Tere Tronson. Special thanks to the Fun Zone for the printing, the Port Orford Post Office for all of their skillful assistance and to Coos Curry Electric for sealing all of the envelopes.

If you haven't yet made your contribution, please do so today. Our most important assets are our children. If you have questions about NCFCC or its projects, call Tere Tronson at 332-9191.

Derby Preparations By Howard Walter

The Fish Box Derby taking place on July 4th during the Port Orford Jubilee, will be a memorial to Hoyt Litterell, avid FBD organizer and participant. His hard work, ingenuity, creative engineering, hospitality and love for fun will be missed. His effort to make the Fish Box Derby work and be fun to participate in as well as watch was a key to the Derby's success over the past several years. Hoyt along with good friend and competitor Charlie Roberts are a very tough act to follow. We therefore dedicate this years Fish Box Derby as the Hoyt Litterell Memorial Fishbox Derby.

The location of the races will again be the 11th Street Hill, with registration and time trials beginning at 1pm. Racing will begin at 2pm.

There is still time to nail down a few boards to make yourself an entrant. If you find you need more information, please call 348-2370, 332-4973 or 332-6023.

Worship Service

The Zion Lutheran Church worship service has been changed for this Sunday's service to 9:00am so they parishioners may enjoy the parade and festivities.

1999 Jubilee Schedule of Events

FRIDAY, JULY 2

8:00pm — Square Dancing

Beachcombers Cove, at mile post 298 on Highway 101 north.

SATURDAY, JULY 3

8:00-11:00am — Pancake Breakfast

At Beachcombers Cove, mile post 298 on Hwy 101 north. Adults \$3.50. Children under 12 \$2.50.

10:30am — Saltwater Open

Hit a tennis ball with a golf club from Hubbards Creek to Battle Rock Park. \$10.00 entry fee.

2:00pm — Junior Court Crowning Ceremony

at American Legion Hall, 11th St.

??? — Wind Surfing Demonstration

Demonstration at Battle Rock Beach Area. Time depends on wind conditions.

8:00pm — Square Dancing

Beachcombers Cove, at mile post 298 on Highway 101 north.

SUNDAY, JULY 4

7:00am — Pancake Breakfast

Driftwood School. Sponsored by local Rotary Club. Pancakes, ham, scrambled eggs, coffee or milk. Adults \$5.00. Children under 12 \$2.50.

7:00-9:00am — Sand sculpture contest

Port Beach on Dock Road. Divisions for all ages. Prizes given. Judging at 9 AM. No admission charges. Sponsored by North Curry Family and Children's Center.

8:00-11:00am — Fishing Pond

Cancelled due to logistical difficulty.

9:00am — Exhibits Open

Quilt show, Flower show, and Bonsai shows at Driftwood School. No charge.

11:00am — Jubilee Parade

Starts at 19th & Idaho and ends at Battle Rock Park. Line up for judging at 10 AM.

12:30pm — Horse Playday

Buffington Park horse arena. Sign up at 12:30pm. Games at 1:00pm. Games for all ages. Ribbons and High Point trophies awarded. No admission charges. Sponsored by Curry County Sheriff's Mounted Posse.

1:00pm — Fish Box Derby Races

11th Street east of Highway 101.
Time trials at 1:00pm, races begin at 2:00pm.

1:00pm — Dinghy Races

Battle Rock Beach. No admission charges.
Two person teams will row out to a marker and back, with two laps per person, four laps per team.
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??? — Wind Surfing Demonstration

Demonstration at Battle Rock Beach Area. Time depends on wind conditions.

3:00pm — Salmon Barbecue

Driftwood School. Salmon, baked beans, coleslaw, rolls, cake, a coffee or lemonade.
Adults \$8.00; children under 12 \$5.00.
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8:00pm — Square Dancing

Beachcombers Cove, at mile post 298 on Highway 101 north.

Dusk — Fireworks Display

Battle Rock beach under the direction of local Volunteer Fire Department. No admission charges, but donations for Dedications will be accepted at the Sound Truck.

MONDAY, JULY 5

9:30am — Horse Shoe Pitching Tournament

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Commission Delays Decision By Evan Kramer

The Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission met at Honeyman State Park on Friday and considered the Curry County State Parks Master Plan among other issues.

Several people from Curry County attended because of this and interest in the Canopy Project. John Black, vice-chairman of the commission turned the meeting over to Kathy Schutt to give an overview of the Curry County Master Plan. She reviewed the four major development sites including Cape Blanco State Park which she described as a place that could offer typical state park and growth opportunities. She moved on to Crissey Field, located off Highway 101 at the Oregon-California border. She talked about the opportunity for beach access and the potential development of a 4,000 square foot welcome center in what she described as a "potential flood area." The other two major potential development sites she talked about were Otter Point and Samuel H. Boardman. These two state parks are both listed as potential sites for the Canopy Project Discovery Center.

The Commission then heard from members of the public speaking on the Curry County plan. Keith Pepper, a Brookings City Councilor and Canopy Project vice-president of the Canopy Board said the Canopy Project had been evolving for 4 years. He described it as eco-tourism in a sustainable manner. He talked about the Discovery Center in one of the coastal sites and the ability of visitors to purchase the forest experience of their choice. He said the Canopy Board wanted to make it well known that they appreciate State Parks for working with them. Commission member June Spence asked Pepper if the board had looked at private land for their project. Pepper said they had looked at two privately owned pieces of land but both have already been purchased. Pepper said the Canopy Board had always anticipated the County would step back from the project and that they were looking for another agency to partner with.

Henry Lustig, one of the chief petitioners for citizens in Curry County to vote on the Canopy Project told the Commission the Curry County commissioners realized a majority of people didn't want the Canopy Project. Lustig described the Canopy Project as a giant Disney-like amusement

park. He said he found it incomprehensible that the State Parks would continue with it knowing the citizens are against it. Lustig told the Commission "You don't own the parks, citizens own the parks." He finished by asking the Parks Commission to take the Canopy Project out of the Master Plan.

Jane Cramer spoke next as a private citizen and not as city councilor. She said she and her family had been camping in Curry County for 22 years and that she and her husband had spent countless hours in the state parks volunteering. She said she was against giving property that belongs to the State to a for-profit group. She told them State Parks should not go into competition with private enterprise, mentioning the four RV parks in Port Orford. She said the Parks should concentrate on maintenance. She said the siting of Crissey Field Welcome Center adjacent to the Winchuck River disregards common sense and the area was at the risk of nature. She said a lot of good work had gone into the Master Plan.

George Ciapusci spoke next. He is a member of the Canopy Board and a Brookings City Councilor speaking on behalf of the council. He said Brookings supports the Canopy Project and asked the commission to please leave it in the Master Plan. He said the Brookings City Council supported moving the Welcome Center to Crissey Field.

Brookings/Harbor Chamber of Commerce president Les Cohen said he represents 340 plus members. He said the Brookings Chamber of Commerce board of directors support the Parks Master Plan as presented including the concept of the Canopy Project and moving the Visitor Center to Crissey Field.

Kalmiopsis Audubon Society president Nathaniel Wander spoke next and was representing himself and not the city council. He spoke in favor of expanding camping opportunities. He said

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Kalmiopsis Audubon was willing to support limited expansion of Crissey Field confined to the southern portion of the park but they had taken a hard line against the Canopy Project. He referred to the Project as bad public policy and called it cheap carnival thrills. He called the Portico/Runyon Feasibility Study of the Canopy pure blue sky and said losses could be up to \$1.5 million dollars a year.

Mr. and Mrs. Fokal spoke about Crissey Field. They live across the street from it and spoke in favor of a development there especially bathrooms and asked the commission that better facilities be provided for the tourists.

Parks and Recreation Department Director Robert Meinen summarized the options for the Curry County Master Plan including delaying the decision until November. He talked about bringing an amended plan back in November. He said he wants the adoption process done by next summer so they can fix or replace the road to Hughes House. Commission member John Blackwell asked to what extent of financial studies of the feasibility of the Canopy Project. Keith Pepper said they were waiting for the final market study. Robert Meinen said they can't let the Canopy Project dominate the State Parks Master Plan. Commission member Sara Vickorn asked if we could scale something smaller with the Canopy. She noted the polarizing comments that had been received about the Canopy and suggested a less ambitious project.

The Parks Commission passed a motion following Robert Meinen's recommendation of alternative 5 in his letter. It reads as follows: Delay the Oregon Parks and Recreation Commission recommendation on the master plan until the County decides whether or not to proceed with the Canopy Walk. They will reconsider the Master Plan at their November 1999 meeting.

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Hens and Roosters by Helga Steffe

I've roamed this planet for over seven decades and for the first time I can say, "Now, I've seen and heard everything." This is concerning my Banty chickens which I've raised for a long time.

At the onset of my venture, I discovered various predators, both domestic and wild, that sneaked in the dark of night into my chicken yard. When I found some of my hens missing, the problem was solved after I installed a door on the chicken house to deter the varmints' easy pickin's.

One evening a couple of weeks ago, after a hard day's work in the garden, I imbibed in my favorite libation, a Vodka Martini "on the rocks," with an olive. In nothing flat, I slipped into dreamland, totally forgetting to shut the chicken house door before retiring.

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This morning before I ever opened the chicken house door, a sudden burst of "cockadoodle doooo," pierced the early morning stillness. My heart skipped a beat. I was positive my rooster had come back. Eagerly I opened the door as another full-throated "Cookadoodle dooo!" blasted the airwaves. Lo and behold, there up on the top rung sat my black hen making out like a rooster. I did a double take, blinked my eyes, and again, she stretched her neck and gave her lusty rooster imitation.

I can only assume that the hens were so distraught without their rooster that this little black hen, who has been laying one egg a day, decided to be a role model for other lovely hens. Personally, I have never seen anything like this in my entire life.

What I'd like to know, if any of your readers have ever experienced phenomena like this? I'd like to hear if anyone else has ever seen or heard of a hen crowing?

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Story of My Master
By Graeme Graydon



Once upon a time, in a land now called Pakistan, there was a young monk, well, he was an Adept really, quite advanced, a senior student at an Ashram. He had mastered many areas of his life and began to suspect that his old Master was not quite evolved enough for him to get what he really wanted - his enlightenment. From time to time he would tactfully approach his teacher – “Master, you have taught me everything I know, you are the light of my life, but I am ready for more, perhaps you could send me to another Master who could teach me to enlighten.” And every time, the old man would pat his eager disciple on the head, “There, there, why don’t you go and chop some vegetables?” Chop vegetables! This answer would drive the young man crazy. Hadn’t he chopped vegetables ever since he arrived at the Ashram? Vegetables! Doesn’t he know I’m ready to enlighten? Well, time being the way it is, one day when the Adept pleaded for a new Master, the old man

tottered out onto a balcony and pointed a shaky finger at a distant mountain range. “You see that one, no further back, the furthest peak, there’s a Master up there who can teach you to enlighten-go to him. The Adept was beside himself with joy. It took several months and what to us would be serious privations but eventually he arrived on the high, bleak ridge and was elated to find a stairway and entrance to a cave that had to be the Retreat of his new Master. Exhausted, he stumbled in, totally unprepared for the next moment, for there sitting as comfortable as could be to greet him, was his old Master. “What took you so long?” The Adept kneeled in shock before him. “But Master-you live in the distant valley.” The old man shook his head, smiling, “I visit the valley, I live here,” and he couldn’t resist adding-“Why don’t you chop some vegetables.” Before the Adept could do anything, the Master grabbed the young man and cradled his head down on to his knees. The Adept was a strapping young fellow but he could not escape the hold of one who commanded unusual powers. He was held there for a long, long time until gradually he began to feel the comfort and safety of his Master’s presence. He enjoyed the hands of his Master holding

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him. By the time he was released, he didn’t want it to end, all he could think of was to be with the old man. Time went by but it wasn’t long before the Master said, “I want you to go down to the village on the other side of the mountain and wait for me there.” Saddened, the Adept left his Master and found his way down to the village. He asked around, but no one knew his Master so after waiting a while, he tired to climb back to the cave, but he could never find the way. So he settled in the village, working in the gardens, growing herbs and vegetables for everyone. He forgot all about enlightening, devoting himself to his plants and the people who came. He loved the women and the children, he loved the men of the village and became very contented in his simple life.

One day he was sitting in the shade, watching his plants, when, Poof! He enlightened, just like that.

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Council Goes Ahead *continued from front cover*

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Alexander said the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) may fine the city \$250.00 a day for non-compliance. If the City doesn't take action, the DEQ will step in and bill the city for the construction costs.

Councilor Norm Leeling asked about paying for the new ocean outfall with a serial levy. Alexander said it could be paid for with either a serial levy (which would take an election and approval of the voters) or user fees and hercommended the latter.

Councilor Nathaniel Wander suggested the council consider using part of the bed tax money to pay for the drain field replacement. Chamber of Commerce president Jay Stoler spoke to the council and told them the chamber board has voted to ask the city for an increase from 30% to 50% of the bed tax money.

Councilor Ralph Donaldson said Alexander needs to go ahead with getting the geotechnical report done at Agate

Beach and that authority to proceed with the project should be given tonight. He made a motion that City Administrator Johnny Alexander proceed with the items necessary to replace the drain field and apply for a loan with Oregon Economic Development Department for \$440,000 to be paid back with city receipts. The council voted 6-0 in favor of the motion and then adjourned.

Senior News **By Mary Yoder**

Thursday, July 1 and this is the time for July birthday people and here they are – Pat Rhoades 7-6, Margi Frankovich 7-8, Mary Amberg 7-9, Lucille Beldon 7-9, Kay Neal 7-9, Orville Laursen 7-9, Basil Andrews 7-11, Walt Sewell 7-13, Helen Duke 7-15, Pauline Lenox 7-21, Ed Hinkle 7-21, Donna Beach 7-23, Murrell McCumber 7-23, Ed Hansohn 7-26, Kenneth Beldon 7-27, Judy Klein 7-21. I hope I got them all. Happy Birthday to all of you.

Rotary luncheon June 24. Volunteers working were Greta Carver, Kay Neal, Bessie Laursen, Norma Ellis, Betty Berger – doing dishes and lots of other things were Bill Butt and Harold Pace.

June 26 was luncheon – working were Kay Neal, Betty Berger, Lorraine Hass, Norma Ellis also What's his name. I asked what he was doing – he said smashing the potatoes. You know he did a good job doing it too. Dishes Bill Butt and Harold Pace and I saw Harold serving coffee too. This luncheon was delicious – turkey and all the trimmings – good going to you cooks.

June 29 was membership meeting – tell you about it next week.

July 10 luncheon – I'd like to say the sing alongs will be putting on a program. I heard tell it would be songs from the World War I and II – best come it will be special. This birthday party too and rummage sale.

Rummage sale June 26 workers were Bobbetta Kron and what's his name. Isn't it wonderful all the volunteers we have? Will stop here.

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