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**Congratulations and Thank You
to the Jubilee Committee
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Board Votes Mediation

By Evan Kramer



The Port Orford Rural Fire District board met on Tuesday, June 28 both in budget and then in special session. They started the meeting with Chairman Jeff Barnes swearing in new member Richard Mijs. The budget committee unanimously voted to approve the 2000/01 budget.

The board next moved into special session and heard from the public. Harold Pace spoke about the split rail fence around the Cedar Terrace fire station that the board is considering building. Pace said he had spoken to neighbors of the fire station and he said they are in favor of this type of fence. Pace said they needed some dead cedar trees to use in building the fence. He also spoke about removing a tree stump from next door neighbor Judy Stewart's property. The board passed a motion to have Joe Marsh remove the stump contingent on Stewart's approval and accept Jerry Brehm's adaptation of a 4' X 8' sign at the Cedar Terrace station.

Chairman Jeff Barnes reported on his meeting with Port Orford City Administrator Martha Weaver. He discussed

some of the options available including the Rural District splitting off from the City fire department and forming its own fire department but continuing to work together; the Rural district taking over fire protection for the City and thirdly working together with the current arrangement where the board contracts with the City for fire protection.

Board member Brice Wagner said Mayor Gary Doran had agreed to serve as a mediator between the fire department and the Rural Board. Wagner made a motion for the Rural Board to hold a mediation meeting with Mayor Doran as mediator between the Rural Board and the fire department with each group bringing a list of items needing mediation. The mediation committee would consist of three city councilors, three rural fire board members and three fire department members. The express purpose of the mediation would be to resolve the differences between the two groups. Chairman Barnes said the future is based on forgiveness, forget the past. The board voted 4-0 to approve the motion. The matter will next be taken up July 10 at the Port Orford city council meeting.

New Board Members

The new board members will bring some good experience and fresh ideas with them.

Rural Fire Board vice-chair Jan Dacayana and her husband Chet live in a house on Elk River Road. She was a trained firefighter and drove a water tender and spent seven years on the Ventura County Volunteer Fire Department from 1954 – 61. The Dacayana's home in Ojai served as the evacuation center during the big 1969 Ventura County fire. Jan served for seven years on the board of directors for the Ventura Schools Federal Credit Union. She spent 37 years with the Ventura County Fair (31st Agricultural District) as a volunteer and then as a superintendent. I asked her why she volunteered to serve on the Rural Fire board and she explained it as "hoping I could make a difference for the better."

Rural Fire Board chairman Jeff Barnes and his family live on Elk River Road. Fourteen years ago he served as a member of the Forest Lake Volunteer Fire Department in Accampo, California. He resigned from the department when he moved to Lodi. Barnes told me, "I be-

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There will be no paper on July 13 and July 20. Regular publication will resume July 27.

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| Fri Jul 14, 2000 | 5:44a -0.4 | 12:28p 5.5 | 5:17p 3.4 | 11:12p 7.3 | 5:52a | 8:55p | 7:46p | 4:53a | | | | | |
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| Tue Jul 18, 2000 | 1:01a 7.2 | 8:02a -0.6 | 2:46p 6.0 | 7:53p 3.2 | 5:55a | 8:52p | 10:23p | 8:24a | | | | | |
| Wed Jul 19, 2000 | 1:38a 7.1 | 8:35a -0.4 | 3:19p 6.1 | 8:35p 3.2 | 5:56a | 8:51p | 10:53p | 9:22a | | | | | |
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| Tue Jul 25, 2000 | 1:23a 1.5 | 7:23a 4.8 | 12:42p 2.5 | 7:20p 7.3 | 6:02a | 8:46p | 1:41a | 3:34p | | | | | |
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Police Log

June 26, 8:55am: Complaint of fast traffic on Deady Street – being monitored.

June 26, 4:35pm: Complaint of visual traffic hazard at corner at Arizona and Paradise Point Road.

June 27, 1:55pm: Parking complaint at corner of Arizona and Paradise Point Road – owner contacted and advised.

June 28, 2:45pm: Abandoned vehicle on Idaho near Madrona – vehicle tagged.

June 28, 8:30pm: Report of downed power line at 6th and Jackson – unfounded, broken tripwire, ODOT contacted.

June 29, 3:20pm: 9-1-1 call from call from 550 Madrona – unfounded, resident error.

June 29, 4:50pm: Citizen reported vehicle leaking gas at Circle K – vehicle gone on arrival.

June 30, 9:30am: Report of attempted burglary at Evergreen RV Park – report taken.

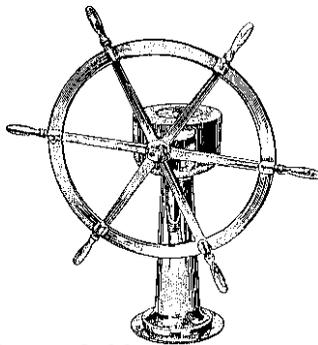
July 1, 1:30am: Report of cars racing up and down Jackson – gone on arrival.

July 1, 10:25am: Alarm at Driftwood Elementary School – unfounded.

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Parade Winners

The following are Port Orford Jubilee
2000 Parade Winners

Blue Ribbons

- 4 Curry Rodeo Court
- 11 Paula & Bill Purcell, 1934 Ford
- 12 Port Orford Volunteer Fire Department
- 14 Friends of Cape Blanco & Point Orford Heritage Society
- 17 League of Women Voters
- 18 Eastern Star
- 19 Jensen Family & Friends Band
- 21 De Llama Acres & Friends
- 23 Madrona 101 RV Park
- 26 Port Orford Rotary
- 29 George Deos - ATV
- 30 FFA - Rose Massengill & Beth Pilgrun
- 32 Rainbow Riders
- 41 Jim & Jane Black - 1925 Hudson
- 45 Ali's Auto

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Red Ribbons

- 7 Port Orford Women's Fishery Network
- 8 Cranberry Festival Court
- 9 Brent Hodge - 1970 Chevelle
- 10 Wayne Hodge - 1962 Corvette
- 22 Coastal Gardens
- 42 Sixes R.F.P.D.

Yellow Ribbons

- 16 Chetco Federal Credit Union
- 27 Plum Crazy Ranch
- 31 Klamath 1st Federal

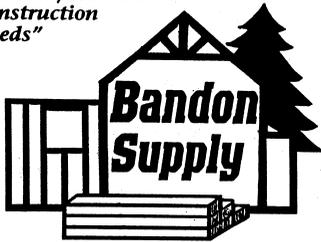
Purple Ribbons

- 3 Curry Mounted Sheriff's Posse
- 13 Big Air Windsurf & Surf Shop
- 25 Curry Hospital
- 28 Chetco Senior Center - Curry Public Transit
- 33 Currydale Farm
- 35 Dale Dehrens - 98 Corvette
- 36 Western Builders
- 37 Port Orford Ambulance
- 39 Paradise Excavation
- 44 Sixes River Patriots

Correction

In the Thursday, June 29 edition of Port Orford Today in the article entitled "Fire Board Elects Officers" Joann Ruoff was referred to as the "Coos Forest Association forest practices officer." Her correct title is "forest officer."

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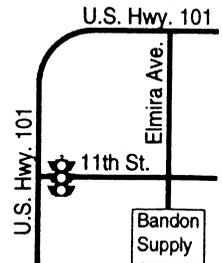
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Senior News

By Mary Yoder

First I'd like to say who our Volunteer for the month of July is – Yes Greta Carver – isn't that a good choice? Betty Harper – June volunteer of the month picked her – couldn't have done better.

Now here it is July. So here are the birthday people – Pat Rhoades 7-6, Horst Pfand 7-7, Orville Laursen 7-9, Kay Neal 7-9, Walt Sewell 7-13, Pauline Lenox 7-21, Ed Hansohn 7-26. Hope I haven't missed anyone. Happy birthday to you all.

June 27 was membership meeting. It was to accept the by-laws as updated. Anyone may pick up a copy at the center.

June 29 was Rotary luncheon. Volunteers were Norma Ellis, Thelma Lagace, Greta Carver, Dutch Heinauer set up the dining room with the help. Lila Sarratt, Mary Evans, Judy Franklyn and young man Michael Evans doing dishes, etc.

July 8 the luncheon at 11:30m. July birthday people free lunch – cake and ice cream for all. Rummage sale 8:30am to 1:00pm.

July 9 is breakfast from 8:00am to 1:00pm – rummage sale 8:30am to 1:00pm.

Now pinochle on July 10 and also July 24 at 7:00pm. This is a one month change. Why? Because of July 4.

July 11 is the Board meeting at 11:00am. Blood pressure and hearing aid from 9:30am to noon.

July 22 will be luncheon at 11:30am – rummage sale 8:30am to 1:00pm.

July 25 is the membership meeting at 11:00am and blood pressure and hearing aid tests from 9:30am to noon.

Oh yes, correction – Bingo will be at Langlois July 14 at 6:30pm and not at the Senior Center in Port Orford. Also July 29 is a potluck. All are invited – bring a

favorite dish. 11:30am till ? The walking group each weekday at 8:30am. Quilting every Wednesday from 1:00 to 3:00pm. Dominoes every Thursday at 1:00pm.

The reason all this is in the paper now is because there will be no paper July 13 and 20. Hopefully one on July 27. I hope I haven't missed anything or anyone.

Middle age is when your memory is shorter, your experience longer, your stamina lower and your forehead higher.

Theater Workshop

The Port Orford Community Theater Acting Workshop will meet on Tue., July 18 at Nesika Little Theater. Actors have worked hard on acting techniques and put them to use in various short works-in-progress and are encouraged to continue working on monologues and skits until the next meeting. All members of the Workshop are encouraged to attend the next meeting on July 11 at 7:00pm at The Pizza Place, 1634 Oregon Street.

Fair Talent Show

“Curry Round-Up” is one of the highlights of the Curry County Fair and Rodeo, offering a \$1,000 cash prize to the Grand Prize winner at the conclusion of the local Talent Shows prior to the Rodeo on Friday and Saturday, July 28 and 29.

The Grand Prize winner is eligible to compete in the Talent Show at the State Fair, which offers a grand prize of \$2,000. Curry County Talent Show representatives competing at the State Fair have consistently rated among the top performers in that contest.

Contestants must be residents of Curry County, and should submit applications and recording of their performances to the fair office prior to the fair which is Thursday through Sunday, July 27-30.

There is no fee, no age limit, and no restrictions in type of talent. The talent show committee will select the contestants based on the recordings.

KURY radio station DJ, Steve Braun, will MC the Talent Show.

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The stage will be available for individual rehearsal on the afternoon of Wednesday, July 26, the day prior to the opening of the fair, by appointment and arrangements for sound. There is no piano available.

The Junior Talent Show, for contestants age 17 and under, is scheduled for Friday, July 28. All contestants must be present and prepared to perform at 5:00pm.

The Adult Talent Show and Championship is on the afternoon of Saturday, July 29.

Any exceptions must be by prior arrangement and by decision an official.

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Contact the Fair office at 29392 Ellensburg Ave., Gold Beach, OR, phone at 247-4541, fax 247-4542.

Public Meetings

Port Orford Chamber of Commerce board meeting on Monday, July 10, noon, at the Paradise Café.

Port Orford City Council meeting on Monday, July 10, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

Port Orford Rural Fire District board of directors meeting on Tuesday, July 11, 5:00pm, at the Elk River Fire Station.

Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School District board meets on Tuesday, July 11, 8:00pm, in the library room at Pacific High School.

Port Orford Public Library Board meets on Wednesday, July 11, 7:00pm, at the library.

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Mon Enchiladas

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Wed Lasagna

Thu Teriyaki Chicken

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Men's Health Screening **By Evan Kramer**

The free men's health screening at Curry Family Medical Clinic on Friday was a resounding success. 100 men took advantage of the health screening and kept the regular and extra-added staff at the clinic busy all day. The free health screening offered tests for early detection of prostate cancer, colon cancer, a blood pressure test, blood tests for glucose (diabetes) and skin cancer screening. All three doctors who work at the Curry Family Medical worked that day including Dr. Tom Pitchford, Dr. Ken Manuele and Dr. Del Barber.

56 women participated in the free women's health screening, according to one of the project grant coordinators, Cathy Bodin. Good word about the free health screening must have spread because the men's screening drew 44 more participants than the women's.

The free men's health screening was made possible through the North Curry Community Health Grant. This is a \$400,000 three-year grant for North Curry County with emphasis on four major health risks including diseases of the heart, malignant neoplasms, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease, and diabetes mellitus. The four agencies work-

ing on implementation of this grant include Curry General Hospital, Curry Family Medical, Curry County Public Health Department and the Port Orford Community Ambulance.

The next event the Community Health Grant will sponsor is "North Curry Walks On! It will be held on Saturday, August 5 in Port Orford and is a 6.2-mile walk through town similar to a Volkswalk.

I met Dr. Don Venes at the "Lake Earl Audubon Birding by Kayak and Canoe" program a couple of weeks ago. Venes and his wife Vicki Webb worked as doctors for less than one year at Curry Family Medical before resigning in September of last year. Since then Dr. Vicki Webb has died from breast cancer. Dr. Venes is now working at a public health clinic in Smith River, California. This clinic's main patient load is caring for migrant farm workers.

School Board Work Session

The 2CJ School Board will meet in a work session for the purpose of discussing general school district business including Organizational Resolutions, Severe Program, Board vacancies, Worker's Compensation Insurance, Fiscal Officer position, architects revised proposal, athletic director-activities director, Second Language requirement, maintenance projects. The meeting will be held on Monday, July 10, 10:00am, in the Pacific High School Library.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Due to loss of tax revenue and the increased costs of materials, labor, & supplies this policy was amended effective 6-1-2000 by the Port Orford Cemetery Maintenance District.

Policy 1-93 with amendment 6-1-2000

1. Grave space prices are \$450.00 per space as of June 1, 1997 and a one-time continual care charge of \$75.00, both fees are due and payable at time of interment. Checks are to be made out to: Port Orford Cemetery Maintenance District. All prices are subject to change by the cemetery board. If plots have been purchased prior to 6-1-2000 the continual care fee of \$75.00 will be due and payable upon interment.
2. The opening and closing labor prices are set by the mortuary, except for the cremation interment which is handled by the Port Orford Cemetery Maintenance District and that price is \$150.00 for each cremation interment.
3. Port Orford Cemetery grave spaces require either a liner or a vault for interment.
4. Grave spaces will require a permanent marker to be placed within 180 days after interment, with the following setting requirements.
 - A. Grave spaces are 3 feet by 8 feet, therefore, markers and setting may not exceed 3 feet in width for a single, and may not exceed 6 feet for a double.
 - B. The setting shall require a minimum of a 6-inch border on 2 sides, and a 4-inch border on 2 sides for flat type markers. Borders must have a smooth surface that must be ground level for the purpose of allowing a lawn mower to pass over for the continual care of the cemetery grounds.
 - C. All up-right markers must have a minimum of a 6-inch smooth border on all sides of the setting, to allow for a lawn mower to pass over.
 - D. Setting base must be a minimum of 3½ inches thick, with either re-bar or reinforcement in them to prevent breakage.
 - E. All vases and vase settings must be contained within the marker setting base, and shall be plastic or metal material. No glass jars, as these are a hazard to the public and cemetery care personnel. All vases must be level with the top of the setting base for the purpose of allowing a lawn mower to pass over.
5. Marker setting to be placed by the cemetery district personnel only. Prices begin with a minimum of \$100.00 per setting.
6. No permanent plants may be planted without approval of cemetery personnel. All flowers will be removed every two weeks or at the discretion of cemetery personnel. This includes living, silk, or plastic flowers.
7. Internment in a single grave space for a family shall not exceed one casket and one cremains, or two cremains of the same family. Two internments shall require markers for both, or information on both shall be together on one marker.
8. Care and maintenance of the Port Orford Cemetery shall rest in the hands of the board only. Job descriptions, hiring, maintenance costs, equipment, and all purchases shall be the decision of the board only. Any requests and changes or added maintenance requests shall be presented to the board at a regular meeting. Any special maintenance requested by the family of a cemetery resident will be the decision of the board and the extra fee will be sole decision of the board. The extra fee will be due and payable at the time of the board decision.
9. Port Orford Cemetery requires a 24-hour advance notice for interment.
10. No concrete walls or perimeters for grave spaces that are not ground level will be allowed. No fencing will be erected around a gravesite at any time.
11. Port Orford Cemetery district reserves the right to re-set or correct any marker setting to provide for the continual care of the grounds. When such corrections are taken by the cemetery board, the expenses for said corrections will be paid by the cemetery district.
12. If a marker is installed without the approval of the cemetery board notification will be made to the next of kin of the default. If the default is not corrected within 30 days the board will make the correction and the expense shall be billed to the next of kin or family.
13. Port Orford Cemetery district requires a copy of the death certificate or any and all cremations to be interned in said cemetery plots.

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Non-profit organizations are also invited to display information at the Visitor Information Center.

In addition to literature displays, other opportunities for promoting your business or organization are available. City staff welcomes the opportunity to discuss the development of informational displays highlighting recreational opportu-

nities, historical information and visitor service in the Port Orford area.

Brochures and other literature may be left at the Battle Rock Visitor Information Center or at City Hall. For more information about the many opportunities for promoting your business at the Visitor Information Center call the Center at 332-4106 or City Hall at 332-3681.

Thank You

Thank you to the Port Orford Volunteer Fire Department for presenting an excellent display of fireworks on the 4th!

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Agricultural Water Quality

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Senate Bill 1010, approved by the 1993 State Legislature requires the Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA) to help reduce water pollution from agricultural sources and to protect beneficial uses of watershed. "The bill was crafted with the input and support of the agriculture industry and the State Board of Agriculture, to help the industry address water quality in key areas," says Debbie Gorham, Administrator of ODA Natural Resources Division. This is very much a

grassroots effort to ensure water quality and agricultural productivity, governing "of the people, by the people, for the people".

Curry Soil and Water Conservation District (SWCD) and other agricultural interests have worked with ODA to select local individuals to serve on the Local Advisory Committee (LAC). The committee will advise the department on writing the SB 1010 plan for Curry County. This plan will identify and address agricultural situations that could potentially be improved, and will initiate education and monitoring to improve water quality throughout the area.

If you are interested in learning more about the SB 1010 process, the Curry Soil and Water Conservation District, in conjunction with the Oregon Department of Agriculture, will sponsor informational meetings.

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The North Curry County area meeting is will be held at the Blanco Middle School Library on July 11 at 7:30pm.

Laura Tesler, ODA South Coast Water Quality Planner will give a 30-minute presentation and will be available for questions. The public is welcome and encouraged to attend. For more information call Linda Smith, Curry County SB 1010 Outreach Coordinator at 348-2652.

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In the meantime, your local Family History Library is open 9am-5pm, Wednesday; 9am-9pm, Thursdays; and from 9 am-1pm on Fridays and our librarians will be glad to help you research,

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The two-day workshop will be held in three locations including Gold Beach on July 20 and 21, and Port Orford on August 17 and 18. The cost for the workshop is \$40.00 and includes handbook, continental breakfast and refreshments. Scholarships are available upon request and based on the availability of grant funds. Space is limited to 30 participants per class.

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Letter to the Editor,

As most of you know I have been paralyzed for two and a half years. I was injured in a car accident that left me paralyzed from the waist down and in the hospital for two months. Throughout my stay at the hospital in Portland I had friends and family and the community sending me cards and goodies. For the very first time I was happy to be part of this small town. It was a rough time but I made it through it, only because I had so many people believing in me and pushing me to stay tough and keep smiling.

When I went back to school Mr. Cox and I planned to have everyone meet in the gym and I would come in through the back door. We pulled this off without anyone knowing I was even out of the hospital. It felt so good to be back in the arms of a loving school and the community. On June 2, 2000 I graduated. That night I did something my doctors told me I would never do. I walked down the aisle

just like all the other kids. I received a standing ovation and I saw many cry, but it wasn't just my family clapping for me, it was the whole community. That night was so very special for me. It was the first time that I didn't feel paralyzed.

It has been brought to my attention that the school district is thinking of busing the mentally and physically challenged students to Bandon for them to receive proper education. I also know that they have cut a lot of classes and teacher for the upcoming school year. I understand that we have to make a big budget cut, but I don't understand why we have to cut the mentally and physically challenged students out of their right to stay in the district. These kids have rights. They are people too and when is the school district going to recognize that? Like I said I had my moment of fame and some day these "special" kids are going to have their moment of fame. Let's just hope that they can share it with our community instead of Bandon's.

Shayna Denn

[Editor's note: The part of this letter above 250 words is paid for.]

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Board Votes Mediation Continued from Front Cover

lieve in community involvement and if you won't get involved don't complain." Barnes is looking to help create a better fire department through his service on the board.

John Johnston is the third new member of the Rural Fire Board. He was unable to attend the first two meetings because of a death in the family. He and his wife live on Elk River Road. Johnston is semi-retired and has a business in Portland. He and his wife moved to their home on Elk River in November 1999. He told me he brings a "fresh outlook" to the board. Johnston served a volunteer fire fighter with the Rosemont Rural Fire District for three or four years during the 90's and also was elected to a term as board member on the Rosemont Rural Fire District. He said the only object of the Rural Fire Board is fire protection. He urged that all parties concentrate on what they have in common.

"A-Boating We Shall Go" by Nathaniel Wander

Having assured ourselves via slack-water forays over the past two months of what

intrepid boatmen we indeed were, your editor (Evan) and I set boldly forth to kayak the New River on Sunday last. Leaving one vehicle at Lower Four Mile Road just across into Coos County, we tracked back to Floras Lake and put in on the nameless stream that empties the lake into Floras Creek.

Boice Cope Park itself looked like nothing so much as a modern caravanserai, only the camels had been replaced by \$30,000 SUVs, the hide tents by domed Gortex, and the jellabas by full-length neoprene. Board-sailers for the most part, still there were enough kayaks among them, but fortunately for our serenity they seemed blithely uninterested if not even unaware of the outlet creek and its charms.

And charming it was, a narrow calm and quiet ripple bordered by lush willows on the bank controlled by the bureaucrats of the BLM, bovine-gnawed to the waterline on the privately-stewarded one opposite. The woods were full of finches, waxwings, sparrows, and rang with the songs of Western Tanager, Common Yellowthroat and Swainson's Thrush.

All remained bucolic and calm until we debouched the tiny stream and met the

North Wind hastening across the channel of Floras Creek. On the flat expanse whence New River begins its northward turn, the chop was already so well established by 7:30 am that breasting it was anything except amusing. My hopeful thought that it might flatten once we'd gotten into the river proper demonstrated nothing so much as an extreme lack of grasp of the principles of fluid dynamics. The same force of wind restricted by the river banks only pushed the wave fronts higher. I proposed we back-paddle and run. How windy was it? The blades of our paddles acted as sails to push us *up*-stream.

After that we successfully explored as far up Floras Creek as summer's low water permitted, and also pleasantly investigated a-straight-as-an-arrow, obviously artificial channel midway between the creek and the lake. On the former, a flock of Western Sandpipers allowed us to approach within yard or two as they fed themselves on a pebbly strand. As we entered the canal, a gaggle of Canada Geese passed practically over head. It is difficult to imagine time more consequentially frittered than that spent on water going much of nowhere in particular.

Letter to the Editor,

If you are interested in water quality and agriculture in Curry County, plan on attending the first informational meeting about Senate Bill 1010 on July 11 in Langlois at Blanco Middle School at 7:30pm; in Gold Beach on July 13 at City Hall in the Council Chambers at 7:30pm or in Brookings on July 18 at City Hall in the Council Chambers at 7:30pm. Curry Soil and Water Conservation District and the Oregon Department of Agriculture will be presenting a 30 minute overview of SB 1010 and how it will effect Curry County. This is a grassroots effort, so why not get involved at the start?

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