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Welcome Back Bartlett's!

County Officials Sworn In By Evan Kramer



Five Curry County elected officials took their oath of office on Tuesday morning at the courthouse in Gold Beach. The Honorable Hugh C. Downer, Cir-

cuit Court Judge, swore in the officials starting with Lucie La Bonte, Curry County Commissioner, #3, followed by Marlyn A. Schafer, Curry County Commissioner #2. Downer then issued the oath of office to Curry County Clerk Renee Kolen, County Assessor Jim Kolen and District Attorney Charles Steak.

Each of the five elected officials was then given time to make remarks and they started with Marlyn Schafer who said she was truly excited and happy going into this position. She described herself as a hard worker and a team player. Lucie La Bonte thanked everyone and said she was ready to move forward with the new board. She said she had enjoyed working with Marlyn Schafer and Commissioner Cheryl Thorpe the past couple of weeks. La Bonte continued that the county had good employees and department heads. Renee Kolen thanked everyone and was followed by her husband Jim Kolen who

thanked everyone and said this is the fourth time he had been sworn in. Charles Steak thanked everyone and said he was looking forward to a good four years.

Marlyn Schafer told me this is the first time in Curry County history the board of commissioners has been composed of three women. She also said this wasn't the first county in Oregon to claim an all female board of commissioners. The 5 member Multnomah County Board of Commissioners owns that title. Henry Lustig added that another first for the new board of commissioners is they all have e-mail addresses.

The first regular meeting of the new board began at 10:00am. Marlyn Schafer was elected Board Chairperson and Lucie La Bonte was elected Vice-Chair.

Chief George Gehrke Resigns

Port Orford Volunteer Fire Department Chief George Gehrke resigned as fire chief at the end of 2000. Gehrke is more than an institution with the department. Dwight Eisenhower was President of the United States when George Gehrke joined the Port Orford Volunteer Department in 1957. A young man from Memphis Tennessee named Elvis Presley had the country "All Shook Up." The Soviet Union launched Sputnik into space that year. Forty-three years later George

Gehrke is resigning as chief. He spent the last ten years as the department's chief and has been on the department for a total of forty-three years. He is a familiar sight in Port Orford patrolling the streets in a variety of different rigs.

One of Gehrke's many accomplishments was the amount of fire fighting equipment he was able to attain for the department through various government programs. Gehrke got much of this equipment from federal surplus programs for Port Orford without any burden on the local taxpayers.

The Port Orford City Council will host a reception in honor of the retiring fire chief on Monday, January 8, 6:30pm, in the city hall council chambers.

Thank you Chief Gehrke for 43 years of public service on behalf of the Port Orford area.

Emergency Lake Meeting

We received this meeting notice Tuesday afternoon, January 2, from the Curry County Emergency Services Office.

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Notice

There will be no paper on January 11 and January 18.



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Senior NewsBy Mary Yoder

Now it's January 2001 and here are the birthday people – Mary Yoder 1-7, Connie Heida 1-18, Norm Rice 1-24, Al Brintzenhofe 1-24, Dorothy Mathews 1-30. That's all I could find.

The volunteer of the month of January is Pattie Young. Now about the Christmas potluck – turkey, mashed potatoes and gravy furnished by the Center. Turkey fixed by Jane Black, Mary Evans and Gretta Carver – working in the kitchen Marion Eskleson, Thelma Lagace – dishes Malcolm Young, Dutch Heinauer. A good crowd – lots of visiting 30 plus 4 in the kitchen. Let's do it again next year.

December 28 Rotary luncheon – volunteers working Kay Neal, Harold Pace – setting up the dining room Mary Yoder, Lilia Sarratt – dishes Norm Rice, Kathy Goad, Warren Jewell.

January 1 pinochle at 7:00pm. High Bunny Planton, second Betty Keeler, low Venita Marstahl and yes, there was popcorn

January 9 board meeting at 11:00am – hearing aid and blood pressure at 9:30am.

January 13 luncheon at 11:30am – also birthday – rummage sale 8:00am to 1:00pm - \$1.00 a bag.

January 14 is breakfast from 8:00am to 1:00pm – also \$1.00 a bag rummage sale from 8:00am to 1:00pm.

Now this there will be no paper January 11 and 18.

The walking group Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday at 8:30am. Thursday is dominoes at 1:00pm.

Friday January 12 is bingo at Langlois Lion's.

January 19 is music time at 7:00pm at the Center. Come bring your instrument and

have some fun.

Now bring clean usable stuff for the rummage sales—no junk. Also the Center can always use help in the office and kitchen. Got some spare time? We can use it. Hope I've said it all and everyone had a happy New Year.

Let's express appreciation
For our blessings day by day
And try to be more worthy
As we travel on our way.

Portals

Portals are web sites that act as starting points. They generally contain huge amounts of information and many links to other sites. About.com is one of my favorites. For example, want to know what life is like at the bottom of the ocean? Check out the brief description at http://ecology.about.com/library/weekly/aa121700a.htm.

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Christmas in Vienna By Graeme Graydon



Christmas in Austria – was finally and joyfully for me, what I had hoped Christmas to be. I think that it must have been invented there. Christmases in New

Zealand started out with the usual cards depicting snow covered scenes of churches, fir trees and people, we sprayed canned snow on the windows and ate all the traditional foods of a freezing Northern climate in the middle of a hot summer. Christmas Day was often celebrated outdoors, a big family gathering, presents under a tree in the garden, and a huge dinner under a shade tree. Then I found the festivities of New York and my horizons expanded, but with Christmas in Salzburg, Austria I finally knew what it was all about. Once, I spent Christmas in Vienna, Austria. One the morning of that Christmas Eve, my wife had retreated to her hotel bed to ward off an attack of the flu, and I wandered off into the heart of the old city. There was a light snow, falling softly on the streets. I was dressed in

a traditional Bavarian style, which was usual for everyone else, but really, very special for me. There were groups of musicians everywhere. Baroque brass, old village woodwinds, flute and guitars, bar-room ensembles, all playing carols or Mozart in one form or another. I peered through the small glass panes of a pastry shop and marveled at the Viennese pastries. I watched the exquisitely dressed matrons sipping their coffees with a pastry, and popping a Mozart-Kugein, (a heavenly chocolate experience, the size of a small golfball.) I was completely caught up in the sights, sounds and smells of the most wonderful Christmas card come alive

I walked into an old church – candlebright, warm, gleaming, wood, marble and gold, people quietly praying, and I noticed a stairway leading down to the crypt. Below was a rough-hewn passage, dirt floor and gloomy. A few steps further and I came to a window-like opening in the wall and I gazed into the poorly-lit recesses of a great chamber.

Before me at head height lay a heap of bodies, hundreds and hundreds of them, lying just as they had landed, from a man-

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hole in the street overhead. In the tangled mass I could see quaint old boots and shoes, belt buckles, leather and other fabrics draped around the bones. Three hundred years ago, an epidemic had wiped out over half the inhabitants of the city, their bodies were picked up from where they dropped, dressed as death found them, and dumped unceremoniously beneath the church. There were many more chambers. I thought that I shouldn't even be breathing the air down there. I climbed the stair and walked out into the Christmas streets - and the sound of church bells – people laughed and the snow fell softly.

For years I could find no way of dealing with the shock of that day, as if somehow I hoped to find some peace with it. But there is no peace, nothing can change any part of that time that is so vividly preserved. I can't make it softer. I can't pretend it didn't happen. It was not that they had died. I have no trouble with that, it was the horror they had lived with, the helplessness, the loss of people around them.

I have had no choice but to leave the past where it lies, there is nothing that anyone can do to change any of it. To leave it, and walk out into the daylight and look around to see how much more life I can find, how many moments of joy, how many new beginnings.

-which is what I wish to all for a Happy New Year.



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Special District Election

There will be a Special District Election on March 13. Candidates can file for office until Thursday, January 11, at 5:00pm at the Curry County Elections Division. Contact Connie Higgins at the Elections Division at 247-7011, extension 224 for filing forms and requirements.

The following is a list of which special districts are holding elections and which positions are up for election.

2CJ School District:

Positions 1, 2, 4, 5 and 7. Position 2 is for two years and 1, 4, 5, and 7 are for four years. As of January 2 the only filing is in position #1 – Gail Rathbun.

Port of Port Orford Port District Commission:

Positions 1, 2 and 3. These are all fouryear terms of office. As of January 2 Tom Hall, Chris Hawthorne, and Jason Marshall have filed for position #1. Gifford D. Barnes and Pat Ross have filed for position #2. David Darnell has filed for position #3.

Port Orford Library District

Positions #1 and 2. As of January 2 Adria Merryman has filed for position #1 and Barbara Leeling has filed for #2.

P.O. Cemetery Maintenance District

Position #2 and #3 (four years each). No filings as of January 2.

Langlois RFPD

Positions 4 and 5. No filings as of January 2.

Port Orford Rural Fire District

Positions 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5. Positions 1 and 5 are for two years and 2,3 and 4 are four-year positions. No filings as of January 2.

Sixes Rural Fire District

Positions 1, 2 and 4. All are four-year

terms of office. No filings as of Jan. 2.

Langlois Water District

Positions 3 and 4. No filings as of January 2.

Langlois Library District

Positions 1 and 2. As of January 2 Michael Brown has filed for position #1 and Deanna McDermott has filed for position #2.

Langlois Cemetery District

Positions 2 and 3. As of January 2 Annabelle Haga has filed for #2 and Evelyn Bjerg has filed for #3.

Langlois Water District

Positions #3 and 4. No filings as of January 2.

Curry Health District

Positions #2, 3 and 4 (all four years). No filings as of January 2.





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The event will be held in the Port Orford Senior Center, 1536 Jackson Street.

The fair will include massage therapists and movement experts Jayne Henderson, Debbie Lohry, Lew Myer, Janice Blue, Susan Frisch, Suzanne Alexander, Jackie Day, Esther Giffen, Mary Van Dyke, Nadine Shute and Jodie Hall.

They will answer questions and focus on techniques such as Swedish massage, pressure-point massage, Tui Na, clustered water, Reiki, Relaxercise, Thai massage, you and Do In.

Other types of massage will include infant massage, mud wrap/loofa scrub, sports massage, myofascial massage, chair massage, deep-tissue massage, accupressure, and energy work. Other therapies — such as aromatherapy,

effluerage, herbal and metaphysical – will be highlighted, as well.

Demonstrations in self-care reflexology, and table and chair massage also are planned.

Participants will explain the connection between healthy touch and healthy hearts, lungs, and the prevention and control of diabetes and cancer, explained Cathy Boden, grant program coordinator. Healthy refreshments will be provided The fair is made possible through funding provided by the three-year federal Rural Health Outreach Program. Now in its second year, the grant includes the following partners: Curry Family Medical, Port Orford Community Ambulance, Curry County Public Health Department, the Curry Health District, and North Curry Families and Children's Center.

For more information, or a list of forthcoming health-related community events, phone Cathy Boden at 332-1042.

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December 23

3:40pm: Report of 3-wheeler driving down Port Orford Loop Rd., pre-morning hours – info only.

December 26

11:30am: Report of theft of City property from 12th Street, signs, cones and barricades – report taken.

December 27

10:55am: 911 hang-up call at 610 Madrona – civil dispute, handled by contact.

December 28

3:00pm: Citizen complaint of dog bark-

ing at 1119 Idaho - under investigation.

6:30pm: Report of dogs at large on Woodglen Rd. – owner to be contacted.

6:40pm: Report of harassment at Port Orford Dock – suspect contacted, handled by contact.

7:20pm: Cristobal Lozano, 39, of Port Orford arrested for DUII – cited and released to parent.

Safety tip of the week

Increase driving visibility in bad weather, check and replace worn wiper blades.

Board Approves Contract

The Port Orford Rural Fire District board met on Wednesday night, December 27, at the Elk River Fire Hall and approved the fire contract with the city. There was little discussion and the meeting took less time than the city council took to make the same decision. The board voted 5-0 in favor of the contract with members Jeff Barnes, Jan Dacayana, John Johnston, Richard Mijs and Richard Warrick approving it. The hard work had already been done by the committees from both the City and Rural Board who met eleven times



Tragedy at Sea By Evan Kramer

The waters off Port Orford were the scene of both a tragedy and dramatic rescue on Friday afternoon, December 29.

The boat Blast-O-Mere radioed a call for help at approximately 3:00pm. The boat was taking on water. Fisherman David Darnell heard the call on the scanner and drove down to the dock immediately. He took his boat The Adelle out to the scene and with help from a crewmember rescued seven year old Jimmy Mack. The fishing boat Jerry Lee brought back Jim Mack, Jimmy's father. Jim Mack's wife Linda was still on board the capsized boat and divers were sent out to rescue her. The Coast Guard had sent down a helicopter from North Bend and they were on the scene with a diver. Local fisherman and urchin diver Frank Barnes was in the Port Orford area and he took part in the rescue effort. Barnes pulled Linda Mack out of the cabin of the capsized Radencraft boat where she had been trapped with help from the Coast Guard diver. I spoke with Coast Guard Chief Petty Officer Blake Kilbourne about the diver situation. He said the helicopter

was not equipped with scuba gear, but instead had snorkel gear. He said the Coast Guard uses local divers in situations like this one. Kilbourne said everybody in Port Orford was a big help.

The Coast Guard put Linda Mack in a gurney and flew her to the dock where they circled twice before landing. Several cars and crab pots had to be moved in a hurry to provide enough landing space for the helicopter. Linda Mack was transferred to a waiting Port Orford Ambulance, which rushed her to Southern Coos Hospital in Bandon. She was given CPR during the trip to Bandon and for twenty minutes at the hospital before being pronounced dead.

Orion Ashdown and his crew in the Friendship towed the Blast-O-Mere back to the Port of Port Orford.

The rescue effort once again showed what kind of community Port Orford is when there is an emergency. On hearing the call for help many fishermen headed for the Port and three local fishing boats were hoisted in the water to help. Both Port Orford Ambulance vehicles with crews as well as some Port Orford Volunteer Fire Fighters responded to the dock. One of the people on the ambulance crew is Chris Shoaf who owns and operates the Savoy Theater. I asked her why the theater was closed on Friday night and it was because of her work on the ambulance crew that day and into the evening. Shoaf said she wouldn't have done anything different. She worked alongside ambulance crewmembers Linda Foster, Wade Phillips and Bob Hergert, among others.

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Try Yoga By Deb Lohry

Now that the holidays are winding down it is a good time to give to yourself. Yoga is a discipline that helps us to know our bodies. It can be difficult to begin because our joints are stiff and our muscles are short, but soon we loosen and lengthen and this feels so great. It is a kindness we do for ourselves.

Last quarter my classes were perhaps too difficult for beginners, so this quarter I would like to offer Tuesday evening at 5:00pm as the beginner class. Even though none of the classes are advanced this one will focus more on first time students. The Wednesday 5:00pm class is more committed and experienced practicers.

Note that Tuesday 10:00am continues as before, but I am dropping Friday

10:00am and replacing it with Thursday 10:00am at the Langlois Lion's Club. Port Orford people may ride up with me.

If there is enough interest I will offer "gentle movement" at the Senior Center on Thursday at 2:00pm. It will be a gentle stretch, relaxercise and self massage for seniors and those with limited mobility.

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"Tops and Bottoms"
"Gregory the Terrible Eater"

Dessert:

"The Gingerbread Man"
"Cookie Monster Song"

Bartlett's Is Back! By Valerie Jean Kramer

Bartlett's Café re-opened for business at 6:00am on January 1, 2001 after having been closed for over a year by a fire that occurred about 10-11pm December 12, 1999.

Despite it being the morning after the "real" New Millennium celebration, I tried to be their first customer. Alas, I

failed. I was pipped at the post by Jim Johnson who, according to staff member Debbie Gehrke, showed up at about ten after five to get a fresh donut, a cup of coffee and to "harass the waitress." I was, however, the purchaser of the first meal served in the new facility. They haven't lost the touch – it was yummy! Judging by the big smile on owner Ron Culbertson's face, they're very happy to be back in service

When I checked back around 1:00pm Sunday, they were doing a good trade with about 7 tables occupied. Their new building is larger and they can now seat about 68 people. Things seemed to be running well though they expect a few glitches here and there and would appreciate the public's patience while they get settled in. Bartlett's will be open daily from 6:00am to 8:0pm.



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Port Orford Volkswalk By Mary Taylor

Your New Year's Resolution to get more exercise just got easier. A fourth volkswalk has been added to Curry County, complimenting walks previously set up for Gold Beach, the Humbug Coast Trail and Humbug Mountain. The Port Orford volkswalk is mostly on city streets, but includes some dirt paths and gravel sections. The start/finish point is the Battle Rock Wayside at the south end of town.

What is volkswalking? Literally, the word means "popular" or "folk" sports. It's a new and exciting way to walk for exercise, enjoy other people and the scenery. The goal is to have fun, non-competitive aerobic exercise.

Volkswalks are always over a planned and measured route, usually 10 kilometers (approximately 6 miles) in length.



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Trails are rated 1 through 5 according to their difficulty. A number 1 walk is an easy walk on pavement or well-maintained trail. A number 5 walk is all in rough fields or woods, often at high altitude or very rough uneven terrain or unstable inclines, unsuitable for any person who is not in good physical health. The Humbug Mountain walk is rated a 3+

because of the steep terrain. The Humbug Coast Trail is a 3 since it is judged to be a moderate walk in a setting with some challenging grades. Gold Beach and Port Orford are rated 2 because they have no significant hills.

The Port Orford walk, like the others in Curry County, is classified as a year-round volkswalk, meaning that it can be completed 365 days a year during day-light hours. Oregon boasts well over 100 year-round walks in locations ranging from Rooster Rock State Park near Portland to Pendleton on the East side of the mountains.

Umpqua Valley Walkers and the North Community Health Grant are jointly sponsoring this Port Orford volkswalk. Grant partners include Curry Family Medical, Port Orford Community Ambulance, Curry County Public Health, Curry Health District, and North Curry Families and Children's Center.

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Sewer-Water Audit By Evan Kramer

This article is a continuation of an ongoing story about the City of Port Orford sewer and water audit, which the city has forwarded to the Curry County District Attorney's office.

I talked briefly with Charlie Steak on Tuesday morning, January 2, as he was leaving his office to walk across the hall-way to the courtroom and be sworn in as District Attorney. He had two words for me, "Not yet." He spoke to me again in the courtroom and told me "I will let you know when there is something." When he tells me something more about the progress of the audit we will share it with everyone.

Letter to the Editor,

For anyone who is interested in agriculture or water quality in Curry County, the Curry Senate Bill 1010 Local Advi-

sory Committee's January 10th meeting is an important one to attend. Our special guest speaker will be Pam Blake from the Department of Environmental Quality. Pam will address the Clean Water Act and Total Maximum Daily Loads (TMDLs), the 303d list and how they could affect Curry County.

The meeting will be at the OSU Extension Office in Gold Beach at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, January 10th. If you have any questions call me at 541-348-2652.

Sincerely,

Linda Smith, Outreach Coordinator

Meeting Notice

Curry Agricultural Water Quality Management Plan SB1010 Local Advisory Committee Meeting Wednesday January 10th, 2001 7:00 p.m. OSU Extension Office, Gold Beach

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Computer News by Valerie Jean Kramer

RAM prices continue to fall despite predictions of higher prices. If you ever wanted to upgrade your memory, now's a great time!

CPU's are also at bargain prices with wholesale prices of some AMD chips up to 750Mhz under \$100! More often upgrading a CPU will also mean a new motherboard and RAM but sometimes you get lucky. I just found out I can just replace my CPU to go from a Pentium II-400Mhz to a Pentium III-800Mhz. I could go even faster but CPU prices start to get ugly. Intel's new 1.4Ghz CPU has a wholesale price of nearly \$800! Ouch!

Hard disk drives have gotten dirt cheap. It takes about 10Mb per minute for WAV type audio files. Video files are even worse. As people learn to do more with their sound card, digital cameras etc, they will want larger and larger hard drives. The largest now available are about 80Gb. This should at least double in 2001 but not for several more months.

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Public Meetings

Port Orford Chamber of Commerce board meets at noon on Monday, January

8, at the Wheelhouse Restaurant.

Happy Birthday Elvis – born on January 8, 1935.

Port Orford City Council meets on Monday, January 8, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers. A reception for retiring Port Orford Fire Chief George Gehrke will be held at 6:30pm before the council meeting.

Port Orford Rural Fire District board meets on Tuesday, January 9, 5:30pm, at the Port Orford Senior Center.



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meets on Tuesday, January 9, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

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

Port Orford Library Board meets on Wednesday, January 10, 5:15pm, at the library.

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currently involved in multilevel marketing, also known as network marketing. A class for those who desire to know what network marketing is, how it works, and how to select a company that will meet those needs.

This program defines the truths about the industry and focuses upon the skills required to succeed, including leadership ability and career development. Dave Jarrett will instruct this two-week workshop on Thursday January 18 and 25, from 6:00 to 9:00pm, at the Gold Beach Southwestern Center. Class fee is \$25.00.

Pre-registration with payment is due by Friday January 12. Call Southwestern Oregon Community College for more information or to register in Gold Beach at 247-2741 or in Port Orford on Fridays at 332-3023.



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NOW YOU SEE HIM: The latest movie about an invisible man is "Hollow Man" rated R. Also new this week are "Hammers Over the Anvil" (NR), "Autumn in New York" (PG-13), and "Under Suspicion" (R). Please remember items are due back by 3:30pm the next business day. For videotapes, Sony Playstation, Nintendo games, or DVD's come on down to The Downtown Fun Zone. We are open 9:30am till 6pm Monday thru Thursday and from 9:30am till 7pm Friday and Saturday. Closed on Sunday.

STOP! Lots to see at L&R Variety, 3,000 sq. ft. Used - old & new. Spices, tools, beads, household and gift items, books, collectables, too much to list. 10:00am - 5:00pm, 1819 Oregon St., Port Orford.

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History of China Talk

Mr. Thomas Cheng will be the guest speaker at the Port Orford Rotary Club on Jan. 25. After the meeting he will give a slide presentation and talk on the history and culture of China at 1:00pm. This presentation, at the Port Orford Senior Center, is free of charge and open to the general public. For additional information please call Lee Kincaid at 332-9745.

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Port Orford, One Great Town! By Frank Cramer

Once again the people of Port Orford have proven their generosity.

The Common Good inc. piled high the food baskets given to those needy families in our community so that the children of our community could have plenty of turkey and trimmings for Christmas.

As acting secretary for the food pantry this presents a dilemma for me as there were so many that gave so much that were not identified so that I could send them a personal thank you to them.

There are those who dig a little deeper around Christmas time to help out the special food box that is given out for the holidays to thank. And then there are those who contribute on a regular basis, monthly or quarterly so that the volunteers have food products and other niceties that we take for granted.

Then again there are those households that donate can goods when the scouts knock on the door asking for donations.

So you can see my problem? Here I am filling in on a job that I am not qualified for with all these people to thank with out a clue as to your names or addresses!

So if while you are reading this you have given little or much or only at Christmas time, or support the Common Good through out the year for the whole staff of volunteers THANK YOU for making it possible to give those the food they need to ease the burden of Family during Christmas time and throughout the year.

Also I want to thank all my fellow volunteers who work together to make this service to our community a reality for those

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who find themselves in need of a few items to make it through the month.

And then there are those who are our clients and in turn come back and put in time helping out with the hanging of donated clothes or shelving items that come in that are in working order on shelves or shoes that have a lot of good ware left in them. Some help in packing the food boxes that go out the door.

Unfortunately there is one down side as some people dump junk out at the door that must be separated from the good and usable items. As space is at a premium and funds donated for food and necessities is limited to providing needed items we have to dispose of them by taking them to the dump, which cost precious money and takes food out of the mouths of children of our needy families we serve. To those who clutter up our small space with things that don t work or are worn out- SHAME ON YOU!

Some day there may be some volunteer who is a handy fix-it person who can use these items to construct or refurbish into something useable, but until that happens please do not give something that is not useable for our needy folks cannot afford

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One last note is that the common Good is open ONLY on Wednesdays from 10 a.m. till Noon, then 1-4 p.m. Useable items can be brought in during those hours ONLY. Therefore items left on the doorstep are considered trash by the city ordnance and you could be fined for littering. Then there are those who take the items that are deposited at the door and if there is anything of value that was left intended for the needy will not give to those that it was intended.

Rumor has it that those valuable items are sorted out and gobbled up by the highly paid workers of the food pantry. Remember the folks are your unpaid neighbors volunteering their precious time helping feed and clothe other needy neighbor s kids and don't deserve this unwarranted criticism, as I know them to be honest upright citizens of our community. And some of them are qualified needy people.

Again I say thank all those many people and organizations who take the time and/or money to keep this service going throughout the year, especially at holiday time. Remember The Common Good inc. was founded on the premise that kids are not responsible for the situation that parents find themselves in and need our help.

County Officials Sworn In Continued from front page

There will be a meeting at the Port Orford City Hall Council Chambers at 3:00pm on Friday, January 5, concerning the flooding situation around Garrison Lake.

Commissioner Lucie La Bonte will be at the meeting to hear concerns from Garrison Lake area residents, and to update those present about recent developments.

Water Valve Rules

Don't touch that water valve!

Picture this...You arrive at your home or place of business to find a water pipe has broken; water is flowing everywhere. Or, you finally get around to remodeling the kitchen or bathroom. What should you do? First, you need to shut off the water flow to the pipe. You may be able to turn off an inlet valve similar to the one at the back of the toilet or under the sink.

What if I need to shut off all the water in the home or building?

The most obvious place to shut the water off is at the valve or the water meter. But, before you grab the crescent wrench and head outside, read on. Only the City Public Works crew is allowed to shut the water meter valve off or to turn it on. The City Public Works crew has the training and tools necessary to properly shut off the valve in a way that will not cause damage. Replacing a damaged water valve or meter costs hundreds of dollars. Property owners are responsible for the costs to repair or replace valves and meter boxes damaged as a result of an unauthorized turn on and off.

Why have a valve that only the City Public Works crew can operate?

If you have a vacant rental unit or if you on an extended vacation, chances are you have arranged for the water to be turned off. You wouldn't want just anyone to be able to turn it back on – either as an act of vandalism or to use water without your knowledge. The City turns water on for paying customers, so allowing the City Public Works crew to turn water meters on and off protecting the property owner and City.

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Many homes already have a shut off valve on the waterline coming into the building. It's a good idea for family members to know the location of the valve and how to turn it off in the event of an emergency.

The City Public Works crew is available to assist customers as needed. It is best to plan ahead and schedule an appointment during regular business hours. In the event of an emergency such as a broken pipe, please call the Public Works on duty cell phone number for assistance.

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