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Going To The Dogs By Evan & Valerie Kramer



Last week we finished with our brief visit to Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

We left the world of incline railroads and drove east to Weirton, WV then across the river to Steubenville, Ohio, the birthplace and boyhood home of entertainer Dean Martin. Route 22 through downtown is also known as Dean Martin Boulevard. Steubenville has lost most of its industrial base and has turned to painting murals of the city's history on buildings all over downtown. Thus it relives its glory days. We headed south on Highway 7 to Bridgeport. On the way we stopped to watch the Wheeling-Pittsburgh Steel freight engines being maneuvered about in the company's railyard and engine shops. We haven't said much about the weather but most of the trip so far varied from warm to hot. Evan made a note that it was 81 degrees in Steubenville.

From Martins Ferry, we headed west on Hwy 40 to St. Clairsville, County Seat of Belmont County, home of Belmont Technical College and a welcome chance to stay in the same place for six days.

We noticed lots of Woolly Bears (caterpillars) crawling around the motel. This

year they have small black ends and large brown middles. People in the eastern part of the country use the amount of black and brown a forecast of what kind of winter they are facing. According to folk wisdom, the larger the black stripe, the worse the winter. See <http://www.yo-ho.com/featured.html> for this year's predictions. More folklore predictors can be seen at <http://www.achilles.net/~cco/wisdom/wis-wea.htm>.

Valerie's parents, George and Ruby, drove down from Cleveland and joined us about noon on Wednesday. First we all went to the hospital in Martins Ferry where Harry Walters was in intensive care following a heart attack. Harry is George's cousin (his mother's sister's son) and Harry's daughter, Harriet, has been actively researching family history. She and Valerie had been looking forward to meeting but unfortunately, they had little opportunity on this trip.

Leaving the hospital, we tried to find George's boyhood home in Deep Run. With some difficulty we found Deep Run, a narrow road that follows a small creek up a relatively narrow, but deep, valley. We couldn't, however, be sure which house he had lived in. There have been a lot of changes in the last half century or so! It's always painful to come back to familiar haunts after being away for a

long time. We expect them to be just like our memories but they never are and somehow we feel lost and alone knowing we can't go back again.

Next we went to a cemetery perched high on a hill overlooking Wheeling. We were told that Valerie's triple great grandfather was buried here and we hoped to find other family members as well. Again, we were doomed to disappointment. There has been quite a bit of damage in this cemetery. Some obviously from vandals, some from the weather, and possibly some from the blasting done to punch a tunnel through the hill for the Interstate. In any event many grave markers were fallen or broken. We were unable to find any family markers.

(Since we returned home, Valerie has received a letter from another family researcher, Robert Hood, her third cousin. Bob was able to meet with the Sexton and sent photocopies of cemetery records for three cemeteries in Wheeling. Bob had also visited the cemetery and found some of the markers and copied the inscriptions as far as they were visible.)

Finally, we headed back to St. Clairsville. We stopped at the Linwood Cemetery in Blaine. Just inside the entrance is an eight-person plot. Ruby's mother and

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Thu Nov 20	4:34a 6.4	10:03a 3.8	3:30p 6.2	10:26p 0.8	7:15a	4:51p	10:56p	12:34p					
Fri Nov 21	5:30a 6.4	11:18a 3.7	4:37p 5.7	11:21p 1.4	7:16a	4:51p	11:51p	1:06p	3Q				
Sat Nov 22	6:24a 6.5	12:32p 3.4	5:54p 5.4		7:17a	4:50p	12:46a	1:34p					
Sun Nov 23	12:16a 1.8	7:10a 6.7	1:35p 2.8	7:11p 5.3	7:18a	4:49p	1:40a	2:02p					
Mon Nov 24	1:09a 2.2	7:51a 6.9	2:27p 2.2	8:18p 5.4	7:20a	4:49p	2:35a	2:29p					
Tue Nov 25	1:57a 2.4	8:27a 7.1	3:10p 1.6	9:15p 5.6	7:21a	4:48p	3:30a	2:57p					
Wed Nov 26	2:41a 2.7	9:00a 7.4	3:48p 1.0	10:04p 5.8	7:22a	4:48p	4:26a	3:26p					
Thu Nov 27	3:21a 2.8	9:33a 7.6	4:24p 0.4	10:48p 6.0	7:23a	4:47p	5:23a	3:57p					

Driving in a School Zone

This letter was sent to Port Orford resident Dan Hill who gave us permission to share it with everyone.

Dear Mr. Hill,

When encountering a school zone sign, you are required to slow to 20mph when "children are present." This legislative session a bill was passed which defines when "children are present" as:

"children are present at any time and on any day when children are in a place where they are or can reasonably be expected to be visible to a person operating a motor vehicle that is passing a school ground or a school crosswalk."

The definition in law does not list any specific time of day. It is possible that children may be present mid morning or early afternoon for various reasons such as an early release day or perhaps of

kindergarten students. It's also possible that children may be present late afternoon or evenings for things such as after school sports or an evening play or concert.

You need to take these things into mind when deciding whether "children are present." It will be up to law enforcement to decide whether a driver is violating the speed limit in a school zone.

Barbara Parker
 Driving License Technical Assistant
 Drivers Program
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Artists Open Forum

Spaghetti West will host an 'Artists Open Forum' on Sunday evenings at 6pm. Discussions pertaining to the value of art in society as an example of the rapid evolution in consciousness (or not)??? All are welcome. For further information please call 332-9378.

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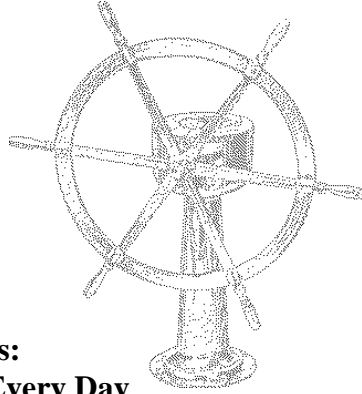
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Curry General Hospital

Spurred by four months of administrative apprehension over continuing financial crunch at Curry General Hospital, the Curry Health District board asked that a district citizen group be formed to explore funding options.

Meeting in regular session Wednesday, Nov. 12, the board heard comments from audience members Marlyn Shafer, Gloria Rodgers, and Jim Gardner, all of central Curry County. They indicated they wanted the board's formal blessing to meet with others from Gold Beach and Port Orford. Voting unanimously, the board gave its official go-ahead to form a committee to assess district support.

During the meeting, Reg Williams, M.D., hospital medical administrator, outlined the district's immediate critical needs

For example, he did, the district projects spending \$100,000 or more on equipment upgrades and emergency services in the Port Orford area.

Expanded services -- such as a proposed orthopedic surgery room in the hospital -- are vital to enable the district to produce revenue, explained Williams. Such rev-

enues could help offset current cutbacks in Medicare and Oregon Health Plan fee reimbursements

Others - such as \$25,000 in birthing room improvements are necessary to accommodate an expected 30 to 35 percent increase in births when Alice Taylor, certified nurse midwife, begins making all her deliveries in the hospital this month

He outlined other needs including: help financing \$583,000 in loan payments over the next 10 years for the soon-to-be-acquired CT scanner; replacement and upgrade of operating room equipment and surgical space; modernization of the hospital's standard x-ray machine and laboratory equipment; replacement of the failing phone system; a revamp of the hospital's aging air handling and electrical systems; and improvement of patient privacy and access to services through renovations in the admitting area and the nursing station.

During the meeting, Schafer told the board that she was studying actions required to raise funds through a possible serial levy or general obligation bond. Acting on a recommendation from Jim Gardner, the board voted to hire John Spicer, Geld

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	Date	High	Low	Rain
Fri	Nov 7	53	37	Trace
Sat	Nov 8	55	39	---
Sun	Nov 9	61	47	---
Mon	Nov 10	58	48	.97
Tue	Nov 11	55	44	.12
Wed	Nov 12	59	44	.08
Thu	Nov 13	57	48	.28
Fri	Nov 14	59	46	.02

Beach attorney, to investigate the details of putting a bond on the ballot next year.

The hospital board, urges district residents interested in commenting on proposed ballot issues or wishing to participate in the citizen group process to phone the Community relations office at Curry General Hospital, (541) 247-6621 or 1-800-445-8085.

Beginning Internet Workshop

Are you ready to take your first drive on the information highway? Southwestern Oregon Community College is offering a Beginning Internet workshop on Saturday, December 6, from 9:00am to 3:00pm, at the Brookings SWOCC Center. Students will learn the basics of Internet usage. Cost of the class is \$37. Senior discount is available. Preregistration and payment are required. Call your local Southwestern office for further details at 469-5017 or 247-1741.

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Public Discusses Water Rates By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council held a meeting to discuss water rates with the public on Monday night. People had just received their current water and sewer bill on Saturday with several rate changes. A new addition to the bi-monthly bill is the water loan repayment fund at \$10.25. This is to pay for the new water system improvements. The base water charge has gone up from \$10 to \$14 per billing cycle. Water now costs \$1.67 per thousand gallons. This is up from \$1.20 per 1,000 gallons. The sewer charge stayed the same at \$3.10 per thousand gallons of water making the combined cost of 1,000 gallons of water \$4.77. Better fix those leaky faucets and forget about watering the lawn.

The fixed costs on your water-sewer bill are now \$49.51 per billing cycle or \$24.75 per month. You would pay this cost whether you use no water as in the case of a vacant house or consume 25,000 gallons per month.

Councilor Ralph Donaldson led off the evening. He said the council wanted to

create an effectiveness committee to analyze how the sewer and water systems are run and operated. He said the committee would be open to anyone in the city or outside the city. Donaldson made a motion for the council to formally establish an ad hoc committee on sewer and water effectiveness. The motion passed unanimously. The council already has three volunteers for the committee including Al Affonso, Tom Hamilton and Frank Smith.

Al Affonso gave a detailed presentation to the council. He knew more about the history of the sewer and water rate ordinances and where the money is than members of the council. He mentioned that H.G.E. Engineering had estimated the new sewer plant would handle 49 million gallons a year but in reality it handles 32.8 million gallons. That 49 million-gallon figure was used to determine the cost of running the plant. Affonso said expenditures had gone up and asked since less wastewater was being treated wouldn't it lead to less cost. Affonso recommended paying off at least one of the bonds with money from the reserve account which now totals \$225,000.

John Mayea spoke about the increase in administrative costs in operating the sewer plant from the 1992-93 budget to the current budget. He told the council he had recently visited the city of Reedsport and talked to their mayor and city manager about the city's water plant, which uses ozone filtration. He said the Port Orford sewer plant takes \$281,000 a year to operate at a cost of \$493 per user as opposed to Reedsport which spends \$456,000 on its sewer treatment plant serving 5,800 users at a cost of \$78.00 a year per user.

Mayea asked why it is that we have a brand new sewer treatment plant and yet costs have gone up.

City public works director Jerry McNurlin spoke about the limitations of the sewer outflow sand filtration system located in the dunes. He said the city has 572 sewer and water hookups and that he would like to see 700 hookups. He told the public the costs of chemicals have gone up tremendously as well as other materials. He said the public works department keeps daily time sheets of each employee's activities.

Ralph Donaldson said the public health issue of safe water is very important to him. He said the council plans to live by the ad hoc committee's recommendations. He also spoke about the city's upcoming efforts to search for a ground water site.

Susan Eastman addressed the council and spoke about the excessive cost of the water and sewer bill for a person like herself living alone.

There was discussion about going to a monthly billing system. Donaldson suggested one month the bill includes the fixed costs and the other month the water and sewer usage costs. No decision was reached on this issue.

The next action will be for the committee to be formed, meet and begin their work. Anyone wishing to be on the committee can contact City Administrator Jim Poland at City Hall, 332-3681.



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Julianne Bayard

Julianne Bayard (AKA 'The Llama Lady out at Sixes River) passed away Thursday, November 6th, 1997 of physical complications due to lung cancer. She was 62 years old. She had been smoking cigarettes since she was 12. On August 28 she traveled to Prince Rupert BC to attend her daughter Makayla's wedding. One week prior to the wedding, August 30th she had a stroke which paralyzed her left arm and leg. She insisted on staying for the wedding on September 6th and leaving the day after to come home. Being the strong woman she was she knew she would heal faster in her own home. A few days after she returned home however she had a series of strokes and went into the hospital in Coos Bay. The x-rays and biopsy showed cancer in her right lung and left adrenals. The doctor said it was non-operable and chemo was out because of the kidneys being affected. Basically

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she had two weeks to two months left to live.

Her best friend Dottie Gunther came up from Los Angeles to care for her as the news started to sink in. After a few weeks her daughters came to care for her as well. Nine weeks and five days after that first stroke she died in her own home with her daughter Makayla, and home care taker Jane close at hand. Jane looked up toward the ceiling and waved good-bye as from Jane's own near death experience, she knew Julie was rising up looking down. We all know she can breathe now and that the tremendous weight in her lungs has lifted. Her children Makayla, Denise, Vince and Jason will miss her. Her son

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Jason lived with her and will stay and care take the property. Her friends Dottie and Chuck Gunther are going to buy her land, house and leftover llamas! They want her dream to live on thru them.

As per her wishes, she has been cremated and will be buried next to her mother and daughter Crystal in a cemetery in Southern California.

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North Curry Families' and Children's Center has received \$4,000 in funding from Trust Management Services, LLC of Waldport, Oregon for the RAD Jobs for Teens program. The funds are to be used to supplement the dollars awarded by the Curry Commission on Children and Families for this program. RAD stands for Recreation + Adventure = Development of Jobs for Teens. The first two trips

were river rafting and kayaking. Outdoor recreation along with leadership and job skills will be the focus.

Trust Management Services, LLC (TMS) was organized with a desire to make Oregon a better place to live through philanthropy by assisting both non-profit organizations and contracted charitable trusts. TMS actively seeks grant applications with emphasis on education, community service, youth activities, cultural

and historical preservation. Call NCFCC at 332-9191 for more information on RAD or on how you can make a difference in your community.

Graduation Auction By Susan C. Blount

It's time to start thinking about the 1998 Project Graduation Auction! Money and donations are now being accepted by the Project Graduation Committee. "We have a large class of Seniors this year, and we need your help to show the class of '98 just how proud their parents and community are of their accomplishment," said committee spokesperson Sue Blount. To be a part of making this all night alcohol and drug free graduation celebration a success you are invited to attend the regular meetings on the first Monday of each month, or for more information, to make a donation or if you would like to help, you can contact Sue Blount at 348-2267. (Don't forget...early donations could be used on this year's tax deductions.)

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Yours,

William O. Oldson Professor of History
 Mae E. Nielander Graduate Assistant
 Institute on World War II and the
 Human Experience Department of
 History Florida State University

An Old Fashioned Christmas

Members of the Friends of Cape Blanco are readying the Hughes House for the Christmas Open House to be held on the weekends of December 6 and 7, and 13 and 14 from 2:00 to 6:00pm. Friends and their supporters are baking cookies, gathering holiday greenery and creating Victorian decorations for the annual event which attracts visitors from throughout the area.

During the celebration, the Eastlake house will be filled with the scent of Christmas cookies and spice, and each room will be decorated with turn of the century style decorations. Community groups joining

with the Friends of Cape Blanco in the Christmas celebration at the historic house this year include the Sunset Garden Club, Port Orford Community Response Team, North Curry Families' and Children's Center, Point Orford Heritage Society, Port Orford Arts Council, ESA Sorority and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.

The groups will be decorating the turn of the century house during the first week in December in preparation for the event. The Hughes House is located in Cape Blanco State Park near the mouth of the Sixes River.

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father are buried here and a stone gives their names and dates. Also in the plot but not marked are her grandparents, George and Eliza Shaw, her Uncle George and Aunt Mary Shaw, and her Uncle Oliver Shaw. Her brother-in-law, Lawrence Beltz, rests nearby.

Aside from family and genealogical interest, Valerie and her mother both enjoyed this stop because they got to pet a couple of cemetery cats. A big orange one was particularly friendly.

On Thursday, we headed off into West Virginia again. Valerie wanted to share some of her family discoveries with her parents. We stopped for more photos at the Baker Station sign and again at the Mason Dixon Line sign. We also stopped to get photos of a flock of nine wild turkeys that we saw beside the road. We then re-visited the Jug where Ruby's father grew up. This time we actually

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forded Middle Fork Creek and drove up the dirt road into the Jug.

While we were in Middlebourne, we also found and photographed the gravesite of Grover Baker, his wife and son in the Henderson Cemetery. (Grover was Valerie's first cousin, twice removed.) This graveyard, though somewhat overgrown, was in better shape than many other old ones we saw. One reason became clear shortly when the neighboring farmer arrived on his ATV along with his dogs. He just likes to know who's hanging around and, of course, he has a vested interest in keeping watch on his fields around the small graveyard. Too bad more sites aren't so well protected!

After these "instant replays," we headed west from the Jug and stopped in Sistersville, West Virginia for some research at the local library.

Since we had to get back to Ohio we had a good excuse to take another trip on the City of Sistersville ferry. This time we had to wait for a barge (which always had the right of way) to pass by before heading across the river. Ed Mars told me the river is ¼ mile across between Fly and Sistersville and 28 feet deep in the middle and that is has undercurrents. The diesel-powered paddleboat doesn't run when the river is too choppy. Dib Harmon asked how the photos we took of him came out. Riding the ferry this time I felt we were part of the family.

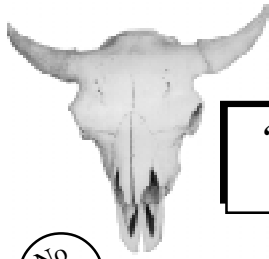
We parked at the ferry landing on the Ohio side and had our second great meal at the Riverview Restaurant. Their specialty is home-cooked food like meat loaf, spaghetti, or chili and they have a great view of the river. Even though this was only our second visit they already recognized us.

Leaving Fly after lunch we hurried north to visit with Ruby's sister, Valerie's Aunt Carol. We also got to see Carol's daughter, Cindy and her two girls, Shayna and Mallory.

The next morning we headed for Woodsfield, Ohio looking for the Steed Cemetery. On the way, we passed through Barnesville where we noted it was only 35 degrees. Quite a change from the hot weather earlier in the week! We knew the cemetery was located somewhere near the junction of highways 800 and 26. It took a bit of work, but we found it located on private property, part of which used to be the Matz Dairy. Shirley Matz is the Director of the Woodsfield Library. Her husband, Lewis, is retired from the dairy business and his 36 cows are now gone. He grows corn for feed and welcomes several people a year who come to visit the cemetery.

This cemetery was a major site for Valerie. In it lies the grave of Captain John Baker's wife, Elizabeth, as well as many other family members. It was a fair climb up

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the hill across a pasture through long, dew-wet grass but our intrepid genealogist made it, huffing and puffing. The rest of us waited by the car enjoying the company of Lewis, one of his granddaughters, and several farm cats. Valerie found the cemetery was very old, very overgrown, and many of the tombstones were weathered away or had fallen over. Despite briars, fear of snakes or poison ivy, and the cold wet day, Valerie got photos of everything she could see and dictated much of the text into a minicassette recorder. Unfortunately, her pictures of Elizabeth's tomb stone did not come out well. Still, she "got a lot of good stuff" there.

From Woodfield we returned to Lansing, Ohio. Our first goal was to find and photograph a couple of old highway markers beside Highway 40. Originally there were markers every mile but most of them have vanished. Some very good replicas have been placed along the highway in some areas (and some poor replicas in other areas.) We found two stones that appeared to be genuine. We'll talk more about highway 40 later, but you can start to read about it at <http://members.aol.com/usroute40>.

We then headed northwest for a trip along Highway 250 retracing the old highway that Valerie's family traveled from Cleveland on their trips to Lansing before the

Interstate highways were built. We detoured off of hwy 250 to see Foxes Bottom Road, where Valerie's Aunt Mabel had lived, near Cadiz Ohio. Aunt Mabel was the relative that got Valerie started on genealogy in the first place.

Cadiz is the birthplace of Clark Gable who was born there on February 1, 1901. His boyhood home is being restored but we didn't get a chance to see it. They do have a Gabletown Video Store named to honor the star of dozens of movies including *It Happened One Night*, *Gone with the Wind* and *The Misfits*.

We passed Tappan Dam and the large lake that it created and stopped in Dennison for a look at their classic old train station which now houses a restaurant, museum and gift shop.

Our next stop was Dover where we happened upon one of the more interesting roadside displays of the trip. A message mounted on a mock coffin exclaimed "drugs kill! A green picket fence formed a semi circle around a "graveyard" which contained "tombstones" of 15 musicians, actors and other celebrities who had died of drug and alcohol related abuse. People as varied as Elvis Presley, W.C. Fields and River Phoenix were memorialized with their birth and death dates and cause of death on their stones. We inquired at the local police station a block away about who put up the display and they, surprisingly, had no information about it and seemed to have less interest.

Also in Dover, Valerie found a building which had been one of her favorite restaurants some 35 years ago. Now it is some kind of medical office so she didn't get to eat another hamburger, fries, and blueberry pie.

On Saturday, Valerie attended the CTGS Genealogy Expo at Belmont Technical College along with a couple hundred other people. This left George, Ruby and myself on our own and we headed for Bellaire, Ohio and the historic stone viaduct of the Baltimore and Ohio Railroad. We traveled between St. Clairsville and Wheeling through Lansing often on old highway 40. Baseball pitchers Phil and Joe Niekro are from Lansing and they have erected a sign in Lansing honoring the two brothers who between them won 539 games. Phil was inducted into the baseball hall of fame in August of this year and that part of 40 is now known and the Phil Niekro Highway.

The stone bridge through downtown Bellaire is a national historic landmark. It is part of the railroad bridge that passes over the Ohio River and continues through and above the streets of Bellaire before gently descending to street level. I even went out and bought myself one of the inexpensive wide-angle cameras just for photographing this bridge. We stopped in for lunch at the Union Station restaurant, located at the side of the viaduct. The top half of the building once served as a hotel for the train traveling public in its heyday while they ate in the ground floor restaurant.

We then drove a short distance to Wheeling Island for an afternoon at Wheeling Downs dog track. This was my first visit to a dog track anywhere and I was curious to see the greyhounds in action. Most of the races were 3/8 of a mile and took less than a minute to complete. We bet on most of the races. I didn't have the faintest idea which dog to wager on so I picked ones I like the name of or had a

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Step dance as it has survived among the Scottish immigrants of Cape Breton, Nova Scotia, is enjoying a surge in popularity thanks in part to its similarity to Irish step dancing and the fame of Riverdance.

Ceilidh – from the Gaelic word “gathering” – dancing is a more laid-back form of Scottish and English country dancing. The formations and movements are simpler and it is geared to all ages and all levels of experience.

Anyone interested is welcome to join in on Tuesdays in the music room (#13) at Driftwood, 7pm.

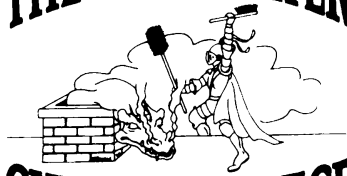
Gold Beach Electronics

Gold Beach Electronics will hold its grand opening and ribbon cutting ceremony this Friday morning at 10am. Check the Curry County Reporter for specials and bring their coupon or this notice in to receive a free pack of alkaline batteries. Refreshments will be served and KGBR broadcasting live from the store. For more information call 247-9429.

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Going To The Dogs

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good performance history. I had one winner in a very close race and yes, it was exciting. The greyhounds do not chase a mechanical rabbit but they do chase an object that runs around the track on an overhead wire. Wheeling Island is located in the middle of the Ohio River next to Wheeling and has been known to flood and be under water from time to time.

Meanwhile back at the Expo... Valerie here. While they were off having fun, I was having a different kind of fun. The Expo included a number of speakers as well as a large room full of vendors. I have to admit I spent most of my time in the vendor room. I found a number of books on Belmont, Monroe, Nobel, and other counties, books of five generation charts of genealogy society members, sweatshirts, and, dare I say it? Lots more good stuff! I also met up with Hal Baker, Bob Hood, Gladys Harlan, and Laurie Hoskinson all of whom are relatives. I had communicated with Hal Baker (4th cousin once removed) by email and had been expecting to meet him. I'm afraid I'm still not sure how I'm related to Gladys or Laurie but hopefully the infor-

mation is in my notes somewhere! All in all, it was a most successful convention for me and my feet were justifiably sore by the time I left!

Next Week: The journey home begins

Curry Arts Theater

Curry Arts Theater presents a benefit performance of the murder mystery "Knock 'Em Dead" at the Pistol River Friendship Hall Saturday evening at 7:30. Refreshments will be available from the Friendship Club. Tickets are \$8 and available at Bookworm Bookstore and Gold Beach Chamber of Commerce.



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Arts Council Elects Board By Tobe Porter, President

The officers of the new board are: Jon Porter and Paul Bodtke sharing the position of Member at Large; Rick Cook, Treasurer; Marji Bromser, Secretary; John Stockman, Vice President and yours truly as President.

With the November meeting, the Arts Council officially begins its 21st year of working to promote interest in the arts, sciences and humanities. We will spend the next couple meetings developing future goals. If you're interested in shaping the role of the Arts Council, now is the time to attend the monthly meetings. We welcome new ideas-especially if you're willing to work on them.

We changed the meeting day to Wednesdays, so the next meeting will be December 3 at 7:00pm, at the North Curry Service Center. Hope to see you then.

Internet Upgrade

As we go to press, Hunt Sharp or Harborside is busy installing four new modems for Internet access in Port Orford! It just keeps getting better!

STEP Program Reductions

Republican Ken Messerle, who co-chairs the Legislative Oversight Committee for Salmon & Stream Enhancement, attended a meeting in Salem on Monday, November 10, 1997 and asked questions regarding the recent decisions by the ODF&W to close or reduce the STEP hatchery programs in Southwestern Oregon. Messerle stated, "This is a slap in the face to the man volunteers in the local communities who have worked hard for years to bring back our fisheries."

Messerle asked ODF&W officials "what is the basis for this decision, what is the process in making these decisions, and is

the decision coast-wide or only the Southern Region?" Messerle stated "the timing is horrible," and he is concerned we are going to miss the season if we are not able to collect the salmon eggs within the next two weeks. He also said that the STEP volunteers should have been involved in the decision process.

The issue will be raised again at the Fish and Wildlife Commission meeting later this week.

Gold Beach Chamber

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Mike Seeger at Pistol River by Brenda Dell

If you haven't been to a Pistol River concert south of Gold Beach try and get to one in the future. I, my husband Larry and stepdaughter Emily, went last Saturday night to hear Mike Seeger. Playing to a full house, he reminisced about being brought up on old folk music his mother and father collected to help preserve some of our earliest music.

Playing a combination of English, Appalachian, Black American tunes with different musical instruments which included Jew's Harp, banjo and a gourd banjo, fiddle and a guitar that was handed down to a local and has a history of its own, we had a very enjoyable evening. We even ran into a couple we know from Crescent City who try to get to the Pistol River concert hall as often as they can.

Saturday afternoon was their first children's show and they had a turnout of 110, mostly young ones. Keep watch – there may be a concert in December and if not one is in January, 98. Each one is different but great.



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Fishing enthusiasts are invited to join Walton Powell, designer and builder of custom built Bamboo Fly Rods, as he speaks about and demonstrates his techniques at Soakers coffeehouse on Saturday, December 6th at 7pm. A \$5 donation is requested at the door.

Gib Cooper, of Tradewinds Bamboo, will introduce the speaker and briefly discuss bamboo in general as well as the elite Tonkin Cane that is used for Powell's Fly Rod. Special orders of bamboo rods for the upcoming Christmas season can be taken at the workshop.

Local sponsors, Soakers, Tradewinds Bamboo and Sand 'N Sea Motel have brought Walton Powell to Gold Beach. For more info call Gib Cooper at 247-0835.

Women's Fishery Network

Port Orford Women's Fishery Network will meet on Monday, November 24, from 8:00am – 9:00am, at the Port and Starboard Restaurant. There is one agenda item, which is the fishermen's memorial.

Persons interested in joining the fishermen's wives or interested in helping with the fishermen's memorial to attend.

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VOLUNTEERS WANTED The City of Port Orford is establishing a Utilities Effectiveness Committee. The City is looking for qualified people to examine this City's Operation and Maintenance budget. This committee will assess the effectiveness of how money is being used in this area, and recommend changes if necessary. Please send written requests to be on this committee to: City of Port Orford, P.O. Box 310, Port Orford, OR 97465.

PERSONAL

CHAUNCY MARCO POLO – 13th Century not 15th. Wasn't Uffda the famous conquering call of Genghis Kahn?

GARAGE SALES

GOLD COAST FLEA & Collectable Market Nov. 8 & Dec. 20. Indoors at the Curry County Fairgrounds, Gold Beach. (541) 247-7165 for information.

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Port Orford Public Library

Children's Book Week, Nov. 17-22, is being observed in libraries all over the United States. In Port Orford, a contest is in progress. Any reader, in grade 1 through 6, may play "Book Bingo."

To play this non-competitive game come into the library this week and get an entry form. Read five books of your choice to make a row on the Bingo card. You get a free book to keep. Everybody wins. Contest ends December 20.

Senior News

By Mary Yoder

First on the agenda – I want to remind every one Saturday, November 22, is the Thanksgiving lunch at 11:30am. There will also be a free rummage sale – good deal from 8 to 1:30pm. Then the same night the dance will be held starting at 7:30pm. – like to see all people old and young out kicking up their heels. This is something I think is special – Wilbur Green one of our members won a nice big turkey the other night – you know what? He gave it to the center for the turkey dinner – wasn't that nice? Thanks Wilber.

Must tell you the volunteers who worked Thursday for the Rotary luncheon – Marge Kyle, Mary Evans, Norma Ellis, Dee Hansohn set up the dining room, Bill Butt and Warren Jewell doing dishes. Dee Hansohn also worked in the office that day. Monday night November 17th was pinochle – ladies high Bunny Planton and ladies low was Venita Marstal. The men's high was Clare Stahl and men's low was Henry Kron.

Now I hear that starting the 2nd Friday in December the Lions will be having bingo at 7pm and 2nd Friday after that every month. Then there will be a pot luck – Saturday, November 29th. Should be a good one. I heard Thelma Lagacy say she would take care of it – so bring what I like best – three bean salad – OK?

On Tuesday, November 25th at 11am there will be a membership meeting at the center. After the meeting we go to Port & Starboard for pizza – hope I've said it all – will close with this - I know I wrote it before but it means a lot to me:

Hello only lasts for a minute

It is a short, brisk, queer little word,

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November 18, 1997
Senator Gordon Smith
Senator Ron Wyden
Representative Peter DeFazio
Governor John Kitzhaber

Distinguished Sirs:

We hereby bring to your attention a most serious matter in Curry County that involve gross malfeasance by elected officials and other public servants towards the citizens and taxpayers in the county, in violation of Oregon's "Open Meetings" statutes and misuse of federal funds and employees to further their machinations.

The County has received federal funds (NFS) for a feasibility study of the "Canopy Project" (affectionately dubbed by the populace as CEPS - "Curry Elevated Pit Stop") hinging on the fraudulent claim in their application that County citizens are informed and involved in the plans.

The County Commissioners impaneled the "Canopy Board" chaired by one of them (who since then was deposed from his Commissioner job) and other dignitaries, including County and Federal employees, to oversee the project, but no

private citizens. This Committee meets covertly without the public being notified or participating in the clandestine events.

On several rare occasions when "informational" meetings are held, opponents of this hare-brained idea are ignored and their questions go unrecognized.

This complaint was officially and repeatedly taken to the Curry County Commissioners resulting only in inimical stonewalling tactics and lame excuses.

As this project affects all the County's citizens and entails (deceitfully begotten) tax funds as well as time and effort of public servants (federal and County) it is dubious to deem this Committee as a private affair as they assert.

We are hereby requesting your immediate intervention in freezing the disbursement of funds for this project and enjoin the federal employees of NFS and BLM from any participation until and unless the situation is corrected. We are also urging that the State of Oregon intervene in enforcing the state statutes of open meetings.

Thank you for acting expeditiously on this matter. Sincerely yours,

PS I was going to read this letter at the Commissioners meeting on November 17, 1997 and mail immediately afterwards. Commissioner Roberts assured me that he saw a letter addressed to me by T. Hanscam to the effect that meetings of "Canopy Committee" will be henceforth open to the public.

Based on this I held off original plan and letter was NOT circulated in this week's area newspapers.

Two days since and no letter is received. Doubt that one ever existed. Commissioners are out of town.

How much longer are we going to take this abuse from our elected officials?!

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Riven - The Hottest Game by Valerie Jean Kramer

Well, I haven't gotten much work done this week. I've been too busy exploring the world of Riven, Broderbund's new game, the sequel to their previous hit, Myst.

The basic premise is that you have entered the man-made world of Riven. You must explore it and understand how it works in order to save its inhabitants and return to your own world. If you liked Myst, you should love Riven. It comes on 5 CD-ROMS so there is a LOT of it to explore! The graphics and sound are totally captivating. It's the next best thing to being there.

Riven's puzzles are hard enough to make me think but not so hard I want to quit. (Ok, I admit I peeked into the hint book that was bundled with my copy but only a little!) Learn more about it on the net at www.riven.com. Street price is about \$50 but try to find a copy with the hint book! Requires Windows 95, a Pentium 100 or faster computer and 75Mb of hard disk space.

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