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Storm Watching By Evan Kramer



New Year's 1998 brought with it a good old-fashioned storm. First came the rains and then on Tuesday the winds really picked up. At the Fun Zone we have installed a weather station for the New Year. The station measures wind velocity, wind direction, outside and inside temperature and calculates the wind chill factor. The peak wind velocity will become a regular weekly feature in this newspaper to go along with the tides, and the temperature and rain statistics provided generously by the City of Port Orford Public Works Department employees Keith Rowling and Alan Wagner.

One of the "rules of thumb" by which I measure wind velocity in Port Orford is the Circle K sign. This winter during one of the first storms with, it seemed, not that hard of wind blowing, their sign was bent over and had to be replaced. Last winter it had to be replaced when it literally blew apart. Last year the sign was made of a hard plastic. This year's model is made of a different material and "gives" a little more in the wind but still performs as a large sail when the wind blows. The Circle K sign replaced the former Union 76 station orange ball, as my personal

indicator. That ball, you may remember, was know to "dimple" during high winds.

One of the best places (and it's no secret) to watch the winter storms in Port Orford is the parking lot at the Port of Port Orford dock. I'm specifically talking about the parking area adjacent to the breakwater. I drove down their Tuesday afternoon and parked closed to the curbing overlooking the breakwater for a look at the roiling waters. The wind wasn't blowing hard enough so rocks weren't flying through the air and I felt it was safe to park and watch. There are times when the wind is blowing so hard it can kick some good sized rocks up onto the parking lot and through a person's windshield.

Commissioners Support Port In bid for Cape Blanco Airport

The Curry County Commissioners voted unanimously at their meeting Monday, January 5, 1998, to send a letter to the Oregon Department of Transportation supporting the Port of Port Orford managing Cape Blanco State Airport. Here is the complete text of their letter.

Ann Crook, Airports Manager
Oregon Department of Transportation,
Aeronautics Division
3040 25th Street, SE
Salem, OR 97310

Dear Ms. Crook:

This letter is a request for the State Aeronautics Board to allow the Port of Port Orford the opportunity to manage the Blanco State Airport. We believe the airport will become a viable part of the Curry County's overall economic base in the future. The potential of this airport for employment and economic development in the Port Orford area is substantial. We realize this facility will benefit the citizens of Port Orford, and together, we can move in the direction that will allow for planned development of the airport and the surrounding areas.

Curry County does not desire to act in competition toward other public entities, but rather to work together with them for the best interests of the citizens of the Port Orford area and all of the County. It has always been our intention to cooperate with other entities toward realization of common goals with respect to any economic development projects. In as much as possible, the County stands ready to help.

A possible resolution for the State Aeronautics Board to consider in this situation would be to allow the Port of Port Orford to manage the airport with a later evaluation of the progress made as to the overall

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|------------|------------------|------------------|------------|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|------|-----|-------|
| | Midnight to Noon | Noon to Midnight | | | | | | | | | |
| Thu Jan 8 | 1:20a 2.9 | 7:48a 8.3 | 2:55p 0.2 | 9:23p 5.9 | 7:46a | 5:02p | 2:16p | 4:23a | | | |
| Fri Jan 9 | 2:23a 3.2 | 8:39a 8.5 | 3:47p -0.3 | 10:22p 6.2 | 7:46a | 5:03p | 3:01p | 5:23a | | | |
| Sat Jan 10 | 3:22a 3.4 | 9:28a 8.6 | 4:34p -0.7 | 11:12p 6.5 | 7:45a | 5:04p | 3:51p | 6:18a | | | |
| Sun Jan 11 | 4:15a 3.4 | 10:14a 8.6 | 5:17p -0.9 | 11:57p 6.7 | 7:45a | 5:06p | 4:47p | 7:08a | | | |
| Mon Jan 12 | 5:03a 3.4 | 10:58a 8.4 | 5:57p -0.9 | | 7:45a | 5:07p | 5:43p | 7:52a | FM | | |
| Tue Jan 13 | 12:37a 6.9 | 5:49a 3.3 | 11:39a 8.2 | 6:35p -0.7 | 7:44a | 5:08p | 6:40p | 8:31a | | | |
| Wed Jan 14 | 1:15a 6.9 | 6:32a 3.3 | 12:20p 7.9 | 7:11p -0.4 | 7:44a | 5:09p | 7:37p | 9:06a | | | |
| Thu Jan 15 | 1:52a 6.9 | 7:16a 3.3 | 12:59p 7.5 | 7:47p 0.0 | 7:43a | 5:10p | 8:33p | 9:37a | | | |

League of Women Voters

Port Orford unit, League of Women Voters of Curry County, will meet Friday, January 9, at 10am at the home of Milt and Shirley Nelson, 585 Tichenor Street. Topic will be the League's national program for 1998-99, to be decided at National Convention in San Diego in June.

League members believe that citizens as individuals and in-groups can make a

difference at all levels of government. In true grassroots fashion, local members will decide whether they want the national League to retain current positions on a variety of issues or drop them. (League positions are formulated after intense research, study, discussion and consensus among members. Lobbying is done on the basis of these member-supported positions. If members decide to drop a position, no action can be taken in that area without further study.)

Positions to be discussed and retained or dropped come under the headings of government, international relations, natural resources and social policy. Among the twenty-seven items are such diverse issues as agricultural policy, arms control, environmental protection and health care.

Men and women citizens of voting age are invited to attend, participate and join the League of Women Voters. For more information call 332-9002.

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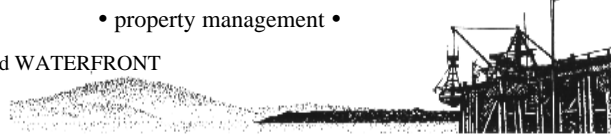
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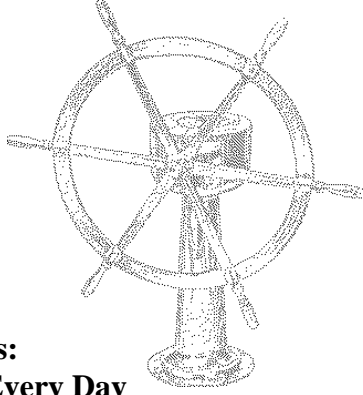
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Well, it's a new year and we have new technology. Evan got Valerie a weather station for Christmas and it is now perched high atop the Downtown Fun Zone building. We have a Davis Weather Wizard III. It records the high and low indoor and outdoor temperatures, low wind chill, high wind speed, and, of course, shows the current figures as well. We also brought in Evan's barometer to get pressure readings. We record the high/lows in the morning when we get to work and reset them for the new day. This is typically around 8am but the exact time varies. Because we are not open 7 days a week, our Sunday readings may sometimes be missing and may be taken later in the day than other days of the week. The rain statistics come from the city's public utilities department and we will also use their temperature figures if we don't get ours recorded. We hope you will enjoy this expanded coverage. Note: These are uncalibrated instruments and we can't vouch for the absolute accuracy of these figures.

| Date | Temperature | | Rain | High | Wind | Barometer |
|------------|-------------|-----|------|------|-------|-----------|
| | High | Low | | Wind | Chill | |
| Fri Dec 26 | 55 | 30 | --- | | | |
| Sat Dec 27 | 55 | 40 | --- | | | |
| Sun Dec 28 | 56 | 44 | --- | | | |
| Mon Dec 29 | 52 | 42 | --- | | | |
| Tue Dec 30 | 61 | 41 | --- | | | |
| Wed Dec 31 | 56 | 52 | .10 | 42 | 31 | |
| Thu Jan 1 | 54 | 43 | .69 | 41 | 48 | |
| Fri Jan 2 | 54 | 40 | .60 | 41 | 22 | 29.7 |
| Sat Jan 3 | 52 | 36 | | 40 | 18 | 30.15 |
| Sun Jan 4 | 46 | 44 | | 28 | 25 | 30.29 |
| Mon Jan 5 | 54 | 46 | | 33 | 22 | 30.29 |
| Tue Jan 6 | 54 | 47 | | 41 | 24 | 30.29 |

Note: So far, the temperature readings at The Downtown Fun Zone are running about one degree higher than the city's readings.

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We would like to thank the creative people who have submitted their designs already, and that we will be returning them by mail after the selection has been made. All designs will be on display at the crab lunch this month. It will give everyone a wonderful chance to eat some tasty crab and pick their favorite design. The date and location will be coming to you soon.

Any questions please call Leesa at 332-5250 or Cecil at 332-0806.



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As managers of the county's only 24-hour emergency room, hospital officials make an effort every year to remind parents of children under 18 about a free public service.

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to fill out required paperwork beforehand," Sharon Richards, medical records supervisor, says.

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"During an emergency, when your child is with a baby-sitter, teacher, a friend, or relative, the hospital will do everything possible to contact you, Richards tells parents. "If a parent can fill out this form and return it to us now, the hospital will

keep it on file to save time-just in case a child needs urgent care when a parent may not be available."

The form should be updated in six months or more often as needed. Parents can use copies of this form, but they need to re-sign each copy before submitting to the hospital.

Those who did not receive a form can pick up one at the hospital, 94220 Fourth Street in Gold Beach. For more information, phone Richards at 541-247-6621, extension 121.

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“Our heritage is endangered,” said Commission Chair Barbara Sidway of Baker City. “Statewide, we are soliciting project concepts from individuals and non-profit, tribal and governmental organizations with responsibility for heritage resources.”

The survey will pinpoint unmet needs in the state for the conservation and preservation of significant historic resources, including but not limited to objects, structures, buildings, documents, collections, traditions, folkways and trails. The deadline to submit needs assessment forms is February 13, 1998.

More than 1,400 needs assessment packets have been distributed. Completing a

single one-page form for each project will allow the commission to create a list of significant projects. “We are relying on all Oregonians to help us identify the most critical needs for heritage conservation in Oregon,” stated Sidway.

Based on the survey results, the OHC plans to present an Oregon Heritage Funding Program proposal to the 1999 Legislative Assembly. If state funds are provided for the program, the OHC would undertake a grant process in 1999 for projects that would begin in 2000.

The commission’s charge is to assure heritage conservation and development in Oregon. The Oregon Heritage Plan is



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Persons who want to request packets and have questions regarding the Needs Assessment Survey should telephone (503) 378-6508, Ext. 299, or write Oregon Heritage Commission, 1115 Commercial St. NE, Salem, OR, 97310.

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Curry Program

If you put off signing up for college classes, Southwestern Oregon Community College can help. The Curry program has several classes that start the second week of the winter term.

Among Gold Beach's offerings are two computer classes. Introduction to Computers will help the most novice of computer users. It will give you the basics of computer information and the many things they can do for you. This class is Thursday, 5:30pm – 8:30pm, and runs from January 15 to March 19.

The other computer class is a four-week Word Processing Basics. It is on Tuesday, 5:30pm-7:30pm, starting January 13. This class is for those who are interested in using the computer for word-processing but don't have a lot of time to learn all the commands.

Gold Beach has Geology of Southwestern Oregon on Friday, 6pm-9pm starting

January 16. This class includes the use of topographic and geologic maps and field trips to observe local geology. Get out and learn about the county!

Authoritative Parenting is Tuesday 6:30pm-8:30pm from January 13 to March 3. This is a skill-based program geared to parents of adolescents. The program addresses the many factors that affect families.

In Port Orford you can unleash your creativity. There is a lab for both painting and drawing. The painting lab is Tuesday, 12:30pm-3:30pm beginning January 13 with the drawing lab same time on Mondays, beginning January 12.

So stop putting it off, sign up for a class today. Call SWOCC for more information or to register. Gold Beach 247-2741, Brookings 469-5017, or Port Orford (Fridays) 332-3023.

Writers Conference

A writer's conference will be held in Gold Beach on February 13 and 14. The conference is entitled "Spinning Tales on the Siskiyou Coast".

Friday, February 13, the speaker will be Tom Nash, followed by Curry County Historical Society's Hathaway Jones Tall Tales Swap Stories that are, could be, may be should be, would be true with a 3-10 minute limit by people like you who are invited to participate.

For more information call the Gold Beach Chamber of Commerce at 1-800-525-2334.

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Letter to the Editor,

A few years ago a couple moved into a house just around the corner from many of my friends and I. Since then we have been verbally harassed over the phone and face to face. We have had to get rid of our puppy because they said that he barked too much during the day. We have also had to deal with the police on more than one occasion. We have recently moved

but are still concerned because they are still harassing our neighbors.

When I say harassing, I mean that they go to their door and scream at them and call them over the phone to scream and then hang up. I may only be 14 but I know what verbal harassment is. It got so bad that once they called my friend's mother in the middle of the night to tell her that they would have the dogs taken away if they weren't quieted.

What I'm trying to say is we lived here all of our lives and nobody has complained about our dogs, why start now?

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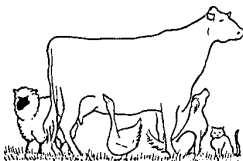
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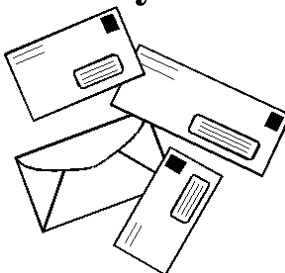
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The Skywatcher's Diary for January 1998 was prepared by Robert C. Victor and is made available courtesy of Abrams Planetarium, Department of Physics and Astronomy at Michigan State University through their Sky Calendar publication and on their web page at <http://www.pa.msu.edu/abrams/diary.html>.

Thursday, January 8

As sky darkens, look for the first-magnitude star Aldebaran, eye of Taurus, about 7 degrees to Moon's lower left, and the Pleiades star cluster 10 degrees to Moon's upper left. Use binoculars for a good view of the Hyades cluster, whose stars complete a letter "V" with Aldebaran and form the head of the Bull. As hours pass, watch the Moon approach and pass among these stars.

Friday, January 9

There are two reddish stars near the Moon tonight. Their locations an hour after sunset are: Aldebaran, eye of Taurus, 6 degrees to Moon's upper right, and Betelgeuse, shoulder of Orion, 16 degrees below.

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Saturday, January 10

Just after the Sun's disk has disappeared over the horizon, look 9 degrees higher for Venus. Binoculars show it as a slender crescent with upturned horns, one arcminute across. By an hour after sunset, Venus is gone, but in the east you can find Betelgeuse 11 degrees to Moon's lower right. Next Friday night, faint Comet Tempel-Tuttle will pass closest to Earth. This comet is the source of November's Leonid meteor shower, which perhaps this year or next, could appear as a spectacular meteor storm. This evening the comet is located at Right Ascension 12 hours 14 minutes, Declination +57.3 degrees, very near the 3rd-magnitude star

which joins the handle of the Big Dipper to the bowl. This telescopic comet is expected to be of mag. 9 now, some 10,000 times fainter than Comet Hale-Bopp was at its best last year. In bright moonlight, the comet will be hard to observe; wait until after midnight, when the Big Dipper is high in the sky, or until Friday, when Moon will be absent from the early evening sky, and the comet will pass within 7 degrees of the North Star.

Sunday, January 11

At sunset, just as the solar disk completely disappears, Venus stands 8 degrees almost directly above the same point on the horizon, while the nearly Full Moon is even lower, in almost the opposite direction. Binoculars show Venus as a crescent. Can you see Venus with naked eye? Soon after sunset, look for Jupiter 26 degrees to Venus' upper left. As sky darkens, Mars appears 5 degrees to Jupiter's lower right. Watch Mars and Jupiter nightly; they'll be only about 0.2 degree apart on Jan. 20.

Monday, January 12

Tonight at sunset, at the moment the Sun's disk has completely disappeared below the horizon, Venus is 7 degrees above it from northern U.S., or to its upper left right from southern U.S. On Friday, Venus will pass inferior conjunction, nearly between Earth and Sun. Since the orbits of Venus and Earth are not

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Creighton Seeks Investigation

Deputy Sheriff Mark Creighton announced that he has contacted the Curry County District Attorney, Curry County Commissioners, and the Oregon Government Standards and Practices Commission with information that he had uncovered possible misuse of county property. Creighton advised he had been checking cellular phone records of six Sheriff's Department employees, and determined their cellular phones had been used to make personal calls at County expense. Creighton said it is hard to tell the total personal calls being made without a full investigation, and there is no indication

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that anyone reimbursed the County as required by Sheriff's Department policy. If that money was not reimbursed by each one of the deputies, it is theft.

Creighton advised he became concerned because of the high fees the county is paying for cellular service. Creighton stated between January 1997, and September 1997 more than \$2,000 was spent on seven cellular phones. The \$2,000 represents about one month of pay for a road deputy. Creighton found many calls by deputies to their homes. Using cellular phones for personal use is a violation of the Ethics laws, Criminal laws, and county policy.

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Creighton said, "I have asked the Commissioners for a full accounting of the cellular phone use, and a full audit of all cellular phones issued to the Sheriff's Department."

Creighton advised that he has sent a packet of evidence along with the complaints to the Curry County Commissioners, the Curry County District Attorney, and the Oregon Government Standards and Practices Commission.

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Community Resource Team

The first CRT (Community Resource Team) meeting of 1998 is scheduled for Thursday, January 8, at 7pm in the Senior Center.

Becoming more involved in the community is a fine New Year's resolution; this could be a natural way to begin that involvement. On the agenda for Thursday's meeting is a presentation by Betty Tam of Umpqua CDC, about affordable housing is one which has been brought up several times at previous CRT meetings as being of concern to the community.

The meeting will generally consist of the various work groups – Quality of Life, Work Force, Infrastructure, Business Development – discussing among themselves the progress that has been made, and goals still to be worked toward. As always, the membership of the CRT is

fluid and anyone who lives in the Port Orford area and is interested in Port Orford's welfare is welcome to attend and urged to participate in whichever aspect is most important to her or him. As always, CRT is striving for consensus. Come one, come all: it's your "town meeting".

Skywatcher's Diary - Continued

exactly in the same plane, Venus seldom appears to transit the Sun's disk. Instead, this time, Venus will pass nearly 6 degrees N of the Sun. That's why, for the rest of this week, Venus will appear to upper right of setting Sun and to upper left of rising Sun.. Warning: When you're using binoculars or a telescope to search for Venus, take care that you do not accidentally look at the Sun! The Full "Moon after Yule" rises 15 minutes (seen from southern Florida) to 30 minutes (northern Washington state) after sunset tonight. At nightfall, look for the Gemini twins, Pollux and Castor, to Moon's up-

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per left, and Procyon degrees to Moon's lower right. The name Procyon, meaning "before the dog," was given to this star because it rises before Sirius, the "Dog Star," for observers in mid-northern latitudes. Watch for the rising of Sirius near the place where Orion's belt, if extended downward, would meet the horizon.

Tuesday, January 13

Around nightfall look for Orion in ESE with its two brightest stars, blue-white Rigel marking his foot, and reddish Betelgeuse marking his shoulder. Procyon in Canis Major is very low in E, 26 degrees lower left of Betelgeuse. Look 18 degrees to Procyon's lower left for the Moon rising in ENE, and look 26 degrees to Procyon's lower right for Sirius rising in ESE. Sirius, Procyon, and Betelgeuse form the Winter Triangle. As soon as you see Sirius, turn around and look for the Summer Triangle — Altair, Deneb, and Vega — in W to WNW.

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RENT A MOVIE: New this week are Navajo Blues, Hoodlum, Looking for Richard with Alec Baldwin & Al Pacino, Fire Down Below with Steven Seagal, Anna Karenina, Ordeal in the Arctic, Flirt, Changing Habits, Wedding Bell Blues, Steel (Shaq), the first episode of Babylon 5, and for the kids Hercules & Xena the Battle for Mount Olympus. The \$2 rack has also got some new additions including Four Eyes and Six-Guns, The Exorcist, Rosemary's Baby, Lifeboat (Hitchcock), Legend of the Crystals Final Fantasy, and the French version of Beauty and the Beast. Downtown Fun Zone is open 9:30am till 6pm Monday thru Thursday and from 9:30 till 7pm Friday and Saturday. Closed on Sunday.

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The American (Drive) Way

The Point Orford Heritage Society and the Southwestern Oregon Community College have finalized plans for Winter Term, for their on-going free lecture series - **Presence of the Past.**

The first lecture is on Friday, January 16, from 7:00-8:00pm, at Port Orford City Hall. Landscape architect Kenneth Helphand, will lecture on The American (Drive) Way. The humble residential driveway, if we only know how to look, reveals some of the profound cultural changes that have irreversibly shaped post-war America. Helphand shows how everyday landscape vividly illustrates the rise of the automobile and the resultant changes in the way Americans form a community. Coming at a time when Port Orford is developing a Highway 101 Beautification Plan, this lecture will have a timely focus. Kenneth Helphand teaches Landscape architecture at the University of Oregon. His lecture is part of the Oregon Chautauqua Program and is made possible by the Oregon Council on the Humanities, an affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities.

The second lecture will be on February 27, from 7:00-10:00pm, at Port Orford City Hall. Ron Metzger will lecture on the Geological History of Southwestern Oregon.

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There are two one-day workshops to bring you up to date on the Internet and with Windows '95. If the Internet has been a big mystery to you, let this workshop unveil the power behind the net. You will soon be surfing with the best. The Internet workshop is Saturday from 9am - 4pm January 24.

The other workshop is Windows '95. This class will introduce you to the new features of Windows '95. You may learn more about features that are familiar to you and some may be completely new. If you haven't upgraded to Windows '95 and want a preview, this workshop is for you. It will be held Saturday 9am - 4pm February 21.

There are also self-paced computer classes. Proceed at your own pace in a lab atmosphere. You can learn Basic Word Processing or Spreadsheet applications in Gold Beach. The classes are Monday and Wednesday evenings 5:30pm - 8pm starting the week of January 5. Port Orford offers self-paced Introduction to Computers and Word Processing, Monday and Wednesday evenings 6pm - 8:30pm. You may register through the first week of classes.

Call SWOCC for more information or to register. Gold Beach 247-2741, Brookings 469-5017, or Port Orford (Fridays) 332-3023.

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development of the airport. This evaluation could be made in seven years, and would allow the State to determine if sufficient progress has been made to fulfill their requirements.

Your consideration in this matter would be greatly appreciated.

Respectfully,

Curry County Board of Commissioners
T.V. Skinner, Chairman
Lloyd Olds, Vice Chairman
Bill Roberts, Commissioner
(end of letter)

The Aeronautics Division held a public meeting at Port Orford City Hall on Thursday, November 6, 1997 concerning the disposition of Cape Blanco State Airport. At that meeting Lloyd Olds and Bill Roberts represented Curry County and read a letter requesting county ownership of the airport. The January 5, 1998 Curry County Commissioner's letter represents a big change in the county's direction and for that, as editor of this newspaper, I say, "thank you." The county decision leaves the Port of Port Orford as the sole local

government entity with an interest in ownership of the Airport. The next step is for Aeronautics to make a decision.

Port Orford Library News

by Jane Cramer

January is a time for resolutions and most of us will probably make one or two. Although some will be so difficult to keep they won't last through the month, others might develop into lifelong habits that are so rewarding we often wonder why we didn't begin doing them sooner.

One rewarding resolution might be to visit Port Orford Public Library on a regular basis to check out books. January's wet, dreary weather and long cold evenings make it a wonderful time for this. Spending time with a good book can be enlightening, informative and warming.

From the moment you enter the library and receive a smile and friendly greeting from staff or volunteer to the time you leave with your treasures you'll feel a warmth that the cold, damp weather cannot chill.

At the south end of the checkout counter are new books. Those on the top of the counter marked "7 Day Book" are the

most popular. So many people are anxious to read these books that the time limit is imposed to give everyone a turn. On shelves below the counter you will find other new books with the normal two week checkout time. Many of these new books are popular fiction by well-known authors. Others are non-fiction and might be informative, practical or useful but still entertaining.

One "7 Day Book" I highly recommend is *The Perfect Storm* by Sebastian Junger. Although this is a non-fiction book, there is nothing boring about it. The book chronicles the events of a tempest called the storm of the century, created by so rare a combination of factors that meteorologists deemed it "the perfect storm". Although the events occur on a distant ocean, anyone who has ever been at sea during a storm will feel a kinship and bond with the seamen caught in this storm. Your concern and anxiety for their safety as you read of these events will be all the more compelling because you know it all actually happened.

Another interesting new book is an offering of historical fiction written by Thomas Pynchon. As indicated by the title, *Mason & Dixon* is based on the lives of a pair of 18th century surveyors and the world they lived in. Although these men are best known for running the line known today as the Mason-Dixon Line, the tale is not limited to this period in their lives. Instead it covers a vast area during an exciting era and makes fascinating reading.

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