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Candidate Forum

By Evan Kramer



All fourteen candidates running for four Curry County elected positions attended the League of Women Voter's candidate forum Wednesday night in Port Orford. They were joined by a packed house in the council chambers. Each candidate was allowed a four-minute opening remark to talk about himself or herself.

Surveyor Candidates

Darryl Niemi spoke first. He has been the county surveyor for the last 12 years. He said the duties of surveyor are full time. He said he does surveys for the road department, corner preservation and that this has been a busy year.

Jerry Floyd gave a brief history of the surveyor's office and the day to day work. He spoke about today's problems with the jumble of private and government information. He talked about preparing consistent electronic data storage of surveys. He said we need to get our house in order and he could do that at no cost to the county.

Reily Smith said he could fulfill the duties of office working one half time and the office clerk working half time. He

talked about filing and indexing the maps, scanning the maps and loading them on CDROM's. He said a fire in the surveyor's office would destroy all the records.

Sheriff Candidates

Kent Owens said all his law enforcement experience has been in Curry County including nine years as Brookings Police Chief. He is currently serving as interim Gold Beach police chief. He stated the Curry County Sheriff's Department has lost eight deputies and one sergeant. He said it was "reckless to reduce management below the current levels". He said the county jail is overcrowded and it cannot be fixed for nothing. He said when elected sheriff he would work with the citizens to rebuild the department and as a last resort seek public funding.

William "Skip" Clark said he started his law enforcement career in Rogue River in 1975. He is a senior deputy with the Curry County Sheriff's department. He said the department problems had been brought about by lack of tax money and that O & C funds are down. He said the sheriff's department needs some form of review board but they don't need a citizen's review board.

Mark Creighton said he is a resident deputy with the Sheriff's Department in Port Orford. He talked about the volunteer

work he does in the community and that he served three years in Vietnam with an honorable discharge. He said he has 1800 hours of law enforcement training and more education than either of the other two candidates. He said the other two candidates were holding the voters hostage with their tax proposals. He stated his eleven-point plan and ended by saying a leader has a plan and vision and he has both.

Treasurer Candidates

Terry Hanscam said he has 20 years experience managing the family business in Brookings. He recited the list of boards, committees and positions he has held with the county and his knowledge of county funds.

Vinita Buchanan said the treasurer's department acts as a bank for over 30 million dollars. She said she has been training for the job for the 12 years she has worked in the department. Buchanan is serving as the interim treasurer at the appointment of the county commissioners as Treasurer Trudi Stehn retired on March 1, 1998. Buchanan asked if there needs to be a change in the department and that people who know say keep her on the job.

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Date	Sun						Moon						
	Midnight to Noon			Noon to Midnight			Rise	Set	Rise	Set	Phase		
Thu May 7	4:26a	1.4	10:24a	5.4	4:16p	1.4	10:36p	6.5	6:02a	8:25p	5:02p	4:51a	
Fri May 8	5:05a	0.8	11:11a	5.5	4:53p	1.6	11:06p	6.7	6:01a	8:26p	5:57p	5:18a	
Sat May 9	5:40a	0.3	11:54a	5.6	5:28p	1.8	11:35p	6.9	6:00a	8:27p	6:52p	5:46a	
Sun May 10	6:14a	-0.1	12:35p	5.7	6:02p	2.0			5:59a	8:28p	7:47p	6:16a	
Mon May 11	12:03a	7.0	6:48a	-0.4	1:15p	5.7	6:35p	2.3	5:58a	8:30p	8:43p	6:50a	FM
Tue May 12	12:33a	7.0	7:23a	-0.7	1:54p	5.7	7:09p	2.5	5:56a	8:31p	9:38p	7:27a	
Wed May 13	1:04a	7.0	7:58a	-0.8	2:36p	5.7	7:45p	2.7	5:55a	8:32p	10:32p	8:09a	
Thu May 14	1:37a	6.9	8:37a	-0.8	3:20p	5.6	8:24p	3.0	5:54a	8:33p	11:23p	8:56a	

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Date	Temp		Rain	High Wind
	High	Low		
Fri Apr 24	54	44	.43	
Sat Apr 25	56	39	---	
Sun Apr 26	57	45	---	
Mon Apr 27	62	49	---	33
Tue Apr 28	65	48	---	30
Wed Apr 29	56	48	---	25
Thu Apr 30	61	50	---	
Fri May 1	67	49	.20	25
Sat May 2	64	47	.06	18
Sun May 3	64	51	---	15

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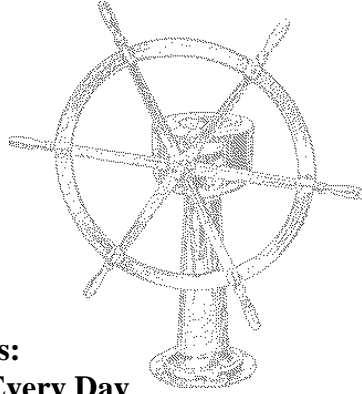
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For the "full works" my wife applies what is called a raindrop treatment. She drips 6-8 drops of an oil all the way up my spine, gently spreads it and follows with

up to 8 different oils, each chosen for a particular purpose. A hot towel seals it all in and 40 minutes later, I'm a different person. Pure oils are actually more watery than oily, though I regularly dilute them with a fine vegetable oil because they are so powerful it would be wasteful to use them full strength. Either way, they are quickly absorbed through the skin, penetrate the fatty components of the blood.

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trauma. Emotional states are directly confronted. Many of the oils have abilities in this area to bring healing and balance. A dramatic example of this may be seen at the Oregon Tiger Sanctuary near Eagle Point. Many of the tigers, lions and primates were rescued from conditions of incredible misery, suffering from all kinds of emotional anguish – real psycho cases. The animals have dedicated handlers and their accommodations are wonderful but a large part of their success there is attributed to the intense use of essential oils to normalize the animals. I used this powerful affect when I was a dairy farmer. On one of those days when I was just about overwhelmed and I still had to milk 125 cows before the day was done, I intuitively shoved my face into a budlea bush and inhaled the sweet vivid-purple aroma for a few breaths. It gave me such a lift that I can't pass by a budlea today without taking a recharge from its blossoms.

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The Port Orford-Langlois Soprano Singers were selected from thirty-five other Oregon schools and shared in the limelight as one of the top four schools. In the morning sessions they were judged and scored and went on to perform again in the afternoon on the big stage, in the Silva Concert Hall, performing last after choirs from Salem, Bend and Grants Pass. The

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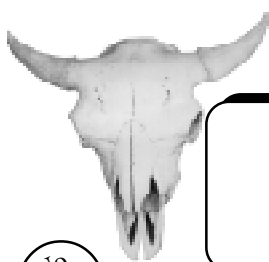
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Soprano Singers received high marks for tone, technique, expressiveness, and accompaniment, and praise for their "lovely sound, rhythmic vitality and precision, and colorful repertoire." Langlois musician, Bonnie Cox, created a beautiful original flute part, complimenting Stephanie Hazle's excellent piano accompaniment. Heather Carpenter, 8th grade student, played the conga drum for a South African Piece, "Siyahamba".

The Blanco Step-Dancers, although not judged, were also included in the afternoon performance and brought the cheering audience to their feet for a standing ovation. Their fancy foot work and lively, precise movements of Cape Breton tradi-

tional step-dancing, were a huge hit with the audience. Featured dancers: Tyler Tronson, Sara Moskowitz, and Jessica James (eighth grade), Veronica Dewitt and Audra Loeber (seventh grade), Reann Blount (fifth grade, and Ciara Meeks (fourth grade). Debbie Beck went along as dance coach, advising them on stage presence and performance.

Hard work, hours of practice, and positive attitudes made for a very successful festival performance. Many thanks to the sixteen parents who went along as chaperones. The Soprano Singers and Blanco Step-Dancers are under the direction of music teacher, Diane Cassel.



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Senior News

Mary Yoder

First, April 30th was the Rotary Luncheon. The volunteers working were: Norma Ellis, Mary Evans, Bessie Laurson, Kay Neal, Lorraine Hass, Dee Hanshon setting up the dining room – doing dishes and clean up Bill Butt, Owen Miller and What's His Name. This was a special luncheon – big crowd. The volunteers did a good job.

May 1st – the Police Department had a luncheon – never saw so many good-looking men. Wonder where they all came from? The volunteers working were Jan Black, Mary Evans, Greta Carver, and

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Bessie Laurson. The food was tasty – saw some going back for seconds. Doing dishes were David Klein and Bill Butt.

May 3rd was the birthday party. Cake and ice cream – sure was a beautiful cake. Those working and making it so nice were Lorraine Hass, Thelma Lagace and Bill Butt doing dishes and clean up. I was sorry these names were left out last week. Mays birthday people are Mildred Hill the 6th, David Kyle the 10th, Leonard Welch the 4th. Hope you all have a wonderful birthday.

May 4th was pinochle or cards. A nice time was had by all – lots of popcorn. High for the ladies was June Dennison

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and low was Venetta Marstal. Men's high was E. David Klein and men's low was E.J. Drew. Win or lose its always fun.

May 6th is diabetic education from 1 till 3pm. May 7th will be the Rotary luncheon. May 8th is Bingo night that starts at 7:30pm.

The luncheon scheduled for May 9th has been cancelled as far as we know the rummage sale is still scheduled from 8am till 11am on that date.

May 10th is Mothers Day and there will not be a breakfast at the center on that morning – hope all have a wonderful day.

I wrote this before and I'll do it again. It's my favorite.

Hello only lasts for a minute

It's a short, brisk, queer little word.
But say! There's a lot of cheer in it.

It's like the first chirp of a bird

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Bake Sale

Zion Lutheran Church invites the community to its annual spring Bake Sale this

Saturday, May 9, from 9am to 3pm. The location of the bake sale will be at Zion Lutheran Church 2015 Washington St., Port Orford. Items such as pies can be purchased by the slice or by the whole pie. There will be other fine bakery goods to select from the tables of delicious food. This year, you can come in and be served treats with your coffee. Come bring family members and friends with you this Saturday.

Letter to the Editor

Nice house on the Hughes House poster, "Home is Where the Heart Is", but it's **not** the Hughes House. Yes, mama, there is a God after all.

Teresa Kolibaba

Vote — May 19

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Letter to the Editor,

Attention, voters in the North County. We need an especially good turnout to defeat the 1.5 million dollar hospital bond measure. There are 1378 registered voters in our three precincts, so we can make a difference.

This should not be our bill to pay. Almost everyone in the Port Orford area goes north for medical care.

I recently changed my insurance deductible from \$1,000 to \$5,000 because of increasing premiums. Now the money I save for this increased exposure would go to CGH.

The added tax would be in addition to our new Port District obligation, and for those inside the city limits of Port Orford there is still the water and sewer problem to be addressed.

And, Bandon is in the final planning stages for a \$6.5 million brand new hospital. The rural development loan to be repaid by hospital revenues. And, the Bay Area Hospital Board has approved a request for proposal for a \$13 million add-on – to be paid for out of operating reserve. The choice becomes clearer still. Go North...

If any or all of the above hits home with you, please vote no on the bond measure for the hospital in Gold Beach.

Dave and Lee Kincaid
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Del Norte Career Fair

Come to the 2nd Annual Career Fair at the Del Norte County Fairgrounds, Hwy 101, Crescent City on Tue., May 26, 9am-6pm. Talk with over 50 different employers from Del Norte, Humboldt and Curry County. Bring your resume! Free refreshments and prizes!

If you are an employer and would like to participate call Jim at 707-464-8347.

Letter to the Editor,

I was delighted to learn that Dr. Pitchford will be returning to the Curry Family Medical clinic, because a number of people phoned me for advice on how to vote for the special bond the Board of the hospital district is asking us to vote in favor of on May 19. Many of us agreed that the threat to close the clinic and the emergency room were only going to cause us to dig our heels in and vote “no” which



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was how I voted in the prior election, based on their past shoddy treatment to Dr. Pitchford.

Finally, cooler heads prevailed and broke the impasse which caused so many of us to lose faith in the hospital board and administration. Dr. Pitchford would be returning to the Port Orford clinic. I spoke with Randy Scholten, the hospital district’s chief executive officer, and he told me Dr. Pitchford would be seeing his patients there in May. I also spoke with Dr. Pitchford who told me he is happy to be returning to the clinic. This is most welcome news!

In light of this agreement and Dr. Pitchford’s return to the clinic, I plan to vote “yes” in favor of the health district’s proposed special bond issue on May 19 and urge other voters to vote YES also.

Sincerely,

Paula Cracas

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CTR

The City of Port Orford, Curry County & Curry Transfer & Recycling are offering Free Metal, Yard Waste & Wood disposal at Port Orford Transfer Station, located 1 mile North – Northwest of City Hall. The dates for this special disposal will be Tuesday May 26th thru Saturday May 30th from 10am till 5pm. The yard waste includes leaves, grass clippings, and branches. A small fee will be charged for refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners and tires.

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Komar Book at Library

The Port Orford Library now has two copies of Dr. Paul Komar's new book, *The Pacific Northwest Coast, Living with the Shores of Oregon and Washington*. Komar became familiar to Port Orford residents this past winter when the City hired him and Bill McDougal to visit the city's wastewater drain field at the height of the dune erosion at Agate Beach in February. Komar is a professor of Oceanography at Oregon State University. He earned his PHD at the Scripps Institute of Oceanography. Komar prepared an assessment of the situation including recommendations a few days later and sent it to the city council.

Some of the chapters in Komar's book include "The Geological Evolution of the Northwest Coast", "The 1982-83 El Niño - An Extraordinary Event" and "The Northwest Coast - A Heritage to be Preserved". One of the copies is available to be checked out and one copy will remain in the library reference section.

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Federal Empowerment Program By E.J. McQuade

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Art Contest Winner

U.S. Representative, Peter DeFazio (D-Springfield) announced Monday that a Port Orford student's artwork will represent Oregon's 4th Congressional District in the U.S. Capitol's 17th Annual Congressional Art Competition. Daemian Hawthorne, a student at Pacific High School in Port Orford, will share the honor with several hundred other high school artists and display his artwork in the U.S. Capitol for one year.

The Annual Congressional Arts Competition was first launched in 1982, over 650,000 high school students have been involved in nearly 4,000 local contests.

Last year 309 Members of Congress conducted local competitions and sent the winning artwork to the Capitol for a year of display.

DeFazio selected Hawthorne's art project after reviewing artwork submitted by students throughout the district. Hawthorne's "Wall Puzzle" is an abstract acrylic on steel design with criss-crossing patterns of bright spring colors.

In addition to art, Hawthorne who resides in Sixes, Oregon is involved with his high school's track team and participates in the long jump.

"The competition is a unique and exciting opportunity for young artists to gain ex-

perience showing their work," said DeFazio. "I'm proud to have Daemian's artwork here in Washington, D.C. to represent the talents of the Fourth Congressional District," said DeFazio.

Public Meetings

City of Port Orford budget committee meeting on Thursday, May 7, 7:00pm, in the old sheriff's office at city hall. This is a continuation of the budget committee meeting held on May 4, 1998.

Port Orford Chamber of Commerce board of directors meeting on Monday, May 11, noon, at the Paradise Restaurant.

Port Orford City Council meets on Monday, May 11, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

Curry County Commission on Children and Families meets at noon on Tuesday, May 12, at the Rod'n' Reel restaurant to discuss OCCF coalition by-laws.

Port Orford Rural Fire District board meets on Tuesday, May 12, 7:00pm, at the city hall fire station. The first part of the meeting concerns the 1998-99 budget hearing. The second half will include discussion about the proposed new fire station in Cedar Terraces.

Port Orford/Langlois 2CJ School District board meets on Tuesday, May 12, 8:00pm, in the Pacific High School Library.

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Letter to the Editor,

I was surprised to notice in reading yesterday's paper that the Budget Committee has decided not to fund the position of County Accountant and instead give the accounting duties to the Treasurer.

This is a system that has worked well in other counties with a treasurer knowledgeable in Governmental Accounting. In light of our budget situation, this may have been one of the few options open to balance the budget and still provide the services people want.

This does change the Treasurer's duties, however. I am the only candidate for Treasurer who has done governmental accounting, including balance sheets, income statements and budgets. This accounting is different from that which is used for business. It is a specialty normally taught in the senior year of a four-year accounting major.

I have a Masters degree in accounting and I have done the accounting for the county. The work I did for the annual audit while County Accountant cut the audit fee significantly, in excess of 15% one year.

Accounting is not "sexy" stuff. It is, however, very important in being able to provide the other services for the county, and money saved on this "overhead" can be used for those purposes.

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Letter to the Editor,

Anyone who knows me knows that I am the last person wanting to pay more taxes. I feel that most levels of government are bloated, top heavy and inefficient. I personally own three properties in Curry County and am very hesitant to offer to pay more taxes on those properties. However, I am also a Real Estate Broker in Port Orford and through my constant contact with people considering this area for relocation, know what their concerns are. One of the most often asked questions is what kind of medical care is available in our town. It is a very important concern of most people, and I honestly believe that if we cannot continue to

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tell them that we have a clinic and a hospital, it will drastically reduce the demand for property in our area. Less demand means lower property values to us all. The time may come where any one of us may have to sell our property in Curry County, sometimes out of necessity and not by choice. Please consider, when voting, that failure to maintain decent medical facilities may have a very negative affect on your property values when the time comes to sell your property. I urge you to give serious consideration to that possibility when voting on the health district bond.

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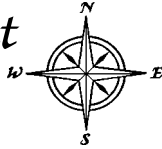
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the way, U.S. Savings Bonds are awarded to all successful participants.

Sounds interesting, well, all you have to do is write an essay. You can get help from your moms, dads, teachers, family, and friends. There is a catch, it has to be 500 words, and you have to do the writing yourself. The topic of the essay is "Why I Like Living on the Southern Oregon Coast". We know that you can think of a lot of things to write. The contest rules are

any 5th grade or home study girl in the 2CJ School district is eligible. The essay must be turned in by May 15, 1998.

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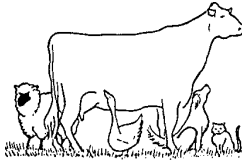
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**Creighton for Sheriff
Editorial opinion by Evan Kramer**

The most important election in Curry County this year is that of Sheriff. Three candidates are running to replace retiring Sheriff Chuck Denney. One stands out from the pack and he is Mark Creighton.

Creighton is the only one of the three candidates with a plan for the sheriff's department after he becomes elected. He has done a thorough job of defining his plan in a position paper that was included as a supplement in the newspapers in the county. The paper included one page devoted to the Creighton Plan, an eleven-step approach to changes in the sheriff's department.

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Creighton's plan would put more patrol deputies on the road and include fewer managers at the office in Gold Beach. Currently there is one manager for every road deputy.

The differences between Creighton and his two opponents became obvious at the voter forum. Creighton has a well thought out and stated plan for the department, the other two don't. Creighton has promised not to go to the taxpayers for money to support the department. His opponents haven't made that pledge.

If you're content with the operation of the sheriff's department and want it to continue that way vote for one of Creighton's

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opponents. If you think a change is needed in the department then vote for Mark Creighton. Either way please read the Creighton Plan first and make up your own mind. I did and I'm voting for the working sheriff, Mark Creighton.

Health Decisions '98

The Curry County Health Department with the Curry County Commission on Children and Families committee will host Health Decisions '98 – Speak Out Oregon! at 4:30pm on Thursday, May 7, in the County Commissioner's Hearing Room of the Curry County office building annex.



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The design must include the words, Port Orford Arts and Seafood Festival, and may include up to two colors, plus the color of the t-shirt. Please submit your design drawn in black ink on white paper, and drawn to the size it would be printed on the t-shirt (any shape within the dimensions of 11" x 14"). The artist's

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Aida Alvarez, Administrator of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA) approved an economic injury disaster declaration to help fishermen and related businesses harmed by El Nino's impact on southern Oregon fisheries. SBA's action responds to a request received on April 13 by Governor John Kitzhaber.

SBA Economic Injury Disaster Loans are now available to small business owners who are suffering financial hardship due to the reduced fish catch caused by the El Nino beginning in August 1997. SBA is providing working capital loans at 4% interest rate to both fishermen and other small concerns that are dependent on doing business with fishermen.

Small business owners in the Oregon coastal counties of Coos, Curry, and Douglas are eligible to apply for these loans.

SBA is opening disaster offices in Brookings and Coos Bay to serve owners of fishing vessels and related small business that have been harmed by El Nino's economic impact on the southern Oregon fishing industry. SBA is also providing service in the nearby California communities of Crescent City and Eureka be-

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Owners of small businesses which have suffered economic injury caused by the El Nino impact on Oregon fisheries may obtain more information by calling SBA toll free at 1-800-488-5323. Hearing impaired individuals may call 916-566-7388. Small businesses have until January 28, 1999 to apply for these loans.

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Candidate Forum Continued from front cover

Kathy Bell said she has a master's degree in accounting and was the former Curry County accountant where she set up a new accounting system. She said she wants to make sure there is cross training in the department.

Patty Ingersoll said she has worked in the Curry County assessor's office for 28 years. She said she is "known as the friendly voice in the assessor's office." She stated she would maintain the investment pool and earn the highest possible interest for the taxing districts.

Commissioner Candidates

T.V. Skinner (Republican) said he has always been available to discuss problems with county residents. Skinner spoke of his common sense approach. He described himself as a fiscal conservative and offered the voters his wealth of experience.

Peter Harrell (Republican) said there were no means to hold public officials accountable. He proposed a citizen's review investigative panel with the ability to conduct audits and order the district attorney to convene a grand jury. He said

members of the review board would be selected randomly. Harrell offered the idea of setting up teleconferencing rooms in Port Orford and Brookings. He said the county needs 1-800-phone numbers for all county offices as well as an interactive web site.

David Wilken (Democrat) introduced his wife Marty and spoke of himself as owning the headwaters of the Port Orford city water supply. Wilken said he has spent his whole life in public work. He said his goal is to be the best commissioner the county has ever had. He said he is convinced he can do the job better than it has been done.

Cheryl Thorp (Democrat) said the board of commissioners needs a different perspective. She said the commissioner job is public service, not a career. She said we need to face up to declining revenues, tighten county services and encourage citizen input. She ended by saying she is ready to go to work.

Questions and Answers

The second half of the candidate forum was devoted to questions from the audience, which they had written on index cards.

Sheriff candidate Mark Creighton was asked how he would deal with jail overcrowding. He said it would cost 10-15 million dollars for a new jail and we didn't have enough funding to run the jail. He would look at alternatives to incarceration. Skip Clark recommended a work release program. Kent Owens talked about the community corrections program including the 16-bed facility that the county currently operates with work release prisoners.

Commissioner candidates were asked if they supported Port Orford Ambulance (Ambulance Service Area #1). Peter Harrell said ambulance services should be run in a unified manner countywide and funded by a serial levy. Cheryl Thorp said it was more efficient to have the ambulance franchise right here. T.V. Skinner voiced support for the way it was (before South Coast E.M.S. was awarded the franchise) He said he didn't think bigger is better. David Wilken said the commissioners should have rejected all the original bids and have everyone bid again. He said the way it was is the way it ought to be.

The commissioner candidates were asked if they support the Canopy Project. Cheryl Thorp said she has questions about the jobs it will create. She said she is not ready to jump on board. David Wilken said no, not really. He followed that by stating nature based tourism is a real solution for the area. Peter Harrell said the Canopy Project is not viable and would get blown down. He said too much tax money has been spent on it and couldn't commit his support to the project. T.V. Skinner said the Canopy Project is "just an idea" and he is very dedicated to bringing economic development to Curry County.

There were other Q & A's but no more space here. For more information about the candidates please read the Voters' Pamphlet and feel free to speak to them. I have found them very accessible and willing to talk.

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