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Council Hears It All By Evan Kramer



The Port Orford City Council met Monday night before a group of citizens with many concerns.

Gayle Wilcox gave the fire department report. She said on April 20 the volunteer fire department had conducted a test to see how the proposed curb extensions or bump-outs would affect their work. She said they were unable to turn the fire engine from Highway 101 onto the side street from the outside lane with the curb extensions, which had been marked out with cones. She said removing any of the fire hydrants for this work was not a possibility. She said the fire department unanimously voted to oppose the Highway 101 beautification project because it would hinder their work.

Planning Director Butch Parker told the council the Community Resource Team (CRT) does a better job getting their agenda out to the citizens and publicizing their meetings than any other group. He commended them for the job they have done.

CRT Highway 101 Master Plan committee chairperson Bonnie Allen gave the council an update on the current status of that project. She said there would be a full

public hearing at the planning commission on June 9 concerning the plan.

Jim Britell spoke to the council about problems with getting the water system improvement plans started. He said there are no environmental problems on the Hubbard Creek pipeline right-of-way. He presented the council with a 19-page document of records he had gotten from city hall concerning actions of the Committee for Sane Sewer and Water Rates. He said they had put heavy workload demands on the city staff and cost the city thousands of dollars. He referred to the committee's actions as "hand waving" and urged the council to let the contracts out for the water system improvements.

Al Geiser told the council he had spoken with Myrtle Point fire chief Keith Brown earlier in the day. Geiser said Brown told him the Myrtle Point fire department has absolutely no problem making corners on their main street despite the fact they have bump-outs and only two lanes of traffic.

Leon White asked the council if they had read the CRT strategic plan and if they support it. He asked if the CRT by-laws are available. CRT president Martha Weaver-Britell said the group does not have formal by-laws but a draft of working by-laws.

Jane Cramer thanked the members of the city council for being very patient and for the work they have done.

Jack Pruitt thanked Jim Britell for the work he has done on behalf of the water system.

Marilyn Kaplan said she would like to see everyone be given the chance to speak. Ralph Donaldson said city attorney Randal Tosh had told him "Legally we're only responsible to the citizens of Port Orford."

The council moved into old business and revisited an earlier decision concerning H.G.E. Engineering Services. Ralph Donaldson made a motion to rescind the council's previous decision to go out on bid for the construction phase of the water system improvement plan. Instead he recommended having attorney Tosh draw up a contract making the construction phase of the water system improvement project an add-on to the design phase for H.G.E. at a cost of \$130,000. There were questions about the capability of H.G.E. but Donaldson referred to the water improvements as mainly remedial. He said it was the only choice the council had. The motion passed but councilors Robert Warring and Jim Campbell both expressed reservations about changing their vote. Campbell said he feels the water system is

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Fri May 15	2:14a	6.8	9:18a -0.7	4:07p	5.5	9:10p 3.2	5:53a	8:34p	12:11a	9:48a	
Sat May 16	2:55a	6.6	10:03a -0.6	4:59p	5.5	10:04p 3.3	5:52a	8:35p	12:56a	10:44a	
Sun May 17	3:45a	6.3	10:54a -0.3	5:54p	5.6	11:11p 3.3	5:51a	8:36p	1:36a	11:44a	
Mon May 18	4:46a	5.9	11:49a -0.1	6:49p	5.8		5:50a	8:37p	2:14a	12:47p	3Q
Tue May 19	12:27a	3.0	5:59a 5.7	12:47p	0.2	7:42p 6.2	5:49a	8:38p	2:49a	1:52p	
Wed May 20	1:41a	2.4	7:20a 5.5	1:46p	0.4	8:30p 6.6	5:49a	8:39p	3:23a	2:59p	
Thu May 21	2:48a	1.5	8:38a 5.6	2:43p	0.7	9:16p 7.1	5:48a	8:40p	3:56a	4:07p	

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Date	Temp		Rain	High Wind
	High	Low		
Mon May 4	57	51	---	15
Tue May 5	59	49	---	15
Wed May 6	60	52	---	18
Thu May 7	61	49	.07	20
Fri May 8	57	42	.24	32
Sat May 9	57	50	---	21
Sun May 10	5	48	Trace	20

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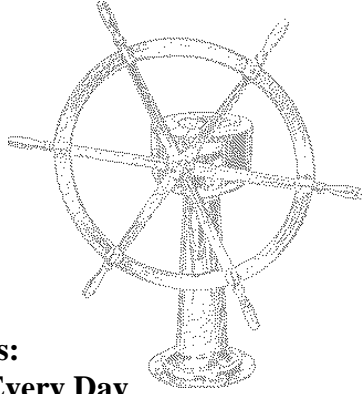
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Letter to the Editor,

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These bonds will not hit the public streets for sale but will be purchased by a privileged group interested in the 6%+ interest on this \$1.5M bond issue - \$90,000 per year for five years makes a profit of \$450,000 – making it \$1.9M for the taxpayer. Is there more to this concerted effort by a lobbying group than meets the eye?

When a doctor who gives talks to citizens at the Senior Center on “Sex After Fifty” was pushing this Bond issue down their

throats told our retired tax assessor he knew nothing at all about taxes that is a very arrogant approach and attitude.

You will notice that due to the concerted effort to shove this Measure down our throats again in nine days after the first NO vote it is not in the Voters’ Pamphlet with information and facts. This Bond thing is too much to swallow. Vote NO, otherwise you will be burping Bonds for years to come!

Buck Rodgers, PE

Letter to the Editor,

A two-year “anniversary” is coming up in our family of a very harrowing experience. That was the day my husband was

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quickly plummeted into a cardiac arrest. Due to the prompt and efficient care of the Port Orford Ambulance crew he was able to be stabilized at Curry General Hospital, and then another extensive ambulance ride later that day to Bay Area Hospital brought him to the next course of treatment.

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Our experience is just another example why we need a viable Curry General Hospital Emergency Room and Curry Family Medical Clinic in Port Orford for ongoing medical care. Please Vote Yes on the upcoming hospital bond on May 19. Thank you,

Gene & Linda Smith-Haynie



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Letter to the Editor,

Having served as a City Councilor for the City of Brookings, I am fully aware of the qualities needed to provide good leadership for a police or sheriff's department. Knowing the qualifications of the candidates running for our Sheriff, I can only support Deputy Mark Creighton and ask you, to do the same.

The position of Sheriff requires an individual who is a college graduate and also knows the problems within the department. There is no time to train someone new or someone old, and we must support a candidate who is already working in that department, and that is, Mark Creighton.

I question the real reason why someone would want to run for Sheriff after retiring because of stress and being tired of police work. In the last twenty years things have changed, and we can no longer

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continue as we did twenty years ago. We need new ideas and new leadership. We need someone who understands today's law enforcement problems, and today's community needs. Clearly that someone is Mark Creighton.

If you feel like the rest of us, it's time for a positive change, a time for a fresh approach, a new look, it's time for Mark Creighton. There have been several recall attempts on the present Sheriff because of poor decisions, can we now support his choice for Sheriff? I think not. I ask you, please do the right thing and vote for Mark Creighton.

Julie Cartwright
Brookings

Celtic Band Plays Benefit

The Celtic and Irish band *Finnegan's Wake* will perform two benefit concerts for the Waterfront Players Repertory Company on Friday May 29 and Saturday, May 30 at the Waterfront Playhouse in Pony Village Mall. Concerts will begin at 7pm. Seats are one price - \$5 and can be gotten at the door only. The box office opens at 6pm.

The band will play traditional and contemporary Celtic and Irish music, featuring many instruments and vocals.

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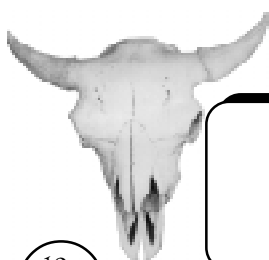
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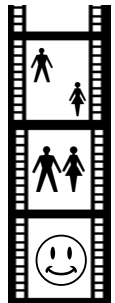
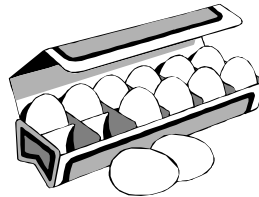
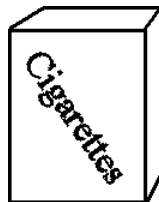
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Letter to the Editor,

Election Day will soon be upon us. Only one candidate has addressed our major concern, declining revenues. Only one candidate has bothered to attend commissioner's meetings and budget hearings on a regular basis. Only one candidate has been a community activist, working for county governments, including Curry, serving as Assistant Director of Nursing at Curry Good Samaritan Nursing Care Facility, taught community college classes, and worked as the Health Care Coordinator of Macklyn House in Brookings. This candidate also directed a treatment program for abused children and adults, and has extensive experience

in schools, public health, and hospitals, both in the private and public sector.

In addition, this candidate is active in the Curry County League of Women Voters, Curry County Committee for Public Education, Human Service Advisory Board, is a health care representative for the developmentally disabled population, precinct person, a board member of the Children and Families First, a member of PATCH (Planning Approach to Community Health) team, as well as the South Coast Humane Society. This candidate is Cheryl Thorp.

I'd say many of the major programs are covered by a single individual who cares about Curry County.

Cheryl you have my support.

Patricia Beckham

Letter to the Editor,

I'll make this Short, Sweet and Simple. Reading the back page ad in the Wednesdays, Reporter has made up my mind whom I am supporting for Sheriff. If this committee can't do any better than succumb to dirty politics to win an election, I want nothing to do with them or their candidate. I am voting for Mark Creighton, and I suggest you do the same. Dirty politics are no longer accepted in our county.

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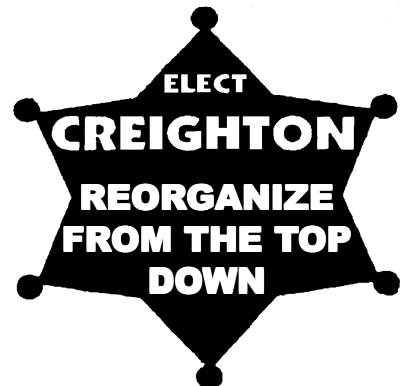
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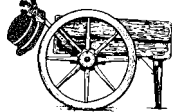
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Obituary John Anderson

At his request, no services will be held for John Craker Anderson, of Sixes, Oregon. Mr. Anderson was born October 3, 1942 in Springfield, Missouri. Hi died May 8, 1998 in Coos Bay, Oregon at the age of 55.

Mr. Anderson was the son of Betty and Ralph Anderson of Springfield, and his grandparents were Edith and Marion Horne. He graduated from Parkview High School in Springfield where he was active in student government and debate, and served as a counselor in YMCA youth programs. He was a radio disk jockey and emceed performances by many rock and roll artists.

After graduating from Southwest Missouri State University, John moved to Northway, AK with his family to teach in the newly integrated former BIA school. John stood firm for equal treatment for all his students, regardless of race or culture. He completed his teacher training with Pacific Lutheran University in southern California and taught in Mojave Unified School District before moving to Port Orford in 1980, where he became a teacher in the Port Orford-Langlois 2

CJ School District. He served as president in both the Mojave and Port Orford teachers' organizations. One of Mr. Anderson's proudest groundbreaking moments was in 1976 when he coached a Little League team of "rejects" who

weren't chosen for other teams; they won the championship and two of his girls were named to the All-Stars team.

He was a nationally ranked tournament bridge player, known in the United States and Canada as "Big John". He was active in duplicate bridge education programs, and entertained at many tournaments with his Tips for Tops and panel shows. The American Contract Bridge League honored his commitment to improving the game of bridge by naming him lifetime co-chair of the National Conduct and Ethics Committee.

Mr. Anderson is survived by his wife, Sharon (Kissick) Anderson, Sixes; daughter, Shari Lynn Allison, Las Cruces, NM; son John Stanford Anderson, Portland, OR; mother Betty (Horne) Anderson, Alexandria, VA; sister, Captain Mary Francis Shupack, USN, Great Falls, VA; sister, Andrea Weber, Wellesley, MA; brother, Lex Anderson, Tulsa, OK, and one grandson, Nathan John Allison, Las Cruces, NM.

Arrangements are being handled by Post Orford Funeral Service. Graveside services will be held in Springfield on Memorial Day at East Lawn Cemetery, under the direction of Thieme Funeral Home. The family suggests that friends who wish to commemorate John's life may send contributions to the John C. Anderson Foundation at Chetco Federal Credit Union, 1000 Oregon St., Port Orford, OR 97465. The Foundation will promote ef-



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Elect Jerry Floyd Editorial Opinion by Evan Kramer

There are three qualified candidates running for the job of County Surveyor. One of the three wants to bring the surveyor's office into the twenty first century and his name is Jerry Floyd. He wants to take the map and survey numbers, put them on computer and store them on a hard drive. This is not the current practice in the surveyor's office. Floyd will use existing software for this project and will be able to do the work at no additional cost to the county other than his salary.

Floyd has promised that he will work full time as the county surveyor and not take on outside work.

Floyd's main goal is for the people who need survey information to be able to get it. With time, his goal is to put map and survey information on CD-ROM's and eventually the Internet for ease of access by the public. Currently all the survey records are available only in paper versions and a fire could wipe these records out.

Floyd told me that a good government corner survey is the foundation for other surveys. Jerry Floyd will be a good corner as County Surveyor plus he has a great sense of humor!



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Letter to the Editor,

The feeling that I'm getting from the whole beautification of Port Orford is that there are some people here who have lived here for some time (10 years or more) and feel that Port Orford is fine the way it is. In fact they came here and thought it was quite nice and decided to stay and even carve out a meager living for them. This is not an easy thing in Port Orford, but things can be given up to live in a place worth living. Anyway it feels a little like an insult to have folks come in recently who don't really work in the community or contribute to it's economy and say lets beautify Port Orford, make it more appealing to outsiders with money.

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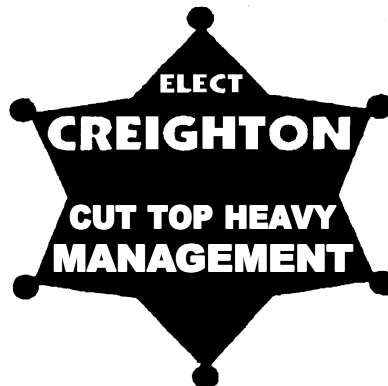
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Like discovering a very lovely little tribe of natives living in peace with nature and telling them that they need something they don't have and then forcing them to receive it because they didn't come to the meeting to decide. The many of us who work for a living in Port Orford don't attend the many meetings that take place in town but instead go home to our families – still it feels weird to have decisions

made in our absence. Beautification of Port Orford may improve my business but could also change the very thing I love about this community. For me I love the quaint funkiness about this town, it is very unpretentious and filled with people I have felt are rugged individuals. I feel that what we really want is to pull together our energies and decide as a whole what is best for our town. We have the potential to do just that, but it may mean some kind of truce between the opposing camps. Are we willing to lay down our weapons and let a new energy enter in?

Deb Lohry



FBLA Golf Tournament

Hey, all you golfers out there! Are you looking for a good reason to go golfing on a beautiful Saturday morning? Well here's your chance. The Pacific High School Chapter of the Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA) is sponsoring a golf tournament on May 23, at Bandon Face Rock Golf Course.

Of course, some of you might be wondering just what FBLA is. FBLA is a nationwide service organization that seeks to prepare secondary students in grades 7-12 for future careers in business. Students compete in such diverse competitions as Computer Applications, Word Processing, Annual Business Report, Parliamentary Procedure, Entrepreneurship, Business Math, and many, many more.

Pacific FBLA is holding this fundraiser golf tournament to benefit its members who have qualified for the National Leadership Conference. All profits go towards sending these worthy students to the National Leadership Conference.

There is room in the tournament for 18 teams of 4 people each. The tournament will be operating under a 4-person scramble. The price is \$30.00 per person. Tee off will be at 8:00am, shotgun start, so don't be late! Refreshments and supplies will be available, and lunch will be provided.

Many prizes will be given out at the tournament including sand wedges for the first place team and putters for the second place team. Other prizes include a one night stay in a spa suite at the Inn at Face Rock, a sunset kayak tour for two, a \$50 savings bond, gift certificates, meals, jewelry and much more!

To sign up for the tournament or if you have any questions, please call Joseph Feldhaus at 348-2293 (daytime) or 332-9645 (evenings and weekends). Come out and join the fun on May 23 at the Bandon Face Rock Gold Course.

Sunset Garden Club By Dot Mathews

The May meeting was held on Friday, the first, at the home of Ruth and Bill Bryant and featured a potluck lunch and views of their lovely garden with many blooming rhododendrons.

Thirty-four members and one guest attended. Co-hosts with Ruth were Carol Brolin and Lois TenEyck.

Fair booth plans were discussed. Paula Dearing is Fair booth chairman. Lucille Burroughs was appointed Fourth of July Parade chairman. Both asked for plenty of volunteer help.

Election of officers was held. Barbara Langner was elected president for another term. Norm Leeling was elected Treasurer and Nadine Viles was elected Secretary. Paula Dearing was elected Vice President. Millie North and Carol Suchy will handle publicity, Mary Forsyth will be Sunshine chairman and Calling Committee will be Pat Lee, Donna Christianson and Marji Bromser.

The Garden Club voted to help support the 4-H group Gourmet Gophers, who plan to build a butterfly/hummingbird garden in Buffington Park.

There will be a garden tour on May 16. To carpool, meet at the Senior Center at 10:00am, bring a brown bag lunch and dress for walking.

Midge Hayes won the raffle. The June 5 meeting will be at the Senior Center at 1:00pm. Liza of Windward Gardens will talk about container gardening.

Letter to the Editor,

Mark Creighton can do it! Restructuring our Sheriff's Department may not be favored by current management, but it might not be such a bad thing in the long run. When things get top heavy...they fall. We all know we would feel a lot safer knowing that law enforcement was out on the streets, 24 hours a day, throughout our

community. Only candidate Mark Creighton has developed a plan to work with the manpower that is already employed, restructure job descriptions, improve accountability to the community it serves and work within the allotted budget. Mark Creighton is the candidate with the most extensive educational background and training, with diverse experience in all aspects of law enforcement and he is a devoted family man. He has shown a strong commitment to this community and its youth. We need someone like Mark Creighton who seeks out the truth, stands true to his word, preserves our rights, and desires to refocus his profession. We support Mark Creighton for Sheriff.

Dale and Paula Dearing

Letter to the Editor,

I read the "Creighton Plan," I have attended two candidate's Forums, and I worked as the Brookings Municipal Court Clerk for nine years. So my decision in selecting a Sheriff is based on what I have read, what I have heard, and what I know from working in the Court for nine years. The choice is easy, I am voting for Mark Creighton.

What Mark Creighton said in his plans makes good sense, and from what I read in the newspapers, the other candidates are now supporting parts of his plan. I believe we can all agree a Citizens Review Board is long over due.

If you have neglected to vote in the past because of little choice of candidates, times are different. We now have a candidate with fresh ideas, and one who has worked with other departments, giving him a wider range of experience to benefit our county. Mark Creighton deserves our support and our vote. If you feel it is time for a positive change, stand up and be counted. Your vote is important!

Respectfully,

Ruth Roberts

Pacific High School Presents

The Pacific High School Drama Class will be presenting, "Three Doors To Death," on May 20, at 7pm on their balcony stage. The play is written by Keith Jackson, produced by special arrangement with Pioneer Drama Services, Inc., Englewood, CO.?" The play is directed by Astrid Battle, the drama class teacher. Admission is free.

The play stars Paige Minton-Edison as Detective Woolrich who is trying to solve a murder that happened during a community theater rehearsal. It is an inter-active mystery, so the audience gets to be part of the play to help Detective Woolrich find the murderer.

The rest of the cast includes: Tim Dougherty as John Marsh, the community theater director; Melissa Weinblatt as Barbara Lloyd, the community theater stage manager; Daemian Hawthorne as Gordon Forrest, the murder victim; Shilo McKenzie as Phyllis Love, a community theater actress; Morgan McKenzie as Audrey Thaxter, another actress; Ian Addington as Paul Westerfield, an actor; Levi Wahl as Dolly Bray, the community theater part-time cleaning woman; and Dylan Bumpus as Officer Garrett who assists Detective Woolrich.

Immediately following the play, the Pacific High School Spring Band and Choir Concert will be presented in the school gymnasium. Also, the Pacific High School Staff will be hosting their Open House from 6 to 7pm the same evening.

For further information call Pacific High School at 348-2293.

Letter to the Editor,

Dave Wilken gets my vote for Curry County Commissioner in the Democratic primary. Elections are about fair representation for all. That is one reason why I believe that there should be at least one commissioner who represents the Northern half of the county. We know that

Dave Wilken has a bright record on issues like health, education, equal justice, opportunity and fairness as well as experience, integrity and vision.

I would like to comment on Cheryl Thorpe's request to vote for her because she would bring a woman's perspective to the county board. There is nothing in county government where gender perspective matters. It's all about roads, public safety, human services, taxes, land use, dealing with state and government actions etc.

These reasons plus his knowledge and understanding of all of Curry County, Central, North and South, make him a better candidate for all of us, whatever gender, whatever party, whatever community.

Jean Keyes
Gold Beach

Letter to the Editor,

As former Curry County Commissioners, we have a good understanding of the role and responsibilities of the County Treasurer. We have had experience with each of the four candidates, all county employees at one time, for this non-partisan office.

And even though one of us is a Democrat and one a Republican, we agree that the best candidate to protect the county's financial resources is Patty Ingersoll.

Patty Ingersoll is professional, dependable and thorough. If she doesn't have the answer, you can count on her to get it for you. She is courteous and works well with the public.

As former county commissioners, we know that you depend on the County Treasurer to protect, invest wisely and be able to account for every dollar of the county's resources. We know Patty Ingersoll has the experience, skills and trustworthiness to the job right. Please

join us in voting for Patty Ingersoll.

Sincerely,

Peg Reagan
John Mayea

Public Meeting

Community Resource Team meets on Thursday, May 14, 7:00pm, at the Senior Center. The meeting concerns establishment of an Empowerment Zone.

Port Orford City Council meets in special session on Monday, May 18, 7:00pm to deal with the replacement of city administrator Jim Poland.

Curry County Commission on Children and Families community development RFP committee will meet at 2:00pm on Tuesday, May 19. The finance committee meets at 3:00pm and the regular meeting is at 4:00pm. The meetings will be held at the Gold Beach Fire Hall.

Bereavement Support Group will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday, May 19, noon, at the Port and Starboard Restaurant. Anyone who is grieving the loss of a spouse, child, relative, partner, or friend is invited. For more information, please call Donna Smith at 332-1300 or Luana Berens, LCSW, at Curry County Home Health/Hospice at 247-7084, 469-0405, or 1-800-535-9472.

Port of Port Orford Commission meets on Tuesday, May 19, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

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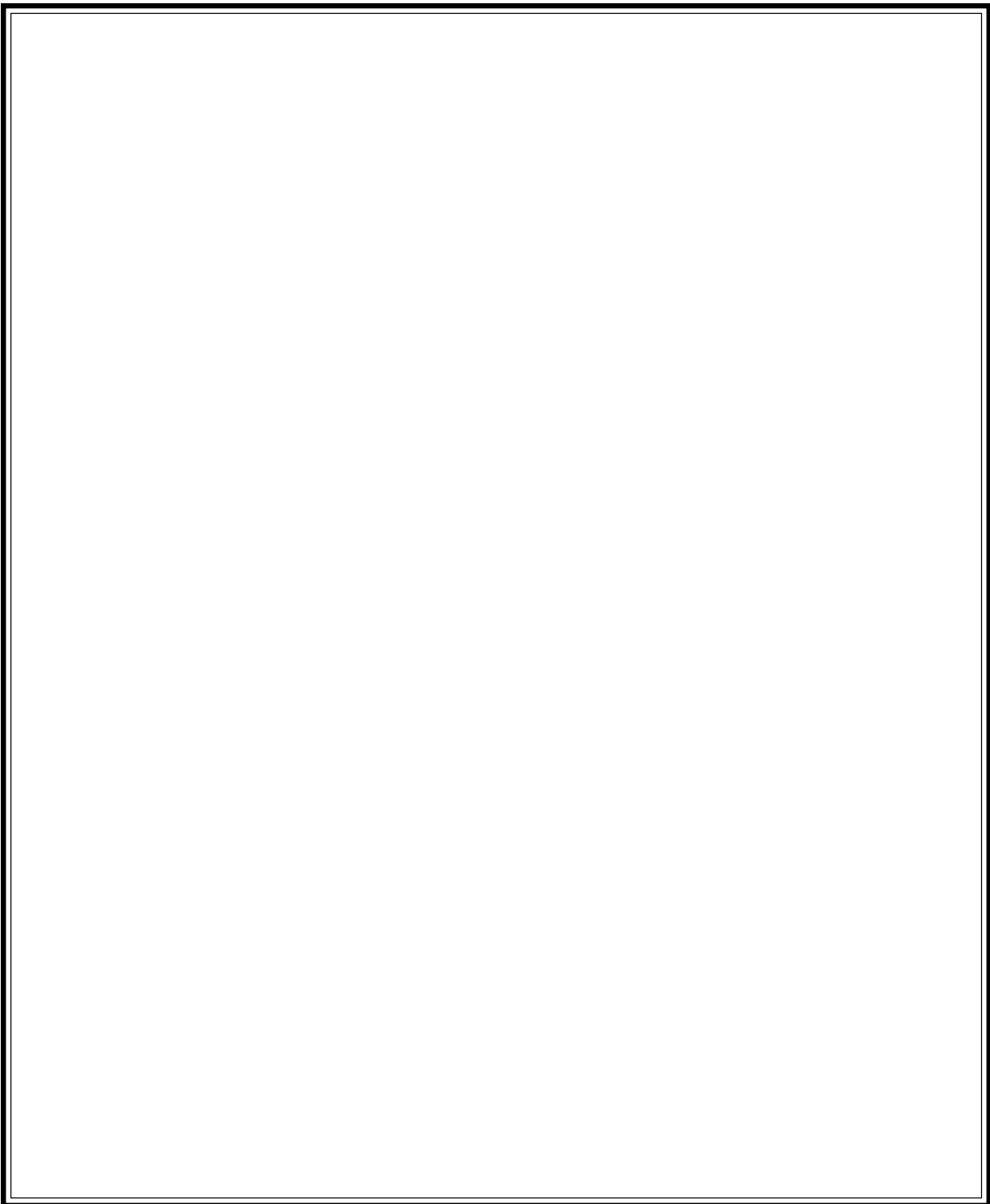
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Conversations That Heal By Graeme Graydon



There is probably not one disease that has not been cured through the use of some natural or synthetic medicine. But what works for one may not work for a

hundred and we are left wondering why it worked for this one but not for all the others.

There is now a wealth of research results and countless stories of human experience that demonstrate an underlying cause of this anomaly. It is not that disease is so powerful and unpredictable, it's not that the remedies are so variable, it is the human, you and I, who bring the deciding impetus to heal or not to heal. We do it completely unconsciously most of the time and deny that we have any control. But there is too much evidence to brush aside the idea that we always carry the primary responsibility for our health or lack of it. Don't think first of what you should or should not be eating or even what preventive step you could have taken. Think first of what is going on in your life that you never talk about. What is it that you really want. How do you want to feel. It may take the compassionate ear of another to help you, but there is always a starting point to get out of the mess.

There is a young doctor, Luc Lupien MD

of Quebec, who a couple of years ago was having such success with cancer patients that the media publicized his work widely.

His theory was based on the work of a Dr. Hamer of Germany who had testicular cancer and while in recovery interviewed every case similar to his discovering that everyone had suffered the loss of someone dear to them shortly before their illness began. Thousands of brain scans were made of people who had just suffered the same kind of loss. In every case a tiny spot appeared somewhere in the brain within hours, which later indicated the area in the body where a cancer could appear. He theorized that all cancers are the result of a series of events.

- 1) An emotional shock such as the loss of a loved one.
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- 3) This containment persists until it becomes an impasse. There is no way out, there are no answers, no reasons to go on.
- 4) And from this point a cancer may develop.

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a first step to take to break the impasse. Taking that step and the others that followed was enough to take away the need for the cancer as so many of his clients were happy to announce.

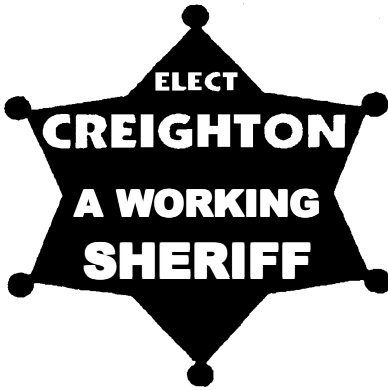
There are no remedies for pent-up sorrow but there are ways, simple human interactions that are profound healers.

Never take for granted those around you. Look into their eyes and respond to what you feel as best as you can. You'll never know how important your words may be to another until you have known that need for yourself.

City of Coquille

The City of Coquille, through a grant from the Oregon Department of Environmental Quality, will host a free waste tire disposal event on Saturday and Sunday, May 16 and 17, at the old Georgia Pacific mill site on Highway 42 south of Coquille. Tires will be accepted from 9am until 4pm both days. The event is open to the public and is free to citizens. This is not an event for tire businesses.

Residents are encouraged to bring any passenger or light truck tires for disposal, either on or off the rim. No off the road tires will be accepted at this event. If you plan to dispose of more than 20 tires, please call 396-5131 before May 13 to pre-register the number you will be bringing in. There is no charge for the disposal. Tires collected at this event will be recycled for other uses.



**David Wilken for Commissioner
Editorial opinion by Evan Kramer**

The last time anyone residing in North Curry County served as a county commissioner was December 1985. That was when Commissioner John Mayea left the commissioner's office. This year Port Orford resident David Wilken is running for the Democratic party nomination for county commissioner. Wilken has spent his adult life in public serve because that's what he does and that's what he believes in. Since he moved back to Port Orford from Omaha he has rolled up his sleeves and gone to work for our community. He serves as chairman of the Port Orford Watershed Committee as well as chairman of the Central Wetland-Greenway project, incoming Rotary Club president and board member of the Port Orford Chamber of Commerce.

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month. We got a chance to see county government in action. These local meetings were discontinued due to the economic cutbacks. We may not get the meetings back in Port Orford but we stand a good chance of getting part of Port Orford back in the commissioner's office with the election of David Wilken.

Let's vote for David Wilken and give him the opportunity to serve us as our next county commissioner.

Letter to the Editor,

In response to the letter from Jean Kyes I would like to say that Sheryl Thorp did not request that anyone vote for her because she would bring a womanly perspective to the county board. She did say that all things should be considered in order to make a wise choice. The things to consider should include location, gender education, training, and most important

of all the ability and integrity to be fair and impartial to all.

Sheryl has an outstanding record of activities and accomplishments since moving to Curry County. She has been Assistant Director of Nursing at Curry Good Samaritan and Health Care Coordinator at Macklyn House. She is currently on The Curry County Committee For Public Education and The Human Service Advisory Board.

No candidate for county commissioner has done more for Curry County in the last six years than Sheryl Thorp. If you have any doubts about this just talk to anyone who has worked with her. All of them that I have talked to love her dearly no matter where they are from, what their gender, or what their political persuasion.

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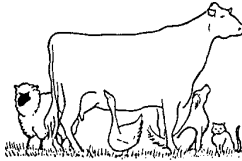
**Senior News
By Mary Yoder**

To start out today – Rotary was May 7. The volunteers working were Kay Neal, Mary Evans, Greta Carver, June Dennison setting up the dining room. Dishes were done by Owen Miller and Bill Butt.

Every Thursday at 2pm the Sing Alongs practice. One of their members who was very much involved with this group passed away – Les Manning. He loved singing with them. He will be missed very much by all.

May 5th was the Nutrition Meeting. I counted 10 people doing the planning of

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meals – sure sounded good – what they were planning I mean.

May 9th there was no luncheon but the rummage sale was held anyway.

May 12th was the board meeting – more about it next week.

Don't forget Election Day on May 19th from 6am till 8:30pm.

May 23rd will be the luncheon at 11:30am and rummage sale from 8-1 – best come – it sounded like a very special lunch.

Nearly missed May 18 is pinochle – I call it cards. It's fun and you can't beat the cost \$.50. Not bad huh?

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SWOCC, in conjunction with the Curry County Historical Society, is offering a free lecture. It will be at the Gold Beach campus on the fairgrounds on Friday, May 15 from 7pm-9pm. Local history buff Walt Schroeder, a founding member of the Curry County Historical Society, will present a slide lecture. The lecture is based on 30 years of ongoing interest in discovering and preserving the early history of Curry County. This is an ideal program for those working in the tourist industry or anyone curious about the beginnings of Curry County.

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Letter to the Editor,

The frantic flurry of activity being orchestrated by the Curry Health District aimed at persuading voters to approve the \$1.5 million dollar bond knows no bounds. Most letters for support pouring into the editors' columns are generated by those affiliated with the Health District. Dr. Pitchford has rejoined the Health District once again. Could that have been instrumental in influencing his decision to support the Bond?

The campaign clamor spearheaded by Curry Health is typical of the way most Bond Levies are conducted. The Health District encouraged key individuals in

the community as Bond Endorsers to sanitize acceptances of this outlandish request. They then add the clincher by threatening closure of the Family Clinic if Voters are non-compliant. Someone called it "Extortion". Port Orford taxpayers should be extremely weary of saddling themselves with more taxes. Since they have assumed the \$1.5 million Port Tax that along with the Health District adds an average of 200 dollars plus to your yearly tax bill. Benefits derived from Property Tax relief afforded by Measure 5 and 50 will soon be wiped out by the never ending Special Levies.

Despite the pressure being exerted for passage it is well to remember that your financial security is foremost.

As a shocker look at your Tax Bill for 1997 and see how much money the Health District is costing you. Lastly consider that only 30% of the bond is earmarked for Gold Beach Emergency and the Port Orford Clinic.

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Land Use Appeal Hearing

By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council heard four hours of testimony on Wednesday, May 13 as part of a land use appeal filed by the Kalmiopsis Audubon Society. The subject of the appeal was the approval by the Port Orford Planning Commission on March 3, 1998 of a conditional use permit for an application to develop a Planned Unit Development (PUD) in a Residential Zone R-1 zone. Mayor Gary Doran served as the hearing officer for the De Novo hearing which means new evidence is permitted. He asked the council members if they had any ex parte contact other than looking at the written record. Councilor Jim Campbell said he had and on the advice of city attorney Randall Tosh he was stepping down from the hearing.

City planning director Butch Parker gave a staff report, which included a history of the application, which was first taken out on January 5, 1998. He told the council even if they approved the development and denied the appeal the developer would still have to appear before the planning commission for final plat approval.

The developer of the project, John Zia, spoke next. Zia said he is the agent for C & K Markets Employee Pension Fund Trust, which owns the land, and they are not involved with the development. Zia spoke about building the ten cottages on the three acres site and said he wanted to preserve this special area with minimal impact on the environment. Umpqua Community Development Corporation (CDC) will buy the land from the C & K with grant money they have been awarded and be the owners and managers of the development. Councilor Carl Eskelson asked Zia how many sewer and water

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hookup fees would be paid. Zia said there were two ways to go about it including treating the whole development as one hookup or treating it like five duplexes.

Larry Blount spoke in favor of the development. Blount is the chairman of the Region 7 workforce committee and the NCFCC. He said he was attracted to the development by the three bedroom units and handicap accessible units and because the Umpqua CDC people manage professionally.

CRT president Martha Weaver-Britell spoke and said she wanted to clarify that this was not a CRT project.

Jim Britell spoke against the project. He said the real problem is the sewer and water lines are not adequate. He reminded the council to follow the money. He asked them who is going to get the money and said we should apply for the grant in Port Orford ourselves. Britell called the project a Trojan Horse – "the realization of a major speculator's dream."

Nathaniel Wander, Land Use Representative for the Audubon Society, spoke next. He said he has spent his whole life fighting for the rights of marginalized people. Wander referred to the needs assessment submitted by Umpqua CDC as a marketing study, not a needs assessment. He said they were against the development because the city was being sold a bad bargain. He spoke about the problems with sewage disposal and the

city's ability to provide water to the project. He said the sensible course for the city "is to resolve the uncertainties of water supply and sewage disposal before adding forty to fifty additional users to the system." Wander gave examples of why this development is not needed including testimony from managers of other affordable or subsidized housing who do not have waiting lists of people to get in. He recommended instead helping landlords get the money to upgrade standard housing.

At 11:15pm Mayor Doran closed the public portion of the hearing. City attorney Randal Tosh told the council only half of the process had been done that evening which was that of hearing the testimony. He told them they were now in the deliberation stage of the hearing and to have no further discussion with anyone outside of the council.

The deliberation phase has now been scheduled for Thursday May 14, 7:00pm.

Free Waste Disposal

The Curry Transfer and Recycle Station in Port Orford is sponsoring a free metal, wood and yard waste disposal week from Tuesday, May 26 through Saturday, May 30. The transfer station is open from 10:00am to 5:00pm. Note: Appliances may be disposed for a small fee and automobiles can be picked up at a reduced rate. Call C.T.R. for further information at 1-800-826-9801.

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in jeopardy and hated to see the council change their vote but they had to.

The council considered a request for the city to donate \$50 for a sign at the Buffington Park baseball field. Instead the council and citizens opened up their wallets and donated the \$50, mainly through \$1 donations.

The council postponed discussion of the establishment of a citizen review board for the police department because the report had been marked confidential and had not been made available to the press.

Parks commission member Ernie Gordon spoke about a request from Ron Leitch to rent the American Legion Hall the period between June 22-July 13. Gordon suggested the council put a notice in the paper for groups that want to rent the Legion Hall to apply now rather than wait.

The council considered Resolution 98-10, regarding the merger of Falcon Cable and Tele-Communications, Inc. City attorney Tosh recommended the council

accept the contract with the modification he recommended. Bob Pearson, regional manager for Falcon Cable said the Port Orford cable system has been almost completely rebuilt with fiber optic cable. He said when the system upgrade is done the company will go to 50 channels with the signal coming out of Bandon. He said the digital cable signal would be clearer for local stations. Teresa Kolibaba asked Pearson if the rates will go up. Pearson said the rates would be the same as Bandon but didn't quote that amount. The council passed Resolution 98-10 unanimously.

The council reviewed liquor license renewals for several Port Orford businesses and restaurants. There was a complaint directed toward one establishment that they were noisy and not a good neighbor. The council approved all the license renewals and said to make out a written complaint next time.

Jack Pruitt addressed the council about the safety and economic issues concerning the Highway 101 Master Plan. He asked if the CRT had any proof the plan would increase business revenue on 101. He said the plan was an irresponsible way to deal with free money and that it perpetuated the pork barrel philosophy. He

said the bump-outs would be more dangerous for bicyclists and asked if it would really slow down traffic. He proposed the council hold a public hearing before they vote on any CRT project. He said the CRT has caused more dissension than anything else he has seen since 1975.

The council considered a tax base for the police department. Jim Campbell advised the rest of the council that the city advertise for three members of the public to serve on a committee to see what kind of tax base the city needs to fund the police department. Campbell would serve on that committee as well as police chief Russ Hunt. Campbell said this is a requirement of the Federal COPS grant program. Jim Poland said the grant for Russ Hunt's position, which was to due to run out in December had been extended six months until June 1999. Campbell said the issue would be put to a vote of the people for their approval or disapproval.

Donna Bennett presented the council with a several petition sheets asking the City Council and CRT discontinue plans for Beautification Project of Highway 101 through Port Orford. The petitions contained 273 signatures. Bennett asked if CRT stands for Community Response Team (Community Resource Team) why don't they respond to the community. Teresa Kolibaba spoke against the bump-outs and said the city wasn't responsible enough to take care of them.

Councilor Warring told the public that the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) owns the highway and the sidewalks. He said we have a window of opportunity right now to influence them and urged citizens to get involved with the CRT and give them their input.

Mayor Gary Doran read a letter addressed to the council from city administrative assistant Jim Poland. Poland is resigning his position with the city effective no earlier than May 31 and no later than June 30.

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