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**Elk River Road Re-Opens**

## **Help Wanted**

**By Evan Kramer**



The Port Orford City Council met on Monday night and began with Mayor Gary Doran recognizing Norm and Barbara Leeling for their efforts in the community. Doran gave credit to

Norm for his work on behalf of the Port Orford wetland walkway.

Councilor Carl Eskelson spoke under liaison reports and said when he had been down at Battle Rock Park he noticed a lot of gorse growing on Fifth Street. Mayor Doran recommended the city watershed council look into the situation.

Mayor Doran said he had attended an Oregon Coastal Zone Management Association meeting and spoke to Brookings Port Manager Russ Crabtree. Doran said he is recommending our Port commission have Crabtree speak at a Port planning meeting. Doran spoke about a company making cables in Bandon and said he "always has his ears out for job opportunities" for Port Orford.

The council was given a written report from SHN Engineers on the sewer outfall project. Councilor Jim Auburn asked

how many concrete mats have been installed. Resident project inspector Steve Roemen said three had been placed but one pulled up. City Administrator Erna Barnett said there were eleven mats left to be placed. Roeman said each mat weighs up to 8,000 pounds. Councilor Jerry Steinhorst asked how much time it would take to complete placing the mats and Barnett told him five days with good weather needed.

Frank Cramer spoke under citizen's concerns. He told the council that last February he had brought to their attention there were 1,000,000 gallons of water produced but not billed for. He asked what was being done about it. Public Works Administrator Dave Pace said he had spoken to other districts, which produce water like Gold Beach and Bandon. He said they also came up with similar discrepancies between the amount of water produced and the amount of wastewater treated. Pace outlined several steps his department will take to correct the situation. They include doing leak detection on the water lines, replacing old water meters and metering the main water distribution system. Pace described Port Orford's water system as an old one with many leaking valves and fittings. Jim Auburn said that this was covered in the new water master plan.

Steward Parmele, a CPA with Michael L. Piels CPA's, spoke to the council about the recently completed 2001-2002 audit. He discussed a few problems his firm found including the council not receiving adequate information. He told the council that some fixed payments were not being paid back correctly. Parmele said his firm started work on the 2002-2003 audit on Monday and they were hoping to have it done by Wednesday of this week. Parmele said the city staff was extremely cooperative. Mayor Doran said he appreciated the audit being done in a timely fashion. Auburn made a motion to accept the 2001-2002 audit and it passed 6-0.


The council next approved a motion by Jim Auburn to approve Resolution 2004-08 making adjustments to the 2002-03 budget reducing the total budget by \$98,010. This large amount reflects the fact that the sewer construction fund

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## **NOTICE**

We will be closed Thursday, November 27, 2003 for Thanksgiving. The deadline for all articles, advertising, or other submissions for the Thanksgiving Week paper will be 4:00pm MONDAY, Nov. 24.

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Sat Nov 22, 2003	3:33a	2.2	9:45a	8.7	4:37p	-1.0	11:04p	6.7	7:17a	4:51p	6:28a	4:14p	
Sun Nov 23, 2003	4:19a	2.6	10:24a	9.1	5:24p	-1.7			7:18a	4:50p	7:47a	4:50p	NM
Mon Nov 24, 2003	12:00a	6.8	5:05a	2.9	11:06a	9.3	6:12p	-2.1	7:19a	4:49p	9:03a	5:36p	
Tue Nov 25, 2003	12:55a	6.8	5:53a	3.3	11:51a	9.2	7:01p	-2.2	7:21a	4:49p	10:13a	6:32p	
Wed Nov 26, 2003	1:50a	6.8	6:44a	3.6	12:38p	8.9	7:53p	-1.8	7:22a	4:48p	11:11a	7:37p	
Thu Nov 27, 2003	2:48a	6.6	7:41a	3.9	1:30p	8.3	8:46p	-1.3	7:23a	4:48p	12:01p	8:47p	

**Copper Salmon Meeting  
By Evan Kramer**

The Chamber of Commerce of Port Orford and North Curry County hosts Jerry Becker and Jim Rogers at their Monday, November 24, membership meeting. The luncheon starts at 1:00pm and is at the Wheelhouse Restaurant.

Rogers and Becker are board members of the Friends of Elk River. This group has been working for several years on the Copper Salmon Wilderness proposal. The proposed Copper Salmon wilderness 'area totals 11,000 acres and is part of the 1.1 million acre Siskiyou National Forest. Copper Salmon includes the North Fork of the Elk River, part of the South Fork of the Elk River and part of the Middle Fork of the Sixes River.

Forest Service scientists have called the Elk River the most productive salmon fishery per square meter in the lower 48 states. The Elk River is home to large

runs of Chinook and Coho salmon and steelhead and rainbow trout. More salmon return to spawn up the North Fork of the Elk River than any of the other tributaries.

Wilderness designation for Copper Salmon would protect the fishery and old growth stands of Port Orford Cedar remaining in the area according to Jim Rogers.

The Friends of Elk River are asking for a letter of support from the Chamber of Commerce for the Copper Salmon Wilderness. The United States Senate and House of Representatives will have to pass a bill to make this Wilderness proposal a law and it will need to be signed by the President.

Chamber and non-Chamber members are welcome at Monday's meeting. Rogers and Becker will begin their presentation with an 11-minute video entitled Copper Salmon – A Call for Wilderness.

Jim Rogers has been a Port Orford resident since 1968. He was the timber manager for Western States Plywood on Elk River Road from 1968 to 1974. He has worked as a timber consultant for South Coast Lumber and contracted with the US Forest Service to do timber cruising. Rogers is an avid bird watcher and is considered one of the top five birders in Curry County. Jerry Becker does consulting for private forest landowners. His Eco-Forestry Associates Company is involved in the SmartWood Program. Becker sells SmartWood cut on his acreage adjoining the lower portion of the Elk River.

**Coos Curry Meeting**

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative, Inc. has been scheduled for 10:00am on Friday, November 21, at the Cooperative's headquarters in Port Orford.

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## Shop Locally By Gayle Wilcox

As this holiday season comes upon us, I'd like to remind all of us to shop locally. Your merchants all devote time, money, gift certificates and products to support scholarships, Meals on Wheels, fire and ambulance, American Legion, Rotary, the library, Heritage Society, youth sports, festivals, events and other projects.

The holiday season is an especially good time to show your appreciation for the long hours worked by the business people of Port Orford. We work hard to provide you with the services and goods you desire and those necessary to make our small town attractive to tourists.

You can truly find something for everyone on your list if you explore all Port Orford has to offer. You can find gifts for Dad at McNair's, Coos Curry Supply, Western Builders, Kar Kare and Ali's Auto. Handmade and elegant jewelry and art is in our wonderful jewelry stores and art galleries; Jewels by the Sea, Finch's Custom Jewelry and Cape Blanco Art, The Cook Gallery, The Johnson Gallery, Transaction Gallery,

Roaring Sea Arts and Alana's Art Gallery. Gifts are available at the Shell Shack, Seaweed Natural Grocery, Uptown Frames, Elk River Studio, Wooden Nickel, Port Orford Breadworks, Dock Tackle, The Hughes House, Coast Candle, Susan's Hand Made Chocolates, Sixes River Peddler, Downtown Fun Zone, Micki's on Main, Timeworn Treasures, the Painted Lady, Dad's Coins and Antiques, Walter's Landing, Bushnell Evergreens, Port Orford News, Circle K, Ray's FoodPlace, Quilter's Corner, Wind Dancing, Port Orford Liquor, Pampered Pooches, The Bird Store and Sea Breeze Florist (wreathes too).

Gift certificates are available as well at our restaurants, fine coffee establishments, the Savoy Theater, Wild Horse Salon, Pacific Wave Fitness, Family Hair Care, Juanita's Hair Salon, John Houser Barber/Hairdresser, the New You, and for services and lodging as well. Don't forget to take your visitors to the Motorcycle Museum, the Hughes House, the Coast Guard Station and the Light-house... to name a few of our wonderful spots.

Show your pride in your town during the holidays. Support and show your grati-

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tude to the men and women who run the businesses that support our community. Say "thank you" by shopping locally this holiday season (and throughout the year).

And for the person who has everything; make a donation in their name to one of our many local volunteer organizations—Shoes for Children, Meals on Wheels, Hospice, Common Good, Fire, Ambulance, the Heritage Society, the Library, Rotary and more.

Most importantly, have a safe loving and peaceful holiday season. Give thanks for our family, friends and your life in Port Orford. We are all blessed to be able to live in such a beautiful place together.

Thank you and happy holiday.

## DSAC Meeting

The Disability Services Advisory Council will be meeting on Tuesday, November 25, from 1:30 to 3:30pm at the Chetco Public Library in Brookings.

The DSAC has the responsibility for reviewing policy and procedures as well as addressing any concerns related to persons with disabilities. This group also advocates for persons with disabilities within our communities.

If you would like to join this group or if you have any questions, please call Marilyn Green at voice/TTY 247-4515 or voice/TTY 1-800-257-1385. The Chetco Public Library is located at Redwood and Alder in Brookings.

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### Senior News By Mary Yoder

November 13 Rotary luncheon – volunteers working were head cook Kay Neal, Sonja Mason, Chuck Woods, Stanley Morris, Sella Libby, and George Martinez, setting up the dining room Sonja Mason and Chuck Woods. All went well. Nice luncheon and tasty dessert by Sonja Mason – lemon pie.

November 22 is birthday luncheon at 11:30am. Rummage sale 8:00am to 1:00pm.

November 23 rummage sale 8:00am till 1:00pm.

November 25 membership meeting 10:30am. Hearing aid 9:30am to noon.

November 28 memorial potluck at 2:00pm for Betty Harper.

Blood pressure every Tuesday morning.

TOPS on Mondays at 9:30am and 6:00pm.

Walking group Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday at 8:30am.

Wednesday art and quilting from 9:30am to 3:00pm.

Wednesday osteoporosis exercise at 5:30pm.

Every Thursday Rotary club at noon.

Pinochle was November 17.

Tai Chi Fridays at 8:30am.

Would you believe we now have 165 members in our senior family. Do you think it could grow to 170 by December 1? And yes we have more volunteers too. Have you noticed how nicely the Center is decorated? It's really nice.

Count your gardens by the flowers  
 Never by the leaves that fall  
 Count your days by golden hours  
 Don't remember clouds at all

Count your nights by stars not shadows  
 Count your years with smiles not tears  
 Count your blessings not your troubles.  
 Count your age by friends not years.

### Thanksgiving Worship Service

The First Community Church, 20<sup>th</sup> and Jackson St., invites you to come to a Thanksgiving worship service at 11:00am on Sunday, Nov. 23. The service will be followed by Communion and a Thanksgiving Dinner. All are welcome!

### Letter to the Editor,

Our rights are in danger. The USA PATRIOT Act violates every one of the Constitution's first ten Amendments except the Third. Moreover, "PATRIOT II" has already been drafted.

Some want our local officials to disobey these laws. Others want them to comply. Most of the argument favoring compliance is not penal, but economic.

Here is why. Federal officials tax local citizens. Then, they order local officials to meet very expensive demands and advise them to request aid from roughly the same people who passed the USA PATRIOT Act.

Or, expressed differently: Washington throws the Constitution into the Potomac River, taxes us out of our shorts, and uses our own money to suborn our local officials. John Gotti never thought that brilliantly.

Nevertheless, John knew a protection racket when he saw one, and you can bet that seeing a diagram of this situation would have made him feel right at home.

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### Community Spirit By Evan Kramer

Norm and Barbara Leeling have participated in our community wholeheartedly since they moved to Port Orford in 1996. They have sold their home and are moving to Coos Bay but they leave behind a wonderful record of community spirit and work.

Norm served four years on the Port Orford City Council. He came to meetings well prepared, having read the material given to him and was prepared to ask questions. We miss you Norm. Because of their moving he recently resigned from the Port Orford Planning Commission and the Watershed Council. Mayor Doran noted at Monday night's city council meeting the effort Norm put into the Port Orford wetland walkway. Thanks to his and other people's efforts we get to enjoy this island of tranquility in the middle of town. Norm was a volunteer at the Com-

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mon Good the past five and a half years. This is in my opinion the most important volunteer organization in town as they take care of the basics, which is providing food for people.

I didn't get a chance to observe Barbara Leeling's contributions to Port Orford as much as Norm's to the City. I spoke with Port Orford Public Librarian Tobe Porter about Barbara Leeling's contribution to the library. Barbara resigned her position as president of the Port Orford Library Board on October 31. She had been on the board for two years. Barbara has been an active member of the Library Foundation building committee and will stay on that committee. She was a member of Friends of the Library for five years. Tobe Porter said that Barbara and her worked together on the kid's program after Tobe became the Port Orford Librarian in March 1999. They worked together on this for one year. Tobe said that Barbara, a retired teacher, was won-

derful working with kids and that she was innovative and creative. Both of the Leelings are avid readers and both very supportive of Port Orford's new library in the making. Thank you to Norm and Barbara for all your contribution this past six years.

### Stay in Control

The weather is changing – be prepared, stay alert, slow down and stay in control. Other ODOT safe driving tips include do not speed in work zones; obey the posted speed limit. Stay alert! Expect the unexpected. Watch for workers, drive with caution. Don't change lanes unnecessarily. Avoid using mobile phones or change radio stations while in work zones. Turn on headlights so that workers and other drivers can see you. Expect delays especially during peak travel times. Allow ample space between you and the vehicle in front of you. Be patient.



## Free Children's Christmas Bazaar

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If you would like to be a part of helping children in Port Orford be able to give presents to their family members and experience the joy of giving, please take your donations to either Chetco Federal Credit Union, or Compliance Solutions on 19th St. across from the Fire Station. Presents for all ages, both male & female needed.

Bazaar will be held on Saturday, Dec. 13th at the Port Orford Christian Center from 11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. Presents will be wrapped and lunch served to children & parents, all for free.

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The Common Good will distribute holiday food boxes on Saturday December 20, beginning at 10:00am. Please stop by on any Wednesday in December before the distribution to arrange to receive a holiday box. Normal eligibility rules apply. Remember, you must arrange with us prior to the box distribution to receive a holiday box. The Common Good will be closed on Wednesday, December 24 and Wednesday December 31.

We can really use cranberry sauce and stuffing mixes to put in the holiday boxes and as always donations to cover the cost of the turkeys. Thanks to everyone who helps us make sure no one in Port Orford is hungry this holiday season.

As of October of 2003, the Common Good is eligible to turn in receipts from the Port Orford Ray's Market. We add up the receipts and turn them back into

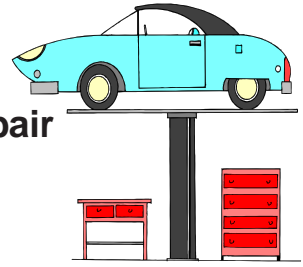
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Donations can be dropped off Wednesdays from 10:00-11:45am or mailed to the Common Good, PO Box 564, Port Orford, OR 97465.

### **Don't Miss Elevator Stop**

What would you do if you were stuck in an elevator with 17 other people very different from you? The original play Elevator Stop performing at the Community Building on Saturday and Sunday, November 22 and 23 at 2:00pm each day will explore this question. Over 20 middle school students are working hard to bring this new production to Port Orford. The play was conceived by Signe Tronson and written by Signe Tronson, Tere Tronson, and Linda Tarr with contributions from the cast of Elevator Stop. We welcomed the addition of sound artists to

rehearsals this week led by Linda Tarr. Jared Tarr, Signe Tronson, Cynthia McGowan and Rye Fanning are creating original sound to go with the action of the play. Pre-recorded pieces will also be used. Don't miss this interesting afternoon and the opportunity to support our young people in their creative endeavors. This is a project of the North Curry Families' and Children's Center made possible by support from the Ford Foundation.

Tickets will be available at the door just prior to the performances. Adults are \$5 and youth ages 18 years and under are \$2. Call Tere Tronson for more information at 332-1042. Also see the insert of the NCFCC Community News in this issue of Port Orford Today!

### **Letter to the Editor,**

To our friends: Thanks for your calls, cards, concerns and prayers for us as we said a final farewell to our son W.O. Paul V. Black at Arlington National Cemetery just recently.

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### Light up a Life

The annual “Light up a Life” campaign, organized each year by Curry County Hospice, is set to begin and will run through the holiday season.

Residents throughout Curry County will be receiving the brightly colored information brochures in their mailbox soon regarding how to participate in this worthwhile event.

Each year, many hospice programs around Oregon and the nation conduct this event, which celebrates the life of loved ones during the holiday season. This provides an opportunity for individuals who have lost a loved one to remember them in a unique way, and also is a way to acknowledge special persons in our lives.

For a donation of any amount, the program will place a commemorative ornament on one of the Hospice Holiday Trees, with the name of the person being recognized. The ornament is then given to the donor (or recipient of choice) after the holidays. Tree locations this year will be the Chetco Senior Center in Brookings; Shore Pines Assisted Living Community in Gold Beach and the North Curry Families and Children’s Center Building in Port Orford at 1403 N. Highway 101.

In addition to providing an opportunity to positively remember loved ones, this project also provides funding for the Curry County Hospice program. Proceeds from the campaign go towards care of the

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terminally ill and their families. Hospice patients receive medications, supplies, equipment and other items. While many patients have insurance, others do not, and the fundraising assures that Curry County Hospice provides care to all individuals, regardless of their ability to pay.

For more information about Light up a Life, or Curry County Hospice, call 247-7084 or 469-0405, or toll free 1-800-535-9472.

### Bargain Holiday Shaping Up by Tobe Porter, Library Director

We are very pleased with the early support from the community about Port Orford’s Bargain Holiday, Saturday, December 6.

The organizers of most of the community bazaars are behind our effort to raise money to build the new Port Orford Library: The Beachcombers, the ESA and the Friends of the Library. The artists involved in last year’s Bazaar at TransAction Gallery are all so busy (that’s good news), that they have to pass on the festivities this year. We are very pleased to have the opportunity to showcase these wonderful events.

I want to personally remind everyone that Port Orford Bargain Holiday is not primarily about raising money for the new library; it’s the community support that is so important here. Nothing makes more of an impression on grant makers

than different aspects of a community coming together to work for a new library. So, your donation to the building fund can be however small it needs to be to fit your pocketbook. It is our job to turn those small bucks into large ones, and we will. . . with your help.

The early response from the businesses has been just super. Library folks will be making the rounds this week to hand out the colorful posters for participating businesses to display. The ad copy is ready to go into 11 newspapers and we’re gathering information for the brochure that will be all over town just after Thanksgiving. Port Orford’s Bargain Holiday promises to be a successful day for the whole community. That seems to happen when we all work together.

### Yummy CGH Fund Raiser

Curry Catering, the catering division of Curry General Hospital’s dietary department, will offer holiday sweet breads and cookies to the public, from now until Christmas. Proceeds will be used to enhance patient care. Offerings will include pumpkin bread and orange cranberry bread, as well as four kinds of cookies. Goodies will be available for pickup every Friday, Nov. 21 through Dec. 19, in the hospital, 94220 Fourth St. in Gold Beach. Phone in orders any weekday to (541) 247-3177. Goodies will also be sold during the Gold Beach Community Bazaar, Saturday, Dec. 6, at the Event Center in Gold Beach.

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### 2004 Fair Theme Contest

The search is on for a fair theme for the 2004 Curry County Fair scheduled for July 22-25 in Gold Beach. The contest is open to the public with an entry deadline of January 5, 2004.

The theme is used throughout the fair in all departments and the parade. Past themes included "Blue Jeans & Country Dreams", "Whales, Sails & Pirate Tales", and "Struttin Our Stuff", which proved to be excellent themes for Curry County's main summer event.

The fair welcomes suggestions for Grand Marshall for the 2004 Grand Parade held Saturday during the annual fair. Suggestions should be accompanied by indication as to why that person should be considered for Grand Marshall. The deadline for suggestions is January 5.

Suggestions are unlimited. The winner of the theme contest will receive a season pass to the 2004 Curry County Fair, a fair tee shirt, and name recognition in media & advertising reports. Identical or similar themes will be chosen by the date postmarked.

Deliver entries and suggestions to the Curry County Fair, 29392 Ellensburg, Gold Beach, Oregon 97444, [curryfair@harborside.com](mailto:curryfair@harborside.com), phone (541) 247-4541, fax (541) 247-4542.

### Library Holiday Bazaar

The Friends of the Port Orford Library will be presenting a Holiday Bazaar on Saturday, December 6, in the city hall council chambers from 9:00am to 3:00pm. All funds raised at the Bazaar will be given to the new library fund so come and enjoy many handcrafted specialties, home-baked goods, plants and many giftable items. The Friends of the Library are especially grateful this year to the Zion Lutheran Church who will be giving up to \$600 to the new library construction fund in matching funds through Trivant Financial's Community Project Program. They will also be contributing baked goods, gift items and people power to the bazaar.

Come and enjoy refreshments as well as the joys of the season with friends and neighbors.

### Port & Starboard Lounge



**Friday and Saturday**

**8:00 pm to 1:00 am**

### Christmas at Hughes House

The hours for Christmas at Hughes House are different than was published in last week's paper. The correct hours are noon to 5:00pm on December 20, 21, 26, 27 and 28. Admission is free and donations are accepted. All the rooms in the house have been decorated for the Christmas holiday.

### Jack Champagne

Born November 2, 1933 in Muskegon Heights, Michigan. Passed away November 3, 2003. When he was a small child his family moved to California. Later he and his brother Jerrie went to live with his aunt and uncle Mary and Ollie Dohema in Port Orford, Oregon where they attended school. They returned to California. Later they both returned to Oregon. Jack was always painting murals but also houses, etc. He loved playing music also. He met and married his wife in Bandon. Together they played music and she also learned to paint. Jack never knew a stranger. He enjoyed life in the full. He will be missed by many. He is survived by his wife Ruth of Bandon, brother Jerrie Champagne and a sister Jean Pape of Oklahoma and one aunt- Mary Yoder of Port Orford.



# The Cat's Meow

## Vacation Cottage

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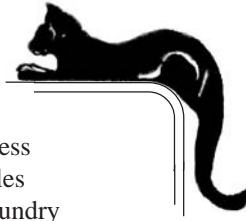
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## New Dietitian

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She received her bachelor's degree in clinical dietetics *cum laude* from California State University, Chico, in 1986. She completed a one-year internship at OHSU in 1987.

For the past several years, Snook has been the full-time mother of her three children, Leland, 13; Sydney, 10, and Justis, 7. She has coordinated the Riley Creek School Volunteer Program, and coached soccer, as well.

Snook relocated from Portland to Gold Beach two years ago when her husband, Wendell, was transferred to the area to manage the bridge reconstruction project for Hamilton Construction.

She consults with Home Health and Hospice patients as needed. For more information, phone Home Health at (541) 247-7084 or 1-800-535-9472.

## Snowy Plover Success

The nesting rate success rate of western snowy plovers on Oregon beaches was better in 2003 than in any year since the bird was listed a decade ago for protection under the Endangered Species Act, according to state and federal agencies.

Biologists attribute the higher number of fledglings this year to good weather, habitat improvement projects, and cooperation from the public in avoiding nesting areas and better chick survival. Biologists add that the key to recovery of the species, however is to get the population trend to increase over a much longer period of time.

Dave Lauten, a biologist with the Oregon Natural Heritage Information Center who has been monitoring plovers on the Oregon coast since 1997, said 59 chicks successfully left their nests this year. That's a success rate of 46%, which is nearly 10% better than average.

Oregon's plover population went from 72 in 1993, when it was listed as threatened, to 141 in 1997, but the effects of El Nino weather patterns in the winters of 1997 and 1998 caused plover numbers to decline on the Pacific Coast.

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The class will be held in Brookings and Port Orford. The Port Orford lecture is on Saturday, November 22, from 6:00-9:00pm at Port Orford City Hall, followed by the field trip on Sunday, November 23, from 9:00am to 2:00pm. The cost of the class is \$25. Pre-registration plus payment is required prior to class.

Call Southwestern Oregon Community College for more information or to register in Port Orford at 531-253-7553.

## Community Music Night

Community Music Nights is on Friday, Nov. 21, at the Port Orford Community Building. The music starts at 7:00pm and goes through 10:00pm. There is no admission charge. Donations are accepted for the Port Orford Arts Council.

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## Writing Guidelines By Valerie Jean Kramer

I was just working on an article that was submitted to the paper and it occurred to me that our readers, you, might like to know a bit about what goes on after people submit a press release or letter for submission. It's more work than you might imagine. Here are some of the common tasks I perform before the article is ready to put in the paper. These are not listed in any particular order and not all submissions need all changes.

First, of course, we have to get it into the computer - either type it in or scan it and use OCR (Optical Character Recognition.)

Remove extraneous text. (Many press releases arrive with extra comments, contact information, information about when to publish it, photos, etc.) Signatures on letters are usually reduced to just the name, name and city, or name and title (if relevant.)

Check length. Submissions are limited to 250 words. Longer submissions may be published (at our discretion) if the submitter is willing to pay for the excess (at \$3.50 per column inch.)

Change Fonts: All letters begin with the header "Letter to the Editor," in 10pt Arial bold, left justified.

Articles begin with a 10pt Arial bold, centered, headline. I often have to abbreviate or re-word the submitted headlines as our columns are quite narrow. If there is a byline, it is in 9pt Arial bold centered and there is no vertical white space (extra leading) between the headline and byline. In rare cases a third line containing the person's title is added to this block in 9pt Arial regular weight centered. Six points (.083") of space is added after the last line in the header block.

All body text is 9pt Times New Roman. Remove all spaces and tabs from the beginnings and ends of paragraphs. Remove any extra tabs and adjust those that remain (if any) as needed. Replace straight quotes and apostrophes with curly ones. Correct spelling, and occasionally fix minor grammatical errors. Note: I don't like to tinker with anything but cosmetics when dealing with letters to the editor and I'm a bit cautious in making changes to articles with a byline other than mine or Evan's. If you want such things fixed, be sure to tell us when you submit. Correct peculiarities that arise when documents are sent as email (and not as an attached file.) This includes something strange that happens to spaces that I don't understand but which can be fixed by running a global replace from space to space. (Yes that's weird but it works.) Fix oddities that arise when documents are sent from a Macintosh. Quotes and

apostrophes appear as superscript numerals instead of the intended symbols. This has to be done manually.

Change dates from things like Jan. 1st, Feb. 2nd, to Jan. 1, Feb. 2, etc. I usually also remove the year if it is present unless it is necessary to avoid confusion.

Change "soft returns" (Shift+Enter in Microsoft Word) to "hard returns" (just plain Enter).

Change superscripts to normal text (ie. "7th Annual" instead of "7<sup>th</sup> Annual".) (superscripts are too small to read well in our paper.)

Change capitalized AM and PM to lower case am and pm. Times should be like "9:00 am," "9am," or "9:00 a.m."

Remove extra hard returns at the end of each line. (only the end of the paragraph should have a return after it.) They often appear when the document is sent as an email.

Reduce spaces between sentences. There should only be one space between them, not two as was done on typewriters.

Set paragraphs to have 6 points of space after each paragraph (except between the headline and byline, if any) and remove any extra blank paragraphs.

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case” text. Your words, and not their appearance, should convey your meaning and feelings. Italics may be used for titles of books or movies, etc.

Sometimes material needs special formatting such as bullets or indentations. This almost always has to be added or adjusted by yours truly.

Articles (but never letters) may have to be shortened to fit in the available space. Sometimes this can be rather extreme!

The last thing I do when I receive a submission via email (to [Valerie@mydfz.com](mailto:Valerie@mydfz.com)) is to send a reply back ac-

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Whew! Makes me tired just reading all that! And that didn't even cover placing the formatted article in Pagemaker! But don't let that keep you from submitting

your text. I'll be happy to whomp it into shape if it needs it. ☺

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by Valerie Jean Kramer**

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received a construction loan in a lower amount than previously budgeted.

The council considered Ordinance 2004-02 (breaking ground permits for opening land) and Resolution 2004-09 (breaking ground permit fees of \$15.00). The Ordinance establishes the requirement for a permit before groundbreaking activities can take place within the city. The impetus for this proposed ordinance came from three examples of out of town contractors breaking ground on property with either geological or archaeological concerns.

Local contractors Rudi Breuer and John Jarboe both spoke to the council about the ordinance and resolution. Breuer said he was really concerned about the ordinance. He said he attended a workshop meeting on this issue but no one had listened to what he said. He asked who had final approval on issuing the permits. Erna Barnett said the ordinance was to make the City and property owners aware of any problems that may occur in ground breaking. Breuer said the local construction community was not really aware of this and the council was rushing this ordinance. John Jarboe said he had been in the construction business for 35 years. He recommended the council delay this ordinance and get more input. Barnett said the ordinance was not to stop someone breaking ground but to notify the city ground will be broken. Jim Auburn said the ordinance needed to be rewritten. Mayor Doran said the ordinance and resolution would be tabled and that more information would be gathered.

Jim Auburn made a motion to approve the consent calendar and it passed 6-0. It includes the mayor’s appointment of Joanne Ruoff to the Parks Commission and minutes for four meetings plus approval of a request by Viola Cuatt on behalf of the Cedar Ladies to repaint the Ocean View sign on Oregon Street leading to the Port overlook. They will pay for the materials and do the labor themselves.

Several council members and Erna Barnett recently attended a League of Oregon Cities meeting. Erna Barnett told the council the job opportunity for city administrator had been posted for the first time. It was listed at a salary of \$36,000 but she wanted council direction to up the salary to \$40,000-42,000 per year. Barnett is leaving her job as city administrator next February. She recommended the council institute a street fee of \$2.00 per month on each utility bill to pay for the additional salary. Barnett said the city was going to have to come up with bigger bucks. Jim Auburn said people aren’t going to like the street fee. He later said, “We’re really beating up on our citizenry” having noted the sewer bills had recently been raised and we’re facing increased water rates with the new water master plan. Councilor Jim Campbell recommended the job be advertised with a salary range from \$36,000 to \$44,500.

No mention was made of it at the meeting but City Finance Director Robert Ewalt resigned from his position effective November 10.

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## Elk River Road Reopens

Elk River Road (Forest Service #53250) will be opened to public access on Friday, November 21, 2003, upstream from Forest Service Road 5502 (Panther Creek Road) to just downstream from Sunshine Bar Campground. This road has been closed since mid-July.

The Elk River Road has been reconstructed in areas damaged during the 1996 and 1997 flood events. A contract was awarded to Stimpel Wiebelhause Associates located in Redding, California earlier this spring. The contractor has been working 7 days a week since mid-July in order to complete the project.

For more information contact Ron Jones in Port Orford at 332-0369 or Robin McAlpin at the Powers Ranger District at 541-469-6200.