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**Council Considers New  
Face of Police Department**

### Police Chief Resigns By Evan Kramer



The Port Orford City Council met in special session on Monday morning and dealt with the resignation of Police Chief Bill Rush.

The meeting began with a statement read by City Administrator Ken Knight. It reads as follows: In the public administration profession, there are times when individuals no longer meet the expectations of the community or its elected officials. At such times, these professionals must either change the way they do business or seek employment elsewhere. In the seven-plus months that I have been in Port Orford, it is my observation that Chief Rush and the Common Council of Port Orford, no longer have a positive working relationship. All attempts to repair that relationship have failed. After discussing this issue with Chief Rush, he has decided to present to the Common Council of Port Orford a letter of resignation contingent upon the council agreeing to a separation agreement, which will protect the Chief's interests and family. After discussing the basic terms of the agreement with the Chief, I had the City Attorney, John Trew, draft the agreement. The draft

agreement was then given to Chief Rush and he was encouraged to discuss the draft with legal council. On Thursday, September 30, the Chief presented me with his letter of resignation conditional upon the council approving the Separation Agreement. I, Kenneth Knight, City Administrator, for the good of the city and to prevent a continuation of current dysfunctional situation, strongly advice the acceptance of the letter of resignation and approval of the Separation Agreement.

The Separation Agreement includes the City paying Rush three month's wages and all vacation pay that is due him; the City provide him with health benefits through December 31, 2004, and that the Chief resign effective the date the agreement is signed. Total cost of the agreement to the City is \$19,285.

Ken Knight emphasized both sides were entering in the agreement voluntarily.

The council had something to say about the situation. Councilor Carl Eskelson said he had always approved of the chief. He asked where all this difference of opinion came from. He said he didn't think too much of a police department without a chief. Councilor Jim Campbell said he agreed with Carl. He asked Knight if there were a lot of complaints against

Rush. Knight told him yes - there were from members of the council and the public. Knight referred to it as a performance based issue. Knight said it would be a long process hiring a chief and putting together an interview committee. He said he would be surprised to get a replacement by January 1, 2005. He was asked why the city couldn't put a temporary chief in place and replied that he had hire and fire capabilities.

Councilor Jim Auburn said he had received complaints about Rush from citizens. He also mentioned an incident involving Councilor Emily Francona when her house was vandalized and she couldn't get a police report from the chief. Auburn said the city ought to find a temporary chief as fast as we can. Auburn said he has suggested to Mark Creighton that he talk to the city administrator when he saw him at the post office on Thursday. Knight lost his temper and accused Auburn of violating the executive session and expressed his anger at him.

Councilor Francona said she had received a number of complaints about the police department related to lack of responsiveness. She said she had gotten the perception there was a lack of confidence. Francona said the City needed to look at an

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**Police Chief Resigns  
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interim replacement as soon as possible. Francona told Knight the council had the utmost confidence in him but because of the importance of getting the police levy passed they had gotten more involved. She said they would retreat back to the policy level after this.

Councilor Ed Beck said he had received a lot of complaints about the chief. He also added we need a temporary replacement.

Councilor Eskelson said he couldn't understand why you three (Beck, Francona, Auburn) had gotten complaints. Eskelson had not received complaints.

Councilor Jerry Steinhorst said he had received several calls about the police department response and lack of response. He said he wasn't happy with the way this special situation had been ad-

ressed. He continued that he had a problem with a chief in a two-person department and that it might create a false sense of self-importance. Steinhorst finished by saying he had received complaints.

Knight was asked if Officer Scott Halse could work by himself without a chief. Knight said Halse could perform most duties as necessary as long as the city is actively seeking a chief. Knight said he had been in communication with the district attorney, county sheriff and city judge about the situation. Mayor Gary Doran said the city needed to pursue some type of supervision and that the council needed to take action on the agreement.

Jim Campbell said part of the discussion was what is next. Ken Knight said he would bring together a job description and announcement and ad for the police chief job to the council October 18 meeting. He said if the council wanted to go for an interim person they have to make

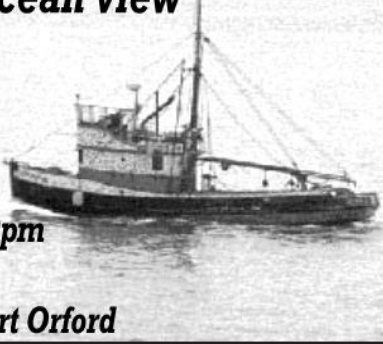
the decision. Knight said he didn't need an individual with a poor working relationship with the Sheriff (he was referring to Mark Creighton).

Carl Eskelson said he wouldn't vote for the \$19,000 settlement. Jim Campbell spoke forcefully when he said he wanted an interim chief. Jim Auburn said they could discuss the issue next week in the executive session. Knight said he would have additional information on October 12, which is the night for the Police Levy town hall meeting.

Councilor Beck made a motion to accept Chief Rush's resignation and accept the separation agreement. The vote was 4-2 with Beck, Auburn, Francona and Steinhorst voting yes and Campbell and Eskelson voting no.

The Mayor then allowed people from the public to speak. Bill Oleson said that the public had been told a "not qualified"

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candidate was in the room. Oleson disagreed. He said this person has a good reputation and is well qualified. Oleson said this man knows us and has dealt with us. He said Mark Creighton should be considered as an interim chief. Mary Loan said she had been in the community for 34 years and reminded people when we didn't have a police department we had a real problem with drugs. She told Knight not to threaten to quit if Creighton is hired. Loan said she didn't like having a one man police department and that they would be putting too much pressure on Halse. She ended by saying a more public meeting was needed for this issue.

Brenda Fanning Foster told the council about how her house was vandalized when she first moved here and that Mark Creighton was the officer who responded to her call for help. She said she had positive dealings with and was extremely impressed with the service he provided. She said she had found many people with good things to say about Creighton. She said she was stunned a decision would be made on such limited facts.

The council then adjourned the special session and moved into executive session under ORS 192.660(1)(a).

This saga continues on Monday, Oct. 11, 1:30pm, when the city council discusses the future of the police department.

**Letter to the Editor,**

This is my response to Bob Mielenz's letter published September 23.

I, too, was there. My bleeding son was treated like a criminal and forced to answer the accusations of the assailant, a juvenile delinquent with prior activity. No one bothered to check I.D.'s or get the responsible adults for the juvenile. Curry County Juvenile was not consulted. This was all very **unprofessional**.

Mr. Mielenz, as a matter of fact, the assailant did admit he struck my son.

You would think that, considering this, Chief Rush might have managed to keep his word to us on July 8 that my sons would be interviewed – both the injured one and his brother who witnessed the entire event. The Chief also took pictures of my injured son and claimed there was a crime-scene workup – none of which

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was ever turned over to the D.A. despite our numerous requests.

The poor and incomplete police report evoked little interest in the uniformed outgoing D.A. and our city administrator wrote us expressing concern for the assailant's parents (who, incidentally have extensive criminal records).

Despite everything, the assailant pled guilty to Assault IV.

The biased police report, however, left a lasting legacy of confusion for the Crime Victim's Compensation Board. Noah's claim is facing an uphill battle. Without another operation – which he may not get – he faces a lifetime of medical problems.

So after all this, you might ask, "What are the implications for our town?"

And additional police levy is coming to a vote. The consensus reached at Council Candidate Forum, is that anticipated growth requires at least maintenance of the current department. All of you, no doubt, want a GOOD police force to seriously consider the needs of the victim as well as the accused.

In light of this, I am suggesting a civilian review board to address major citizen concerns. Police can be a positive asset to this community only if they act professionally and objectively according to standard procedures.

Deborah Mysiewicz

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## Letter to the Editor,

We would like to say a big thank you for all of the support at our B-B-Q fundraiser on September 25 at the God's Green Earth Nursery. The Youth Group at Port Orford Christian Center is building an inventory for the gymnasium and different activities. Lee's Market donated the famous hotdogs and homemade mustard. Ray's Food Place donated hamburgers, hotdogs, and buns, and Hallmark donated ice to keep items cool. God's Green Earth Nursery gave 50% of the proceeds for that day to the youth. And everyone else gave by eating and drinking. It was a fun day. We are anticipating and carefully planning with our new youth pastor, Junior Childers, events and other activities to help our (your) young people in this community. We would like to be a positive influence in the character building of Port Orford's families.

Thank you and God Bless

Pastor Doug

## Letter to the Editor,

Cheryl Thorp, candidate for a second term as county commissioner, is a democrat. But, when it comes to financial issues, she's very conservative.

During her first term, Thorp accepted a salary cut to help improve the county's weak financial condition. And even today she believes that the commissioner job is a public service position, not an opportunity to get rich at public expense.

In the past Thorp also fought hard to get local control of Federal O&C funds, money critical to the county's financial future. In fact, Thorp was just one of 100 county officials nationwide who lobbied to wrest control of part of those funds from the Bureau of Land Management.

Thorp also believes that the county should charge impact fees to help fund new roads and other public facilities needed for new development, that the costs of growth should be paid by those who benefit most.

In short Thorp wants county government to operate leaner, but not meaner. She believes in giving everyone – rich or poor a voice.

Thorp has worked for Curry County as a mental health counselor and case manager for the developmentally disabled. In addition, she has been a health care coordinator for seniors, an assistant director of nursing, a community college instructor and a tireless volunteer.

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This year is the perfect time to start dancing. If you've watched and wondered if you could do it, if you want a fun activity for exercise, if you want an alternative to TV and the Internet...have we go the solution?!

American Square Dancing is the modern version of the hoedown, the Virginia Reel and all the PE classes you had on rainy days in school.

The beginner classes will enable anyone who starts this fall to have mastered the basic figures by mid January and you'll be dancing with everyone else at Convention (June, 2005). Until then, weekly

lessons and beginner level dances will keep you practiced and progressing. This is the only chance to join the activity until next fall. Don't miss out!

For more information call Patty Reese at 332-1425 or Coleeta Quigley at 396-4729. The first lesson is free. Enrollment is only open for two weeks. At that time class is closed for the year. Dress is casual and snacks are provided. See you

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Stoler gave each candidate time to introduce themselves. Steve Abbott led off and said he had been involved with local politics with the Bill of Rights committee and noted how it took a vote of the people to get an ordinance passed. Abbott said he had been an attorney for 35 years and was financially independent and willing to do the job.

Council Jim Auburn is running for mayor unopposed. He said he has done a successful job his two years as councilor and that he supported the Bill of Rights resolution. He said one of the main chal-

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Carl Eskelson said he has been on the council for 13 years and hasn't missed many meetings and that he would just as soon make it 17 years. Eskelson said he has enjoyed his time on the council and the everyday work the council does.

Milton Finch said he has been in Port Orford for 14 years and that same amount of time the jewelry business. Finch said he had heard a lot of complaints and felt that some changes needed to be done. Finch said he wanted to involved more directly.

Emily Francona said she has been on the council for 4 years and that she wanted to give something back to the community, which she has been a part of for six years. She said her record speaks for itself.

Allison Mysiewicz said she is running as a learning experience. She spoke of her

previous business experience in the tourist industry. She spoke about slowing down regressive taxes and regulating our police department.

The candidates were asked questions by people in the audience. They were asked a question regarding Garrison Lake, what did they see as the most important aspect of the lake. Carl Eskelson said the lake had been ruined by effluent that had been pumped into it. He said he had promoted Hubbard Creek as the number one source of city water. Eskelson said the city needed to do a lot of cleanup on the lake. Milton Finch said it should be kept as a recreational lake. Emily Francona said she was pleased the city had made progress to solve the lake issues and brought in agencies to solve the problems. She said she didn't see it as a viable water source. Allison Mysiewicz spoke about de-salinization or reverse osmosis

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for treating lake water. She talked about the need for a more permanent structure next to the lake opening. Steve Abbott said this was the single most important issue facing Port Orford. He said the city needed a second dam on Hubbard Creek for water storage. He continued that it would take an expensive filtration system to make Garrison Lake water drinkable. Jim Auborn said the lake was an important cultural resource. He said one of the best things was when State parks bought the property (at Agate Beach). He said the lake level needed to be controlled at 14 feet. He said we may have to rely on Garrison Lake for water in the future and that fertilizer needed to be kept out of it.

The six candidates were asked what their vision for growth was in Port Orford. Emily Francona said growth is going to happen when the sewer moratorium is

lifted. She said we needed to shape growth sensibly. Allison Mysiewicz spoke about developing an independent source of electricity from wind power. She envisioned a stabilized economy for fishing and forestry work which would support this town. Steve Abbott said he wants to see intelligent growth. He said any growth over 2% would outstrip our water supply. He said water can control our growth. Abbott suggested a Citizen's Vision Committee to formulate policies on what people want to see out of their city and give the council advice. Jim Auborn said growth was inevitable. He said the increased growth would bring in more tax revenues and help pay of the sewer and water systems and pay for an additional police officer. Carl Eskelson said Steve Abbott was right about the water situation. Eskelson said he was concerned about the limitations on Hubbard Creek Reservoir and that we needed another water supply. Milton Finch said it would be nice for the town to grow at a slow

rate. He said he had never thought about water and sewer issues.

Mayor Gary Doran spoke about the police department levy.

The candidates were asked if they supported the upcoming police levy. They all answered yes. Emily Francona said there needed to be refocusing on the part of the police department and permanent funding should be looked at.

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### **Police Tax Levy**

The Common Council of the City of Port Orford will hold a Town Meeting on October 12, 2004 at 7:00 p.m., in the Gable Chambers in City Hall at 555 West 20th St., Port Orford, Oregon.

This meeting is for the citizens to review and discuss with the council Ballot Measure 19-48 for a Police Tax Levy at the same rate citizens have been paying for the past five years of 1.41 per \$1,000 of assessed value.

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## Police Meetings

The Port Orford City Council has two meetings coming up next week regarding the police department. The first one is on Monday, October 11, 1:30pm meeting at city hall with a special session and executive session regarding the police department. The meeting is billed as "Police Department Future" with agenda items including discussion of issues concerning the police department future with a possible executive session to follow under ORS 192.660(1)(a) Personnel. My advice is you show up for this meeting – Evan Kramer, editor.

The following evening on October 12 at 7:00pm the City is holding a town hall meeting to discuss the upcoming vote on continuation of the police levy for 4 more years. Then on Monday, October 18, the council meets in its regular monthly meeting at 7:00pm in the council chambers.

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The board of directors also took action regarding the traditional "Winter Rate" as it is affected by this new BPA rate increase. This season the winter rate will go into effect on January 1 through April, instead of December 1 and the BPA rate hike will impact the amount of reduction. The new Winter Rate will drop from 6.3 to 4.68 cents per kWh. Last year's Winter Rate dropped from 6 to 4.38 cents. Average annual member kWh usage is approximately 1,000 kilowatt hours per month.



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### Senior News By Jane Black

The Rummage Room – when you enter you automatically think WOW! It is not so dark in here anymore! True, there are more lights and mirrors with a huge selection. Things are crowded but very orderly and neat. Good clothes and electrical appliances sell the best.

The selection includes work boots and hiking boots. They are popular sellers. Yes, there are toys and even children's clothes. I noticed quite a bit of crystal and dishes and knick-knacks. Interesting! Go down and see. The rummage room will be open on Sunday from 10:00am – 2:00pm. It is a social time for many people to come down to visit. Some do this regularly. Occasionally cookies are served.

The main money comes from new or almost new items that are received.

It is believed the reason this project is so successful is because there is no FREE day. Previously on free days only the best things were taken out, leaving the quality of the remaining items to decline.

What are acceptable donations for the Rummage Room? Anything that somebody wants – clean, saleable items. Open times are well advertised so watch for the flyers and newspaper notices. Come and join us this Sunday. Congratulations and thanks to all those who have made the Rummage Room so successful!

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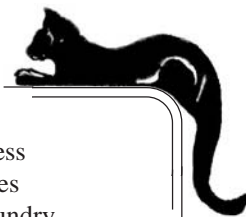
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## **Letter to the Editor,**

This presidential campaign is making me crazy! The war in Iraq, the economy, outsourcing of jobs, health insurance, social security, the environment - all merit discussion. One issue that eludes discussion and media coverage - an issue that makes me lose sleep at night is this: for 3½ years the Bush administration has disdainfully conducted our country's business with an absolute disregard for

moderation. They have taken us to war, they have indebted us to the tune of billions of dollars, they have disenfranchised voters. Most frightening is that they have deliberately manipulated the country in order to force through an agenda which has polarized our nation. They have pursued this agenda knowing full well that after four years they would be seeking reelection. What will they do if they win and are no longer accountable to us, the voters? What MORE will they

do for when they are LAMEDUCKS?

The gravity of this possibility dwarfs other issues and scares the hell out of me! They will be able to act with absolute impunity in all aspects of our government — domestic, judicial, and foreign. Alarming??!! It is to me.

I hope this essay will give "politics of fear" a new twist and will energize enough of the apathetic and undecided voters to take a stance against the Bushies.

We need a president with intellectual curiosity. We need a president with a different perspective. We need to say yes to John Kerry/John Edwards and say no to Bush!

Carol Strenkoski

## **School Board Meeting**

The Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School Board meets on Tuesday, October 12, 7:00pm, in the Pacific High School Library.



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Tue-Sat 10am-5pm

If you are tired of getting your Social Security check every month, re-elect President Bush. He has said in the State of the Union speech and at the Convention that Social Security has outlived its usefulness implying that seniors and disabled can get along quite well without it.

- Lou Mincer

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### Playful Day in the Park

Nearly 50 people of all ages showed up to North Curry Families' and Children's Center (NCFCC) first World Wild Day of Play on Saturday, October 2. A beautiful warm and sunny day with no wind greeted the players. Conceived by Nick-elodeon as a time to come out and just enjoy playing, this event proved popular with local children as young as two years old. Teen volunteers from the high school helped run games and activities such as keep the balloon from touching the ground, miniature golf, tennis, capture the flag and more. The RAD outdoor group members led interesting games

such as the rope circle name game and the blindfolded player game.

A group of younger girls got busy creating an art exhibit on the parking lot with sidewalk chalk. Parents joined children in games and also enjoyed chatting in the shade. Health snacks and frozen otter pops were a nice way to cool off. Thanks to volunteers Lacey Weinblatt, Kelsey McKenzie, Cynthia McGowan, Signe Tronson, and Jared Tarr. Thanks to Cari Shield for the use of the putters. If anyone has any putters to donate to us for events like this, it would be greatly appreciated. Just call NCFCC. Cathy Boden and Tere Tronson planned the event. For more questions about NCFCC or to do-

nate clubs or support call 332-1042 or 332-9191.

### Fiddle Workshop

The Langlois Mountain Scottish Fiddlers are sponsoring a Fiddle Workshop on Saturday, October 16, from 2:00-5:00pm. Eileen Winter, from Portland, will be in Port Orford to lead the workshop focusing on old-time fiddle tunes.

Eileen Winter has been playing fiddle for 25 years, performing, teaching, and participating in fiddle contests. She has won many local and regional contests, including the Northwest Regional and the Oregon State Adult Divisions. She is a former member of the Portland contradance band, ISLAND, and a long time member of the Oregon Oldtime Fiddler's Association. Eileen has studied with some of the country's finest fiddlers, and enjoys passing along her love of fiddling to others through private lessons and her community education classes.

All tunes will be taught by ear and participants are encouraged to bring a recording device. Fee for the workshop is \$40.00, which includes a snack. For registration and directions please call Diane Cassel, 332-9851, evenings please.



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### Groundfish Closure By Gary Anderson

The first ever sport groundfish closure just prior to Labor Day weekend really slowed things down at the Port with a ripple effect going out to RV parks, motels and restaurants. Even though sport halibut, salmon and tuna are still open, Port Orford's major draw is groundfish. To that end the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is holding public meetings in Brookings on October 11 and Bandon on October 12 to see what can be done to prevent an early closure next year. Commercial groundfish was closed

on September 27. Three boats are leaving the dock until it reopens. The Port and groundfish fishermen had hoped for an all year season but it closed earlier this year than last. ODFW will hold a public meeting on October 21 at the Community Building at 6:30pm to discuss commercial regulations for 2005.

Crabbing from the dock seems to have picked up lately, however this year a \$6.50 shellfish license is required. These can be purchased at the Dock Tackle and McNair's Hardware. A reminder that much of the dock face is leased, so please respect property rights by being especially careful when people are working and cleaning up your own trash.



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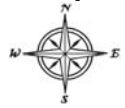
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## Letter to the Editor,

I was one of eight who attended the Monday morning council meeting. The subjects were, Bill Rush, the tariff for law enforcement and Mark Creighton as new chief. Four of the council claimed to receive countless calls in complaint of Bill Rush, the other councilmen none. Vote held four yea and two nay, the mayor was expeditious. City administrator threatened to quit if Mark Creighton was appointed temporary chief. The mood of the city representatives felt passive/aggressive hinting at deeper conflicts only aired behind closed doors. One councilor stated Bill was agreeable to stepping down but that wasn't my impres-

sion when I went and spoke with him and he hinted at wishing to know how people in town felt about it. Does Bill Rush have our support or not people? Then Mark was offended by the city administrator when he rejected Mark's qualifications for the job. Tip of the iceberg I say. Town hall meeting next Tuesday night. We should have a much larger attendance if the word gets out. This is a big one people.

Sincerely,

Jere Langston

### Kudana Marimba Band

Get ready to dance as the Kudana Marimba Band returns to Port Orford on

Saturday, Nov. 6, 7:30pm at the Community Building. The dance is free thanks to several generous sponsors including the Port Orford Chamber of Commerce and the Port Orford Arts Council. There will be two marimba workshops with a limit of eight people per workshop and a cost of \$25.00 per person. To register for the workshops call NCFCC at 332-1042.

### Lighthouse Run

A large group of motorcyclists will participate in the Lighthouse Run on Saturday, Oct. 9. They will stop at Cape Blanco Lighthouse and most will proceed to Stan Dishong's Antique Motorcycle Museum for a visit. Up to 200 motorcyclists are expected to take part!

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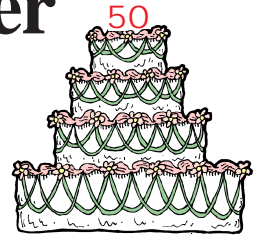
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## Letter to the Editor,

Our 2004 Curry County Hospice Rummage Market is now history, and by all measurements, a resounding success.

This annual fundraiser for Hospice – our fifth – raised over \$28,000, exceeding a goal set by the 30 member volunteer Rummage Market Council who had met for months preparing for the event. Ultimately, 137 volunteers worked in excess

of 5,000 hours in many different areas for the sale. This group of wonderful individuals is gearing up for a bigger market next year on August 26, 27 and 28.

The addition this year of community business involvement was remarkable. We would like to express our thanks to each business that contributed and contributed enthusiastically! Not one busi-

ness contacted refused to help – some going beyond the requested donation.

We also express our thanks to this wonderful community we live in; from Harbor to Langlois the support for our hospice program and our fundraising efforts has been fantastic and heartwarming.

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