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Transportation Blues!

Transportation Blues By Evan Kramer



Curry Public Transit has made a major announcement regarding bus service in Curry County. They sent out a news release announcing that bus service from Port Orford south to Gold

Beach, Brookings and Crescent City will cease on May 1.

Curry Public Transit General Manager Bill Dooley explained the situation on Monday after arriving on the afternoon bus from Brookings. He said Greyhound had dropped service to Crescent City on April 1. It was that service, which got Curry Public Transit, involved in running buses to Crescent City. Since April 1 Curry Public Transit has continued the service, which at its peak handled up to 50 passengers a day. Greyhound service north of San Francisco now consists of one bus a day each way between the Bay Area and Arcata and the company continues to drop service all over the country.

Dooley said he used his contingency funds to run the buses to Crescent City to meet the Greyhound bus. The Joint Powers Commission, an agency formed by

Del Norte County and Crescent City, had said they would fund the Crescent City runs to the tune of \$32,000. Curry Public Transit is now \$32,000 in the hole because of the Crescent City bus runs and the fact the Joint Powers Commission didn't pay what they promised to pay.

Curry Public Transit service will continue with their northbound schedules from Port Orford to Langlois, Bandon, Coos Bay and North Bend three times a day. According to Dooley dropping the north bound service to save money wasn't an option. Curry Public Transit has a contract with the Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School District to transport children with special needs to SWOCC and North Bend High School. The district has two students being bused north. One bright spot for Curry Public Transit has been the North Bend/Coos Bay south bound afternoon runs on Thursday and Friday which have been going out full.

Dooley said Curry Public Transit buses average 1,000 miles a day. They have both gasoline powered and diesel-powered buses with the diesels averaging 12.2 miles per gallon and the gasoline rigs averaging 10 miles per gallon. The buses using gasoline are used in each city for the Dial-A-Ride program. Dooley said in Port Orford the Dial-a-Ride program costs Curry Public Transit \$23 per

ride and averages two rides a day while in Brookings it costs the company \$2.80 per ride because of the higher volume.

Dooley made it clear he will leave Curry Public Transit on June 30, 2007. He said the "politicians" whom he didn't name are doing everything they can to get the money to keep the southbound buses going. He said if the \$32,000 was in Curry Public Transit's bank account on April 29 that service south would not cease.

The majority of the money to fund Curry Public Transit's operations comes through the Oregon Department of Transportation's Public Transit Division. Looking at Curry Public Transit's projected budget for 2006/07 the income projections show the fare box, contract service and freight and advertising account for only twenty one percent of the projected revenues with the rest coming from various government agencies funneled through ODOT.

Dooley made it **clear** that bus service south to Brookings would resume with the new fiscal year, which begins on July 1, 2005 and that the Dial-A-Ride services in the three Curry County cities would continue as usual.

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Transportation Blues
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Ballots Due out This Week

Ballots for the May 17 Special Districts Election will be mailed out starting April 29 through May 3 with the bulk of the ballots going out on April 29. The deadline for returning your ballot is May 17, 8:00pm. The elections department will operate a drop site in Port Orford in the city hall chambers the week of May 9-13 from 9:00am to 4:30pm. They will open the drop site on Monday May 16 from 9:00am to 4:30pm and on election day May 17 from 7:00am to 8:00pm. There are five contested special district races including the three open positions on the Port of Port Orford Commission, one on the Port Orford Cemetery Board and one on the Port Orford-Langlois 2CJ School District Board.

Alice in America-Land

Valerie and I got a chance to see the NCFCC ArtWorks Theater group's production of Alice in America-Land on Sunday afternoon. We enjoyed this modernized and Americanized version of Alice in Wonderland. The humorous play tackled a variety of subjects on people's minds in "America-Land" from the excesses of consumer culture to current fashions to a topic on everybody's mind - oil. The high school students who performed in the play were joined by two high school teachers and all were well rehearsed and on the mark. Our thanks to them for an enjoyable break in our Sunday routine.

Letter to the Editor

I would like to take a few minutes to express my gratitude to those people who made the book, plant and bake sale a success. Without the tireless efforts of

many, the outcome would have been as stormy as the weather last weekend. The proceeds topped \$1600 which will allow us to fund some of the needs of our library, and cover the cost of moving to the new library.

A special thanks to Pat Lee, Anne Goetzman and the other members of the Sunset Garden Club for joining us in the new endeavor of a Garden Café, and for the many baked goods. Thanks to my cohorts, Ann Voltin and Sally Johnston for stepping in the last week and helping with coordination and filling in where they were needed. Hats off to Tobe Porter for keeping us on track with all her notes and guidelines. Believe me, we needed those! To all the volunteers who moved books, set up tables, baked goodies, cleaned up, and put up with the three of us, THANK YOU!

Jerri Muskrat, President
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Parks Commission

The very busy Port Orford Parks Commission had a work session of Friday, April 22 at City Hall. The Commissioners; Jim Billings, Chair, Joanne Ruoff Vice-chair, Millie North Secretary and Jodi Bulaich Commissioner were all present, as well as Public Works Head Dave Pace. Council liaison Jerry Stienhorst, who is recovering from surgery, was not present.

Chairman Billings started the meeting on time at 7pm and explained that this session was to get some items ironed out so the regular meeting on May 3, 2005 would not have to be excessively long. The Parks Commission has had a full plate as of late and needed to do some pre-housekeeping task to stay current with commission business.

Billings got to the first item on the agenda which was a discussion of how to craft a procedural agreement for Parks Dedication Procedures, something that the Parks Commission enjoys doing, but needed a firm set of guidelines that would set out the terms of the dedication and contain clauses on maintenance, installation, plaque standardization and other

situations that could arise. The items most often are trees and park benches like the one recently installed for the Bill and Doris Oleson family at Battle Rock Park.

Next came a review of the Parks Ordinances as written into law, with references as to the last update. There was some lively discussion on Park Hours. The current hours are 7am to 10pm. There was a proposal by Joanne Ruoff to change it back to sunrise to sunset, which had been the hours several years ago. There were several reasons cited as to not wanting anyone in the park after dark and the use of excessive lighting. It was pointed out by Jim Billings that the hours had been elongated because they really only applied to the winter months as it stay light until almost 10 in the summer anyway. It was felt the youth should be able to utilize the Park in the winter months in the evening for recreation. One of the reasons for a lighted skateboard park area was to make it harder for youth to find dark places to consume illegal substances. Youth Pastor Junior Childers was present and did not want to see the park be a place where youth could feel comfortable about doing drugs or alco-

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hol. Most Commissioners were in favor of a lighted skate park area, as long as it conformed to Dark Sky specifications and did not cause a “Disneyland” effect and light up the sky.

The next ordinance was in reference to Pets and Horses in the Park and there was a general feeling this part of the law needed to be looked at and some part should be changed to allow pets on leashes into certain areas of the park. Perhaps adding a Pet Station with cleanup bags to dispose of pet waste could be an option.

Also it was felt that a review of the use of alcoholic beverages in the park needed to be studied further and perhaps limited to groups and functions by permit.

Finally, the Commission took a look at the Parks budget and tried to assess where they stood in relation to expenses that had been paid but not reflected on the hard copy, like the boat docks.

The meeting ended at 8:30pm. The next Parks meeting will be the regular session on Tuesday, May 3 at City Hall at 7pm.

Children’s Book Fair

A children’s book fair and bake sale will be held at Blanco Middle School in the lunchroom on Saturday, April 30 from 9:00am to 1:00pm. Buy one book and get one free (the same value). Cotton candy will be available. The book fair is sponsored by the Blanco/Driftwood Boosters.

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Spring is a wonderful time where flowers bloom; the grass is green, with nice warm weather inviting us to do things on a Saturday morning with family and friends like stopping by our bake sale. Start your Saturday morning with a great bake sale to take home delicious food items so that

Mom doesn't need to bake on Mother's Day. Proceeds from the church's annual bake sale will go towards completion of various church projects with matching funds from Thrivent Financial for Lutherans. Thank you for putting Zion Lutheran Church Bake Sale on your calendar for May 7.

Chamber News

Michael Wilson a Workforce Analyst for the State of Oregon Employment Department visited the Port Orford Chamber of Commerce on Tuesday, April 19, to discuss some of the information and assistance services available to local employers. Wilson has access to labor market statistics that are not available anywhere else except through the state and can provide a better overview of the current market.

Wilson, who covers Coos and Curry counties for the state will come to chambers and other places to do

presentations to groups. Wilson spent nearly an hour going over the finer points of the Port Orford and North Curry labor market and conditions with Jay Stoler, chamber president. Wilson has been invited back to speak at a chamber function.

There will be a live band from Coos Bay playing at the WindFest celebration on Saturday, May 28 at Battle Rock Park, reports festival chairperson Marilyn Oberbeck. Vendors, get your table or space for only \$20.00 if you book before Friday, May 6. After that it will be \$25.00. The festival will start at 11am and continue until 6pm. If it rains, we'll go into the Community Building. Call the Chamber office at 332-8055 for details.

At 7pm on May 11 at the Senior Center there will be a presentation from Paradise Birding and ODFW on bird watching and tourism. Everyone is welcome to attend this free presentation. There will be coffee, cake and ice cream served.



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The Port Orford Watershed committee met on Wednesday, April 20 for their regular monthly meeting. While there was no business on the Watershed agenda other than approving last months meeting minutes there was an in-depth presentation on Garrison Lake by Cindy Ricks-Myers, Water Quality Coordinator for the South Coast Watershed Council. About three-dozen citizens showed up for the slide/talk presentation.

There were many lake-side homeowners in the audience as well as County Commissioner Lucie LaBonte, Frank Eckley from State Parks, Administrator Ken Knight, an SHN engineer, City Council members and others interested in the changing conditions of Garrison Lake.

The first thing Myers pointed out was that Garrison Lake has actually regained the official status of Lagoon because of the ocean breaching and salinity levels.

The study Myers presented was taken between August and December of 2003. But first, she showed a timeline of studies that had been done previously starting in the mid 80's and continuing periodically until the tragic El Nino of '97-

98 that washed away the fore dune and much of the sewage effluent outfall system. In 1998 the lake failed the drinking water salinity test and was terminated as a source of drinking water. The main drinking water supply now comes from Hubbards Creek.

The objectives that were sought in the 2003 tests included; establishing water quality baselines and calculating a new trophic state index. Myers said the Lake was acting like an estuary or lagoon with phosphorus being produced because of anoxia or a state of no oxygen.

One of the most interesting discoveries was a chart that showed salinity, phosphorus and hydrogen sulfite amounts at various depths of the 'lagoon.' It seemed that from the top of the water to about 3 meters in depth the chemicals were present in ever increasing amounts until about the 6 meter level, then the chart went back the other way and the amounts of toxins start to reduce.

Myers cited high levels of nitrates and bacteria, including e-coli, in the Mill Pond and Arizona Street areas of the lake. This also included phosphorus concentrations.

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Myers had some recommendations for Garrison Lake residents and that was; maintain your septic systems, and minimize the use of nitrogen fertilizer.

Myers concluded by saying that there were a lot of unknowns at this point and the next big study would be a 2006 aquatic weed inventory. So far there have been no blue-green algae problems.

Find out more about watersheds at <http://currywatersheds.org> where you can download PDF files of studies done in all of Curry County.

Coos-Curry Electric Meeting

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative, Inc. has been scheduled for 10:00am on Friday, April 29, at the headquarters of the Cooperative in Port Orford.

Agenda items include power supply report, staff reports, the audit committee report and under action items a report from the policy review committee regarding discussions of possible revisions to policy bulletins; and a report from the by-laws review committee regarding proposed by-law amendments.

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Letter to the Editor,

I recently had the pleasure of working with Tere Tronson and the local high school kids on their production of "Alice In America-Land". I want to thank them all for allowing me to be a part of their project. These kids are really great. I was pleasantly surprised at their creativity and imagination, and hard work. Likewise, I was very impressed with the dedication and talent of Tere Tronson and the commitment of NCFCC to provide a creative outlet for our teens. Theater is an excellent way for young people to enhance skills such as self-confidence, teamwork, goal setting, commitment and creativity. It is an opportunity for non-

athletic students to be part of a team, while encouraging both artistic and personal growth.

The same can be true for adults, too. The Port Orford Arts Council has established a Theater Committee, of which I am the chair, to discuss ways to encourage live theater in Port Orford. We would like to involve the community in our decision-making process and welcome input from anyone interested in theater, whether as a participant or an audience member. Several of us have years of theater experience and are very excited to get started. We would like to know if there is anything in particular our audience would like to see. The Committee will be meeting Wed., April 27, 6:00 p.m. at the Arts Council Office. Anyone wishing to be a part of this exciting and fun art form is welcome to attend the meeting or call me at 332-0852.

Perri Rask

Jefferson Day Celebration

Saturday, April 30 beginning at 5:00pm at Pistol River Friendship Hall Secretary of State Bill Bradbury will be the special guest at the Curry County Democrat's Jefferson Day potluck. The potluck dinner is a casual get together of Democrats and any others concerned about the present political events and celebrating Thomas Jefferson's birthday. Charlie Hochberg will be the Master of Ceremonies.

The Pistol River Friendship Hall is located off Highway 101, ten miles south of Gold Beach. Exit the highway at the second Pistol River exit from the north, first from the south (Pistol River/Carpenterville) and take the first right. The Hall is located approximately one half mile on the right.

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Tobe Porter Honored

The Oregon Library Association recently announced annual achievement awards at its conference in Portland. The Association promotes and advances library service in Oregon through professional and public education, and co-operation.

Tobe Porter, Library Director of the Port Orford Public Library was honored with the Employee of the Year Award at the OLA Awards Banquet in Portland, on April 7. She received over 100 letters of support for this award from throughout Curry County!

Porter was praised for her hard work and creative fund-raising, which resulted in a new library building for Langlois, in Curry County. She is now working to raising the funds needed for building a new library in Port Orford. She was applauded by supporters for turning her libraries into "vibrant community and information centers filled with helpful staff and volunteers."

It was noted that she works closely with other libraries in the area and the school district. A high school student wrote that "Tobe truly deserves this award, not only for her obvious accomplishments in library building, but also for the compassion and love for our community that she brings with her to work every day."

"OLA President Maureen Cole congratulated Porter for her outstanding service to OLA and the library community. Thanks to her vision and dedication, she's enriched the lives of the many in the communities she's served."

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Beachcombers News

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Port Orford Library News
by Tobe Porter, Director

All's quiet after so many library events: the successful book and plant sale, the fantastic play by NCFCC ArtWorks and the delightful presentation by author Diana Coogle.

What next? Well, check it out. A 4-week computer class, "Using MS Word." Taught by Nancy Broadhead, the sessions will be held on Mondays at 5:00pm at the Port Orford Library (332-5622) starting May 2. She will also teach the class at Langlois Library (348-2066) on Fridays at 9:30am, starting May 13. Class size is very limited, so call now to reserve your spot. The cost is \$20 for the four sessions.

Toddler Time is up and running every Wednesday at 10:30am. Volunteer Amy Wilhite pulls together all kinds of stories, puppets and songs to delight the very young. And for more fun, don't miss the May 12 Liberry Pie story time, "Magical Travels," at 6:30pm in the City Council Chambers.

Also in May you will find a bunch of new books and cassettes on the shelves. For

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Letter to the Editor,

I am writing to introduce myself as candidate for Port Commissioner Position #2. My name is David Rickel. Please excuse my absence from the candidate forum as I was out to sea due to our commercial salmon season.

My wife and I have been members of the community for 17 years and I have been a commercial fisherman in Port Orford for 16 years. I have worked for the Port District as a hoist operator and currently own and operate the FV Tiburon and FV

Playboy, as well as support my wife in her local dog grooming business, Pampered Pooches.

As an everyday user of the Port, I am aware of daily operations. I am in complete support of enhancing the facilities of the port, including the addition of attractions such as an RV park and camping facility. It is necessary for us to attract growth and tourism to this area and the Port of Port Orford is a gem in need of polishing.

As Port Commissioner, I would make it a priority to listen to what the community members have to say. You are an important asset to the future of our Port.

Please vote for me, David Rickel, for Port Commissioner, Position #2. If you have any questions you wish to ask me, feel free to e-mail me at fvplayboy@webenet.net.

Thank you for your support,

David Rickel

Letter to the Editor,

In a recent letter to the editor, I referred to the CCEC relationship with NoaNet-Northwest Open Access. For the last few months I have inquired regarding the status of the loan guarantee and NoaNet in general. I have been told there was no public news and the matter would be dealt with in closed session. In my letter I used the wrong acronym for NoaNet. My error made it appear CCEC was involved with a federal agency. I apologize for this error and am sorry for any inconvenience this error caused for staff or board members.

In my defense, those of us who take time from our busy schedules to attend CCEC public meetings are not allowed to see the stack of materials the Board members review and discuss at the meetings. It's a wonder we understand anything that is going on. We are now being shown some financial information on a computer screen. But if we could review the reports in advance we surely would be able to report more accurately to the owner members who seek information on the financial status of the Co-op. I therefore respectfully request that CCEC make

financial and any other pertinent documents available to the persons who wish to report on the public meetings. This could be done by posting the materials on the CCEC web site or we could request a packet be available at the Co-op for pick up. It is outrageous that we are expected to ask intelligent questions about reports and documents we cannot review. It's also no wonder we make errors in reporting when we do not have written information.

Finally, the outsourcing of jobs and money out of Curry county and Oregon continues. Emergency calls for repairs are routed through a call center in Minnesota. In the CEO's statement on the back of the recent Ruralite (April 2005, page 32) he states "isn't it great to know that when you call your electric cooperative, you'll be talking with someone in your hometown- probably a neighbor?" Was this meant to be a joke, if so I don't get it. I have no neighbors in Minnesota. And at the last meeting it was announced that the Board hired a consulting firm from Spokane, WA for \$26,000.00 a year to coordinate the safety meetings held in Coos and Curry counties. How this is more efficient and cost effective than handling the meetings locally I cannot fathom. A new staff member has been hired and to my knowledge none of the furloughed employees have been reinstated. The co-op was started by local farmers, ranchers, loggers and fisherman to bring electricity to our community. As more and more money and jobs leave our area and new staff members are imported, the sound you hear is those Oregonians who founded the Co-op in 1938 rolling over in their graves when they see the decisions the coop is making at this time.

Yours truly,

Kathryn Schneberk-King,
A Disgusted CCEC owner/member

Garrison Lake Talk

Garrison Lake's unique features will be the topic of a special presentation Thursday, May 5 at the Oregon State University Extension Office in Gold Beach. The 7:00 pm program is sponsored by the South Coast Watershed Council. It is free, and open to the public. The OSU Extension Office is located at the Event Center of Gold Beach (fairgrounds).

Cindy Myers, water quality specialist for the watershed council, has pulled together information from several lake studies, and her own water quality testing during the past two years, to present "*Garrison Lake: Its Moods and Mysteries.*" Garrison Lake, also known as Garrison Lagoon, has experienced dramatic changes over the past several years, including salt water overwash from the dunes.

Myers, who did her Master's work in northern California on estuaries, will draw comparisons with Big Lagoon on California's north coast. Among the other topics she will cover are: fish use of Garrison Lagoon, aquatic weeds, salinity, drinking water, and landowner participation in lake restoration.

Letter to the Editor,

A big kudos to Langlois resident Joe Brown. Perhaps you know him as Blanco basketball coach Joe Brown, or school board member Joe Brown, or Brown construction owner Joe Brown. I know him as a community member always willing to give his time and energy to kids.

I mentioned in a recent conversation that I needed some shelves for a bookcase in the school library. Within a week Joe was at the school delivering the shelves.

Thank you again Joe, but thank you mostly for your valuable time.

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Just a reminder **Mother's Day is May 8th, 2005**. If you are in need of a gift, please stop by and let us assist you in finding a great gift for your Mom and the Mom's in your family.

Saturday, May 14th, 2005 Help send Port Orford Christian Center Youth to Summer Church Camp by attending Tri-tip BBQ. 11am-5pm 10% off everything in stock and 10% of all sales goes to the youth group. A Raffle will be held for a pair of tickets to the 64 mile mail boat trip, two teak lounge chairs, plants from God's Green Earth Nursery & Things, plus much more.

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Emergency Preparedness

A new Port Orford chapter of the Curry Citizens for Emergency Preparedness was formed April 21, at the Port Orford Senior Center. Thanks to the generosity of the Senior Center, that building will be the Port Orford CEP Headquarters. About 14 persons were at the meeting, including Jack Nottingham of the Gold Beach chapter who is serving as an advisor and passing along organizational material and helping the Port Orford group to understand the scope of the training and preparation.

Jay Stoler served as chairperson for the meeting and asked each of the participants to fill out a short form with contact information and area of interest or expertise and the level at which they want to participate. Anyone else wanting to be added to the database and receive information can join the group at the next meeting scheduled for Thursday, May 5 at 4pm at the Senior Center.

The next steps will consist of a review of the existing emergency plans, scheduling a 10-week CERT training, and creating a brochure and citizen education program.

For more information contact Stoler at 332-8055.

Catholic Church News

At Mass on Sunday April 17, Pastor Fr. Heiko Junge installed Ken Brewer and Rolando Rodriguez as Chairman and Co-Chairman of the Pastoral Administrative Committee for 2005/06 for Port Orford's Catholic Church.

After Mass, Viv Williams, outgoing Chairman, presented Ken with a mallet. "We do not have a gavel," she said "and I thought a mallet would be more appropriate as you are a contractor." She also explained to the much-amused congregation "It's a 16 ounce one and comes with a lifetime warranty!"

St. John's holds weekly Masses on Sundays at 8:30am and on Wednesdays at 9:00am at the church located at Fifteenth Street and Highway 101. For more information, call Viv Williams at 332-0466.

Letter to the Editor,

Listed below are volunteers who have come to my aid, so far for five weeks, when I broke my right wrist. Being right-handed, there have been many things I have been unable to accomplish. However, not only driving me to physician in Coos Bay countless times, these special people have brought me meals, run errands and come to my cottage daily to make sure I had everything I needed and assist me in whatever chores I have had but could not do for myself. I will forever be grateful to them and appreciate their unselfish kindness.

Becky Flake, Tim Flake, Martha Fowkes, Esther Griffin, Kathleen McDonald, Brenda Mitchell, Elaine Pendleton, Stacy Romele, Jean Shank, Elaine Small, Michelle Wagner

Jean Kilburn

Letter to the Editor,

The reason I was selected Oregon Library Association's Library Employee of the Year was because of the huge number of letters of support sent in my behalf. It was the sheer weight of the package that turned the vote in my direction!

Though I make light of this honor, I am extremely proud to receive such an award. But what I am much, much more honored and proud about are the words written in support of my nomination. To all of you who took the time to write, thank you. Thank you very much.

Tobe Porter, Library Director
Port Orford Library

Jubilee Auction

The Jubilee Auction has been scheduled for Saturday, June 4 at the Community Center. Doors open at 6:00 pm. Auction begins at 6:30 pm. All proceeds will go toward the purchase of the 4th of July fireworks. We have received wonderful donations from Port Orford businesses as well as businesses in Gold Beach, Langlois, Bandon, and Coos Bay.

ESA Sorority will be there selling hot dogs and cold drinks. Save room for dessert and coffee available to purchase from the Friends of the Library.

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Students must be 5 years old by September 1, 2005, to enroll in kindergarten.

Items necessary to enroll your child are as follows: birth certificate or proof of age and immunization record.

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Sixes Grange News

The Sixes River Grange is hosting its third organizational-informational afternoon on Saturday, April 30, at 1:30pm.

There will be door prizes and refreshments and music by the Oregon Old Time Fiddlers Association.

Sixes River Grange is located between Bandon and Port Orford on the west side of Highway 101. For more information contact Phyllis Wilson at 541-572-4117 or Beverly Doescher at 541-837-3420.

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REIKI WORKSHOP: Learn the ancient energy mastery and healing technique, May 7th and 14th at the Pilates Studio of Bandon. Instructor: Sandi Hunter. (541) 251-1495 reikihigh@yahoo.com.

FOR SALE: Hewlett Packard computer, DVD player, 1.3Ghz, 512Mb SDRAM memory, 60Gb hard drive, CD-RW drive, you provide monitor and keyboard. \$500 or best offer. (541) 251-1495 spellscastr9@yahoo.com.

Friends of the Library

The next meeting of the Friends of Port Orford Library will be held on Tuesday, May 3 at 10:30a.m. at the Ruscello House Bakery on Hwy 101, across from Ray's Market. Refreshments will follow a brief meeting.

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Letter to the Editor,

My name is Robert Mielenz and I am running for Port of Port Orford Commissioner position #3.

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Nursery and Things, which supports, directly or indirectly, fifteen people living here in Port Orford. I have tried to be a contributing member of this community since we arrived. I am a member of the Port Orford Fire Department and a driver/EMT 2 for the Port Orford Ambulance. I intend to bring this same spirit of community involvement and concern for our community to the Port Commission.

I am very pleased with the work and leadership that our present Port Manager, Gary Anderson, displays and intend to support and assist him in any way possible. The Port has implemented a Plan of Action that I believe is well thought out and I will support the continuation of that plan.

I ask for your vote and support for this position in the upcoming election.

Thank you,

Robert (Bob) Mielenz

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West Coast Peace Wave

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PUBLIC NOTICE

Notice of Budget Committee Meetings: A public meeting of the Budget Committee of the City of Port Orford, Curry County, State of Oregon, to discuss the budget for the fiscal year July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006 will be held in Gable Chambers at City Hall, 555 West 20th Street. The meeting will take place on Wednesday, the 4th day of May 2005, at 6:00 p.m. The purpose of the meeting is to receive the budget message and budget document. A Revenue Sharing Hearing before the Budget Committee will follow the budget message. A copy of the budget document may be inspected or obtained on or after May 5, 2004 at City Hall, 555 West 20th Street, between the hours of

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8:00 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. Additional public Budget Committee meetings where deliberation will take place are scheduled for the following dates: Thursday, May 5 (when any person may appear and discuss the proposed programs with the Budget Committee) - Monday, May 9 - Thursday, May 12 - and Tuesday, May 17 (if necessary).

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GARAGE SALE SATURDAY April 30 Upper Coast Guard Hill Road, 9-3 Furniture tools ropes floats pink glass lamps housewares misc..

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SCRAPBOOK CLASS. 2:00pm, Saturday April 30th. Make two 12x12 layouts. \$15.00 per person. Limited seating. Be the first to sign up with a friend and receive a goodie. Call Deborsha 332-0535.

THE CHINESE Medicine Cabinet, a free, herbal medicine workshop, will be offered 3:00 to 4:30 p.m. Monday, May 2, Port Orford Senior Center, by Tina Vecera, licensed acupuncturist and national certified Diplomate in Chinese Herbology (NCCAOM). Learn about and purchase natural home remedies for colds, flus, stomach upsets, travel sickness, injuries and more. Shining Sea Acupuncture Clinic, 347-4539.

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