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### Chamber Hands Out Awards By Evan Kramer

The North Curry and Port Orford Chamber of Commerce held their annual awards dinner on Saturday night and many people from the community were honored.

Chamber president David Smith kicked off the evening by welcoming Chamber members and guests. Smith talked about lots of good things going on with the Chamber and how former Chamber president Jay Stoler had been a mentor to him. Smith talked about the importance of bringing high speed Internet to Port Orford and how it could bring more businesses here.

Smith thanked each of the Battle Rock Park Visitor Center volunteers who were all given a certificate of appreciation. They included Ann Goetzman, Mark Murray, Elaina Bailey, Trish and Steve Hanrahan (not present), Millie North, Kay Neal and Dede Miller.

A special Santa's Helper award was given to Josh Voshall for playing the role of Santa Clause for the Chamber. He wasn't present as he is in training for his job as smoke jumper/firefighter but his parents accepted the award. The Chamber handed out a North Curry County Award and \$75 gift certificate to the Langlois Lion's Club.

Curt Brown accepted the award for the Lion's Club.

David Smith announced a Spirit of Giving Award to Judy Tree, manager of Ray's Place Market, for always donating to local causes. Chamber board member Chuck Schaumburg was given an Extra Efforts Award for his work on behalf of promoting the Chamber up and down the state.

Smith said that Gold Beach had won the lighting contest the Gold Beach and Port Orford Chambers sponsor between the two cities each year. Our Chamber handed out awards for local lighting efforts with the first place award in the business category going to the Cape Blanco RV Park for their Christmas lighting display while Mary O. Loan was awarded second place. In the residential category for Port Orford the Keeler family won a \$50 gift certificate for second place and the Voshall's won a \$100 gift certificate from Jerry's Rogue Jets for first place.

Smith explained there were 65 voting members in the Chamber and that many had sent in their votes for several awards. The board considered their votes and then made the final decision. There was a three way tie for Organization of the Year. It was shared by the Friends of the Port Orford Library, the Port Orford Arts Council, and the Port Orford Rotary Club.

Jay Stoler received a well deserved standing ovation when he was announced as Volunteer of the Year. Stoler has served as past president and vice president of the Chamber and has also served as the public "voice" of the Chamber through his numerous articles in the newspapers. He contributes work to many local organization's web sites. Stoler said that Viola Cuatt had got him involved with the Chamber when he moved to Port Orford in 1997.

The next award handed out was the Wilbur Green Lifetime Achievement Award. It went to Frank Smith and was greeted with a heartfelt standing ovation. Smith is the owner of the Port and Starboard Restaurant and his list of community activities includes being an active member of the Rotary Club, American Legion, and long time member of the Port Orford Planning Commission.

The Business of the Year went to the Wooden Nickel, owned by Milton Reeves. David Smith then announced that Viola Cuatt had won the President's Choice Award for her outstanding community service. Cuatt was involved with the Chamber for a number of years as well as being a long time member of the Curry County Fair Board and Port Orford Planning Commission. She was one of the

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H1701 5.1	H1842 4.8	H2025 5.0	L1437 -0.2	L1534 -0.6	L1624 -0.8	L1706 -0.9	L1744 -0.9
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### Chamber Hands Out Awards Continued from Front Cover

founders of the Port Orford Chamber of Commerce. Cuatt was not present to accept her award. Mayor Jim Auburn was at the dinner and had a plaque from the City for Viola Cuatt thanking her for her many years on the planning commission, including ten as chairperson.

David Smith thanked Sonja Mason for her fine efforts in making the delicious dinner and the meeting concluded with announcement of many upcoming events in Port Orford. They include the fishermen's benefit auction, dance and dinner this Saturday, January 27, at the Community Building and American Legion Hall and the Port Orford Cedar Festival in May.

### Planning Commission News by Jay Stoler

The Port Orford Planning Commission held a short workshop last Thursday to discuss several issues that they are working on.

Chairman Dave Holman opened the meeting with the surprising news that Frank

Smith had resigned from the Planning Commission. Smith had been on the Commission for many years and was Vice-Chairman.

The vacancy leaves two openings on the Commission, both of which may be filled with citizens that live within the Urban Growth Boundary or the city limits of Port Orford.

Newly appointed members Bill McArdle and Micki Snider as well as veterans Joyce Kinney and Ken Gibson were also present, as was assistant planner and Secretary Patty Clark.

The Commission discussed several different areas including annexation ordinances, lot line adjustments and partitions and sub-division ordinances and the direction they may want to take.

Assistant planner Clark said there were certain conditions of annexation that the city had to meet before it could do a voluntary annexation. She said the Commission may have to revise some ordinances to facilitate those kinds of transactions.

The Commission also spoke about clearing up some wording on ordinances like; only being allowed to split property "once in a five-year period." The members had several different interpretations of what that meant. Did it apply to just one owner or did the clock start over with a property sale?

Seeking clarity and a better understanding of the tasks before them was the prevalent attitude of the focused group. Being a workshop no motions were made, although they said they would continue to discuss the matters at regular meetings

They adjourned after about 75 minutes.

### Little League Signups

Port Orford will have Little League this year. Coast League Baseball will have sign-ups in the Spring. We are looking for volunteers. Some ways you can help: routine maintenance on Red's Field, painting new sponsor signs, coach a team, work concessions, etc. If you would like to volunteer or have questions, please call: Tim Hunter 332-2063 or Wade & Christy Phillips 348-2094.



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### The Crew of the FV Ash By Carol Berger

One of the things that most touched me at the memorial service for the crew of the FV Ash last month was the poem read by Louis Lobo's Aunt Mary from the Isle-of-Man in Great Britain. I thought it so beautiful and comforting that I asked Perry Rask whether, if she got a copy from Mary, she would send it on to me. Having received the copy, I decided to see if I could find out who might have written the poem.

Submitting my question on Yahoo Answers, I got the almost immediate response that the author was Henry Scott Holland (1847-1918), who was Canon of St. Paul's Cathedral in England. Further research led me to discover that it was actually part of a sermon written and delivered by Holland, upon the death of King Edward VII. The poem is sometimes referred to as "What is Death?" and can be found in several slightly different versions. Educated at Oxford, Holland was a prominent theologian and one of London's greatest nineteenth-century preachers. He had several books published.

I shared this information with Perry, who thought that others might be interested in

the origin of the poem. She suggested I write something about it and include the poem for anyone else who would like a copy of it:

#### Death is Nothing at All

Death is nothing at all.  
I have only slipped away into the next room.  
I am I, and you are you.  
Whatever we were to each other,  
that we still are.

Call me by my old familiar name.  
Speak to me in the easy way  
which you always used.  
Put no difference in your tone.  
Wear no forced air of solemnity or sorrow.

Laugh as we always laughed  
at the little jokes we enjoyed together.  
Play, smile, think of me, pray for me.  
Let my name be ever the household word  
that it always was.  
Let it be spoken without effect,  
without the trace of a shadow on it.

Life means all that it ever meant.  
It is the same as it ever was.  
There is absolutely unbroken



continuity.  
Why should I be out of mind  
because I am out of sight?

I am waiting for you,  
for an interval,  
somewhere very near,  
just around the corner.

All is well.

Apparently, Holland thought a lot about death, as I found another poem he had written, called "Death," which could have been written about the crew of the FV Ash, and which I would like to share, in the hope that it, too, might help bring comfort.

#### Death

I am standing on the seashore.  
A ship spreads her white sails to the morning breeze and starts for the ocean.  
I stand watching her until she fades on the horizon,  
and someone at my side says,  
"She is gone."

Gone where?

The loss of sight is in me, not in her.  
Just at the moment when someone says,  
"She is gone,"  
there are others who are watching her coming.  
Other voices take up the glad shout,  
"Here she comes,"  
and that is dying.

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## Kids Manual

Every parent has probably wished for an instruction manual while they have been immersed in doing the most difficult job of all - parenting the children. Now North Curry residents will have the opportunity to have fun, interact with other parents, have a free dinner and learn. Join us for Adventures in Parenting at the A-frame Adventure Center in Buffington Park in Port Orford for a free five-week series of parent education opportunities on Thursday evenings February 1, 8, 15, 22; and March 1.

Each session will provide families with a night out together to have dinner from 5:30 to 6:00pm at the A-frame Adventure Center and the parent training sessions will be held at the Port Orford City Council Chambers from 6:00 to 7:30pm. Quality

childcare will be provided for families for children birth to eight at the A-frame.

Any adult who is parenting children from ages birth to eight years is invited to attend this Incredible Years series which is a research based curriculum that has been proven to provide parents with effective tools to use in parenting their children. To sign-up and reserve your spot you can call Tere Tronson at North Curry Families' and Children's Center at (541) 332-1042 or Kim Kamph at (541) 290-0280. The trainings are made possible through a grant from the Ford Family Foundation - Enhancing the Skills of Parents II program with technical support through Oregon State University.

The project's goals are to increase positive and effective parenting and help adults with children to understand and fulfill

their role as the primary nurturers and educators of their children through ongoing parenting education.

For more information, please call Tere Tronson at NCFCC at 332-1042.

## Benefit Music Schedule

There is going to be lots of music at the Fishermen's Benefit on Saturday, January 27, at the Community Building. The auction starts at 2:00pm. The music begins at 5:00pm with the Short Notice jazz trio. The Tarrtana Duo, with Steve Montana and Jarrod Tarr, starts at 6:30pm. They will play a mix of bluegrass, jazz, swing and folk rock. Then at 8:00pm the South Coast All Stars take the stage featuring visiting musicians playing high energy classic rock. The music is free and everyone is welcome.

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## No Changes To Idaho Street by Jay Stoler

The Port Orford City Council voted not to make any changes in the way the stop signs are set up on Idaho Street at their monthly meeting. The Planning Commission had sent the Council a Transportation Plan that recommended Idaho become a "non-stop" collector route to ease the local usage of Highway 101.

Councilor Jim Campbell felt it would only create another "speedway" situation like Jackson Street, which has no stop signs from 101 to 25th Street. Campbell, Eskelson and Finch voted no and Abbott and Hewitt voted yes. Newly elected councilor Jake Marshall was absent due to being on an ODOT crew that was called out on an emergency.

The council unanimously passed the Transportation Plan recommendation to put an additional stop sign at Deady Street and Cemetery Loop Road.

The Council also changed the requirements to be on the Planning Commission to all members having to live in Port Orford or the Urban Growth Boundary to qualify. This replaces a six-mile rule made before the UGB was created.

In other City Council news:

- Jim Campbell was elected council president and would serve as Mayor in the Mayor's absence. Campbell has been council president in the past and has been on the council since the 80's.
- Police Chief Mark Creighton said the city needed to create a fund to make undercover drug purchases. He said there are citizens willing to donate this money, but a line item needs to be created on the budget. The Chief also said that two good video cameras had been donated from the Brookings Police department.
- The Council changed the Public Safety subcommittee meeting to the first Tuesday of the month at 5pm and the Public Works subcommittee meeting to the first Wednesday of the month.
- The Public Works report noted that the water leakage for last month was back up to 56 percent. Administrator Mike Murphy said a leakage detection company would be in town as soon as weather conditions were right and they would try and find the main source of the leaks.
- Murphy also announced that another Public Works staffer resigned, effective

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- The Council unanimously approved a new application form to be used for city Committees and Task Forces and other volunteer positions with the city. The form is virtually the same one as the county uses and requires a lot of information from the applicant.
- The Council unanimously approved a memo of Agreement between the Lower rogue and South Coast Watershed Council and specific landowners for fish habitat restoration.
- The Council unanimously approved county Economic Development Director Susan Brown as the Enterprise Zone manager.
- Jim Campbell said that the city needed a way to collect Court Fees to help pay for the Municipal Court. The Council also discussed changing some other rules pertaining to the court and judge.
- Went into Executive session for seven minutes to discuss documents exempt from the public record with City Attorney John Trew.

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## Port Commission Meeting

The Port of Port Orford Commission met on Tuesday night, January 16, at the Port Office with the two main issues under discussion being dredging and the third buyer's station.

The Commission spent nearly half the meeting discussing dredging and decided they wanted a solution to the problem, not another study about the shoaling and sanding in problems at the Port. Commissioner Ed Dowdy had prepared a report on four major dredging studies conducted over the years and potential solutions to the shoaling problem.

Port Manager Gary Anderson said the Port needed the best technology to get the job done, not another study. Ed Dowdy said Gary Anderson needs a paper on the dredging problem which will give him traction with the Congressional delegation when he goes to Washington in March.

Anderson said the State of Oregon is helping the Port out with the dredging problem and is interested in the Port's financial well being. He said he thought the state would find a solution but the

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Army Corps of Engineers would need to buy into it. He said the Port needed an engineer's recommendation for the most cost efficient method to keep the Port open. The Port is looking at a submersible pump as the preferred method for keeping the Port dredged.

The third buyer's station/hoist is for lease now that Starvin' Marvin Seafood's has moved out. Hallmark Fisheries and Norcal Fisheries are both interested in leasing the third hoist. In addition the Port Orford Ocean Resources Team is promoting a plan for a commercial fisheries/public hoist. Commissioner Bob Mielenz spoke about his concerns with Port liability with a public hoist and proper training for people using the hoist. An increase in dockage fees by the fishermen is proposal to pay for the hoist which past leaseholders have paid over \$6,000 a year to lease. Dockage fee for the fishing boats would go from \$200 to \$215 per month to pay for the hoist. Manager Gary Anderson will work on getting the insurance costs as well as the cost of getting the hoist ready to go and the Commission will take up the issue again before the end of this month.

The Commission voted to approve a motion raising fees on sport boat users for hoisting at the Port. The fees for sport boats will go from \$15 to \$20 for boats that don't need the sling and from \$25 to \$30 for boats that require use of the sling.

## Sheriff Metcalf Arraigned

Curry County Sheriff Mark Metcalf was indicted by the Curry County Grand Jury on eleven counts two week's ago. They include four counts of sexual abuse in the third degree; four counts of harassment, and three counts of official misconduct. He was arraigned at the Curry County Jail on January 16 and released.

The following is a statement issued by Curry County Sheriff Mark Metcalf. "The arraignment of Sheriff Metcalf today in Curry County Circuit court was the result of a Grand Jury proceeding that occurred last week.

For those of you that are not aware, a Grand Jury proceeding is done in secret by the State and the Defendant has no chance to be represented by counsel; present witnesses on his behalf or even cross examine any of the State's witnesses. In short, a Grand Jury indictment is not a conviction.

I am obviously unable to discuss or address any specifics of the allegations made against me, but I am asking the citizens of Curry County for the opportunity to present my case to a jury in a court of law.

No one has more respect for the Office of Sheriff than I do. The "Office" is bigger than any Sheriff that holds it; past, present or future.

If anyone in my employ were in a similar circumstance I would place them on administrative leave pending the outcome of the criminal case. It is for these reasons that I will myself be on leave pending the outcome of the case against me.

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## Lincoln Day Dinner

The Curry County Republican Central Committee will hold its annual "Lincoln Day" dinner Saturday, February 24, at 6:00pm at the Event Center on the Beach, in Gold Beach. The annual political fundraiser, held every February to honor America's President, will feature fine dining, musical entertainment and special guest speakers.

According to newly-elected Republican chairman Bill Waddle, this year's keynote speaker will be Lt. Col. Rick Francona, a national commentator and media military analyst. Lt. Col. Francona is a retired United States Air Force intelligence officer with extensive operational experience in the Middle East, including tours of duty with the National Security Agency, the Defense Intelligence Agency and the Central Intelligence Agency. He is currently under contract to NBC News and appears regularly on NBC, MSNBC and CNBC, as well as Radio Canada and

other worldwide media.

The evening will also feature a legislative update from State Representative Wayne Krieger of Gold Beach and the ever-popular Lincoln Day Speech Contest, featuring student contestants from all over Curry County. The winner will receive a grand prize of \$100.

Republican Vice-Chairman George Rhodes of Brookings, who serves as the chairman of this year's event, promises a great time for all with a silent and a live auction, wine tasting, and a no-host cocktail hour.

Dinner entrees will include the choice of prime rib, stuffed pork tenderloin, or vegetable lasagna, in addition to baked potato, a full salad bar, dinner rolls, and "Presidential" cheesecake.

"This event will be attended by Republicans from all parts of the County and give us the opportunity to get to know each other better, especially those new residents

and neighbors," said Waddle.

For information on how to purchase tickets for this popular Republican gala, please call Curry Republican Party Chairman Bill Waddle at (541) 412-9314. For information on how students can participate in the speech contest, please call Warren Glaze at (541) 469-0952.

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## Tour of the Ocean Floor

Dr. Young, director of the Oregon Institute of Marine Biology in Charleston, will present a 90-minute virtual submersible dive to underwater volcanoes in Samoa, Hawaii, and the Bahamas, whale skeletons off California, and methane seeps in the Gulf of Mexico. Join us on Saturday, February 10 at 2 p.m. at the Port Orford Council Chambers. Free admission. This event is sponsored by the Langlois and Port Orford Libraries and Claudette and Robert Kahman at Dock Tackle at the Port.

## Port Orford Cedar Expo

The Port Orford Arts Council and the City of Port Orford will be sponsoring the Second Annual Port-Orford-cedar Expo on Saturday May 26th and Sunday May 27th during Memorial Day weekend. It will be held in the Community Center/American Legion Building and will run from 9 AM – 5 PM both days. The Expo celebrates the Port-Orford-cedar, which is indigenous to the southwest Oregon coast, and which was named for the town of Port Orford. The first Port-Orford-cedar Expo was very well attended.

The Arts Council would like to hear from artists, vendors, speakers, and entertainers who are interested in participating in the Expo, as soon as possible. Please call the appropriate Arts Council contact (shown below) for more information and/or an artist's entry form or vendor application; or go to [www.cedarexpo.com](http://www.cedarexpo.com) and download a form for mailing. Please note that we have new applications and entry forms this year. In Port Orford, they will also be available at the Downtown Fun Zone on Highway 101 and 9th St.

Artists who participated last year are encouraged to contribute to this year's Port-Orford-cedar Art Show and Contest. If you have a friend or associate who works creatively with Port-Orford-cedar, but was not part of our Expo last year, please encourage them to participate this year. To improve the judging criteria, new categories have been defined for the Art Show and Contest. They will be: 1) Cedar as Medium - Functional Artwork and Woodworking made from Port-Orford-cedar; 2) Cedar as Medium - Studio Artwork made of Port-Orford-cedar; and 3) Cedar as Subject – Studio Artwork created using Port-Orford-cedar as the subject. This year each category's winner will receive a prize of \$250. For more information, artists can contact Boomer Dormody at 541-332-0995.

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Speakers interested in sharing information on subjects related to Port Orford's namesake species can contact Boomer Dormody at 541-332-0995.

Entertainers who play instruments made from Port-Orford-cedar, such as flutes, drums, and guitars, should contact Susan Lincoln at 541-332-4045.

## Town Hall Meetings

The second round of Town Hall Meetings regarding the future of Curry County services are scheduled for Gold Beach on January 29th in the Commissioners Hearing Room, Port Orford on February 7th in the Port Orford City Hall, and in Brookings on February 8th at the Brookings Library. All meetings will be held from 7 to 9 pm.

The Elected Officials of Curry County and the Mayor, of each City are holding these meetings to discuss the loss of O&C and US Forest timber revenues. Elected Officials held a series of Town Hall meetings in November and December of 2006 to bring information to our citizens of the potential loss of over eight million dollars

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to our County. The potential loss has now become a reality.

At the previous Town Hall Meetings citizens developed possible revenue-producing solutions for our County; we will go over the list from the three meetings and talk about whether the ideas actually can produce revenue for our County. Also at the meeting we will talk about the cost saving measures that we have taken and possible solutions for the next budget year.

These meetings are for public input into possible solutions. Without this money we could lose all of our Sheriff's Deputies, money for Veterans, R.S.V.P., Animal Shelter, and current services from our Health Department. Please come and get informed and offer suggestions as to what is acceptable to you for solving this problem.

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## Fisherman's Body Identified

On December 16, the Fishing Vessel Ash sank near the mouth of the Rogue River in Gold Beach. Four crewmembers were missing and presumed drowned.

On December 26, human remains were recovered from the beach approximately five miles north of Gold Beach. Since that time, Sheriff's Deputies have been working with family members and the State Medical Examiner's Office attempting to identify this body. Family members of the missing crewmen assisted by locating dental X-rays, which were submitted to the State Medical Examiner's Office in Central Point, Oregon.

On January 17, the Curry County Sheriff's Office was notified that the Medical Examiner's Office had identified the remains as: Louis Thomas Lobo, age 39, Brookings resident

Members of the Lobo family, as well as family members of the remaining missing crewmen have been notified of the identification.

## River Expert to Speak

Nationally famous author and photographer (and Port Orford resident) Tim Palmer will give a special presentation Thursday, Feb 1 in Gold Beach.

Palmer has written 17 books about America and is renowned as a gifted nature photographer. His most recent book



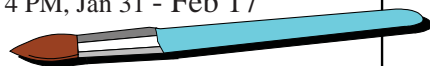
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Sponsored by the South Coast/Lower Rogue Watershed Council, this special program is free and open to the public.

## Rotary News

Susan Lunsford, Branch Manager of Chetco Federal Credit Union in Brookings, was the guest speaker at the Port Orford Rotary Club's meeting on Thursday, January 18th. Susan gave an informative presentation about "Identity Theft," a fast growing crime affecting some ten million people in the United States during the year of 2004 at a cost of \$5 billion dollars to consumers. Some basic safety measures were discussed that are designed to guard against this growing crime. A brochure of instruction for protection for the consumer is available at Chetco Federal Credit Union. If you feel that you may have been a victim of identity theft, or if you have questions, you may contact Chetco Federal Credit Union for assistance. To learn more about Rotary, go to [www.portorfordrotary.org](http://www.portorfordrotary.org).

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## Driftwood School News

This past month has been very eventful here at Driftwood School. We are happy that we made it through the recent cold and snow with only two late start days. It is very important to have children in school. Closures because of weather may be fun, but it is always better to be at school. I want to say thank you to everyone for your cooperation and understanding as we started to use the Oregon Street entrance to our school. There have been some small issues, and a few problems to work out, but this change has gone smoothly. I do appreciate the input from community. It does help us, as we can make adjustments and make this change work even better. It is nice to see people come to the office after they enter the building. Knowing who is in the building is a comfort. Blanco and Driftwood Schools are about to start a candy sale fundraiser. This money will be used for a variety of things at the schools. Information will be coming home soon about this. If you have any questions please feel free to contact me at Driftwood School. I am very happy to say that the SMART (Start Making a Reader Today) program has started here at Driftwood. The volunteers spent a morning here training, and last week the children started reading with their volunteers. The volunteers have said it is going very well. The children are very excited about it. I just want to say thank you to Nanci and all of the volunteers for

their dedication and caring that benefits the children of the community.

Working together we can do great things.

## Letter to the Editor,

Mr. Kolen, in his letter to the Editor on January 13th, stated that a good part of the funds allowing for a rate reduction came from cutting nearly \$400,000 from the tree trimming budget. He also states that deferred tree trimming only pushes these costs to the future.

I have not seen Mr. Kolen, a former board member, at any board meetings since the new board members were elected which leads me to believe that he must be getting his information from another source. That source has misinformed Mr. Kolen because the current tree trimming budget is higher than during Mr. Kolen's tenure and NO money was taken from tree trimming to allow a reduction in the Monthly Meter Charge (MMC). The 2007 budget for tree trimming is over \$1,600,000, perhaps the highest it has ever been.

Interestingly enough in September, 2004 when Mr. Kolen was still on the board, tree trimming was curtailed by all sub-contractors to cut expenses. This resulted in a number (6 as I recall, perhaps more) employees of the tree trimming companies being laid-off and the only trimming done was by employees of CCEC.

When three new board members, Gary Schlottmann, John Herzog and Daryl Robison, were elected by the member/owners in June of 2006 they promised to take a look at the MMC rates and try to reduce them if possible. They have lived up to their campaign promises much to the chagrin of certain people.

Don Jenson

## Letter to the Editor,

A big thank you to all our library patrons for your good humor and patience while we are getting used to our new automated on-line library system.

We went "live" on December 15, and the system is now in place at Pacific High School Library and the public libraries in Port Orford, Langlois, Gold Beach and Agness. Purchase of the system was funded by grants from The Collins Foundation, James F. & Marion L. Miller Foundation, Ann & Bill Swindells Charitable Trust, and Verizon Foundation.

After about six weeks' experience, we are finding the new capabilities very satisfying. Some glitches are still being fixed and we expect smoother operation within a month or so. Some patrons are already using the on-line feature to renew their books or place a hold on an item they want that is presently checked out. Please pick up your new library card if you don't have one yet.

We continue to learn how to use the many features in Library.Solution. As we find out more about what it can do, we will pass that information along to you. We are eager to hear your views and are putting a comment box in the library so that you can tell us what you think. If you have questions, please ask us – if we don't know the answer right away, we will do our best to find it out for you – after all, we're librarians, and we are here to serve you.

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### Park Closes for Construction

Tseriadun State Recreation Site in Port Orford will be closed starting Monday, January 22, while the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) constructs an outfall for Garrison Lake to the ocean. The closure is expected to remain in effect until June 30, 2007.

The new drainage system is intended to reduce flooding from the lake's overflow during storms. Past overflows have flooded local areas, breached the spit separating the lake and ocean, and eroded park resources.

A culvert built under the parking lot at the park will carry overflow from the lake to an open stream channel that empties into the ocean. The channel will be lined with river rock to simulate a natural streambed and protected by erosion control measures, such as hydroseeding along its slopes.

Laskey-Clifton of Reedsport is the contractor for the \$1.2 million project, which is being funded by OPRD's share of Oregon Lottery dollars.

Tseriadun State Recreation Site is on the south shore of Garrison Lake just north of Port Orford Heads. OPRD purchased

the 42-acre site, known locally in the past as Agate Beach RV Park, for a day-use beach access in May, 2003.

### Free Folk Music Concert

At 8:00pm Saturday night, January 27, the Biscuit Showroom at Gold Beach Books will feature "The Euchre Creek String Band," led by vocalist Richard Purdy on guitar and harmonica, and featuring vocalist Elaine Dorn on mandolin, with Laurie Dean on guitar. Based in Ophir, the group plays an eclectic mix of original and traditional songs, plus unique arrangements of their favorites. Saturday's performance will include Purdy's hit composition from the 1980's, "The Ballad of D.B. Cooper," which sold thousands of copies nationally, along with other originals, such as "Nesika Wind," plus some new songs they'll play for the first time.

The group donates their music fees and tips toward the music scholarship fund they offer yearly to an outstanding Gold Beach High School music student. Their recent album, "Live at the Biscuit," according to Purdy, "has sold well locally and we have nearly \$500.00 in this year's scholarship fund."

Admission is free and open to all ages. Gold Beach Books is located on Pacific Highway 101 and First Streets in Gold Beach.

### School Board Appreciation

Blanco hosted the January Board meeting and special time was set aside to honor our seven member board, and the place was jammed.

Thank you Blanco Boosters for supplying treats and coffee. All district staff signed cards of thanks for the board, and Sidonie Rhodes added fun to the meeting when she presented special gifts to the board members. Ms. Foster's and Mrs McLeod's students did a fantastic presentation of fun and exciting PE activities. It was a big hit.

School board membership is an elected position with no pay and a ton of responsibility. Their role is to hire and evaluate the superintendent, and set district policy. It takes real dedication to make the sacrifices necessary to keep the district moving.

Thanks to Joe, Virginia, Alan, Liz, Rosaria, John, and Bruce.

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## CLASSIFIED ADS

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**CLASSIFIED ADS** are \$3.50 for the first 25 words or less, and 10¢ each for any additional words. Normal deadline for submission is 3:00pm Tuesday. Downtown Fun Zone, Inc., 832 Hwy 101, Box 49, Port Orford, OR 97465 (541) 332-6565.

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### **Police Report** **by Chief Creighton** **Creighton@popd.org**

01-11 Police were contacted regarding a suspicious female subject watching children when they get off the bus. The case is being investigated and we are attempting to identify this subject.

NOTE: If you see someone loitering about near any homes or children please copy the license number of the vehicle or write down a description of the person, and provide it to the police as soon as possible.

01-12 During a casual contact by police it was determined that Amanda Holmes had an outstanding warrant for her arrest. She was arrested pursuant to a Multnomah County Warrant for Theft II, and was transported to and lodged in the Curry County Jail on the charge.

01-15 In the early evening hours after dark, police located a vehicle parked on Jackson Street, on the wrong side of the street completely blocking the oncom-

ing lane of travel. A witness told police that someone pulled up, unloaded the vehicle from a trailer and then just left it there. Because it was a traffic hazard police impounded the vehicle under city ordinance. The following day the vehicle owner contacted police and advised them they dropped it there because they needed to get the trailer back to the rental company. The driver felt that it was easier to park the vehicle on the city street instead of parking it front of their new home one-half block away. NOTE: The cost of parking illegally is \$175.00 and \$25.00 per day storage.

01-16 At about 12:15am, police responded to Idaho and 12th Street on a report of loud continuous noise from a residence. It was determined the resident was using a gas powered trowl to work on cement. After a brief discussion with police they determined it might be too late to continue the work. No other action taken by police.

01-16 Police responded to Rays Food Place in the early morning hours on an alarm. One of the back doors had been messed with. Police checked the area and did not locate anyone.

01-13 Police responded with Port Orford Rural Fire to a report of a residential fire on Arizona Street. Police stood by to assist fire personnel.

Our department has a reserve who likes to play practical jokes on other employees. He was in the office one day, and I noticed on the table next to him was a metal coffee cup similar to one I have. After he left the office I noticed the coffee cup was still on the table so I thought it was an opportune time to teach him a valuable lesson about playing practical jokes on others, so I went and got a big roll of real sticky tape, and asked the staff if they wanted to help me teach him a lesson. Having been the blunt of several practical jokes by this person they gratefully taped the cup into a large ball for me, and placed it back onto the table where it had been. I

couldn't locate my coffee cup so I thought he might have taken it from the office as a practical joke so I called him on his cell phone and asked him if he knew where his coffee cup was. He told me that he didn't drink coffee.

**CHIEFS NOTE:** I was told that someone on the Jubilee committee had volunteered me to be in a booth where pies are thrown at my face to help raise funds for the fireworks on the fourth of July. Apparently this is what happens when you miss a meeting. Anyway I was told others had been volunteered whom the Jubilee Committee felt would generate a lot of interest for people who would really like to throw a pie in their face such as Mayor Auburn, Councilman Finch, Councilman Abbott, City Administrator Murphy, and of course me. I couldn't understand why they would pick me since everyone likes the police so I asked Frank Smith if he would do it, and of course Frank's head makes a great target, so he graciously volunteered. So even though I'll be the cleanest person there, the others will probably generate enough in an hour to pay for the whole fireworks display for years

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