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In the Spirit of Larry By Evan Kramer

My friend Rick and I took a trip into that area of Oregon located between Highway 38 and Highway 126, the ocean and the I-5 corridor. Ever wonder what that big block of land looks like? This past Sunday we set off from Coos Bay with Rick at the wheel. He likes driving and I call him The Wheelman. We drove to Reedsport and then over the Umpqua River Bridge and then turned right at the Smith River Road (county road 48). The road does what its name implies and follows the Smith River via a two lane paved road. The road parallels a little-used railroad line for the first few miles but to my surprise the railroad line ended at an active mill so there is some economic life left in these woods. After that the road continues on through some beautiful ranching country with many head of cattle looking fat and content eating some very lush looking grass. There is one business on the section of Smith River Road we followed and it is the Smith River Store. It has a single gas pump with numbers only going up to 99.9 cents a gallon so when the pump is operating they use a calculator to figure out what you owe. The owner handed us a great little map of the roads within this block of Oregon.

Later on we passed a ranch with three very impressive large red wooden barns located in a row and we wondered which came first. By this time we were in open range country so kept aware of cows and sheep in the road. Later on during our eastward journey to the Territorial Highway we came upon the Smith River Falls which are stunning. Lots of water going over them and though the drop isn't huge make no mistake it's a real waterfall and worth the drive to see it. Near the falls is a well maintained BLM campground which didn't appear to be open. We continued on and stopped at the Vincent Creek recreation BLM site which was also closed. One of our goals for the day was to stay on Smith River Road to the townsite of Gunter and then over to Territorial Highway to the town of Drain.

Rick made a comment that we were doing the trip in the "spirit of Larry". Larry Thomas was the best friend I ever had and he died four weeks ago at Kaiser Hospital after a nearly eleven month long battle with leukemia. When he was first diagnosed back in March he went into Kaiser for chemo and radiation treatments. Those treatments didn't cure the leukemia so Larry then went for a bone marrow transplant. His brother John was an exact blood match which made that part easier but the bone marrow trans-

plant which was done at the City of Hope Hospital in Duarte was brutal on Larry. He was in a medically induced coma for over a month. Once he came out of the coma he had lost the use of his legs and most of the strength in his hands and arms. He spent the next five months at the City of Hope recovering and began the steps of rehabilitating his body so he could walk and function again and move back to his apartment. Larry's brother John did a heroic job helping Larry and visited him nearly every week. He also kept all of Larry's friends and relatives aware through frequent e-mails of what was going on.

In December the City of Hope released Larry and he was moved to a rehabilitation hospital in West Covina. I saw him for the last time this past January on our way home from the consumer electronics show in Las Vegas. I went out and got the three of us Chinese food for lunch. One thing hadn't changed and that was Larry's good appetite. At the time, I felt his rehabilitation was going too slow, but it didn't occur to me he wouldn't make it. A month later he died at Kaiser Hospital from pneumonia.

Rick's reference to Larry was inspired by all the stories I've been relating to him about Larry and I, or as we called

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H2204 5.9	H2233 6.4	H2303 7.0	H2335 7.6		L1832 0.8	L1912 1.6	L1953 2.4

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ourselves, the urban explorers. We started out tracing and following the old Pacific Electric Red Car lines in the early 1970's and from there progressed into taking train trips including one to New York. Larry was a life long rail fan. He went to work for Amtrak in 1977 in the reservation office and worked in many different positions keeping the trains running in America. He was one of them most valuable and devoted employees working for Amtrak. Later on we spent countless hours observing and taking photos as the LA area built its first rapid transit line since the last streetcar stopped running in 1963. We were there in Carson for the groundbreaking on the Blue Line to Long Beach in 1985.

In 1990 Valerie and I moved to Port Orford but Larry and I continued our urban explorations though less frequently and kept up via the telephone and mail. The Internet was a blessing as we both enjoyed e-mail and communicated much more frequently as Larry was quite a talented and interesting writer. This current decade

was good for the two urban explorers. I got down to Burbank once a year and he would drive us all over all over, looking for buildings of interest while taking lots of photos. On one of our last journeys of urban exploration we stopped at the Fox Wilshire Theater in Beverly Hills and then drove on to Culver City to see the Culver Theater and the Culver City Studios followed by the Forum Theater on Pico. We went over to the Ambassador Hotel on Wilshire Boulevard which was being torn down in order for the LA school district to build three schools. We always made eating out at interesting places part of the journey of exploration and enjoyed eating at Jan's in West Hollywood or in earlier times the Nickodell and the Tick Tock in Hollywood, Leon's in North Hollywood, and Genio's, Albin's, and the Talleyrand in Burbank. What they all had in common was good food and all were independently owned and operated and now most of them are gone.

Valerie has said at times that we choose our friends and not our relatives. Larry was my brother, my best friend and this Friday he would have been 58 years. No doubt if

he was well and up and about he would be going somewhere and doing something fun and taking lots of photos and making sure to share them and his adventures with me and his other friends.

Back in Oregon on Sunday Rick and I continued on but took the wrong fork in the road and ended up on Oxbow Road followed by Wolf Creek Road and came out on 126 just east of Eugene. It wasn't what we planned (I could get lost in a telephone booth) but we had never seen any of the roads we had been on since we left Highway 101 and that made it all worth it. Rick got his nickname The Wheelman from me thanks to driving me down to Burbank and back a month ago for Larry's funeral service. I don't like airports or flying anymore and felt I would be too distracted to drive the 850 miles each way so he took the wheel and we got there and back safely and even did some urban exploring in the LA area and on the drive back home.

Larry would have enjoyed this most recent exploration!



Police Report
 by Chief Creighton
Creighton@popd.org

Anonymous tip Line: 253-6271

03-01 Police received a report of a subject trespassing on private property on King Street. Police located the person and they were given a trespass warning.

03-02 Police located a female subject on 18th Street who was listed as wanted. Bobbi Robson was arrested pursuant to two Curry County Bench Warrants charging probation violation and an order revoking release for improper use of the 911 System, Initiating a false report, and theft III. She was transported to the Curry County Jail and booked on the charges.

03-03 Police received a complaint of an ATV driving up and down streets at night. Police checked the area but could not locate the vehicle.

03-03 Police contacted several persons at a possible party involving under age minors. While at the location, several male subjects were checked and it was determined that one male subject had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. Joseph Greene was arrested pursuant to a warrant out of Coos County Charging Failure to Appear. He was transported to the Curry County Jail and lodged on the warrant.

03-03 Police located a male subject who was listed on a warrant list. Arrested was Nathan Gonzalez for a misdemeanor warrant charging failure to appear. He was



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transported to the Curry County Jail and lodged on the warrant.

03-04 During a routine traffic stop for speeding, police recovered approximately one-half pound of marijuana. Joseph Jamison Hadrion III was arrested, and transported to the Curry County Jail where he was lodged for Possession of Controlled Substance, Delivery of a Controlled Substance, and Manufacture of a Controlled Substance.

03-05 Police received a complaint of an unwanted person beating on the door of a residence on Deady Street. Police arrived and took a report.

03-05 Police responded to a complaint of a dog barking in violation of city ordinance. The dog's owner was contacted and issued a citation to appear in municipal court for dog as a public nuisance.

03-05 Police received a report that items were stolen from an RV at one of the local RV Parks. A report was taken and the case is under investigation.

03-05 Police received a report of Burglary and Theft of money from a home. The case is under investigation. Anyone having knowledge of a suspicious person

with an unusually large amount of coins contact the Police at 332-9013, or the anonymous tip line.

03-06 Police were dispatched to a residence on Idaho Street in reference to a possible domestic assault. It was determined that a male and female were arguing over the length of time it took to cook biscuits'. Both were warned to be more quite or they would be charged with disorderly conduct.

NOTE: biscuits should be cooked at 375 degrees for 8 to 10 minutes, and no longer.

03-07 Police responded to assist Curry County Sheriff's Department on a complaint of a fight in progress on Salal Drive. Police assisted and the case was handled by a Sheriff's Deputy.

03-07 Police responded to a fight in progress on Idaho Street. The parties were contacted and police determined it was an argument over an old girlfriend. All were warned for disorderly conduct if further incidents occurred.

03-07 Police took a harassment complaint stemming from Coos County. The parties were advised to file a restraining order.

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Letter to the Editor,

My husband and I recently joined the Sixes River Grange for several reasons. Not the least of which is the books I've reviewed about how and why National Grange started. I was moved and inspired by the thoughtful, sometimes brilliant, words spoken by different leaders, at different times.

The country's wounds from the Civil War were in need of healing. The Ku Klux Klan started in 1866 for the purpose of preventing that healing, and to keep segregation alive. The Granges started in 1867 for the purpose of helping beleaguered Northern and Southern farmers, whose land, and sometimes bodies, had been devastated by the war.

Oliver Hudson Kelley, commissioned by President Andrew Johnson to research the

aftermath of the war, organized the Order of Patrons of Husbandry, better known today as the National Grange. Six other men, with Irish names, and agricultural backgrounds joined with him. These men formed a fraternal organization that was open equally to women and men in order to extend a hand of friendship to farmers and rural people and, "to restore kindly feelings among the people." The goal was to provide food for a nation working on Reconstruction.

And 1874, seven years later, there were 268,368 dues paying members. Today there are more than 300,000 members in 3,600 communities and we are looking for others who are interested in working for the betterment of the community and those interested in a prosperous agricultural economy either as producers or consumers.

With depleting oil and rising gas prices, local farming looks like a good thing to support. We're looking forward to helping the Sixes River Grange grow and to invite neighbors and friends to join. The Grange states: "We heartily endorse the motto: *In essentials, UNITY; in non-essentials, LIBERTY; and in all things, CHARITY.*"

Come learn more about the Grange on March 17, Saint Patrick's Day, and enjoy a fabulous meal and an Irish celebration at 5:00pm. Check out a brief history of the Grange at: www.geocities.com/cannonongranger/cannon_nationalhistory.html or email me at zenagin@harborside.com or Linda Valet Hammerberg at lvalet09@yahoo.com.

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Nesting Season

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After March 15, ropes and posts will be used to protect snowy plover nests, eggs and chicks, and restrict access to dry sand portions of certain beaches. In these areas, only the wet sand portion of the beach will be accessible to beachgoers. Approximately 18 miles of beach in Oregon are affected by plover recovery efforts.

Dry-sand protection efforts will be in effect for habitat sites at Sutton Beach, Siltcoos Estuary, Oregon Dunes Overlook, Tahkenitch Estuary, Tenmile Estuary (northern Coos County), the North Spit of Coos Bay; Bandon Beach State Natural Area and New River area beaches.

The number of plover young that hatch and survive continues to improve each year, thanks in part to the public's willingness to comply with the beach restrictions. The public can continue to help by staying back from roped areas and leashing dogs while on the beach this nesting season.

"Visitors doing their part to avoid plover areas and keeping their dogs on a leash

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while they are near plover habitat has been very helpful. These small measures greatly improve a snowy plover's chance of surviving," said Siuslaw National Forest Biologist Cindy Burns.

The Pacific coast population of the western snowy plover was listed by the United States Fish and Wildlife Service as threatened in 1993. The primary threats to the snowy plover are habitat degradation caused by human disturbance, urban development, introduced European beachgrass, and predators such as crows, ravens, foxes and skunks.

More information about sensitive plover habitat and targeted beach restrictions can be obtained from the Forest Service, 541-902-8526, or the BLM, 541-756-0100.

Library Will Be Closed

The Port Orford Library will be closed on Wednesday, March 21, for staff training.

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Letter to the Editor,

The letter written by newly elected Curry County Commissioner Georgia Nowlin reflects an astonishing ignorance and inability to assimilate and understand information in a calm, level-headed manner. Her attempts to achieve heroine status and spread hysteria with her constituents would be more appropriate on the Jerry Springer show. If she had paid any attention to what the CCEC board has been saying, there is a remote possibility she would have a better understanding of the situation concerning the transmission line before stampeding her constituents into a 12-15 million dollar debt needlessly.

Fact- The CCEC board has not flatly rejected building the transmission line. They have simply said the existing facts do not support the construction, and an independent study needs to be done before committing all members to another 12-15 million dollars of debt. This is in

addition to the 28 million in debt CCEC has already run up. One existing credible study that CCEC management has chosen to ignore, shows the existing lines will serve Brookings until 2034 with minor upgrades and routine maintenance. Any intelligent, rational person would agree this certainly deserves more study.

Fact- The CCEC board is only requiring a few jobs that have been removed from Port Orford CCEC headquarters be returned. This is another source of hysteria, with the spin doctors trying to create the illusion the Brookings office will become a ghost town.

Fact- The tree trimming budget has not been reduced, jeopardizing Brookings service.

It is high time CCEC members started to think about the real reasons this line is being pushed by CCEC management and defeated board members so heavily. It doesn't take a rocket scientist to figure

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out that our large neighbor directly to the south in California is the one who needs the energy more than Brookings. Their power is supplied by Pacific Power and Light (PP&L – part of PacifiCorp and Mid-America Energy, a multi billion dollar energy giant). PP&L controls power distribution on CCEC northern and southern borders. Might they just possibly want to come through CCEC territory with a high capacity line to serve power hungry California? Or possibly acquire CCEC? The present CCEC manager is very familiar with PP&L, having been in their employ. What can he tell us about this scenario? Why wouldn't PP&L offer to put in the line? They could do it out of their petty cash drawer. What about the Brookings developers who want the Gold Beach line moved off their property to enhance their ocean view property values? Does Dave Itzen's CCEC board resignation have anything to do with his application for prop 37 development of his property? These are the questions that the CCEC members need to be asking Nowlin and CCEC management. Don't hold your breath waiting for straight answers.

George Welch, Sixes

HIV Testing Day

Friday, March 23 is HIV Testing Day in Curry County. The test will be given at the three health department buildings including the one in Port Orford at 1403 N. Oregon Street, from noon to 2:00pm. The test is anonymous, free and uses no needles. Results are ready in 20 minutes. For more information contact the Curry County Health Department at 541-247-3300 or Mary Murphy at the HIV Resource Center at 1-877-440-2761.

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Parks Commission News By Jay Stoler

After a two-week debacle over the "Nature Trail" portion of Buffington Park, it now seems as though the dust has settled, at least for the moment, and the Commission is taking care of business in an orderly manner.

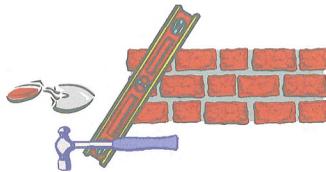
Tuesday night's meeting was just under an hour long, but much ground was covered discussing the many assets and features of Buffington Park and how they were being cared for, and some concerns and ideas from citizens were heard.

There were nearly two-dozen people including the Commission. Mayor Auburn and Administrator Murphy were in attendance as were several young families with children and some skateboard park representatives and other interested citizens.

Council liaison Jake Marshall was absent, and the resignation of former Secretary Millie North became permanent and she will not be retuning. Visitor's Center and Chamber volunteer Elaina Bailey was appointed by the Commission to take the meeting minutes.

The following issues were discussed:

Stacy Romele suggested that a group of citizens might be interested in "adopting" a golf hole at the miniature golf course in Buffington Park. Romele said that even more citizens could be encouraged and



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the whole community could be involved. Her idea would include a 10 x 12 storage building and perhaps even a solar lighting system. Romele will bring more detailed plans to a future Parks meeting. The idea was well received by the Commission, and audience members, as the aging course needs some TLC and caretakers to look after it.

Brenda Dell told the Commission that the skateboarders did not want to form a 501 (c) (3), not-for-profit organization and would require a line item be added to the Parks budget for the channeling of the funds for the proposed upgrades. Dell says that if all goes well, the new addition could be after July 4th. The Commission will seek approval from the Council to add the line.

Commissioner Jodi Bulaich said she is moving ahead with obtaining a \$45,000 grant for proposed upgrades to the Horse Arena and is also attending the Pacific Wind Riders horse association meetings.

Commissioner Mark Murray reported that postcards and Cape Blanco spoons have now been added to the Visitor's Center.

Boomer Dormody said there were five more leaks in the metal roof at the Community Building. Dormody is with the Arts Council, the group that manages the building for the city. Commissioners said they would seek some assistance from city staff.

Chairman Jim Billings said that there were also leaks and roof rot at the A-frame, another city building in Buffington Park, used mostly by North Curry Family's and Children's Center. Commissioner Joanne Ruoff said she had several bids on a new roof. Commissioner Jodi Bulaich, a real estate broker, said she had a client who was a licensed and bonded roofer who wanted to donate a new roof to the A-Frame. The Commission will investigate the offer and the bids.

Jim Billings announced that annual Beach Cleanup will be on Saturday, March 24, 2007 from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm.

The Commission will advertise for a new Parks Commissioner to fill the recent vacancy. Interested persons need to fill out a volunteer form available at City Hall.

The Port Orford Parks Commission meets on the first Tuesday of the month at 7:00 pm in City Hall.



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Chief Sells Plan to Committee By Jay Stoler

After a bit of resistance and asking to be “sold,” Councilors Steve Abbott and John Hewitt had a lot of questions for Chief Creighton because he is asking for a specific, dedicated line item to be added to the police department budget for donations to help conduct drug busts.

At times perplexed, the Chief said he had a hard time believing that two City Councilors would be resistant to drug enforcement efforts.

Both Abbott and Hewitt reassured the Chief that they were not “pushing” him or resistant to the law enforcement efforts, they just needed to know why a separate line item was needed and some more specifics on how it would be used. Councilor Hewitt also wanted to know why it needed to be anonymous.

Answering all of the Councilors concerns the Chief told the committee that “we need to get this program started.”

The Chief said we have bad drug problems in Port Orford and that the only way to effectively combat it is to conduct busts and that takes money, some of which is not recovered.

The Chief pointed out that there are citizens who would be willing to donate to a dedicated line item, but not to a general fund item.

The Chief then went over a step-by-step explanation of how the whole bust operation works and that Bandon and Brookings have programs and are willing to help, but Port Orford needs to raise its own funds.

The Chief said there is already \$5,000 in the budget to fight this kind of crime, but with a dedicated line item he felt a substantial amount more could be raised.

After nearly a half-hour of question and answers Councilors Abbott and Hewitt seemed to understand the Chief’s request. Jim Campbell, chairman of the committee said he agreed with the Chief. This will be brought up at the next council meeting.

The committee also discussed some possible resistance to 13th street becoming one-way. Mike Murphy said he was going to attend a meeting at the school to clarify their position.

The committee worked on the council rules governing the municipal Judge and changed several words from “may” to “shall” meaning that the council will set the fines.

Pinewood Derby Schedule

March 24, 9:00 am: Weigh in for Cub Scouts’ cars. 10:00 am: Cub Scouts’ race begins. Noon: Hot dog, chips, and punch lunch will be available for purchase. 1:00 pm: Weigh in for Community and Business cars. Community and Business Race to follow

Wheel bearings, washers, and bushings are prohibited. The car shall not ride on springs. Only official Cub Scout Grand Prix Pinewood Derby wheels and axles are permitted. Details, such as steering wheel and driver are permissible as long as these details do not exceed the maximum length, width, and weight specifications. The car must be free-wheeling, with no starting devices. Each car must pass inspection by the Official Inspection Committee before it may compete. If, at registration, a car does not pass inspection, the owner will be informed of the reason for failure and will be given

time within the official weigh-in time period to make the adjustment. After final approval, cars will not be re-inspected unless the car is damaged in handling or in a race. Thank you for supporting Port Orford’s youth. If you have any questions, please contact Esther Donaldson at 348-2242.

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High Speed Internet By Valerie Jean Kramer

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Our game plan is simple and fairly obvious. In essence, we plan to bring a high-speed data connection "pipe" into the Downtown Fun Zone building. We will connect it to a radio transceiver that will transmit the signal up to either Coast Guard Hill or Deady Street. (Eventually we would like to use both of these locations and others.) There the signal will be coupled to a different radio that will repeat the signal. Each customer will need a radio/antenna system which connect to their personal computer equipment and link them to the repeater. Customers need to have a reasonably clear line of sight to the repeater in order to get service. Placing the repeater high on a hilltop makes it visible to many more potential customers.

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We will try to keep you posted via articles in this paper. Meanwhile if you have questions, please email powisp@gmail.com. Thank you.

Port Orford Blood Drive

Please give blood to the Port Orford Community Blood Drive on Monday, March 19, from 1:00-6:00pm at the Port Orford Christian Center. To schedule your appointment or for more information, contact 1-800-448-3543. Donor identification is required prior to donating blood. Learn more at www.HelpSaveALife.org.



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Letter to the Editor,

On Sunday, February 25th at approximately 2:30 P.M. all consumers from Gold Beach to Brookings/Harbor experienced a power outage. There is a lack of information where the outage originated. The outage occurred when lightning flashed over to a string of insulators on the Bonneville Transmission line, approximately two or three miles north of Gold Beach, which in turn relayed both of the Coos-Curry transmission lines going south from Gold Beach. Coos-Curry employees, working with Bonneville Power Administration (BPA) switched the entire load to the # 2 line that feeds Harbor and were able to restore service to all consumers in approximately 55 minutes. In other words, one transmission line, the # 2 line, carried the entire load from Gold Beach south to Brookings/Harbor from Sunday afternoon until Tuesday morning.

Recent concerns have been expressed from a few members in the Bookings/Harbor area regarding the abilities of these lines to carry the load. They feel an upgrade in the sum of twelve million dollars is needed immediately. The existing transmission lines are more than capable of not only carrying the present load in

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The present board of directors are doing an excellent job of representing the entire CCEC service area and are being prudent with our consumer dollars. The present board will not rubber stamp all of management wishes therefore helping to reduce debt load, but at the same time this board will not jeopardize the strength and stability of the infrastructure of CCEC.

As an employee of CCEC for thirty eight years I can speak with experience and knowledge that a change of the guard was necessary. Let these capable, hon-



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est, and caring board members continue doing their job.

Terry Timeus
Retired lineman/foreman

Letter to the Editor,

The families of the F/V Ash would like to thank the community for the overwhelming support that has been given to us all during this very difficult time. From the very moment of the boat wreck people were there to help, and they have stayed with us to hold our hand as we try to adjust to our new lives. During this time of pain, it is comforting to know that so many people loved and cared for our men, and continue to love and care for us. Please know that the community's extreme generosity will always be remembered in our hearts.

Cecil Ashdown, Jamie Justices,
Lisa Purkey and Jean Bennett



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Representative Peter DeFazio sent out a press release on March 8 announcing a one year reauthorization of the Secure Rural Schools and Community Self-Determination Act has been included in the Emergency Supplemental funding bill.

Federal tax payments to the counties totaled \$280 for 33 of Oregon's 36 counties. The money is used for schools, roads, law enforcement and many other activities in the general fund. The reauthorization this year is for \$400 million for all the states involved in the program, which is \$80 million less than last year.

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If you have an interest in volunteering, please pick up an application at City Hall, 555 20th St., Port Orford, or e-mail bev@portorford.org for an electronic copy of the application.

Letters of application may be mailed or brought to City Hall, PO Box 310, 555 W. 20th, Port Orford, OR 97465, ATTN: Mayor Auburn, or e-mailed to auborn@aol.com

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NEW VIDEOS: "National Lampoon's Spring Break", "Barbie Fairytopia: Magic of the Rainbow", "Pope John Paul 2", "A Little Trip to Heaven", "Blood Trails", "The Holiday", "Shortbus", "Sublime", "Dukes of Hazzard, The Beginning", and the newest James Bond, "Casino Royale". Please remember items are due back by 3:30pm the next business day. Reservations must be prepaid so cannot be taken over the phone. Downtown Fun Zone, Inc. Open 9:30-6 Mon-Thurs and 9:30-7 Friday and Saturday. Closed Sundays.

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SMART (Start Making A Reader Today) is a reading and book program for K-3rd grade students who read one on one with a volunteer for an hour twice a week. The students also get to take home a brand new book twice a month to start their own home library. We have 16 volunteers to read with our 16 students and everyone is so excited to be a part of this. In order to continue this program, we need the community's support.

So mark your calendars for Saturday, April 14 from 9:00am – 3:00pm at the Port Orford Senior Center, 1536 Jackson St. Please drop by and have some pie and ice cream, spend some money, enjoy entertainment by local musicians and help us continue this valuable reading program. All purchases are tax-deductible and all proceeds will benefit the Driftwood Elementary SMART Program.

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Arts Council TLT Grant

The Port Orford Arts Council has received notice that the City of Port Orford has granted it \$4,000 of TLT funds. Half of the money will go toward the Second Annual Port-Orford-cedar Expo, which will be held during Memorial Day weekend, and is co-sponsored by the City of Port Orford. The other half of the money will go toward the Labor Day weekend Arts & Seafood Festival. The Arts Council would like to express its appreciation to the TLT Committee and Port Orford City Council for their generous contribution.

POAC is celebrating its 30th anniversary this year, and has been presenting Native American activities for the past three years. We would like to thank the Coquille Indian Tribal Community Fund for their continuing support, which includes a \$4,000 grant this year as part of the \$634,148 in grants awarded this year. For organizations wishing to be considered for the next round of funding, the deadline for applications is August 31. For more information, visit the Fund's website at www.coquilletribalfund.org.

The Arts Council is still taking applications for vendors and artists who wish to participate in the upcoming Port-Orford-cedar Expo. Please contact us at 541-332-0487, www.portorfordart.org, or www.cedarexpo.com if you wish to participate or be a sponsor.

You're Invited!

You're invited to Listen, Envision and Act to Increase Prosperity (LEAP). Join us for a community rally on Friday, March 16, from 5:18-9:00pm at the Port Orford Senior Center. A free dinner will be served.

How do we make our community great? David Beurle, internationally famous community and economic development expert from Australia will facilitate the evening program with Rural Development Initiatives. Over the past decade David has helped many rural communities in

Australia and the USA turn their visions into reality.

A better community is a LEAP away.

Letter to the Editor,

Early last Friday morning we discovered our water pressure was low. The neighbor across the street called to say the water was running off the street into her yard.

Water was bubbling through a section of the ground and edge of the street. The neighbor called our City Public Works crew. Their response was prompt. After determining the problem, proper equipment was brought and then very professionally and quickly the leak was repaired.

Thanks fellows,

Bessie Laursen

Water Rate Public Hearing

On Monday, March 19 at 6:30pm in the Gable Chambers the Port Orford City Council will hold a Public Hearing to propose and take comments from the public regarding an increase in the water rates. The new rate schedule will be in the form of a resolution.

Copies of the rate study used to develop the schedule, the minutes of the previous Public Workshop Meeting held on March 1, and the new rates with examples are available at City Hall, in the Library and on the website at www.portorford.org under "Proposed New Water Rates" for your review.

City Council Meets

The Port Orford City Council meets on Monday, March 19, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers. They hold a water rate study workshop prior to the regular meeting starting at 6:30pm.

Port Commission Meeting

The Port of Port Orford Commission meets on Tuesday, March 20, 7:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

March Artist's Showcase

March's Artists Showcase will be held on Sunday, March 25 from 2-5pm at the Port Orford Arts Council Office at Seaside Plaza, 1320 Hwy 101, Suite E.

George Vrana will show a variety of wooden relief carvings. Some are reminiscent of mandalas and sacred geometry. Others portray inspirational themes, and one is based on a Tlingit myth.

Zora Redwing show mixed media collages, inspired by her own dream work, her interest in other cultures and mythology. Both artists will be present to answer questions about their work.

Come browse and enjoy free refreshments. For more info, contact POAC at www.portorfordart.org or 332-0487.

Pig Raffle

The Pacific High School agri-science class is having a pig raffle. There will be three chances to win half of a pig. Only 250 tickets will be sold at \$10 for one and \$18 for two. The ticket drawing will be on April 20. The proceeds will go toward future agri-science classes. Tickets can be purchased at Pacific High School, Langlois Market, McNair True Value in Port Orford and Highway 101 Liquor Store in Port Orford. For more information e-mail pigs@2cj.com or call 253-7557.

Headstart Thanks You

Headstart students and parents would like to thank Port Orford residents for their donations to our "penny drive". We are collecting pennies – new and old, shiny or dull – to help raise money for field trips and graduation. A very heartfelt thank you to the businesses that have allowed us to display our collection cans. You can drop your pennies off at The Downtown Fun Zone, Wild Wind Café, Sterling Bank, Chetco Federal Credit Union, True Value, Savoy Theater, Paradise Café, or the Post Office. Headstart kids graduate on May 24.