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**Port Orford Cedar EXPO
Memorial Day Weekend
May 26 & 27
9 - 5 Daily**

Port Orford Cedar Expo By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council met on Monday and heard from Candy Will, representing Curry Transfer and Recycle (CTR) who spoke to the council about the company's annual CPI (consumer price index) rate adjustment scheduled for July 2007. Will said that CTR was eligible for the CPI rate adjustment every year and asked for council approval.

The council had read city administrator Mike Murphy's report and councilor John Hewitt pointed out the city needed to do something about the water loss which approached 64% last month. The figures were 6,345,000 sent to the water treatment plant; the city metered 2,006,010 gallons of water and used 312,000 gallons for backwashing the filters. They can account for 36.5% of the water while losing 63.5%! Murphy later told the council that American Leak Detection would begin their testing of the city's water system for leaks the week of June 4, weather permitting.

Police Chief Mark Creighton said the toughest part of his job is providing twenty four hour police coverage, seven days a week with three police officers and four reserve officers. He thanked them all for their efforts including officers Scott Halse,

John Fink and police/court clerk Pattie Barnes who were present at the meeting. The department provides 24/7 coverage for emergency calls with two officers always on call to respond.

Creighton spoke about the city burn pile and said it will possibly be open on Saturdays from 8:00am to 1:00pm on low wind days. This is based on city councilor Jake Marshall donating his time to supervise the burn pile. Marshall has extensive fire fighting experience. He will also monitor the contents of what people bring in to burn as well as the amount burned and stay with the pile while it is burning.

Creighton said the Bandon Police Department had donated a vehicle from their Explorer program plus a police dog to the Port Orford Department. Police reserve officer Tom Forgatsch will keep the drug sniffing dog at his house. Creighton said methamphetamine is the biggest single drug problem with 90% of it coming up from Mexico.

The planning commission will continue their work on the Phase II Refinement Plan on Tuesday, May 29, 7:00pm, in the council chambers. The public hearing is over but letters are still being accepted.

City council liaison to the chamber of commerce John Hewitt spoke about this weekend's Port Orford Cedar Expo. He

noted there would also be a wool and fiber festival this weekend in Langlois. So get on out and enjoy all the area offers this Memorial Day weekend.

The council adopted a tree cutting policy on city rights of way by motion on unanimous vote. "Trees less than eight feet high, and/or less than three inches in diameter at breast may be removed without further consideration, if removal is to enhance visibility, improve ability to perform other work tasks, or for similar reasons."

The council adopted Resolution 2007-11, setting planning fees. The biggest change is in the amount for an appeal to the city council by a standing applicant. Mayor Jim Auburn said the city needed to cover the costs of the planning department.

The council adopted Resolution 2007-16 on a motion by councilor Milton Finch. This makes the city council a co-sponsor of the Fourth of July Jubilee. The Resolution was amended to say "except for fireworks" and passed. Mike Murphy said the city insurance carrier cannot provide insurance for the fireworks.

The Mayor began to discuss the city writing a letter of opposition to the Oregon Department of Transportation opposing the parking lot in front of Driftwood School. But that discussion ground to

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a quick halt when Port Orford-Langlois School District Maintenance and Transportation supervisor John Penifold said the parking lot was off the table because of the amount of opposition to it. An alternative is making Thirteenth, Tichenor and Fourteenth Streets one way and this is supported by Chief Creighton.

The council approved the lengthy consent calendar by motion. It included a proclamation for a National Clean Beaches Week, approving CTR's yearly CPI increase of 3.2% and an appoint of Millie North to the parks commission and Karen Auburn to the Transient Lodging Tax committee.

Brenda Dell spoke under citizen's concerns at the end of the meeting. Dell said she was concerned about the burn pile which has been abused in the past. She said she hated to see it start up again saying she could smell it from her house and has been forced indoors by the smell and smoke. She spoke about the health issues involved with the burn pile. She asked the council to think about how

they were going to handle it. She also noted the large amount of gorse growing adjacent to the city yard and that it needs to be monitored. Councilor Jake Marshall emphasized to Dell that the burn pile would be done in a controlled manner. Marshall will be on the lookout for things being brought in to the pile that are inappropriate like poison ivy, grass clippings and non organic materials.

Mike Murphy will write a press release about the burn pile with all the details like when it will be open, what can be burned, etc. Look for it in next week's local papers.

Cedar Expo

The Second Annual Port-Orford-cedar Expo will be held on Saturday May 26 and Sunday May 27 at the Community Center/American Legion Building in Port Orford. The Expo, which runs from 9AM - 5 PM both days, celebrates the Port-Orford-cedar, which is indigenous to the southwest Oregon coast, and which was named for the town of Port Orford. The event includes a juried art show, speakers,

vendors, musical entertainment, raffles, food, and an artists' reception.

Fine Arts and Crafts in three categories will be on display: 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. Each category's winner will receive a prize of \$250. Judges and artists will be introduced and the prizes awarded at a catered Artists Reception on Sunday afternoon from 3 - 5 PM.

On Saturday there will be presentations by Frank Betlejewski, forester and silviculturist for the SW Oregon Forest Insect and Disease Center, and Rick Hazard from Cedar Grove Farm. There is a panel discussion scheduled for Sunday with Jerry Becker from the Friends of Elk River and the Elk River Land Trust, Jim Rogers from the Copper Salmon Wilderness Preserves, and Chris

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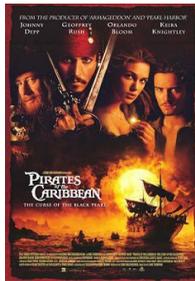
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Johns from the Curry County Watershed Council. Also on Sunday, wood craftsman Boomer Dormody will discuss "Principles and Practice of Sculpting" with Port-Orford-cedar. There will be wood carving demonstrations as well, by Phyllis Johns and Brenda Mitchell on Saturday, and by Bill Hannah on Sunday.

Guest artists will perform on instruments made of Port-Orford-cedar. Sherrie and Gary Kuhl, Native American Flute Artists, will play on Saturday afternoon, and Flamenco guitarist Grant Ruiz will perform on Sunday afternoon. These performances are free to Expo attendees. Saturday evening there will be a concert by the Dark Rose Trio, which includes Grant Ruiz. Tickets are \$10 and will be for sale at the Expo. There will also be a performance by Grammy Nominee Gentle Thunder on Hammered Dulcimer and Native American Flute on Sunday night. Tickets are \$10; seating is limited, and we expect this event to be sold out by Memorial Day weekend.

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and a number of vendors, including Gold Coast Soap, Wendell Bird, and Dean Caldwell, will be selling items made at least in part from Port-Orford-cedar. Port-Orford-cedar Expo t-shirts, pins, magnets, and postcards will also be on sale.

Admission to the event is free for children and a \$1.00 donation for adults. Everyone paying \$1.00 will get a raffle ticket good for hourly raffles of Port-Orford-cedar Expo t-shirts or potted Port-Orford-cedar tree seedlings. Extra tickets will also be available for sale, and there will be a final raffle on Sunday at the Artists Reception for such larger prizes as gift certificates for jet boat rides, family passes to Prehistoric Gardens, coupons for free pizzas or dinner for two, and a "fan" bag of goodies for sports enthusiasts. All attendees will be eligible for this drawing.

Primary event sponsors are the Port Orford Arts Council and the City of Port Orford, but there are also a number of local sponsors, including KCBY TV, the Port Orford and North Curry County Chamber of Commerce, Jerry's Rogue Jets, Prehistoric Gardens, Chetco Federal Credit Union, the Wooden Nickel, Sterling Savings Bank, Coos Curry Electric Cooperative, Port & Starboard, and the

Coquille Tribal Community Fund. The Community Center /American Legion Building is at 419 - 11th Street (turn east off Hwy 101 at 11th), and parking is free. For further info call 541-332-0487 or go on line at www.cedarexpo.com or www.portorfordart.org.

Wool and Fiber Festival

Wild Rivers Wool invites you to stop and enjoy the first Annual Wild Rivers Wool & Fiber Festival on May 26 & 27 from 10:00 am to 4:00pm. The festival will be located across from Langlois Market in Langlois. Spinning, weaving, felting, wool carding & combing demonstrations will be on-going all weekend. Come see a piece of the past with an Antique Sock Machine and the Great Walking Wheel at work. A variety of local wool and fiber items will be on display. The owners of The Wild Rivers Wool Factory, Sandra McDonald and Cynthia Schaumburg invite artists to come and share their craft with the visiting public. For More Information, Contact: Sandra McDonald @ 348-2550 or Cynthia Schaumburg @ 348-2911. Langlois is centrally located on Hwy 101, half way between Bandon and PortOrford on America's Wild Rivers Coast.

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PHS Graduation Ceremony

The graduation ceremony for the Pacific High School Class of 2007 will be held at 7 PM Friday, June 1st, in the school's gymnasium. Graduates will march to the stage with processional music performed by the Blanco/Driftwood Middle School Band under the direction of Mr. William Jarvis. Peter Wayrynen, class president, will deliver a welcoming speech and the salutatory address. After a musical presentation, valedictorians Jody Lang, Thomas Manning, and Benjamin House will deliver the valedictory address, then past 2CJ Board Chair, Virginia Hughes, will present the commencement address. Scholarship presentations will follow, then Superintendent/Principal Ruby Price will present the graduating class to 2CJ Board Chair, Joe Brown.

Seven of the twenty-nine PHS graduates have earned a Certificate of Initial Mastery, and fourteen students have been designated "Honor Graduates" for having maintained a 3.00 GPA+ or better throughout high school.

Graduates include

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County Emergency By Jay Stoler

“We are not in control of our lives,” said Marlyn Schafer, Chairperson of the Board of Curry Commissioners at the board regular meeting Monday, May 21.

Schafer’s comments came during a discussion by the Commissioners on whether to declare a State of Emergency in Curry County after the May 15, tax levy failed and the county will have to lay off multitudes of workers.

Schafer also referred to citizens in a general way, saying, “They only have a little control over their life.” “It’s really difficult for me,” Schafer continued, “Hopefully the government will come through.” She was referring to the O & C money which has recently been vetoed out of a bill to the President on Capitol Hill, but could still possibly come through.

“Without this funding, Curry County will be a different place,” said Lucie LaBonte.

LaBonte also said, “we now have a clear direction from the people, I will work to save as many jobs as possible and con-

tinue daily contacts with congressional staff in hopes that funding will come from somewhere, anywhere, before the county undergoes a 68% cut of General Fund services.

Marlyn Schafer said we may have to rely on the National Guard and Coast Guard because all or most of the Sheriff’s patrol deputies will be cut, and likewise with four other Southwestern Oregon counties.

Other discussion contained references to the leaders and President in Washington possibly not believing this was a real emergency.

“It is a real emergency,” said Schafer.

Commissioner Georgia Nowlin asked for clarification on the fact that the Emergency wouldn’t really go into effect until July 1, the beginning of the new fiscal year.

Schafer agreed on that and said, “Might as well see if we can get noticed by the Governor.

Schafer read the declaration and then LaBonte moved and Nowlin made a second and it was a unanimous unnumbered Resolution of Declaration of Emergency for Curry County, starting in July.

Wilderness Stroll

Walt Schroeder and Fred Bowen of Curry General Hospital’s Sole Pursuits program will guide wilderness visitors past an historic mining site and a pristine lake on the annual trek to view the *Kalmiopsis leachiana*, a rare rhodie-like pink blossom with roots in the prehistoric era, Saturday, June 2.

Carpools will form at 8:30 a.m., at the Southwestern Oregon Community College campus parking lot in Brookings, 420 Alder St. The program is free and open to the public. The group will caravan to the trailhead.

Following a rugged, two-hour drive into the Kalmiopsis Wilderness, hikers can expect to view mountains, valleys, chrome mining debris, an ancient weeping spruce and a patch or two of the unique Cobra lily.

Bowen, longtime Gold Beach botanist and retired science teacher, will guide the group to the best locations to observe the famous *Kalmiopsis leachiana*. Discovered by Portland-based botanists in the 1920s, the species was in full bloom during last year’s jaunt.

Also this year, Brookings rancher Keith Smith will be on hand to discuss his recollections and knowledge of the Gardner Mine. He was hired to do excavation work at the mine just prior to the area’s federal wilderness designation in the early 1960s.

The trek is rated moderately challenging. The beginning of the route is fairly level, but seasoned hikers can continue past the mine to Vulcan Lake for a more advanced hike with dips and rises in elevation.

Hikers can pre-register at any office of Southwestern Oregon Community College, or just show up at the SOCC parking lot. For more information, email Cathy Boden, coordinator at solepursuits@curryhealthnetwork.com or phone her at (541) 332-5039.

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Many people feel "putting her down" was all you could do, but honestly, you could have waited until a veterinarian could have shown up to make sure of the condition. Medication could have been administered to calm her and ease the pain. But to shoot her in front of family's, etc.? Your daughter and her friend are complaining of now having to pay \$1500.00 because the horse had to be moved from the beach?

Oh, one last thing....after the mare and her foal were shot, I noticed the foal moving around and stop. Also, after she fell to the ground, I noticed just how emaciated she was. Why?

J. MacDonnell

Letter to the Editor,

We are sorry for the "heart-felt" inner pain that your family's experiencing over the demise of your beautiful mare and her foal, but this incident didn't have to happen.

Knowledge and experience should have told you, "Don't ever race a pregnant mare, especially as far along as she was... Why in the world would you want to? This was not right! No one has the right to continually hit a horse to make it run fast!! Your mare was due in a couple of months....I've been around horse's all my life.

Some individuals feel that horses are dumb and stupid. Well, they aren't! This poor mare was probably attempting to protect her foal as any mother would and racing her was wrong! Now both are dead and for what? I do not know the rider, but I do know from what I witnessed and that was cruelty to both horses. First of all, taking both horses way into the surf, to the large rock formations at the Port Beach. How are the horses supposed to tell you, "We don't want to go out that far". Then what we all witnessed was a very young rider hitting continually the hind quarters, etc., extremely hard to make the horse run faster and faster! With her foal inside her

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Police Report
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05-11 Police responded to Rocky Point on a call of a person in the water. Assisting Curry County Sheriff's Office the area was checked. The complainant advised they thought they heard someone scream and saw a person in the water. Curry County Search and Rescue was contacted as well as the US Coast Guard who responded by helicopter. The area was checked and no one was located.

05-13 Police assisted Curry County Sheriff's Office in the early morning hours on a DUII investigation they were conducting. Michael Davis was arrested and taken to the Curry County Jail by the deputy.

Apparently the price of fuel has not had an effect on speeders, so this week there are four speeders of the week: (1) Driver traveling 58 mph in a 30 advised police they were just coasting through (I wonder how fast they were going when they started coasting?) (2) Semi Tractor traveling 51 in a 30 stated he was concentrating on other things because his dog was on his lap and he dropped a napkin

(Must also have been eating?) (3) Driver at 52 in a 30 stated could not understand English but was able to say the speed signs were all hidden from view and (4) Driver at 58 in a 30 stated he was on his cellular phone (which apparently was more important then paying attention to the roadway).

05-17 Police stopped a vehicle for a minor traffic violation. The driver was issued a citation for Driving While Suspended, and No Proof of Insurance. The vehicle was impounded pursuant to city ordinance.

05-17 Police and Port Orford Rural Ambulance responded to a vehicle crash on Jackson Street and Highway 101. Both vehicles were towed from the scene.

05-18 Police made contact with a male subject wanted out of Linn County. Billy Jack Wilson was arrested pursuant to a Linn County Warrant charging Failure to Appear for Attempting to Elude Police.

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Chiefs Note: Remember the stop signs will be up on June 21 at the intersection of Jackson Street and 18th Street so use some caution when your traveling that street until everyone gets used to the signs posted there. The officers are also working seat belt violations so remember to buckle up. Summer is upon us so remember to drive defensively and have fun.

Animation Hits Port Orford!

Join Joel Foster and Ryan Page at the theatrical premiere of their award winning animated short films on June 2 at the Savoy Theater, at 2:00pm. Recent graduates of Cogswell College, these animation majors have garnered much praise from critics and peers for their innovative ideas and unpredictable humor. Demonstration of the animation process will follow the films. This G-rated afternoon of fun for the whole family is free admission.

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Port Will Use Well Water By Jay Stoler

The Port of Port Orford is determined not to take the recent water rate increase sitting down; in fact they might be drilling down. Actually, there is an operational 41 foot deep well on the southwest corner of the Port property that at one time was going to be used for a live fishery, but the salinity was not dense enough and the water could be easily utilized by the Port

Port president Scott Luhr, who has put in a career in the well and pump business said he had done some investigating and with a pump, it could produce between one hundred up to two hundred gallons a minute. There would have to be other modifications for the well to function, but in the long run, the Port Commission believes they will save a significant amount of money.

The Port also discussed the recent evaluation of their property at the corner of 5th and Dock Road, the 15,000 sq. foot piece of property that used to house the old port shop. That property has been appraised at nearly \$645,000 and could be used to leverage over \$3 million in capital, should the port want to build, or develop.

That tied in with the ongoing, possible, Planning Commission zone changes. Having seen the 45 foot height limitation stay in place and the 6,000 sq. foot building restriction removed the Commissioners were in an optimistic mood about the future of that property.

On a less optimistic note, dredging funding is still a problem, even though the ACOE will attempt to remove more sand than ever before, up to 40,000 yards. However, Manager Gary Anderson said it may be more like 25,000 yards, and that funding and scheduling is also a problem.

Port Orford Library News By Tobe Porter, Director

Well, it hardly gets better than this bit of news: The Library Bond Passed! The next morning we got right to work, corraling all the construction ducks and putting them in proper rows again. The new library construction project will go out to bid this week, and the bids will be opened the third week in June. After obtaining a "good" bid and completing a couple barrels of paperwork, construction will start in early August.

Just think about it... just savor the thought for a moment... this time next year we will be almost ready to move into the new Port Orford Public Library.

Thank you for voting! Big special thanks to the people who voted YES. Thanks to all the letter writers, sign makers, button designers and wearers, post office pollsters, speech makers, behind-the-scenes people, sheep painters and planters, phone callers, sign hosts, poster makers, and general all-round library supporters.

Sometimes something happens that is so big that the simple words "thank you" cannot convey the depth of gratitude, passage of the bond so we can begin construction now is just such an event in my life. As promised, we will continue to raise funds up to ribbon cutting on opening day in order to lessen, or eliminate, the need to issue the bond.

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Letter to the Editor,

Daryl Robison, John Herzog and Gary Schlottmann have kept their campaign promises and are doing an excellent job. Anyone who thinks a CEO who withholds up-to-date information from the BOD should not be terminated is on the wrong track. Incidentally the registrar's office at the U of O says Werner Buehler does not have a degree in Utility Management as he stated to get the job at CCEC. U of O doesn't have a degree like that and Buehler only has one in journalism.

Andrew McBride said he could not find information from 3 previously terminated engineers showing that the transmission line upgrade was unnecessary. This is probably because they were shredded. The 1984 study is totally outdated. (Who runs a business on data from 1984?) The 99 study says it is not a necessary change. Robison, Herzog, and Schlottmann will

change the transmission line if it is found necessary by a current unbiased study.

While the previous Board made their decisions on outdated information please do not fault Robison for trying to do the right thing. Some people in Brookings refuse to recognize that the structures (on the T line) have been upgraded, maintained and new poles installed since 1984. There is not a chance of a meltdown or self-destruction. Brookings/Harbor could double in size without any problem. The main line to Brookings/Harbor (the GB line) is newer and in good shape and it could also carry twice the load. The destruction to Coos-Curry Electric will come if the past policies of Werner Buehler's uncontrolled spending and debt continue. Re-elect Daryl Robison for CCEC board.

Sondra Heckard

Fourth of July

The Fourth of July activities will begin on Saturday, June 30, and will run through the Fourth of July, with the Grand Finale Fireworks display beginning at dusk at Battle Rock Park on the 4th.

A reminder to all who are planning to participate in this year's celebration, the event, concession and parade forms are available at The Fun Zone, Chetco Federal Credit Union, Sterling Bank, Post Office and Liquor Store.

All forms may be returned to the Fun Zone, Liquor Store or mailed to P O Box 365, Port Orford, Oregon 97465. The due date for the entry forms are :

Events	May 25
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Tax deductible donations of gently used items will be accepted until July 28th. In Brookings donations can be taken to the Home Health/Hospice Offices 306 Wharf (across from the Brookings Post Office) on Saturdays from 11am-2pm. In Gold Beach items are received at 94235 6th Street (just east of New Life Church) on Wednesday & Saturdays from 11am-2pm. For the north part of the county items can be taken to the Family Service Center (the blue building) on Wednesday from 2pm-4pm.

Funds raised at the Rummage Market are use to provide care, medications, supplies, equipment, and emotional support for patients. Although a county department, the program receives no local tax support, so donations dollars are also utilized for equipment and educational needs as well.

For more information about hospice, the 8th annual Rummage Market, volunteering for the market, or to arrange a donation, please contact Pattie Slagle at 541-247-7084.

Letter to the Editor,

A New Board Is Needed At Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative.

I was selected by Board Chairman Daryl Robison to head up a Brookings Committee to evaluate the CCEC Board's decision to block the funding required to complete a power line upgrade to Brookings.

My analysis concluded that the engineering studies conducted by independent engineering sources are well founded. The plan to replace the old lines on wooden poles with modern steel poles on concrete footings over optimum right of ways is correct. The new line is currently completed from Gold Beach to Thomas Creek. The remaining eight miles into Brookings was scheduled for completion now. The current CCEC Board has put this upgrade on hold.

While ignoring the recommendations of CCEC Staff, the Board takes their technical advise from unofficial former employees who have increased the current rating of the 50 year old wire. The increased current will cause greater line sag. A line clearance survey is needed to show that new amount of sag will be

safe. The current board has termed this survey an "Engineering Study." This term is incorrect because it ignores the many other problems that make this upgrade necessary. The line clearance survey provides no justification for the hold on construction of the new line.

We need a new board, not a new study. Vote this current Board out of power and save the Co-op. Support Dave Kitchen (Brookings), Gary Doran (Port Orford), and Pete Radabaugh (Bandon) in the upcoming CCEC election.

Ed Goodell, BSEE, MSEE

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Engineering Firm Selected By Christine L. Stallard Public Affairs Director, CCEC

At the regularly scheduled Board meeting on April 27, the Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative, Inc. (CCEC) Board of Directors selected the engineering firm of HDR to evaluate the section of CCEC-owned transmission line from the Thomas Creek area to the Brookings substation. This transmission line is referred to as the "T" line. The firm will address the maximum load that can be placed on wires from several view points – thermal rating, maximum sag and age of conductor and hardware. The time frame to complete this study is 16 weeks.

Roger Meador was appointed Interim General Manager/CEO at the board meeting. Later the Board of Directors began a process to select a general manager/chief executive officer by hiring the National

Rural Electric Cooperative Association to help conduct a search for candidates. The search for a new General Manager/CEO is expected to take six months.

After hearing a staff presentation on the merits of developing a central dispatch system, the Board of Directors agreed to move forward with installing the communications systems needed to support central dispatch. Having central dispatch will give the cooperative the ability to communicate to all areas served from one central location, ultimately, providing better service to the membership and a safer working environment for line crews. Central dispatch works in concert with other communications such as automated meter reading (AMR) and supervisor control and data acquisition.

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This will cover nine classes from July 2 through July 13 minus July 4. There are registration forms for 40 students available from Gayle Wilcox at Sea Breeze Florist. Another session of lessons will be available for us from July 30 to August 10. Call Dave or Vilma McCutcheon at 332-0513 for more information. Donations to

help cover the transportation costs can be made through Chetco Credit Union.

Attention Local Artists

There is still time to pull a piece together for the upcoming Port Orford Cedar Expo and share it with our community. The show will be hung on Friday, May 25 from 3pm until 7pm; just drop by and submit your work then. For further information call Boomer at 332-0995.



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Age groups are: Pre kindergarten to 5 yrs., 6-9 yrs. and 10 to 13 yrs. Prizes will be awarded in each age group for weight, length and amount of fish. One grand prize will be awarded for the largest fish.

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Letter to the Editor,

Several Years ago Assistant General Manager Daryl Robison made a decision to "ring his liberty bell". He had been working for Coos Curry Electric for 22 years and made a decision to be a cranberry grower. Daryl and his wife Adella raised three successful children. Daryl who was a good high school athlete also was seen for years refereeing High school basketball games in the winter, so as he could stay close to the sport he loves.



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Daryl expanded his cranberry farm on Airport road, and they survived hard economic times when the berries went down in price. Recently this man saw many problems within our Coos Curry Electric Coop, and was urged by many who knew him to run for the board of directors. Daryl Robison because of his 22 administrative years with Coos Curry is probably one of the most knowledgeable board members ever to serve in all the entire years Coos Curry Electric has existed. He strongly believes in the CO OP concept. WE need his Leadership. If a change is needed and he is shown its necessary he will vote for change.

Vote Daryl Robison Incumbent, District#4
He is the right person!

Brice Wagner

Frederick "Pup" Robbins

A memorial will be held for Fred at the Langlois Community Church on Thursday, May 24, at 2:00pm. Fred, a lifelong resident of Langlois, was born on March 13, 1937 in Oakridge, Oregon and died on May 17, 2007 at his home in Langlois. He is survived by his wife Delores,

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Fred had nine grandchildren and three great grandchildren. Fred enjoyed hunting, fishing, growing his famous potatoes and watching over his orchard, spending as much time as he could with his family closest to him. He has a sister Millie in Coos Bay, brother Bruce in Winston, and brother Doug in Texas. Contributions can be made at the Langlois Community Church. Arrangements are under the Myrtle Grove Funeral Home in Coos Bay.

Buffington Park Skate Demo

The Skate Park at Buffington Park will be holding a Skate Demo on Saturday, May 26, at 2:00pm. Exciting demonstrations feature talented local skaters. A raffle for a one quarter pipe will be held in addition to sales of T-shirts. All proceeds go to building an addition to the skate park for younger skaters or those of us with less skill. This demo is great entertainment for all ages!

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Letter to the Editor,

Especially given the mess they inherited, we have been very impressed with the job Daryl Robison and our other two recently elected Board Members (John Herzog and Gary Schlottmann) have been doing for us.

We feel strongly that they deserve our continuing support. With that in mind we will be voting for Daryl Robison, Jerry Smith, and Frank Pritchard.

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