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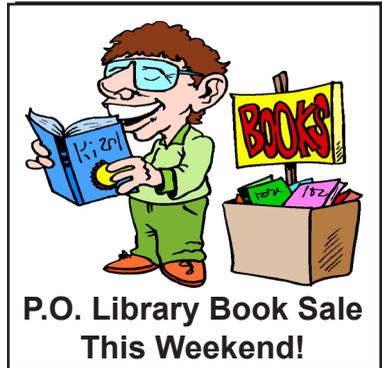
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Blowback from Police Review By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council met on Monday before a nearly full house and the blowback from the police chief review became evident.

Mayor Jim Auburn began the meeting by presenting Millie North a Myrtlewood plaque of appreciation for her service on the city parks commission. North was set to leave town the next day for her new home in Washington State. Auburn noted her contributions as secretary for the Rotary Club and many years on the Parks Commission. North gave the city eight years as a visitor center volunteer.

Port Orford Volunteer Fire Department Chief Gayle Wilcox gave her quarterly report to the council. Department members have undergone many hours of training on things like water hauling, defensive driving and on ladder use, hydrants and preplanning access to difficult addresses and locations.

Councilor John Hewitt moved to confirm Mayor Auburn's choice of Bill McArdle to fill the empty council seat. The council voted 5-0 in favor and McArdle was sworn in and took his seat.

Mayor Auburn introduced Myrna Barber, director of the Commission on

Children and Families, who spoke about April being Alcohol Awareness Month. She emphasized the importance of keeping children off drugs and alcohol.

The council proceeded into citizen's concerns beginning with Pattie Barnes who told them she had serious concerns with part of Resolution 2008-28. This Resolution which was on the agenda but had not been discussed yet established financial reporting polices for citation reconciliation. Barnes who is the court clerk had a problem with the third whereas which stated there "are some accounting discrepancies between the Court Revenue collected, citations issues and actual monies deposited." She said this statement in the Resolution was not substantiated. Barnes explained to the council how it works with traffic tickets being paid. Half of the tickets are paid on time while other people get penalized for not paying them on time and others don't pay at all and get their licenses suspended. She told them there were \$187,000 worth of unpaid suspensions. Barnes said she had never been approached by anyone at city hall about the "discrepancies" and that the Resolution smacked of individual agendas and asked them to table it.

Port Orford Police Sgt. Scott Halse spoke next and tendered his letter of res-

ignation dated April 14 and effective on April 30. Halse expressed disappointment with the conduct of "certain city council members" He continued that "it appears to me that certain city officials have a personal agenda of disbanding the police department." He said it wasn't the agenda of the police department to give the city a reputation as a speed trap but to enforce the law when speed becomes a safety issue. He later went on to say he believed that some city council members have a personal vendetta to get rid of Chief Creighton and that was not what the public wanted. He continued on that he had intended to stay on as a police officer here until he could retire and that "I personally regret leaving the job as police officer and have enjoyed serving the public." He thanked the council and citizens for the years he has served this community.

Wendy Thomas told the council she was dismayed by their April 11 police chief review meeting. She said the evaluations of the chief took on the flavor of a witch hunt and that team leadership did not exist on the city council.

Linda Nelson spoke about the chalk art contest for the July 4 Jubilee celebration and said that nature would clean up the chalk. She requested of the council the

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Jubilee Committee be granted permission to charge vendor fees for the time period of July 3-7. She then thanked the council for not choosing her to be on the council. She along with three other people had put their name in to fill the vacancy. She told them they had personal agendas and were way off base.

Bob Hergert speaking as a concerned citizen said he has witnessed the police harassing speeding drivers and asked what's next drunk drivers? He gave them a score of 1. His comments were meant in a satirical manner since the "harassment" consisted of issuing tickets to people far exceeding the speed limit through town.

Gayle Wilcox spoke as a first responder and said she was sad to see Sgt. Halse leave the department. She has a good working relationship with Chief Creighton and supports the work he does for our community. She said the ambulance receives support from the police department on some of their calls and that they had not received that level of support for

their safety from the former Port Orford Police Chiefs.

When the council got the Police Chief's report Mayor Auburn told Chief Creighton that he had noticed more police reserves at work and they were doing a good job. Creighton thanked Scott Halse for doing a fine job for the community, in fact an excellent job. Creighton said that Halse had worked a little less than five years as a police officer here and one year as a reserve officer and in resigning now had given up his retirement. Halse would have become vested in the PERS retirement plan if he had worked here five years. Creighton pointed out to councilor John Hewitt that he (Hewitt) was "laughing" while he (Creighton) was talking. Hewitt told Creighton to "tell the truth."

Creighton went on to say that he thought at some point Scott Halse would have become a chief of police. Creighton then referred to Resolution 2008-28 and said he was shocked by the "missing" \$20,000. What he was referring to was the financial sheet that accompanied the Resolution. It showed under "Chief's

Report" for the time period of July 2007 through February 2008 revenue of \$166,558 while under the column listed as the "Finance Report" for the same months it listed \$146,365.03. Remember now that not all tickets are paid in a timely fashion and many are never paid. Creighton said he had contacted Curry County District Attorney Everett Dial about the missing money and asked him to contact the state attorney general's office. Creighton is requesting an investigation by the attorney general about the missing revenue.

Creighton told the council he wanted to begin looking for a qualified officer to fill Sgt. Halse's position and needed consensus from the council. Councilor Ed Beck made a motion that Creighton immediately start looking for an officer. The vote ended in a tie with John Hewitt, Steve Abbott and Bill McArdle voting no and Milton Finch, Beck and David Smith voting yes. The Mayor had to break the tie. After much thought the Mayor voted yes and the motion carried.

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Later on in the meeting Resolution 2008-28 was tabled.

Part 2 of the city council meeting will be in next week's paper.

Police Report

By Chief Creighton

Creighton@popd.org

Cell: 541-253-7547, Tips: 253-6271

04-12 In the early morning hours, police responded to 12th and Arizona Streets on a complaint of two subjects fighting. Everything had calmed down and no one was in the area when police arrived.

04-12 Police and fire personnel responded to a fire call at the Port Orford Dock. A boat fire was extinguished by the fire department. No one was injured and no other action was taken.

04-12 Police were called to a local liquor store where an intoxicated male subject and his girlfriend were attempting to purchase alcohol and were declined because of being visibly intoxicated. The upset male subject advised he was going to urinate on the side of the building not realizing a police vehicle was parked adjacent to the establishment with an officer working traffic. Police immediately contacted both subjects and a record check revealed the female was in violation of her probation. After a few brief words with her boyfriend she was arrested for probation violation for consuming alcohol, possession of a firearm, and being in the company of a known criminal. She was transported to the Coos County Jail and lodged. The boyfriend somberly left the area with a sober male driver.

04-14 Police took a report of found property in Rays Parking lot. The found property is a ring. If anyone has lost one please come to the police station and identify it, and you can have it back. Remember "It probably fits one of my



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fingers" is not enough information for identification.

04-16 A citizen came to the police department to report a male subject exposing themselves near Port Orford Loop Road. The complainant was able to give a partial description of the subject but police felt the use of a police sketch artist was probably out of the question. The case is pending further investigation.

04-16 Police received a report of criminal trespass and criminal mischief to a garage where forced entry was made but nothing was found missing. The case is under investigation by police.

NOTE: We have had several criminal mischiefs' involving forced entry into buildings that are similar in nature. Please keep your eyes open, and call on anything unusual so we can catch this culprit.

04-17 Police responded to a residence on information of a wanted subject on 12th Street. One male subject was arrested without incident on a Felony Warrant charging Military Desertion. He was lodged in the Curry County Jail on a no Bail Warrant.

Chiefs Note: Officer Fink now lives in town next to the Port Orford Head Start. Reserve Officer Breuer also resides in town in back of Driftwood Elementary School playground. Both have police vehicles and the vehicles are well seen by passersby. Even though we do not have the funding to place an officer directly into a school, the deterrent of a police vehicle being visible so near the schools is great for crime prevention. I wanted to publicly thank all my officers especially Patty Barnes who works as both the Court/Administrative Clerk and also as a police reserve for all the hard work they have done. Our reserves are not paid and devote personal time to the citizens of this community. Our paid officers are committed further than just the forty hour week to insure you have 24/7 coverage with two officers able to respond within minutes to any emergency. This is not just a job to them; they do it for our community, without regret, even though it is a very dangerous job.

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Frohnmayr Visits Port Orford By Evan Kramer

Independent Party candidate for United States Senator John Frohnmayr visited Port Orford on Wednesday meeting the press as part of his campaign for the Senate. He started off with lunch at the Seaweed Café and then spent time outside the Fun Zone discussing issues and not pulling any punches.

Frohnmayr told Port Orford Today and Port Orford News editor Matt Hall that he was in the race to win it. He will be running against two term Republican incumbent Senator Gordon Smith and the nominee of the Democratic Party who won't be known until after May 20. Smith is opposed in the Republican primary but is expected to win in that contest easily.

The 65 year old Frohnmayr is not looking for corporate donations and is accepting small contributions only. He calls himself the real candidate of change. He took a strong stance on the war in Iraq and wants the troops pulled out now. He also favors national health care for all Americans in the form of a single payer system. He said the country

needed to spend more money on education and less on the military. He supports spending more money on the country's infrastructure and reemphasized getting out of Iraq now and spend the money at home.

Frohnmayr estimated that Senator Gordon Smith will spend \$10 million in his reelection campaign.

Frohnmayr is a retired lawyer and served as Chairman of the National Endowment for the Arts where he served from 1989 until 1992 when he resigned under pressure. His brother is Dave Frohnmayr who is the president of the University of Oregon and who ran unsuccessfully for governor in 1990 against Barbara Roberts.

Frohnmayr said he thought the political system is broken and said there was a need for a "third voice" in American politics.

Frohnmayr said he would seek funding for our Port to keep it fixed and open. He was made aware of the problems our Port has begging for dredging funds every year and the struggle to keep the Port open and functioning.

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On the subject of President Bush Frohnmayr said he supported impeachment of the President on Constitutional grounds.

Photography Classes Coming

Fine art photographers, John Heida and Steve Thompson will each conduct a series of classes on improving photographic skills. John will be teaching the art of photography, the creative side of seeing. Steve will cover digital cameras and digital darkroom, getting the most out of what you saw.

On Thursday, April 24, from 7 to 9pm at the Port Orford Senior Center there will be an orientation and sign-up session. All who are interested in refining their photographic skills, digital or film, are welcome to attend. If you ever wondered what makes one photo a good photo and another - (what did I do wrong?), you really should come.

The class by John Heida will be 9 weeks and cost \$55. The class by Steve Thompson will last 8 weeks and also cost \$55. There is no charge for the orientation session.



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Letter to the Editor,

I don't often get involved in other city's business, since I am the mayor of Bandon, but I just read Port Orford Today's account of the council meeting concerning Police Chief Mark Creighton. Talk about a three-ring circus. I have never heard of an evaluation done in this manner. The police department should be under the city manager, and not under the city council. There is way too much room for politics when the council tries to manage the police department.

All I can say is that 25 years ago, when I served on the Bandon City Council, the police department was under the council. And it was a disaster, which ultimately led to three of the councilors being recalled in a bitter fight that tore our community apart. Those of us who were recalled were vindicated several months ago when the former police chief, Skip Tyler, was sentenced to prison.



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The city has since learned from that debacle and put the police department under the city manager, where it belongs.

To publicly and openly criticize a police chief in front of the public is the best example of "government run amok" that I can think of.

I don't see how he can effectively do his job when councilors are taking pot shots at him in public. I certainly wouldn't blame Mark Creighton if he looked for another job. I am sure he will find that most cities don't operate like that.

Mary Schamehorn
Bandon

Demonstration Garden

As a project of the Port Orford Sunset Garden Club, we will be conducting various garden workshops throughout the spring and summer. The first workshop will be 'raised beds' building them and planting them.' This workshop will be on Saturday, May 3, from 2:00-4:00pm with a donation fee of \$5 per person. Pre-registration is advisable but walk-ins will be welcome. Rain will cancel. Call 332-0309 for more information and to register. The Port Orford Educational Demonstration Garden is located behind the Senior Center at Jackson and Sixteenth Streets.

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Finger Pickin' Good!

David Jacobs-Strain, a young finger-style and slide guitarist, will be featured musician at the Port-Orford-cedar Expo in Port Orford Memorial Day weekend. Jacobs-Strain will appear at the Community Building at 7:00pm Saturday, May 24.

Jacobs-Strain says he comes "from the language of the country blues." He says "there's something about rural blues that has a transcendent quality, a wide open sound ... the Delta blues are more interesting modally and have a spiritual depth to them. You can also hear anger, humor, and empathy." He has drawn on the legacies and influence of many people: Taj Mahal, Robert Johnson, John Lennon, Indian slide guitarist Vishwa Mohan Bhatt, and others.

After growing up in Eugene, Jacobs-Strain has traveled widely to perform, sometimes in opening acts for big name musicians, sometimes in festivals such as the Newport Folk Festival, Montreal Jazz Festival and the Lugano Blues to Bop Festival in Switzerland.

Though he's joined by bassist Kenny Passarelli and drummer Joe Vitale on his latest CD, Liar's Day, Jacobs-Strain will appear solo in Port Orford. The concert is sponsored by Port Orford Arts Council, www.portorfordart.org, 332-0487. Tickets are \$10 and will be available from Arts Council members and at the Downtown Fun Zone.

City Budget Meeting

The first City of Port Orford budget meeting for the 2008-09 budget takes place on Monday, April 28, 5:00pm, in the city hall council chambers.

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Letter to the Editor,

The call went out last Sunday and the Port Orford Love Monkeys for Peace responded. David, Russ, Todd, Mary, Elaine, Ted, Ken, and Paula gathered at the Buffington Park Butterfly/Hummingbird Garden, in between rain/sleet storms, and planted, mulched, weeded, and cleaned up the garden. Carren and Molly each donated a lavender plant. Take a walk with your dog, your children, and your friends to enjoy the garden with the rosemary in full-bloom. You'll see bees, birds, and maybe even a butterfly or hummingbird.

Worm regards,

Paula Cracas

Salmon Stronghold

Jerry Becker spoke to the Chamber of Commerce last Monday about the Salmon Stronghold. Becker is the executive director of the Elk River Land Trust. He explained the Salmon Stronghold concept as an attempt to identify rivers with strong salmon runs and work to keep them and the salmon runs healthy. He said the Elk River could possibly be endorsed as a Salmon Stronghold which he described as a positive conservation resource. He said the kind of things that might be done along the Elk River would be create logjams to stabilize the river banks and create areas for the fish to hide and also to keep the water colder for the fish. The Elk River could become a salmon stronghold in its entirety. The Salmon Stronghold would not restrict fishing on the river. Any restrictions on fishing are those imposed by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife. The Salmon Stronghold is a plan to make for a healthy river for salmon to spawn and live in and provide for a bountiful future.

Movie Reviews by Ginelle Weber

Anyone who enjoys a little betting should go to the movie this week. "21", opening Friday, is based on the true story of a college professor teaching a gifted group of students to count cards and beat the odds. With the action taking place in Sin City and Kevin Spacey in the mix 21 should be a good time.

Cloverfield is the attention getter here at the DFZ this week. With all the hype surrounding the film I was skeptical but have decided to be impressed. Surprises and thrills abound. If you are in any way prone to motion sickness this film is not for you. Shot entirely with a hand held camera it's a topsy turvey ride.

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Rockin' Roulettes Rock

The Coos County Roller Girls team the "Rockin' Roulettes" travel to Eugene this Saturday for an away game against the Emerald City roller girls team "The Andromedolls. The Roulettes take to the skating rink at 5:00pm for the first bout of the evening followed by a bout between the Flat Track Furies and the Church of Sk8in. These bouts, billed as the Concrete Jungle will be held at the Lane County Fairgrounds. The Emerald City Roller girls league has moved from the Springfield Event Center to provide more seating.



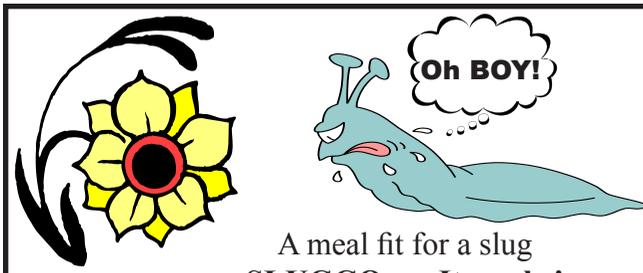
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Port Commission Meets

The Port of Port Orford Commission met on Tuesday April 15 and discussed the recent commercial fishing boat fire at the dock.

The fishing vessel Moxie was partially burned in a fire that started in an electric heater over a week ago at the Port. Port Manager Gary Anderson said a forensics expert had been hired to investigate the cause of the fire and see if there was some liability on the Port's part. He said it would be 2-3 weeks before they got his report. The Moxie is owned by Lee Heyl but was being sold to Brett Webb at the time of the fire. Webb said the Port did not have safe power and the breakers weren't breaking when they were supposed to. The Port has 30 amp breakers. Port commissioner Stan Johnson suggested the Port hold a class on the use of cords, amperage, etc. for the fishermen. Port commissioner Scott Luhr said the Port didn't know the cause of the fire but said the Port needed to get an electrical engineer down to the dock to look at the situation. He said the Port could ask the insurance company for recommendations about any changes and said any report they submitted would be public.

Commissioner Ed Dowdy spoke about the Port's Fifth and Washington property located above the dock. The Port has had no contact with tour bus operator who had expressed interest in building a motel at the site.

Port Orford Ocean Resource Team director Leesa Cobb talked about marine reserves and other issues. She recommended the Fifth and Washington Port property for a State Park Interpretive Center. Cobb said that POORT does not represent the Port Orford Fishermen's Association but that it does have several fishermen on its board. In regard to the issue of marine reserves Cobb said that POORT was responding to a process which the Ocean Policy Advisory Council had been directed by the governor to work on. She said that marine reserves were not POORT's idea. Governor Kulongoski has directed that the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife be the lead agency in developing the marine reserve sites rather than OPAC.

The nominating process for marine reserves will begin on July 1 with a "priority" given to community nominations. The nominations will be submitted to Governor Kulongoski by November 1.

Nominations for marine reserve sites will be submitted by fishermen's groups as well as environmental groups like Oceana.

The commissioners discussed the lease with Griff's at the Dock. Ed Dowdy made a motion to modify the lease agreement so the Port will fix the roof and finish the lean and includes a three year lease for the property, rather than the one year asked for by Griff's. The lease payment would go up 10% to \$816 a month but would also include a small increase in square footage. The commission voted unanimously in favor of the motion.

Port Manager Gary Anderson said he had applied to the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department for a grant to replace the decrepit sewer pump station located adjacent to the Port office. He made no progress with them but also applied to the State Marine Reserve Board and the Coos Curry Douglas Rural Investment Board and got the grants from both agencies totaling \$12,235. Work is scheduled to be completed by June 30 of this year.

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Registration will be at Boice Cope Park at Floras Lake at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 3rd. Fishing will finish at 11 a.m.; prizes awarded at 11:30. Boats will be provided and the lake will be stocked

Senior Center News By Jennifer Ewing

This is a reminder to all Senior Center members that our regular member meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 29 at 11:00am. We will announce the slate of nominees running for office at the Senior Center. This is an important meeting and we hope to see all of our members there. During the first three weeks of May, a locked ballot box and ballots will be available at the Senior Center for all members to come in and cast their



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vote for new officers. The results will be announced at the annual member meeting on Tuesday, May 27. This is a great opportunity for members to participate in their Senior Center organization. If you are 50 years of age or older and you are not a member of the Senior Center, come by the Center and sign up during the hours we are open, Monday through Friday from 9:30am-1:30pm. The coffee pot is always on.

The Bargain Basement at the Center, will be open Saturday, May 3, from 9:00am to 1:00pm. This is your local thrift store with a wide range of items from clothing to kitchen utensils, tools, books and occasional pieces of furniture. Lots of new 'previously loved' merchandise has come in this month, so come check us out. Donations for the Senior Center Bargain Basement are reserved on Wednesdays only from 9:30am to 1:00pm.

Voter Registration Deadline

Curry County Clerk, Renee' Kolen reminds Curry residents that the deadline to register to vote in the May 20th Presidential Primary Election is April 29, 2008.

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The nonpartisan Voters' Guide, published by the League of Women Voters of Oregon, is available at the Port Orford Public Library, Downtown Fun Zone, and Java John's. The guide contains information on all state candidates (not county or our local Oregon Legislative district) and three ballot measures.

The guide will also be available at the Candidate Forum for Curry County Commissioner candidates for Positions #2 and #3 on Thursday night, April 24, at 7:00pm in the Port Orford city hall council chambers. For more information on the candidate forum or to obtain a Voters' Guide, call 332-9002.

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PUBLIC NOTICE

REVENUE SHARING HEARING: The City Council of the City of Port Orford will be conducting a Public Hearing on Revenue Sharing for the FY2008-2009 Budget just prior to the regular Council Meeting on Monday May 19, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. at Port Orford City Hall Gable Chambers at 555 W. 20th St., Port Orford, Oregon, for the City Council to obtain citizens' views regarding Revenue Sharing. Written comments are also welcome and must be received by May 13th, 2008. Both written and oral comments will be reviewed by the City Council. Written comments by mail should be sent to PO Box 310, Port Orford, OR 97465; e-mail comments should be sent to djohnson@portorford.org.

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Opening Night

The Pacific's Social Aid and Pleasure Club Musical Variety Show Extravaganza Parade Explosion will debut in Port Orford on Friday night, April 25, at Theater 101. The play, written by Pacific High School student Signe Tronson, will be performed on Friday and Saturday night at 7:30pm, on Sunday April 27 at 2:00pm, on Friday night, May 2 at 7:00pm.

Tickets are available in advance for \$8 at the Downtown Fun Zone or at the door for \$10. Or you can call 332-PLAY for reservations.

Theater 101 is located in the Seaside Plaza building, located next to Driftwood School on Highway 101.

Letters/Articles Policies **By Valerie Jean Kramer**

All letters, articles, or other unpaid submissions to Port Orford *Today!* are printed on a "space available" basis. Some weeks we have a shortage of material to fill the paper while other weeks we have to cut articles we would very much like to include. Here are a few tips to help you have a better chance of getting your material included.

Be on Time: Our deadline is 3:00pm Tuesday most weeks. It is a VERY firm deadline! On some weeks we're already printing the paper by 4:00pm!

Submit Electronically. Material that is sent via email or brought in on a CD or flash drive is material we won't have to retype. We like that. Next best is a nice

clean, crisp printout. While we will accept handwritten material it requires more time and effort to read and type it. Guess which material is less likely to get printed!

Keep it Short. Our limit for letters and most other submissions is 250 words. Shorter is better. It is a lot easier to find space for a short article than it is to find space for a longer one. Occasionally we will edit an article drastically to fit it into a small space if we need a "filler" or if we feel the information is too important to bypass completely. We will not do this with letters as they carry the author's signature and are supposed to be their words, not ours.

Keep it Local. We are much more likely to run an article about an event in Port Orford than one elsewhere. We do carry some news of events in Bandon, Gold Beach, Brookings, and occasionally elsewhere but the more focused it is on Port Orford, the more likely it is to be printed.

Keep it Current. We prefer to tell about upcoming events rather than something that has already happened. One exception to this includes our reports on various public meetings. Events and decisions at these meetings often influence the future and such information is a large part of why people read newspapers in the first place. Another exception is our travel articles. For some reason they seem to be very popular with our readers.

Keep it Timely. Events too far in the past are "dead" while those too far in the future will, hopefully, be covered closer to the time of the event. If you want to get the "buzz" out about an event that won't happen for some time, start with very short notices – perhaps only 25-50 words. As the event gets closer, you can try for more detailed pieces. Generally notices in a given week's paper should refer to events coming up within the next three weeks.

Keep it Factual. This applies particularly to letters. A letter focusing on facts, including dates, names, events, etc. is more likely to get printed than one that just translates to, "my opinion is xxx." Everyone has an opinion and most people think theirs is as good as anyone else's. That's not to say we won't run "opinion" letters, just that they wind up lower on the priority list.

Keep it Clean. We do not wish to commit libel either intentionally or not! Name calling, either direct or by implication, or "colorful language" is a sure way to wind up at the bottom of the list. Try to be clear and factual about what your concern is, how you personally are involved, why you think it's important, and what you think should be done about it. Read it over before you submit it and ask yourself if your sainted auntie would be proud of what you wrote.

Keep it Upbeat. While this is not a hard and fast rule, we prefer material that tries to solve a problem and reduce friction to those that serve only to escalate discontent.

Don't overdo it. We try not to include or exclude material based on whether we agree with it and I believe an investigation of past issues will show that we have often carried articles or letters on both sides of many issues. While we are only human, we will continue to try to be fair in giving all sides of an issue a chance to be heard. This does not mean we will print every letter on every issue. We seek diversity in our paper and will not necessarily continue to run material on an issue when it does not seem to bring new information or new viewpoints to the table.

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