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Taking Our Schools Back

Taking Our Schools Back By Mick Lane, Superintendent

We hear education reform leaders (most of whom have never had experience in a classroom) speak often about “standards.” They are referring to teaching guidelines that indicate a need to change the nature of instruction. All of us want quality schools, and it is very obvious that the “pouring in of facts” traditional model needs to be changed. Twenty years ago there was a movement to switch from memorizing isolated facts to understanding concepts and problem solving. This was a short-lived reform effort, and when the No Child Left Behind mandates were put in place, the emphasis was an even stronger retreat into ineffectiveness through reliance on standardized testing as a measure of learning and school success.

The Tougher Standards demand issued by politicians (and with growing frequency, parents) purports that just about anything can be done to the kids and teachers that will “raise standards” and “accountability.” Alphie Kohn compares this fallacy with the recent movement based on the misperception that higher crime rates require a get tough, throw ‘em in jail approach that has pleased much of the public but is based on magnification of the problem

and failure to understand the cause. This poorly thought out “solution” has ended up doing more harm than good.

Demanding Tougher Standards in education follows the same path. Leading the charge for standardized testing are corporations, politicians, the media, and even the American Federation of Teachers. Identical to the response to crime, it is the people most disconnected with the problems that create a knee-jerk special interest reaction. Educators can learn how to improve instruction from people who are totally ignorant of the work???

Ridiculous.

An all too common story:

Not long ago, a widely respected middle school teacher in Wisconsin, famous for helping students design their own innovative learning projects, stood up at a community meeting and announced that he “used to be” a good teacher. The auditorium fell silent at his use of the past tense. These days, he explained, he just handed out textbooks and quizzed his kids on what they had memorized. The reason was very simple. He and his colleagues were increasingly being held accountable for raising test scores. The kind of wide-ranging and enthusiastic exploration of ideas that

once characterized his classroom could no longer survive when the emphasis was on preparing students to take a standardized test. (Alphie Kohn) The kids lose out again.

Tougher Standards are wrong on several levels. Motivation is undermined when the emphasis is on student performance on the tests. Interest in learning and acceptance of challenge dwindle. The meaning of achievement, excellence, and high expectations has morphed into a simplistic alignment with test scores. It is coercive in its specification of what should be taught, and tighter control of what happens in a classroom by people who are not there. Harvey Daniels said that the philosophy of fixing schools has become: “we just need to do it harder, longer, stronger, louder, meaner, and we’ll have a better country.

From “Test Today, Privatize Tomorrow”:

Ultimately, we must decide whether we will obediently play our assigned role in helping to punish children and teachers. Every in-service session, every article, every memo supporting high stakes testing amounts to an instruction manual for capitulation that slides us further in the wrong direction until finally we become a nation that

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abandons public education altogether. Rather than scrambling to comply with its provisions, our obligation is to figure out how best to resist.

All of us, everyone of us should find ways to resist this attack on our students and teachers. Write to your school board, legislator, state and national education departments, and the President. Express your disgust and fear related to the standardizing of our children and the threat of the demise of public schools.

**Chamber Elects President
 By Evan Kramer**

The Port Orford and North Curry County Chamber of Commerce held their board meeting on Monday, January 10, at Griff's at the Dock, and elected new officers.

Board member Jim Billings announced the winners of the election for board members and Karen Auburn, David Smith, Beverly Manes and Ed McQuade

were elected. Then the board elected officers for 2011 and Laura Eades was elected president. She is the owner/operator of the Paradise Café. Jim Billings was elected vice president, Dian Marple secretary and Beverly Manes treasurer.

The Chamber awards banquet is scheduled for Saturday, January 29, at the Port and Starboard Restaurant at 6:00pm. Cost is \$25 per person or \$40 for a couple. If you would like to attend, and you don't have to be a chamber member to attend, call Jim Billings by January 24 and make your reservation. Billings may be reached at the Port Orford Visitor Center at 541-332-4106. The awards banquet is a fundraiser for the Chamber. The Chamber will hand out awards to the business of the year among other awards plus plaques for the holiday lighting contest winners.

Jeff Ferguson, Director of the Gold Beach Promotions and Visitor Center, announced that Port Orford had won the holiday lighting challenge contest with Gold Beach. He had complimentary remarks for the way both towns looked.

Outgoing Chamber president David Smith announced the winners of the Chamber holiday lighting contest and they are as follows: Business division – Cape Blanco RV Park first and Highway 101 Liquor Store second. John and Lynn Voshall won first place in the residential category with Dianne Peabody coming in second followed by Tom Keeler for third prize. Smith has served for six years as Chamber president and will continue playing an active role in the organization.

The Chamber board elects a member of the month each month and this month they handed the honor to Millie Haas. She did a fine job around town with the Christmas decorations helping out at many locations.

The Chamber board discussed the recent Port of Port Orford fee increases for dockage and lifts which went into effect on January 1. The board formed a three person committee to look into the effects of the Port rate changes and produce a report showing financial numbers on the effect of the rate increases.

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Letter to the Editor,

I have some questions regarding past and present decisions coming from the Port Commission.

Why wasn't there a letter of support from the Port Commission regarding the Copper Salmon Wilderness Area?

Why was there so much reluctance by the Port Commission to endorse the Stewardship Area? The city and other organizations had already endorsed it.

Why did the Port Commission have a less than enthusiastic response for the ten million dollar Port Orford Marine Economic Recovery Plan? It had the Governor's endorsement and the approval and recommendation from Oregon Way.

That project would have given Port Orford a live fish processing center, marine research station, Port offices, retail space and a marine interpretive center.

That project would have gotten rid of an old uninsurable wooden building that is a legal liability and an eyesore.

The activities of many concerned groups who are working to improve this area's economic and environmental future has already captured the attention of many on this coast, in our state capitol and in Washington D.C. Sadly, the Port Commissioners seem unaware or unwilling to use the momentum of this capital to their advantage.

Now the Port Commission is asking for new discriminating lift fees.

Most all research funds are really taxpayer's dollars and in these harsh economic times, those taxpayers' dollars are in short supply. The result of these overaggressive lift fees will actually be a loss of income to the Port and the community.

When monitoring marine reserves that have been established worldwide, we see consistent sustainable fishing.

Good sound science is needed to monitor Redfish Rocks; it should be encouraged and not discouraged though unreasonable high lift fees.

The fishermen, City, Port, and Community of Port Orford will be the beneficiaries of the success of the

Redfish Rocks Marine Reserve. We all need to work together toward the common goal of consistent, sustainable fishing for decades to come.

I wish to thank the City and People of Port Orford for all the support that has been given in achieving these goals.

Gary Wickham

Letter to the Editor,

On January 4, 2011, 60 copies of "Essential Liberties" were delivered to PHS, to Teacher Stephen Beltz, for use in teaching the course on the Constitution. These 141 page booklets will assist instructors with the Documents that created our Nation. Most teaching is now done through on-line sources, but sometimes it's good to have a "hard copy" at hand for further reference. This booklet includes The Constitution, Amendments, Bill of Rights, plus various writings from our Founding Fathers, detailing why they pledged their Fortunes, and their very lives, to fight for the birth of this new nation.

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Letter to the Editor,

An Open Letter to Mayor Auburn and the City Council:

There has been a lot of discussion around town about the Urban Renewal proposal, and there is strong concern on the part of many people I have talked with that this will be a “slam dunk” by the City Council, with little public input. Quite a few have said they can’t understand why we would want to do this, when there are several obvious “clean up” problems and eyesores around town that have been around for years with no action.

The people do have the option of an initiative or a referendum to overturn a future decision to go forward, but there is already so much polarization and suspicion that it appears to me there is a better way. That way is to put the decision to a vote of the people, to be

run with the next election so as to avoid the cost of a special election.

If the City Council decides it is a good idea to proceed with the Urban Renewal proposal, tell us so, and detail precisely what will be done with the money.

“There are two major concerns that should also be detailed. One is, what plans you have to declare and enforce eminent domain as part of your proposal. The other is, what plans you have for the use of required design guidelines for upgrading buildings and properties.”

Make your best case, and let the people decide. Yes, this will delay it a bit, but what’s the hurry? We’ve survived well enough without it so far. A few months to allow the people to decide isn’t going to hurt a thing, and will ensure that the proposal is well thought-out and has the support of a majority of our citizens, not just the City Council.

So how about it, Mr. Mayor? Will you and the City Council go on record in our two newspapers with a simple statement promising that you will not proceed on the Urban Renewal proposal without a vote of the people? It’s a simple question, and deserves a direct answer, yes or no. Will you give us that?

Sincerely,

Milton C. Finch, Sr.

Openness and Transparency makes for a more informed Citizen and better Government.

Port Meeting

The Port of Port Orford Commission meets on Tuesday, January 18, 6:00pm, in the city hall council chambers. The Port board raised the dockage and lift fees effective January 1, 2011 but has appointed a subcommittee to review these rate increases.

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Letter to the Editor,

We had 2 pretty good meetings on Thursday January 6th.

The City Council was fairly routine and attracted a crowd that filled about 2/3 of the seats. The Mayor and Council Members were sworn in for the appropriate new terms, and liaison appointments were made and accepted by all. It is sad that one of those couldn't have been put off 30 days until this week and saved a lot of hard feelings and valuable political capital.

The urban renewal meeting was better than 3/4 full and was the best of the series with many good questions and discussions and very little rude sniping in undertones. There still seems to be a misunderstanding about possible overlap or redundancy of certain programs. Some feel that Main Street Beautification, T L T Programs, and Urban Renewal will be a duplication of effort and wasted funds. Folks, as we have seen so many times before, the devil is in the details. If the 3 entities coordinate their plans and efforts a very powerful force for progress for Port Orford can be generated a true

case of the benefits of the whole being greater than the sum of the parts.

A frequent speaker at the meetings and letter writer in our papers feels that our area's natural attributes should be sufficient attraction for our prosperity and anything else is unnecessary and wasteful. It is a nice sentiment but hasn't worked yet and won't without the added emphasis of atmosphere, infrastructure, and ambiance.

Everybody --- think, talk, and let's keep exploring.

Respectfully,

Jim Hajek

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Want to be a part of Pacific High School history? Now is your chance! We are selling beautiful 3 by 8 black plaques engraved with gold lettering. These plaques will be permanently affixed to the new bleachers on the north side of the gym.

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agriculture department. Purchasing one of these plaques not only supports our Vocational Education Program; the profits from this fundraiser will go towards the purchase of a set of bleachers on the south side.

There are a limited number of plaques. Don't miss your chance to advertise your business, remember a loved one or make your family a part of our Pirate history! Order forms and a sample picture can be found at either Sterling Bank or Chetco Credit Union. Plaques will also be sold at the home basketball games. We have a few plaques installed already if you would like to see the final product.

This fundraiser is sponsored by the Pacific High School Booster Club. We support our students in both athletics and academics.

Finished forms can be left at the Pirate basketball games ticket counter, dropped off at the Pacific High School district office, or contact Nancy Jensen by e-mail at ijnensen@isp101.com.

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Taking Care of Business By Evan Kramer

Justin Shandor, the Number One ultimate Elvis tribute artist in the world came to Three Rivers Casino in Florence last week for four shows. Shandor varied his performances with emphasis on the 50's, 60's, and 70's Elvis songs on successive nights and finished on Sunday with a compilation of Elvis' entire 23 year career. The four shows were held to coincide with Elvis' birthday which is on January 8 and having been born in 1935 he would have been 76 years old this year.

Shandor came out on stage with the look of the 50's Elvis and if you didn't know it you'd think Elvis himself had been up there rocking and rolling. Shandor has a magnificent voice and the look, mannerisms and sense of humor of the real Elvis. The sold out crowd of 700 people filled the ballroom early in anticipation of Shandor's performance were well rewarded.

Since we last saw Shandor perform at Three Rivers Casino in January of 2010 the young man from Portland, Oregon has gone on to win the Elvis Presley Enterprises sponsored 2010 Ultimate Elvis Tribute Artist contest at the Orpheum Theater in Memphis, Tennessee in August of last year.

Shandor gave the fans at the Three Rivers a sampling of Elvis 50's songs

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including Don't Be Cruel and Jailhouse Rock and after about half an hour left the stage. Then the show featured Ted Vigil singing the hit songs of John Denver for 50 minutes. The John Denver look alike left the stage to a standing ovation. Justin Shandor then came back for the second part of his show and sang several of the songs from Elvis' movies including Teddy Bear, Blue Hawaii and ended the show with a version of Viva Las Vegas with Ted Vigil at his side. Visions of Elvis and Ann Margaret from the movie Viva Las Vegas filled my imagination.

Shandor is Elvis or as close as it gets for an entertainer who has been dead for over 33 years. Shandor is carrying the voice and spirit of Elvis and making him accessible to new generations of fans. The King of Rock and Roll only gets more popular as the years go by and in large part it's because of people like Justin Shandor. But for those who want to accept no substitute the fabulous music and voice of Elvis Presley continue to be released in different forms included the Original Master series on RCA records.

Community Soup Dinner

The first community soup dinner takes place on Thursday night, Jan. 13, from 5:30-6:30pm at the American Legion Hall. There is no charge to anyone for this meal. The next soup dinner will take place on Thursday, January 27.

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Urban Renewal Meeting By Karen Auburn

The final meeting for public input for the Feasibility Study for creating an Urban Renewal District (URD) took place on Thursday Jan 6 in the Council Chambers. More than 40 persons were in attendance. Susanna Noordhoff, our consultant, conducted the meeting. New estimates of the amount of money that could be generated by tax increment funding were obtained from Jim Kolen, Curry County Assessor. Ms. Noordhoff answered questions about tax increment financing, possible boundaries of an URD, and costs of certain improvements that could be made.

Ms. Noordhoff will write up the results of the Feasibility Study and present it to the planning commission in February. The planning commission will digest it and send their recommendation to the council. If the council decides to proceed further, the city would probably have to seek another grant to make a formal Urban Renewal Plan. This would include more public outreach and would address citizen concerns before being enacted by ordinance.

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Police Chief's Report By Marvin Combs

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Last Friday the Shell Station was broken into for the second time in the last month. With the aid of the citizens of Port Orford Officer Rose arrested Cody Wilson of Port Orford on Burglary II and Criminal Mischief II and lodged him in the Curry County Jail. I want to thank the citizens for helping bring this case to the DA Office for prosecution. We are still working on this case and there may be another arrest made at a later date as evidence is received.

On Sunday morning someone hit a car at the corner of Arizona and 9th street causing major damage to the parked car. Again if anyone has information please contact the Police Department. Remember that if you cause damage



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On Sunday morning at 0310 Officer Rose responded to the area of 10th and Idaho in reference to gun fire heard in the area. Upon checking the area he heard no more gun fire or located anyone in the area. The following morning Officer Rose made contact with a citizen who had located a bullet hole in his residence. This bullet had traveled through the wall into a bedroom and came within 3 feet of the bed. The Hit and Run at the corner of Arizona and 9th street and this shooting incident may be related. Information contact the Police Department.

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Be sure to mark your calendar for the Project Graduation Auction, which will be held on Saturday, March 12th this year. If you would like to donate items for the auction, please call 541-348-9980.

Port Orford Weather Report

The City of Port Orford Public Works Department crew recorded 14.63 inches of rain in December. The most in one day was 1.9 inches on December 13. High temperature for the month was 64°F recorded on Dec. 6 while the low was 31°F recorded on Dec. 31. There were only four days the temperature hit 60 degrees or higher in December.

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BOARD VACANCY NOTICE Curry Health District, Board of Directors, 94220 Fourth Street, Gold Beach, OR 97444. Notice is hereby given that the Curry Health District Board of Directors is accepting applications to fill a vacancy on its Board of Directors left by C. Douglas Jamieson. Applicant must be an elector of Curry Health District and willing to serve the length of his remaining 4-year term, which expires June 30, 2013. Anyone interested in applying may obtain applications at Curry General Hospital, 94220 Fourth Street, Gold Beach, OR 97444, or contact Doreen Nielson at 541-247-3160 or by email dnielson@curryhealth.org. Applications must be submitted at Curry General Hospital, Attention: Doreen Nielson by January 25, 2011.

THE PORT ORFORD-LANGLOIS

School District School District 2CJ currently has a vacancy on the Budget Committee. To be considered for the position contact the District Office by calling (541) 348-2337. A committee application must be completed and returned by February 2, 2011.

GARAGE SALE

NOW THAT CHRISTMAS IS OVER don't forget about the Sixes Grange Market Place for your birthday and special occasion gifts. Beads, jewelry, collectables, agate creations, knit goods, much more. Daily 11-4.

SALE INDOORS Lots of collectables uniques art Saturday Sunday January 15th 16th 10am 243 Hwy 101 next to Timeworn Treasures.

THE WOODEN NICKEL

Myrtlewood factory and gift shop. Unique wooden products plus souvenirs, T-shirts, jams, salt water taffy. FREE factory tours.

www.oregonmyrtlewood.com
1205 Oregon St. 541-332-5201

MISCELLANEOUS

MINI STORAGE/U-HAUL. 200+ storage units, 150+ climate controlled. Airport-U-Stor, across from Ocean Spray 541-347-4356.

NEW VIDEOS: "The Social Network", "Paranha", "Machete", "The Hessen Conspiracy", and "Alpha and Omega". Please remember all 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 9:30-5:30 Mon-Thursday and 9:30-6:30 Friday and Saturday. Closed Sundays.

CD / DVD / GAME WON'T PLAY? Don't throw it out! Fix it! Downtown Fun Zone, Inc. now offers disc cleaning/repair services. (single sided) \$3.00 for basic cleaning, \$5.00 for deep scratches. See store for details.

DRIVEWAY AND LANDSCAPE rock, bark, and sand. Small truck loads. Bob 541-253-6240.

SIREN'S COVE CAFE New Winter Hours: Monday - Friday 7-4; Saturday 8-4; Sunday's 8 to Noon. Closed Sunday, Dec. 26. 541-332-2970. Now offering Wi-Fi.

NEED HELP SHOPPING or doing errands? Let me help you and be your personal shopper. \$10 an hour plus cost of your items. Mileage charges may apply. Kathy 541-253-1178.

PREVIOUS OWNERS of Himalayan adopted from Ophir last April very interested in current well-being. Please call John 541-332-1095 after 5pm. Loyal, dutiful, brave cat.

WANTED: ROTOTILLER - Tory built or similar, not running OK. 541-332-4304.

Studio
Gallery

Amarisa
ART

Exuberant paintings and prints
See my paintings at Siren Cafe
until March, Hwy 101 & 13th St.

FOR SALE: 1985 YAMAHA Golf cart. Recently re-built. New clutch. New battery. Full canvas. \$1,800. Call 541-332-6002 for more info.

BEDROOM SET full size bed includes beautiful large dresser with mirror and a side table. Cherrywood, made by Drexel 1940's. \$450 (set) or b/o. Also sleep number bed like new full size \$200. Also maple dresser with mirror excellent condition \$100. Please call Guy or Jan 541-332-3050 or 541-260-4366.

CUSTOM PHOTO, negative and slide scanning, Photoshop work and restoration of images, archival printing. 541-332-0353 or stephen@earthseaimagery.com.

SHOP OF HORRORS! New winter days & hours! Now open Wed thro Sat 2p to 5p. Closed Sun, Mon, & Tues. till further notice. Still available by phone 541-332 0933.

WORKING INEXPENSIVE Electric stove needed by the Port Orford Volunteer Fire Department & Community Ambulance. 541-332-0445.

CANON D-20 (\$275.00) and Epson 1400 (13" x 19") printer (\$50.00) for sale 541-332-5068.

WANT TO RIDE A HORSE? Horse rides \$20.00 hr. No experience necessary. Guided around town. 5 yr old min. and 240lb. max. Call 541-251-0557.

QUEEN SIZE BED. Clean in good condition. Metal frame included. \$150. 541-332-4304.

Lightin' Bugs Winners

First Prize...Finch's Liquor and Jewelry
Second Prize..... Paradise Café
Third Prize Camp Blanco RV Park

Honorable mentions are as follows:

- The Port Orford Jail
- Neath the Wind Realty
- The old Port Orford Pharmacy

Thank you all for your support on this project. We want everyone to know we appreciate your efforts. Please feel free to join in next year and make it even better.

Call 541-290-9857 if you feel like helping with time, lights or ideas! We need Elves and Fairies to help bring Light to our beloved little Berg.

Whale Watch Statistics

Whale watch stats for Winter Whale watch season 12-26-10 to 1-1-11.

Battle Rock 6 whales and 115 visitors that signed in

Cape Blanco had 2 whales and 75 visitors that signed in

State of Oregon as a whole at 26 sites had 1,642 whales' sited and 7,657 visitors that signed in!

Weather for the first 3 to 4 days of the week was very stormy. We had only one day with clear visibility.

Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday

The nation honors Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. this Monday, January 17 as it observes a nation holiday in his memory. Dr. King spoke for and advocated non-violence during his adult life but ended up dying by an assassin's hand. Banks, schools, government offices and the post office will all be closed on Monday in observance of this national holiday. Dr. King was born on January 15, 1929 and died on April 4, 1968. Martin Luther King Jr. Day became a federal holiday in 1986.

Football Sunday

Port and Starboard Lounge

*Got Direct TV? Don't Miss the
Playoff Games, Watch them Here!*

*Smokin Pulled Pork
Sammy Specials!!*

3 TV's

**Football Sunday
Drink Specials!!**

*Sunday Brunch
served until 2:00*

4-H Leaders Wanted

Is it in you to be a volunteer 4-H club leader? Coos County 4-H is searching for new or existing 4-H club leaders who would be interested in taking on specific projects that youth are interested in. In the Bandon area youth have expressed interest in the following projects: Robotics, Computers, Art, Small Animals, Knitting, and Archery.

Being a past 4-Her yourself isn't necessary, as long as you have a desire to help youth learn. There are many current leaders that are willing to help with questions along the way, as well as the county 4-H staff. Becoming a leader requires an application, background check and brief orientation. Volunteers are asked to give a minimum of six hours during the year. Please contact Heather, Elissa or Rhonda at the Coos County OSU Extension Service at 541-572-5263 ext. 242, ext 293, or ext 240.

Tsunami Kick Off Events

Please come out and learn for yourselves why our communities should take tsunami preparedness seriously. Come to the American Legion building on 11th Street in Port Orford on January 12 at 6pm or to the Showcase Building at the fairgrounds in Gold Beach on January 13 at 6pm to hear from James Roddey from the Department of Geology and Mineral Industries. James will educate and entertain the crowd with information regarding past seismic events that triggered tsunamis and he will help us understand what we need to do to be prepared.

There will be finger food, opportunities to get involved, entertainment, the new tsunami inundation zone maps and an awesome free raffle with great prizes! For questions about these events please call Dave Lacey at 541 373-0487.