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Water Emergency Declared By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford City Council met in special session on Wednesday, March 23 in order to declare an emergency enabling them to place two bond measures on the ballot.

Mayor Jim Auburn began the meeting with an open public hearing to take testimony as required by law. First he read the many reasons for declaring a state of emergency and these are printed following this article.

Paula Cracas did a presentation including a detailed chart of water rates, property tax values, etc. Her conclusion was it would make more sense to go with a General Obligation (GO) bond only rather than a GO bond and revenue bond. GO Bonds are based on property tax rates, not water usage. She thought an all GO Bond would stand more of a chance of passing. Councilor Caroline Clancy congratulated Cracas on her presentation and said the council could do the water system improvements with a GO bond only.

Mayor Auburn said the property tax rate if the voters approved a GO bond for the whole project would be \$4.20. Councilor David Smith said it would be a wash at properties assessed at

\$140,000 with those properties under \$140,000 benefitting from an all GO Bond and those over \$140,000 paying more than if the city did a combined 60 – 40 GO and Revenue bond split.

Mayor Auburn reminded people that the water delivery system improvement weren't all that needed done – there is still the raising of the water impoundment at Hubbard Creek. He said the agencies which will be loaning Port Orford the \$10 million will look at our rates and the Mayor added "our water rates aren't that high."

Steve Roemen asked what the rational was for going with a 60 – 40 split with 60% GO bond and 40% revenue bond and asked what impact it would have on businesses. Mayor Auburn called the 60-40 split a compromise.

Jack Pruitt brought up the point that all the City's current infrastructure loans are being paid off through revenue bonds with the same base rate for everyone. He said that wasn't equitable. The council could not make it clear how the revenue bonds would be paid off despite questioning on the matter. The amount for the revenue bond payment is estimated at \$23.80 per month per hookup. But there are unanswered questions of whether the revenue bond

will be paid back through usage amounts rather than a set fee for everyone. This needs clarification before the June 7 election.

The public hearing was closed and Councilor Smith made a motion to accept the findings of the hearings and reasons for declaring the emergency. Councilor Clancy said the council should let the people in Port Orford decide if they want an all GO Bond measure She was told by Mayor Auburn this wasn't the time to talk about it. Councilor Bill McArdle said the people have a choice and they can vote the bonds down. Councilor Smith reminded people that the council does not have to put a Revenue Bond up to a vote of the people. The council then voted 5-0 in favor of Smith's motion.

The council then voted on motions for Resolutions 2011-06 calling for an emergency election authorizing up to \$6 million of General Obligation bonds and Resolution 2011-07 calling for an emergency election authorizing up to \$4 million in water revenue bonds. Both motions passed with Clancy voting no on the revenue bond proposal. Councilor Clancy reiterated her desire to have the issue decided with an all general obligation bonds which she said would

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benefit the majority of people. She said she had talked to City Finance Director Dave Johnson and he told her that 67% of the people in town had properties assessed at lower than \$100,000 and that 18% of the property owners would be pay more because of their assessments. Clancy said the whole thing would go down in flames if people felt there is a better way to pay for the water improvements. A motion by Clancy to put an all GO bond on the ballot had no support from other councilors and did not get voted on.

One important point to remember is that for the whole package to be accepted it will take a double double majority of the voters. (not as tasty as a double double at In-N-Out Burger). The voters will have to approve both the Revenue and General Obligation bond measures and a majority of voters will have to vote on both issues. The election is set for Tuesday, June 7 with ballots coming out a couple of weeks prior to that date. Because the City missed the May 17

special districts election deadline they will have to pay all the costs of the June 7 election by themselves.

Legally the city council members can advocate for or against these ballot measures but not representing the city and they cannot use city resources to promote these ballot measures. They can hold informational meetings and city employees can't take a position but merely share information like the Mike Murphy Power Point presentation.

Poet's Roundup

Attention all south coast poets, authors and interested party's. Sharpen your pens and pencils and get ready for the Second Annual Port Orford "Poets Roundup and Book Bazaar". This year's Roundup will be held at the Port Orford Library on Saturday, April 9th, from 10-4. Last years' successful event has been expanded to include everyone living in Coos and Curry counties. You can be published, self-published or not published at all, just show up and let people know how you feel about things.

Ten minute segments to read your work. If you have a book or two you would like to sell, poetry or otherwise, then you can rent a 4' x 2' table for the day, \$10 for one, \$15 for two. .

Sponsored by the Port Orford and Langlois libraries, along with local author and event host Gary Carter, this event is open to anyone and everyone who likes a good read and is free to authors and the public alike. There will be a varied assortment of poems and excerpts from other types of books. Some of our authors are known world wide and many are award winners. Both fiction and non-fiction books will be on display and for sale. For more information, and/or to sign up in the Port Orford area, you can visit the Port Orford or Langlois libraries, contact either by phone or email, or contact Gary Carter at 332-8899 or ngcarter@harborside.com. Space for this event is limited so writers need to reserve a spot ASAP. You can also find contact information at the Gold Beach, Bandon, Coquille, North Bend and Coos Bay libraries.

Letter to The Editor,

Port Orford Volunteer Firefighters had the honor and opportunity to participate in some amazing training offered by the State this past weekend. Nine of our firefighters were able to take a class that addressed how to control a large apparatus under difficult circumstances. Many Emergency Services agencies have damaged vehicles when an unexpected hazard (ice, snow, vehicle, pedestrian) has suddenly appeared. This class included classroom hours AND a hands on opportunity for everyone in the class to practice what they learned. They drove (with an instructor) a “Skid Truck”, a large specially designed apparatus that simulates what can happen during unanticipated driving emergencies.

Our firefighters gave up their Saturday to participate in this amazing class. We are certainly grateful that we had this opportunity and I am appreciative of so many firefighters devoting so much extra time to training.

Sincerely,

Gayle Wilcox

Letter to The Editor,

General Obligation and Revenue Bond Measures to replace our deteriorating water distribution system will be on the ballot for a special election on June 7. Both of these measures have to pass to qualify for a grant/low interest loan package negotiated with state and federal agencies.

The \$6M General Obligation Bond will qualify us for a 30 year Safe Drinking Water Revolving Fund loan at 1% interest. The \$4M Revenue Bond will qualify us for a 40 year USDA Rural Utilities loan at 3.5% interest with a \$1.25M grant. Both bond measures will allow us to obtain an additional \$1.865M Community Development Block Grant to complete the funding package.

This financial aid will not be available in

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the next fiscal year and the availability of grant and low interest loan money will be severely curtailed. The cost of the project will continue to increase at about \$10,000/week.

Funding the project with both General Obligation and Revenue Bonds will engage all stakeholders, minimize both property tax and rate increases, and not jeopardize our ability to secure future financial aid for projects like the reservoir. All users and property owners share the burden. Users who do not pay property taxes (i.e. public entities, churches, and non-profits) will share in the rate increases necessary to pay off the Revenue Bond. Property owners who do not presently use any water will share in the tax increases necessary to pay off the General Obligation Bond. We are working hard to be as fair as possible to everybody that uses or benefits from the system.

One way we can minimize costs to our ratepayers and taxpayers is to encourage growth. Property development will increase our overall tax base and reduce the General Obligation Bond burden on individual taxpayers. Increases in the number of water hook-ups and usage will

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reduce Revenue Bond debt to individual ratepayers. We need to be careful and manage growth to retain our small town atmosphere and sense of community but can't avoid it completely.

We are faced with an important decision in the upcoming special election. Most people will agree that we need a safe and reliable water distribution system. Everyone will have difficulty paying for it but we have to take responsibility and do what we can to survive. The cheapest alternative is to replace the system using this funding package as outlined. The alternative of replacing the system piecemeal will result in the loss of this financial aid and will necessitate a series of higher and higher rate increases.

Please study the situation carefully, get as much information from our outreach efforts, council meetings and portorford.org website as possible. Talk to your neighbors, city councilors, and mayor. I am always willing to discuss issues with individuals or citizen groups. Please consider voting FOR BOTH of these Bond Measures to provide a safe and reliable water distribution system for ourselves and our posterity.

Jim Auburn, Mayor

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Kindle vs Nook**By Valerie Jean Kramer**

The Amazon Kindle is, perhaps, the most popular eBook reader on the market. Barnes & Noble's new Color Nook is going to give it a good run for the money. Here are a few of the trade-offs between these two, quite different, units.

The Kindle was designed to be simply and solely a book reader. It uses a display technology called "ePaper". It provides a very sharp image and can be read easily indoors or outside in bright sunshine. Because the screen does not emit any light, you cannot read in the dark. Power consumption is low and the battery can operate the device for perhaps a week between charges. For reading books, it is hard to beat. However, the display is limited to black and white so photos and diagrams may not display well. This means it is not as good for reading magazines, newspapers, and some other types of publications. The Kindle has some limited "experimental" options including a web browser but I found it to be slow and very much less than ideal. The Kindle can display Kindle files (.AZW), .TXT, .PDF, .MOBI, .PRC, HTML, and DOC type documents and can play MP3, AA, and AAX audio files. It can also show JPEG, GIF, and PNG images.

The Color Nook is more than just a book reader. It uses a color display

such as you might find on any computer or smart phone these days. As with any such screen, it can be difficult to read in bright sunlight but because the screen is illuminated, you can read in the dark. I find this useful when riding as a passenger in a car. That long drive home can go a lot faster with something to read! The lighted display takes more power and you may have to charge your Nook every day or two but you should have plenty of power to get you through at least one day of normal use. The color screen does a great job and everything is clear - books, magazines, photos, etc. And dare I say color is a lot more fun than black & white! I can scan my stamp albums and take the images with me to a stamp show so I have a record of what I have. The PDF files show up great on the Color Nook while they were difficult to see on the Kindle. The Color Nook includes several games and a web browser and its browser actually can be useful. Barnes & Noble is expected to offer more applications for the Color Nook in the near future. Meanwhile the Color Nook can display EPUB, and PDF files and the various Microsoft Office formats - DOC, XLS, PPS, TXT, DOCX, etc. It can display JPG, GIF, PNG and BMP graphics and it can play MP3 and AAC audio files. It can also play MP4 videos!

Both machines have some rough spots. File management on both is pretty limited and frustrating. This problem

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can be offset somewhat in the Color Nook because you can insert a microSD card in it to extend its storage. Thus you could keep a separate MicroSD card for each different category of material you want to use - one for songs, one for books, one for videos, etc. or even a card just for Science Fiction books or for back issues of Port Orford *Today!*

Your experience may be colored by your choice of where you get your books to read on your new device. Both Amazon and Barnes & Noble hope you'll use the wireless capabilities of their product to order books directly from their respective stores. This can be very easy and convenient but may sometimes not make good economic sense. I found one hardback book where the difference in cost between ordering the printed book and the electronic book was only six cents! One expects the electronic forms to be significantly less expensive since the publisher doesn't have to actually print and ship any product. Caveat Emptor!

There are tens of thousands of books on the Internet that can be freely downloaded and read on either device. You may have to download them first to your computer then transfer them to the reader via a USB cable or by copying them to a microSD card. In this case, you need to be sure you download the books in a format that your reader can

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Fourth Annual Port Orford Water Festival Saturday, April 16, 2011

An interactive all day community event encouraging healthy stewardship and environmental education. NEW this year is all day local music & lunch vendors.

Exhibits include OIMB 25 foot whale skeleton, fish printing, and water quality testing.

This is a free event. There will be raffle prizes such as waterproof watch, fishing pole and kids bicycle.

For more information, call 541-332-0627 or visit www.oceanresourceteam.org/waterfestival

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display. If a book isn't available in a compatible format, there are a number of programs that will convert files from one format to another.

In short, it is a young technology. Expect limitations and assorted frustrations. On the other hand, the ability to walk around with a whole library under your arm is pretty cool! For basic reading, both devices do a good job but there are tradeoffs between them. The more you understand those tradeoffs, the less frustration you're likely to have later. Whatever you get, you'll probably enjoy it. Welcome to the future!

Chamber Luncheon Meeting By Evan Kramer

The Port Orford and North Curry County Chamber of Commerce held a membership meeting last Friday at the library. They began with a tasty barbecue flavored smoked chicken lunch provided by the Port and Starboard and then heard from Brenda Brown, the former president of the Toledo Chamber of Commerce. Toledo



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joined the Oregon Main Street Program in 2008 and Brown was at the meeting to talk about changes to the town and their main street.

Toledo is a town of 3,600 people about seven miles east of Newport and was once the industrial hub of Lincoln County with many lumber mills. Now the town is down to one Georgia Pacific paper mill having seen the plywood mill close in 1986. Brown said that the town was dying in the mid 1990's. They tried going through the Enterprise Zone route to attract new businesses with tax incentives.

Toledo changed its outlook with the addition of many festivals and street fairs including an antique street fair, an artist's district, a summer festival with a huge fireworks display, a classic car show and a wooden boat show at the Port of Toledo. When the city replaced their water and sewer lines on the main street they also got the electric poles put underground. They also put up some decorative light poles and many hanging baskets for flowers donated by the public. There were some large gaps in the downtown area due to torn down buildings and the lots were improved with viewing decks built by the Seabees. A community effort helped construct a mosaic on a retaining wall next to the city hall brightening up that area. They did all this without the use of urban

renewal funds but through community financial support and volunteer labor.

Darlene Thomas spoke to the Chamber about the Curry County Habitat for Humanity new program called "A Brush with Kindness". The purpose of this program is to help homeowners repair the exterior of their homes as part of the organizations continued efforts to "provide affordable housing and revitalize our communities." Thomas said the program was looking for people up here in the Port Orford area who need help. They also need donations to fund the program and purchase supplies. She emphasized the program can only do minor or cosmetic work and not major remodeling. The program is for low income homeowners and Thomas made another point about not wanting to compete with building contractors. People who do get help are expected to pay for the materials as the goal of the program is "A hand up not a handout." You can contact A Brush with Kindness representatives Jim Collis at 541-469-3678 or Joe Donahue at 541-412-7166. You can get an application form in Port Orford at the Downtown Fun Zone.

Redfish Rocks Meeting

The Red Fish Rocks Community Team meeting is on Monday, April 4, from 6:00-8:00pm, at Port Orford City Hall in the council chambers. For more information go to their website at www.redfishrocks.org.

**NOTICE OF ELECTION AND RECEIPT OF
BALLOT TITLE**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Port Orford adopted Resolution No. 2011-06 on March 23, 2011, calling an emergency election for June 7 to submit the following question to the City’s voters:

CAPTION

CITY OF PORT ORFORD WATER SYSTEM
GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND AUTHORIZATION

QUESTION

Shall the City of Port Orford issue up to \$6,000,000 in general obligation bonds to construct water system improvements? If the bonds are approved, they will be payable from taxes on property or property ownership that are not subject to the limits of sections 11 and 11b, Article XI of the Oregon Constitution.

SUMMARY

This measure may be passed only at an election with at least a 50 percent voter turnout. If approved, this measure would help finance the capital costs of improvements to the City’s water system, including but not limited to:

- a new water distribution system

A grant and low interest rate loan package has been identified for funding the project. The funding components include \$6,000,000 in general obligation bonds (this measure), \$4,000,000 of water revenue bonds (for which the City is seeking approval at this same election), and approximately \$3,000,000 from grants. This financing package is only available if the City obtains approval of this measure and the water revenue bond measure. The City will not issue the general obligation bonds or the water revenue bonds unless both bond measures are approved. This project will replace the water distribution system pipelines, and associated pump stations.

The bonds would mature in thirty-one (31) years or less from the date of issuance and may be issued in one or more series.

Notice is also given that a ballot title for this bond measure has been filed with the City Elections Officer on March 23, 2011. The ballot title caption is CITY OF PORT ORFORD WATER SYSTEM GENERAL OBLIGATION BOND AUTHORIZATION. An elector may file a petition for review of this ballot title in the Curry County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m., April 1, 2011 (7 business days after filing of this notice with the City Elections Officer).

**NOTICE OF ELECTION AND RECEIPT OF
BALLOT TITLE**

Notice is hereby given that the City Council of the City of Port Orford adopted Resolution No. 2011-07 on March 23, 2011, calling an emergency election for June 7 to submit the following question to the City’s voters:

CAPTION

CITY OF PORT ORFORD WATER SYSTEM
REVENUE BOND AUTHORIZATION

QUESTION

Shall the City of Port Orford issue up to \$4,000,000 in water revenue bonds to construct water system improvements?

SUMMARY

If approved, the bonds would help finance the capital costs of improvements to the City’s water system, including but not limited to:

- a new water distribution system

A grant and low interest rate loan package has been identified for funding the project. The funding components include \$6,000,000 in general obligation bonds (for which the City is seeking approval at this same election), \$4,000,000 of water revenue bonds (this measure), and approximately \$3,000,000 from grants. This financing package is only available if the City obtains approval of this measure and the water revenue bond measure. The City will not issue the general obligation bonds or the water revenue bonds unless both bond measures are approved. This project will replace the water distribution system pipelines, and associated pump stations.

The bonds would be issued under ORS 287A.150, are expected to be paid from water system revenues, would mature in forty (40) years or less from the date of issuance and may be issued in one or more series.

A copy of Resolution No. 2011-07 is available for inspection at the office of the City Administrator which is located at 555 W. 20th St, Port Orford, Oregon.

Notice is also given that a ballot title for this bond measure has been filed with the City Elections Officer on March 23, 2011. The ballot title caption is CITY OF PORT ORFORD WATER SYSTEM REVENUE BOND AUTHORIZATION. An elector may file a petition for review of this ballot title in the Curry County Circuit Court no later than 5:00 p.m., April 1, 2011 (7 business days after filing of this notice with the City Elections Officer).

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Reasons for Declaring A Water Emergency

1. Adequate water supply and distribution system is necessary for the health and overall well being of the citizens of Port Orford.
2. The impoundment at Hubbard Creek cannot adequately supply our present and future needs especially during summer months in a dry year.
3. Port Orford water distribution system is riddled with leaks throughout the system resulting in the loss of over half the water treated last year.
4. Engineering estimates for increasing the size of Hubbard Creek are on the order of \$4M and those to replace the distribution system \$13.145M.
5. These costs are beyond the capabilities of the depressed community even if the cost of the impoundment is deferred until the aging distribution system is brought up to standard.
6. These costs are rising and will continue to rise with the Construction Cost Index, necessitating fast action. It is now \$50/hr 24/7.

7. A grant and loan package has been identified that will significantly reduce but not eliminate these costs to the tax payers and rate payers to the City of Port Orford.

8. We have to do something before June 30th in order to apply for these grants. We have all the preliminary stuff done but we have to pass the Bond measures in order to secure the loans and the grants. The City must pass a \$6M General Obligation Bond measure to qualify for Safe Drinking Water loan and a \$4M Revenue Bond from USDA Rural Utilities. Both of these will be combined with a \$1.8M Community Block Grant and a \$1.25M grant from USDA Rural Utility.

9. The \$6M GO Bond will result in a property tax increase of approximately \$2.32 per thousand of assessed value, and the \$4M Revenue Bond will result in an average water rate increase of \$23.40/mo.

10. Because of increasing costs, diminishing grants and low interest loan opportunities, and our seriously deteriorating water distribution system the City of Port Orford declares that

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an emergency exists so that a special election may be held as soon as possible to present these bond measures to the voters.

Letter to The Editor,

This is a letter I had hoped I would not need to write but I believe residents have a right to know.

At a special meeting last Wednesday the council was asked to approve the wording of two proposals to be put on a special ballot in June regarding funding for replacing or our water line system.

It will cost everyone in Port Orford at least \$500 a year for 30-40 years to pay for this.

I proposed we consider a third way to fund this which would benefit at least 67% of the people and would save them about \$100 a year.

I tried to get it on the agenda but the Mayor would not agree I tried to propose it at the meeting but not one of the four councilors would second me so we did not even discuss the merits of this idea. I was told earlier it would confuse the voters to put it on the ballot.

After the meeting I was bullied by one councilor to not talk about this. I believe everyone should have the information so you have a choice. It is still not too late to put it on the ballot.

Caroline Clancy

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School District News

The Port Orford/Langlois School District 2CJ Board of Directors, at the regular Board meeting on March 14th, established the District administrative structure for the 2011/12 school year.

The Board feels very strongly that there needs to be full time administration at each school. The new superintendent will also assume the role of principal of one building, and another full time principal will be responsible for the other school, and additional duties as assigned. The distance between our schools makes it very inefficient and ineffective to require an administrator to attempt to lead and be present at both buildings.

In 2009 when Mick Lane moved from half time to Superintendent, it was to be for a single year, but the Board asked Mick to stay under the condition that he be allowed to return to the half time one year position he vacated when he took the superintendent job.

The Board sees this single year half-time contractual obligation as an opportunity to maintain continuity and aid in the transition to new leadership.

Mick will be responsible for special programs including: special education, Title I, testing coordinator, budget development, grant management, TAG, ELL programs, federal/state compliance, and other duties as assigned by the Superintendent. Mick will be paid through Title and IDEA grants, and the cost will not impact the general fund budget.

The Superintendent search is underway. The job has been posted and screenings will begin soon followed by interviews and site visits to finalists' present districts. The outstanding staff and Board will be very attractive to candidates, as will the outstanding success of our teachers who do all the work for students, and have created an excellent environment for a new leader.

Letter to the Editor,

Confusion, contradiction, hallucinations .. ? Take your choice....maybe all three are correct.

Don't tell us what to do or what is good for us. We want to build what we want, where we want, as high as we want, looking as bad as we want, and if we

want, or whatever. We stand alone, responsible to and for ourselves only. It sounds impressive, but when the chips are down does all this "self-reliance" and "independence" hang in there or are they replaced with tin cups and raggedy copies of some type of confiscatory social contract ?

We know our water system is going down the drain (pun intended). We want the City Council to do something. They have come up with the best possible plan which is available now and the window of opportunity is closing fast on June 30. We probably will not have as good a deal again in the foreseeable future.

Ah! But there is one more problem. Who is going to pay for our water system. What? They want us to pay for our water system? Omg! Well, it seems that everybody paying their fair share based upon usage is unacceptable to some of our more "progressive" citizens. They want all of the cost to be based on the value of each property and not on how much water is used! (I wonder if there are any felony charges possible here, such as fraud, discrimination, misappropriation etc.) Whatever happened to that "independent" spirit ?

What if the bond issues are not approved ? What do you think would be more difficult: selling a home with a high water bill or a home with an unreliable water supply ?

Confusion, contradiction

Respectfully,

Jim Hajek

Seeking Umbrellas

Pacific High School is seeking donations of umbrellas for use at the Pacific High School track meets for use by the volunteers. We are seeking the larger sized umbrellas if possible. You can drop them off at the Downtown Fun Zone where they will get picked up and put into use as soon as possible.

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Park Host Opportunity

The City of Port Orford and the Parks Commission are seeking a replacement Park Host for Buffington Park to be available by June 1st at the latest. A responsible person or couple, who live in an RV or easily moved mobile up to 40 feet in length and who would like to serve as Park Hosts for several months or year around. Any applicant must be able to pass a background check done by Police Chief Combs, which will include signing a waiver and being fingerprinted.

The job includes free rent, free electricity, water and sewer in exchange for light maintenance type duties that can include cleaning the bathrooms, litter pick-up, emptying trash cans, weed eating and watering and providing security of the park.

All duties will be fully explained and demonstrated by appropriate City personnel, and the Park Host will work with the Parks Commission and Park liaison, City Administrator, Chief of Police and Public Works Director to ensure the Park is safe, clean and remains beautiful. The RV location is to the right side of the new bathrooms near the baseball field in Buffington Park on Arizona Street.

Interested residents and applicants wanting the job should pick up an application and list of duties and



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requirements at City Hall, 555 W. 20th St. and return the application to City Hall by 4:30 p.m., May 2, 2011. Phone: 541-332-3681, email: bev@portorford.org

Dance Only Tickets Available

Because of the popularity of the California Honeydrops, the band playing for the Rotary Dinner-Dance and Silent Auction on April 9, the dinner has been sold out! So, to accommodate the many people who are still wanting to come and dance to the rhythm and blues music of this popular band, the Port Orford Rotary Club has decided to offer tickets to just the Silent Auction and Dance portion of the evening.

So, a limited number of tickets for dancing and dessert (no dinner) beginning at 8:00 pm on April 9 are now available for \$25 per person and \$40 per couple at the Port and Starboard Restaurant, Sterling Bank, and Chetco Federal Credit Union.

The Honeydrops won the 2009 award for Best R&B/Soul band in the San Francisco Bay area and the group has developed a large following, including many on the South Coast who have heard them at two recent performances. "We are really delighted and lucky to land the Honeydrops," said Dinner Dance Chairman Dick Wold, "Everyone who has heard them wants to hear them

again. Because of them coming, this is going to be the biggest Rotary event ever raising funds for local scholarships and other local community projects!"

For more information about the dinner dance and the many programs of the Port Orford Rotary, visit <http://www.PortOrfordRotary.org> or <http://www.FaceBook.com/PortOrfordRotary> or email info@PortOrfordRotary.org.

Buildings Open April 1

Cape Blanco Lighthouse, Historic Patrick Hughes House, and the Port Orford Lifeboat Station Museum open for the 2011 season on Friday, April 1 from 10:00am to 3:30pm. The newly-formed Cape Blanco Heritage Society (formally Friends of Cape Blanco & Point Orford Heritage Society) and Oregon State Parks invites you to visit these south coast treasures this season and experience their stories, some retold in new ways.

The trained volunteers at these notable locations share the sites' coastal history through tours, living history performances, along with the display of artifacts and gift shops. You are sure to enjoy the heritage you will discover. For more information on specific operating dates, hours, special events or to become involved please visit <http://www.portorfordoregon.com/Friends/index.html>

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Rocky Point Rescue

On March 27, 2010 at 10:07 hours, Curry County Sheriff's Office deputies and Search & Rescue (SAR) personnel responded to the area known as Rocky Point near milepost 304 on U.S. Hwy 101, regarding a report that a man had fallen off rocks and was injured.

Port Orford Ambulance, Port Orford Fire and Ophir Fire Departments were also paged to respond to the scene. The injured man, Patrick Combs of Norman, Oklahoma was evacuated from the rocky shoreline area by ambulance and fire rescue personnel and SAR personnel were advised to stand down. The subject was transported from the scene by ambulance.

While en route to the incident the responding Curry County Sheriff's Deputy's vehicle erupted into flames in the area of Humbug canyon. The Deputy, Jared Gray, stopped his vehicle and evacuated, taking what equipment he could with him. The vehicle became fully engulfed by the fire despite Deputy Gray and Port Orford Police personnel attempts to put out the fire with their fire extinguishers. Fire agencies were

eventually able to put out the fire but not before it became a total loss. No one was injured in the vehicle fire incident.

Oregon State Police and Port Orford Police responded to assist at the scene of the vehicle fire. Highway 101 was closed briefly while fire agencies battled the fire. The vehicle cause of the fire is being investigated.

Jubilee News

The Jubilee Committee meeting was held Saturday, March 19. Many topics were discussed including the Opening Ceremony, Parade and the many events

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The deadline for events to be published in the Jubilee brochure is May 15th. We need to have them in by this date so we can distribute them up and down the coast. Contact Delores Finch 541-332-0990

We have had a number of inquiries from vendors; spaces are \$20.00 per space or \$30.00 for two spaces side by side.

We still have room for additional food stalls and craft exhibitors. We are still in the need for attractions, such as pony rides, a petting and other fun.

It's hard to believe, but we only have 3 months till the big day. All ideas are welcome.

Remember to wear Red, White and Blue. Jubilee # 541-332-0326

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Library Book Sale

The Friends of the Port Orford Public Library are getting ready for their Spring Book Sale. We have boxes and boxes of a wide variety of books at bargain prices. Mark your calendar and shop early. Saturday, April 2 from 9am to 3pm and Sunday, April 3 from 11am to 2pm. Special deal: Bag o' Books on Sunday for just \$3.00. The Friends' Store will be open Saturday.

There's also still time for you to sort out those books you've already read and donate them for others to enjoy. Please bring your books to the Library during regular hours. We cannot accept encyclopedias, Reader's Digest condensed, Harlequin romance paperbacks, or gritty moldy oldies. Thank you for all your donations, they help our Library provide services and programs!

Sign-up for a Garden Bed.

After many delays caused by rainy weather, the Rotary First Harvest Community Garden is finally nearing completion. Rotarian's and others interested in the project have been working fervently on available dry days



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to get things ready for growing fresh vegetables in our community. The land has been cleared, the fencing is in place and the twenty beds have been built. "This week," said Rotary First Harvest Chairman Bill McArdle, "water lines will be run and compost and topsoil will be added to the beds ready for Port Orford's gardeners to plant."

A majority of the twenty beds have already been reserved but a few remain and interested gardeners are invited to come to the next sign up at 5:00 pm, Wednesday, June 15, at St. Johns Catholic Church.

The Rotary Community Garden is a project of the Rotary Club of Port Orford but beds will be available for anyone in the community. Gardeners will "rent" the 8 ft x 4 ft x 16 inch beds for \$10 for the full season and will raise whatever crops they want. However, each gardener will be encouraged to give a portion of their vegetable production to Common Good for distribution. "The cleared area is large enough for approximately fifty beds," said McArdle, "but we are starting this year with just twenty beds until we better understand the needs of the community



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Zion Lutheran Food Share

The Zion Lutheran Church held its first Food Share Sunday March 20. They collected 61 pounds of canned, boxed & bagged food items with excellent expiration dates. The members of this church have decided to make the third Sunday of the month their donation event. With the Zion Super Sunday Food Share in February this small church has now donated 120 pounds of long shelf life food items. They have also donated house hold items and personal care items in the past.

The Common Good, Inc. is grateful for their generosity and encourages other local churches to join them in picking a Sunday for Food Share.

The Common Good, Inc. is a non-profit, all volunteer run, equal opportunity provider and appreciates any and all community support. Please let us know about any plans you have involving The Common Good, Inc. and fund or food donations programs. We will help and answer any questions you may have.

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SIXES GRANGE "Treasures Sale". April 2 & 3, Saturday 9 to 3, Sunday 10 to 3. Many vendors plus the Market Place.

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BIG SALE THE LAST WEEKEND!

Great discounts on vintage collectables, linens, furniture, uniques, basketry. Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday. March 31st thru April 3rd; old Triangle Square Gallery. Start 10am.

GARAGE SALE - Sat, April 2nd, 10-3 at 526 W. 9th Street, Port Orford - indoors. Eclectic mix of furniture and household items.

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FRIDAY TEETH CLEANING appointments now available! We know Friday appointments are hard to come by. So, if you do prefer Fridays, now is your opportunity. Hurry and call Chantelle or Erika at Bandon Family Dental Care while appointments last. Call 541-347-4461.

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CURRY COUNTY HOSPICE is accepting gently used, re-sellable items for the Hospice Market Place, Saturdays from 11-2pm until July 30th; at the North Curry Service Center next to the Library. Call Pattie (541-332-0273) for information.

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Candidate Forum

The League of Women Voters of Curry County will hold three Candidate Forums prior to the May 17 Special District election: Tuesday, April 26 in Gold Beach at the City Hall Council Room; Wednesday, April 27 in Port Orford at the Public Library, and Thursday, April 28 at Chetco Community Public Library in Brookings. All forums will begin at 7:00pm.

Invitations have gone out to the eighteen candidates running for eight contested positions: Harry Abel and Mark McKelvey, Coos Bay, for Southwestern Oregon Community College board, position #1; Lonny Anderson, North Bend, and Susan L. Anderson, Coos Bay, SOCC board, position #6. Jack H. Barnes and Marlyn A. Schafer for Curry Health District board, position #4. Those six people will appear at the Gold Beach forum and also in Port Orford.

Port Orford will also have Philip M. Colozzi, David McCutcheon, and Dianne Schofield for Port of Port Orford commission, position #4; Edna Auld and Kimberly Stang for Port Orford Rural Fire Protection District board, position #1 and Dave Bassett and Wade Phillips for the fire board, position #5. Because of the number of candidates and the distance the SOCC people must travel, Port Orford will have a split forum with the college people speaking and answering questions first.



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Harlem Crowns at PHS

The Harlem Crowns come to Port Orford for a basketball game on Monday night, April 4, at Pacific High School. Admission is nine dollars in advance and ten dollars at the door. Children six years of age and younger are admitted free. There will be tons of door prizes, and the high school Junior Class will have concessions. The Harlem Crowns will face off on the basketball court against a team composed of coaches, teachers and staff. The game starts at 6:00pm. This game is a fundraiser so please show up, have a good time and help the school. Advance tickets are available at the Downtown Fun Zone for \$9. Tickets at the door at \$10.

Humbug State Park

The campground at Humbug Mountain State Park has been closed since last September for major remodeling including a new bathroom facility in

the Loop A campground. Frank Eckley, State Parks area manager, said he expected the construction would be done and the campground reopened by May 1. It will reopen with 97 full hookup camp sites in addition to bike and tent camp sites. The park is still open in the meantime and features several miles of hiking trails including the ever popular one to the top of Humbug Mountain, the old Highway 101 trail and the trail from the campground to the gazebo area.

April Blood Drives

The Red Cross has scheduled blood drives at the following locations. Please call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule your donation appointment.

April 5, Noon-6:00pm, Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 355 Oregon Ave., Bandon

April 6, 1:00-6:00pm, St. John's Catholic Church, 1476 Oregon Street, Port Orford

Poet's Roundup at Library

The second annual Poet's Roundup will be held on Saturday, April 9, from 10a to 4p at the Port Orford Library. Poets will read their work throughout the day, with breaks for refreshments and music. Still room for a few more readers; call 541-332-5622 to schedule your time.

This free program sponsored by the Port Orford and Langlois Libraries is a chance to meet many of our south coast authors and poets. Books and verse will be available for purchase. As Walt Whitman said, "To have great poets there must be great audiences." Come enjoy a day of greatness.

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