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Happy New Year!

2012

The end of the Calendar?

Redfish Rocks Marine Reserve

Oregon's first marine reserves sites will be dedicated in January 2012, marking the culmination of more than a decade of strong local effort by communities, state government, and commercial fishermen, to create protections for Oregon's ocean. The two sites, Redfish Rocks near Port Orford, and Otter Rock, just north of Newport, earned strong support from commercial fishermen who promoted the concept of habitat protection through a marine reserve system.

"We are proud of Port Orford's leadership and support of our marine reserves" said Port Orford's mayor Auburn and charter member of the Redfish Rocks Community Team, a stewardship group. "The Redfish Rocks Marine Reserve and Marine Protected Area give us an opportunity to learn more about our ocean resources and sustainability. Ultimately, these reserves will act as ecological savings accounts to help our commercial and recreational fisheries and provide greater benefits for our ocean and our community for generations to come."

Marine reserves are ecologically important areas that are protected from fishing and disturbance to allow plants

and animals to flourish, and provide opportunities for ecological research. OSU graduate student Tom Calvanese has been working with local fishermen to track the movements of rockfish living in the reserve using acoustic telemetry.

The community of Port Orford has provided significant support for implementing the Redfish Rocks designation through a local community team process. Comprised of a diverse group of stakeholders, the Redfish Rocks Community Team has been assisting the Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife (ODFW) in developing a management plan for the site.

"The Port Orford Ocean Resource Team has focused our work on the triple bottom line approach. This marine reserve is one piece of a sustainable fishing program, and this community has a high level of interest in the reserve since more than half of the total nearshore fishing permits are owned and fished out of Port Orford." Said Leesa Cobb, ED of the Port Orford Ocean Resource Team.

In addition to Redfish Rocks and Otter Rock, three other sites have been recommended for designation—Cape Falcon, Cape Head and Cape Perpetua.

A fourth site, Cape Arago, is also being considered. The total area of state recommended marine reserves comprise a little more than 3 percent of Oregon's Territorial Sea.

The effort to establish marine reserves began in 2000 during Governor Kitzhaber's administration and continued under Governor Ted Kulongoski's administration. The governors' advisory group on oceans, the Ocean Policy Advisory Council (OPAC), has helped to lead Oregon's marine reserve process along with ODFW. The rules for both Redfish Rocks and Otter Rock, the two initial marine reserve sites established by the State of Oregon in 2009, will go into effect on January 1, 2012 following the completion of baseline studies on biological and socioeconomic resources.

The Red Fish Rocks Community Team has raised enough money to purchase

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H1428	6.6	H1525	5.8	H1635	5.2	H1758	4.8	H1929	4.7	L1416	1.4	L1505	0.9
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two buoys and they are now in place. Also coming up soon are on-shore markers for lining up the boundaries of the marine reserve from land. There will also be informational signs at Battle Rock Park and Port Orford Heads State Park.

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is the responsible state agency for management of the marine reserves. The Oregon State Police have the responsibility of enforcing the laws pertaining to the marine reserve.

For additional information:

<http://redfishrocks.org/>

<http://www.oceanresourceteam.org/>

Community Takes Initiative

On December 24, Chris Aiello and Lyle Keeler of the Port Orford Ocean Resource Team, and Tom Calvanese of the Fishtracker Project launched Chris' boat, the F/V J&C, to place buoys marking the westward boundary of the Redfish Rocks Marine Reserve. These

also mark the boundary between the Marine Reserve and the Marine Protected Area. The ODFW rules governing the Marine Reserve and MPA at Redfish Rocks go into effect on January 1, 2012. "We felt it was important for the boundaries to be marked before the rules go into effect," said Lyle Keeler of the PO Ocean Resource Team. "Since crabbing is allowed in the MPA, but not in the Marine Reserve, and crab season is already underway, it was important to make sure the boundary between the two be clearly marked. This is also important for those participating in the live fish fishery, and for sport fishermen."

As of January 1, 2012, deploying of fishing gear (including crab pots) inside the boundaries of the Redfish Rocks Marine Reserve is prohibited, with violators subject to fines. Although bottom fishing is also prohibited within the boundaries of the adjacent Marine Protected Area, crabbing is allowed there - an important distinction.

"As we were placing the marker buoys, we found crab gear belonging to one fisherman who had deployed

pots just inside the reserve boundary", reported Chris Aiello. "We were able to immediately notify the fisherman, who has since relocated his gear, avoiding any potential violation of the rules he might have faced after January 1, so our effort had an immediate practical impact."

"It was great to be part of the marker buoy project," said Tom Calvanese, Oregon State University graduate student. "In order to comply with the new rules, it's important for fishermen to be able to see where the boundaries of the reserve are." Tom is studying the movement behaviors of fishes of Redfish Rocks as part of his thesis research, aka, the Fishtracker Project. Once they completed the task of deploying the marker buoys, the group turned their attention to retrieving data from the Fishtracker acoustic receiver array. They were able to retrieve data from half of the deployed acoustic receivers. The swell was too large that day to safely access the receivers deployed inside the area of rocky pinnacles. "I am always excited to

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get out to the research site and retrieve data. The Fishtracker Project has been a great collaborative effort, and Chris and Lyle have both been instrumental in its success from the very beginning," said Calvanese. (see the article this issue about the Fishtracker Project).

You can pick up a copy of the map, with the Latitude and Longitude and TDs for the marker buoys from the Hallmark and NorCal offices at the dock, or from the hoist operator.

Letter To The Editor,

Our founding fathers created the US Constitution for the express purpose of defending and protecting individual liberty. Maximum individual freedom under the rule of law requires individual responsibility and moral conduct. In a free society there is minimum government interference in economic liberty – the right to keep the fruits of one's individual labor and to do with it as please. God requires 10%. The government should not require more than Gold. Religious liberty. Private property



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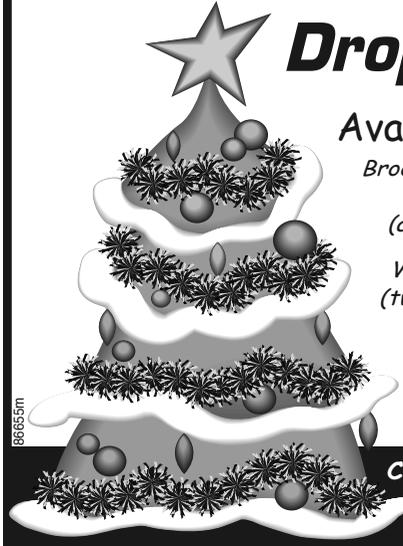
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Collective salvation is the antithesis of the individual liberty. It is the complete removal of all forms of individual freedoms under the guise of the greater good of society. The government decides all matter of human needs and wants. Food production and distribution, energy, transportation, labor, education, health care, manufacturing, business, etc. are all under centralized government control. The government is the great provider and equalizer. Citizens become subjects with little or no individual rights whatsoever.

To transform a free society into a nation of sheeple is a lengthy and complicated

progression. Individuals in government must devise methods and means to manipulate, intimidate, control, corrupt, demoralize, and propagandize unwary people. They must create multitudes of incomprehensible rules, regulations, and laws so that every individual becomes guilty until proven innocent.

David Ross

Question of the Week By Valerie Jean Kramer

I must have heard this question a dozen times or more last week, "What time does UPS pick up?"

There is no fixed time. In brief, UPS comes to town in the morning, delivers any arriving packages then picks up any outgoing packages and heads on back to Brookings. I have seen them leave town as early as 1:00pm and as late as 8:00pm!



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There are many kinds of volunteer opportunities – from tax volunteers to greeters as well as well as communications and technology coordinators. One might be right for you! Review the volunteer descriptions below then complete and submit the [AARP Tax-Aide Prospective Volunteer Form](#).

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TLT Grant Applications

TLT Grant applications are now being accepted. The 2012 application must be used as it has been changed. Applications must be received by January 16, 2012. The TLT Committee will meet at 3:30, Monday January 23rd and a representative from your organization or business should attend to answer any questions regarding your application. Applications are available now at City Hall or online from bev@portorford.org

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New classes are starting for osteoporosis prevention and better bones and balance in Port Orford and Langlois on January 9, 2012. These classes are for people who want to improve their bone health, strength, and balance. The Port Orford class is at the Senior Center Monday, Wednesday and Fridays from 7:15-8:15am. The Langlois sessions take place at the Langlois Lions Club on Monday, Tuesday, and Thursdays from 12:15-1:15pm. Lisa Reed is the instructor. She is OSU certified and licensed.

The Better Bones and Balance Program is a community-based exercise program

developed by researchers in the Bone Research Lab at Oregon State University. Research shows that targeted exercises later in life slows bone loss and improves strength and balance which may reduce fall risk. Better Bones and Balance exercise classes are safe for individuals with osteoporosis and osteopenia and provide benefits for people of all ages. The program is appropriate for both active and sedentary people; exercises in each class are modified to suit individuals at varying levels of fitness.

For more information or how to register contact the SWOCC Gold Beach Center at 541-247-2741.

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Letter To The Editor,

Riding on a train I learned from a Costa Rica native that they had a vote a few decades back to do away with the military and put all that funding into education. Tourism is their industry now, 4 million locals with 2 million tourists per year who pay a tourist arrival tax of \$15.00 when they come into the country. Do the math of what that tax generates per year. That is how they can live off of tourism. Meanwhile, other third world countries in Central America run by corrupt politicians have real poverty. "People in the US don't know what poverty is", I was told by a priest from the Dominican Republic who sat across the aisle, "until they go to a third world country. Costa Rica should be the model." Count our blessings and be positive in 2012! Solutions come to those who think positive thoughts and have good leadership. Curry County has a lot to offer.

Lucie La Bonté



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On December 7, 2011, the North Curry Families’ & Children’s Center: The People Place non-profit signed a lease with Curry County as the official tenant of the North Curry Service Center building just south of the library. This momentous occasion completed NCFCC’s grueling 7 month negotiation with the county by volunteer Co-Directors Pat Terranova and Jan Bennett who were supported by their Board and their Service Center partners to save this valuable resource for the community. In May, 2011, the Curry County Board of Commissioners indicated they felt they could no longer provide the maintenance support to the Service Center due to the county’s financial crisis. Known for years as simply “the blue building,” the now-green county-owned building has housed critical state, county and non-profit services for North Curry residents for over 20 years. The successful effort to keep services available for North Curry communities once more reflects the creative gumption and commitment of our area’s volunteers.

NCFCC: The People Place has broadened its facilities space and operations

responsibilities to include contracting for and managing the partners’ Resource Sharing Agreement which funds the operation of the building. In 1994, when the county began to remove services from the building, a group of concerned citizens formed the NCFCC agency as a non-profit and took over the day-to-day management of the county building with its many partners from state, county and non-profit entities. “We wanted to continue to meet our mission to serve the community with our management of the building. It was tough to go forward without funding for the first two quarters of this fiscal year while in negotiation but we were determined,” said Co-Director and Board President Bennett. In the last fiscal year, the center’s front desk logged over 7000 in-person or phone contacts in the process of connecting people with services. Board Secretary/Treasurer and Co-Director Terranova was pleased that, “Despite the drain of the lease process, the agency was also able to financially assist the Boy Scouts, the Cape Blanco Soccer Club, Theater 101, the Project Safe Graduation fund, and the math project at Driftwood while supporting other projects with volunteer participation of its Board members.”



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Some of the partners offering services in the North Curry Service Center include Coastal Home Health & Hospice, Southwestern Oregon Community College, Oregon Coast Community Action, state and county departments of Human Services, Public Health, Vocational Rehabilitation, and referrals to other community agencies by NCFCC’s Resource Specialist Cherie White. NCFCC Board members include Co-Directors Bennett and Terranova as well as Lynne Meininger, Tim Belmonte and Cecil Ashdown. Call NCFCC The People Place at 541-332-1042 for more information.

Elk River Anglers

Elk River anglers are asked to take a short online survey for Elk River Hatchery parking lot improvements. ODFW plans to upgrade the parking lot and boat launch access road in the future. To better understand anglers’ needs, the survey requests basic information such as boat and tow vehicle type, whether anglers use a shuttle service, parking accommodations and use of the facility.

The online survey can be taken at http://dfw.state.or.us/fish/local_fisheries/elk_river/boat_parking_survey.asp Paper copies are also available at the hatchery. The survey will be available through March 31, 2012.

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Floras Lake Vandalism By Chris Havel, Oregon State Parks

An investigation into damage inflicted on a southern Oregon coast state park in mid-2011 has been referred to the Oregon Department of Justice.

The Oregon State Police reported the results of their Floras Lake State Natural Area vandalism investigation to the Oregon Department of Justice in November. The Department of Justice is reviewing the report to determine next steps for the investigation. Because the case is open and ongoing, the report is still confidential. Both the Department of Justice and the Oregon Parks and Recreation Department continue to treat the incident seriously.

Sometime between mid-May and early June, 16 pits were excavated unlawfully inside Floras Lake State Natural Area (<http://g.co/maps/3xcax>) north of Port Orford.

Floras Lake State Natural Area is a registered natural heritage conservation area and contains important cultural and natural resources, including federally endangered species such as western bog



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lily. In addition to protected species, the park is known for its rare and unusual pygmy forest habitat, so-called because the climate and soil conditions set limits on the forest's growth.

Letter To Editor,

This is a plea for supporting the Curry County Veterans Memorial Association Inc. As the Chairman for the past 2 years, I put in 15 to 20 hours a week on the project. Our Bylaws do however require a change in principal management every two years. So in reality, unless I was reelected, my time was up. I will admit I was tired. As of August 31, the vets down south have taken over the day to day operation.

However, just because I'm no longer involved, doesn't mean I won't financially support the project. There will come a time when the plaza, the floor of the memorial, will be complete and the bricks honoring deceased members of our military families will be available to purchase. Mary and I will buy bricks for several of our hero's, those who gave us the liberty we share today. The sale of the bricks will provide the additional funding needed to complete

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the project in a timely manner. There are no paid positions in the CCVMA, so all donations go directly to the memorial. I'm proud of my contribution to the CCVMA and hope to someday see its completion. The Veterans of Curry County thank you for your support.

Phil Colozzi
Port Orford

Marine Spatial Meeting

Port Orford Ocean Resource Team is scheduling a marine spatial planning workshop to wrap ideas and analysis from the last workshop. This workshop will present results from the Marxan Analysis using priorities established through visioning exercises, as well as compare our community results of possible wave energy zoning versus the states recommendations which include a comprehensive analysis of Ecotrust fishing maps, ODFW near shore resources and DLCDD existing uses. The draft map proposal, at this time identifies two zoning areas in Curry County.

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THE PORT ORFORD-LANGLOIS School District 2CJ currently has multiple vacancies on the Budget Committee. You must live within the boundaries of the school district. To be considered for the position contact the District Office by calling 541-366-2111. A committee application must be completed and returned by February 6, 2012.

County Commissioner Races

There are now three candidates signed up to run for Position #2 on the Curry County board of commissioners. Frank VanMeter is the latest candidate to put his name in the ring and he joins David Brock Smith of Port Orford and Randy Dubbs Dowlers of Brookings on the ballot. Frank VanMeter is a Gold Beach resident who served six years as the Curry County Veterans Services officer and was previously in the US Army for 23 years. He graduated from Portland State University with a BA in Business Management. George Rhodes of Brookings is the current officeholder in position #2 and has not yet filed for another four year term of office.

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There are also now three candidates signed up to run for Position #3 on the board of commissioners including incumbent Bill Waddle, Susan Brown and the latest entrant into the race is Greg Empson. He is a Gold Beach resident who is retired from the hotel business where he worked for Princess Hotels in the Bahamas and hotels in Atlantic City and Las Vegas. Empson graduated from the University of Nevada, Las Vegas, with a BS degree. He has no prior governmental experience.

The last day to file as a candidate for the May 15, 2012 primary election is March 6, 2012.

County Fee Schedule Hearing

Notice is hereby given that on Wednesday, January 4, 2012, at 9:30 A.M. in the Commissioners' Hearing Room, Courthouse Annex, 94235 Moore Street, Gold Beach, Oregon, the Board of Curry County Commissioners will hold a hearing to consider a: 1) new fee schedule applicable to public records requests, and 2) changed Sheriff's Office fees. The public is welcome to attend and to comment at the hearing. For further information on the proposed fee increases

and new fees, please contact the Office of the Curry County Legal Counsel at (541) 247-3291.

New Year's Dance

The Village Folk Dancers invite you to join us for an International Welcome to New Year's on Friday, December 30, at the Port Orford American Legion Hall from 7:00pm till ? Dance to music from all the world from Yugoslavia to Wales to Armenia. Many of the dances are easy to do but a few will challenge you as well. Snacks or donations are welcome but please no alcohol as this is a family affair. For more information call 332-0950. All ages are welcome.

Septic Repair And Replacement

Do you need help with septic repair or replacement or help with your well water and system repair? If you can't afford the repairs we can help. NeighborWorks Umpqua is offering 0% interest deferred payment loans for septic repair or replacement. They are offering 1% well water repair or replacement funds. Call NeighborWorks today to determine if you are qualified for a loan at 541-247-9638.

Get wise to age-fighting.

Think fine lines should be quoted – not appear on your face? A simple and effective daily program with TimeWise® skin care can help reduce the appearance of fine lines and wrinkles. So skin looks firmer. And feels softer. Start looking younger now! Contact me to experience TimeWise® for yourself.

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ARC Blood Drives

The Red Cross has scheduled blood drives at the following locations. Please call 1-800-448-3543 to schedule your donation appointment.

Jan. 3, 1:00-6:00pm Holy Trinity Catholic Church, 355 Oregon Ave., Bandon

Jan. 4, 1:00-6:00pm St. John's Catholic Church, 1476 Hwy 101, Port Orford

Curry Democrats Meet

The Curry County Party meeting venues will alternate between the north county and south county. The **first meeting** of the year will be on Saturday, January 21, 2:00PM at Shore Pines Assisted Living, just north of Gold Beach. We hope lots of our north county Dems will be able to attend!

Port Of Coos Bay News

The Oregon Department of State Lands has approved a removal-fill permit for the development of an access channel and multi-purpose vessel slip on the North Spit of Coos Bay.

Happy New Year

Port & Starboard

Spence Brothers Band

Friday & Saturday

Live Music in our Smoke Free Lounge!!! Delicious Prime Rib & Fresh Seafood Dinner with Drink Specials

9pm to 2am

Designated Driver on Duty

Port & Starboard Lounge

The Oregon International Port of Coos Bay submitted the permit application in January 2007. Today's culmination of that effort opens the way for development of modern marine cargo facilities, expansion of the southern Oregon coast maritime industry and increased use of the Coos Bay rail line. This permit approval further reinforces the viability of the Coos Bay's deep-water harbor for the enhancement of the economy and quality of life in the region.

The proposed multi-purpose cargo slip would accommodate the two berthing areas, one for the proposed Jordan Cove Energy Project liquefied natural gas terminal and a second for inbound and/or outbound bulk and/or breakbulk commodities. Jordan Cove continues to pursue permitting for its LNG project, while the Port continues to have discussions with entities investigating marine industrial property opportunities.

"This permit gives the Port the ability to site multipurpose cargo terminals west of the railroad and highway bridges, positioning the Port to quickly accommodate larger vessels as the industry evolves. It also increases navigation safety and efficiency for those vessels," Kronsteiner said.

Construction of the slip and channel access would occur over 18 months and create an estimated 75 construction and 195 indirect support jobs. Payroll over that time period would total an estimated \$26.2 million overall, bringing essential employment and added stability to Oregon's construction industry.

Longer-term port vessel operation employment tied to ongoing traffic through the berths could total between 26-280 direct jobs and 60-173 indirect jobs, for an annual payroll ranging between \$4.7 million and \$26.7 million annually.