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Let's Work Together By Evan Kramer

One of the main themes of Ocean Frontiers: The Dawn of a New Era in Ocean Stewardship, which played to a sold out crowd on Saturday night was people and businesses with widely different interests working together and coming to solutions on marine issue they can all agree upon.

Mayor Jim Auburn welcomed people to the Savoy Theater to see the world premiere of this "wonderful film" as he called Ocean Frontiers. He spoke about Governor Kitzhaber's efforts ten years ago when he visited Port Orford and helped the City of Port Orford initiate "surgery" as Auburn called it to purchase the property at Agate Beach which led to a working lake outlet and a beautiful Tseriadun State Park. Auburn used the term surgery for what Kitzhaber did for the area as he is a medical doctor as well as the governor.

Representative Wayne Krieger said of the \$400,000 from the State that State Senator Jeff Kruse and House Co-speaker Arnie Roblan both helped get this money on behalf of the Ocean Resource Team for the marine research center in Port Orford. Krieger said with the research center we would be better

able to do research and manage the ocean but added there was not enough money being put into ocean research in Oregon.

Both Arnie Roblan and Jeff Kruse were in the theater as well as former Secretary of State Bill Bradbury, county commissioner David Itzen and of course Governor Kitzhaber. POORT Director Leesa Cobb thanked the many event co-sponsors and said she was pleased that the segment on Port Orford had gotten in the movie. Cobb introduced the co-director and producer of the movie Karen Meyer. She said she and her husband and co-producer Ralf Meyer wanted to tell the Port Orford story which they have been following for five years.

Governor Kitzhaber next took the podium to introduce Bill Bradbury. The governor said Bradbury has been a long time champion of coastal communities. Bradbury served as the state senator for this part of the coast back in the early 90's. Bradbury thanked the POORT members and POORT Director Leesa Cobb complimenting them on the incredible job they have done. Bradbury told people to think of marine reserves as a savings bank and noted that other communities up and down the coast

hadn't been as accepting of the marine reserve program.

Governor Kitzhaber told people it was truly remarkable what has been done here in Port Orford and then introduced First Lady Cylvia Hayes. She remarked how the film Ocean Frontiers focused on several concrete success stories. She said she wanted to spread the word throughout Oregon about the Port Orford efforts for the marine reserve and ocean stewardship to all of the state.

Then as they say it was time to "roll" the film though the Savoy Theater, like many, now has a DVD projector to show movies. The 80 minute film had four segments focusing on four very different ocean communities and the positive effects of the disparate groups working together from the Boston Harbor where shipping lanes were moved to accommodate the many whales that make their home in the Stellwagen Bank National Marine

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Sanctuary. The problem in the Boston Harbor is the huge industrial cargo ships were making contact too often with the whales that make their home in the area and of course the whales were coming out second best being killed by the contact with the cargo ship hulls. The segment on the Mississippi Delta and its huge dead zone was connected to farming practices in Iowa as the Mississippi Delta is where waters that flow from Iowa via the Mississippi river end up. Farmers there are voluntarily cutting back on the amount of nitrogen they use to fertilize their crops meaning

less runoff into the Mississippi and in the process saving the farmers lots of money.

Port Orford and the Red Fish Rocks Marine Reserve represented the small local scale of marine stewardship. Several people including city manager Mike Murphy were interviewed in the film with Murphy talking about the bio-swale at Battle Rock park and Jerry Becker talking about the Copper Salmon Wilderness which is part of what is known as the Port Orford Community Stewardship Area. Fishermen Aaron Longton, Darryl Cobb, Jeff Miles Danny and Lyle Keeler were interviewed

for the film with the Keeler brothers providing some humorous relief. Leesa Cobb was interviewed and explained the big picture. When the movie was over the capacity crowd rose to their feet and gave the filmmakers a well-deserved standing ovation.

The next morning Governor Kitzhaber and First Lady Cylvia Hayes were given a close-up look at the Red Fish Rocks Marine Reserve. They and others got on board the F/V Top Gun owned by fisherman Jeff Miles and were then hoisted into the water for the brief early morning tour of the reserve. The Port

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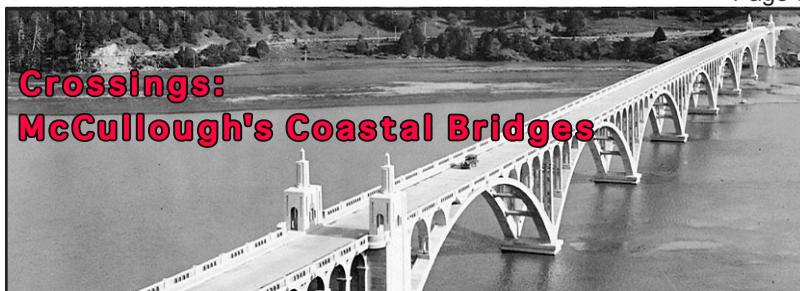
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of Port Orford did not receive dredging funds last year and getting in and out has been more difficult and tricky. The governor got to experience firsthand the problems in being launched a couple of hours before a .8 low tide but hoist operator Fred Calligori took good care of the group. Now to see if the governor can get us some help with the never ending dredging problems at the Port.

Thanks to Red Fish Rocks community team member Gary Wickham we now have two copies of Ocean Frontiers at the Fun Zone and they are free rentals. Gary went over to the POORT office and the Meyers donated two copies for people to watch.

Letter To The Editor,

I don't usually like to name people when I write letters to the editor, however, in the Port Orford Today paper dated Feb. 8, David Morrison made some comments that I think need to be addressed. First, if he would be so kind as to re-read what I wrote in the January 18 letter, he would discover that I was referencing two other sources. I took direct quotes from those sources, and inserted them in the body of my letter, quoting verbatim. Therefore, whatever figures he says I was incorrect on, were not my figures, rather derived from other, named, sources. Second, to address the issue of our Debt, I think most rational people will agree that the "leaders" of this country have spent way too much, far and above what this nation can afford. This is further evidenced by the news today, as stated on the radio, (AM 630), at 8 Am this morning, President Obama has submitted his budget for this year, and it is way over \$3 Trillion. That is the main thrust of my letter, the fact that we are so far in debt that our grandchildren may still not be able to pay it off, even if we started cutting Right Now!. This country is headed in the wrong direction, and we need to steer it back on track



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starting now. That, Sir, Is my opinion, and you can quote me on it. Here is something folks might want to do a bit of research on...some sources, which I will not quote, (look it up for yourself), state that Obama has spent more during his first term in office than all the other Presidencies combined, from George Washington thru to George Bush

Thank you,

Jim Kuhn

Letter To The Editor

In an effort to help save our shelter I went through the license renewals with a fine tooth comb. I printed out all the one who didn't renew. Could you please send in the license renewal with your check? Could you help us save the only place the dogs have to be safe? Sheriff Bishop and I talked one day and if everyone put a license on their dog we, the shelter, would have about \$300,000.00 in revenue. Yes you read that right. For me a license is a way to get your dog home safe and for those dogs who never leave home I call it a donation to the shelter which is so appreciated. I want to pick the shelter up as a nonprofit but it is going to take me

time. And according to the Undersheriff time is of the essence for the shelter. For those of you that renewed at your local vet for January or February please ignore this renewal and I thank you for helping us. Once the nonprofit does the "take over" we hope to change things a bit making it much more affordable to license, especially for fixed income folks, but for now I am begging you to help me save the shelter our homeless dogs need a place to call home until they find a home. Thank you and as always God Bless you.

Catherine Powers
Curry County Animal Shelter
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Bridge Players Wanted

The Port Orford Bridge Group is looking for a few more bridge players to join their weekly get-together. The card group meets at noon every Wednesday in the Library's small meeting room. There are two tables and we play four hands of bridge with each of the other players present. We are usually finished by 4pm or earlier. We will need substitute players as well as regular players in the months to come. Please call Sherry Johnson at (541) 332-0599.

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Mildred Hill 2012 Concerts

March, May, July and September are the months for the four Mildred Hill Concerts in 2012 at Port Orford’s Zion Lutheran Church. Presented on Saturdays or Sundays, this is the sixth season for the series, which grows in attendance each year. Refreshments on a donation basis at intermission are themed to the music of each evening.

Concerts are just \$10, while a season pass gains admittance to \$40 worth of great music for \$35. Families are reminded that youth through age 18 are always free. Tickets become available one month prior to each concert at the door, Downtown Fun Zone in Port Orford, or by phoning Milt Nelson at 541-332-9002.

Duo Flamenco opens the season on Saturday March 24 at 7:00 pm. Grant Ruiz plays a Les Stansell flamenco guitar, Terry Longshore blends in percussion and both do vocals of the driving, sensuous and romantic idiom of the music of Andalucia in Spain. Representing the classic genre in 2012 only because the flamenco guitar springs from the classic guitar, this concert will

bring a glow to the hearts of all who attend.

ORCA Singers from the Brookings area are led by Charlotte Heatherly. They represent the 2012 vocal category in a special Mother’s Day concert Sunday May 13 at 6:00 pm. Sponsored by Southwest Oregon Community College new Curry Campus, the chorus will present sacred, secular and popular music. They have met the challenges of such works as the Faure Requiem and Leonard Bernstein’s Chichester Psalms.

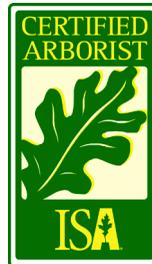
Heartwood Duo are the folk entry in the 2012 calendar on Saturday July 28 at 7:00 pm, presenting Celtic/Appalachian music with a bit of contemporary and a touch of Joni Mitchell classics, music of great variety and appeal. Candace Kreitlow, of Bandon, plays celtic harp while Katie Waldren from California plays Mt. (lap) and hammered dulcimer, among other instruments. The two blend their clear voices in vocals.

Closing the 2012 season, Left Coast Jazz Trio blends musical conversation through improvisation in the jazz offering Saturday September 22 at 7:00 pm. Pianist Will Hubel anchors the trio

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on the Kawai baby grand of Mildred Hill Concerts, with Jan Kaplan on standup electric bass and John Goodwin on guitar. This group will play a special gig at Zion church for the fat Tuesday pancake feed February 21 beginning at 5:00 pm. Admittance is by donation for fun, food and music.

Letter To The Editor,

I have an old cell phone I no longer use. Do you have one hidden in a drawer at your house? If so, consider this option. Hope Phones is an “innovative way to fund the global efforts of Medic Mobile, their parent organization that advances healthcare in eleven countries with mobile technology. 500,000 cell phones are discarded in the U.S. every day and pollute the environment with tons of plastic and persistent toxins like lead, nickel, beryllium, and cadmium. Cell phones recycled through Hope Phones provides a real health benefit abroad.”

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CommUnity Co-Op

The Port Orford CommUnity Co-op concept began early last year with a mission of enhancing our community by establishing a year-round market to showcase local/regional food, crafts, and services. A steering committee, consisting of local volunteers, are leading the charge to open a storefront which will feature local foods, gifts, crafts and arts, as well as community services and educational opportunities. The Co-op received a grant from USDA to develop a solid foundation for the new business by providing professional assistance with: cost analysis, marketing and business plan, website, board of directors governance documents and training, strategic planning, and a membership drive.

The Co-op steering committee has conducted a marketing survey and reviewed the draft cost assumptions that were compiled by Northwest Cooperative Development Center. The draft cost analysis will be presented to the steering committee in late February. The Co-op's website has a host of information about the progress of the store at: www.portorfordcoop.org.

The next phase of the project will require a board of directors to craft the future of the Co-op. The steering committee is looking for 7 dedicated individuals to serve as the first Board of Directors. The initial Board of Directors must be

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willing to spend many hours on the final phases of completion in order to launch the Co-op. The Directors will be taken through board leadership training and participate in the long-term strategic planning of the business. Applications can be found on www.portorfordcoop.org, along with the results of the marketing survey, steering committee meeting information, and related materials. The deadline for Board Member applications is February 29, 2012. The steering committee members will be evaluating applications and interviewing potential board members in March.

For more information about the Port Orford CommUnity Co-op please go to www.portorfordcoop.org or call Project Manager, Susan Brown at [541-404-3417](tel:541-404-3417).

Arts Council Open House

The Port Orford Arts Council is having an open house, which all members, community groups and local individuals are invited. We will be sharing information about the Port Orford Arts Council with the group. This includes our mission, activities and funding. We will also reach out to participants and members for input regarding POAC activities for 2012 and how we can better fit our members' needs. Please bring your favorite friend and snack. Refreshments will be served but we would like to encourage a potluck for all that attend"

Date - February 22, 2012

Time - 4:00-6:00pm.

Location - The A-Frame in Buffington Park at the corner of Arizona and Fourteenth Streets.

Highway 42 Slide Repair

The excavation and hauling of an estimated 10,000 cubic yards of earth from the County Line slide requires closing a one-mile section of Oregon 42, located roughly ten miles west of Camas Valley, from 5 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 18 to 1 a.m. Monday, Feb. 20.

ODOT maintenance officials held an emergency meeting earlier today to hire a contractor to remove the material. Bids are being accepted today; however, it could take another day or so before a contractor is selected.

The westbound lane along this stretch of Oregon 42 — hemmed in between a sheer rock wall and the Middle Fork Coquille River — has been under single-lane traffic with flaggers providing traffic control since January 19. ODOT District Manager Darrin Neavoll said the highway will reopen next Monday in a single-lane configuration and remain that way until the end of February. Drivers should continue to expect 20-minute delays during this period.

“Our rockfall protection strategy continues to evolve,” Neavoll said. “So far, mitigation has included scaling operations, improving fallout area geometry and regrading portions of the slope to remove launch features. We’re now looking at other long-term solutions such as increasing the size of the rockfall ditch and draping a protection mesh over unstable portions of the slide.”

The agency contacted demolition contractors earlier this month in hopes of using controlled blasting to remove material from the slide. The unanimous advice from the contractors was to pursue a slower, more manageable approach employing excavators, which reduces the risk of rocks being launched into the river.

“The material consists of shale and other low-grade rock that isn’t suitable

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for construction,” Neavoll said. “Our objective is to clear it off as quickly and safely as possible.”

Police Chief Report By Marvin Combs

The Port Orford Police Department want to remind you to be careful of telephonic phone scrams. When these subjects get you on the phone they have a lot of information about you and a family member. They will make you believe that you are speaking to a grandchild in need of help. Before you send any money to anyone please call your Police Department to see if we can verify any of this information for you. They prey on you being eager to help and get the money sent right away. They will advise you that there is no way to contact them by phone or their phone is broken. There is always time to call that number anyway or try and verify that this family member is really where they say they are before sending money to them. They use pressure and make you believe that there is short time period to make this happen. Please slow down and think before you act. During this last week this department took such

a call and we now have a victim who lost some money.

Please call us first and see if we can help you or call someone you will listen to before moving forward with sending money.

Weekly Police Log

02/07/2012 dispute call at 654 Ninth street, settle by contact.

02/08/2012 dog at large call 250 E. 19th street.

02/08/2012 welfare check 9 Hamlet. Settle by contact.

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02/11/2012 Phone Harassment 250 E. Nineteenth Street. Report Taken

02/12/2012 Fraud case 2510 Deady Street. Report taken.

City Council Meets

The Port Orford City Council holds their regular monthly meeting on Thursday, February 16, 3:30pm in the city hall council chambers.

Letter To The Editor,

Over the last several decades we have lost, and are still losing, our Constitutional rights and freedoms due to our country becoming a socialist country.

At anytime our government can now take your land and house for whatever purpose it wants. The government will own your property, ...and it can sell it cheaply to its friends.

Both fed and state governments have been trying to delete-by-redefining our second amendment rights (you know, the one that allows you to defend yourself in some states).

You will no longer have the right to own your own business. You can pay for it, work in it, but the government will tell you how much to charge and the maximum that you will be allowed to make from it.

Right now, if someone anonymously calls the feds about being suspicious of you, then the feds are legally allowed to pick you up without a warrant, arrest you without a charge and you are not allowed an attorney, nor are you allowed to tell anyone about it. They can hold you in a prison without charges, trial, conviction, in places all around the world, and nobody will ever know. (Think about the Count of Monte Cristo, only without the escape with a treasure map.)

This appears to violate the First, Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Tenth, Thirteenth, Fourteenth, and possibly the Fifteenth Amendments to our shredded U. S. Constitution!

King Obama has made over 10,000 new spy agencies and branches that only work inside our country, watching over U.S. citizens. Sounds like the old Russian KGB! (Only with better cameras and more powerful computers.) They are listening in on phone calls, reading emails, watching your Internet searches and tracking you with cameras and GPS equipment. The feds can now break

down your door anytime they wish without a judge-approved warrant. Isn't that nice! WELCOME TO AMERIKA!

There is a website our chancellor Obama had set up (and no, I'm not going to give it to you). If you hear anyone saying anything bad about the government or Obama, you can report them and what they said, even giving a license plate number. They're also requesting your children to inform on you, like Germany's brown shirts in the 1930's. It worked very well for the Reich, so why not here, too?

By 2014 you will go to a state church or government church because the church you have will be no more. You have already seen them testing the waters for that. You won't be able to have any Christian Crosses or Jewish Symbols in public places or in public view on your own property. This is already happening across the country – several incidents were in the news around Christmas time. It does seem a little strange that no Muslim symbols were ever asked by the government or courts to be taken down or hidden from public view.

Most of the news media is now greatly influenced by the government and only prints the news that is allowed. The Government is trying to get rid of private and religious charities, forcing all those in need to rely on government agencies.

Have a will? Want to leave money to family members and/or charities? Well, here comes that magical number again – **2014** – ear marks in the health bill requires the money go to the government instead so it can put it to the best public use. (Did you read about the ½ Billion dollars of stimulus money spent to refurbish the engines in a VIP yacht in Kalifornia?)

How about this one: if you grow a vegetable garden in your back yard, and it produces more than your family needs, it is illegal to give the excess away (or to sell it without a business license and approval from several government agen-

cies). You are supposed to let whatever your immediate family can't eat just rot in the garden ...or you will be fined!

Like free speech? It is already banned on most school campuses. You are losing it bit-by-bit and it will be completely gone in just a couple of years. They're taking our rights away little by little so you won't notice what they're doing to us. It is all very well planned.

Let's talk a little about the health care bill (Obama-care). There are so many ear mark's just so the government can run every part of your life. Your health care will cover only \$5000 for a single person and \$10,000 for a family per year. How much did your health cost last year? For many people it was a great deal more. The government will decide what treatments are approved, and who will be eligible to receive them. You will have no choice (unless you are rich and can go to a private hospital in the Swiss Alps!). The government will have real-time access to your finances, and direct access to ALL your bank accounts.

Medical services will be reduced for seniors, disabled and those with low income. Their only asset may be an organ that can go to someone of more importance. It will be justified by "...to keep a garden healthy, you must remove the weeds, so it's not really killing because you are improving the whole". Hitler justified removing the weeds in his society, as did the progressives in this country before, ...and they're doing it again. Do you remember the democratic woman last year on the morning news that said that if she had a disabled baby, she didn't think that it would really be killing if she smothered it with a pillow because it would be saving it from a life of misery.

Welcome to communism. My next letter will be more on the Obama health care bill.

Reverend Christine

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This Week In The Garden By Jennifer Ewing

For the past six weeks we have been talking about getting ready for the gardening season and starting your own seeds. My hope is that many of you will actually give it a try. In trying to keep my articles short, I realize that I have glossed over detail and you may have questions to be answered to fill in those gaps. Please, feel free to ask me. I want you to be successful in all your gardening endeavors. 541-332-0309.

Back to seed-starting, the calendar and when to start what. Cool weather crops like lettuce, cilantro, broccoli, cabbage, kale, chard and collards, to name a few, should be marked on your calendar to be started sometime February. After about a month growing in your six-packs, it is time to pot up the seedlings into either large six-packs or three inch pots using regular potting soil. This creates a stronger root system that will kick start a healthy plant when planted out.

Root crops like potatoes, carrots, beets, turnips, radishes and parsnips should be directly sown into the garden after laying down a layer of compost. Here in

the cool coastal climate, peas can go in anytime late winter, early spring.

Gardening in raised beds means you never till the soil, not even to work in the compost. If you are gardening without raised beds and you have compacted the soil by walking on it during the previous season, it will need to be fluffed a bit but, please, no deep tilling. Tilling ruins the tilth of the soil and disturbs the microbial activity. Also, working the soil when it is wet will only give you clods that will never break up!

Great Backyard Bird Count

This year, the Great Backyard Bird Count will take place from February 18-21. It's free, fun, easy, and it helps birds. Everyone with access to the internet can participate.

You can count birds at any location for as little as 15 minutes--or as long as you want--during the 4-day period, then tally the highest number of birds of each species seen together at any one time. To report your count, fill out an online checklist.

As the count progresses, you can explore what is being reported all across the U.S. and Canada. There's also a photo contest and a prize drawing for participants who enter at least one bird checklist online.

This year nearly 100,000 bird watchers of all ages and abilities are expected to help create a real-time snapshot of where birds are all across North America. This citizen science effort aids Cornell and National Audubon Society researchers to understand more about birds.

To learn more about how to join the count, get bird ID tips, downloadable a regional checklist, and more, go to Great Backyard Bird Count website: www.birdcount.org <<http://www.birdcount.org>> . You can also find a clickable link at the "citizen science" page of the local Kalmiopsis Audubon Society website: www.kalmiopsisaudubon.org/citizenscience.

Mardi Gras Party

Come join the Mardi Gras party at the Nesika Beach Grange and Community Center on February 25.

Louisiana influenced catered dinner buffet Adults \$5-- Children \$3 starting 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM in the down stairs in dining area.

Kareoke, Door prizes, Games, dancing, raffles and more upstairs at 7:00PM General admission is \$10

\$3 discount for a donation of 3 non-perishible food items for the local food bank .

Costumes encouraged ...come and join us for fun, food, and frivolity. Earn your beads.

Call for more information or to make reservations at 541-247-9103.

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Dinner Theater Planned

Recently members from Curry Health Foundation and Rotary Club of Gold Beach met to begin planning for the annual High on Health Fundraiser scheduled for April 28, 2012. The organizations state that funds from this year's event will be used toward health related projects in Curry County.

Leslie Keating and Mary Stansell, co-chairs, reported that this year the committee decided to kick up the fun with a murder mystery during the buffet dinner. They announced that the live and silent auctions will be limited this year with the addition of a fun new calendar game.

This year's dinner will be held at Event Center at the Curry County Fairgrounds. Tickets are \$35 each. All tickets will be sold in advance. Leslie Keating reminds us that tables of eight may be reserved in full. The event is typically sold out and seating is limited. The public is invited and tickets are currently available online at (www.curryhealthfoundation.com), at Interior Coverups in Gold Beach, Emily Rumiano at Edward Jones Chetco



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Open Hearth Dinner By Paula Cracas

Someone described the Love Monkeys hosting the Open Hearth dinner as a "well-oiled machine." Wow! What a compliment. But so true. The whole troop of Port Orford Love Monkeys, with a gang of groupies, showed up wrapped in aprons to present eager eaters with meat and veggie lasagna, red peppers, cucumbers, sunflower seeds, raisins, and tomatoes topping an organic salad, baskets of French bread drenched in butter, parsley and garlic, and last, but not least, an array of desserts including various flavors of cheesecakes, carrot cakes and a luscious chocolate cake. We hope you didn't miss this feast. And don't tell anybody, but our gorilla

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imported his mom and dad all the way from Chicago to help out. The Love Monkeys would like to thank the Rotary for this opportunity to serve our community, in addition to thanking all the folks who purchased, set up, prepped, cooked, and served the food, those who cleaned up, and those who handed out Valentine cookies on the way out the door. The Love Monkeys had lots of fun and we hope our guests did too.

Curry Democrats Meeting

The regular meeting of the Curry County Democrats for February will be this Saturday, February 18, 2:00 to 3:30 or 4:00pm at the Chetco Community Library, 405 Alder Street in Brookings.

Several items of interest include an exciting report from Bev Bacak on the possibility of opening our campaign office earlier than previously anticipated, and hopefully an approval of the venue Bev has located. And, for all the PCP's: Bev will be bringing PCP filing papers to the meeting, so that we can fill them out on the spot, and meet the March 6 deadline to file as a candidate for the May election.

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Susan Brown Office

The Committee to Elect Susan Brown is pleased to announce the opening of its campaign headquarters in Brookings Harbor. The office located at ---- Highway 101 South, will officially open its doors on February 18 at 10 am and will be staffed from 10 am to 2 pm Tuesdays through Saturdays. The public is invited to come in for coffee and information about Susan Brown's candidacy.

Girl Scouts News

Our local Girl Scout Troop #30114 is celebrating 100 years of Girl Scouting this year with other troops around the world. As a troop of over 15 girls, of all ages, we have been working on our Global Action Awards and our Thinking Day Awards

In January, our troop went to Coos Bay to celebrate World Thinking Day with other area troops. Each troop chose a country to represent and we had a wonderful day of sharing with other Girl Scouts, visiting with three foreign exchange students, trying many different kinds of ethnic foods, watching an African dance and learning about other cultures.

We are taking action this year to help save the Amazon Rainforest. We have signed a petition to Girl Scout headquarters asking that palm oil no longer be used in our cookies, as its cultivation destroys the ecosystem of the rainforests. We will be donating a portion of the profits from our cookie sales to R.A.N., an organization that helps to save the rainforest.

We love to have fun and learn new things. In March we will be setting up a display at the Port Orford Library to celebrate the one hundredth year of Scouting. Come by and check it out.

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Hope to see you Saturday at the Cookie Booth.

Rural Fire Board Meeting

The Port Orford Rural Fire District Board meets on Thursday night, February 16, 6:00pm, at the Cedar Terrace Fire Hall.

Possible County Sales Tax

Curry County Commissioners have authorized the expenditure of up to \$5,000 to secure a legal firm to look at the legalities and draft a ballot measure that would seek a 1 to 3 percent sales tax. Commissioner Bill Waddle stated the sales tax recommendation is one of 19 recommendations that came from a citizens committee as the county wrestles with a budget crisis. Commissioner Waddle says the commission plans to prioritize the other recommendations and look at their feasibility. Officials announced the county would be bankrupt one year from now unless other revenue streams and budget cuts were made. Waddington says the county is being watched closely by others who are likely facing the same crisis. The County has agreed to hire Dan Olsen to conduct the legal investigation. It is also working the League of Oregon Cities and legislative counsel. The commission meets again on February 15.

Port Orford Jubilee Old & New Treasures

**Event on Sunday, February 26th
from 10am until 4pm at the Community Bldg**

Tables will be available to rent @ \$10.00 each. Call early for a table

We will be having a can drive, 50/50 drawing
and a Basket raffle along with donations sale

Please call for any donations available for the Jubilee, we will pick up
Call Kristi @ 541-253-1032

Blodgett Files

Leroy Blodgett has filed to run for Curry County Commissioner Position #2 as of February 10. Blodgett served as the Brookings City Manager from 2000-2005 and previously served as the business manager of the Cow Creek Tribe (Seven Feathers) for two years previous to his job as Brookings City Manager and previously to that he served as city manager for the cities of North Bend and Myrtle Point. He is currently self-employed and is the owner of Eagle Two Development Corporation.

Three other candidates have filed for Commissioner Position #2 including David Brock Smith, Randy Dubbs Dowler and Frank VanMeter. The position is currently held by George Rhodes who has not announced yet whether he will run for another four year term or not.

Three candidates have filed to run for Commissioner Position #3 including the incumbent Bill Waddle, Susan Brown and Greg Empson.

Renee Kolen is the sole person to file for Curry County Clerk. She is the incumbent.

Deborah Crumley is the only person who has filed for Curry County Treasurer.

Curry County Sheriff John Bishop has filed for another term as sheriff and is the sole candidate for that position.

No one has filed for Curry County Assessor. Jim Kolen is the long term incumbent in this position.

The last day to file for running for one of the county offices is Tuesday, March 6 which is also the last day to file for precinct committeeperson.

Voter registration deadline for the Tuesday, May 15, 2012 primary election is April 24. Ballots will be mailed to out of state voters on April 16 and mailed to county voters no sooner than April 27 and no later than May 1, 2012.

Birds of A Feather
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Community Garden Sign Up

It's time again to sign up for a garden plot. Last year's gardeners are encouraged to reserve their plot from last year (one plot limit per person) if they wish to do so. Plots not reserved on or before the 18th of February will become available for reassignment. Call Bill or Pat McArdle at 332-0947 or sign up on sign up sheet posted at the garden to reserve a plot. Plots are available for new gardeners on a first come first served basis. New gardeners are heartily welcome to join us.

As a convenience two sign up sessions will be held, both at St. John's Catholic Church. The first at 11:00 AM Saturday 18 February and the second at 5:30 PM Monday 20 February.

If you are unfamiliar with the garden. It is located in Buffington Park at the end of Arizona Street. The plots are raised 4' x 8' foot beds. The plots rent for \$10 per year. Organic gardening is the rule for the garden.

Parks Fundraiser

As a fund raiser for Parks two different Roy Rogers movies will be showing at the Savoy Theatre on Sunday, February 26 at 3:00 and 5:00 p.m. at \$6.00 for one or both. Goodies by Brenda Dell will be on sale to support the Skate Park. Come and enjoy some good ol' classics and support your parks.

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