

Port Orford Police report

April 18
Police responded to a report of a domestic fight in progress involving a male and female subject. It was reported that the female had assaulted the male subject but the male did not wish to pursue a criminal complaint. A report was taken but no other action by request of the victim.

April 21
Police received a complaint by a male subject that he had been harassed and menaced by another male during a meeting. A request was provided to the Curry County District Attorney to have the case investigated by an outside agency for Harassment, Menacing and Disorderly Conduct on both parties. The case was referred to an outside agency

April 22
Police took a complaint from a subject that she had been harassed telephonically. A report from Verizon Telephone Company providing the telephone numbers of the caller were provided to police and the case is currently under investigation.

April 24
1.) Police received a report that unknown person(s) were attempting to

take fuel near the U-Haul trucks on Oregon Street. If anyone knows anything or if you have had gas taken you're your vehicle, please contact police. Even if you do not wish to pursue criminal prosecution the information helps in our investigation to find the culprit.

2.) Police assisted Curry County Sheriff's Office on a call of a female subject reporting animal abuse. While awaiting police, an argument ensued with the animal's owner and one female pulled a personal Taser out for self defense. It was determined the female subject with the taser had taken the correct classes allowing her to legally possess and use the taser. The complaint was handled by the Curry County Sheriff's Office, and Curry County Animal Control.

Note: a personal taser which are similar to what police carry are allowed for public use as long as the person takes a class to be certified.

If anyone needs information about becoming certified to use the personal taser for self defense contact me and I'll get you the information. I although have decided not to get one for my wife as

she sits very close to me at night when we watch television.

3.) Police received a report of a dog at large in the area of Battle Rock Park. The dog was running in and out of traffic and thanks to our own Fire Chief Gayle Wilcox, Paul Garrett, and Joan Abbey the dog was saved from being hit by a vehicle. They all helped to remove the dog from speeding traffic. Unable to locate the dog's owner, it was taken to Doggy Jail.

Note: This is yet another reason to drive slowly because in a community like ours there are sometimes dogs, cats, big birds and horses in the roadway, and a driver traveling at a high rate of speed sometimes cannot see the animals in time.

I developed a plan for dogs at large. As you all know there are fewer dogs at large in our community because of enforcement of the dog at large ordinance, but I did make a plan for dogs we find.

When a dog is located running loose, and we do not know who the owner is, the dog is taken around to several people in the community who know most of the dogs like Beaver at pampered

Pooches. If we cannot determine who the dog belongs to we take it to Doggy Jail who keeps the dog until an owner is found. This is just another example of our continued development of our community policing program.

April 25
1.) Police receive a 911 call of a fight in progress at one of the local taverns. Upon arrival it was determined to be mostly verbal and the subjects had already been removed from the premises. No other action was taken.

2.) Police received a 911 call of an unknown problem at a residence. A caller had contacted Curry County Dispatch by cellular telephone, and after a trace of the phone contact was made with the complainant and it was determined no problem existed. The residence was checked and it was determined to be a mistaken call. No other action taken.

Chiefs notes: I was disappointed ... when Sergeant Halse talked about the reason (s) he resigned.

Halse worked five years with our department and was given two letters of commendation for helping to save the life of two of our citizens. His last day

will be the 30th, and I hope he reconsiders leaving us.

I feel our community owes him a great debt of gratitude. With him leaving our department now has only two officers to cover 24/7 which will now be a little harder to do. Our department needs to cover 168 hours a week.

We were able to cover 120 hours with a man on duty but now I can only cover 80 hours with a man on duty. This means we now have 88 hours instead of only 48 hours of unmanned coverage. If one of us leaves town then the other has limited backup.

Remember Curry County only has six patrol deputies to cover about 1600 square miles so it can take 45 minutes or so for us to get a backup unit if our local officer is not available.

During the last council meeting I asked the council if I could hire a replacement.

Thanks to the Mayor, who broke the tie we are now able to start looking for a replacement which will take a little time.

Please bear with me, and if you have any concerns you can always call me on my cellular telephone day or night.

Community calendar

Port Orford Rotary:
May 29-31, Rotary district 5110 annual conference, Eugene (www.district5110.org)
June 27, Rotary Club of Port Orford annual awards fellowship, American Legion Hall (www.PortOrfordRotary.org)
July 4, Rotary Jubilee Breakfast, Driftwood Elementary School (www.PortOrfordRotary.org)
August 6-7, Rotary District Governor's annual visit,

American Legion Hall (www.PortOrfordRotary.org)
August 31, Rotary annual Show & Shine, Driftwood Elementary School (www.PortOrfordRotary.org)
Children and Families:
The Curry County Commission on Children and Families will hold the following meeting for May 2008.
Tuesday, May 6, at 10 a.m., Early Childhood Meeting At Commission on Children and

Families
29805 Mary Street, Gold Beach The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Early Childhood issues in the community.
Tuesday, May 20, at 3:30 p.m. Curry County Commission on Children and Families
At Commission on Children and Families 29805 Mary Street, Gold Beach The purpose of this meeting is to discuss Drug Free Communities Report, Early Childhood Report, Town Hall

Meeting and Coalition matters.
Tuesday, May 27, at 3:30 p.m. Curry County Communities Coalition At Commission on Children and Families 29805 Mary Street, Gold Beach The purpose of this meeting is to discuss the Drug Free Communities Report and Town Hall Meeting. If you have any questions, please call (541) 247-5600, Fax (541) 247-2603.
Meeting times in in Port Orford's Gable Chambers

Staff Meeting every Tuesday (Office) 9 a.m.
Public Safety Subcommittee first Tuesday at 5 p.m.
Parks Commission first Tuesday at 7 p.m.
Library first Wednesday at 2:30 p.m.
Public Works Subcommittee first Thursday at 3:30 p.m.
Library Board second Monday at 4:30 p.m.
Finance Subcommittee second Tuesday after Staff Mtg.

Personnel Subcommittee second Tuesday at 4 p.m.
Planning Commission second Tuesday at 7 p.m.
Regular Council Meeting third Monday at 7 p.m.
Port Commission third Tuesday at 7 p.m.
Garrison Lake Committee third Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.
Watershed Council third Wednesday at 7 p.m.
Municipal Court fourth Wednesday at 5:30 p.m.

Community news briefs

Lions to hold fishing derby on May 3
The Langlois Lions Club invites all area young people from pre-kindergarten to 13 to the annual Van Wormer Free Fishing Derby on Saturday, May 3.
Prizes will be awarded in each age group for weight,

length and amount of fish. Age groups are: pre-kindergarten to 5, 6 to 9, and 10 to 13 years of age.
One grand prize will be given for the largest fish.
Registration will be at Boice Cope Park at Floras Lake at 7:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 3.
Fishing will finish at 11 a.m.; prizes awarded at 11:30. Boats

will be provided and the lake will be stocked.

Special gift making
The Port Orford and Langlois Public Libraries are presenting Something Special for Someone Special, a Mother's Day gift and arts and craft-making afternoon.
A great chance to make a special gift for your mom, grandmother, aunt, sister, or friend.
Free and open to children of all ages. All materials and snacks are provided. Saturday, May 3 from 1 - 3 p.m. at the Port Orford Council Chambers.

The Innominata Small Standard Flower Show set
The public is invited to enter horticulture and floral design in this show titled Fantasy Land.
Any one attending the Art, Seafood and Wine Festival can enjoy all of the floral displays. Entries will take place Friday, May 16 in the Floral Building at the Event Center from 1 to 7PM. (the Event Centr is at the fairgrounds)
Information to enter the show can be found at the fairgrounds office, Pieces of Time Digital Design, Flower's by the Sea and Sweet Briars.
For several decades the Innominata Garden Club has put on this floral show to inform the general public about what can be grown in zone 9.

Please join us for a colorful fun event. For more information, you may contact Linda Stokes @ 247-2689.

Garden sale on tap
Curry County Master Gardener Association and Riley Creek School have combined forces for their annual plant sale.
Saturday and Sunday May 3 & 4 from 9 a.m. until 3 p.m. at the Curry County Extension Office (South West Corner of Fairgrounds), 29390 Ellensburg Avenue, Gold Beach.
For more information contact Shelley at (541) 247-6672 or shellee.palmer@oregonstate.edu.

There are several firsts happening for this event, the combining of these two organizations, and a new location. Master Gardeners will be on hand to help provide planting information and literature will be available. Curry County is affected by the quarantine for Sudden Oak Death, and both organizations will be following the USDA recommendations.
Reilly Creek School classes and most notably Chris Vorster's 2nd Graders have prepared four types of Basil: Sweet-Givens, Thai Basil: Siam Queen, Lemon Basil and Red Leaf-Wholly Red. Other plants include: Pumpkins, Squash, Broccoli, Parsley, Cilantro and Rosemary, and by popular request the Sun Gold Tomato.
The Curry County Master

SMART book award winner

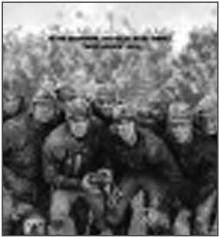


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Driftwood SMART reader Alexis Doan holds the 2008 book award winner, "Bark Geules," by Jules Feiffer.

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Kindergarten registration is set
Beginning in the upcoming 2008-09 school year, the Port Orford-Langlois School District is able to offer full day kindergarten through the State School Improvement Fund Grant.
Some districts offer a full day, but charge for the extra instructional time. We are able to provide this without charge to parents, and will be very excited to see the significant growth that research has shown occurs when our little ones have that added instruction.
Due to declining class size, all the district kindergarten students will attend school at Driftwood.
Registration for kindergarten students will be held from 9 a.m. - 3 p.m. at Driftwood School May 14 - 15 for children who are 5 years of age on or before September 1, 2008.
Parents need to bring their child's birth certificate and immunization record to registration.
If you have any questions, please call Mick Lane at 348-2326.

SMART 2008 Book Award Winner announced
Every year the nearly 12,000 SMART readers statewide vote by secret ballot for their favorite book from the five nominees.
This years' winner was

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