

# Port Orford Police report

**July 24**

1.) Police received a harassment complaint involving several people at the Post Office. A report and information was taken by police and the case is pending review by the Curry County District Attorney for criminal prosecution.

2.) Police received a report of a 911 hang-up call at the pay phones at Circle K Market. The area was checked and no one was found.

3.) Police responded to a fight in progress at the Anchor Inn at Ninth and Arizona Streets. All were counseled and no further action was required.

4.) Police responded to a residence on a complaint of an open fire. The owner was advised not to burn because of the current burn ban and given a warning. No other action taken.

**July 25**

Police were contacted at the police station by a subject requesting a complaint for assault. A police report was taken and the case is under investigation.

**July 26**

Police received a report of a mental health emergency where a male subject was in need of medical help because he could not care for himself and his caregiver was in the hospital and no one was at the home to assist him. Thanks to Port Orford Fire Chief Wilcox, Mental Health and Bandon, and

Gold Beach Hospital staff we were able to get the subject transported to Bandon Hospital by ambulance to get the needed medical assistance.

**Note:** The above case is a prime example of community policing at its best. Community policing is utilizing all available resources to solve a community problem whether or not it is a law enforcement issue. Thanks to the great working relationship we have with all emergency services personnel it makes it a lot easier to help solve these community problems and get the needed help to people as soon as possible.

**July 28**

1.) Police took a criminal Trespass Complaint where a male subject had come into an establishment and caused a disturbance. The subject was given a trespass warning. No other action taken.

2.) Police took a telephonic harassment complaint. The case is being investigated further.

**July 29**

Police took a report of an attempted theft wherein the victim was contacted by a person about property they wished to rent. The property owner was given a check for over the amount and asked if they could get the remainder in cash back. The would-be victim contacted police with the check. The check was from issued from a

fictitious bank. The case is under investigation.

**Note:** it is always a good thing to contact police if there is any question. It is always better to be safe than sorry. In this case as in others the perpetrator sends a check for something you might be selling on the internet/newspaper /or online. You will receive a check covering the amount plus. The suspect wants you to send them back the extra monies and of course the check will be no good. Remember if it seems too good to be true it generally is.

**July 30**

1.) Police assisted Port Orford Ambulance on a medical call on Agate Beach Road.

2.) Police received a report from Circle K Market that a male subject stole an 18 pack of beer from the establishment and fled as an employee made chase.

The employee contacted the suspect as the suspect entered a vehicle and drug the employee through the parking lot with his vehicle.

The video tapes are being reviewed, and the case is being investigated. The description of the suspect vehicle is mid 80s Honda Civic without an engine hood.

The male subject is described as 16 to 18 years old with light brown hair. This case is being investigated as a robbery, and attempt assault I because force was used to prevent the owner from re-acquiring their property. If anyone has any information about this case please contact Office Fink at 253-7580.

**Chief's note:** On August 1 the police department was going to start work on the new police department in the old library space but because of some council concerns that probably won't take place now.

Initially we were offered the library space to utilize for the



**Project approved**

PON photo by Matt Hall

**Councilor David Smith, left to right, Mayor Jim Auburn, Councilor John Hewitt, Police Chief Mark Creighton and Councilor Bill McArdle go over the plans for the conversion of the old library space to police and multi-use space. The plan was approved Thursday, at a special meeting of the Port Orford City Council.**

police department because we have very little room in the existing one room police department, and no secure interview room.

Over a year ago the council authorized us to move into the space but of course the problem was available money to remodel it. The estimate for remodeling was about \$37,000.00 so because of limited funding I took the initiative get things going.

Our Reserve Officers decided to volunteer their time to perform the labor, and we got some

vender donations for materials which lowered the cost of remodel significantly to about \$13,000.00.

The plans which included a common meeting room were donated at a cost relief of about \$1,200.00, and our building permits were significantly lowered from about \$1,400.00 to \$260.00 because one of our reserves Tyson Breuer is a contractor and can oversee the volunteer work. We had also received some additional donated furnishings, office equip-

ment and even more donated materials.

All I was waiting for from the council was a written confirmation to answer the question of whether the police can actually occupy the space once we have done all the work so there will be no confusion in the near future.

Whatever the reasons I guess we're stuck in the small office so on to other things. Thanks to everyone who donated and all that were going to assist us with the labor of the remodel.

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## Obituaries

**George Edward Collins**  
1908-2008

George Edward Collins, born June 11, 1908. Died: July 30, 2008.

George Collins a former resident of Port Orford passed away at 100 years of age in Trinidad, CA where he has lived for many years.

Mary Yoder, his sister was his last surviving sibling out of eight, they were very close and spoke by phone many times weekly. Their last visit was in

Trinidad on June 17, 08.

While living in Port Orford he was the owner an operator of Collins Grill, while

Captain of his own fishing vessel. His wife Hazel who preceded him in death owned an operated a



George Collins

beauty salon.

After moving to Trinidad, he became Mayor of Trinidad for 16 years while continuing in the fishing industry with his son and they eventually changed to charter boats that are still being operated today by his great grandson, while Hazel continued with her salon business right at their home that continued after her passing still today.

**Hazel Hannah Rhodes**  
1925-2008

A celebration of the life of Port Orford resident, Hazel Hannah Rhodes, will be held 11:00 a.m., Saturday, August 2, 2008 at the Port Orford Community Church with committal services to follow at the Port Orford Cemetery.

Hazel was born May 27, 1925 in Cove Creek, N. Carolina, the daughter of Homer and Nora Long Hannah. She died July 30, 2008 at her home. She was 83.

She was raised and educated in N. Carolina. She married Lawrence Rhodes on July 3, 1954. They moved to Carleton in 1957 then to Port Orford in 1958 where they have lived since, raising their family, which was her life.

She enjoyed Bingo with her group, camping and traveling to watch her grandson race. She is survived by her hus-

band of 54 years, Lawrence; daughter, Barbara at Dr. Kenneth Mills of Eugene; daughter, Linda & James Colson of Milwaukie, OR; son, Larry Rhodes of Milwaukie, OR; daughter, Shirley & Emery Breznai of Detroit, MI; son, Allen & Laura Rhodes of Port Orford; daughter, Kimberly Rhodes of Salem; grandchildren, Alessia, Miranda and Dakota Burckhardt, Dr. Brannon & Kimberly Mills; Ryan & TyAnn Mills; Dr. Micah Mills; Robert Mayea; Melissa & Jerry Beaver; Jeremy Rhodes, Daniel Rhodes, Emery Breznai, Amos Rhodes and Leah Rhodes; great-grandchildren, Brock Mills, Luke Mills, Paiton Mills, Landon Mills, Breann Mayea, Devan Mayea, Annie Beaver, Hallie Beaver and Emma Beaver along with dear friends, Lou Cobb, Mary Hathorn, Jean Geroux and Delores Mayea, Randi Burckhardt, Kimberly Rhodes and several nieces and nephews.

She was preceded in death by her parents; brothers and sister in laws; Lewis & Sarah Hannah, Homer & Lee Hannah, Ernest & Gladys Hannah, Amos & Mildred Hannah and a nephew, Michael Hannah.

The family suggests memorials be made to Cystic Fibrosis Foundation in her name. Amling Schroeder Funeral Service, Bandon, OR in care of arrangements.

**Feelin' super**



PON photo by Matt Hall

**Rick Rogerson, new Port Orford Public Works Supervisor, is shown talking over his new duties with the Port Orford City Council, Thursday.**

**Lordy, Lordy,**  
**Look Who's 40!**

## BRIEFS, from page 1

Bill Pay functionalities. Both individuals currently educate at a professional level.

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**'Potluck in the Park' is Aug. 12**

North Curry Families and Childrens Center will be hosting a "Potluck in the Park" on Tuesday, August 12, from 5 to 7 p.m., featuring local music, miniature golf, tennis, sack races, pinata, and other activities for families.

The A-frame will be open to tour and check out upcoming events and activities. The staff will bar-b-que hot dogs and hamburgers and asks that you bring side dishes, drinks and table ware for your family.

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