

# Community calendar ... by Carol Berger

**Community Calendar for Port Orford, Sixes, & Langlois for January 8-14**  
**Thursday January 8**  
 Port Orford Rotary Club, noon, American Legion Hall  
 Weight Watchers, 5-6 p.m., Port Orford Library community meeting room, 332-2072 or 332-5085  
 Rural Fire Board Meeting, 5:30 p.m., Cedar Terrace Fire Station  
 Coos-Curry Electric Cooperative Town Hall Meeting, 7 p.m., Port

Orford Headquarters, 332- 3931  
**Friday, January 9**  
 Port Orford Homeless Coalition start-up meeting, 11 a.m., Gable Chambers at City Hall  
 Langlois Lions Bingo, 6:30 p.m., Langlois Lions Club, 348-2351  
**Saturday January 10**  
 Chautauqua: "Trickster at the Crossroads," 2 p.m., Langlois Library  
**Sunday, January 11**  
 Senior Center Breakfast, 8 a.m. – noon, Senior Center

Bargain Basement, 8:30 a.m. – noon, Senior Center  
**Monday, January 12**  
 TOPS, 9:30 a.m., Senior Center  
 Chamber of Commerce, 1 p.m., Port & Starboard, 332-4515  
 Library Foundation, 3 p.m., Port Orford Library conference room  
 2CJ Site Council Meeting – 3:30 p.m., Pacific High School  
 Library Board, 4:30 p.m., Port Orford Library conference room  
**Tuesday, January 13**

Planning Commission, 6 p.m., Gable Chambers at City Hall, 332-3681  
 Jubilee Bingo, 7 p.m., Community Building, 332-9082  
 Beginning Folk Dance, 7-8:20 p.m., Senior Center, 332-0950  
**Wednesday January 14**  
 Slide show & talk: Ann Vileisis, "Kitchen Literacy," 7 p.m., Port Orford Library  
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 Community Calendar Guidelines: Calendar runs from Thursday through

the next Wednesday. Events must be held in Port Orford, Sixes, or Langlois. Any exceptions are at the discretion of the Port Orford News. Information is limited to date, name of event, time, place, and contact number; due to space constraints. Please e-mail Carol Berger at [lobiesquatch@yahoo.com](mailto:lobiesquatch@yahoo.com) by Friday at 5 p.m. for inclusion in the next week's paper. Please put "Community Calendar" in the subject line of your e-mail!

## Police report

**Dec. 26-28**  
 1.) Police responded to a report of gunshots outside City Limits—no report of injuries or property damage.  
 2.) Police stopped a driver with a suspended license. Driver was cited, and was not allowed to pro-

ceed.  
 3.) Police assisted Port Orford Fire with a house fire. All persons escaped from the residence with only minor injuries, but the house was lost.  
 4.) Police responded to a single vehicle accident. The driver was transported to Curry General Hospital for treatment.  
 5.) Police responded to Battle Rock Park for a 911 hang up call. No persons were found in the area. If you mistakenly dial 911, please do not hang up. Please talk with the dispatch personnel.  
 Otherwise, they will have to send officers to check the scene and make sure everything is all right. This takes officers away from other duties.  
 6.) Police took a report of a fight between two individuals. Police are still investigating this case. If you have information, please contact your police department.  
 7.) Police are investigating several animal complaints.  
**Dec. 30**  
 Report from Curry County Animal Control of a dog along

Hwy 101 just north of town. Dog was located and transferred to animal control for care.  
**Dec. 31**  
 Mostly quiet New Years Eve — thank you to all designated drivers for a job well done!!  
 1.) Officers received a report of a disturbance at a local business. One male subject arrested on Assault charges and lodged in the Curry County Jail.  
**Jan. 1**  
 Report of a "minor in possession" party, located outside of City Limits. Police contacted Sheriff's Deputies, and assisted with the call. Several juveniles were cited for Minor in Possession. Port Orford Ambulance also responded to the scene but did not transport anyone.  
**Summary**  
 Officers issued 15 citations for excessive speed, and issued 6 warnings for speeding. 7 warnings were issued for restraint violations (seatbelt, and/or child restraints), 2 warnings for pedestrian/crosswalk violations, and 10 warnings for various infractions and equipment violations.

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## GUNS, from page 1

"bullets"! Those are cartridges – the bullet is merely the projectile. And I really had no idea about the chain of events that occurred once you pulled the trigger. In fact, having seen the historical musket demonstrations, I had a much better idea of how those worked.  
 Mielenz started out with – and repeatedly reminded us of – the three fundamental gun safety rules: Always keep the gun pointed in a safe direction. Always keep your finger off the trigger until you are ready to shoot. Always keep the gun unloaded until ready to use.



PON photo by Matt Hall

He discussed the two major causes of shooting accidents: ignorance – not knowing the rules – and carelessness – knowing the rules, but not following them, for whatever reason.

Well, the class is great for overcoming the first cause. It showed me how ignorant I was – except for the part about keeping the gun pointed in a safe direction, and keeping the gun unloaded until ready to use. No, wait, again!! If you are using a gun for personal protection, then it is in use and should be loaded.

I found out the difference between shotguns and rifles and between revolvers and semi-automatics. I found out that different guns load and unload differently and that how you check to see if a firearm is loaded differs depending on the type of firearm. I learned that different firearms use different ammunition – this may seem obvious, but I'd never really thought about it. Likewise, there are bolt action, lever action, pump action, and semi-automatic rifles. Shotguns include these four types plus hinge action. It made me wonder why there was not more standardization, and if that might not also help to lower accidents.

According to Mielenz, who referred to

**Instructor Bob Mielenz is shown with a mock-up of a semi-automatic revolver. The class Mielenz teaches is a prerequisite to possess a concealed weapons permit.**

charts in our training handbook, accidental deaths by firearms have been steadily declining – in part because of such classes as he is teaching - and are a very small percentage of all accidental deaths. Further, less than one-tenth of one percent of all crimes are committed by people with concealed weapons permits. He also said that there are guns in half of all American homes, which really surprised me, because I knew so few people growing up that I was aware of who had them – but a lot of them

must have.

No real cartridges are used in the training. Instead, Mielenz uses what he calls dummy or "powder-challenged" cartridges. He does pass around real firearms, so people like me can marvel at how heavy some of them are, how much strength is sometimes required to make parts move, and to practice safely loading and unloading.

Mielenz covers a lot of ground in four hours, including storage and cleaning – again, how you clean varies from gun to gun - and at the end each participant – including me – received a certificate from the NRA with their name, saying that they had successfully completed the course.

I now have to take my certificate to the Curry County Sheriff's office, fill out an application, get finger-printed and photographed, provide ID proving where I live, etc. They also do a background check. It can take between two and eight weeks to receive a Concealed Handgun License, which is good for four years.

Mielenz, who is an NRA Certified Instructor, is an excellent teacher and loves answering questions, which was great for me, since I asked a lot of them. Whether you come to the class knowing almost nothing or as someone who's been shooting for years, you will learn something you did not know – in my case, a great deal! This is serious and important stuff, but the class was still enjoyable, in addition to being informative, thanks to Mielenz's sense of humor.

Mielenz is holding the next Home Firearm Safety classes on Sat. Jan. 17 and Sat. Jan. 24 and plans on holding a class every Saturday through spring, as long as interest continues at the current high level. He will also begin teaching an NRA Basic Pistol class in the spring. Mielenz can be contacted at 541-253-6240.

## BRIEFS, from page 1

The one hour film highlights the teachings of Joseph Campbell about the core myths of the great Asian religions.

The free presentation is sponsored by the Living Tao Foundation. Contact Joanna at 541-247-6939 for more information.

**Friends of Cape Blanco to hold Annual Meeting**

The Friends of Cape Blanco will hold its Annual Meeting on Thurs., Jan. 15 at 10 a.m. in the Gable Chambers at the Port

Orford City Hall.

The public, members or not, is invited to come and hear guest speaker Sue Licht, Historic Properties Specialist with Oregon Parks and Recreation Department. Licht will show slides of typical struc-

tural restoration issues inside and outside historic properties, with special reference to Historic Hughes House, built in 1898. She will be doing her final investigation of the floors restoration project on Jan. 14.

See BRIEFS page 4

## Chautauqua Program

# FREE

### Saturday, January 10, 2 p.m.

### at the Langlois Library

Trickster at the Crossroads of the World  
 Curtis Yehnert, Professor of English,  
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