

Community calendar ... by Carol Berger

Community Calendar for Port Orford, Sixes, & Langlois for January 15-21

Thursday, January 15
Friends of Cape Blanco Annual Meeting, 10 a.m., Gable Chambers at City Hall, 332-9002
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
Port Orford City Council, 7 p.m., Gable Chambers at City Hall

Friday, January 16
Port Orford Homeless Coalition, 10

a.m., Gable Chambers at City Hall, 541-247-4466

Monday, January 19
TOPS, 9:30 a.m., Senior Center
Cape Blanco Bell Ringers class, 6 p.m., First Community Church, 332-2703

Tuesday, January 20
Presidential Inauguration
Beginning Folk Dance, 7-8:20 p.m., Senior Center, 332-0950
Port of Port Orford Board Meeting, 7 p.m., Gable Chambers at City Hall, 332-7121

Wednesday, January 21
Garrison Lake Restoration

Birthdays for January 2009			
3 Joe Culley	9 Joanne Duncan	13 Bethany Tilton	17 WillowSong DeTar
3 Josh Novotny	10 Kent Wagner	14 Bonnie Smith	18 Sonja Mason
4 Bill Novotny	11 Betsy Bures	14 Lance Cox	22 Chris Becker
6 Nick Longton	12 Brandi Peabody	17 Jamie Montgomery	Happy birthday to all!

Committee, 5:30 p.m., Gable Chambers at City Hall
Port Orford Watershed Council, 7 p.m., Gable Chambers at City Hall

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 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

Jan. 2
1.) Police received a complaint about a dog off leash at Battle Rock Park. Dog gone upon arrival.
2.) Police received informa-

tion concerning an assault suspect contacting the victim, in violation of a protective order. Investigation is continuing.

Jan. 3
1.) Two dogs were found by a citizen at Elk River. They are being housed at the Curry County Animal shelter.
2.) A dog was found on the dock at the Port of Port Orford. If you have any information, please contact your police department.
3.) Police investigated a possi-

ble assault by several juveniles. That case is currently under investigation. Anyone with information is asked to contact the police department.

Jan. 6
Police received a report of attempted theft of fuel from several trucks. No fuel was taken due to the design of the vehicle fuel systems.

Jan. 8
1.) Report of a child locked out of the house, mother not home. Mother had returned

home, and child was inside before officer arrived at the location.

2.) Police received a report of a possible intoxicated driver, reported by off duty deputy. Unable to locate subject after he reportedly left a local business.

Traffic report:
Traffic activity was light this week. Eleven citations were issued for speeding, along with 10 warnings. There were also six warnings issued for seatbelt violations, five for pedestrian viola-

tions, and 19 warnings for various equipment violations.

Safety Tip:
Police would like to remind our citizens to please remember that dogs must be on a leash when on City or State park property. This is necessary for the safety of the public, and for the safety of the animal as well. We continue to receive complaints about dogs running at large in our parks. Please help to keep our parks safe for all visitors, including our furry friends.



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woman screaming for help just outside her house. The kayak had rolled over somewhere near the fish hatchery, and the lady was clinging onto her craft which drifted into the massive myrtle tree that had toppled into Elk River.

Jerry Becker of Upper Swinging Bridge Lane was first on scene and threw the woman a rope.

Neighbor/volunteer fireperson Mari Lochass came on scene and donned an ocean survival suit and made her way out to the woman in the water. The victims companion pulled her up out of the water, with Mari Lochass's assistance, but the situation was still precarious for a quick rescue as they were located in entangled heavy myrtle tree limbs.

Becker went to his nearby home and brought back an extension ladder to bridge the tree, and across the swift water flowing under the tree.

Time passed and Curry County Search and rescue came on scene with manpower. Port Orford Ambulance was on scene also. Eventually a combined team effort including the victim's male partner who had overturned his kayak also helped get the

The Sheriff's report of the incident

On Jan. 9 at about 11:36 a.m., the Curry County Sheriff's Office received numerous 911 calls regarding two subjects who had fallen out of their kayaks and were currently stranded in the water hanging onto tree branches to stay afloat.
Deputies were immediately dispatched to the scene along with Port Orford Ambulance and Fire.
Deputy Joel Hensley and members of the ambulance and fire department arrived at about 12:04pm, where they found 33 year old Nicole Krist of Raleigh, North Carolina, and 30 year old Huaing Ling of Grove Side, North Carolina clinging onto a tree that had fallen into the river during the last flood.
Captain Bob Rector, Curry County Search and Rescue, and the Marine Patrol responded from the Gold Beach area.
At about 12:20 p.m., Marine Deputies, Ted

Heath and Walter Scherbarth launched their drift boat at the fish hatchery and responded down stream to the incident.
At about 12:40 p.m., Sergeant John Ward, S.A.R. member Larry Prestininzi, Captain Rector, Deputies Joel Hensley, Walter Scherbarth and Ted Heath, along with fire rescue personell were able to get Krist and Ling safely to shore with the use of ropes and ladders.
The Sheriff's Office would like to extend a special thank you to the local residents who assisted in the rescue with the ladder and extra ropes.
Ling received treatment at the scene from ambulance personell. Krist was extremely hypothermic and was transported to the hospital in Bandon where she was reported to be in fair condition.
Both Krist and Ling were wearing life jackets which is attributed to their survival.

woman to the riverbank.

Port Orford Ambulance personnel then set to stabilize the patient. The ambulance was unable to drive close to the scene, so a private vehicle brought the patient on the litter to the Port Orford Ambulance waiting on Elk River Road.

The Elk River was running at a height of 6 feet plus and the

water temperature was 46 degrees. (Several degrees colder than the local ocean water).

For some very strange reason Elk River from the Hatchery down stream is rated "novice." This rating could lead beginners to believe its "frog water", a simple slow moving river with no obstacles.

The Elk River for a fact has

eaten many boats of past years, and present days with miscalculated rowing near obstacles and a combination of swift water or serious hydraulics. Up stream Elk River is rated a serious class 4/5 by white water enthusiasts. (kayaks and rafters).

A special thanks to our good neighbor Jerry Becker for the interview.

BRIEFS, from page 1

hosting special local events on January 14.

The postmark may be used for mailing items on Jan. 14, and will be available to collectors for an additional 60 days at each Post Office. Stamp collectors may contact their local Post Office for details.

Friends of Cape Blanco to meet
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 structural 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, so that FOCB will be able to complete the work prior to the

2009 tour season opening on April 1.

All members are encouraged to attend. Among other things, we will be electing three board members to three-year terms to run through the end of 2011, reviewing the 2008 program reports, presenting the 2009 proposed budget, and discussing plans for 2009. There will be a board meeting following the Annual Meeting.

Members are reminded that dues for 2009 are now due and can be mailed in or brought to

the meeting. Non-members interested in joining FOCB are welcome to attend and join at the Annual Meeting.

Project Grad to begin collecting
Project Graduation is collecting clean, usable items for its upcoming yard sale.
No clothes, please. Items can be dropped off at Driftwood School on Sat., Feb. 28 from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Contact 332-4503 for information.

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Fone Finder!

PON is about to begin work on the 2009 Fone Finder. We hope to have it finished by the end of February. You will notice that we are publishing it at a different time of year than in the past, and when you see the finished product, you will notice other changes that we hope you will like.

One of the changes is that we want to include your cell phone as well as your land line!

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