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Buggy

With the summer ended, the local garden spiders have grown to enormous size. Here's a pix of one from the quick macro lens of P.O. Photographer Lance Nix. — Page 4



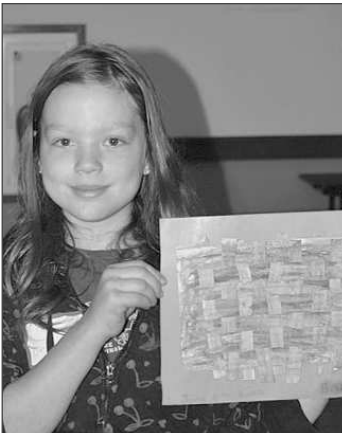
Sailing ...

A few shots by Brandon O'Rourke of Steve Rowe's first outing with his new sailboat. — Page 5



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The photographic skills of Port Orford's Donna Smith are celebrated at the latest Port Orford Rotary meeting. — Page 8



Coming up

Port Orford Rotary Club

The Port Orford Rotary Club meets each Thursday, at noon, at the Port Orford American Legion Hall.

Theatre 101 opening

"Barefoot In The Park" will open its run at 7:30 p.m., Friday, October 23, at Theatre 101.

Pancake Breakfast

The POVFD will host its "All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast" from 7 -11 a.m., Sunday, October 25.

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POORT to host workshop Sept. 20

The Port Orford Ocean Resource Team (POORT) has teamed up with SeaWeb to strengthen our outreach efforts. SeaWeb is a communications-based nonprofit organization that uses a science-based approach in connecting policy-makers, business, and society to advance ocean conservation. POORT and SeaWeb have partnered on some exciting opportunities for our community. We will be hosting an interactive workshop on managing the Port Orford Stewardship Area while balancing the needs of humans and the environment on Tuesday, October 20, from 5:30 to 7:30 pm in the Community Building.

All community members are welcome and should come prepared to share their perspective on coastal management. In order to tailor our outreach, POORT and SeaWeb want to hear from you about your concerns for the community and our natural resources. To aid in this endeavor, we will be coming door to door in the Hamlet neighborhood to distribute a survey and discuss your concerns and perspectives on coastal management on Monday, October 19. This will be an opportunity for residents to ask any questions and give us feedback in person on the management of your local resources.

Have a say about the Redfish Rocks Pilot Marine Reserve

Apply to be on the Redfish Rocks Community Team. The Team will serve as advisors to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) and as liaisons to the community regarding issues relating to the Redfish Rocks Pilot Marine Reserve.

As mandated by House Bill 3013, ODFW has created a Draft Marine Reserves Work Plan that outlines both their

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City hires new police chief

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By Matt Hall
PON staff writer

At the Port Orford City Council meeting held Thursday, September 15, City Administrator Mike Murphy announced the hiring of a new police chief for Port Orford.

"We plan to have him here November 2," said Murphy in a later interview. "He has 31 years of service on the Deschutes County Sheriff's Department, where he started out as a patrol deputy.

"He meets all criteria (for the job), now, although there will always be training. But he comes fully equipped - no assembly required."

The new Port Orford police chief will be Marvin Combs, 58, a 31-year veteran of the Deschutes Sheriff's Department, who spent the last two years spent working two days a week as a civil deputy.

"I was working part-time as a civil deputy, semi-retired and I was contacted by ASG, who asked me if I would be interested," said Combs. "I said I'd be glad to take a look at it - it might be a great opportunity."

From there things happened fast.

"It happened real fast - it's been right around 30 days (since he was contacted)," recalled Combs, speaking by phone from his residence in Bend.

Combs and his wife, Lisa came for a visit, and the couple liked what they saw.

"We had a great time," said Combs. "The people were all

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PON photo by Matt Hall

It's all innocent 1960's action as Corrie (Morgan McKenzie) and Paul (David Smith), a young couple adjusting to life in a small Greenwich Village apartment in Theatre 101's "Barefoot In The Park, which opens Friday, October 23.

Theatre 101 opens with a comedy

Celebrated Neil Simon comedy stars local pair

By Stacey Romele
For the Port Orford News

Theatre 101 is proud to announce it's 2009-2010 Season of Shows with the opening Friday, Oct. 23 of "Barefoot In The Park" by

Neil Simon.

Barefoot in the Park follows the lives of newlyweds Paul (David Smith) and Corie Bratter (Morgan McKenzie) as they adjust to married life in a tiny Greenwich Village apartment.

Paul is a buttoned-down, straight-arrow lawyer who's wound a little too tight, while Corie is an effervescent free spirit who won't let anything

disturb her romantic bliss.

Aside from the five-flight climb and the hole in their skylight, the Bratters must also contend with eccentric upstairs neighbor Victor Velasco (Rick Antonio), who must go through their apartment to get to his. Corie hatches a plot to get her mother (Dianne Antonio) together with Mr. Velasco,

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POVFD set for "All You Can Eat Pancake Breakfast"

Annual event will take place Sunday

By Gayle Wilcox
POVFD Chief
For the Port Orford News

Members of the Port Orford Volunteer Fire Department will be cooking breakfast for you this Sunday, October 25. Breakfast will be served from 7 a.m. until 11 a.m.. We will be serving all you can eat pancakes, ham, eggs, coffee, milk, juice and tea. Our

past breakfasts have raised money for extrication tools (JAWS), the rescue truck and additional equipment. We continue to upgrade our equipment as funds allow. Additionally, we have given a scholarship for several years to a graduating senior from Pacific High. All of this is possible because of your support.

Your department is dedicated to providing the best possible service and response 24/7. We complete hundreds of hours of training annually, respond to more calls than ever and train

with Sixes and Langlois Fire as well as Port Orford Community Ambulance and other Emergency Services agencies.

The Pancake Breakfast is a wonderful opportunity to show your support for your hardworking volunteer firefighters. You will be able to meet your firefighters, see your fire department equipment, apparatus and the Fire Hall. We will have Halloween Safety gifts for all children who come to the breakfast.

We will deliver breakfast to

those of you who want breakfast, but cannot make it to Fire Hall. Phone 332-9066 during breakfast hours for a hot breakfast delivered to your door! If you cannot attend, but would like to show your support with a donation; you may mail it to POVFD, P.O. Box 1258, Port Orford, 97465 or drop donations by to Gayle Wilcox, Chief, at Sea Breeze Florist in Port Orford (542-332-0445).

Thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you on Sunday!

Project Graduation to hold initial meeting Monday at PHS

Parents, family and friends of seniors of 2010 are encouraged to attend the October Project Graduation meeting. The meeting will be held on Monday, October 26 at 6:30 p.m. at Pacific High School in the

library.

This month's topics will be raffles, breakfast fundraiser, bottle drive and any other fund raising ideas. Please attend and help out with this year Project Graduation.

And a big thank you to every one that gives us their grocery receipts it really helps out. Collection cans are located at the Post Office, Chetco and the Library. See you on the 26th!

For Don West, life was all about logging and the woods ...

By Brice Wagner
PON staff writer

Don West - Lifetime timber cutter, choker setter in high lead, choker setter cat logging, and 'General Bull of the Woods'

Except of two years prior to him riding into Sixes country with his parents, Don is a lifetime North Curry County native (born November 6, 1928).

Don's father Orin West was the first man drafted from Curry County for duty in

'Life With Brice'

the Army Infantry WW I. Don's father suffered many years from the effects of mustard gas which drastically shortened his life.

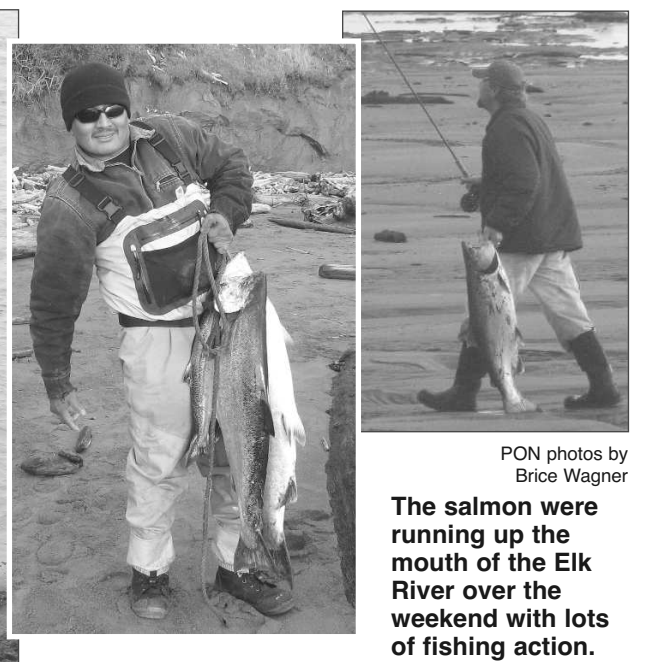
Orin West, Don's father was a timber faller. Don had to quit school too soon as his father passed away at the age of 46 from the effects of being gassed in France, WW I.

Don went to work upon his father's death to bring in dollars for his mother and sisters at home. He worked on ranches locally such as the Hughes Ranch, both Wagner ranches Clyde and Paul Wagner ranches, Elk River, Raymond Capps Ranch, Sixes, and Donaldson's at Denmark.

Before we get too far, Don went to School at Sixes which was located approximately a quarter of a mile up Sixes Road

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Very nice catch



PON photos by Brice Wagner

The salmon were running up the mouth of the Elk River over the weekend with lots of fishing action.