

February 2011

A Municipal Corporation Serving Our Community

GO Local!

Support our local businesses.
Support our local economy.

ART >

- Harrysdesign
- Lorang Fine Art Gallery & Gorgeous Gifts
- Soderberg Bronze Works Inc.
- Touch the Sky

FOOD & DRINK >

- Cascade Inn
- Char Burger
- Columbia Market
- East Wind Drive-In
- Pacific Crest Pub

HOME GOODS & GIFTS >

- Antique Pansies Soap Co. & Primitive Lights Candle Co.
- LavenderSheep
- Locks Café & Gift Shop
- Majestic Sites Gift Shop
- Simple Family Living

LODGING >

- Best Western Columbia River Inn
- Bridge of the Gods Motel
- Cascade Motel
- Columbia Gorge Motel
- KOA Campground

SALON SPA >

- Lotus Locks

SPORTING GOODS >

- Columbia Action Fishing

For locations and links to online businesses, visit portofcascadelocks.org/businesses.htm

Loan Approved to Construct New Spec Building



The Port Commission approved an \$850,000 loan with the State of Oregon's Infrastructure Finance Authority (IFA) on December 2, 2010 to build a brand new 10,000 square foot lease flex-space building. Following the loan approval, the Cascade Locks Planning Commission also approved the project plans during a public hearing on December 9th. Construction on the building is set to begin this spring.

Port Commissioners and staff are excited for the potential this building will have to attract businesses and create

more jobs in Cascade Locks.

The Port is now working to refine the building layout and design to prepare for construction. An artist's rendering of the new building is shown above.

This month, the Port will send out a request for proposals for companies to submit quotes to construct the building.

The building does not have any tenants yet, but various businesses have already shown interest. Many businesses are looking to rent out space rather than investing in site and building

preparations. Ports throughout the region have been successful in using spec warehouse buildings to develop the local economy and create jobs within their communities.

The site is zoned light industrial and is located in a beautiful location off of Herman Creek Lane, overlooking the Columbia River Gorge. The building is designed to be flexible in terms of interior space and amenities. The location and new building will be ideal for a commercial or small manufacturing business to locate in Cascade Locks.

2011 Annual Bridge Pass

The 2011 Annual Bridge Pass is currently available for purchase.

The pass allows unlimited auto crossings over the Bridge of the Gods.

The pass is \$300 and is limited to noncommercial vehicles.

Passes can be purchased at the Port Office, located in the Marine Park, Monday through Friday from 8 am to 5 pm.

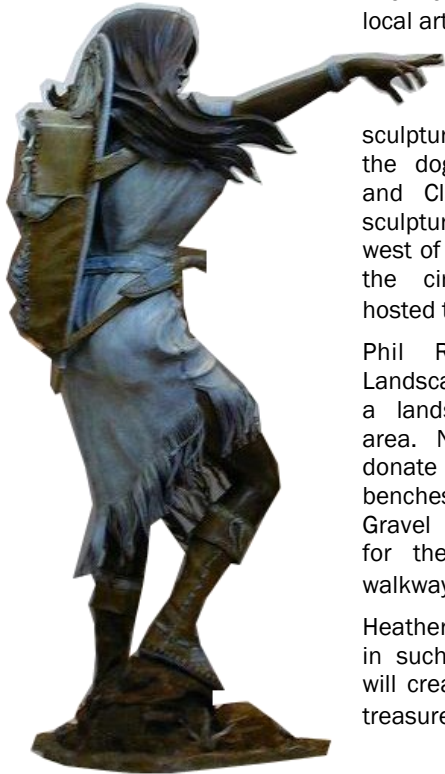
For more information, call the Port Office at 374-8619 or visit portofcascadelocks.org/bridge.htm.



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Sacagawea and Seaman: Coming Soon to the Marine Park!



The Port has commissioned local artist Heather Soderberg of Soderberg Bronze Works Inc. to create two bronze sculptures of Sacagawea and the dog Seaman, of Lewis and Clark history. These sculptures will be located west of the Visitor's Center in the circle that previously hosted the flag pole.

Phil Richter, of Richter Landscape Inc. has designed a landscape plan for this area. Nestle Corporation will donate four recycled plastic benches. Hood River Sand & Gravel will donate concrete for the patio section and walkways.

Heather's stunning work set in such a beautiful location will create a site that will be treasured for years to come.

The Port plans to have the landscaped area complete in the next few months. Stay tuned for details of an event to unveil the sculptures and celebrate this new addition to the community.

Heather is currently casting the statue of Sacagawea in bronze (left) and finishing up the model of Seaman (right) to be casted in bronze next.

To accompany the statues, the Port is working on bronze plaques to tell the legends of Sacagawea and Seaman in Cascade Locks, as well as a plaque to recognize all who

contributed in making this project possible. Look for updates on Facebook and our website to track the progress of the new art in the park!



Beach Expansion Project Moves Forward

The Port and consultants from WHPacific and Flowing Solutions met with members of the US Army Corps of Engineers, Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation, Columbia Gorge Racing Association (CGRA), and the Cascade Locks community on December 15,

2010 to discuss plans to expand the beach in the Marine Park.

The beach is heavily used in the summer for national and international sailing events. The small space creates limited access for all users. The US Army Corps of Engineers is currently reviewing a joint permit

application for the Port. Plans are to expand the beach area that will help the natural shoreline repair itself by constructing a new jetty and strengthening the existing jetty.

Those who attended the meeting were given a presentation of the project, and were able to walk around and see the actual site. A rich discussion took place between all parties at the meeting, and various concerns and questions were brought forth. One clear goal for the future of the beach is to facilitate communication between all users, especially when any conflict arises. All parties in attendance

were positive about making this project work for everyone and moving it forward.

A new jetty will help build up and maintain a wider, more usable, and natural shoreline. The CGRA will be able to host larger sailing events from the beach, deemed one of the top ten locations for sailing in the world. This site as a sailing venue is a key asset to the Cascade Locks community and has incredible potential to bring greater benefit to the local economy.

In the next few months, the Port plans to continue the discussion with interested parties and find a solution that will benefit everyone involved.

For more updates on the beach expansion project, visit our website and become a fan of the Port on Facebook.



The Port Unveils its New Website

With a more user-friendly and organized design, the new Port of Cascade Locks website is now up and running.

In addition to updated content, the new website also offers a comprehensive list and map of local businesses, information about annual events and festivals, news reports about the community, an interactive photo slideshow, and more! Visit <http://portofcascadelocks.org/> to explore and check out the new features.

The Port of Cascade Locks strives to facilitate the economic development of the Cascade Locks Community and this website serves as a key marketing tool.

If you would like us to add information to our website about your business, organization, event, or available property, please contact Rachel Burand by calling 541-374-8619 or emailing rare@portofcascadelocks.org.

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Blackberry Beach: A Windsurfing Destination

The Port has been working alongside Patrick Quigley (Columbia Gorge Windsurfing Association) and members of the Cascade Locks community to get a new windsurfing site ready for public use.

Blackberry Beach, a remote site located off of Industrial Park Way on the east end of town, has been used as a

little-known windsurfing launch spot for years. Its loyal users claim the site to



have conditions superior to the more popular launch sites in Stevenson and Hood River.

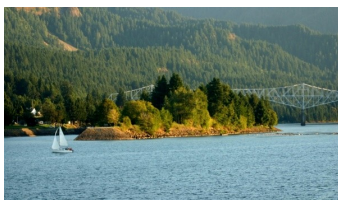


Photos courtesy of Patrick Quigley

Blackberry Beach has great potential to draw windsurfers into Cascade Locks and make a positive impact on the local economy.

The Port and CGWA are continuing to improve the area for safer and easier water access. The Port and CGWA will soon unveil three signs to direct visitors to the launch site.

New Rates on Port Facilities



Rates for **The Gorge Pavilion** (left, top), **Thunder Island** (left, middle), and **The Community Center** (left, bottom) have been updated. Local residents (Cascade Locks, Dodson, Warrendale, N. Bonneville, Stevenson, or Carson) can now use these facilities for half of the rate charged to non-local users. The rate during the winter (October–May) is half of the summer rate.

These diverse indoor and outdoor facilities have served as the perfect location for weddings, receptions, concerts,

meetings, banquets, gatherings, and many other large or small group events.

The Port supports and encourages local use of these facilities.

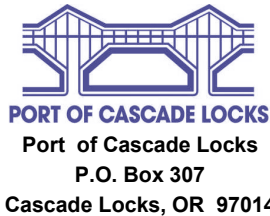
LOCAL WINTER RATES (Now through May 2011):

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| The Gorge Pavilion: | \$150 for 3 hrs, \$25 ea. additional hr, \$125 refundable deposit |
| Thunder Island: | \$125 for 3 hrs, \$25 ea. additional hr, \$50 refundable deposit |
| Community Center: | \$25/room for 4 hrs (\$35 with kitchen), \$5 ea. additional hr, \$50 refundable deposit |

50% non-refundable deposit due within 2 weeks of booking. Balance due 2 weeks prior to event.

Visit <http://portofcascadelocks.org/event-rentals.htm> to view specific policies, summer rates, and non-local rates.

Contact the Port Office (541) 374-8619 to make a reservation.



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The primary purpose of the Port is to facilitate economic development of the Community; operate in a fiscally prudent manner; enhance tourism; create employment for Gorge residents; provide recreation facilities; provide safe & effective infrastructure; and promote new and existing businesses.

The Port Commission consists of five elected commissioners. Open public meetings are held at 6 pm on the 1st and 3rd Thursdays of each month at the City of Cascade Locks Meeting Chamber in City Hall.

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| President of the Commission: | Tim Lee |
| Vice President: | Jean McLean |
| Secretary: | Joeinne Caldwell |
| Commissioner: | Kathy Woosley |
| Commissioner: | Jessie Groves |
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Port News in Brief

Historical Museum Restoration

The west wall of the Historical Museum has been completely restored, thanks to a SHPO Preserving Oregon Grant and the hard work of the Port maintenance crew. We have also been repairing and repainting the other walls of the Museum as we continue toward our goal of restoring all three Locktender Homes. Next time you are in the Marine Park, stop by to see the incredible progress and stunning improvements in this historic building. The Historical Museum is closed for the season, but opens again in May 2011.

For more info, visit portofcascadelocks.org/museum.htm



ABOVE: Historical Museum After;
RIGHT: Historical Museum Before

Lighting of the Bridge Event

The first annual "Lighting of the Bridge" event was a great success! A special thanks goes out to Char Burger, for providing complimentary hot chocolate, and to our hardworking maintenance crew for getting all of the holiday lights and decorations up in time for the event! Thank you also to everyone who attended. We hope to continue this event and make it bigger and better for next year!



A Community Garden?

What do you think of a community garden in Cascade Locks? A public space to grow vegetables or flowers, work with community members, and create an outdoor space for all to enjoy. Let us know by contacting Rachel Burand at rare@portofcascadelocks.org or 374-8619 or responding via Facebook.



Want the most up-to-date Port News?

Become a fan of **Port of Cascade Locks** on **Facebook**. Find out about upcoming events, meetings, local news reports, project updates, and other community happenings right from your news feed. For a direct link, visit our website and click on the Facebook logo.

