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**Next GENERAL MEETING Thursday,  
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ODFW BUILDING**

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## Up Coming Events

### **Jack Figueiredo Turns 100**

Come join the celebration as Jack joins the ranks of a centenarian.

Date: June 11, 2016-Time: 1-4 PM

Open House

Stop by and offer congrats.

Address: **32693 Nesika Beach**

No gifts, please; cards are welcome!

Refreshments will be served.



Jack Figueiredo in his garden 5/19/2016  
Photo: by Richard McKinney

Wrinkles should merely indicate where smiles have been.

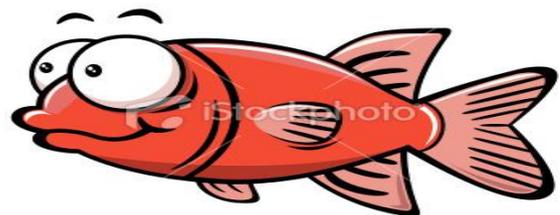
--Mark Twain

As of 2012, it is estimated by the United Nations that only around 316,600 centenarians are alive around the world. Of those, the largest number of them is estimated to reside in the United States.

In 1980, there were 32,000 centenarians in the United States, but the number grew to over 52,000 by 2010, an increase of over 65 percent, while the general population grew by 32 percent.

Information from: [get.smarter.com](http://get.smarter.com)

## **No President's Corner this month**



## CAF General Meeting- May 12, 2016

**Vice-President-** John Epps called the meeting to order at 10:10am. The minutes from the March general meeting were approved as printed in the April edition of *The Riffle*. John announced a generous beneficiary gift of \$61,866 from the estate of Mike Kopeck. CAF is honored that Mike trusts the membership to continue his dedication to the CAF mission for the Indian Creek Hatchery to be a reliable, productive and educational member of the Curry County community. The board has safely invested the funds while ideas honoring Mike's memory are discussed.

**Treasurer's report-** Barbara Huff reported a gain of \$61,167.44 for the month of April. There were no major expense items in the monthly total of \$1,902.72

**Vacant Board position-** The board is seeking the special member that would like to make a contribution to the continued success of the hatchery by accepting appointment to the vacant seat on the board.

**Hatchery-** Gary Underhill reported: there's a tree leaning on the bridge to the vault that needs to be removed; we need a new brush for the vault screen; the repairs done at the dam survived the winter very well; the vacuum for raceways 1 & 2 isn't sealing well; the fish look good; the turn-around is clear; the monitoring probes are installed; Gary will begin cleaning the area around the tool shed.

**ODFW-** John Weber thanked the group for all their help at a very successful Reel Fishing Days, which had over 300 students catching over 500 fish. John answered questions about the continual monitoring of the shifting conditions at the dam concluding that we have emergency plans to save the fish if something happens. It's not prudent to spend money until it's evident that the situation requires we do so.

**Salmon Derby-** Mary Duncan will be putting out a volunteer list soon. Please help.

**Jim Freedman-** CAF's Lower Rogue Watershed Council (LRWC) representative reported that a LRWC project in Port Orford on Aug. 17<sup>th</sup> will address teaching children and lower income families how and where to fish. Help from CAF volunteers would be appreciated.

**Volunteer appreciation dinner-** Gene Trinkler will check out possible dates in July.

**Volunteer Coordinator, Chris Underhill-** Free Fishing Day is on June 4<sup>th</sup> and Mary Duncan is in charge with arranging food and prizes. The fin clipping days will probably be June 12<sup>th</sup> – 15<sup>th</sup>. Chris and Hassie Taylor will inventory the T-Shirt supply and propose what needs to be done to increase our supply. Natural Resource Day had 6 stations along Indian Creek for 75 students from the 3 elementary schools.

**CAF Scholarship-** A \$500 scholarship will be presented tonight at Gold Beach High School by Jack Sheehan, Barbara Hoffman and Hassie Taylor.

**Jack Figueiredo turns 100-** An open house celebration will be at Jack & Naomi's house on June 12<sup>th</sup> from 1-4 pm. CAF's first active centenarian! Happy Birthday Jack. Please ask Jack what all happened in 1916.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:33am  
Submitted by Glenn Kral, CAF Secretary



"Boss Friends Forever" by Jonny Hawking

### **Check out our updated website**

"News and Events" - Keep up to date on the latest happenings at the hatchery. Go to [www.rogueriversalmon.org](http://www.rogueriversalmon.org)

### **Notice to local members:**

Don't forget to save your McKay receipts. It is an easy way to add money to feed our babies. You can turn the receipts in at the **hatchery, Jots, or The Indian Creek Café**. Each location has a donation jar.

### **Fishing Quote of the Month**

Somebody standing behind you while you are fishing is as bad as someone looking over your shoulder while you write a letter to your girl.  
~Ernest Hemingway

## Hatchery Happenings

Submitted by: Chris Underhill,  
Volunteer Coordinator 247-0396

Hello All!!

Our 90,000+ salmon fry are doing great and getting bigger every day, as of May 15th RWY#1 weighted 103 per lb. RWY #2 77 per lb., and RWY #3 was 66 to the pound. The raceways are looking good thanks to the daily feeders; they scrub the walls and vacuum their assigned raceways each day. Our tours start Memorial Day Weekend, so the feeders on Wed. Fri. & Sat. need to call the Indian Creek RV Park at 10am and see if they have any tours. The picture board is set-up on the freezer and don't forget to have them sign the Visitor's Book.

June 4th is Family Fishing Day out at Libby Pond from 8am to noon, we invite everyone to come out and spend the morning fishing with family and friends. Take the time to teach a child how to fish, it's time well spent! We'll be having a raffle at noon with items donated by the community, along with hot dogs & lemonade. Loaner fishing gear and lessons will be available at the ODFW Youth Anglers Trailer. Anyone who'd like to volunteer and help set-up or teach people how to fish or cook hot dogs is welcome to come out and play. Thank you to Mary Duncan for heading up this project, we'll set-up at 7:30am by the old gun club at Libby Pond, located about 10 miles up the North Bank Rd, any questions please call me 541 247-0396.

June 4th and 5th is ODFW Free Fishing Week end, that means that no fishing license is required Oregon wide that weekend. If anyone has kids 10 & under, I strongly suggest a visit to the Elk River Hatchery, both day from 8am to 4pm kids can sign up to fish in the trout raceway. They supply everything, you just bring the kids and an ice chest cause each child is guaranteed at least 2 fish and sometimes they hook into one of the lunkers, and those are between 18 and 24 inches, so go prepared and bring the camera too. Just remember sometimes there's a line, so have a picnic or bring toys to play, there is plenty of room to run around and play, and it's another way to enjoy the free fishing weekend. Arizona Beach &

Libby Pond will both be stocked with Rainbow trout, and ODFW Fishing Regulations are still in effect, just no licenses, so newbies can give it a try!! Have a Great Week End; maybe try Surf Perch fishing on the spit or at Kissing Rock!

The Fin Clipping trailer will be delivered to the hatchery on June 10th, so I plan to start fin-clipping on Sunday June 12th till we are done, which is usually 4 days. We will need volunteers to help with Crowding, Clipping and Cooking, the 3 C's!! We have 2 shifts for Crowder's & clippers each day starting with Crowder's at 7:30am or 12:30, they crowd & gather the fry, and bucket fish into the trailer whenever needed. Next we have the Clippers, the AM shift is 8am to noon or PM shift from 1 to 5pm, and they clip the Adipose fin off the little fry, count them and send them back to their raceway. Clippers usually average about 200 to 500 clips in a 2 hour shift, or we have the regulars who clip every year and they'll clip 1,000+ every 2 hours. We want quality, not quantity, so we will teach you what to do, and everyone always has a good time. This is all volunteer work, so we greatly appreciate the time you give us, so if you sign up for a shift please be there, or call if you are unable to come so we can get replacements. Most importantly we need cooks, if anyone would like to make a morning snack, salad or dessert, please feel free, all food is greatly appreciated and enjoyed. We try to start each morning with coffee & treats and we serve lunch each day from noon to 1pm for all the volunteers, so PM workers come early and eat lunch too.

Oh yeah, most importantly, I'd like to wish Jack Figueiredo a Happy 100th Birthday! Jack & Naomi will be having an Open House for his 100th Birthday on June 11th, and all who know him are welcome to stop by out in Nesika Beach, follow the signs off Nesika Beach Loop Rd. or you can call me for information. Jack had been a volunteer and daily feeder at the hatchery for 20+ year, he and Rich Watson were daily feeders the first 2 Friday's of each month, then switched to Thursdays, but Jack was always ready to help out with whatever was needed, he never acted his age, which is meant as a compliment and Naomi was just as ready with her cakes, salads & deviled eggs. My

favorite is still her Chocolate Cake with walnuts, Yum, Yum!! Jack retired from the hatchery a couple years back, but I know he still enjoys coming out and seeing the fish and volunteers. I miss seeing you at the hatchery, but we'll catch you on the 11th!!

We had 75 4th, 5th & 6th graders from Pt. Orford & Gold Beach come out to the hatchery on May 6th for National Resource Day with 12 adults tagging along. There were 6 stations set-up around the hatchery dealing with everything from rocks to the watch shed, to weeds which is how I found out we have Poison Oak around the hatchery, all remember "leave of 3, and let it be!!"

We have some new daily feeder, thanks Pat Eakles for training them, so if you see any new faces at the hatchery, take the time to introduce yourself and say Hello!! I think I've remembered everything for this month, so you all have a Great Day!! I'll be calling or you can call me, Chris 541 247-0396 or 425-0396

Thank you and see you at the hatchery,  
Chris Underhill, Volunteer Coordinator

## **First Scholarship Award by CAF**

By Jack Sheehan CAF board member

Jacob Carpenter is the first recipient of the Curry Anadromous Fishermen (Indian Creek Hatchery) Scholarship. The five hundred dollar scholarship was presented by Jack Sheehan (CAS board member) to Mr. Carpenter at the awards ceremony on May 12, 2016. Mr. Carpenter will be attending the Oregon Institute of Technology Klamath Falls Oregon this fall. The scholarship funds will be sent to the school and applied to tuition and other incidental costs to help with Carpenter expenses while attending school.



Jack Sheehan presenting award to Jacob Carpenter winner of the first \$500.00 Scholarship from CAF at Gold Beach High School

Photo by Richard McKinney

## **Profile of the Month**

Jim Pennington

Interview by Hassie Taylor

Jim Pennington is a relatively new member to our organization. He and his wife, Sharon, moved to Gold Beach last July. Amazingly, they found this little town, a hidden gem, all the way from their residence in North Carolina by just taking their time driving south along the Oregon Coast from Lincoln City to Crescent City. They were attracted to Gold Beach by the small town atmosphere and the friendliness of the locals. Raised as a Kentucky farm boy, Jim feels right at home here.

Jim served in the Air Force from 1967 to 1971. Upon his discharge, Jim worked the next thirty years in the California fire service and retired as Fire Chief from Rocklin, CA. After retiring from the fire service he returned to his roots in North Carolina where he volunteered for the Pennington Research Association for genealogy research as board member and past president.

Jim began volunteering for the hatchery during the 2015 spawning season. He's become an active participant feeding fish and also volunteered for the Arizona Reel Days. Jim enjoys the company of other volunteers at the hatchery and believes in its mission. In addition to volunteering for the CAF, he also helps out with the boys' baseball team at Gold Beach High School.

Presently, Jim and his wife are still getting settled in their home and are content walking the beach, getting to know people in our community, doing a little gardening and taking day trips exploring the Pacific Northwest. Of course visiting family and grandchildren is also high on the list.

Jim shared that he was a “casual golfer” but hasn’t golfed since moving here. Perhaps he needs a little coaxing.

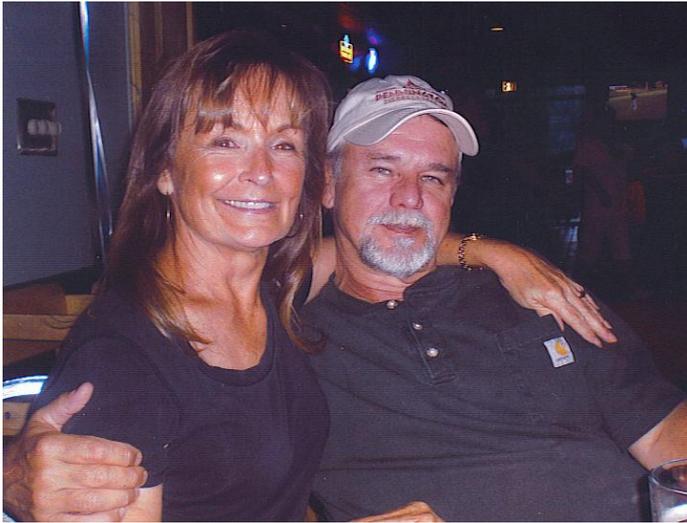


Photo submitted by Jim and Sharon Pennington

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Submitted By Hassie Taylor

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Terry Kennedy is a native to Gold Beach and has over 20 years of boating and fishing experience. He offers his clients a quality guided fishing experience for salmon, steelhead, and sturgeon. Terry is offering guided fishing trips on the Rogue, the Elk River, and Sixes. Terry provides a personalized service with all tackle and gear supplied. All guests use top of the line Lamiglass rods with graphite shafts, Shimano reels and an unlimited variety of tackle. His jet boats are equipped with a heater to keep you warm or cool mornings. Each party is individualized to ensure a personalized, quality fishing trip dedicated to insuring your satisfaction. He is both State Marine Board and U.S. Coast Guard licensed and carries all required U.S. Forest Service permits. If you are looking for a professional quality guide with lots of local insight, call **Terry Kennedy Fishing Guide** at 541-247-9219 and visit his website:

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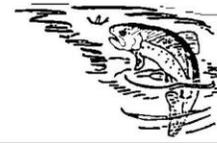


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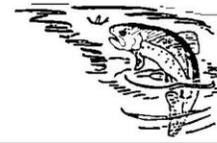
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