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Hundreds show up for Block Party



Old Town was alive with fun and music Aug 18 for the City's annual Community Block Party. The evening event featured several games and activities for kids, free food and ice cream treats, and live music by 5 Guys Named Moe. Also at the event were local fire department, law enforcement and US Coast Guard personnel. Mayor Rob Ward opened the event which happened from 5 to 10 p.m. See thesiuslawnews.com for more photos. Tony Reed photos



Chamber reports increased tourism revenues

Florence beats coastal neighbors in increases

By TONY REED
The Siuslaw News

Technical difficulties with a video kept the Florence area Chamber of Commerce from presenting its annual report to the Florence City Council on July 21, but Director Bettina Hannigan still had a lot of positive news to report.

Viewed later, the video explained that the chamber actively invests alongside the city in a public private partnership.

"We find efforts that grow visibility, drive visitation, and extend economic activity across the calendar year," it said.

According to the video, tourism supports 55 percent of all jobs in Florence and, on average, a lodging tourist spends \$238 per day here. It also said visitor spending strengthens small businesses and sustains local jobs by reinforcing the economic foundation of the region.

"Florence tourists spent \$287.5 million in 2024." According to a 2024 report by Dean Ruyon, that number is up 10% from 2023, resulting in \$80 million of earning revenue. "The chamber received \$240,000 in transient lodging tax. That, and return yielded \$3.3 million in tax revenue, supported \$280 million in visitor spending, [and] back dozens of events and marketing efforts that extend Florences tourism season and economic reach."

According to the video, the allocated \$240,000 spent on tourism marketing was a 14 to 1 return on the investment. Hannigan said later the return was a direct result of targeted marketing, smart investments and a high-functioning public/private partnership with the City.

That investment also supports year-round staffing and operation of the visitor center, regional or national marketing campaigns, the Florence chamber website, annual visitor guides and business directories, digital storytelling, social media and targeting promotions, downtown beautification including flower baskets and banners, and event production

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The currently unused building is located at 1150 Bay St., next to the Veterans Memorial building, just west of the Siuslaw River Bridge. Tony Reed photo

Council adjusts and corrects code for Lotus building

By TONY REED
Siuslaw News

At its regular July 21 meeting, the Florence City Council approved a change to Florence City Code to "allow continued use of a nonconforming structure with a nonconforming use

in the Development Estuary District until the structure is converted to a conforming use." While it sounds complicated, it's specific to the former Lotus Building and other applicable structures.

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Channel restoration continues



Heavy equipment seen along 126 is constructing a new channel to help stabilize salmon populations. Photo provided.

FROM MCKENZIE RIVER TRUST

Once home to more than 260,000 coho salmon annually, the Siuslaw River saw a steep decline to just 500 fish by the late 1990s. Now, local groups are partnering to help stabilize salmon populations and improve the places they rely on through restoration efforts in the river's estuary.

This summer, staff and contractors are busy at haich ikt'at'u (which translates to "Heart of the Big One," referencing the main stem Siuslaw River), preparing to return the

land to the river in the coming seasons. Those passing by the area, which is located 3 miles inland from Florence on Highway 126, may notice large construction equipment moving across the site, including a towering crane being used to construct a new muted tidal regulator (tidegate). This tidegate will improve fish passage in and out of the area post-restoration while also helping to regulate water levels adjacent to the highway.

Once the new tidegate is

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Life – An Education From Beginning to the End

By BOB HORNEY

If we thought graduating from high school, college, or other educational institution meant we were “home free,” I’m sure we found out differently in a big hurry. Well, maybe we did if we were paying attention. I could put it this way: The classroom will change, but the educational learning process remains the same – Live and Learn – and – the longer we live – the more we have to learn. Ok, so as I relate one of my educational moments, you can be basking in your simpler life. Not all of my

educational moments are the result of growing older (87). I’m seeing a different world from the one of my childhood – much, much busier with less time for friends, neighbors, business and, yes, even family. Here’s where a lot of my education comes from – a lack of information from my healthcare providers. This is due to two factors – limited time with them and not knowing the questions to ask. No, I’m not picking on PeaceHealth although I really have to stick with it to get the information I need. Unfortunately, it is healthcare-wide meaning

I have to constantly be alert, or I will walk out to the car and Marianne will ask me a question about care going forward and I will say, “I wasn’t told and I forgot to ask.” Not a good answer. Here’s a recent experience with my semi-annual Prolia injection in the Out-Patient Infusion Center located in the hospital. I’ve been getting them for a few years now and never thought much about it. However, this time my provider questioned me about the amount of calcium and vitamin D I was getting on a daily basis. She had read my chart before I arrived

and knew my medical history. Well, since Marianne gets the pills out and I just take what she gives me, I didn’t have an answer that satisfied her. We solved the problem by having her walk with me to see Marianne who was waiting for me in our car. A few minutes of those two talking about my calcium and vitamin D and we knew what my Prolia needed for support. The PeaceHealth patient handout of Prolia that I took home with me mentioned calcium and vitamin D, but not in specific terms like my provider. Now, as we arrived home,

more questions arose – OF COURSE! Marianne and I have been taking BoneUp for our calcium along with other vitamins and minerals. BoneUp’s elemental calcium is from Microcrystalline Hydroxyapatite which is readily absorbed and beneficial for those with a calcium deficiency. Another question arose about how much calcium we could/should take at one time and how far apart the doses should be. So, next day I called the Infusion Center with our questions and asked if I could speak with the same provider who

cared for me yesterday. Soon after, she called me back. Being unfamiliar with Microcrystalline Hydroxyapatite she looked up BoneUp on the computer. Going over what she saw on her screen which was like the bottle in our hands, everything came to a wonderful conclusion. BoneUp was authorized for me to take instead of Citrate or Carbonate for my calcium and vitamin D. By taking 6 capsules each day, my concerns about Prolia side effects should be laid to rest. Another day, another lesson learned. That’s Life!

POLICE LOG

Florence Police Department responded to the following calls from July 16 to July 21.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 16

At 10:30 a.m., officers responded to the 2400 block of Oak Street for a reported ID theft. Caller told officers that his Social Security number had been used in another state and that he had contacted the IRS, but needed a local police report.

Case remains under investigation. At 11:09 a.m., officers responded to the area of Pine and 34th St. for a report of a dispute occurring. Officers were told that a verbal dispute had occurred between a boyfriend and girlfriend, possibly involving some pushing. Female was taken to SOS and no charges were filed or pursued. At 12:25 p.m., officers

responded to an area of 23rd St. for a report that an RV Haven Park in the area for some time and was surrounded by garbage. Officers were able to locate the RV but found only a single bag of potato chips near the RV. At 1:22 p.m., officers responded to the 4800 block of Highway 101 for a report of a reckless vehicle in the area. Vehicle was gone when officers arrived.

At 2:17 p.m., dispatch received an anonymous report of a vehicle driving too fast near mile marker 9, westbound on Highway 26 toward Florence. Officers were able to locate the described vehicle, which displayed none of the described behaviors.

At 5:49 p.m., a caller reported that their bicycle was missing. Officers were responding to the 1700 block of 21st St. when the caller said the bicycle had been recovered. No further action was taken.

At 7:37 p.m., officers responded to the 800 block of Munsel Creek Road after a caller reported a water leak in her house. Caller said she was unable to reach Public Works after hours. An officer located the water valve, turned off the water to the house, and instructed the woman how to turn it back on once repaired.

At 8:42 p.m., officers responded to a gas station in the 1600 block of Highway 126. Officers were told that a vehicle drove up next to the caller, squirted something on them and drove away. Caller was not sure if the liquid was gasoline, water or something else.

At 10:07 p.m., officers responded to the 700 block of Highway 101 for a report that a subject had likely stolen something from a business.

At 11:10 p.m., officers responded to the area of 35th St. and Kingwood for a report that a bear had been seen in the area. Officers located the caller and informed him that bears live in the Florence area and no further action will be taken.

THURSDAY, JULY 17

At 7:49 a.m., officers responded to the 600

block of Rhododendron Drive near Exploding Whale Park for a report of a subject yelling on the bike path that he had a gun and was going to shoot people. Officers arrived and contacted the described subject, who had no firearm but was having an episode. Officers were able to get assistance for the subject.

At 8:40 a.m., officers responded to the hospital and the 400 block of 9th Street to help hospital personnel restrain a subject who was acting out.

At 10:15 a.m., officers responded to the 5400 block of Highway 126 for a report of an injured deer that had dragged itself into the river marsh. Officers could see the deer but could not get close enough to dispatch it. Officers notified Department of Fish and Wildlife.

At 1:50 p.m., officers contacted a local subject known to them in the 700 block of Maple Street. Subject was found to have a warrant from Florence Municipal Court and was placed under arrest.

At 7:51 p.m., officers responded to the 1300 block of Highway 101 for a report that a subject had punched a juvenile, shoved another and was now following a third female subject. Officers located the subject and arrested him on a warrant and charged him with harassment and possession of methamphetamine.

At 8:04 p.m., officers responded to the 4900 block of Highway 101 for a report that a flatbed trailer had possibly been stolen.

At 9:57 p.m., Oregon State Police contacted Florence Police Department about a possible drunk driver heading into Florence from the south. Officers positioned

themselves to intercept the vehicle but it never came into town.

At 10:28 p.m., a business in the 2900 block of Highway 101 reported that a male and female subject grabbed a purse that was for sale and left with it. Officers looked for video footage and the case remains under investigation.

At 11:05 p.m., a caller reported a possible drunk driver in the area of Rhododendron near North Jetty Dr. Officer patrolled the area but were unable to locate the described vehicle.

FRIDAY, JULY 18

At 4:47 a.m., officers responded to the 1400 block of Highway 101 for a report of a stolen vehicle. Officers contacted a subject who said that he had picked up a hitchhiker on the way into town, and the hitchhiker said that his girlfriend would pay for a room in Florence. The caller allowed the hitchhiker to use his phone to call his girlfriend, who paid for the room. Once inside the room, the caller went to take a shower. Upon coming out, he found his vehicle had been stolen. Officers used his phone to call the girlfriend who said that stealing cars was common for the suspect. The vehicle was located by Keiser Police Department and returned but it’s not known if the suspect was arrested by another agency.

At 1:19 p.m., a caller reported leaving a bag and a skateboard outside a business near Veterans Memorial Park and that when they returned, the bag had been stolen.

At 1:39 p.m., officers responded to the 3300 block of Highway 101 for a report that a vehicle parked near the road for sale had been stolen. Case remains under investigation.

At 4:18 p.m., a caller in the 1600 block of W. 15th St. reported that someone left a thin blue line flag in his yard. Caller asked if it would be legal for him to keep it, and was told it would be.

At 4:51 p.m., officers responded to the 600 block of Rhododendron Drive for a report of a subject masturbating on the beach. Officers were able to locate the subject and arrested him for public indecency.

At 9:59 p.m., officers responded to the area of

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DEATH NOTICE

Lynn C Taylor

<https://www.reedandsteinbach.com/obituaries/lynn-taylor>

Marjorie Ann Waldinger Lindell

1931 - 2025

Marjorie Ann Waldinger Lindell went to dance in heaven with her Larry on July 14, 2025 at 94 years old.

Born in Erie, PA in 1931, Marge met Lawrence Edwin Lindell at their high school’s senior play. It was love at first sight – they became inseparable and were married in Dec 1949. They welcomed their first daughter, Sue in 1950. Karen followed in 1953 and their first son, Ed, in 1956. As their family grew, they took a leap of faith and left everything they knew behind to move cross-country to California, seeking sunshine and the promise of a better life. Their son Chris was born there in 1966, completing their family.

As a mother of four, grandmother of six, and great-grandmother of 12, Marge was the heart of the family. Her kitchen was the gathering place for holiday celebrations and family get togethers. Her homemade German and Swedish meals were legendary and she delighted in teaching her recipes to each new generation.

While Marge was not at home caring for her family, she became a real estate agent, a department store clerk and worked for



her daughter and son-in-law’s business as their Office Manager for ten years.

After retiring, Marge and Larry moved to Florence in 1994, where Marge worked side by side with Larry to build their retirement dream home at Buckson Bob, Westlake. They loved their home and neighborhood dearly, and Larry passed in 2008. Marge stayed in

the area and later moved into town to be lovingly cared for by her daughter and son-in-law.

To know Marge was to know love – she was caring, devoted and nurturing. There wasn’t a person she met who didn’t love her and call her the sweetest woman they had ever met. Her grandchildren and great grandchildren were cherished by her. There was always a loving greeting, a warm hug, a kiss on the cheek, and a listening ear when you were with her.

A memorial service will be held on August 9th 3:00pm at Burns Riverside Chapel, followed by a gathering at the Goss’ family home. The family will be sharing stories of Marge, ensuring that her legacy of love and togetherness continue for generations to come.



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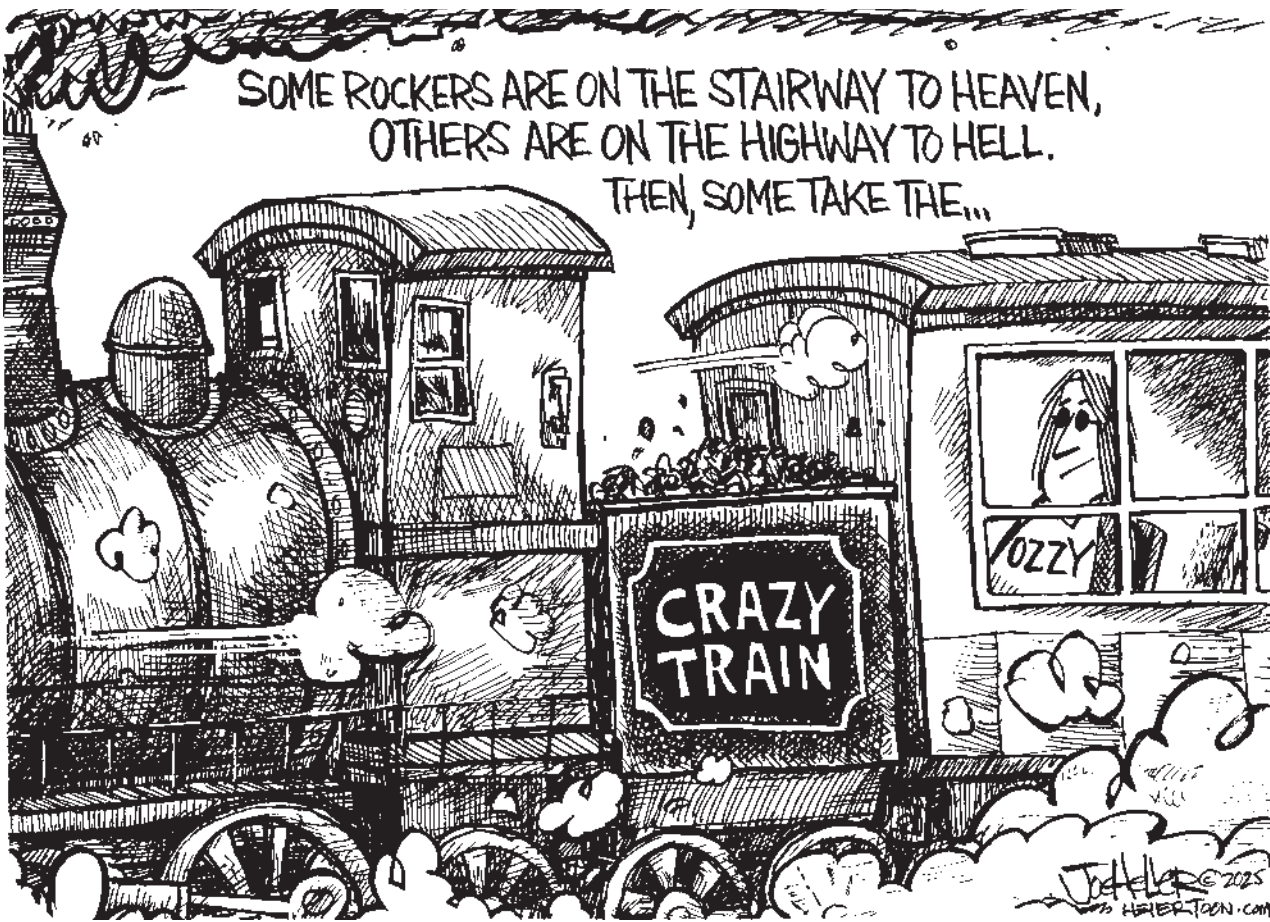
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LETTERS

In a previous edition of The Siuslaw News, Diane Manos stated no one specifically said which actions of the current administration were offensive. I would like to provide her with a list. This is an abbreviated list since listing everything would cover many pages.

1. With ICE the current administration has created a Gastapo-like entity that snatches people off the streets without a warrant. Most of these people have no criminal record. They are denied due process, which is against the Constitution. Our immigration system is a mess, but that is no reason to abandon our laws and moral compass.

2. Trump’s Attorney General stated she had the Epstein files on her desk. Then Trump stated they didn’t exist. He’s lying. And some of us don’t believe we should just forget about sex trafficking of minors.

3. Trump said he would keep us out of foreign wars, yet he bombed Iran and the Houthis.

4.The Big Beautiful Bill will cause 11.8 million Americans to lose their health insurance. It will add \$3.5 trillion to the national debt. The cuts in SNAP benefits will increase hunger in America. All this and more so billionaires can have a tax cut.

5. Trump is a disgrace on the international stage. Putin and Netanyahu play him like a fiddle. Our closest allies now view us as an unstable, hostile nation.

6. Tariffs are taxes paid by Americans who buy foreign goods.

7. Trump is corrupt. He set up a cryptocurrency scheme that allows foreign interests to pay him millions of dollars. He accepted a \$400 million airplane from Qatar. In the latest grift we have the spectacle of the President of the United States hawking perfume from the Oval Office.

I could go on but I believe this hits the main low points.

Vicki Philben
Florence

The next time you have a helping of strawberries, on your cereal or ice cream, think about Sophia in Oxnard, with 3 children. She was paid 4 cents for picking them. If that isn’t enough to make one cry!

Nan Harvey
Florence

Goodwill Industries Round Up Campaign supports Helping Hands Coalition

Beginning Sunday, July 27th and running through Saturday, August 2nd, the Goodwill Industries of Lane and South Coast Counties’ (Goodwill) retail store in Florence will offer customers the opportunity to make a cash donation to the Helping Hands Coalition organization, as well as the opportunity to round their purchase to the nearest dollar. Goodwill will match all money donated or rounded up during this week to help Helping Hands and the

individuals they serve. Rick Chilton, Program Manager, states, “Helping Hands Coalition expresses our sincere gratitude to Florence Goodwill and its customer donors for their generous contribution to the Helping Hands Coalition’s Community Social Health program, which helps economically disadvantaged families across Northwest Lane County. Your support empowers families and enhances their socioeconomic conditions, helping them to live healthier

lives. Together, we are creating a brighter future for those in need!” The store manager for Florence, Sherrie Stymans, says “Goodwill is proud to support the Helping Hands Coalition’s Community Social Health program, an organization dedicated to providing vital socioeconomic resources to families facing barriers. These resources include over 2,100 social service programs, health behavior education, on-site nutritional lunch services, and access to

basic essential goods and services. Together with our customers and donors, we are committed to building a stronger community by supporting both the individuals we serve and the mission-driven organizations with which we partner.” For more information on Helping Hands Coalition, visit www.HelpingHandsFlorence.org, call 541-725-3554, or stop by 4590 Hwy 101 N in Florence Monday, Wednesday, or Friday from 11 to 1 pm.

Helping Hands thanks the Western Lane Community Foundation

Helping Hands Coalition would like to thank the Western Lane Community Foundation for their grant of \$2068. The grant will help pay for transportation and compostable to go containers for our meal service. The compostable containers will help keep plastics out of landfills and the environment. As an organization, we try to do our part in keeping our city clean. We are thankful for the opportunity to service meals three days a week at The Community Baptist Church and this grant will help will us meet the ever developing demands of our organization. Picture above, Rick Chilton (President), Glenn Stewart (founder of Helping Hands, 2011), Tim Dodson, Lisa Chilton.



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Oregon woman scammed out of \$600K in Gold Bars

ODOJ urges public vigilance

STAFF REPORT
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The Oregon Department of Justice (ODOJ) is warning Oregonians about a fast-growing and deeply concerning scam after an Eastern Oregon woman was defrauded out of \$600,000—nearly her entire life savings. After a call to the ODOJ Consumer Protection Hotline, local law enforcement

intervened just in time to prevent the woman from handing over an additional \$300,000, according to ODOJ officials. The scammers convinced the woman that they were federal agents and that her financial accounts were at risk of being frozen or hacked. They told her the only way to protect her assets was to convert them into gold bars and turn them over for “safekeeping.” She followed their instructions, purchasing and handing over \$600,000 worth of gold. When the woman

mentioned her plans to give the scammers even more money, her sister called the ODOJ Consumer Hotline. Advocates quickly alerted local law enforcement, who visited the woman and were able to stop the final transaction. “This is a heartbreaking example of how sophisticated and predatory these scams have become,” Oregon Attorney General Dan Rayfield said “No one—especially not a government agency—will ever ask you to buy gold or hand over your money to a stranger. If something feels off, trust your gut. It could save your life savings.”

HOW THE SCAM WORKS Federal and local law enforcement have been warning about the rise of “gold bar scams” across the country. Here’s how these schemes typically unfold: **Initial Contact:** Scammers call, email, or text, often claiming to be from a government agency, a bank, or a tech company. **False Urgency:** They create panic by saying your financial accounts are compromised or under investigation. **Asset Conversion:** Victims are told to withdraw large sums of money and convert it into gold or other valuables to

“protect” it. **Courier Pickup:** A courier is dispatched to the victim’s home to collect the gold, promising it will be stored safely. **Theft:** Once the gold is handed over, it’s gone—the scammers disappear, leaving victims with nothing.

WHAT YOU CAN DO ODOJ reminds Oregonians that no legitimate government agency will ever ask you to buy gold or send someone to your home to collect money. To protect yourself and others: Hang up immediately if someone pressures you to withdraw or transfer

money. Call local law enforcement to report immediately. Don’t click on suspicious links or respond to unsolicited texts or emails. Never give out personal or financial information to someone you don’t know. Verify claims by calling your bank or the agency directly using official contact information. Report suspicious activity to the ODOJ Consumer Hotline at 1-877-877-9392. File a complaint at OregonConsumer.gov Report to the Federal Trade Commission at ReportFraud.FTC.gov

Oregon to receive \$10 million in new nationwide opioid settlement

MIA MALDONADO
Oregon Capital Chronicle

Oregon will receive \$10.1 million for drug prevention and treatment services as part of a nationwide settlement with eight opioid manufacturers. Opioid manufacturing companies including



Buprenorphine is among three medications used to treat an opioid addiction. (Courtesy photo from Edward Murphy)

Mylan, Hikma, Amneal, Apotex, Indivior, Sun, Alvogen and Zydus agreed to pay a total of \$720 million to Oregon and eight other states. The settlement adds to the \$700 million Oregon secured since July 2021, including a \$66 million settlement from the Sackler family and Purdue Pharma in June. Of the funds, 45% will go toward the state’s opioid settlement fund and 55% will go toward prevention and recovery programs in counties and cities. Oregon’s Settlement Prevention, Treatment and Recovery

Board has plans to distribute the funds through 2038. Attorney General Dan Rayfield said in a news release that opioid makers must be accountable for the harm they’ve caused to families. “No amount of money can rewind the clock, but this money will allow us to continue building a future free from this crisis by investing in drug treatment, prevention and recovery support across our state,” he said in the release. The other states involved in the settlement are California, Colorado,

Illinois, New York, North Carolina, Tennessee, Utah and Virginia. <https://oregoncapitalchronicle.com/briefs/oregon-to-receive-10-million-in-new-nationwide-opioid-settlement/> Oregon Capital Chronicle is part of States Newsroom, a network of news bureaus supported by grants and a coalition of donors as a 501(c)(3) public charity. Oregon Capital Chronicle maintains editorial independence. Contact Editor Lynne Terry for questions: info@oregoncapital-chronicle.com.

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Jeep Junction Event to support Oregon Coast Military Museum & Florence Food Share

The Florence Jeeps R Us club is hosting a Jeep-only Show & Shine at Johnston Motors on Hwy 101 in Florence, on Saturday, August 9th from 10:00 a.m. until 2:00 p.m. This event was held pre-covid pandemic to recognize the creation of the iconic jeep military vehicle as well as the celebrated vehicle that it is today, but was cancelled in 2020. “Many people are not aware that the legendary Jeep Wrangler that we enjoy today and see

all over our roads, was actually created by the government just prior to the beginning of WWII in 1941.” Explained club leader Cal Applebee. “In addition, we like to hold the event at Johnston Motors in Florence as they are a Ford Dealership, and nearly half of the military jeeps built for the war effort were built by Ford.” The show is open to all models and era’s of Jeep vehicles. Driver’s Choice trophies will be awarded to four classes; military,

1945-1986, 1987-2006, and 2007-current model year. Jeepers can register the morning of the event with a \$10.00 registration fee, plus one can of Spam for creating a ‘Spam Mountain’, in support of Florence Food Share. Visitors are encouraged to also bring non-perishable food items to add to the mountain. The first 40 registered Jeeps will receive a ‘goodies bag’, and there will also be a 50/50 raffle to benefit the Oregon Coast Military Museum. The Florence-Siuslaw Lions food cart will be on hand for hungry attendees. Questions can be directed to Applebee via email at cal97439@gmail.com or by phone at 541-999-4175.





Pictured in the photo from left to right: Dennis King, Lori Grimmitt, Linda Shappell, Lori May and May Montoya (unavailable for photo: Jennifer Lindell)

SVCS announces EAT Advisory Team

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At the regular July board meeting, Siuslaw Valley Charter School introduced an impressive group of community advisors with expertise and qualifications in an array of areas needed for the charter school.

“Our community is filled with qualified people, with such a wide range of education back-

grounds, experiences and expertise. We are thrilled to welcome this talented group to our EAT (Educational Advisory Team) team,” said Board President, Kay King. “We want to use the experience and talent that our wonderful community offers. As programs are further developed the expertise of this group will be invaluable to our school.”

Joining the team are Lori May, Mental Health Advisor; Jennifer Lindell, Special Education Advisor; Dennis King, Academic and Curriculum Advisor; Lori Grimmet, Native American Enrichment Advisor and Event Planner; Linda Shappell, RN., School Health Advisor; and Mary Montoya, Hispanic Family Liaison.

Driftwood Shores welcomes new chef

Driftwood Shores Resort & Conference Center announces the oceanfront Surfside Bistro and new executive chef, Adam Berbereia.

Florence’s oceanfront dining is back as Surfside Bistro at Driftwood Shores. Based upon customer and community comments, the resort has decided to bring back more seating for dining with a more casual ‘bistro’ vibe. Efforts are led by their new chef, Adam Berbereia. “I came to Driftwood Shores with a clear purpose: to create a space where great food, genuine hospitality, and the spirit of the Oregon Coast come together,” said Chef Adam Berbereia. “Surfside Bistro isn’t just a restaurant; it’s a reflection of my passion for cooking and my deep respect for the community we serve.”



Berbereia said every dish is made with care and purpose.

“I believe that food should be approachable, exciting, and deeply satisfying. We use quality ingredients, embrace seasonal inspiration, and design our menus with both locals and travelers in mind.

The resort is located at 88416 1st Avenue, in Florence, Oregon.

For more information contact Driftwood Shores and Surfside Bistro at 541-902-6447 or Driftwood Shores Group Sales & Event Office at 541-902-6488

Florence Food Share receives funding from Western Lane Community Foundation



Western Lane Community Foundation has awarded Florence Food Share a grant in the amount of \$8,000. This funding will allow us to increase the availability of locally produced whole foods for our clients by purchasing 9,100 gallons of fresh milk annually from Umpqua Dairy for distribution in the Florence Food Share pantry. This will approximately double our supply of milk in the pantry. Umpqua Dairy is based in Roseburg; their distribution center in Coos Bay serves the Florence area.

Colin Morgan, Executive Director at Florence Food Share, stated, “Our goal is to increase local dairy products available for at least 4,200 people who are living on low incomes and experiencing food insecurity in rural, western Lane County.”

“We thank Western Lane Community Foundation for their generous support in helping us achieve these goals”, he added.

Western Lane Community Foundation is a nonprofit organization chartered for the purpose of receiving, administering, and distributing charitable funds for the benefit of residents in western Lane County, specifically Florence, Mapleton, Dunes City, and Deadwood. The Foundation’s mission is to improve life throughout western Lane County by encouraging and maintaining philanthropic activity. Resources for their grants come from individuals, businesses, and other organizations.

For more information or if you would like to contribute to this project, please call 541-997-9110 or visit <http://www.florencefoodshare.org/>.

Florence Food Share is located at 2190 Spruce Street in Florence and is open Monday through Friday from 9:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., Monday and Wednesday evenings from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., and Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Community members are encouraged to visit to see what is available.



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POLICE

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28th St. and Highway 101 for a report of juveniles throwing rocks at vehicles. Officers contacted one driver who said that a large rock had become lodged under his car. Case remains under investigation.

At 10:25 p.m., officers responded to the 100 block of Shoreline Drive for a report of a vehicle that had collided with a tree. Driver was transported to Eugene hospital with severe injuries.

SATURDAY, JULY 19

At 1:42 a.m., officers responded to the 900 block of Highway 101 for a report from a business that is subject had left drug paraphernalia there. Officers took possession of the paraphernalia for destruction.

At 9:07 a.m., a caller reported finding an electric scooter in Miller Park and made arrangements to bring it into the police department.

12:05 p.m., a caller reported a driver traveling westbound on Highway 126 toward Florence who was driving "well below the speed limit." Caller suspected the driver may be intoxicated. Officers located the vehicle and the driver, who was not intoxicated. No further action was taken.

At 10:07 p.m., officers assisted medical personnel who were responding to an address where the owner was known to answer the door while holding a handgun. Medical personnel staged until officers determined it was safe to enter.

SUNDAY, JULY 20.

At 7:07 a.m., officers responded to the dunes in north Florence for a report of a dog attacking other dogs. Officers contacted one subject who said he was walking his one dog and two unleashed dogs bit his dog. Officers contacted the other party who said their dog dead by but only after the other dog bit first. Subjects were counseled on laws regarding leashes and control of pets.

At 1:31 p.m., officers responded to the 1800 block of 17th St. for a report of a dispute occurring. Officers separated subjects in the household, and found that no crime advantage committed. Subjects were counseled and no further action was taken.

At 8:28 p.m., officers responded to the area of Highway 101 and 20th St. report of a fight occurring between two male subjects. One told officers he had been defending himself all the other said he had been talking crap. Neither subject wanted to press charges, and no further action was taken.

At 9:37 p.m. and 11:20 p.m., callers in the area of 17th St. and 18th St. reported hearing a loud boom. Officers responded but were unable to locate the source of the noise.

MONDAY, JULY 21

At 7:17 a.m., officers responded to the 3400 block of Highway 101 for a report that a travel trailer parked in the area was leaking fluid. Officers arrived to find the fluid was water that had condensed on the roof and was dripping down the side..

At 7:54 a.m., officers responded to the 1000 block of Maple Street for a report that a non-operational bicycle had been taken off of a porch.

At 9:14 a.m., a call reported that a vehicle in the 4900 block of Highway 101 was unable to maintain its lane. Vehicle was gone when officers arrived.

Add 11:44 a.m., officers responded to the 700 block of Highway 101 report of a male and female who has been arguing all day. Officers arrived to find the verbal dispute continuing, but no crime occurring. Couple was counseled and no further action was taken.

At 12:04 p.m., and caller responded to a vehicle in the parking lot near the Lotus building with an extremely loud stereo. Vehicle was gone when officers arrived.

At 12:11 p.m., officers investigating a report from a subject to said he attempted to open a Verizon phone account and was told his social security number is already being used on another account. Case remains under investigation.

At 1:11 p.m., officers investigated a report that a fraudulent check had been used for a bank withdrawal. Case remains under investigation.

At 1:51 p.m., subject returned a bank card found in the 2100 block of 19th St.. Officers recognized the name on the card and contacted his mother to arrange for its return.

At 7:03 p.m., officers responded to the 1200 block of Bay Street for a reported theft of a purse. Officers were told the purse was left outside and someone had taken it and used the debit card locally a couple times. This remains under investigation

Officers also responded to 5 reports of illegal camping and 5 property damage traffic collisions and made 41 traffic stops from July 16 to July 21. Officers have responded to 11,838 calls since Jan. 1.

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LOTUS

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The Development Estuary (DE) District and Old Town border runs through the Old Lotus Building, which has sat vacant for over 20 years. According to Planning Manager Jacob Foust, about 80 percent of the building sits on the Old Town side, while the remaining 20 percent was left unusable because it was located in the DE zone.

“This results in an awkward situation where 80% of the building is governed by Old Town zoning standards, and the remaining 20% by DE District regulations,” said staff reports.

Foust said 20 percent of the building did not conform to Development Estuary codes, making it legally unusable.

“It’s a weird situation, he said, noting that while the concrete seawall of the building runs along the border, the upper, above-water area overlaps. To correct the situation,



A diagram over an interior photo shows how the building sits in two different zoning areas, Old Town District and Development Estuary. From City of Florence reports.

staff had to examine and borrow information from state goals around estuarine resources to ensure that estuary altering development is limited justified and only permitted by no feasible upland alternative exists.

“This has happened before in 2009, it’s been clarified again in 2013, and in 2016, it accidentally all got erased by staff at that time,” he added. “So, not only is the applicant applying for these changes but it’s also in the city’s best

interest to establish ourselves with State Planning Goal 16 to clarify where we were going and fix up the code today.”

Foust said the amended code will clarify in which case as nonconforming buildings can be reused

or replaced, it will limit expansions that may increase environmental impacts and or correct prior errors. According to staff reports, it will also provide clear standards of the Comprehensive Plan.

THE PLAN

Applicant Chris Leturno wanted to solve the issue by allowing the entire building to operate as a single, unified use, without changing the line between the districts. At its regular meeting Feb. 24, the Council voted unanimously to approve the amendment of a comprehensive plan diagram and a zoning change that will allow the owner of the former Lotus building to potentially renovate the former Lotus building to house 16 residential apartments.

“Importantly, the proposal does not seek to remove the DE designation from the southern portion of the building or alter the City’s Coastal Resources Inventory,” said staff reports. “Rather, it is intended to provide a practical solution for a unique

situation, enabling the continued use of an existing structure that otherwise has no viable path forward under the current code.”

“The existing structure, built in approximately 1989 by Tony Chu, was originally developed as a restaurant and marina, which were interpreted by the City Council to be water-related and water-dependent uses, respectively” said staff reports. “The marina operated as part of the Baybridge Steak and Seafood, which later became the Lotus Seafood Palace. The Lotus closed in the fall of 2003, and the building has remained vacant ever since.”

According to staff reports, the building has fallen into disrepair, been subject to vandalism and represents a significant underutilized resource on the Florence waterfront.”

Almost 100 pages of background information, definitions and proposed changes were included in the council packet. The Council approved the change with little discussion.

CHAMBER

From Page A1

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IN THE CHAMBER

The video disclosed that 1,398 hours were logged by visitor center employees who assisted 4,498 walk-ins and answered 1,149 phone calls. They also distributed 300 visitor packets and mailed out 175 relocation packages and 177,079 tourism-related emails in 2024. The chamber’s social media, Facebook and Instagram pages reported 21,000

followers with over 2 million post views. Online searches for the Florence area reportedly 218.3%.

Hannigan told the council that she started as Chamber director in 2016, when Florence garnered \$127 million per year in tourism revenue (approx. 160 million less than 2024).

She noted that several Chamber events happen in the winter, to give support to businesses in the slow season when they need it most.

“We see that not just as smart strategy but as an ethical investment in our local economy and quality of life,” she said.

COUNCIL FEEDBACK

Counselor Sally Wantz questioned the opening scene of the video which

introduced Florence as “a retirement community.”

“I have trouble with always referring to Florence as a ‘retirement community,’” she said, noting how the video featured nothing about retirement but instead, featured footage of young people and vibrant community events. “I wonder if the Chamber is focusing efforts on people who want to retire her or people who want to come and play here.” Wantz countered the common retirement community sentiment, saying many residents have lived their entire life here and didn’t

come here to retire.

Hannigan said later that the Florence area reported ten times the increase in tourism revenue over other coastal towns, exceeding Newport, Lincoln City and other central coast towns.

Asked by Mayor Rob Ward, Hannigan said the total annual budget for the Chamber is \$550,000, including marketing. When asked where the bulk of Florence visitors come from, Hannigan said she did not know. She said that, based on how tourism is evaluated in Oregon, a “tourist” is someone coming from 50 or more miles away.

“I would say the lion’s share of our visitors come from Salem, Eugene, Albany, and Roseburg,” she said. “We also see a lot of international visitors at the Visitors Center.”

Hannigan said traveling the entire Oregon coast is a bucket list item for

some people, adding that banners now located along 101 prompt people to stop and check out Florence on their way through. She said much of the work done during and following the pandemic has helped to rebrand Florence as a visitor destination.

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High.....	5:03 p.m.....	6.5
Low	11:27 p.m.....	1.5
THURSDAY, JULY 31		
High.....	5:21 a.m.....	4.9
Low	10:59 a.m.....	1.8
High.....	5:38 p.m.....	6.4
FRIDAY, AUGUST 1		
Low	12:28 a.m.....	1.4
High.....	6:30 a.m.....	4.3
Low	11:38 a.m.....	2.6
High.....	6:19 p.m.....	6.3
SATURDAY, AUGUST 2		
Low	1:41 a.m.....	1.2
High.....	8:01 a.m.....	4.2
Low	12:29 p.m.....	3.2
High.....	7:09 p.m.....	6.4
SUNDAY, AUGUST 3		
Low	2:48 a.m.....	1.0
High.....	9:38 a.m.....	4.3
Low	1:37 p.m.....	3.7
High.....	8:08 p.m.....	6.4
MONDAY, AUGUST 4		
Low	3:50 a.m.....	0.6
High.....	10:54 a.m.....	4.6
Low	2:55 p.m.....	3.9
High.....	9:10 p.m.....	6.6
TUESDAY, AUGUST 5		
Low	4:44 a.m.....	0.2
High.....	11:42 a.m.....	5.0
Low	4:03 p.m.....	3.8
High.....	10:07 p.m.....	6.9
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6		
Low	5:29 a.m.....	-0.3
High.....	12:19 p.m.....	5.3
Low	4:59 p.m.....	3.5
High.....	10:56 p.m.....	7.2
THURSDAY, AUGUST 7		
Low	6:09 a.m.....	-0.7
High.....	12:52 p.m.....	5.6
Low	5:47 p.m.....	3.1
High.....	11:40 p.m.....	7.5
FRIDAY, AUGUST 8		
Low	6:45 a.m.....	-1.0
High.....	1:23 p.m.....	5.9
Low	6:32 p.m.....	2.6
SATURDAY, AUGUST 9		
High.....	12:22 a.m.....	7.6
Low	7:19 a.m.....	-1.3
High.....	1:53 p.m.....	6.2
Low	7:16 p.m.....	2.1
SUNDAY, AUGUST 10		
High.....	1:05 a.m.....	7.5
Low	7:53 a.m.....	-1.3
High.....	2:24 p.m.....	6.5
Low	8:00 p.m.....	1.6
MONDAY, AUGUST 11		
High.....	1:49 a.m.....	7.3
Low	8:26 a.m.....	-1.0
High.....	2:54 p.m.....	6.8
Low	8:46 p.m.....	1.2
TUESDAY, AUGUST 12		
High.....	2:37 a.m.....	6.9
Low	9:00 a.m.....	-0.5
High.....	3:26 p.m.....	7.1
Low	9:34 p.m.....	0.7
WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 13		
High.....	3:29 a.m.....	6.4
Low	9:35 a.m.....	0.2
High.....	4:01 p.m.....	7.4
Low	10:27 p.m.....	0.4
THURSDAY, AUGUST 14		
High.....	4:27 a.m.....	5.8
Low	10:12 a.m.....	1.0
High.....	4:39 p.m.....	7.5
Low	11:26 p.m.....	0.3
FRIDAY, AUGUST 15		
High.....	5:33 a.m.....	5.2
Low	10:54 a.m.....	1.9
High.....	5:23 p.m.....	7.6

Dunefest hopes to return in 2026



The dunes south of Winchester Bay are still open for public use, but the Dunefest event that brought hundreds of visitors to Reedsport, Florence and the surrounding area will not be happening in late July as it has in previous years. Tony Reed file photo.

Will LOHRE
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As July turns to August, it's the perfect time for a friendly reminder that Dunefest will not be returning to Winchester Bay or the sands of the Florence Dunes in 2025. Due to a litany of issues, the event was not possible this year, but organizers hope to rev back up in 2026.

Dunefest officially announced the news on its Facebook page on May 1. There wasn't one reason for the cancellation, but "a number of circumstances beyond [Dunefest's] control have made it impossible."

Those challenges included legal complications, a government shutdown, and permit restrictions. Dunefest, which came under new management to start 2025, explored "every possible option," before taking the final measure of calling off the event.

The legal complications that contributed to the festival's cancellation arose from a court case related to a dune accident that occurred under the previous management. As of May, the litigation was still pending,

making it impossible to set an official event date. Once Lockdown Performance, the new management company, was cleared of the litigation, another issue sprang up. Further planning delays ensued as a result of a government shutdown.

"Despite weeks of effort—including repeated trips to coastal offices—we received no response, as key officials were unavailable during this period," the Dunefest Facebook post stated.

Another legal challenge derived from permit restrictions imposed by the United States Forest Service (USFS). Due to ongoing lawsuits involving the protection of habitat for coastal martens, the USFS decided not to issue permits for dune events until early 2026. The Center for Biological Diversity requested a federal judge protect coastal martens from "huge, destructive off-road vehicle events," which they said bring thousands of loud and destructive vehicles into the martens' habitat.

See **DUNES**, Page B3

Kids INSPIREd at culinary cooking camps

The INSPIRE Culinary Academy just completed their first week of culinary camps for kids & teens last week. The class was title "Fundamentals of Cooking" where we taught: Kitchen Safety, Basic Tools & Uses, Knife Skills, introduction to ingredients & Spices, Simple Cooking Techniques & Tricks, and Health Eating Habits."The final camp

See **COOKING**, Page B3



Forrest Wood, WinterJewel Harrison, Scout Posegate, RiverPeace Harrison, Gayle



Zoey Utz, Sabrina Heard. Courtesy photos

15th Annual Siuslaw Open golf results

Presented by Waterfront Depot and sponsored in part by Abel Insurance, Peace Health, Elk Lodge #1858, and Three Rivers Casino

The Siuslaw Open was a fundraising event to support Siuslaw Outreach Services. In 2022, Siuslaw Outreach Services provided support to more than 2,500 needy individuals through rent assistance, homeless prevention, and advocacy for victims, self-sufficiency education and more. The Siuslaw Open tournament is one of our major fundraising events of the year to help fund those assistance programs. Last year, it raised over \$15,000 to help those needy individuals and families.

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Oregon Pacific Bank with a score of 63 (Mike Webb, John Raleigh, Terry Madden, Ron Klampe) they won four rounds at Coos Golf

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1st Place Net: River Ridge Fanatics with a score of 44 (Michael Schumacher, Chris Hammings, Andrew Miller, Aaron Oakley) won four rounds at Ocean Dunes

2nd Place Net: In For Laughs with a score of 45 (Debrah Goetschi, Karen Twitchell, Bobbie Wells, Susan Weathers) they won four rounds at Shadow Hills

3rd Place Net: Huskies with a score of 46 (Rick Yecny, Micheal Schick, Matt House, Darryl Sheets) they won four rounds at Bandon

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Poker Run Winners: In For Laughs (3 fours with queen high)

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Community Briefs

OCVA to host People's Coast Summit

The Oregon Coast Visitors Association announced the next in its lineup of keynote speakers for the annual People's Coast Summit, taking place from Oct. 21 and 22 in Reedsport.

Breakfast Keynote: Revitalizing the Heart of Community: The Power of Oregon Main Street

Downtowns are the heartbeat of Oregon's communities, rich in character, culture, and potential. Yet many face challenges, from underutilized spaces to shifting economic trends. In this inspiring keynote, hear how the Oregon Main Street Program is helping communities across the state reimagine and revitalize their downtowns whether they're just getting started or building on existing momentum.

Sheri Stuart of Oregon Main Street, will share the importance of the program and how it supports communities through hands-on technical assistance, training, and access

to the Oregon Main Street Revitalization Grant, a competitive funding opportunity that helps bring downtown visions to life.

Joining Sheri are two recent grant recipients:

Stephanie Wilson from the City of North Bend, which was awarded nearly \$200,000 to support critical safety and accessibility upgrades to 17 commercial properties in the city's Main Street district.

Rosa Solano from the City of Reedsport, which received \$400,000 to rejuvenate the main street stretch to improve local landscapes and create tangible economic upshots

Stuart is the state coordinator of Oregon Main Street (OMS) which is in Heritage Programs of Oregon Parks and Recreation Department.

Solano is the Tourism & Main Street Program Director for the City of Reedsport. The People's Coast Summit is a campus style event taking place across multiple venues in Reedsport. This year's full agenda will feature a line up of speakers and workshops that will offer big-picture thinking and topics valuable to tourism stakeholders from all over the coast. Attendees can

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Together, these speakers will share how the Main Street approach, combined with strong local leadership and strategic investment, is breathing new life into Oregon's downtowns, creating spaces that are economically resilient, socially vibrant, and uniquely reflective of their communities.

Cycle journey to conclude in Florence

Submitted by the Fuller Center for Housing

A cross-country bicycle ride to raise money and awareness for The Fuller Center for Housing's efforts to eliminate poverty housing concludes in Florence on Saturday, Aug. 2, with a celebratory 24-mile ride from Mapleton. The cyclists will stay overnight at Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw before returning to their respective homes across the country.

The cyclists dipped their back tires in the Atlantic on May 24 before setting out on their 10-week, 3,800-mile ride to Oregon, where they will then dip their front tires in the Pacific when they arrive at their final destination of Florence, Oregon, on August 2.

Along their way through 12 states, the cyclists have enjoyed some of the most iconic landmarks and National Parks in the entire country, such as Gateway Arch, Badlands National Park, Wind Cave National Park, Mount Rushmore, Grand Tetons National Park, Yellowstone National Park, Craters of the Moon, and Crater Lake National Park. They've also hopped off their bikes for six build days along the way with local Fuller Center covenant partners.

Since the first ride in 2008, more than 1,800 Fuller Center Bicycle Adventure cyclists have ridden more than 1.9 million cumulative miles and, most importantly, raised more than \$6.4 million for The Fuller Center for Housing's mission of helping families have simple, decent places to live through repair work and new home builds.

Hotter weather means increased fire restrictions

SUBMITTED by USDA FOREST SERVICE

Due to July's persistent hot and dry weather, national forests across the Pacific Northwest increased or implemented public use restrictions last week. Through these public use restrictions as well as high to very high fire danger levels, firefighters are urging the public to be vigilant in preventing human-caused wildfires when recreating outdoors.

Current public use restrictions can be found on national forest webpages or by checking at the local ranger district before recreating in an area. Even if campfires are allowed, please consider whether having a fire is necessary.

For information on campfire safety visit: <https://smokeybear.com/en/prevention-how-tos/campfire-safety>

Here are a few tips to keep yourself, your family, and communities safe as fire season ramps up in the Pacific Northwest:

- Stay vigilant if wildfires are burning in your area or near your community.
- Know that conditions may change quickly.
- Adhere to local fire restrictions.
- Sign up for emergency alerts with your local county.
- Become familiar with the three evacuation levels.
- Know where to find up-to-date evacuation information for your area.
- Make a plan to keep your family safe.

Some areas of the Pacific Northwest will experience cooler temperatures than normal, fire danger levels will stay high to very high because already dried fuels will remain susceptible to ignition sources. In addition, warmer, drier conditions will quickly return to the Pacific Northwest, increasing the potential for wildfires across Oregon and Washington.

Currently there are seven large wildfires burning on national forest lands in the Pacific Northwest. Firefighters and aviation resources are ready to respond to growth on these existing fires as well as engage in quick and risk-informed action on any new fire starts. Resources, including USDA Forest Service firefighters and incident management teams, continue to be prepositioned in the Region to support aggressive suppression response.

For more news and information about national forests in the Pacific Northwest, visit our news page at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/news/r6/news-events> or our home page, at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/r6>.

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Farm season is rolling—are you ready to share the road?

STAFF REPORT
Lincoln County Leader

From July through September, Oregon’s rural roads and highways become busier with more than just regular traffic—they’re filled with tractors, combines and other slow-moving farm equipment essential to the state’s agricultural economy.

A small number of crashes, with serious consequences

In the last five years, Oregon has averaged 32 crashes involving farm equipment annually, resulting in about four serious injuries each year. Fatal crashes occurred in both 2020 and 2022. These numbers may seem small, but each one represents a person, a family and a community impacted, according to a release from the Oregon Department of Transportation, (ODOT), Oregon Department of Agriculture (ODA), and Oregon Farm Bureau (OFB).

The OFB, ODA, and ODOT are teaming up to remind drivers: stay alert, slow down and share the road.

Sharing the road starts with awareness

“As we move deeper into farming season, you’ll see more farm machinery on our roads as farmers harvest crops and deliver their products to market,” ODA Director Lisa Charpilloz Hanson said. “It’s crucial to remember that even though you may spot the farmers, they may not spot you. Large equipment comes

with considerable blind spots, especially when backing up or navigating tight turns. Let’s prioritize safety on our roads, be vigilant and give them the space they need.”

Farm vehicles often travel under 25 mph, may take up more than one lane, and can make wide turns into fields or farm driveways. For many drivers, sharing the road with these vehicles is unfamiliar and that inexperience can increase risk, according to ODOT Public Information Officer Mindy McCart.

“Even though the number of crashes involving farm equipment each year is relatively low, the outcomes can be serious—and avoidable,” McCart said. “These are preventable incidents, and a little caution goes a long way.”

Tips for drivers during farm season:

Drive defensively. Stay alert for equipment entering or crossing the road.

Slow down. Most farm vehicles travel under 25 mph—start braking early.

Stay back. Maintain at least 50 feet behind large farm equipment.

Pass only when safe. Wait for clear sightlines and legal zones; avoid passing near curves, bridges or field entrances.

Watch for wide turns. Equipment may veer unexpectedly to enter fields or driveways.

Yield when needed. Large vehicles may not be able to pull over—give them space.

Keep calm. Delays are temporary. Aggressive

driving isn’t worth the risk.

Be extra cautious at intersections. Tall crops or unmarked field access points can reduce visibility.

Know the signs
Look for the orange triangle emblem on the back of farm vehicles. It signals a slow-moving vehicle—reduce your speed and pass only with care.

“As harvest picks up, more tractors and equipment will be on the road,” OFB President Angi Bailey said. “Remember these are not only your neighbors on the road, but also our husbands, wives, sons, daughters and valued employees. We want everyone to come home safe at the end of the day. Please give farmers the space they need to do the job of growing food and fiber for Oregon and beyond.”

“Everyone wants to get where they’re going safely, whether that’s to the market or back to the barn,” McCart added. “A few extra seconds of patience could save a life.”

With Oregon’s farms in full swing, ODOT, ODA, and the OFB encourage all drivers to keep safety top of mind.

“Let’s all do our part to share the road this season—with patience, awareness, and respect,” the release states.

CROW summer camps in full swing



This week, CROW kids are unlocking their full potential at the Wonderful Wizard of Oz camp, where creativity, friendship, and self-expression thrive. They’re building confidence, forging meaningful connections, and discovering the power of their own voices. Submitted by Childrens Repertory of Oregon Workshops

ONLINE POLL

LAST WEEK, WE ASKED, HOW CONCERNED ARE YOU ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE IN GASOLINE PRICES BETWEEN FLORENCE AND OTHER AREAS? HERE ARE THE RESULTS:

It doesn't really affect me.....	12.5%
Price fluctuations are just the way it is.....	25%
I need fuel, so I pay the price.....	25%
I wish it could be more consistent across the state.....	37.5%

THIS WEEK, WE'RE ASKING, HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THE PROTESTS THAT TAKE PLACE FROM TIME TO TIME IN FLORENCE?

- They are protesting critically important failures in the White House
- Every American has the right to peaceably protest
- I don't see how it will make a difference
- I'm against the protests and support the current administration

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DUNES

From Page B1

Despite the challenges, Dunefest said that they are already planning for Dunefest 2026. Upon announcing the cancellation, Dunefest said they are “shifting [their] full focus and energy toward making DuneFest 2026 the best event yet.”

Although the organization has not yet announced official dates, pending permit availability in early 2026, the new management team

is “hard at work” and implementing feedback from participants and community members to improve “every aspect of the experience.”

“We are committed to delivering the very best DuneFest yet,” the post stated. “Thank you for being part of the DuneFest community. We can’t wait to reunite with all of you in 2026!”

For more information about next year’s Dunefest or to stay up to date on developments, the Dunefest Facebook page provides updates on event proceedings.

COOKING

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was scheduled for July 28-31 titled “Joy of Baking”. For more information about Inspire, call/text 541-590-0351 or email info@inspireculinary.org

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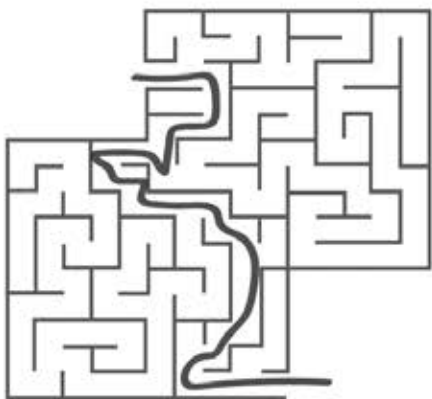
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Maze Craze

Find your way through the center of the maze.



THIS DAY IN HISTORY



1540: Henry VIII of England marries his fifth wife, Catherine Howard.

1854: The USS Constellation is commissioned.

1984: The summer Olympic Games open in Los Angeles.

World FACT:

This beach in the U.S. Virgin Islands was ranked #1 on the list of the “World’s 50 Best Beaches.”

Answer: Trunk Bay

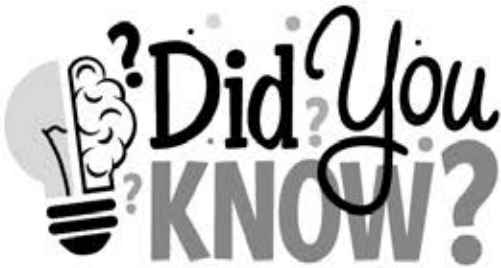
NEW WORD

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large brown algae or seaweeds

How they say that in...

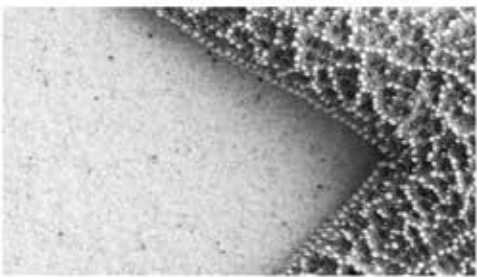
- English: Dolphin
- Spanish: Delfín
- Italian: Delfino
- French: Dauphin
- German: Delfin



Beach umbrellas are handy to have while enjoying the beach. They provide shade that can protect people from the harsh rays of the sun.



Get the PICTURE?



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

Answer: Starfish

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

- BLONDIES
- BROWNIES
- CAKE
- CANDY
- CHEESECAKE
- COOKIES
- CREAM
- CRÈME BRÛLÉE
- CUPCAKES
- CUSTARD
- ÉCLAIR
- FLAN
- GELATIN
- GELATO
- ICE CREAM
- MOUSSE
- PIE
- POPS
- PUDDING
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Amber Waves

by Dave T. Phipps



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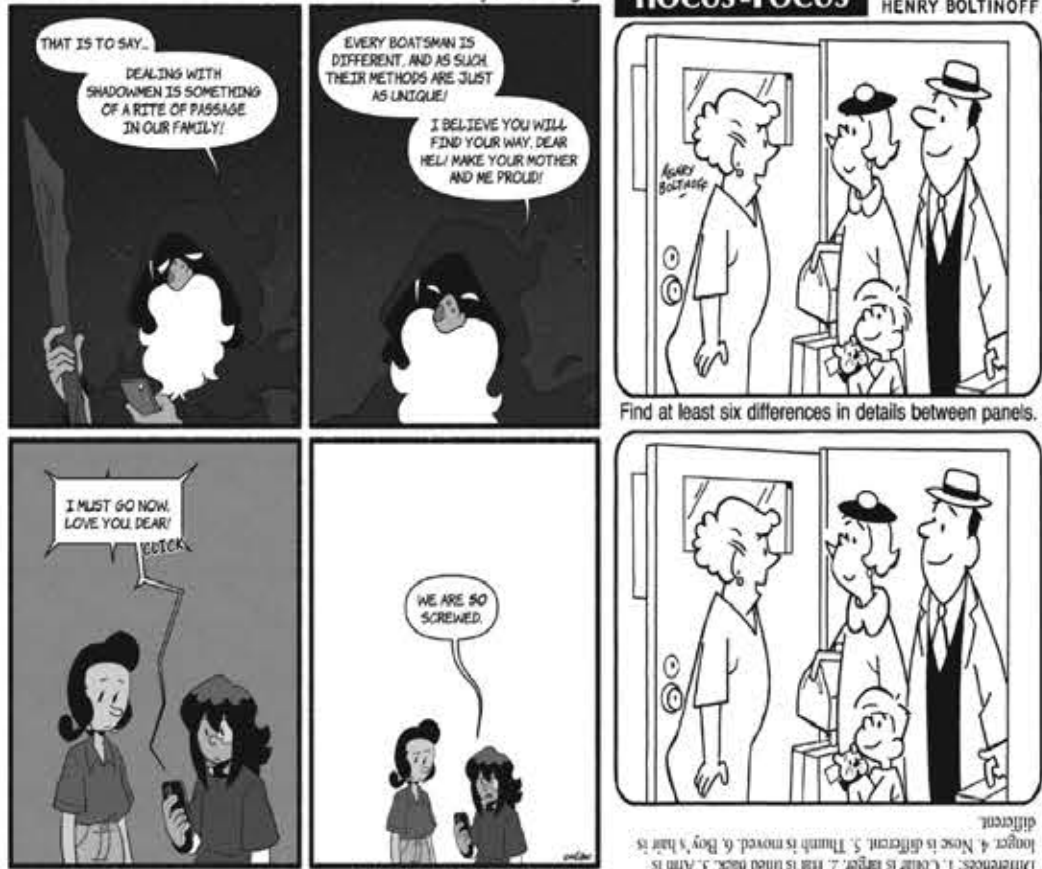
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Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

Task

ROECH

Sensory

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TODAY'S WORD

"We worked it out. My wife worries about inflation and I worry about the

King Crossword

ACROSS

1 Two-way

5 Existed

8 Carton sealer

12 Lewd

14 Throat clearer

15 Baking dish

16 Male red deer

17 Sailor

18 Excuses

20 Leek's kin

23 Revue segment

24 Benefit

25 Goulash

28 Used a chair

29 Eyelashes

30 "The Voice" network

32 Cane-cutting knife

34 Roman emperor

35 "CSI" settings

36 Classic Sinatra song

37 Actress

40 As well

41 Flair

42 Tart dessert

47 First-rate

48 Pulling along

49 Reply to "Shall we?"

50 — Juan

51 "Simpsons" bus driver

DOWN

1 Chips go-with

2 Half of bi-

3 Citric beverage

4 Physics particle

5 Sport

6 Busy insect

7 Hearty pub entree

8 Papeete's island

9 Melville captain

10 Prefix with "scope"

11 911 responders

13 Family

19 Turkish currency

20 Delivery docs

21 Linguist

22 Tiny bit

23 Mariners

25 Patchy horses

26 Recognized

27 "East of Eden" girl

29 Converse

31 Coquettish

33 Genetic copies

34 "Us" actress

36 Synthesizer pioneer

37 Transaction

38 Medicinal plant

39 Philosopher

40 IRS agent

43 Historic time

44 Trench

45 Bank acct. entry

46 Conceit

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Weekly SUDOKU

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			4		7	9		6
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	8	1					9	
	4	2	8	7		6		1

Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

♦ Moderate

♦♦ Challenging

♦♦♦ HOO BOY!

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Medieval official

Make up for

Frequently

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King Crossword

Solution time: 22 mins.

Answers

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Trivia test

by Fifi Rodriguez

1. MOVIES: Who is Luke and Leia's mother in the "Star Wars" movies?

2. GEOGRAPHY: The country of Suriname is on which continent?

3. HISTORY: Which 5th-century conqueror was known as "the Scourge of God"?

4. TELEVISION: Who is the creator of the quirky sitcom "Community"?

5. ANATOMY: What kind of blood vessels carry blood away from the heart?

6. MYTHOLOGY: In Greek mythology, who turned everything he touched into gold?

7. U.S. STATES: Which state was the 50th and last to join the union?

8. LITERATURE: Who wrote the novel "A Clockwork Orange"?

9. FOOD & DRINK: Which vegetable is used to make baba ganoush?

10. CHEMISTRY: What is the common name for acetic acid?

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SCRAMBLERS

Today's Word

3. Scriber 4. Niche

1. Chore 2. Sonic

solution

N	E	O
F	T	A
E	N	O
E	N	A
N	E	T
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T	A	U
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1 3 6 7 4 2 5 8 9

9 7 5 6 3 8 1 2 4

8 2 4 9 5 1 7 6 3

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

CryptoQuip

Narrow connecting water-

way that's becoming even

narrower month by month.

A recessive strain.

answer

1. Padme Amidala
2. South America
3. Anita the Hun
4. Dan Hammond
5. Arteries
6. King Midas
7. Hawaii
8. Anthony Burgess
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Even Exchange

by Donna Pettman

Each numbered row contains two clues and two 6-letter answers. The two answers differ from each other by only one letter, which has already been inserted. For example, if you exchange the A from MASTER for an I, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Classical dance	B	_____	Billfold	W	_____
2. Flicker	_____	P	Tiger or hammerhead	_____	H
3. \$1,000	_____	_____	D	General	_____
4. Throw a baseball	_____	_____	T	Smidgeon	_____
5. Agriculturalist	_____	A	_____	Previous	_____
6. Palace	_____	_____	S	Livestock	_____
7. Thin cookie	_____	_____	F	Bet	_____
8. F. _____ Fitzgerald	_____	_____	T	Tonto's mount	_____
9. Domicile	_____	_____	U	Pinto or Palomino	_____
10. Sesame Street frog	K	_____	_____	Recluse	H

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GO FIGURE!

The idea of Go Figure is to arrive at the figures given at the bottom and right-hand columns of the diagram by following the arithmetic signs in the order they are given (that is, from left to right and top to bottom). Use only the numbers below the diagram to complete its blank squares and use each of the nine numbers only once.

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Go Figure!

answers

1	+	2		5	:	8
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8	+	6	+	9	:	23
+		÷		-		
7	+	4	x	3	:	33
16		2		11		

Answers:
1. Billfold
2. Tiger
3. General
4. Smidgeon
5. Agriculturalist
6. Palace
7. Thin cookie
8. F. Fitzgerald
9. Domicile
10. Sesame Street frog

The Garden Bug

Growing alstroemeria

Handle the alstroemeria tubers gently, as they are brittle. Plant when all danger of frost is past, and be careful not to overwater initially. Feed your alstroemeria with a liquid fertilizer in late spring or early summer, then feed again in midsummer, after the first rush of blooms appear. Water well as summer progresses. Instead of cutting stems as you would other cut flowers, grasp the flowering stem near its base and pull it out, then trim the end; this will encourage new bloom spikes. Alstroemeria blooms can last up to 2 weeks when trimmed and reset in fresh water every few days. - Brenda Weaver

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Here's what to watch and where to watch it for the week of Aug. 4, 2025.

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ON NOW: "Chief of War" (Season 1) — AppleTV+

4-Aug: "King of the Hill" (Season 14) — Hulu

4-Aug: "Eyes of Wakanda" (Season 1) — Disney+

5-Aug: "Love Life" (Seasons 1&2) — Netflix

5-Aug: "Capturing Their Killer: The Girls on the High Bridge" (Docuseries) — Hulu

6-Aug: "Wednesday" (Season 2, Vol. 1) — Netflix

6-Aug: "Platonic" (Season 2) — AppleTV+

7-Aug: "The Monkey" (R) — Hulu

7-Aug: "5th September" (R) — Paramount+

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WITH Dr. Keith Roach

Getting a COVID Booster Before a Cruise Is Prudent for Couple

DEAR DR. ROACH: My husband and I will be traveling to the United Kingdom in July and will be on a ship with about 700 passengers. We are wondering whether it would be smart (or unnecessary) to get a COVID booster before the trip. We are both in our late 60s and have had all the available COVID shots. (The last one we received was on Oct. 10, 2024.)

I have mild asthma, and we both have BMIs of about 30 with no other health issues. There is so much information and misinformation on these vaccinations, so I would appreciate your educated opinion. — O.W.I.

ANSWER: In my opinion, it would be very smart to get a COVID shot before you go, ideally at least two weeks ahead but no more than three months ahead. The vaccine takes about two weeks to work and gives its best protection for about three months.

At the time of this writing, a new strain (NB.1.8.1) is rapidly spreading in other countries and in North America. It would be very prudent for you both to get the vaccine, especially given your risk factors of being over 65, being a little overweight, and (in your case) having mild asthma. You may very well be exposed on a cruise ship, which is where some of the earliest COVID cases came from.

In the United States, the Food and Drug Administration has recently set new requirements on who can get the vaccine, and they have done so without

the input of experts — the basic scientists, clinicians and epidemiologists who should all be giving input on vaccine policies. In short, administrators have removed your doctor's ability to decide whether you are appropriate for the vaccine.

Since you are over 65, you and your husband should still be able to get the vaccine unless the FDA further restricts the ability to get vaccines. For others in similar situations, I recommend getting the vaccine while you still have this choice.

DR. ROACH WRITES: Quite a few readers asked me about a recent high-profile case of advanced prostate cancer — President Joe Biden — and how this could have happened.

I first answer with humility. I don't know what the screening was like for President Biden. Although I have read reports that he was not being screened, I am not confident that I know enough to have an opinion on the appropriateness of the screening strategy used in his case.

Second, I answer from my knowledge on the biology of prostate cancer, which is that not all prostate cancers can be caught through screening. A PSA level can be low even with advanced cancer. Also, some prostate cancers can grow very quickly in between screenings. Both of these would be uncommon, however.

Screening does reduce the risk of death from prostate cancer but does not eliminate it. Prostate cancer death rates have decreased by about half in the U.S., partly from screening and partly due to improvements in medical, radiological and surgical treatment.

Third and most importantly, I answer with compassion. Looking backward is not helpful to the person who is facing a difficult diagnosis. I wish the best for President Biden and his family, and I am confident that he will get the best care available.

Dr. Roach regrets that he is unable to answer individual questions, but will incorporate them in the column whenever possible. Readers may email questions to ToYourGoodHealth@med.cornell.edu.

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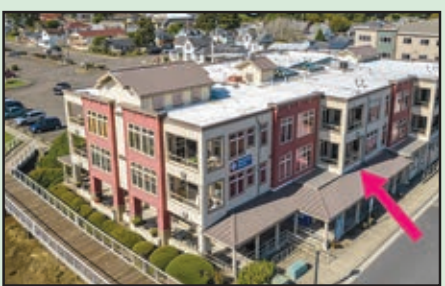
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