

Bridge Lane connects people to local jobs and resources

By **TONY REED**
Siuslaw News

Students, parents, community members and job seekers had many options to consider April 16 at the Bridge Lane Florence Event in the Florence Events Center. Similar in layout to the resource fair held last year at Siuslaw High School, interested people could speak to employers, find education and training, ask questions about insurance and healthcare, get help searching for jobs, help with child care and/or senior care, and even find specialized resources for the veterans and military community.

Communications and Event Manager Chelsea Irvine said Bridge Lane and Siuslaw School District teamed up to bring the resource fair that was in the high school gym last year with the Bridge Lane event.

“Bridge Lane is an initiative that takes place quarterly, all

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During a rare meeting of the Lane Community College Board of Education at the Florence campus, directors and attending community members were given a full round-up of things happening there.

Vice President of Academic Affairs Dr. Shelley Tinkham said there is clear enthusiasm from students, employers, and community members for Lane to play a larger role in the Florence region.

“We agree,” she said, “and this report reflects concrete steps we’re taking in response.”

Dr. Tinkham said the Florence Campus hosts a wide range of activities, including an entrepreneurship boot camp led by Co-Starters, a 4-week hands-on workshop designed for small business entrepreneurs, which funnels participants into SBDC (Small Business Development Center) support. It also offers a hybrid WR 121 course, Wild Writing, a continuing education class, A CNA course, Yoga and NIA classes (a blend of dance, martial arts, and healing arts) and an intermediate ceramics class.

She said Oregon State University is running a course in support of small farmers .

“These offerings reflect the diverse interests and needs of the community—credit and non-credit, personal enrichment and workforce readiness- and just on Wednesday evening,” she said.

ENROLLMENT

Dr. Tinkham gave overview of our enrollment for the academic year.

“For non-credit courses, we’ve offered a total of 56 CE courses this academic year, serving hundreds of students. We had a total enrollment of 279 in our fall classes, 244 in winter, and 250 in spring. Our Florence campus leads the way in continuing education,” she said. “Examples of classes offered this year include: iPhone and Android Phone Basics, Healthy Thai Food, Beekeeping for Beginners; along with several Outward Ventures (day trips), including Salmon Celebration at the Thyme Garden in Alsea, and aWildflower Walk at Mt. Pisgah with lunch at the Renaissance Room. We also work with 1Collette Travel to offer national and international tours, such as the Amalfi Coast and Japan.”

In regards to credit enrollment, Dr. Tinkham offered

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Eight running in LCC Board election

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Four seats on the Lane Community College Board of Education will be available in the May 20 Special Election. The winners of each will serve four year terms beginning July 1, 2025. Three sitting board members announced they will not seek reelection, meaning

the board will have three new members in July.

With it’s various zones in Lane County, the composition of the LCC Board can be hard to follow, but boils down to this:

Zone 1: Represents western Lane County (Florence) currently held by Denise Diamond.

Zone 3: Represents

Springfield, currently held by Julie Weismann.

Zone 4: Represents eastern Lane County, currently held by Austin Fölnagy.

The at-large, Position 7, is currently vacant.

JERRY RUST

Zone 1: candidate Jerry Rust, in declaring to a gathering of supporters last month,

said he “believes in the power of education” and that he “can make a difference on the Lane Co. Community College, Board of Education.” A former Lane County commissioner, Rust has announced his candidacy last month.

“I want to be part of a high functioning Board,” saying

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Volunteers from Habitat for Humanity work to paint the interior of the INSPIRE's new location.

INSPIRE's new location almost ready to go

INSPIRE Culinary Academy is moving into their new location on May 1. Their first class starts soon at 180 Laurel Street, formerly known as The Bodega.

“We are very thankful for all the help the community has given us get the building ready to open and conduct our first class,” founder Graham Ross said. “Some of the community groups/persons include The Elks Lodge, Habitat for Humanity (volunteers painted the interior), Lofy Construction: Dan Lofy and his team who installed the flooring, Cross Road Assembly of God, Dana Rodet: Rebuilt and painted the front door among several other things, Kurt VanderBogart and Moses Cordero, Jr. for all the manual labor.”

The next class starts May 5 and applications are still being accepted. Students must be age 18 to 24, and the academy offers scholarships

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Behind the Headlines – The Brighter Side

By **BOB HORNEY**
*Prostate Cancer Survivor
and ZERO/UsTOO
Support Group Leader*

Most of us recognize the phrase, “It takes a village to raise a child.” Has anyone heard a phrase describing what it takes to maintain a senior citizen? Neither have I, but I do have a suggestion. How does, “It takes a world of humanity to maintain a senior citizen.”

When I was treated for prostate cancer back in January 2002 and became familiar with Urologist Dr. Bryan Mehlhaff, I distinctly and clearly remember his motto (for lack of a better word), that his job was “to keep us alive until we die of something else.” That phrase says he is in this prostate cancer fight all the way with us! That, folks, is a ray of sunshine and hope that we need going forward.

Now that I’ve gone from age 64 to age 86, I will be asking him for his book on: What to expect as a long-term survivor of prostate cancer. That book, or a similar one, should

be handed to men who receive a diagnosis of prostate cancer. I think I can assure everyone that we who are patients of Dr. Mehlhaff and other urologists at Oregon Urology Institute grab onto that hope with all our might.

Now, if you think you sense a bit of sarcasm in my writing, it is NOT there. Some of you who know me fairly well, know that I take a lot of what life dishes out “in stride” and that’s exactly what I am doing here. I have an appointment with Dr. Mehlhaff in May and I will tease him about not telling us what lay ahead. As many tell me, it would have scared the beejeebees out of them. I can understand that completely!

Looking back at my earlier question and knowing what I have experienced these 23 years since removal of my prostate, I would still say: “It takes a world of humanity to maintain a senior citizen.” I say a world of humanity because I question if one part of the world can keep up with all the challenges we seniors

bring to the table. Many times all we have to do is pause and take a look back at what we have been through in order to see the medicine, durable equipment, etc. that come from abroad. That comes from another part of the world. I sense there is more of that going on than I recognize and I am eternally thankful for it.

So, to give you an idea of what the above is talking about, here is a snapshot of my 86th year on this old globe. I could just say, doctors, doctors and more doctors and leave it at that. But, with prostate cancer “supposedly” out of the picture (I still get the PSA test twice per year – June and December), many other parts cry for attention.

There were my teeth continuing their downward trend. Mom and dad had 4 sons and I inherited ALL the bad teeth. Finally, this spring, it came time for lower dentures to go along with an upper partial. Look at how darned lucky I was with that. I had been getting up every night between 1:30 and 3:30 a.m. without

fail for nearly a year with phlegm to hack up and out. My dentist pulled the 4 remaining teeth in the lower jaw on March 23. WOULD YOU BELIEVE...from March 23rd, I have had to get up ONLY 3 times. I am being told that is because one or more of my teeth were feeding bacteria into my system. That is not surprising since my dentist had prescribed a round of penicillin for one of those teeth earlier this spring. Now I am also being cautioned to keep an eye on my upper teeth, a couple of which are only roots.

Other adventures this 86th year include revised/ upgraded lenses as my eyes change and new hearing aids as the previous pair come to the end of their life. Finally, I hope by taking control of my SupraPubic Catheter changes it will amount to one less doctor visit per month. YAY!

As I wrap this up, I labelled this Behind the Headlines as The Brighter Side because we are all so fortunate to be living in this age of amazing medical miracles that keep us going.

OBITUARIES



DAVID CHARLES ROOD
APRIL 8, 1946 -
APRIL 7, 2025

A memorial service to celebrate the life of David C. Rood, 78, of Florence, formerly of North Bend, will be held on Saturday, May 3, 2025 at 2:00 p.m. at the Cross Road Assembly of God, 1380 10th Street in Florence. A Reception will follow. A private family urnside service will be held at Ocean View Memory Gardens Cemetery in Coos Bay.

David Charles Rood was born on April 8, 1946 in Coos Bay, Oregon to Frank and Mavis Rood. He passed away on April 7, 2025 in Florence, Oregon surrounded by his family.

David grew up in North Bend, Oregon and graduated from North Bend High School, class of 1964. David was raised on his parents farm up Willanch Way Lane. David was always willing to help his dad with milking the cows, haying, and all of the other farm chores. In high school David participated in Future Farmers of America. David also excelled in football, earning many honors. After high school David purchased his own ranch up Kentuck Way Lane. While working the ranch, David joined the North Bend High School football coaching staff where he coached for many years.

In June of 1996, with faith and love, David married Maryann (Lind) Cornish, where they joined two families together. They retired and sold the farm, relocating to Florence, Oregon in 2012. They continued to enjoy life together, traveling in their motor home, gardening, and enjoying their children, grandchildren and great grandchildren. They especially enjoyed all of the sporting activities that the children were involved in.

David is survived by his wife, Maryann Rood; children, Erin and Aric Robertson of Bandon, Oregon, Sarah and Zach Lillebo of Lincoln City, Oregon, Tiffany Rood of Myrtle Point, Oregon, Julie and Brad Jones of Portland, Oregon, Merry Sue and Bruce Hardenburger of Albany, Oregon, Tim and Donna Cornish of Florence, Oregon, Susie Richards and Eric Stinger of Florence, Oregon and Julie and Kyle Evans of Junction City, Oregon; Sister, Janet and Larry

Richards of Portland, Oregon; 14 grandchildren; 8 great-grandchildren; 3 nephews and 1 niece.

David was preceded in death by his brother, Frank Bicknell Rood III; father, Frank Bicknell Rood Jr. and his mother, Mavis Rood.

In lieu of flowers, the family kindly requests donations be made to Future Farmers of America. Donations can be sent to : Myrtle Point High School, Future Farmers of America/In Memory of David Rood, 717 4th Street, Myrtle Point, OR 97458.

Friends and family are encouraged to sign the online guestbook at www.coosbayareafunerals.com. Arrangements are under the care of North Bend Chapel, 541-756-0440.

GARY DEE HUGHES
OCTOBER 3, 1941 -
APRIL 10, 2025



Gary Dee Hughes passed away after an adventuresome 83 years. The first son of Henry Elbert Hughes and Alice Maxine (Chambers) Hughes. Born in San Francisco California. He spent his first few years in the Springfield/Eugene Oregon area, then and the family moved to Florence, Oregon in 1949 where he attended school and graduated in 1959. He joined the Navy shortly after graduating and had a varied career at various assignments and finally retiring as a Senior Chief. Qualified on three submarines then assigned to serve in Viet Nam on PBR’s (River Boats) for an extended time, later assigned to White Sands (ARD 20) which serviced the Trieste bathyscaphe. Then to Japan and other various duties. Upon military retirement he worked as Power Support for the Keana Point satellite tracking station again retiring. Gary and his wife then moved to Shelton Washington. Gary is survived by his wife Maizie, son’s John, Henry, and daughter Cathy, grandchildren Austin and Preston and brother Monty. During his life he loved both fresh water and deep-sea fishing, drag racing, motorcycle cruising and most anything competitive. Even competitive at raising award winning roses. He will be missed. Gary is to be buried in Oahu Hawaii at the Schofield Barracks Cemetery. Private ceremony

Grant opportunity for nonprofits

Three Rivers Foundation is now accepting applications for its 2025 grant cycle, offering \$5,000 to \$40,000 in funding for nonprofits focused on education, healthcare, food security, environmental sustainability, and community enrichment.

“Last year, nearly 300 organizations applied, highlighting the growing need for support.

With millions already awarded to Oregon communities, this funding helps expand rural

healthcare, enhance emergency response, and support youth programs.

Three Rivers Foundation, the charitable arm of Three Rivers Casino Resort, encourages nonprofits to apply for funding to support initiatives in education, healthcare, food security, environmental sustainability, and community enrichment.

Over the years, the foundation has awarded millions of dollars to nonprofits across Oregon, helping to strengthen

local communities.

“It’s important for us to give back and make a meaningful impact,” said Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians Chief Doug Barrett “Three Rivers Casino Resort is not just a business; it’s an integral part of this community, and we believe in supporting the people and organizations that make Oregon a better place for all.”

Eligible nonprofits in Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln, Harney, and Multnomah counties

can apply for grants ranging from \$5,000 to \$40,000. Past recipients have used these funds to expand rural healthcare services, provide food assistance, support educational programs, and enhance emergency response efforts. In 2024, the foundation received around 300 applications, demonstrating the growing need for funding in Oregon’s communities.

The application deadline is April 30, and registered 503(c)(3) organizations can go to three-riverscasino.com to apply.

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LETTERS

From time to time we get one or two people who run for an office that I am very happy to support. Maygan Hiatt is one those. She is kind and caring and truly

has the children and their education as number one priority. I have found her to be a great communicator because she listens to others first before speaking.

Please join me in voting for Ms. Hiatt for School board Position number 6.

Alan A. Burns
Florence

Local PFLAG Chapter Holds Public Meeting on Queer-Friendly Organizations

Submitted by
EVELYN LOVELACE
Part 1 Of 2

The Florence chapter of PFLAG, an LGBTQIA2S+ advocacy group, hosted an April 15 event to let community members hear from “Organizations in our area who care about and interact with the LGBTQIA+ community.” A sizable crowd filled the Library’s Bromley room April 16 i for “Allies: A Public Forum” to hear from a broad spectrum of local, county, and state organizations committed in one way or another to accept and assist queer folks in Florence, and to make them aware of what services are available. First to speak was Russ Pierson, the dean of the Lane County Community College campus in Florence. He reassured queer listeners that they “are accepted and embraced” at LCC and that all branches of the college “adhere closely to Title 9, Title 6, all the titles.” He spoke on how LCC declared itself a “sanctuary college in a sanctuary state,” implying that their willingness to protect other marginalized groups like immigrants applied to queer identities as well.

An ordained minister and member of an evangelical church, he also apologized on behalf of his faith community, who as an institution are often vehemently opposed to queer rights. Along with a sizable religious attendance,

Greg Wood, pastor of the Presbyterian Community Church, spoke in support of queer rights. He spoke allegorically about fellowship, the gathering of his congregation after service to share food. “When we fill our plates, some are sweets people, some are veggie, some a bit of everything. And nobody judges what’s on our plate.” “I welcome you, and hope you would be welcome around me, too.” Jennifer Hokum, bridge pastor at New Life Lutheran Church and member of the United Church of Christ, continued the spiritual support. A self-identified queer and lesbian woman, one of Hokum’s goals in her work is to “bridge the gap between being Christian and being queer.” “The primary gift I provide is that I exist” as an example of a queer woman in a position of leadership within her congregation. While not represented by a minister, FUUF member Nikk Pavlarsky represented their congregation admirably. An agender person, they spoke of the open-minded and accepting nature of their fellowship, saying “they don’t judge

you for anything.” Also attending from a spiritual angle was Joannie Schmidt, the chaplain at PeaceHealth. She told the group that it “breaks my heart when I tell patients I’m a chaplain and they tense up,” referencing the widespread hostility queer groups have often received from religious institutions. Contrary to that potential, Schmidt described herself and her fellow chaplains as “the advocates of diversity.” “We’re there to make sure nobody walks into the room and starts preaching,” she said. The pamphlets Schmidt offered to the group contained reference to “the healing mission of Jesus Christ” and no other particular religious group, and no queer-inclusive language. Schmidt, coming at queer advocacy from a medical angle, discussed advanced care planning, an issue she said can often be particularly vexing for queer individuals. Since the families of LGBTQIA+ folks are often hostile to their identities, the question of who gets to make medical decisions on your behalf if you can’t is particularly dangerous. Even more so if, as Schmidt describes, no clear proxy exists. In that case the

government takes over medical decision-making, a prospect made more fearsome as queer-eliminationist ideologies continue to gain traction in the federal government. Knowing that the anti-trans policies of the Trump administration were hanging over the gathering, Schmidt sought to reassure folks that “we’re not changing our policies,” referring to the inclusive and queer-friendly way in which PeaceHealth operates. Deborah Anderson, pastor at the Florence United Methodist Church, rounded out the religious affirmations. Though she’s only been in Florence for a few months, she described Florence as a “beautiful, open city” and “quite ecumenical” referring to the good relationships shared across many of the Christian denominations. “I’m proud to be part of a church with a rainbow on its front door.” The Methodist Church holds special significance to the Florence PFLAG chapter. Founded in 2011, the Florence chapter was made almost entirely of members from the Methodist church. The church is also where monthly PFLAG meetings are held.

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POLICE LOG

*Florence Police
Department responded to
the following calls from
April 9th to April 15th.*

WEDNESDAY APRIL 9

At 6:41 a.m. officers responded to the 3900 block of Highway 101 or a report of a dispute. Officers found an ongoing issue between a tenant and a guest and remained on scene to calm the situation.

At 8:23 a.m., officers responded to the 3900 block of Highway 101 for a report that one of the people from the previous call was now in a verbal dispute with another subject. Officers stood by while one subject collected possessions from the property and left.

At 11:55 a.m., officers responded to the 800 block of Highway 101 for a report of harassment. Officers arrived to find an ongoing dispute between two parties. Officers determined that one subject was serving a court order to another subject who was not happy about it.

At 3:13 p.m., officers responded to the 1500 Block of 9th Street for a report of a possible DUI driver. Officers made contact with the driver who was found to be not intoxicated but had a felony warrant from Coos County. Driver was taken into custody.

At 6:27 p.m., a caller reported an abandoned vehicle in the 4900 block of Highway 101. Officers tagged the vehicle which was later towed.

THURSDAY APRIL 10

At 4:19 a.m., officers responded to assist Tribal Law Enforcement at the casino for a report of a subject with a handgun. Officers located the subject and found he was carrying a BB gun. Subject was counseled.

At 10:02 a.m., officers responded to the 1400 block of Highway 101 for a report of a dispute occurring. Officer spoke to a subject who said they had been allowing another subject to use their car and it hadn't been returned. Officers made contact with the second subject and the car was returned.

At 202 p.m., officers responded to the 900 block of 2nd Street for a report that a trailer had been taken from church property. Case remains under investigation.

At 2:21 p.m., officers responded to the 3800 block of Highway 101 for a report of a violation of a restraining order. Officers located evidence to confirm the claim, and after a discussion with probation, an arrest warrant was requested.

At 3:49 p.m., officers responded to the 1700 block of 43rd Street or a report of restraining order violation. Officers determined that a subject from outside the area had been trying to contact the caller in violation of the order. Officers requested an arrest warrant.

At 6:36 p.m., officers responded to the 3900 block of Highway 101 for a report that an unknown subject had caused damage to a vehicle.

At 7:29 p.m., officers responded to the 2400 block of Oak Street or a report of a subject with a knife. Officers located and arrested the subject before taking them to the hospital for a mental health hold/evaluation.

FRIDAY APRIL 11

At 8:15 a.m., officers responded to the 1800 block of 37th Street or a report of a dispute occurring.

At 10:18 a.m., officers responded to the 1700 block of Highway 126 for a report of a non-injury traffic accident. Phone arrival, officers were told that one car had hit but there were no signs of damage. Officers stood by while drivers exchanged information.

At 2:33 p.m., officers responded to the area of 38th Street and muscle Creek Loop for a report of an abandoned vehicle. Vehicle was located on private property so officers informed the property owner of their rights to have the vehicle removed.

At 3:35 p.m., officers responded to the area of Rhododendron drive and New Hope for a report of a mini bike racing up and down the road. Officers arrived to find the subject had left the area.

At 7:31 p.m., officers responded to the 1500 Block of Highway 101 for a report of theft. Officers were told that a subject came into the store, grabbed beer, "made a nasty comment" and left. Officers were unable to locate the subject.

At 7:32 p.m., officers responded to the 87600 block of Highway 101 for a report of a verbal dispute occurring. Officers arrived to find the situation had calmed down.

At 7:50 p.m., officers responded to the 400 block of 9th Street for a report of harassment. Officers found it is an ongoing issue between two subjects. Subjects were canceled on their options in the matter.

SATURDAY APRIL 12

At 3:27 p.m., officers were told that a male subject had made unfriendly comments to a female subject and her children in the 2300 block of Highway 101. Officers reported hearing two sides to the issue when interviewing involved parties. Officers spoke to witnesses and observed no signs of injury on anyone involved. The case remains under investigation and officers will forward information to prosecution if a crime is suspected.

At 4:48 p.m., an officer made a traffic stop in the area of 31st Street and Highway 101 to find the driver had a suspended license and warrants in circuit court and municipal court. Driver was arrested.

At 6:42 p.m., officers responded to the 2000 block of 12th Street to assist fire personnel who were doing CPR on a subject there. CPR was unsuccessful and the medical examiner's office was contacted. Officers reported nothing suspicious about the incident.

SUNDAY APRIL 13

At 4:18 a.m., officers responded to the 700 block of 1st Street for a report that the sewer treatment plant was making excessive noise. Officers determine the noise was typical of the plant and not out of compliance.

At 11:35 a.m., officers responded to the 1700 block of Highway 126 for a report of a hit and run accident. Officers were told a vehicle in the parking lot had hit another vehicle and left.

Officers later located the second vehicle and the driver said he had waited to contact the other driver before leaving. Driver was cited for no insurance and suspended license.

At 1:01 p.m., officers responded to the 5200 block of Highway 101 for a report that a caregiver had found their client deceased. Officers reported nothing suspicious and contacted the medical examiner's office.

At 2:50 p.m., officers responded to Highway 126 for a report that a vehicle was driving erratically and the driver was unable to keep the vehicle in its lane. Officers were unable to locate the vehicle.

At 4:14 p.m., officers responded to the 88 200 Block of Rhododendron Drive for a report of a possible DUI driver. Officers check the area but we're unable to locate the described vehicle.

At 11:35 p.m., officers responded to the 1500 Block of Airport Road for a report of harassment. Officers took a statement from the caller and the case is under investigation.

MONDAY APRIL 14

At 12:57 a.m., an officer made a traffic stop in downtown Florence. Driver was arrested for a warrant from Florence Municipal Court.

At 6:26 a.m., officers responded to the 1900 block of 29th Street for a report of a domestic dispute occurring. Officers arrived to find a breakup in progress and stood by while subjects separated their belongings.

At 8:26 a.m., officers responded to the 200 block of Oak Street for a reported vehicle theft. Officers were told that a pickup truck containing tools had been stolen. Case remains under investigation.

At 12:22 p.m., officers responded to the 2300 block of Highway 101 for a report that a male subject took items from the store. Subject was arrested and transported to the hospital for a

mental health evaluation.

At 12:59 p.m., officers responding to the 2000 block of Highway 126 for a reported Hit and Run accident. Witnesses told officers that they saw a vehicle back into another vehicle and leave. Using information from the Department FLOCK cameras, officers were able to identify and locate the vehicle and contact the driver. Driver told officers he was unaware that he had hit a vehicle, but instead, thought he backed into a pole. Owners of both vehicles were connected and exchanged information. No charges were pursued.

At 6:37 p.m., officers responded to the area of 9th Street and Nopal for a report of a possible DUI driver. Officers located the vehicle and conducted a field sobriety test on the driver. Jerrad Brown, 36, for DUII.

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

At 2:15 a.m., officers made a traffic stop in downtown Florence and found the driver had a municipal warrant from Sweet Home. Driver was arrested.

At 6:48 a.m., a caller reported seeing their previously stolen bike hanging on an RV. Officers arrived in the 1700 block of 21st Street and found that although it was the caller's bicycle, it had been stripped down to the frame. Officers tried but could not make contact with the owner of the rv.

At 10:08 a.m., officers responded to the 1400 block of Spruce Street or a report of stolen jewelry. Case remains under investigation.

At 12:01 p.m., officers responded to the 1700 block of 43rd Street for a report of a domestic dispute. Officers found a verbal dispute had occurred between two occupants. Parties were separated.

At 7:50 p.m., officers responded to the 1700 block of 2nd Street for a report that a package has been stolen from the steps of a house. Officers are reviewing video footage, and the case remains under investigation.

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Rhody Days Arts Festival
Rhody Days is fast approaching. We have some many wonderful artists and art mediums represented. May 17th, 9:30 am - 5 pm, and 18th, 11 am - 4 pm at the Florence Events Center.

2025 Writers Bootcamp - Literary with Catherine Rourke
Unleash your true voice and turbo-charge your writing. Tuesday, April 29, 5:30-7:30 pm. All writing levels and genres. For more info: 541-708-2120. Cost \$40 for FRAA members, \$45 for non-FRAA members. Pre-registration required.

Big Wave Poetry 1st Tuesday Open Mic
Tuesday, May 6th, 7 pm in person and Zoom at FRAA!

Draw Together with SCWBI
This free meet-up hosted by FRAA and the Society of Children's Writers and Book Illustrators offers illustrators the opportunity to informally meet, share work and ideas. 4th Friday of each month, 5-7 pm. Next one, April 25th. For more info, contact Kathy at kkeppol@gmail.com.

Open Studio Fridays! @ FRAA
No registration required. Drop-in, bring your materials, and create. All artistic mediums welcome. Every Friday, 11 am - 3:30 pm.

Next Change-Out Days
2D (hangs on wall): Monday, May 12th, 9-10:30 am
3D: Tuesday, May 13th, 9-10:30

For more information about classes, visit fraaoregon.org. To register for these classes, please call or visit FRAA at our Art Center on Maple Street.

Celebrate Earth Day with Florence Habitat ReStore!

Florence Habitat for Humanity ReStore is still hosting its Annual Earth Day Up-cycle Contest from April 15 through April 26. Art pieces are to be made of mostly recycled (pre-used) materials. You can participate by entering the contest or visiting ReStore to see the creativity of others in our community and casting your vote for your favorite(s). Prizes will be awarded to the top three works of art that receive the most votes. Voting started on April 15th, so the sooner you enter the more potential votes your creative masterpiece can receive. Florence Habitat Restore hopes to show the community that beautiful things can come from items that many people throw away each day. Restore is located at 2016 Hwy 101 in the Grocery Outlet Shopping Center. Homes, communities, hope + you



INSPIRE

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of up to 100 percent. Scholarship funds come from offering adult cooking classes on weeknights and weekend, as well as student catering during events. INSPIRE Culinary Academy program provides quality basic culinary skills, nutrition, food safety & sanitation, serving etiquette, and occupational & personal responsibilities training. Recent graduates have gone on to secure local jobs in food service while also coming together to prepare and serve food at local events. When you take an adult cooking class, or book a catering event with INSPIRE Culinary Academy, your money is helping low-income, disadvantaged young adults learn the culinary skills and education which prepares them to start a culinary career enabling them to earn a living wage and become self-sufficient. Website and social media are also needed. Call Graham at 585-662-7373 for more information.

Oregon Working Families Party Endorses Posegate

Diverse slate unites candidates across the state in support for schools; freedom of expression The Oregon Working Families Party (Oregon WFP) today announced their second statewide slate of endorsed school board candidates for the May 20 election. Taken together, the diverse slate represents an extraordinary expression of statewide solidarity in fighting back on right-wing attacks and committing to increasing funding for the state's public schools. Many of the endorsed candidates have trained with Oregon WFP on running successful people-centered campaigns. The sought-after Oregon WFP endorsement includes support for its candidates from knocking doors and making phone calls to voters to paid media including mailers and social media, as well as mobilizing volunteers. Of the 20 candidates, OR Working Families Party endorses Tom Posegate for Siuslaw School District #97J. This slate of candidates represents the diversity and values of the Working Families Party which has recently announced its plan to recruit more than 1,000 working-class candidates to run for office at every level of government across the country in upcoming election cycles.

Florence First AND Future First Citizen Nominees Announce

The Florence First Citizen Committee is excited to announce a special banquet that will celebrate and recognize the Florence First Citizen and Future First Citizen leaders in our community. Florence First Citizens are individuals who prioritize service over self, dedicating their time, expertise, and thoughtful energy to enhance our community's quality of life. These awards are given to community members of the Florence area who have demonstrated exemplary citizenship through their actions and dedication to the community over the years. They may be quietly contributing to your organization with ideas and time, or they could be leaders within your group, working diligently to bring new ideas and projects to fruition. We will also recognize a senior high school student as Florence First Citizen, who exemplifies civic involvement and contributes to the welfare and improvement of Florence and/or the surrounding communities. They will receive a \$2,500 scholarship from the Marteen Wick Scholarship Fund. Formerly part of the Siuslaw Awards, this event will highlight the generosity and commitment of individuals in the Florence community who have selflessly contributed to its growth and prosperity. This year's nominees for Florence First Citizen are Carol Bennett and Steve Skidmore. The nominees for the Future First Citizen are Macali Lade, Kamorah Lake, Macy McNeill, Storm Engle, Claire Lindell and Addison McNeill. This special recognition banquet will take place on April 29 at the Florence Events Center from noon to 1 p.m. Doors open at 11:30 a.m. Tickets are \$25 and include a delicious light lunch and sweet treats. They can be purchased online at www.thegooddeedprojectflorence.com. The deadline is April 18th. Please join us in celebrating all the amazing community members who put Florence first.

Hoyle to hold Town Hall at LCC Eugene

U.S. Representative Val Hoyle (OR-04) announced she will host a Senior-focused town hall focused on issues impacting Social Security and Medicare at Lane County Community College on Wednesday, April 23 at 3:30 p.m. Representative Hoyle will be joined by special guests former U.S. Representative Peter DeFazio and Max Richtman, President and CEO of the National Committee to Preserve Social Security and Medicare. Representative Hoyle and her guests will be discussing the current administration's proposals for Social Security and Medicare and will be taking questions on senior-related issues.

SENIOR-FOCUSED TOWN HALL
Wednesday, April 23rd
Location: Lane Community College Gymnasium (Building 5)
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All upcoming town halls Rep. Hoyle will be hosting or participating in can be found on her website.

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LCC Board

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the following.

“Fall 2024: 64 students across 7 credit-bearing courses, plus 6 ABSE/ GED students not counted in that total.

Winter 2025: 28 students in 2 courses, with 14 additional ABSE/GED students.

Spring 2025: 40 students in two courses, with an additional 8 students in small sub-sections shared with Cottage Grove, and 10 more ABSE/GED students, with their registration still in progress.

“These numbers don’t include additional community offerings held at the center for which we provide space, such as dance classes, bereavement classes, AARP Driver Safety class and additional courses provided by OSU Extension, including Forestry, 4-H, Master Gardeners, and more.

PARTNERSHIPS

“As you are aware, the impacts of COVID and the campus’ renovation had a negative impact on our enrollment, and we are excited about the return of activity on our Florence campus, and we anticipate more in the

future due to ongoing and new initiatives,” she told the board. “Our partnership with PeaceHealth is especially impactful. The CNA class, sponsored by Peace Harbor Foundation, is offered at no cost to high school students. This spring, we have 9 students enrolled—7 of them high school students whose full tuition and fees are covered. Adults in the cohort are supported by employers like New Horizons Home Health.”

Dr. Tinkham noted that the college is also advancing childcare workforce development.

“Through a partnership with the SBDC and Quality Care Connections, we provided extensive childcare provider training in fall and winter. Coming out of that course that recently

ended, Florence, known to be a rural “childcare desert,” will have two additional childcare providers in operation. This amounts to 100 more children being served within Florence. Lane is also active in regional economic development efforts in Florence. For example, we participated in the Florence Bridge Lane event this evening —a large-scale community resource fair co-hosted by Lane Workforce Partnership, the Collaborative Economic Development Organization, and the City of Florence.”

Dr. Tinkham said the college has expanded partnership opportunities, as it has with Mapleton School District by offering a free college class outside the standard spring/summer

schedule of tuition-free courses.

“We’ve learned that this flexibility has been helpful to encourage student participation. Looking ahead, we are guided by direct feedback from Florence residents. We recently conducted a survey of Florence students and are using that data to shape next steps. We’ve also re-engaged our Florence Advisory Committee, which met on April 14 to help us with annual planning. Members include key leaders, including Florence City Manager, Erin Reynolds, Sue Wilson, Superintendent of Mapleton School District, and Andy Grzeskowiak Superintendent, Siuslaw School District.”

At the start of the meeting, Mayor Rob Ward was on hand to welcome

the board to the Florence campus, Noting that the college has been part of the community for a long time.

Siuslaw School District Superintendent Andy Grzeskowiak said the district has had positive interactions with the City and college over the years. He spoke of students and student groups that have worked with the college and have gone on to make positive contributions to the community. He said that allowing high school students to take courses has led to positive growth and has helped streamline teacher licensure to teach more classes.

Adjournment came after board discussion about renumbering policy chapters and limiting speaker time during crowded meetings.

BRIDGE

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throughout Lane County, so we started out going to our rural areas first,” she said. “Now we’re here in Florence, and this is actually our fourth event. It’s all resource providers from across Lane County and hiring employers in this community meeting people where they are. We know that a lot of our resources are centered in Eugene and Springfield. This is a reason for resource providers to

come out to the communities to find out what people need so they aren’t having to travel to get to the resources and it’s not a barrier.”

When asked, Irvine explained that Collaborative Economic Development is the backbone agency behind Bridge Lane which is part of Lane Workforce partnership.

She said Bridge Lane got funding from the Higher Education Commission to conduct events.

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resource providers,” she said, adding that high schools in Western Lane County sent buses of students to the event to speak to employers and providers.

“Siuslaw Vision has helped us a lot and the School District has helped us a lot, So we reached out to Florence and the surrounding areas to be as inclusive as we could be in coastal Lane County.

After the event, Irvine said over 125 people came through.

“Which was a great turnout and a testament to the community there,” she said, “That was aside from our 63 resource providers and hiring employers.” Irvine noted

that Pam Hickson, from Siuslaw School District was on the committee that put the event together, and promoting it to students, teachers, counselors, and staff.

District Superintendent Andy Grzeskowiak was at the event with Hickson and noted that the district is currently hiring bus drivers and life skills aids.

Hiring employers at the event were Aisling Truck Academy, Children’s Repertory of Oregon Workshops, Central Lincoln Peoples Utility District, the City of Florence, the city of Dunes City, the confederated tribes of the coups, lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians,

FOOD for Lane County, Hoaglund Properties Inc., Inspire Culinary Academy, Job Corps, Newport Pacific Corp dba Mo’s, the Oregon Army National Guard, Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, Pacific Seafood of Newport LLC, Peace Harbor Medical Center, Sand land Alternatives, Sea Lion Caves, Siuslaw Public Library District, Siuslaw School District, Swinerton, Three Rivers Casino resort, the coast guard, WaFd Bank, Western Lane Crisis Response and Western Lane Fire and EMS Authority.

Resource providers were 211info, A Family for every child, Capitol Dental Care, Connected Lane County, Connections NW, Disabled Veteran Outreach Program, Easter Seals of Oregon, Goodwill job connections, Head Start of Lane county, Helping Hands Coalition, Lane Community College, Lane County STEP, Lane Small Business Development Center, LCOG Senior and Disability Services, Live Healthy Lane/ Community advisory Council, Looking Glass Community Services, Oregon Coast Humane Society, Oregon Department of Human Services, Oregon State University extension 4-H, OSLC Developments Inc., PacificSource Community Solutions Lane, Paid Leave Oregon, Plaza de Nuestra Comunidad, Pregnancy and Parenting Center, RAIN Catalysts, Reveille Foundation, Siuslaw Outreach Services, Siuslaw Vision, Spruce Point Assisted Living and Memory Care, The Arc Lane County, Trillium Community Health Plan, white bird ClinicNEST, Work4 Warriors and WorkSource Oregon Lane Resume Lounge.

Treats and refreshments were prepared and served by inspire Culinary Academy graduates and founder Graham Ross. The next Bridge Lane Event will happen in Blue River on May 22.

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High.....	10:14 p.m.....6.4
THURSDAY, APRIL 24	
Low	4:17 a.m.....1.5
High.....	10:12 a.m.....6.3
Low	4:26 p.m.....0.4
High.....	10:50 p.m.....7.1
FRIDAY, APRIL 25	
Low	5:09 a.m.....0.4
High.....	11:13 a.m.....6.5
Low	5:11 p.m.....0.6
High.....	11:24 p.m.....7.7
SATURDAY, APRIL 26	
Low	5:58 a.m.....-0.6
High.....	12:10 p.m.....6.7
Low	5:54 p.m.....1.0
SUNDAY, APRIL 27	
High 12:00 a.m.....	8.2
Low	6:46 a.m.....-1.5
High.....	1:06 p.m.....6.7
Low	6:38 p.m.....1.5
MONDAY, APRIL 28	
High.....	12:38 a.m.....8.5
Low	7:33 a.m.....-2.0
High.....	2:01 p.m.....6.6
Low	7:22 p.m.....2.0
TUESDAY, APRIL 29	
High.....	1:18 a.m.....8.7
Low	8:21 a.m.....-2.1
High.....	2:57 p.m.....6.5
Low	8:07 p.m.....2.5
WEDNESDAY, APRIL 30	
High.....	2:02 a.m.....8.5
Low	9:11 a.m.....-1.9
High.....	3:54 p.m.....6.2
Low	8:54 p.m.....2.9
THURSDAY, MAY 1	
High.....	2:50 a.m.....8.2
Low	10:03 a.m.....-1.5
High.....	4:54 p.m.....5.9
Low	9:47 p.m.....3.2
FRIDAY, MAY 2	
High.....	3:43 a.m.....7.6
Low	11:00 a.m.....-0.9
High.....	5:58 p.m.....5.7
Low	10:51 p.m.....3.5
SATURDAY, MAY 3	
High.....	4:43 a.m.....7.0
Low	12:00 p.m.....-0.4
High.....	7:04 p.m.....5.7
SUNDAY, MAY 4	
Low 12:10 a.m.....	3.5
High.....	5:52 a.m.....6.3
Low	1:03 p.m.....0.1
High.....	8:09 p.m.....5.7
MONDAY, MAY 5	
Low	1:39 a.m.....3.3
High.....	7:09 a.m.....5.7
Low	2:04 p.m.....0.5
High.....	9:03 p.m.....6.0
TUESDAY, MAY 6	
Low	2:57 a.m.....2.7
High.....	8:28 a.m.....5.4
Low	2:58 p.m.....0.8
High.....	9:46 p.m.....6.2
WEDNESDAY, MAY 7	
Low	3:57 a.m.....1.9
High.....	9:40 a.m.....5.3
Low	3:46 p.m.....1.1
High 10:21 p.m.....	6.5
THURSDAY, MAY 8	
Low	4:45 a.m.....1.2
High.....	10:41 a.m.....5.3
High.....	10:51 p.m.....6.7
FRIDAY, MAY 9	
Low	5:26 a.m.....0.5
High.....	11:32 a.m.....5.5
Low	5:07 p.m.....1.8
High.....	11:19 p.m.....6.9

Amanda Richards is looking forward to building up Siuslaw's girls basketball program

I know we can build something special - together

Will LOHRE
Country Media, Inc.

It might only be Amanda Richards' second year with Siuslaw School District, but she is already feeling at home in the community and is ready to take on the task of coaching the Siuslaw girls basketball team. But it isn't just about instilling a defensive scheme or tinkering with jump shot mechanics; Richards wants to help develop her players in other ways. "I accepted the head coaching position because I truly love coaching female athletes," Richards said. "For me, it's about so much more than



basketball—it's about helping young women grow into strong, confident individuals who will thrive in life beyond the court." This isn't Richards' first time pacing a sideline, though. She spent six years coaching girls basketball at Eisenhower High School in Goddard, Kansas, before coming out west. She also coaches from a place of experience. Richards played basketball at both the high school and collegiate level. Since moving to Florence, Richards has already started to

make her imprint within Siuslaw's athletics. Though she teaches at the middle school (seventh-grade math), she has coached the JV volleyball team and been an assistant coach for the varsity softball team. In her roles with softball and volleyball, Richards has seen what Siuslaw sports mean to the community. "It's hard to believe I'm already in my second year with the district—it truly feels like home. From day one, I've felt supported, not just by the athletes and school staff but by the entire community," Richards said. "The support I've received through volleyball and softball has been incredible, and it's clear that people here genuinely care about our success." Now, Richards is taking the reins of her own squad, and it just so happens that basketball

is her favorite sport to coach. She said she loves working with athletes who are willing to put in the effort and embrace the process, "knowing that hard work leads to growth and success." For Richards, the reward comes from being part of that journey. Her goal for the program is simple: "Grow every day—as athletes, as students, and as people." "I want our players to embrace challenges, learn from their mistakes, and strive for constant improvement on and off the court," Richards said. "A major part of that growth involves building a strong community connection. I want our program to be something the entire district is proud of—something younger Vikings look up to." In the hope of establishing the program early, Richards is getting

straight to work. She is already planning summer opportunities, including scrimmages, a youth camp for all ages, and a focus on strength training and conditioning. One thing that is critical to Richards' vision for the program is building a connection with the community. "This community shows up—not just when we're winning, but through the ups and downs," Richards said. "Whether it's a sponsorship, a kind word after a tough game, or a simple 'great job,' the encouragement is always there. That kind of support isn't something you find everywhere, and I think it's amazing." Richards said that "Siuslaw is special." The community is invested, involved, and here for the long haul—and that gives

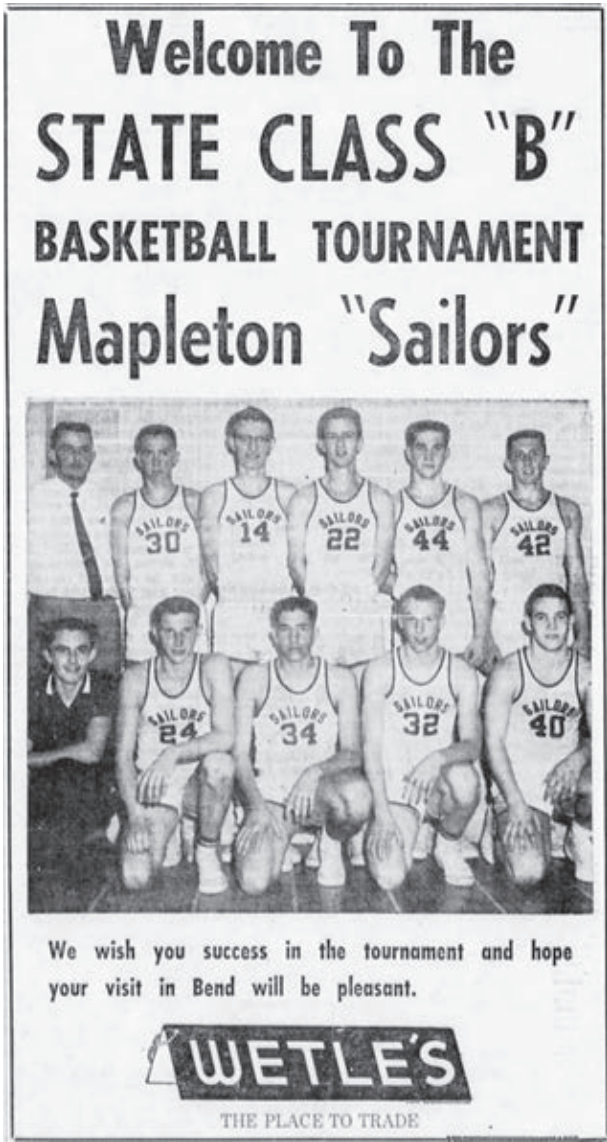
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Sailors Celebrate Athletic Legacy

Mapleton High to Induct First Hall of Fame Class this Fall

By ZAC BURTT
Mapleton Media Club

The school hopes to honor that history by establishing the Mapleton High Athletic Hall of Fame, with the first class tentatively planned to be inducted this fall. Mapleton High School is proud to announce the establishment of its Athletic Hall of Fame, with the first induction ceremony scheduled for August 9, 2025. This initiative aims to honor the athletes, teams, coaches, and contributors who have significantly impacted the school's athletic legacy while at the same time bringing together current and former MHS alumni. The Hall of Fame Committee is currently seeking nominations for the inaugural class of inductees. Community members are encouraged to nominate individuals who exemplify excellence in athletics, sportsmanship, and contributions to Mapleton High School's athletic programs. Nominations can be submitted by emailing, texting or calling organizer Zac Burtt (zburtt@mapleton.k12.or.us/541-305-5115) or Mapleton Athletic Director Carrie Dean (cdean@mapleton.k12.or.us/541-991-9934). Athletes that are nominated should be, at least, 5 years from the year of



Mapleton High has a long and storied athletic history. Pictured here are the 1958-59 Sailors who finished 2nd at State, the deepest run for any MHS boys basketball team.

their classes graduation year. Coaches and contributors can be nominated at any time. In addition, we are looking for dedicated individuals to serve on the Hall of Fame Selection Committee. Committee members will play a crucial role in reviewing nominations and selecting inductees. Interested candidates can express their interest by contacting Burtt or Dean. Mapleton High also

plans to host a sports auction to help raise funds for the Mapleton Athletic Department and coinciding with the hall of fame induction ceremony. Those interested in donated goods or services that could be donated should reach out to AD Carrie Dean. For more information visit the Mapleton Hall of Fame Facebook page at www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=61575112328388.



Denise Diamond & Teresa Zook Featured at Backstreet Gallery

At Backstreet Gallery, springtime burgeons with unusual and inventive art. Denise Diamond's altered driftwood sculptures and Teresa Zook's woven textile wall hangings blend in a unique show. You're invited to their reception on May 10, 3-5 p.m. Enjoy tasty appetizers, wine, and live guitar music with Denny Weaver as you enjoy their work and meet the creators. Denise Diamond uses driftwood, shells, agates, and elements from the beaches of Oregon's central coast to express her creativity and appreciation of the environment. She designs unique assemblage pieces that hang, hold succulents, or

use miniatures to tell a story or create a memory. Denise sometimes repurposes shadow boxes, wreaths, or baskets to showcase the extraordinary textures found in driftwood. She often hears people say they pick up driftwood but don't know what to do with it. Using lava beads, cairns, crushed shells, figures, and more, Denise has made dozens of one-of-a-kind driftwood pieces to enjoy. Each piece is hand-sanded to smooth rough edges, while maintaining the integrity and natural beauty of the driftwood. No coatings are used.

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Community Briefs

Friends of the Siuslaw Public Library General Meeting

The next meeting will happen Thursday, April 24, 2025 in the Bromley Room, Siuslaw Public Library at 11 a.m.

Agenda:

- Call to Order and Welcome
- Vice President Mel Ricks Review of Agenda
- Vice President Mel Ricks Minutes of March 27, 2025 –
- Secretary’s Correspondence –
- Secretary Susan Kalina
- Treasurer’s Report
- Necessary Library Director’s Report
- Meg Spencer Committee Reports
- Book Sales – Date and Times of Book Sale in May?
- Publicity
- Book Sorting – Any Reports from Book Sorters.
- Mel Ricks Membership, Web, Old Business, New Business, Announcements and

The next meeting will be Thursday, May 22 at, 11:00 a.m., in the Bromley Room, Siuslaw Public Library

Greentrees Village Non Partisan School Board Candidate Forum

Greentrees Village would like to invite you to attend a Non Partisan School Board Candidate Forum to be hosted for our senior community.

All candidates have been invited to attend.

If you have questions, please contact

Leslie Shaw
Lshaw1601@gmail.com (505) 686-8900

Thursday, April 30, 4 p.m. at Greentrees Village Rec Hall; 1600 Rhododendron Dr. (behind the clubhouse)

WLT Board meeting

West Lane Translator, Inc., a not-for-profit organization providing free television and radio re-transmission to the Florence area, will hold its April Q2 Board of Directors Meeting on Wednesday, April 30, 2025 at 6:30 pm. Please note that this is one week later than our typical 4th Wednesday quarterly meeting. The meeting will be held in the Siuslaw Library, Bromley Room and virtually with attendance details provided to all current WLT members via email. For the convenience of the public, a summary of the meeting will be posted to the WLT website, westlan-etv.org.

Rotary Club of Florence Partners with Food Backpack for Kids

The Rotary Club of Florence is partnering with the Food Backpack for Kids program to provide ready to eat, pre-packaged meals to children at risk for hunger on weekends.

The Florence Rotary Club wrote and obtained a \$4000 grant through Rotary International to help fund this important program that serves 131 students in the Mapleton and Siuslaw schools. Both school populations are >95% Free/Reduced Price Lunch for state standards.

The students supported by this program are identified by school administration staff as needing assistance and the food is discreetly distributed into a backpack to students for the weekend.

It is often the children that suffer the consequences of a family’s food insecurity, and no parent wants to see his or her children go hungry. Collectively we have the opportunity to make a difference that will pay dividends for years to come for people who live in our community and currently need a helping hand. Sending ready-to-eat food home with the children from school places the food in their hands so they will have three meals on Saturday and three meals on Sunday. The immediate benefit is that young people are nourished and ready to learn.

The Rotary Club of Florence is proud to partner with this important community program. If you too would like to support Food Backpack for Kids, you can find more information at <https://foodbackpackforkids.com>. Donations can be sent to them at PO Box 3347, or through the Rotary Club of Florence at PO Box 294, Florence, OR 97439.

Garden Club's Scholarship Plant Sale

On Saturday, May 10th, the Garden Club will hold their popular, annual Plant Sale from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the Florence Senior Center on Kingwood Street. This year’s selection of plants will include colorful potted plants, vegetables, indoor plants and a variety of raffle items donated by local businesses. This year there will be many painted Styrofoam containers that are light weight and colorful planters. A number of the containers will include plantings. Hand painted ceramics by

Middle school students will be available. There will be colorful and unusual craft items as usual. Proceedings from the sale will help build the Scholarship Fund. Raffle tickets may be purchased at the plant sale. Only cash or checks will be accepted.

Early Rhododendron Show

The City of Rhododendrons is living up to its name. Flowers are in abundance all over town and we are anxious to share them at our annual Early Rhododendron Show. Doors open at about noon April 26 (after judging is completed) and close at 5 on Saturday and 10 to 5 on Sunday. Plant sales will be from 10 to 5 each day.

As usual, we have been dealt the yearly array of weather possibilities, but Rhodies are resilient and should be at their best for the show. This is open to everyone at no cost and we encourage you to bring your beautiful trusses to the Florence Events Center between 7 and 9 a.m. Saturday.

Our members will be on hand to assist in identification and placement of your prize-winning entrees.

A few basic guidelines to follow: select a truss with the straightest stem and the most completely open flowers but not past their prime. A full collar of leaves with minimal damage is as important as the flowers themselves. Remember, everyone has had the same weather so don’t worry about them being perfect. This is your chance to win a blue ribbon or even a great, rare trophy.

There will also be a plant sale during the Show. This is your opportunity to find that special Rhody you’ve been looking for to add to your collection.

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COACH

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the program a foundation that can grow into something truly remarkable.

While the team has had some trouble getting wins in recent years, Richards

is ready to build something that will flourish in the coming seasons.

“Rebuilding this program will be a challenge, but it’s one I believe in wholeheartedly. With the strength of our female athletes and the support of our community, I know we can build something

special—together,” Richards said. “Most importantly, I want this program to feel like family. We’ll celebrate each other’s successes, support each other through the hard days, and grow together—one practice, one game, and one moment at a time.”



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Interfaith Devotions 4th Monday 7:00 pm
Info and meeting location: 541-590-0779
Zoom link on Facebook: Florence Baha’i Community
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4590 Hwy. 101 N, across from Fred Meyer- 541 997-7418
SUNDAY SERVICES - Adult Bible Study 9:30 AM; Worship 10:45 AM; High School Youth 7- 9 PM
MID-WEEK- Women’s Bible Study-Tuesday 10:00-Noon and Thursday 7:00-8:00PM; Men’s Bible Study Thursday 8:00-9:30 AM; Middle School Youth Wed. 7-9 PM.
Sunday Worship streams live at Community Baptist Church Facebook Page

CROSS ROAD ASSEMBLY OF GOD
Corner of 10th & Maple- 541-997-3533
Sunday Services 9am
1st Service in person
Sunday Services 11am
2nd Service in person & livestreamed
Wednesday kids/youth night is at 6:30 NOT livestreamed.
<https://www.florencecrossroadag.org/church-online>
Other platforms update after the service.
florencecrossroadag.org
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FLORENCE CHRISTIAN CHURCH
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Oregon adds 7,300 jobs in March, unemployment rate highest since 2021

JEREMY C. RUARK
Country Media, Inc.

Oregon’s unemployment rate was 4.6% in March and 4.5% in February, after rising gradually over the past year from 4.1% in March 2024, according to the latest report from the Oregon Employment Department.

Oregon’s 4.6% unemployment rate was the highest since August 2021, when the rate was 4.7%, and slightly higher than during the three years prior to the COVID recession that started in 2020. The U.S. unemployment rate was 4.2% in March and 4.1% in February.

In March, Oregon’s seasonally adjusted nonfarm payroll employment rose by 7,300 jobs, following a revised gain of 1,600 jobs in February.

GAINS

March’s gains were largest in health care and social assistance (+4,600 jobs); professional and business services (+1,000); other services (+800); and wholesale trade (+700). None of the other major industries had a job change of more than 400 jobs.

The return of workers who were on

strike at a major health care provider contributed to the one-month gain of 4,600 jobs in health care and social assistance during March. This industry has been leading private-sector job growth in Oregon over the past few years. It added 18,400 jobs, or 6.2%, in the 12 months through March, continuing a three-year streak of rapid growth.

TREND REVERSED

Professional and business services added jobs in each of the first three months of the year, with gains totaling 4,500 jobs in that time. This reversed a generally declining trend in the industry during the prior two years when it shed 5,400 jobs during the 24 months ending December 2024.

OTHER SERVICES EXPAND

Other services – an industry which includes religious organizations, membership associations, personal services, laundry services, and repair and maintenance services – has expanded steadily for more than four years. It employed 69,300 in March and is now well above its pre-pandemic high of 65,700 jobs in January 2020.

Oregon House passes bill to address workplace age discrimination

From AARP OREGON

The Oregon House has passed a bill that would address workplace age discrimination in hiring practices.

The bill (HB 3187 A-Eng.) now heads to the State Senate. It makes it unlawful employment practice for an employer to require or request disclosure of an applicant’s age, date of birth or graduation dates until after an initial interview.

The bill was introduced in the House of Representatives by Representative Nathan Sosa (D) and received bi-partisan support with almost 40 additional sponsors. AARP Oregon staff and volunteers collected nearly 4,000 signed petitions across the state in support of the bill.

AARP research across the country has consistently shown that older workers take longer to find that next job. Here in Oregon, 55% of Oregon workers 40+ have seen or experienced workplace

age discrimination. More than 50% of those who had applied for a job were asked about their age, date of birth or graduation date, which is a barrier to getting a foot in the door for an interview.

AARP Oregon Director of Government Affairs Andrea Meyer praised the bill’s passage. “We appreciate the AARP members and other advocates who raised their voices in support of HB 3187. We also thank all sponsors of the bill, particularly the carrier Rep. Nathan Sosa (D), as well as Chief Sponsors Rep. David Gomberg (D) and Rep. Greg Smith (R), who spoke in support of the bill on the floor. Age discrimination has no place in Oregon. Older workers deserve to be treated fairly, based on their skills and experience—not their age. We are ready to move forward and continue our fight to defend older workers from workplace age discrimination.”

GALLERY

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Her work takes interesting forms — mobiles, wall hangings, and sculptural pieces.

She has an artistic way with words and often frames her quotes aesthetically with natural wood.

“Driftwood plays an important role in our ecosystem,” she says. “I enjoy peeking into crevices and marveling at the shapes.”

She also enjoys collaborating with other artists, such as talented weaver Teresa Zook.



exciting show that beautifully pairs nature, textiles, and artistic flair. Backstreet Gallery, located at 1421 Bay Street, accepts membership applications and is open daily from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. See you at the reception on May 10.



Believing it is never too late to blossom, Teresa Zook discovered “my inner creative force that was waiting to be released.” She began nurturing those forces after retiring from her career with an international law firm.

When she moved to Florence, she worked with hand-built ceramics. However, after taking a weaving class, she was hooked. Since that class in 2017, weaving has become her passion.


The rich visual stimuli found in nature influence her work. Inspired by its array of hues and textures, she combines these elements in distinctive designs enhanced by her color palette and yarn choices.

Starting with a color scheme, a new piece is born. Each exciting wall hanging is unique in its design and color palette evolving as she weaves. Zook uses varying sizes of looms. Then she chooses yarns of different textures, tints, and tones to weave each distinctive piece. She might embellish with accents of felting on hand-made embroidered pieces. Finally, the finished wall hanging is attached to found driftwood branches, which makes it a natural pairing with Denise’s art.


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Holiday

FACT:

This religious holiday is celebrated by billions of people across the globe each spring.

Answer: Easter

What's the Difference?

Find the four differences between the two pictures.

A

B

Answers: 1. Bunnies in background 2. Missing egg in hand 3. Extra egg in grass 4. Shadow on tree trunk

THIS DAY IN HISTORY

APRIL

25

1792:

"La Marseillaise," the French national anthem, is composed by Claude Joseph Rouget de Lisle.

1859:

British and French engineers break ground for the Suez Canal.

1954:

The first practical solar cell is demonstrated by Bell Telephone Labs.

NEW WORD

FAITH

a strong belief or trust in something

How they say that in...

English:

Rabbit

Spanish:

Conejo

Italian:

Coniglio

French:

Lapin

German:

Kaninchen

Did You Know?

Easter is the oldest Christian holiday. The Easter Bunny, or Osterhase, is a symbol that was first mentioned in German writings in the 1500s.

Get the PICTURE?

Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

Answer: Lamb

SPRING HAS SPRUNG WORD SEARCH

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

WORDS

APRIL

AWAKENING

BLOOMS

BREEZE

BUDDING

BUNNY

CHIRPING

EGGS

FLOWERS

GARDEN

GREEN

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INSECTS

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CryptoQuip

This is a simple substitution cipher in which each letter used stands for another. If you think that X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle. Solution is accomplished by trial and error.

Clue: B equals W

WOF WBM BFPHFDDXTF IPIIPDH

PQF XLHFNPPQJDF. X WOXLT

WOFE'QF NQMJPJDE XL P

HPJDF QFDPWXMLHOXN.

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SCRAMBLERS

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: JETCROP

Guady: RIGSHA

Profit: INKTEA

Chair: HORNET

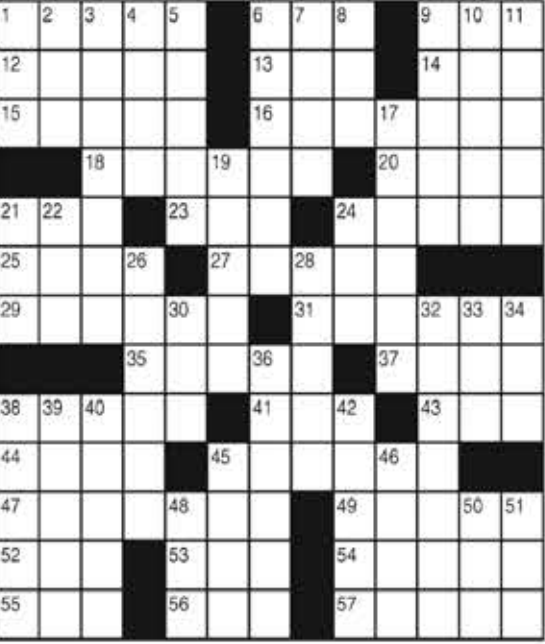
TODAY'S WORD

April 21, 2025 Posting Date

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Persian Gulf emirate
- 6 Little lie
- 9 Chances, for short
- 12 Winner's gesture
- 13 "All bets — off"
- 14 Haw preceder
- 15 Thesaurus compiler
- 16 Bach's "Coffee —"
- 18 Deserves
- 20 Legal document
- 21 Salonga of "Miss Saigon"
- 23 Commotion
- 24 Deli array
- 25 Arsenal supply
- 27 Wear down
- 29 "Othello" character
- 31 Indian instruments
- 35 Mea —
- 37 Coin aperture
- 38 Be buoyant
- 41 — out a living
- 43 Glacial
- 44 Hoops great Monroe
- 45 Ornamental beetle
- 47 Cheery refrain
- 49 Arcade pioneer
- 52 Revue segment



DOWN

- 1 TiVo, for example
- 2 Mil. morale booster
- 3 "Cat on a Hot Tin Roof" role
- 4 Baseball's Tommie
- 5 Office leader?
- 6 Element
- 7 401(k) relatives
- 8 London's Big —
- 9 Butler's love
- 10 — four (small cake)
- 11 Plane assignments
- 17 Chirps
- 19 Perfect
- 21 Science room
- 22 Brit. record label
- 24 1501, in Roman numerals
- 26 Available for work
- 28 Japanese seaport
- 30 Snip
- 32 "Open sesame" speaker
- 33 Sinbad's bird
- 34 Pigs' digs
- 36 Praline nuts
- 38 Greek cheeses
- 39 Coniferous tree
- 40 Emulate
- 42 Douglass
- 45 Serb or Croat
- 46 Heaps
- 48 "Shark Tank" network
- 50 Emeritus, briefly
- 51 Hot temper

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Weekly SUDOKU

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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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Solution time: 26 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

- MOVIES: Which animated movie was the first to be nominated for a Best Picture Academy Award?
- GEOGRAPHY: Interior and exterior film shots of Alnwick Castle in England are featured in the first two movies of which film series?
- TELEVISION: What was the last name of the family in the sitcom "Married ... With Children"?
- LITERATURE: For which category is the Caldecott Medal awarded?
- GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Also known as a double eagle, what is the golf term for scoring three under par on a hole?
- ANATOMY: What is the protein that carries oxygen in the blood?
- U.S. PRESIDENTS: Which president was the first to name a woman as a Cabinet member?
- ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is a baby toad called?
- FOOD & DRINK: Which fast-food chain's secret ingredient is 11 herbs and spices?
- ASTRONOMY: How many moons does Mars have?

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- Two: Phobos and Deimos
- Kentucky Fried Chicken
- Tadpole
- Ces Perkins as Labor Secretary
- Franklin D. Roosevelt named Fram-
- Hemoglobin
- Albatross
- Outstanding children's picture books
- Bundy
- "Harry Potter"
- "Beauty and the Beast"

Answers

SCRAMBLERS

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Solution

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Answer

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SLN25-131
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Kelly at 541-997-3426 or by email at kelly@portofsiuslaw.com and will be posted on our website at www.portofsiuslaw.com on April 29, 2024. Members of the public who wish to attend, view or need reasonable accommodations should contact Kelly, Administrative Assistant, at least 48 hours prior to the noticed meeting time, by phone at 541-997-3426 or by email at kelly@portofsiuslaw.com. A second meeting, if needed, will be announced. Join Zoom Meeting <https://us06web.zoom.us/j/86729168308?pwd=k6F5CBVzRLPQjOGF0f56MSZynFDIjy.1>

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SLN25-132
REQUEST FOR COMMENT The City of Florence has received an application to close Maple Street from 1st Street to Bay Street for the 118th Annual Rhododendron Festival Vendor Fair to be held Friday, May 16th through Sunday, May 18th, 2025. As an affected business owner/manager, property owner or resident, the Council seeks your comments on this request. The Council will take public comment at its meeting beginning at 5:30 p.m. on May 5th, 2025, at the Florence City Hall located at 250 Hwy 101. The 118th Annual Rhododendron Festival Vendor Fair event will be held between Friday, May 16th through Sunday, May 18th, 2025, with the

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hours of operation being 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Friday, May 16th, 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 17th and 10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 18th. The closure area is proposed to be closed from 7:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m. Friday, May 16th through Sunday, May 18th, 2025. The City Council will consider whether the application meets the criteria outlined in Florence City Code 7-5-1-1 as well as the following two criteria: (1) Is the information provided by the applicant credible and are the plans submitted by the applicant adequate to protect the city, the public and the affected property owners? (2) Is the potential harm and inconvenience to public and affected property

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owners created by this road closure reasonably mitigated or avoided by the applicant's plan for the event? If you wish to submit comments by writing prior to the Council's meeting on May 5th, 2025, you may submit them to Finance Manager, 250 Highway 101, Florence, OR 97439 or by email to megan.messmer@ci.florence.or.us.

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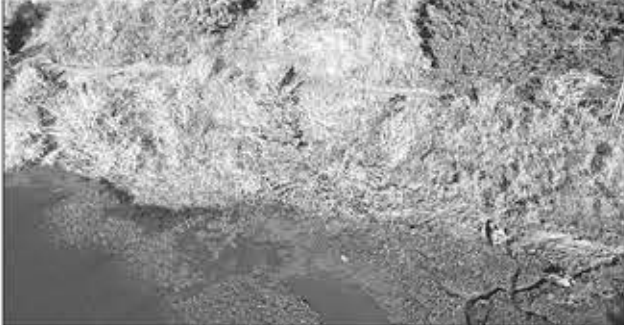
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ASTROLOGY READINGS

TAURUS -Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, this week you may choose to tackle some necessary, albeit time-consuming, chores. They may take a few hours, but then you'll have time to unwind.

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GEMINI -May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, certain information that you have been looking for may finally come to the surface. Once you have your answers, you might be able to move on to other tasks.

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CANCER -Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, emotional matters that emerged over the previous few days might soon be settled with all parties feeling satisfied with the results.

LEO -Jul 23/Aug 23

Leo, confusion with loved ones can be easily cleared up with a little, honest communication between you and the other people involved. Embrace this chance to be open and honest.

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VIRGO -Aug 24/Sept 22

Virgo, you may be especially motivated this week and feel a need to get as much done as possible. Try not to race through tasks without focusing on doing things right.

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LIBRA -Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, you are operating at peak efficiency and ready to handle many of the less exciting tasks on your to-do list. Tackle the grunt work and the fun will follow.

SCORPIO -Oct 24/Nov 22

You have the stamina and energy to get a lot of chores taken care of this week, Scorpio. But you may be short on time. Enlist other people to help if an opportunity presents itself.

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SAGITTARIUS -Nov 23/Dec 21

Don't be surprised if you spend a lot of your time on the phone this week, Sagittarius. There are many things on your to-do list and tackling them one by one is essential.

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CAPRICORN -Dec 22/Jan 20

Financial paperwork and money matters fill the docket for you the next few days, Capricorn. Paying bills, balancing a check-book and building your nest egg are your top priorities.

AQUARIUS -Jan 21/Feb 18

This week you could be feeling industrious and on the lookout for a new project, Aquarius. You will be an asset to anyone who needs extra assistance.

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PISCES -Feb 19/Mar 20

Particularly vivid dreams could have you wondering what your mind is trying to tell you, Pisces. You might come up with some interesting interpretations, but the answers remain unknown.

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ARIES -Mar 21/Apr 20

Spending time with new friends and those you've know for years can be a satisfying way to pass the week, Aries. Try to plan some activities that you can enjoy together.

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