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With 3:23 left in the game, Jericho Lake drops a pass to #5 Will Johnson, who ran it in for the last touchdown of the game, making it 48/13 Vikings. Tony Reed photos

Supe reports on attendance, scores

By **TONY REED**
The Siuslaw News

In a report to the Florence City Council Oct. 6, School District Superintendent Andy Grzeskowiak gave a report on attendance at the schools.

He said that at 1190 students, enrollment is steady, but not exact to last year.

“We are up at the middle school but down at the elementary school by about 20 in each, so it balances out,” he said. “We’re fairly neutral at the high school was an overall population change of one.”

He said that since a lot of families move in and out of the community on a seasonal basis, it represents about a 19% mobility rate.

“If we look at this at the elementary school level, last year we had 585 kids come through the elementary school and 465 were there all year long,” he said, noting that continuity in classroom dynamics helps students succeed.

“One of the bigger things people are looking at is state testing results are being

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Siuslaw start league with a win

By **WILL LOHRE**
Country Media, Inc.

The Vikings carried the momentum from their win against their rivals, La Pine, into the regular season. Siuslaw kicked off its Special District 4 campaign with an impressive 48-13 victory over South Umpqua on Oct. 3. It’s an “old school” rivalry that was reignited in 2021 when Siuslaw



Jaxon Chang busts through the line for a touchdown.

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FPD promotes Litterell



Police Chief John Pitcher congratulates Garrett Litterell on his promotion to sergeant. Tony Reed photo

SIUSLAW NEWS STAFF

Florence Police Chief John Pitcher announced the promotion of Garrett Litterell to sergeant at the regular meeting of the Florence City Council October 6. According to staff report, Litterell has a bachelors degree from Western Oregon University where he majored in criminal justice. He was hired with the city of Florence in November 2018 and received department of

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Council approves Winter Warming Center request

By **TONY REED**
The Siuslaw News

While it’s been warm on the Lane County Coast recently, the Florence City Council approved a request from Florence Emergency Cold Weather Shelter Committee (FECWSC) to operate an overnight shelter in winter months when temperatures are forecast below 34 degrees or 38 degrees during windy, rainy

nights.

At the regular Oct. 6 meeting, City Manager Erin Reynolds said the action item has become “routine” for the council, adding that the City has already gone through a process to modify and expand some issues related to emergency sheltering.

“This used to be in our Land Use title 10 and several years ago, it has moved into more of the administrative

chapter, still under your guidance and with your approval needed,” She told the council. “The City Council may allow a warming shelter [to be operated] by any nonprofit organization or religious institution when low temperatures or adverse weather conditions endanger human life.”

Reynolds said the requested site

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Anonymous kayakers replace Cleowox Lake mailbox

All Florence kayakers know the mailbox at the far end of Cleowox Lake with a journal inside and the words, “Dreams, Schemes, and Wishes” on the three visible sides. The red flag is always up. It has been a great surprise for kayakers to encounter for the first time or to be shown by someone who already knows about it.

Over time the lettering had come loose from the mailbox

and the plastic hinge failed. The door would not stay shut after people examined the contents and signed the guest book.

Recently a small flotilla of unidentified kayakers took matters into their own hands and cordless tools, replacing the old mailbox with a shiny new one bearing the same inscription and the same implied invitation to see what’s inside.



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WLFEA to Our Rescue – Day and Night

By **BOB HORNEY**
and **WLFEA CHIEF**
MICHAEL SCHICK

Marianne and I moved to Florence way back in 2001, which landed us in the south end of Florentine Estates.

Within range of Hwy 101 traffic noise, it was very noticeable when vehicles left the nearby WLFEA station with sirens blaring.

Around New Year's Eve 2022. I was having chest pain and Marianne called 911 for the very first time. Shortly after David Rossi (now enjoying retired life) and Charlie York showed up at our door. They checked me out, put me in the ambulance and hauled me to Bay Area Hospital in Coos Bay. Charlie dissolved

my clots on the way and David got me to the hospital in short/safe order. Because of that experience with David and Charlie, I no longer hear those sirens as nonchalantly as before. I may even mutter, "Hang on, help is on the way!"

There were no sirens involved when David and Charlie came to my aid. I was in distress, but they were close by and here within minutes. That simple act of coming to my aid has sparked a tremendous respect and admiration for the WLFEA Paramedics and Fire Crews that serve our residents and visitors. Every time I hear a siren heading out to somewhere, I have to stop and give thanks for those men and women who are willing

to serve in those positions and, in particular, WLFEA Chief Michael Schick with his WLFEA Team including the WLFEA Board that keep these men and women trained and equipped to perform their life-saving work.

I asked Chief Schick something I've wondered for a long time- who has the responsibility of determining when to use the siren and other emergency measures on a call.

Great question Bob.

It can definitely be confusing and induce panic in drivers. In general, it is actually more dangerous for us to respond with emergency lights and sirens and many studies have shown that the time savings is minimal. For example, my drivers are

taught to stop and visibly clear an intersection prior to proceeding through it, even if the light is green in our direction. We have to look for both vehicles and pedestrians. This takes time but is absolutely necessary. With multiple cars at an intersection it is sometimes difficult to predict what each will do and how to proceed.

There are many factors that play in. The first is the information given to our 911 dispatchers. They are highly trained at getting important information to us as quickly as possible and it is the responsibility of our fire officers as to whether or not we should be responding with lights and sirens. On some incidents the caller may request a

non-emergent response from the fire department. We will certainly comply if appropriate. If the call sounds like there is an immediate danger to life or property we will respond as quickly, and as safely, as we can. If the information given to the dispatcher indicates that there are no immediate threats we can go without activating our emergency equipment.

In fact, I prefer that we go without lights and sirens whenever possible. Sometimes you may see us approaching with lights and sirens and then the driver turns them all off. Typically that means we've received further information about the call and the incident is not as bad as the first information received. For

example, we could get a report of a lot of smoke coming from behind a residence which could mean a structure fire. On these types of calls we will send at least one engine, a water tender if needed, an ambulance, and a chief officer. All with lights and sirens. The Chief officer may get on scene first and indicate it is just a barbecue and everyone can cancel. A good outcome for everyone.

So, if you see us coming up behind you with lights and sirens please don't panic. With the information we have we feel that someone's life or property is in danger.

If you can't pull to the right safely, just do your best and we'll get around you.

POLICE LOG

Florence Police Department responded to the following calls from October 1 to October 7

WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 1

At 1:15 a.m., a caller reported possible elder abuse in the 2500 block of Highway 101. Officers investigated and determined the situation was not as it was reported.

At 1:56 a.m., officers responded to the 1700 block of 43rd St. for a reported dispute. Officers found that a verbal dispute had occurred but no crime

had been committed.

At 10:19 a.m., a caller reported finding a telescoping ladder on the road near 35th St. and Rhododendron Drive. Caller took the ladder home, saying he would bring it to the department if anybody was looking for it.

At 11:45 a.m., a caller reported a female in a car in the area of Spruce Street near 52nd yelling and screaming. Officers arrived to find the vehicle had left but spoke to witnesses who described the subject.

At 12:58 p.m., officers responded to the

400 block of Skookum Court for a report of a loud dispute occurring. Officers arrive to find a male subject had been on the phone arguing with his girlfriend and that no physical contact had occurred.

At 1:29 p.m. caller reported a transient subject with two dogs, one off leash that was being aggressive towards people. Caller said a delivery employee was unable to work due to the dogs. Officers arrived and contacted the subject who moved on when requested.

At 3:18 p.m. officers attempted to help a motorhome driver in the 1000 block of Highway 101 with a dead battery. Driver was unable to start the engine and had to request a tow truck.

At 3:46 p.m. and caller reported a hit and run accident in the 400 block

of 9th Street, saying he observed a vehicle back into another and leave. While officers were on scene they were informed that the driver of the other vehicle had called to report backing into a vehicle, but that he had to leave to go to a medical appointment. Information was exchanged between drivers and no further action was taken.

At 6:38 p.m., a caller reported an elderly male subject did not return home as scheduled. Officers contacted other law-enforcement agencies and found Newport Police Department had been in contact with the subject. Newport officers reported helping them out and get to a bus to return to Eugene. Caller later reported that the man arrived home safe.

At 8:43 p.m., a caller reported a bear on their

property in the 1600 block of Rhododendron Drive. Officers reported the bear was gone when they arrived.

At 8:45 p.m., officers located a dumped travel trailer on the side of the road near Rhododendron and Shelter Cove. Officers made arrangements to have the trailer moved and are still investigating who may have dumped it.

THURSDAY OCTOBER 2

At 2:56 a.m., officers responded to the 100 block of Highway 101 for a reported verbal dispute. Officers made contact with subjects who agreed to separate for the night.

At 6:20 a.m., a caller reported a vehicle racing up and down the 900 block of Nopal Street backfiring. Officers were on patrol in the area and arrived within two minutes but found the vehicle had left the area.

At 10:55 a.m., a caller reported finding a plastic bag and items in the 4700 block of Highway 101. Officers investigated and found the bag belonged to the individual reported missing the day before.

At 1:05 p.m., an envelope was delivered to the police department containing a credit card and identification. Officers attempted to locate the owner but could not reach them. Items were placed into evidence until the owner can be located.

At 3:28 p.m., officers responded to the 1000 block of Laurel Street for a report that multiple subjects were fighting in

the area. Officers found the same quiet when they arrived. Officers spoke to others in the area who said they did not see or hear anything.

At 3:44 p.m., a caller reported being in a business in the 5600 block of Highway 126 where she was attempting to cash in a winning ticket. Caller believe the ticket may have been stolen from her. Officers reviewed video surveillance to find she had dropped the ticket and another subject picked the ticket up and cashed it in. The business said they would contact the subject and ask him to give her back the money.

At 10:46 p.m., a caller reported subject had not come home as scheduled. Officers investigated and relator contacted and told the subject had made it home.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 3

At 1:25 a.m. officers were assisting with traffic control in the area of Mantle Lake Road when a vehicle accelerated away at a high rate of speed. Officer was unable to turn around in time to pursue the vehicle. Officers are continuing to investigate.

At 8:21 a.m., officers were patrolling the muscle creek bike path and investigating a report of prohibited sheltering when they came in contact with the subject known to have warrants for his arrest. Subject was contacted and confirmed our felony warrants from Lane probation and parole. He was taken into custody.

At 9:29 a.m., a subject brought firearms that belonged to a deceased family member into the department for destruction.

At 2:16 p.m., officers responded to the 2200 block of Highway 101 for a report of a dog living inside a car with a person. Officers informed the caller that it is not illegal to live in a car with an animal and that the dog was in no danger.

At 4:46 p.m., officers responded to the 4700 block of Highway 101

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DEATH NOTICE

DEBRA RENEE GUYETTE

Debra Renee Guyette, 77, of Reedsport, passed away on September 28, 2025, in Eugene. Arrangements have been entrusted to Dunes Memorial Chapel in Reedsport

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A pillar of the community, Don Wilbur was well-known in Deadwood, Oregon, and throughout the Pacific Northwest, as a hard-working leader, business owner, and local philanthropist.

Don's ancestors settled the Deadwood area in 1908. He grew up logging and ranching, continuing the tradition to develop the beautiful valley, and an incredible life, on his own terms. He was an avid fishermen, hunter, cattleman and trailblazer. He built veneer plants in Deadwood, Swisshome and Waldport, bought and donated lands, and created the first artificial reef off the coast of Oregon, and the first estuarine wetland mitigation bank in Oregon.

Don provided the land and assistance to help start the Swisshome-Deadwood Rural Fire Department, and was a volunteer firefighter for most of his life. He served on the Boards of the Port of Siuslaw, Mapleton Schools, Deadwood Pioneer Cemetery, and 40 years on the Blachly Lane Co-op board; while he was Chairman they started the Pioneer Telephone Cooperative, later combining rural co-ops together to form Casco, providing the first local internet service and DirecTV to the area.

Don hosted the Deadwood Rodeo on his ranch for 11 years—a not-to-be-missed annual celebration that drew thousands of families. Kids looked forward to class trips to ride on Don's "Sea Sweep" yacht from Mapleton to the Siuslaw Coast Guard station, and hundreds learned how to swim in his pool, taught by Red Cross instructor Sky Pennel. Countless locals have camped, fished, swam, and played at his riverfront properties near Swisshome.

Don is preceded in death by his daughters—Sally, Christina, Nancy, and Patsy; he is survived by his partner-in-life Johnette Roane, son-in-law Leo Owens, five grandchildren—Joey, Joshua, Barnaby, Bridgette, and Katie, and many great-grandchildren.



LETTERS

THE DUNES CITY

The Dunes City, City Council has approved a proposed ballot initiative November 2025 to add a method to appear on the Dunes City ballot for all elections. Currently the city charter requires a petition of 20 or more registered voters within the Dunes City limits. State law allows for a filing fee in lieu of a petition. We propose to be consistent with state law and allow a petition OR a \$20 filing fee. Whether one completes the filing form and pays a filing fee or submits a petition, the verifications of eligibility and residency are exactly the same for all candidates. The advantage of the filing fee is once the filing form is complete and the fee is paid you will be included on the next ballot. Previous elections have had poor participation- for instance the 2024 election had three open City Council seats plus the mayor on the ballot and only the mayor and one City Councilman successfully submitted a petition. The city verifies the addresses are within the city limits and then the forms with ink signatures need to be carried to Eugene to the registrar of voters to have the signatures verified. In many cases some of the signatures are not accepted and additional signatures need to be collected. It is a burdensome process for those considering running for office. It is also expensive and time consuming for the city staff. The filing fee would cover city staff time to review the form and would simplify the process for those wishing to run for office. Typical reasons signatures not being accepted include: the voter is registered at a different address and has not updated their address, they are not a registered voter, they have been purged from the records, the handwriting is illegible and they are not easily verified

Sincerely Mayor
Ed McGuire

DUNES CITY RESIDENTS,

Vote No on #20-374: Measure proposing an amendment to the Dunes City Charter

The proposed legislation would allow potential candidates running for city council to pay \$ 20 in lieu of gathering 20 signatures from fellow citizens. This ignores the original intent of the city founders and opens the door to possible bad players.

The 20 signatures component of our current legislation was designed as a vetting tool and helps ensure that candidates have the ability and integrity to act as city leaders.

Under the proposed resolution candidates with no community support could essentially “buy” a spot on the ballot. Special interest groups or developers could hand-pick council members that support their agendas, to the detriment of the community and our sensitive environment. A city ruled by developers could quickly and permanently destroy the city’s natural beauty and environmental quality.

The suggested change is entirely unnecessary. The requirement of 20 signatures has been in the city charter since 1980. The city’s population has increased only modestly since then. The fact that all current council members successfully collected the required signatures, even those who were new to the community, proves that the system is not a barrier to entry. If a candidate is unwilling or unable to speak with 20 community members and gain their support, the candidate lacks the skills required to represent the city.

\$20 dollars isn’t equal in value to twenty signatures. If you agree, vote No on Measure proposing an amendment to the Dunes City Charter.

Geneva Ann Jackson
Dunes City

DEAR EDITOR,

President Trump says Portland, Oregon is “war ravaged.” Yes, indeed it is. The “leftwing lunatics” are using 2,000 pound bombs to level parts of the city, disrupting the ingress of food and medicine, killing women and children, sending drones into Republican parts of town . . .

Sincerely,
Terese Keller Florence

It’s just like Gaza there, folks!

Speaking of Gaza, the President’s latest Gaza plan is very pleasing to Netanyahu for a reason. It proposes a virtual Hamas surrender and gives him all the off-ramps from the peace process he could ever want. It also includes this encouragement: “And, if Hamas rejects the deal, which is always possible... as you know, Bibi, you’d have our full backing to do what you would have to do.” Trump said.

Kimball Shinkoskey
Woods Cross, Utah

TO THE EDITOR,

Recent Republican rhetoric accusing Democrats of trying to divert taxpayer-funded healthcare to undocumented immigrants is not only inflammatory—it’s false. These claims, repeated by numerous Republican leaders, misrepresent both Democratic proposals and existing federal law.

According to the official federal site Healthcare.gov, “Undocumented immigrants can’t get Marketplace health coverage.” They are not eligible for subsidized plans under the Affordable Care Act. This policy has not changed, and Democrats have not proposed changing it. Lying about this fact is an attempt to distract voters from the impact of ACA funding cuts to our nation’s health and to try to shift the blame for the shutdown to Democrats.

What Democrats have proposed is an extension of Medicaid and ACA subsidies for American citizens and lawfully present immigrants—subsidies that are set to expire due to provisions in the 2025 Tax and Budget Law. The Republican bill will cut the insurance coverage of 4 million Americans and will double the insurance premiums of 24 million Americans.

The imminent rollback of funding for ACA will make our already broken health care system even worse. Healthcare policy should be grounded in facts, not political theater.

Sincerely,
Terese Keller Florence

For, and by, the community

TONY REED, EDITOR

I’d like to share an idea I’ve had with our friends in Florence, Dunes City, Mapleton and perhaps even Reedsport.

At one of my previous positions with The Trinity Journal, we employed the help of several columnists in surrounding communities to share items of interest. The paper featured one weekly column for every community, about seven in total.

Columnists were locally known and well-connected. One was a local firefighter, another was a high school graduate, and yet another was a local community leader (who happened to be the wife of the fire chief). Every week, columnists would submit short articles about everything from holiday events to community projects. They featured information about school

concerts, fundraisers, community events and even community member profiles. They also shared relevant information, like how a community fire station was providing sandbags ahead of forecasted heavy rainstorms, community meetings about rural fire season preparation or notices that certain community organizations were in need of help or supplies.

Articles were never political or gossipy, and were often used to praise other community members and organizations. Some discussed things like how a local teacher brought an exotic pet to a science class, or how a senior center was gearing up for a family night or



resident birthday party. It was a true community effort and we published columnists’ email addresses so others could share ideas and topics with them. I’d love to make that happen here.

I’m looking for volunteer writers from local clubs and organizations, high school students and/or middle/elementary school teachers, non-profits/charitable organizations, local fishing guides, law enforcement/ fire personnel and involved community members. A typical excerpt from a school columnist might include ways students are preparing for homecoming or prom, stressing about upcoming tests, taking part in school clubs,

or looking to dominate a football rival in the next game. A community columnist could talk about area fundraisers, community concerns and/or local holiday preparations. A law enforcement columnist could discuss new phone and internet scams, ways to increase community security or share safety tips for families. The possibilities are endless.

Weekly columns would be under 300 words and shouldn’t take more than an hour each to compile. I can only offer the vanity of a byline as payment. However, I also know that the previously mentioned columnists greatly enjoyed contributing to the paper and the connections they made with others in their area.

If interested, drop me an email at treed@countrymedia.net and tell me a bit about yourself.

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Twin threat: Cascadia and San Andreas faults may be seismically linked

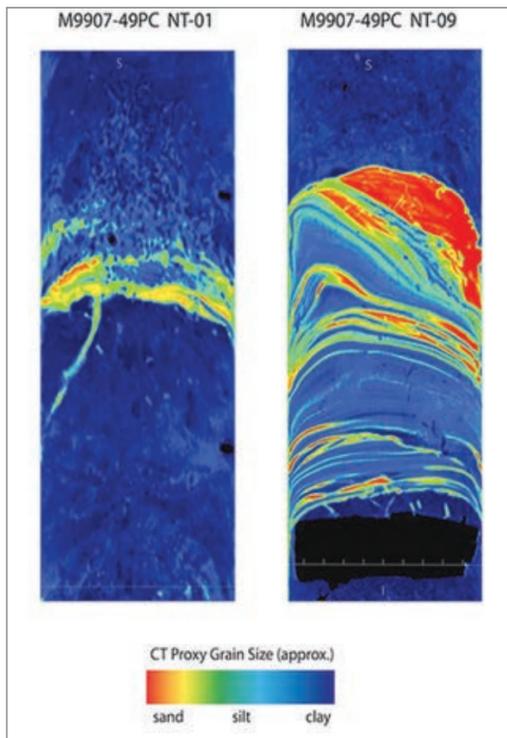
SEAN NEALON
OSU News Director

Two fault systems on North America's West Coast – the Cascadia subduction zone and the San Andreas fault – may be synchronized, with earthquakes on one fault potentially triggering seismic events on the other, a new study found.

"We're used to hearing the 'Big One' – Cascadia – being this catastrophic huge thing," said Chris Goldfinger, a marine geologist at Oregon State University and lead author of the study. "It turns out it's not the worst case scenario."

Goldfinger and a team of researchers drilled deep-sea sediment cores representing 3,100 years of geologic history, and analyzed layers known as turbidites that are deposited by underwater landslides often triggered by earthquakes. They compared turbidite layers in cores from both fault systems and found similarities in timing and structure, suggesting the seismic synchronization between the faults.

In most cases, it's



CT scan images of turbidites in deep sea sediment cores. On the left, a thin bed of turbidites from a 1906 earthquake. On the right, from an earthquake about 1,500 years ago, the typical "inverted doublet beds" - a doubling or tripling of turbidite thickness. The thick sand up at the top is the San Andreas bed, with the Cascadia bed down below. Courtesy of Chris Goldfinger, Oregon State University.

difficult to determine the time separation between the Cascadia subduction

zone and northern San Andreas fault ruptures, but Goldfinger said there are

three instances in the past 1,500 years, including a most recent one from 1700, when the researchers believe the ruptures were just minutes to hours apart.

The findings have significant implications for hazard planning, he said.

"We could expect that an earthquake on one of the faults alone would draw down the resources of the whole country to respond to it," Goldfinger said. "And if they both went off together, then you've got potentially San Francisco, Portland, Seattle and Vancouver all in an emergency situation in a compressed timeframe."

Geologists have hypothesized for several decades that faults could synchronize, but there has only been one observed example of the phenomenon – in Sumatra, three months apart in 2004 and 2005.

Goldfinger has been focused on the question for decades. In fact, the origins of the just-published paper date back to a 1999 ocean research cruise. Goldfinger and the research team were drilling sediment cores

in the Cascadia subduction zone off the coast of Oregon and northern California, but a navigational error took them off course, about 55 miles south of Cape Mendocino in California and into the San Andreas zone.

They decided to drill a core in that area. Subsequent analysis of the core revealed a unique structure. Turbidites have a typical layering pattern, with coarser sediment on the bottom and fine-grained sediment on the top. But the researchers found the opposite pattern in this core: coarse, sandy sediment at the top and finer, silty sediment at the bottom.

This led them to conclude the fine-grained layer at the bottom was caused by a large earthquake on the Cascadia subduction fault and the coarser sediment at the top was caused by subsequent movement on the nearby San Andreas.

They then used radiocarbon to date the turbidite layers of that core and others they collected north and south of Cape Mendocino, the location where the northern San

Andreas and Cascadia subduction zone faults converge.

That further analysis made it clear that the formation of that unique upside-down layering, which they call "doublets," is best explained by earthquakes on both systems spaced closely in time, as opposed to aftershocks or other causes.

Other authors of the paper are: Ann Morey, Christopher Romsos and Bran Black of Oregon State's College of Earth, Ocean, and Atmospheric Sciences; Jeff Beeson of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Oregon State; Maureen Walczak, University of Washington; Alexis Vizcaino, Springer Nature Group in Germany; Jason Patton, California Department of Conservation; and C. Hans Nelson and Julia Gutiérrez-Pastor, Instituto Andaluz de Ciencias de la Tierra in Spain.

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October is National Friends of Libraries Week

The Siuslaw Public Library will be spending the week of October 19 to

25 celebrating its Friends of the Library group as part of the 20th annual

celebration of National Friends of Libraries Week. The Friends have

set up a display case in the Library Great Room highlighting the Library's history. Letters of Appreciation to the Friends are displayed from the Governor, Lane County Commissioner, US Senator Merkley, and the Mayor. A Raffle Basket is being displayed and members will be in the Library Lobby on October 21st, 23rd, and 25th from 10 a.m. – 3 p.m., Library Card Holders can sign up to win the Raffle Basket for free. (If people do not have a library card, they can get one inside the library from the

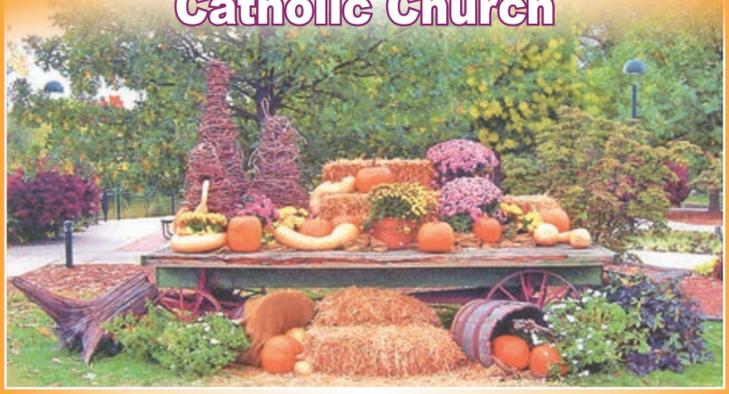
library staff.) Stickers will be available for little patrons. The Friends of the Siuslaw Public Library were incorporated as a non-profit in May of 1978. In just the past ten years they have raised well over \$150,000 and have also contributed to Western Lane Community Book Endowment Fund. The Friends are a major factor in the library's progress, advocating for funding and volunteering their time to assist with fundraising efforts. "We hope to shine a light on the great volunteer work of our members and educate the public with our

efforts which help the library purchase necessary items which are outside of their regular budget. Over the years our funds have helped the library to continue the Children's Summer Reading Program, the Adult Reading Program, update computers and software, book shelves, chairs, and a motorized cart for disabled patrons.", quotes Charlotte Ryner, Publicity Chair.

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We, on the West coast, have one indigenous azalea, 'Occidentale'. The East, on the other hand, has many. Please attend our meeting and learn about the many azalea species on the East coast.

All are welcome at our meetings at the Presbyterian Community Church on Hwy 101 on the 21st of October. Doors open at 6:30 for coffee and rubbing elbows with the meeting commencing at 7. Bring a smile and a thirst for knowledge.

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Whitmore Charter School building in escrow

PART 1 OF 2
By **TONY REED**
The Siuslaw News

Whitmore Classical Academy staff unveiled much anticipated news that the long-awaited charter school will be housed in the former Rite-Aid building at the corner of Highway 101 and 35th St.

At a town hall style meeting Oct. 9 attended by about 20 people, Siuslaw Valley Charter School Board President Kay King announced the news, saying the school is one year away from a grand opening in September 2026.

SVCS Director Chuck Trent said the deal is in escrow and at “a little

over \$2 million for the building itself,” another \$1.5 million will be needed for classroom buildout, administrative areas and a covered playground.

Trent said that the plan is to start with kindergarten through 2nd grade, but a K-3 school is also being considered. He said the building is 16,742 square feet, which will likely fit a k-5 school.

“We really had hoped that we could get K-6 or K-8 in there, but it’s not going to happen,” he said. “We know we can get K-5, and that will get us through the first four years. After that, we’re going to have to find additional space K-6 or

K-8. That’s still on the horizon, but for right now, our focus is absolutely making sure that the building is set up for K through five.”

Trent said over \$1 million was raised in the community for the school.

“That’s not bond dollars [and] that’s not property tax dollars,” he said. “\$40,000 of that came from a grant that allowed us to buy the k-2 curriculum, and the rest of it was all private donations.”

He said while the money is in hand for the down payment, about \$500,000 is still needed.

“We still have to buy all the furniture, and we still have curriculum to

buy. We have to buy all computers that will be in the classrooms, projectors, TVs...” he said. “We still have a pretty big mountain to climb and we’ve got until we open in July 2026 to be able to raise those dollars.”

Trent said he’s confident, based on the support given by the community, that it will happen.

Trent also explained that the school receives no state or federal funding until July 2026.

“We have to go between now and then with the money we’ve raised, private donations, the money I talked about was the 500,000 that would be for salaries. We

have to hire a head of schools and buy all the supplies, the equipment, just a ton of stuff we still need to do, but we’re well on our way to doing that.”

He said a team is in place, an architect has already been selected, initial conceptual drawings have been done and the Oregon procurement process has concluded for the construction on the building.

“We had six builders that applied. We chose Gerding Builders out of Corvallis,” he said. “They are going to be our construction team. We are in the process right now of negotiating with them what the contract will be. Everything

is moving along with the building, with the loan, with the contractor, so the architect and the contractor will be putting all the plans together so we will be able to start construction once the loan closes.”

Further discussion included an explanation of the classical education model, curriculum, the use of Hillsdale College scope and sequence, special education and bullying policies.

Whitmore Academy is overseen by SVCS, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization.

Editor’s note: The meeting took place after deadline and a more comprehensive followup report is pending.

POLICE

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for a report that a subject had hit a vehicle with his hand. Officers determined that one subject hit the window of a vehicle as it was backing up, but caused no damage. Neither party wished to pursue charges.

At 5:55 p.m., officers responded to the 100 block of Harbor Street for a report of a collision between boats at the dock. No charges were filed, but one subject was given a trespass warning from the property.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 4

At 1:28 a.m., a caller reported a person sitting in a chair in the middle of the road at 15th St. and Highway 101. When officers contacted the subject, he said that he was testing how long it would take for police to arrive. Subject was told not to sit in the roadway.

At 3:33 a.m., officers made a traffic stop in the area of Highway 101 and Highway 126 and found the driver to have a warrant from Florence municipal Court. Driver was taken into custody.

At 4:02 p.m., a caller reported finding your wallet in a dumpster in the 1100 block of Highway 101. Officers found an ID in the wallet and were attempting to make contact with the owner.

At 4:06 p.m., a caller reported possible theft of earbuds from a business in the 2200 block of Highway 101. Caller said he had been pinged the location of the earbuds, but was unable to locate them.

At 5:58 p.m., officers responded to the 1100 block of Highway 101 for a report that a female subject had spit in the face of another subject. Case remains under investigation.

At 7:51 p.m., officers made a traffic stop in the area of Montauk Creek Road. Officers found probable cars to believe the driver was impaired. Officers arrested Mark Ory for DUII.

At 9:03 p.m. hey subject came into the police department with a dog saying she’d heard an old lady screaming at it. She said that when she approached the woman she said take this dog or I will kill it. Dog was transported to the Humane Society.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 5

At 12:43 a.m. call

reported a subject walking a dog on a long leash in the area of Highway 101, saying the dog was walking out into traffic. Officers contact the subject and advised him to keep the dog on the sidewalk.

At 3:44 a.m. a call reported a female subject in a car near the beach screaming for about five minutes. Officers arrived and found the car unoccupied. Officer spoke to other witnesses in the area who said they hadn’t heard anything. No further action was taken.

At 12:13 p.m., a call reported finding a wallet in the area of big Creek near milepost nine. Officers found an ID in the wallet and contacted the owner to arrange a return.

MONDAY OCTOBER 6

At 5:22 a.m., and officer on patrol in the 2800 block of Rhododendron Drive found a brown and white Chihuahua. Doug was taken to Humane Society.

At 9:24 a.m., a caller said he was “positive he had lost his wallet” in the Florence area. Officers were in route to help when the caller recontacted saying he had found his wallet in his truck.

At 11:15 a.m., a caller said he had left a gun in a rental car and when he contacted the rental company, was told is no longer in the car. Case remains under investigation.

At 11:45 a.m., officers located a disabled vehicle in the roadway at Highway 101 and 42nd St. Officers were able to find the owner and have the car moved.

At 1:26 p.m., officers responded to the 2300 block of Kingwood Street for a report of juveniles fighting. No charges were pursued, and the school agreed to handle the situation.

At 5:57 p.m., a caller reported their phone had been stolen. Case remains under investigation.

At 5:57 p.m., officers responded to the 2500 block of Highway 101 for a report of three subjects fighting. Subjects were gone when officers arrived.

At 6:55 p.m., a call I reported confronting the owner of a trailer with trash falling out in the area of 28th St. and Highway 101. Officers arrived in the area to find the trash has been cleaned up.

At 11:09 p.m., officers on patrol saw a subject in the area of Highway 126 and Highway 101 known to have warrants. Officers confirmed felony warrants from circuit Court and also had probable cause to arrest the subject for possession of a stolen vehicle.

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 7.

At 10:31 a.m., officers responded to the 4000 block Nandina Drive for a report of a dog bite. Officers found the bike did not take break the skin and no medical attention was needed. Officers will be following up with the owner of the dog.

At 3:13 p.m., a subject came into the police department to report that upon being released from custody, another subject offered a ride. Subject said he left his wallet in the car and went back to get some items but when he came back out the car was gone. Officers were able to identify the driver of the vehicle and cited them for theft.

At 3:15 p.m. a caller reported finding a plastic bag of possible methamphetamine in a restaurant. Officers took the substance for destruction.

At 7:31 p.m., officers responded to the area of Laurel and 11th St. for a reported dispute. Officers found a male and female arguing, but in the process were also able to locate a reported stolen vehicle from Clackamas County. Officer secured the vehicle and were able to contact the registered owner. Case remains under investigation.



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After much hard work, Florence Regional Arts Alliance's Board has nearly completed its Strategic Plan—a road-map that will guide in strengthening programs, expanding opportunities, and deepening the impact in the Florence community.

FRAA is thrilled to announce that a new

classroom and workshop space will soon be available at 1458 1st Street (right behind Lovejoy's, in the former Jayne Smoley studio). This addition is possible thanks to the leadership and commitment of FRAA Board of Directors. And don't worry—FRAA's Gallery at 120 Maple Street, winner of the 2024 Best Gallery award, will remain open and thriving!

This new space creates exciting opportunities for members and our community:

- Classes & Workshops – FRAA is looking for teachers to lead creative, educational, and skill-sharing sessions.
- Artist Workspace – The potential for artists to use the space to create and collaborate.
- Student Opportunities – FRAA

needs enthusiastic students to attend classes and help build a thriving learning community.

- Meeting & Event Rentals – The room will be available for meetings, events, music and dance rehearsals and performances, and literary workshops.

HELP NAME THE NEW SPACE!

FRAA is asking the

Community to help name its new classroom and workshop space!

"At the same time, we've clearly heard your feedback: FRAA's name needs to shine even brighter in the community," said a recent release. "This is the perfect opportunity to do that."

The final name will highlight the FRAA brand while reflecting the

creativity and purpose of the space. Some early ideas include:

- FRAA Creative Center
- FRAA Community Room
- Your ideas ...

Please share your suggestions (making sure they include "FRAA" in the title) with the FRAA Board of Directors by October 31, at fraaoregon@gmail.com.

Repairs, inspections done over summer

SIUSLAW NEWS STAFF

At the regular meeting of the Siuslaw School District Board of Directors, Maintenance Supervisor David Spencer said that although a busy summer seemed to go by too quickly, his team was able to make a lot of repairs and upgrades at school sites.

Several fire safety upgrades were made and in some locations, workers had to drop ceilings to expose fire sprinklers.

He said his crew installed nine windows in the district, mostly in Kindergarten classes that had none before. Others were added to counseling offices and on some

doors.

He said upgrades were made to the emergency fob system that allows teachers in different areas of the schools to alert law enforcement and emergency personnel. He said that since the fobs set off alerts specific to the region where they're activated, it's hoped that it will speed response time for emergency personnel. He added that drop down shades were installed for lockdown reasons.

Spencer noted that the new finish on the gym floor is actually saving the district money in maintenance costs, in the area of \$1,500. He said the crew spent time repairing roof leaks, restriping the

student parking lot and

He said that while the school generators don't appear new, they were all tested and work great. He said the crew will be load-testing them soon to ensure they can handle a full outage.

He said that while some upgrades were made to the high school's heating system, it's still difficult to keep a consistent temperature throughout the campus' classrooms.

He noted that new lockers have been placed in locker rooms and water bottle refilling stations have been installed.

The report followed a board tour of the high school, directed by Principal Mike



During a previous tour of the high school, Principal Mike Harklerode explains that this lab room lacks adequate exhaust ventilation and an aging propane line prevents students from using bunsen burners. Tony Reed photo

Harklerode, who has been making presentations to local groups about the

concept of building a new high school and making repairs and modifications

to the elementary school. More such meetings will follow.

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released," he said. "Our 11th graders, who are now current seniors, brought up the overall math score by 20%. It's a bit tempered because only 71% of the students took the test. It's still optional, but you heard from the high school principal last year that we've added that back as a requirement for graduation. You have to take the test or some sort of summative activity." He said that since students were previously given the choice to take the test or opt out, the requirement to take the test was added.

"Probably our greatest success coming out of last year they work in early literacy at the elementary school we had a series of students that were involved in high intensity tutoring who were below grade level but made significant improvement. Kindergartners had 14 in high-dosage tutoring, and 13 demonstrated growth. Of fourth graders, we had 11 and all 11 demonstrated growth [In] Second grade, [there were] 15 in and 14 with demonstrated growth," he said, "Third grade, we had 11 and they went 11 for 11 in that group. Our fourth graders, there were 11 in and 10 with demonstrated high growth, and in our Fifth grade grade

group, we had 11 with 10 demonstrating growth." He said that in some cases, it was hard to tell if growth occurred since some kids missed school or missed tests.

"We also had one young student who wanted to prove us all wrong and did his best to do that," Grzeskowiak said.

He said regular attendance is holding steady with about 70% of students missing less than 10 days in a year.

"The more that comes up, the better it will be," he said. "Being there every day counts."

STUDENT REPORT

At the Oct. 8 Siuslaw School Board meeting, Student Body President Austin Nunez noted that Homecoming is October 25 and is being organized by the cheerleaders.

"Interact just participated in a domestic violence march at Miller Park," he said. They also just completed a Fantasy Island cleanup at Miller Park about a week-and-a-half ago. Environmental club is having its first Street cleanup on November 15 down Oak Street and all are invited."

Nunez said seniors are already ordering their graduation caps and gowns, as well as making their senior sweatshirts.

He said the school was to host its first PSAT Day with an ACT Day coming on Oct. 18.

He said Ms. Tregoning's class recently went on a field trip where they were able to release salmon into Whittaker Creek.

"It was a great hands-on experience," he said.

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location, the Presbyterian Community Church, is one that has been used in previous years, and is inside the city limits. A backup site is the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (FUUF) which is outside the city limits at the intersection of Highway 101 and Heceta Beach Road.

A WARM PLACE

FECWSC president Taylor Kohn said that while the group's mission is to simply provide a safe and warm place for unhoused neighbors to eat and sleep, it also provides human connection.

"It can be preventative, in terms of being able to identify medical issues, mental health issues, and medical crises," she said. "That's a really important thing to mention." Kohn

said the shelter has been in existence since 2014, and the current committee is resting and building upon what has been done by founding and previous committees.

"I think we are very well organized this year," she said, noting the committee got started early with meetings in August. She said the committee is confident in its ability to provide the service

Kohn said FECWSC Secretary Jackie Earnest has been busy putting out information about the shelter effort and seeking volunteers to help with the operation.

Earnest said four paid overnight positions are available.

"We have three drivers," she said, "We have eight people who are going to bring food, two people who are going to stay for cleaning and serving." She said the committee is communicating

with other volunteers. "We still have a ways to go," Earnest said, "but I'm continuing to post this on the Florence group Next Door." She said the community response has been almost entirely positive.

"We're going to do it," she said. "We're going to have enough and we've got a ways to go."

THE BRIDGES OUT

Responding to Councilor Mike Webb's question, Kohl said the shelter typically saw 12 to 15 guests on the nights last year when temperatures dropped below 34 degrees Fahrenheit.

"We're expecting more, because the Bridges program closed down," she added.

FECWSC announced in August that the program closed due to the lease completion and uncertain future funding. The 20-unit emergency shelter was funded by a state and

county All In grant from December 2023 to June 2025.

"Over 46 guests were assisted in the program over the 18-month period with 35% attaining more stable housing," a release said at the time. "By the end of the program, all the current guests had income through jobs or SSI. All guests were assisted in signing up for housing lists as well as obtaining driver's license, birth certificates and other services needed for stability."

COUNCIL RESPONSE

Florence mayor Rob Ward commended the group for its service to the community during cold weather.

"Just having a place to go is pretty special," he said.

Councilor Sally Wantz asked for the number of nights the shelter was open last winter.

According to Earnest and Kohl, the milder

winter was a reason for the lower numbers.

Wantz acknowledged the groups work and the fact that they needed to stay ready for cold weather forecasts.

"You have a long way to go but you've come a long way," Wantz said.

Councilor Jo Beaudreau said she's grateful for the committee's work and dedication. Beaudreau asked what she might tell unhoused people to encourage them to use the facility, rather than staying out in the cold. Beaudreau later volunteered to help FECWSC in updating its website and Facebook.

Kohn said that while the facility will prohibit drug and alcohol use, it's also a safe and nurturing environment where other connections can be made.

"They can talk with other people, they can talk with one of our volunteers. Maybe there's

a service they need and a way we can facilitate that," Kohl said. "Good things happen."

"Siuslaw Outreach Services (SOS) and the Siuslaw Vision both have very nice websites and they have local resources on there," Reynolds added. "That is how the city of Florence direct people to where resources are because it is ever-changing. Those are more of our institutions in the community so what I would suggest is making sure you get plugged in."

Following some procedural discussion, the council approved the request to operate the shelter for the 2025/26 winter months.

The SOS website can be found at <https://florence-sos.org/> and the Siuslaw Vision site is at <https://siuslawvision.org/>

FECWSC does much of its outreach on Facebook at facebook.com/FECWS

FOOTBALL

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bested the Lancers 14-9 in the finals of the state championship. Head Coach Sam Johnson said there's plenty of familiarity between the two teams, but he was happy to get a win against an athletic team that is always well prepared. "Schematically, we're two very different teams. This year, we're a little more similar because we had our starting quarterback go down in week three. So, we've adapted a little bit to our new quarterback's strengths, which is a little more of a spread offense," Johnson said. "We've had some success in the first two weeks we've done it, which has been nice, but anytime you beat a team like South Umpqua, it feels like you're doing something right, and the kids are gelling. So, it felt good to good to get that one out of the way." South Umpqua struck first on the scoreboard, jumping out to a 7-0 lead, but it didn't take long for the Vikings to respond. By the end of the quarter, Siuslaw was up 14-7, solidified by a 31-yard touchdown on a well-designed end-around



During a game that started in heavy fog Oct. 3, Will Johnson busts through and dives over the line for a touchdown. Tony Reed photo

running play. From there, Siuslaw didn't look back. The Vikings had an array of standout performances that powered them to success. "I think our kids have stepped up really well in the spread offense. We've been able to share the ball a bunch because we have a ton of talented kids," Johnson said. "We are loaded right now with seniors and juniors." Johnson said that senior running back Will Johnson and senior Tom Morgan both turned in excellent showings on offense. Will Johnson scored four touchdowns, one in each quarter, exhibiting the speed and dynamism that make him one of the most "special" players Johnson has ever coached at Siuslaw. "There are very few football fields we walk onto where

[Will Johnson] is not the toughest kid, or one of the fastest kids. He's got really good football instincts, and when the ball gets into his hands, you feel like you've got a shot to score every time," Johnson said. "He's one of a kind. He's our kicker, kind of our punter, he plays running back, receiver. On defense, he's a linebacker, safety, db. Last year, I think he was second in voting in the state for Defensive Player of the Year." On defense against South Umpqua, Johnson said Caleb Gray and Jaxon Chiang both turned in "unbelievable" defensive efforts for the Vikings, constantly

disrupting the Lancers' offense. Playing in place of injured regular starter Micah Blankenship, sophomore Jericho Lake turned in an impressive performance, keeping calm, and putting the team ahead of himself, stepping in to do whatever the team needed from him. "He's a phenomenal kid, raised by a really good family, cares a bunch about our guys, and then just has the god-given ability to throw the ball 60 yards in the air, so yeah, it makes him a dynamic football player for us," Johnson said. Beyond the skill positions, Johnson lauded the offensive line of Jacob Mann,

Owen Burt, Skyler Wiley, Jake Rose, and Collin Barnett for creating time for passing, and seams to break off significant gains. Johnson credited them for being able to shift from a man-gap scheme to a zone-style scheme in the spread offense. Without their quick uptake of the system, things would not have been as smooth en route to victory in the games against La Pine and South Umpqua. "They never get a ton of credit, just because, over my seven years here, we've had really dynamic skill kids," Johnson said. "Those kids are blocking better than we've had a group block in a long time. I think that crew of five guys on our offensive line is pretty special." Looking ahead, Johnson and the Vikings aren't looking past anyone in Special District 4. The result of the Oct. 10 game against Douglas isn't known at the time

of press, but Johnson is focusing on "the little things" as they approach the rest of the season. One of the keys he is focusing on is strengthening the bonds between teammates. Johnson said that emphasizing respect, love, and trust as teammates will help the squad handle adversity when things aren't going well. "We've got a great group of kids whose number one goal at the beginning of the season wasn't to win the league or win state, it was the brotherhood over outcome," Johnson said. "They're really concerned about caring about each other and making sure they have a bond that lasts 50 years and not winning five league games. They're way more concerned about big picture stuff. But to get the big picture stuff of that brotherhood goal, you have to do all the little stuff every single day, right to each other."

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public safety standards and training certification in 2023. He was assigned as a detective for the department in June 2023 and has been the vice president of the Florence police employees association since April 2023.

Chief pitcher said he has also worked several significant cases in his

time with the department and has brought many of them to a close.

"This was a very competitive process," Pitcher said. We had three qualified applicants but Sgt. Litterell earned this by how he did in this process and also by seven years of work for us, doing it for the department and the community.

After taking some photos with the council and his family, Sgt. Litterell returned to duty.



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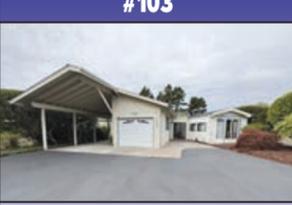
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Low 2:14 a.m.0.3
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High 8:23 p.m.6.3

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 16

Low 3:14 a.m.0.4
High 10:05 a.m.6.3
Low 3:50 p.m.2.6
High 9:36 p.m.6.3

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 17

Low 4:05 a.m.0.6
High 10:44 a.m.6.7
Low 4:44 p.m.1.9
High 10:36 p.m.6.3

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18

Low 4:49 a.m.0.8
High 11:16 a.m.7.0
Low 5:29 p.m.1.2
High 11:28 p.m.6.3

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 19

Low 5:27 a.m.1.1
High 11:44 a.m.7.2
Low 6:08 p.m.0.6

MONDAY, OCTOBER 20

High 12:13 a.m.6.3
Low 6:03 a.m.1.5
High 12:11 p.m.7.3
Low 6:44 p.m.0.2

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 21

High 12:56 a.m.6.4
Low 6:36 a.m.1.9
High 12:36 p.m.7.4
Low 7:18 p.m.-0.1

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 22

High 1:38 a.m.6.3
Low 7:08 a.m.2.4
High 1:02 p.m.7.4
Low 7:51 p.m.-0.2

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 23

High 2:19 a.m.6.3
Low 7:40 a.m.2.8
High 1:28 p.m.7.3
Low 8:26 p.m.-0.2

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 24

High 3:01 a.m.6.1
Low 8:12 a.m.3.2
High 1:57 p.m.7.3
Low 9:02 p.m.0.0

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 25

High 3:44 a.m.6.0
Low 8:44 a.m.3.5
High 2:29 p.m.7.1
Low 9:42 p.m.0.3

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26

High 4:31 a.m.5.7
Low 9:20 a.m.3.8
High 3:06 p.m.6.9
Low 10:27 p.m.0.5

MONDAY, OCTOBER 27

High 5:24 a.m.5.5
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TUESDAY, OCTOBER 28

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WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 29

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THURSDAY, OCTOBER 30

Low 1:17 a.m.0.9
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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 31

Low 2:14 a.m.0.9
High 9:05 a.m.6.1
Low 2:55 p.m.2.8
High 8:38 p.m.6.0



After each goal, both teams showed bursts of energy during the Oct. 7 game against Santiam Christian.

Siuslaw soccer stacking wins



Will LOHRE
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Both the boys' and girls' soccer teams have been on a roll recently, running up the score in league play. Ahead of both teams' Oct. 9 games, they had each won four of their last five games.

After starting league play with three losses and a tie, the girls' Vikings squad flipped the

Teams kept their eyes on the ball. Tony Reed photos.

switch, reeling off three wins in a row. The win streak started with a 4-1 win on the road against Sisters. Next, the Vikings notched their biggest win of the season with a 7-0 smashing of La Pine at home on Sept. 25.

Siuslaw solidified the win streak with an 8-3 win versus Elmira on Sept. 30. Central Linn snapped the win streak, beating Siuslaw 7-2. Central Linn is ranked #1 in the state and in Special District 3, so grabbing a result was always going to be a big

ask. One highlight from that matchup was the fact that Siuslaw netted two goals against the Cobras. Central Linn has only been scored on three other times this season.

Despite the defeat, Siuslaw bounced back quickly, nabbing a 2-1 win against Santiam Christian on Oct. 7. Ahead of the Oct. 9 game against Pleasant Hill, the Vikings have a 4-4-1 record, and they are ranked #18 in OSAA's rankings.

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Siuslaw Volleyball making adjustments

Will LOHRE
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Wins continue to evade the Vikings in league play, but the team is still showing sparks of brilliance, and adjustments are still being made to try and capture that elusive first win.

After starting 4-3 in the preseason, the Vikings entered their Oct. 9 game against Sutherlin with a 5-9 overall record. The result of the Sutherlin game is not known at

the time of press. After a strong showing at the Junction City tournament on Sept. 27, the Vikings took a tough loss to South Umpqua. Siuslaw followed the defeat to the Lancers with a 1-3 loss to Glide. In an effort to shake things up, Head Coach McKenzie Perry made some adjustments with her team for the next match.

It was a tough battle when the Vikings played

Douglas on Oct. 7. The Trojans are ranked #6 in OSAA's 3A standings and are the top team in the Far West League. Siuslaw ended up losing three sets to zero, with scores of 11-25, 20-25, and 12-25. Even though it wasn't quite the ideal result, Perry said there were still positive outcomes for the team.

"This week, we've
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Rotary Interact at Siuslaw High School

By **ROBERT ORR**

Siuslaw School District students have a long history of community service and involvement. This is the first in a series of articles about the many ways in which Siuslaw students and the surrounding community work together.

Rotary International has been an active service organization for 120 years. One of the pillars of Rotary is involvement

in communities throughout the world, particularly in providing connections with – and support for – local youth. In Florence and many other communities, Rotary clubs sponsor school clubs known as Interact (at the high school level) and Junior Interact (at the middle school level). Both school clubs are active locally.

The first Siuslaw High School Interact Club meeting of this school

year was held recently. Rotarians Bob Teter, Wesley Dinoff, and Bob Orr are offering guidance to the Siuslaw High School Interact club. Interact President and SHS senior Danin Lacouture was pleasantly surprised to see a whopping 80 Siuslaw High School students show up at the first meeting of this school year to learn about the club. The first order of business was to elect officers: in

addition to Lacouture, this year's officers will include Stella Duman, Vice President; Michaela Norton, Secretary; and Will Johnson, Treasurer. Committee chairs have also been chosen: Adylin Holbrook, Communications and Social Media; Aiyana Lujan, Community Service; Afton Linton, International Service; and Austin Nunez, Social Activities.

Some activities of the

Interact club are annual traditions. The Easter Egg Hunt at Miller Park is organized and hosted each year by the Interact club for the children of the Florence area. In preparation, Interact members stuff 2,000 to 3,000 plastic eggs with candy for distribution at the big event in April. Typically, several hundred local students participate by age group

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— Watch ideas come to life visually in real time! This engaging gathering will be led by Charlotte Young, meeting leader and picture note taker.

Happy Hour

Celebration with Chamber Business After Hours — 5:30-7pm
Join us in building a better community together! Please RSVP through vision@siuslawvision.org

Miniature Homes Show

The Central Coast Miniatures Club of Florence is pleased to announce an exhibit of miniature homes and miniature scenes in the Bromley Room of the Siuslaw Public Library in Florence on Saturday and Sunday, October 18th and 19th. There will be a drawing for a Miniature Home at 3 p.m. on Sunday afternoon. Hours for the exhibit are 10 a.m. until 6 p.m. on Saturday and 1 p.m. until 5 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free.

The Central Coast Miniatures Club meets on the first Thursday of each month at 4 p.m. Guests are always welcome and new members are encouraged to join our group for fun and information. Learn to make miniature furnishings, accessories and flowers, exchange ideas and

tips for miniature projects, and receive our monthly newsletter. For more information, please email us at centralcoastminiatures-club@gmail.com

Sacred Places & Familiar Faces

You are invited to witness a journey of self discovery Oct. 19. As life burdens us with its many demands we can often become filled with fear and frustration. Yet at any moment we can rediscover our core spirit. If we turn within, to our own hearts, the beauty of mother nature and community, we will find healing. This Reader's Theatre production of a poem created by Annie Holmes, former minister in Roseburg, has been adapted for the Florence community.

Location: 87738 Highway 101 at Heceta Beach Road Doors open at 9:30; program begins at 10am Everyone is welcome to attend. For more information, please contact: Sally Wantz

~ Florence.Unitarian@gmail.com

Mushroom festival to sprout again in Yachats

The public is invited from October 17-19 to taste, learn, and explore during the Yachats Mushroom Festival.

Attendees can enjoy guided walks, engaging talks, hands-on workshops, and a bustling vendor fair filled with fungi-inspired delights. Whether you're a seasoned forager or just curious, it's the perfect time to discover the wonder, science, and magic of mushrooms (but not "magic mushrooms")...and get expert help identifying your mycological finds.

"This year's Yachats Mushroom Festival celebrates the theme "The World of Mushrooms," a reminder of just how vast and fascinating fungi truly are," says Nichole Lippincott, executive director of the Yachats Chamber of Commerce.

Friday, October 17,

the festival kicks off from 5-6:30 p.m. at the Yachats Commons with a mushroom-themed dinner by Big Dog BBQ, a local food truck. Following dinner is the 7 p.m. keynote presentation by Daniel Winkler: "Fruits of the Forest."

Saturday & Sunday, October 18-19 will feature a Vendor Fair: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Yachats Commons 441 Highway 101, featuring artisans, food, crafts, and all things mushroom.

Mushroom ID Hall: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. under the big top on the Commons lawn, hosted by the Lincoln County Mycological Society (LCMS), Cascade Mycological Society (CMS), and North American Truffling Society (NATS). Bring your "finds" for expert identification.

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ROTARY

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as they collect eggs and compete for prizes.

Interact members work with Soroptimist club members to serve food to people in need at Thanksgiving. Other Interact Club activities

include caroling at local facilities for senior citizens, assisting with the annual Rotary auction that raises tens of thousands of dollars for student scholarships, selling cookie dough for funds that can then be used to support an individual or group service project, and helping with special projects such as community

cleanup. At least once during the school year, the Interact club will conduct a meeting of the Rotary Club of Florence. Rotary meets weekly on Tuesdays at the Florence Events Center, and Interact members will be responsible for making sure that the meeting flows smoothly from start to finish.

SIUSLAW

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switched our lineup a bit, and I think it was a positive change overall," Perry said. "Despite the scores, there

were some great moments and good play, especially in the 2nd set."

Kylee Stinger, Mia Snider, and Stella Duman all had outstanding individual performances for Siuslaw. Stinger racked up three kills and kept points alive with 18 digs. Danin Lacouture was also a rock on defense, with 11 digs. Snider tacked on five kills, which was the second most on the squad. Duman led the team in kills with eight on 34 attempts.

The second set saw the Vikings compete neck and neck with the Trojans, narrowly losing 20-25.

Perry said it was thanks to a more balanced offensive approach and solid defensive play. When Douglas scored points, it was rarely a result of big mistakes.

"We did a much better job spreading the ball out to many hitters. Our serve receive was strong, and when we struggled on defense, it was largely because of smart plays and hard-hit balls by Douglas. We're ready to see Sutherlin again," Perry said after the Douglas match.

Siuslaw will be back in action against South Umpqua in an away game on Oct. 16.

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The boys have also been putting together a winning run recently, putting together a four-game win streak going into the Oct. 9 match with La Pine. After winning against East Linn Christian and Elmira, Siuslaw welcomed Central Linn for a home game on Oct. 2. Head Coach Londi Tomaro was happy with how the contest played out.

"We came into today's match with intensity and focus, and our gameplay showed that," Tomaro said after the match. "Overall, we did a good job of possessing the ball and passing our way up the field."

Siuslaw's forwards and midfield created chances from the get-go, and Kale Jensen took his first

shot on goal within the first minute of the game. Siuslaw created chances with crisp ball movement, and they continued to probe and prod the Central Linn penalty area. Jensen scored the squad's first goal when he broke through the defensive line and placed a low shot just past the keeper into the net.

"Asher Borgnino scored our second goal on the end of a run, by perfectly timing his touch on a beautiful cross from Kale," Tomaro said. "The keeper had gone out to the edge of the goal box in an attempt to stop Kale's run, and the cross was undefended."

Kale Jensen combined with his brother, Sailor Jensen, for the third Siuslaw goal. Sailor put a cross into the box from a corner, and Kale met it with his head, nodding a "decisive header" into the net.

The Cobras struck back when they created a chance from a precise through ball. Despite a tenacious effort from goalie Terrance Masterman, Central Linn was able to claw a goal back, making the score 3-1 entering the halftime break. As the game went on, Siuslaw did a "better job of challenging and winning the ball."

"In the second half, the Cobras had very few attacking runs, and none were dangerous," Tomaro said. "Our defensive line of Lalo Pelayo, Aris Lade, and Yair Brito Xilot, our goalkeeper, Terrance, and our defensive midfielders Ezra King and Sailor worked together very well to cover and defend against their attacking plays and protected the goal well."

With the defense keeping the Cobras at bay, the second half didn't feature any more goals,

and the game ended 3-1. Tomaro's squad followed up that victory with a 5-2 win against Crosshill Christian/Jefferson on Oct. 7.

"We started with the first kick and kept the momentum, and set the tone for the first part of the game," Tomaro said. "Our midfield and forwards put together several attacking plays, but did not score."

After putting pressure on the opposition, Crosshill began to win the ball and make challenges up the field toward our goal. The Vikings weathered the storm and broke the stalemate in the first half. Camden Linton

Netted a brace to give Siuslaw a 2-0 advantage, burying his first chance and slotting his second between a mass of players. Crosshill Christian refused to give up despite the deficit, equalizing before halftime by

putting together attacking moves, creating three breakaway chances, and scoring on two of them. Despite leveling 12 shots at Crosshill's goal, they couldn't grab a decisive third goal.

After halftime, the Vikings emerged from the break with renewed vigor. Siuslaw wanted to focus on possession, and they improved passing accuracy, movement, and created more scoring opportunities. Finally, the Vikings created a breakthrough.

"Our third goal came when Kale dribbled into the outer edge of the box and angled the ball into the back of the net," Tomaro said.

After several more attempts to create a goal-scoring opportunity, Siuslaw's forwards and midfielders tailored a beautiful attacking move, pinging the ball around.

"Asher flicked on a ball

from the midfield into the Crosshill half, Ezra ran onto the ball and crossed it in front of the net, and Kale tapped it in for our fourth goal," Tomaro said. "Bentley Nelson scored our fifth goal from the left side of the box, powering in a near-post shot just out of reach of the goalkeeper."

Though Crosshill generated several more counterattacks and continued to press the Vikings, Siuslaw remained strong in possession and cleared the ball out of dangerous areas when necessary. The game finished with Siuslaw walking away with a 5-2 win.

The results of the Oct. 9 game against La Pine and the Oct. 14 Senior Night game against Pleasant Hill are not available at the time of press. The Vikings are back in action against Sisters on Oct. 16 at 4 p.m.

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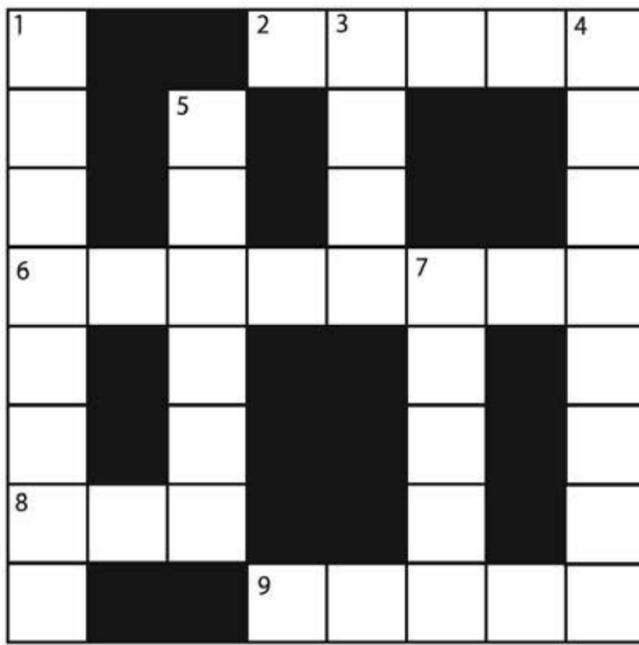
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Crossword Puzzle



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1843: B'nai B'rith, now the oldest Jewish service organization in the world, is founded in New York.

1976: The first electron micrograph of an Ebola virus is taken at the CDC.

Body FACT:

These devices stay on the eye due to surface tension of tear fluid and the eye's curvature.

Answer: Contact lenses

ACROSS

- 2. Involves the eye
- 6. In a line
- 8. Abbreviation for "hours"
- 9. Stings or pains

DOWN

- 1. Vision
- 3. Foot treatment
- 4. Corrects vision
- 5. Bends
- 7. One who plays

Answers:
 Across
 2. Optic 6. Straight 8. Hrs 9. Burns
 Down
 1. School
 3. Pedicure 4. Curves 5. Contacts
 7. Gamer

NEW WORD

SOLUTION

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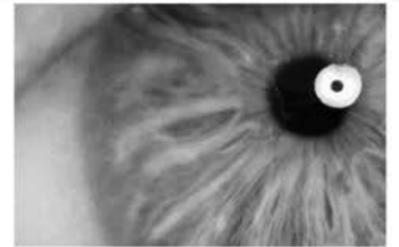
- English:** Case
- Spanish:** Caja
- Italian:** Scatola
- French:** Boîtier
- German:** Schatulle



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Get the PICTURE?



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

Answer: Eye

HEARING TEST

WORD SEARCH

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

WORDS

- ACOUSTICS
- AUDIOLOGY
- AUDITORY
- COCHLEA
- CORTEX
- DECIBEL
- EUSTACHIAN TUBE
- FREQUENCY
- HEARING AID
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by Dave T. Phipps



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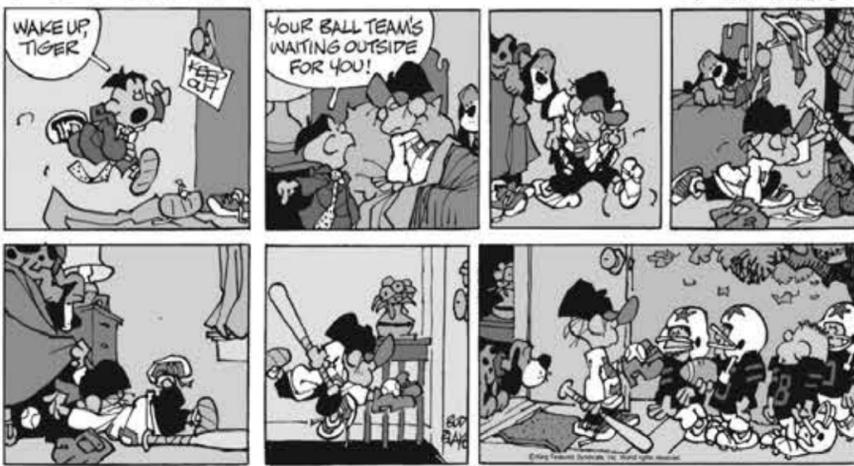
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CryptoQuip

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: O equals G

BUKB OQF UKL KR ZHCBSGRKV
WUKMKWBZM CEEVF LSHSVKM
BC K FCQRO HKVZ UCMLZ.
UZ'L LC WCVB-UZKMBZE.

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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!

Filth: CLEARD

Guide: MERNOT

Elude: PEACES

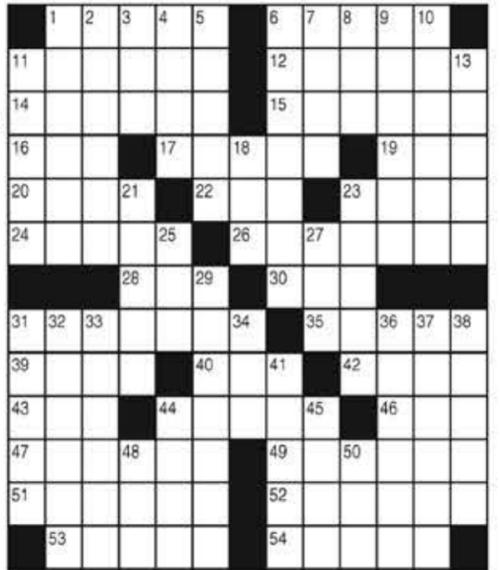
Bundle: CARPLE

TODAY'S WORD: _____

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Bulgaria's capital
- 6 Tub toys
- 11 Bacon pieces
- 12 Mistakes in print
- 14 Serengeti howlers
- 15 Pre-Easter
- 16 Swiss canton
- 17 Univ. divisions
- 19 Toll rd.
- 20 Lincoln in-law
- 22 "No seats"
- 23 Spring
- 24 Entangle
- 26 Surpassed
- 28 Tic-tac-toe win
- 30 Roofing goo
- 31 Indy 500 skid
- 35 Singer Norah
- 39 Marathoner's stat
- 40 Recipe abbr.
- 42 Humorist Sahl
- 43 Chang's brother
- 44 Unadorned
- 46 Kanga's kid
- 47 Asian peninsula
- 49 Designer Pierre
- 51 Van Gogh's "— Night"



DOWN

- 1 "Sophie's Choice" author
- 2 Frozen fries brand
- 3 Shark feature
- 4 Apple tablet
- 5 Ninnies
- 6 Sing loudly
- 7 Unrefined metals
- 8 Prince
- 9 Valiant's son
- 10 Body art
- 11 Intervene
- 13 Bracelet site
- 18 Expert
- 21 Unmanned plane
- 23 PC drive insert
- 25 Bathroom, to a Brit
- 27 — Mahal
- 29 Expenditures
- 31 Rose parts
- 32 Target at a fiesta
- 33 "That makes me happy!"
- 34 Airport screening org.
- 36 Type of skiing
- 37 Beethoven's Third
- 38 Sculptor's material
- 41 Loop of lace
- 44 Arsonist
- 45 iPod model
- 48 Onassis nickname
- 50 Train lines (Abbr.)

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Weekly SUDOKU

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7	1	9	4		6	
	2	6		9	4	
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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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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: Which U.S. state is the only one that borders on two oceans?
2. LITERATURE: Which famous author used the pseudonym Richard Bachman early in his career?
3. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the national animal of France?
4. MATH: What is the sum of the interior angles in a triangle?
5. HISTORY: Who was the first American president to win a Nobel Peace Prize?
6. GENERAL KNOWLEDGE: Which ancient civilization built Machu Picchu?
7. ACRONYMS: What does the computing acronym API stand for?
8. MOVIES: What is the name of Elle Woods' Chihuahua in "Legally Blonde"?
9. MUSIC: Which musical instrument has 88 keys?
10. TELEVISION: Which television sitcom character is famous for saying, "Did I do that?"?

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SEPARATE

Today's Word

- 3. Escape; 4. Parcel
- 1. Cradle; 2. Mentor

SCRAMBLERS

Solution

M	O	R	S
T	O	A	S
R	E	A	R
S	E	R	E
R	E	R	A
L	A	L	E

Solution

8	5	4	2	3	6	1	7	9
2	7	3	1	8	9	5	6	4
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3	4	7	8	9	1	6	2	5
9	8	2	5	6	7	4	1	3
6	1	5	4	2	3	7	9	8
5	2	6	3	7	8	9	4	1
7	3	1	9	5	4	2	8	6
4	9	8	6	1	2	3	5	7

Answer

Weekly SUDOKU

He's so colt-headed.

That guy has an emotional character oddly similar to a young male horse.

answer

CryptoQuip

He's so colt-headed.

That guy has an emotional character oddly similar to a young male horse.

answer

10. Steve Urkel

9. Piano

8. Bruiser

7. Application Programming Interface

6. Incan

5. Theodore Roosevelt

4. 180 degrees

3. The Gallic rooster

2. Stephen King

1. Alaska; Pacific Ocean and Arctic Ocean

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Answers

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TSN25-189 ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

Sealed Bids will be received by Chestnut Management, LLC for the Elm Park Early Learning Center project until the Deadline for Bid Submission at 2:00 p.m. local time, on Tuesday, October 28th, 2025. A public Bid opening will take place immediately following Bid closing. Bids will be opened at PIVOT Architecture 44 West Broadway Suite 300 Eugene, OR 97401. For more information contact KC Eck, (541) 762-1807, keck@pivotarchitecture.com. Sealed Bids to be delivered to PIVOT Architecture 44 West Broadway Suite 300 Eugene, OR 97401 during regular working hours 9AM to 4PM weekdays. Late Bids will not be consid-

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as required by OAR 137-049-0230. [A license to work with asbestos-containing materials under ORS 468A.720 is not required for this project.] For every bid \$100,000 or greater, all Contractors and Subcontractors shall have a public works bond, in the amount of \$30,000, filed with the Construction Contractors' Board (CCB), before starting work on the project, unless exempt. A copy of the Contractors' BOLI Public Works Bond shall be provided with the executed contract documents. Each Bid shall contain a statement indicating whether the Bidder is a "resident bidder", as defined in ORS 279A.120. Each Bid shall contain a statement that the Contractor agrees to be bound by and will comply with the provisions of ORS 279C.800 through 279C.870 regarding payment of Prevailing Wages". Contractor shall certify non-discrimination in obtaining required subcontractors in accordance with ORS 279A.110(4). Chestnut Management, LLC reserves the right to (1) reject any or all Bids not in compliance with all public bidding procedures and requirements, (2) postpone award of the Contract for a period not to exceed sixty (60) days from the date of bid opening, (3) waive informalities in the Bids, (4) select the Bid which appears to be in the best interest of the Owner, or (5) reject any or all bids. As a publicly funded project, the following requirements are applicable: 1. Oregon Public Contracting Code, ORS 278A, 279B, 279C. 2. Prevailing wage requirements 279C.870 and OAR 839 Division 25. 3. Davis-Bacon Act 40 USC 3141 et seq. 4. When both Prevailing Wage Rates and Davis-Bacon apply, you must pay the greater of the two. 5.No hiring contractors on BOLI's list of contractors ineligible to receive public works contracts. 6. Contractor must provide Notice to the BOLI Commissioner required by Ors 279c.835. "THIS PROJECT WAS FUNDED IN PART BY THE OREGON STATE LOTTERY AND ADMINISTERED BY THE OREGON BUSINESS DEVELOPMENT DEPARTMENT."

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. More than enough	— M — — —	Granny Smith, e.g.	— P — — —
2. Veranda	— — R — —	Kangaroo's pocket	— — U — —
3. Lag behind	— I — — —	Extended	— O — — —
4. Hay measure	— — — — L	Completely worn out	— — — — D
5. Model Crawford	— I — — —	Gum drop or licorice	— A — — —
6. Span	— — — — H	Respond	— — — — T
7. Realm	E — — — —	Baseball referee	U — — — —
8. Coldplay singer	— — — T — —	Singer Gaye	— — — V — —
9. Theme	— — P — —	Gin and	— — N — —
10. Brag	— O — — —	Explosion	— L — — —

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Man With Pacemaker Must Be Careful Around Induction Stovetops

DEAR DR. ROACH: My husband has a pacemaker. We have an induction stove, and his cardiologist was uncertain if it was safe for him to use it. So, he does not cook on the stovetop and stays clear of it when I am cooking.

Is it safe for him to use at least the back burners? When I am out of town or just not home, he is afraid to use the cooktop. I feel like at least the back burners should be at a sufficient distance to be safe. Do you know if it would be safe for him to use? He is 5 feet, 5 inches tall. Thank you. — V.S.

ANSWER: Induction cooking stoves use powerful electromagnets to create a magnetic field. Inside the metal of your cookware, this creates electronic currents, which dissipate heat through electric resistance. However, this powerful magnetic field can also "tell" your pacemaker to turn itself off or change its mode of activity. This is why it's important to avoid strong magnetic fields when one has a pacemaker.

For an induction stovetop, the recommendation is to stay 60 centimeters (2 feet) away from the device while it's turned on. This doesn't mean that he can't use it at all, just that he shouldn't be touching the pot continuously and should be using the back burners, which will likely keep him the requisite distance away.

DEAR DR. ROACH: My oncol-

ogist tries to type out his own notes from my office visit, but I think that he copies and pastes info from old notes. My history with him is very long and detailed (MRIs, CT scans, lab results, etc.). In addition, notes from all my hospital stays for chemo are there.

After my last office visit, he scheduled me for an MRI but made no mention of any change in medication. I read his notes on the app and noticed there was an order for a new medication that was sent over to my pharmacy. It was for procarbazine, which I took as part of my chemotherapy in early 2024.

It was a mistake, but it was very upsetting. I had to make several phone calls to get it straightened out. So, if people have access to online notes, please make sure that you are looking at the most recent information. — M.D.

ANSWER: Having the ability to read your physician's notes is, in my opinion, a very good thing. Correcting mistakes is probably the most important reason why. One study found that 25% of doctors picked up an important mistake in their record based on patient feedback.

Procarbazine, by the way, is an extremely powerful chemotherapy drug and would never have been dispensed by the pharmacy without confirmation from your doctor. In the hospital, there are multiple layers of protection to make sure that the right person gets the right dose of the right medicine. It wouldn't be given out lightly.

Reading your doctor's note hopefully gives a person some insight into a doctor's thought process and may help people understand why their doctor made the recommendations that they did. Occasionally I have people who ask to change their medical records. This isn't allowed, but a note can be made about what the mistake was so that the information can be corrected.

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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- 21-Oct: "Who Killed the Montreal Expos?" (Documentary) — Netflix
- 22-Oct: "The Thundermans: Undercover" (Season 1) — Paramount+
- 23-Oct: "Nobody Wants This" (Season 2) — Netflix
- 23-Oct: "Married at First Sight" (Season 19) — Peacock
- 24-Oct: "A House of Dynamite" (R) — Netflix
- 24-Oct: "Leslie Jones: Life Part 2" (Comedy Special) — Peacock
- 26-Oct: "Mayor of Kingstown" (Season 4) — Paramount+
- 26-Oct: "IT: Welcome to Derry" (Season 1) — HBO Max

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Even Exchange answers

1. Apple, Apple	6. Reach, React
2. Porch, Pouch	7. Empire, Umpire
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