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Siuslaw students back in school



A small group of Siuslaw High School seniors marked the first day of school by watching the sunrise from Hans Petersen field. Photo provided.

By **TONY REED**
The Siuslaw News

As of this week, students at all three Siuslaw Schools and Whitmore Classical Academy are back in class.

A small group of Siuslaw High School students was up before dawn on Aug. 31 to take part in the traditional Senior Sunrise at Hans Petersen field.

During advisory meetings that week, High School Principal Mike Harklerode stressed the new rules regarding cell phones

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Siuslaw High School Principal Mike Harklerode held four meetings with students, by grade, to explain rules, policies, new programs, attendance, and grading requirements. Tony Reed photo.

Introduction to City Council candidates

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From Candidate Filings

The race for mayor has three candidates, one of whom has already served on the council, but not as mayor. They are Shannon Warren, Daniel Lofy and Sally Wantz.

Sally Wantz has been on the council since 2021. She applied for candidacy as a nonpartisan voter and listed her occupation as retired.

She graduated from University of Colorado with a BS in business administration and from the Community College of Denver with an associate degree in general studies

She listed additional educational background as Co-Active Leadership; Coaches Training Institute; and National Theatre Conservatory.

She listed her occupational background as “human resources; management; hospitality; personal and professional life coaching.”

Under prior governmental experience she wrote, “elected city counselor and have served from January 2021 to present; as such, have been appointed to and serve on the Florence urban renewal agency; environmental management advisory committee; city of Florence budget committee; RHRLP: Housing and Transportation Implementation Committees.”

winwithwantz@gmail.com

Shannon Warren applied for candidacy as a nonpartisan voter and listed her occupation as “Self Employed.”

She graduated from Washington State University in 2023 with a BS in psychology, from Salt Lake Community College in 2018

One hospitalized after crash into building



State and city police wait for a tow truck to pull this SUV from the wall of Florence Travelodge. Tony Reed photo.

FROM FLORENCE POLICE DEPARTMENT

On Aug. 29 at 8:55 p.m., Florence Police Department received several calls reporting a vehicle had crashed into the Travelodge motel located at 1084 Hwy 101.

Callers said a female driver trapped inside the vehicle and another female victim that was trapped and injured in the motel room that had been hit.

Upon arrival officers observed a red SUV partially lodged into one of the rooms on the west

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September 11, 2001, 25 Years Later

CAL APPLEBEE, CONTRIBUTOR

Most people remember where they were when landmark incidents took place in our society, such as when JFK was assassinated in 1963, when Neil Armstrong walked on the moon in 1969, and of course when terrorists attacked our nation in 2001 back

east. That Tuesday morning my wife and I were both getting ready for work at our home in Central Oregon. Like so many other Americans we watched in horror as the second highjacked airliner struck the second tower at 6:03 a.m. our time. We would eventually learn that a total of four planes would attack, leading to the death of

September 11, 2001

Remember & Reflect

2,977 Americans, including fire and police.

Within minutes of the attacks, the FAA ordered a total ground stop of

all civilian aircraft in US airspace. Later that night, my wife and I were awakened by the sound of a low-flying jet over our house which

was situated on a high ridge. Alarmed at the sound, knowing of the no-fly order for civilian aircraft, I jumped up and out to our back deck in time to see an F-18 from the Oregon Air National Guard out of Portland roar. It was very disturbing, like the attack was now in our own back yard. We learned the next day the fighter jet was in

search of a reported helicopter flying in our area in violation of the ground stop, but it was never found.

Tim Sapp shared with me how eerie it was when 9/11 happened because just the day prior he had been involved in the final day and tasks of the Moving Wall visit

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Live, Learn and Share- Brings you- Transport stand assist

By BOB HORNEY

In every neighborhood, there are quiet stories of courage—families doing their best to care for loved ones whose strength is fading. One such story unfolded a couple doors from my home. It really reminded me how important it is for caregivers to know about the tools that can make their work safer, easier and more efficient. Today I want to share one of those tools which is only possible because it was SHARED with me. It is a device called Transport Stand Assist.

This is especially critical for those providing care for a loved one at home. Made by vive health, it is designed to help caregivers move a patient from one seated position to another without lifting, straining, or risking a fall. The husband developed cancer not long after they moved to Florence. The neuropathy he received from chemotherapy weakened his legs until he could no longer stand on his own. At a rehabilitation center in Salem, his wife learned about the Transport Stand Assist—a sturdy, wheeled

sit-to-stand device that allows a caregiver to help a patient rise, support them securely, and move them safely from a bed to a chair, to a toilet, or any seated surface to another. She purchased one for home use, hoping it would allow her to provide home care without injuring herself. Sadly, he passed away before she could use it. But she still has it, will provide hands-on experience and sell it for the \$400 she paid. The vive Transport Stand Assist is built for situations exactly like theirs: a small caregiver (5’2”

& 120 lbs) and a larger patient (6’2” & 220 lbs). It has a reinforced steel frame and a 400-pound weight capacity, yet it rolls easily on locking casters that glide over carpet and hard floors. The patient places their feet on a wide footplate, rests their shins against padded supports, and uses foam-covered handrails to help themselves rise. Once upright, two split seat pads swing in behind them, providing secure support during transport. The caregiver never has to lift the patient - only guide them. This device is not a full mechanical lift. The patient must be able to bear some weight and participate in the standing motion. But for many people with mobility issues,

it can be the difference between unsafe lifting and safe, controlled movement. Or home care versus health care facility. What makes the Transport Stand Assist especially valuable for home use is its practicality. It fits through standard doorways and doesn’t require electricity. It is simple to assemble and far more affordable than powered lifts. Rehab centers use them every day, which means many patients already know how they work before returning home. Most importantly, for caregivers, it reduces the risk of back injuries, one of the most common and debilitating hazards in home care. For families, it can extend the time

a loved one can remain safely at home. This heart-breaking story is a reminder that caregiving often arrives suddenly, without warning, and without a manual. Tools like the Transport Stand Assist can make an enormous difference, but only if people know they exist. If you or someone you love is facing mobility challenges, talk with your medical team, physical therapist, or rehab center about whether a Transport Stand Assist device might help. It may be one of the simplest, safest ways to support both patient and caregiver through a difficult chapter. For a personal, hands-on experience with the Transport Stand Assist, call me at 541-999-4239.

John Weatherwax

4/17/1933 - 6/12/2026

We are sorry to announce that our beloved, John R. Weatherwax, passed away on June 12th, 2026, at 12:06 pm. He was 93 years old and died peacefully at home with his family in attendance. Jack is survived by his wife Lita, his daughter Denise and her husband Danny Ebner, their children and grandchild. He is also survived by his nieces Joan and Janice, his nephews Michael (deceased) Bob, and Mark, and their children and grandchildren. He was a wonderful father, husband, grandfather, uncle, mentor, teacher, and friend. For many years he worked in Los Angeles as the Food and Drug Administration Laboratory



Director. After being offered early retirement, he began working for the Food and Agricultural Organization of the World Health Organization of the United Nations. He traveled the world helping other countries to develop their own FDA like food testing facilities. He saw many places and enjoyed getting to know many different people and cultures. Especially the foods. He loved learning about other countries cooking and brought delicious recipes home. The world is not as bright without his love, laughter, and wisdom. He was buried with Military Honors beside his parents in Eureka California

Daniel Scott Hackett

1947 - 2026

It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Daniel Scott Hackett; whose life was defined by dedicated service, faith, and deep love of family and country. Born on April 2, 1947, Dan continued a proud family tradition of military service by enlisting in the United States Army and completing 2 tours in Vietnam. He later transitioned to the United States Coast Guard, where his leadership, work ethic, and dedication culminated in his advancement to Master Chief Petty Officer—the service’s highest enlisted rank. Following a distinguished career of 30 years, he retired with the enduring respect and admiration of those who served alongside him. Beyond his military career, Dan was deeply committed to supporting his fellow service members through Point Man International Ministries, as well as being a friend of Bill W for many years. Above all, Dan was a loving, generous, strong-willed, and quick-witted man who took immense pride in his family. His true legacy lives on in the values he instilled in his children, grandchildren, and great-



grandchildren. He is survived by his beloved wife of 41 years, Diana Hackett - Murray; his three children, Michele Stevens (Jeff), Kurtis Hargens, and Marcia Haro - Hargens (Dave); four grandchildren, Ryan, Tyler, David, and Gabriel; seven great-grandchildren, Claire, Carter, Audry, Gianna, Laney, Luca, and Elena; as well as many extended family members and friends. Dan answered the call, served with honor, and led with pride. Military Service will be held at Pacific Sunset Cemetery on September 18, at 11 a.m. Celebration of Life will be held at Florence Elks Lodge #1858 September 19, from 1 to 2:30 p.m. (casual attire) Fair Winds and Following Seas Master Chief In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to: Point Man International Ministries Point Man Outpost 101,PO Box 1045 Coos Bay, OR 97420

Pauline Rachel (Muldoon) Fleisher

July 2, 1939 - Aug. 13, 2026

Pauline Rachel (Muldoon) Fleisher, 87, of Florence, OR, went Home on Aug. 13, 2026, to be with her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ and to reunite with her husband Neil. Pauline was born July 2, 1939, in Mifflintown, to William Robert and Lena A. (Kahley) Muldoon. Her dad named her “Pete.” She graduated from Juniata Joint in 1957. She met her future husband, H. Neil Fleisher, at The Gardens: his father’s square dance hall in Milroy. It was only open for three months, just so they could meet. Neil drove a bright red Pontiac Thunderbird convertible, which sweetened the deal. They married a year later on April 11, 1961, and moved to Bellefonte to join Neil’s father and mother in opening a chain of convenience stores. In 1979, Neil sold the business to his brother and moved his family to Florence, OR. He and Pauline opened Bay View Deli, introducing the town to a variety of hoagies. Pauline’s joy was covering the walls with photos of satisfied customers. From 1991-2004, Neil and Pauline lived in Lewisburg, PA; and from 2004-08, they lived in the Bluebonnet Towers at the Jimmy Swaggart Ministries in Baton Rouge, LA.



They loved their time there. Neil loved the gumbo, but Pauline refused to try it. In April 2009, they moved back to Florence to be closer to their son Chris and daughter Donna. Two months later, Neil preceded Pauline in death, and she and Donna shared the next 17 years together as true best friends. Donna kept her supplied with yarn, and Pauline crocheted hundreds of beautiful creations. She was, indeed, an artistic genius. Pauline was blind for 28 years, but what she is seeing now in her heavenly Home is beyond wonderful and unimaginably beautiful. She died as she lived, a Christian. She is survived by Chris and Thess, Donna, sister Shirley Groff of Thompsonstown, and numerous nieces and nephews. In addition to her parents and husband, she was preceded in death by her older siblings William R. “Bill” Muldoon Jr., Betty Reese, Brady “Jake” Muldoon, Anna Brackbill, Helen “Dot” Benner, and infant stillborn sister Thelma Doris Muldoon. Pauline was buried next to Neil at the Pacific Sunset Cemetery in Florence, overlooking rolling sand dunes and the beautiful Siuslaw River Bridge.

POLICE LOG

The Florence Police Department responded to the following calls from August 25 to August 31

TUESDAY, AUGUST 25

At 1:00 a.m., officers responded to the 3100 block of Highway 101 for a reported overdose on controlled substances. Narcan was administered, and one subject was taken to the emergency room for treatment. At 10:12 a.m., officers responded to the area of 15th and Spruce for a report that a subject had stolen alcohol. Officers located the subject and arrested him for the theft. At 12:52 p.m., a resident turned in a found medical ID card and credit card. Officers were able to mail the cards back to the owner. At 208 p.m., officers responded to the 1500 block of 10th Street for a reported family dispute. Officers arrived to find an ongoing dispute over the care of an elderly resident. At 2:31 p.m., officers responded to the 4100 block of Highway 101 for a report that a subject had

been mishandling a puppy by its neck. Officers arrived in the area to find the subject had already left. At 2:43 p.m., a caller reported identification theft, saying his card numbers were being used to purchase phones in Tennessee. The case remains under investigation. At 6:28 p.m., a caller reported a possibly intoxicated subject getting into a car in the 1100 block of Highway 101 and driving. Officers arrived in the area but were unable to locate the described vehicle. At 12:57 p.m., dispatch received a text to 911 with no further information. Dispatchers were able to determine the number was owned by a timber worker outside the area, whose phone dialed 911 while in his pocket. At 1:53 p.m., officers responded to the 2000 block of Highway 101 for a report that a subject was excessively activating a shock collar on his dog. The subject was gone when officers arrived. At 9:26 p.m., a caller reported seeing a driver in a dark SUV with kids who was possibly intoxicated in the 1500 block of 9th Street. Officers in the area were on scene within seconds and saw no vehicles matching the description. At 2:41 a.m., a caller reported having been bitten by a service dog inside a business on Highway 126. Officers arrived to speak to the subject, who declined medical assistance. Officers found that the dog and owner had left the area.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 26TH

THURSDAY, AUGUST 27TH

At 2:59 a.m., a business in the 1500 block of 9th Street reported a subject had taken a beer. Officers arrived and located the same subject from the August 25, 10:12 am call. The subject was charged with theft. At 9:52 a.m., a business in the 1700 block of Highway 126 reported that a subject had stolen a fifth of hard liquor. Officers arrived in the area and located the subject from the previous call, who had already consumed most of the alcohol. The subject was taken into custody and transported to the jail. At 10:20 a.m., while dealing with the previous call, officers observed a couple of bicycles left near the estuary trail. The bicycles were taken to the police department and placed in evidence storage. At 3:09 p.m., officers responded to the 1700 block of 43rd Street for a reported dispute. Officers found a couple separating. The male had returned for some of his belongings. Officers stood by while he collected them. At 3:17 p.m., a female caller reported receiving harassing phone calls threatening her sexually. At the last report, officers were following up with information. At 9:18 p.m., callers reported seeing fireworks being shot high into the sky over Florence. Officers arrived in the area, but were unable to locate the source of the fireworks. At 10 p.m., officers responded to the 3500 block of Oak Street for a report of a loud party occurring with a warming fire burning. Officers



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Peggy Wilson

11/30/1934 - 08/16/2026

Peggy Ann Wilson was born November 30, 1934, in Fairfield Iowa to William and Lucretia Bruders. On August 16th, she passed away peacefully in her sleep. She married Richard Wilson in 1954, and they were married for 49 1/2 years when he passed away in 2005. She was proceeded in death by her 5 siblings, Vivian, Jennie Jo, Larry, Joyce and Jimmie, and 3 nephews. She is survived by her daughter Vicki and son-in-law Paul and son Bob along with 2 granddaughters Nicole and Kelsey as well as many nieces and nephews. Peggy graduated from nursing school in 1955 and worked many years as a nurse, retiring from Mt Hood Medical Center. She moved to Reno and then



joined her sister in Florence in 2006. She continued using her nursing skills taking care of family and friends. She loved to garden and make gifts for everyone... She did her best to make people feel cared for and loved. Our profound loss is heavens gain. United Methodist Church 333KingwoodSt.Florenceor Sept 12th at 1pm... reception to follow

LETTERS

DEAR EDITOR,

What happens when your neighbor’s home stops being a home—and starts operating like a hotel? Think it can’t happen to you? Think again. The house for sale down the street could become the next short-term rental.

What happens when that “hotel” packs in 24 guests—and some are drunk, disorderly, trespassing, and partying late into the night?

We know what happens. We’ve lived it. So have our neighbors. So have residents throughout Dunes City.

That’s why we created a citizens’ initiative that puts residents first. It includes:

- An on-site resident host. Someone nearby who can respond when problems arise—and whose presence can help prevent them in the first place.
- A reasonable occupancy cap. We don’t think one house should be able to triple the population of an entire neighborhood for a weekend.
- No new short-term rentals in residential neighborhoods.

Some people have said this initiative is “too strict.”

Too strict for whom? We’re tired of being the police. We’re tired of late-night parties, trespassing, noise, and trash. And we’re tired of property managers who collect their fees, insult the neighbors, and do nothing to solve the problem.

So, what’s our recourse? The police won’t come. The property manager won’t do anything. The owner doesn’t respond. Who, exactly, is supposed to deal with the problems? Maybe the people who say this initiative is “too strict” can come over the next time a party gets out of control, help resolve the situation, and then tell us if they still think the initiative is too strict.

Investors get the profits. Residents get the problems.

Neighbors: STAND TOGETHER. Protect OUR rights. Vote YES on 20-386 in November!

Linda John
Florence

DEAR EDITOR,

The current use of NDA’s by taxpayer funded entities needs to stop.

The use of NDA’s is needed in private enterprise to conceal from the public a proprietary process of a business.

To conceal information from the public by any public agency is to destroy the idea of; by the people, for the people.

A simple solution would be that any individual in public service using an NDA is entering into a private transaction and no public funds other than their own pays for the transaction.

Any public employee required to sign an NDA becomes the private employee of the person

requiring the NDA. All salaries, wages, benefits, retirement plan becomes the sole responsibility of the person requiring the NDA.

Any conviction for violation should result in assets seized as restitution for damages.

We need to restore public service with integrity. To serve the people, not self interest.

Steve Campbell
Florence

DEAR EDITOR,

Why I think mail-in voting is problematic and unfair.

Before mail-in ballots, Voting was done on one day at a safe place, where everyone presumably had the same “facts” to make the “correct” choice.

Voting lasts from the day I receive the ballot until the Polls close. If I vote on the day I receive my ballot, the “facts” that I use to make the “correct” choice will be different than facts on the day the Polls close.

Why is this an issue? For transparency reason. Election officials and Campaigns leaders monitors who has voted (not how you voted that you voted). Campaigns make assumptions on the effectiveness of targeted ads by timing received ballots at precincts locations. Targeted ads change the “facts” that one uses to make a choice.

Gerrymandering is the intentional manipulation of voting districts to unfairly favor a specific political group. Campaigns monitor mail-in precinct turnout, then use targeted get-out-to vote phone calls.

When a decision goes to a Jury. Outside influence is stopped, They are then sequestered with the same facts until a decision is made. Mail-in voting is Outside influence, and a cheap way to manipulate the vote by changing the “facts” and “strong arming” certain groups to vote.

Rory Hammond
Westlake

DEAR EDITOR,

At a recent City Council meeting a petition was presented, with the signatories desirous of having the Council study/implement a “climate action plan”. If the reporting was accurate, the petition has been circulating for seven years gathering signatures. Of the total collected 71 were from Florence, the rest were elsewhere.

My first observation is why would a city of about 10,000 residents take up consideration of a topic with very little interest to the vast majority of its citizenry? I’m sure the supporters of this cause are believers and well-meaning, but adopting a program because the supporters clamor loudest is an attempted tyranny of the minority.

The second point I would offer is that there

is nothing the government of the City of Florence can do to effect changes to the World’s climate. Even with a modicum amount of study of geology, history, and science, you will find that Earth’s climate has changed enormously over the years well before “fossil fuels”, the ozone layer, the coming of the Industrial Revolution, etc. What we know as vast deserts were once oceans, glaciers formed and then melted. Just 15-20 thousand years ago the Great Lakes were formed by the receding glaciers gouging out the surface and the subsequent filling with water from melting ice. That’s what I call change!

In conclusion I would add that there are actions we can take as citizens to react as the climate slowly evolves, but no level of government can alter the course of any change. This is true regardless of promises made or money thrown at the problem. It’s just plain common sense.

Ralph Nichols
Florence

DEAR EDITOR,

Civilization comes from the “root” word; Civil. Civil generally means “relating to ordinary people, society, or behavior that is polite and respectful.”

I asked Chat GPT if civilized behavior is a precursor to civilization? The response:

Yes—in an important sense, civilized behavior is a precursor to civilization, although the relationship works both ways. I.e: Can’t have one without the other

Individual restraint leads to civil behavior which leads to social trust then to cooperation followed by institutions and finally to civilization!

Civilized behavior generally means people learn to control impulses, resolve disagreements without constant violence, respect boundaries, cooperate, and follow shared rules. Those behaviors make larger, more stable communities possible.

People create civilization through cooperative behavior, and civilization in turn teaches people how to cooperate.

It seems to me that our elected officials for many years have undermined the basic guidelines of civilization for power, money and control. We have lost our self-control and allow those with the loudest voices, most money or power to RUN our country and now it is at a tipping point we may not be able to reverse.

Russell Myers
Ref: Chat GPT

Russell E. Myers
Florence

DEAR EDITOR,

In addition to City Council Candidate Renee’ LoPilato’s “soft skills”, which she has wielded nationally and

internationally, any women who made it in a “man’s” world of millwright (installing and repairing heavy machinery), welding, metallurgy, carpentry, and operating heavy equipment, has the strength to help steer Florence in the right direction. A formidable personage who will not take no for an answer when pushing for the very best for all of us, is the kind of person I want on my side. I love this town, and will rest easy once she shares the reins going forward. We need this kind of strength in our leaders!

Respectfully,
Brian B Collins
Florence

DEAR EDITOR

This is in response to the August 26th letter to the editor from Ron & Pamela Duzy.

Ron & Pamela, I hope you read this entire article although I suspect you won’t. Regardless, please take my advice and change the channel.

It is obvious that you only watch FOX “Not-Really-News” and have come to the firm, unshakable belief that Trump is “Making America Great Again.”

Rupert Murdoch and his minions at FOX “News,” the Wall Street Journal and the NY Post have turned the 1stAmendment inside-out and upside down by publishing a constant stream of half-truths, misinformation and outright lies for decades. The right-wing propaganda they have been feeding you have you convinced that up is down, North is South and East is West and that Trump is a great president.

The Founders knew an educated public was essential to maintaining our democratic republic. So does Murdoch and his minions, which explains why they have been in the business of misinformation for years. There are millions of people in this country, well-meaning and well-educated people including lawyers, doctors, engineers and teachers who have drunk FOX’s “cool-aid” and believe, almost religiously, in Trump.

Please, turn the channel to National Public TV and radio while it is still available. It will be hard at first but studies have shown that once you free yourself of your addiction to FOX you will be much happier, not to mention much better informed.

Mark Riebau
Florence

DEAR EDITOR,

Re: Ron and Pamela Duzy’s letter (8-26-26), it sure was a “doozy”. There were too many so called “Trump achievements” to address correctly and properly with allotted space. A very important one they left out was the

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Partly Cloudy 55°/70°	Mostly Cloudy 55°/66°	Mostly Cloudy 54°/66°	AM Clouds/ PM Sun 53°/66°	Partly Cloudy 54°/67°	Mostly Sunny 54°/68°	Mostly Sunny 55°/68°

POLICE

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arrived to find no party taking place. Officers contacted subjects at the address and advised them.

FRIDAY, AUGUST 28TH

At 12:11 a.m., officers responded to the hospital emergency room for a report that a subject was refusing to leave. Crisis response personnel were able to arrange short-term shelter and get him food, and officers gave the subject a ride to another location.

19:00 p.m., officers responded to the 3500 block of Oak Street for a report of a loud party occurring with a warming fire burning . Officers arrived to find no party

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At 10:03 a.m., a caller reported that after using their card at a local

business, large charges began to appear on the card, some exceeding \$1,000. The case remains under investigation.

At 10:48 a.m., a caller reported that her car was damaged in a lot in the 4700 block of Highway 101. A report was taken.

At 12:03 p.m., a caller reported a vehicle driving erratically in the 4100 block of Highway 101. Officers were out of position to respond, and by the time they arrived, the vehicle had left the area.

At 1:38 p.m., a business in the 3800 block of Highway 101 reported receiving repeated calls claiming to be the health department. The caller believed it was a scam and hung up before calling police

At 6:47 p.m., officers responded to the 1000

block of Maple for a reported dispute. Officers found no physical contact had been made, and the male half of the couple agreed to leave.

SATURDAY, AUGUST 29TH

At 8:01 a.m., a caller reported that the aluminum awning from a recreational vehicle had come apart on the Siuslaw Bridge. Officers arrived to find the hazard had been cleared.

At 11:32 a.m., a caller reported losing a Nightmare Before Christmas wallet in the Florence area.

At 5:36 p.m., a caller reported that a dark SUV ran them off the roadway on Rhododendron Drive.

At 9:54 p.m., callers reported a vehicle had crashed into a building in the 1000 block of Highway 101.

At 10:28 p.m., a caller reported a subject playing a drum in the 1000 block of Highway 101. Officers arrived and located a subject playing a drum, who agreed to be quiet.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30TH

At 12:48 a.m., a caller reported losing their phone in Old Town. Caller said the phone location was pinging at Safeway. Officers arrived and were able to locate subjects in possession of the phone, who said they were in the process of trying to give it back.

At 1:09 p.m., a caller reported a subject in an RV emptying his waste tanks into a storm drain. When Dispatchers asked for the address , she refused, saying the subject was in the process of moving away, and she did not want to delay him in that effort.

At 7:20 p.m., a caller reported a vehicle driving erratically and swerving on Highway 101 at the south end of Florence. Officers were unable to locate the described vehicle

. At 7:20 p.m., a caller reported glass in the roadway on Highway 101. Public Works was notified.

At 10:50 p.m., callers reported seeing bears in the 1000 block of Highway 101 that had climbed up

trees. Officers arrived and warned the people nearby to leave the bears alone.

At 11:00 p.m., a caller reported cars playing loud music on Nopal Street. Officers arrived to find the area quiet.

MONDAY, AUGUST 31

At 3:26 a.m., a caller came into the police department saying that he had been pepper sprayed. The subject was taken to the emergency room for treatment, at which time it was found that he had a warrant for his arrest from Philomath County. Law enforcement there was contacted and said they would not extradite him. The subject was given a bus ticket out of Florence.

At 11:57 a.m., a subject came into the police department to turn in unwanted bullets for destruction.

At 5:49 p.m., a business reported possible fraudulent charges of \$1,500 on their credit card. Officers investigated and found it to be a civil issue, and a report was taken

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LETTERS

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pardoning of the January 6th thousand or so tourist patriots that visited the Capitol building. Trump’s ego-driven obsessions are on display every single day. His literally thousands of documented lies exit his mouth in the amount of his exhaled breaths! If anyone has some type of mental

derangement it’s Trump himself. What will be next, invasion of Canada, Greenland or both, renaming whatever suits the emperor? Better things will certainly come but will start with Trump and his sycophant company leaving our government! Even FOX News is souring on Trump’s “achievements”, and that speaks volumes !

Thank you,

*Cher Thatcher
Florence*

DEAR EDITOR,

regarding the Aug. 26 letter from Ron and Pamala Duzy, which was fake news.

First, I would like to define Trump Derangement Syndrome, an accusation they hurled at other letter writers. The term is a smear used against anyone who disagrees with the president and is aimed cutting off serious discussion about issues.

Their first claim was that the president ended Iran’s ability to build nuclear weapons. According to the most recent assessments from U.N. inspectors, U.S. intelligence, and independent analysts, Iran’s ability to build and deliver a nuclear weapon has been damaged and delayed but not eliminated.

The second claim was that Trump has achieved net zero border crossings. “Net zero” is not the same as “zero crossings.” Trump’s claim that “zero illegal aliens have been admitted” is false — crossings are dramatically lower but not zero, and undetected crossings can’t be counted. USAFacts noted that June 2026 southwest crossings rose 62% from June 2025.

Another claim is that Trump has signed eight trade agreements encompassing half the global economy. That’s true if they are fully implemented, but most are unimplemented framework agreements, joint statements, oral understandings or unilateral tariffs. Instead of a trade agreement with Canada, our second largest trading partner, we are in a trade war.

Another assertion is that the price of eggs fell 67 percent. True, but this reflects recovery from bird flu, not policy. Under Trump, inflation rose from 3% when he took office to 3.4% in July 2026, and economic growth slowed from 2.8% in 2024 to 2.1% in 2025.

Finally, the exultation over banning children’s gender change. Trump’s own statistics show genital surgery on minors is exceedingly rare. Even so, gender dysphoria is a rare but real and complex condition that cannot and should not be decided by government regulation.

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Humane Society’s ribbon cutting event surprises special guest

On August 27, more than 100 community members gathered to celebrate the one-year anniversary of the Oregon Coast Humane Society Veterinary Clinic with a special ribbon cutting ceremony. The celebration brought together volunteers, donors, supporters, and current and former Board members who have helped serve the animals of Florence for more than 30 years.

Guests toured the clinic, met members of the medical team and volunteers, and celebrated the community support that made the clinic’s transformation possible.

Generous donors have sponsored rooms, kennels, and equipment throughout the clinic. During the event, plaques and signs were unveiled recognizing those whose contributions have helped make the clinic a reality.

Before the public celebration began, a very special surprise was waiting for former OCHS Board President Mary Henry.

Mary continues to serve as an advisor to Oregon Coast Humane Society, and her leadership, experience, and expertise have helped strengthen the organization’s ability to serve the community since she joined the Board in 2021.

Three areas of the veterinary clinic were named in Mary’s honor by donors,

and she was given a private first look before the ribbon cutting. Friends and family traveled from as far away as Seattle to celebrate the occasion. Several childhood friends were waiting inside one of the rooms named in her honor to greet her and congratulate her on the well-deserved recognition.

Each area named in Mary’s honor features a plaque celebrating her leadership and legacy. The Groom Room held an additional surprise: a beautiful painting of Mary’s OCHS alumni dog, Lettie, painted by OCHS volunteer Christy Bailey. Mary was beaming

when she saw the portrait. During the public celebration, Mary Henry and OCHS Veterinarian Dr. Tamay Guevara officially cut the ribbon with oversized scissors provided by the Florence Chamber of Commerce Ambassadors. Guests enjoyed refreshments, visited with friends, and celebrated the clinic’s first year of serving local pets and the people who love them.

Naming opportunities at the Oregon Coast Humane Society Veterinary Clinic are still available. Anyone interested in learning more is encouraged to contact OCHS Executive Director Elizabeth Thompson.

Heceta Head Lightkeeper’s House to Receive Upgrades



FROM U.S. FOREST SERVICE

A top Oregon Coast travel destinations is getting upgrades! The iconic red and white Heceta Head Lightkeeper’s House will be partially under construction in October and November while the roof and front porch are replaced.

“We are excited to announce the Heceta Head preservation project,” said Michele Holman, Central Coast District Ranger. “Our staff have worked diligently to understand the maintenance needs of this 132-year-old home. They have selected

supplies and materials that will maintain the historic charm of this Oregon treasure for generations to come.”

During construction, scaffolding and other construction materials will be present around the exterior of the house. Noise is expected during weekdays, and some weekends. The restoration project is expected to be completed in November, but it may be delayed by weather. The home is managed by the Siuslaw National Forest and operated under a special use permit by the Heceta Lighthouse Bed & Breakfast. For more information

about accommodations, visit www.hecetalighthouse.com.

The Heceta Head Lighthouse and Lightkeeper’s Home, located just south of Yachats, Ore., are listed on the National Register of Historic Places. The home was completed in 1894 to house operators of the Heceta Head Lighthouse. The lighthouse is now owned and operated by Oregon State Parks and Recreation Department. For more information, visit stateparks.oregon.gov/index.cfm?do=park.profile&parkId=86. Lightkeeper 0909 pic

Coastbusters walk returns to Florence

This inspiring community event brings together survivors, families, friends, caregivers, and supporters for a gathering filled with hope, connection, and purpose. Every registration, donation, and sponsorship helps provide direct local assistance to patients in the coastal communities of Lane County. Come be part of something meaningful and help us remind local patients they are not alone in their journey.

FLORENCE WALK LOCATION
Siuslaw Middle School: 2525 Oak St, Florence, OR 97439

EVENT-DAY SCHEDULE

- 9 a.m. Registration and check-in open
- 9:45 a.m. Welcome program
- 10:05 a.m. Group warm-up
- 10:15 a.m. Survivor Lap
- 10:25 a.m. CoastBusters Walk begins
- 12 p.m. Event concludes
- 12:15 p.m. CoastBusters After-Party begins at Los Compadres: 1161 US-101, Florence, OR

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Inside some of Whitmore Classical Academy’s classrooms last week, gift bags awaited new students. Tony Reed photos.



By Sept. 2, classrooms, desks, projectors, and other school equipment was in place and ready to go at Whitmore Classical Academy.

STUDENTS
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“If you tell us you don’t have a phone, or ‘it’s in my car,’ or ‘it’s in my locker,’ we’re going to believe you,” he said, “but if we catch you with a phone, that means it’s going to come live with me in phone jail for the rest of the day.” He said that while the phone rules will be enforced, staff will not be making daily checks.

“Our plan for each of you is that you will be responsible users of your cell phones,” he said, “which means you should have them and know when it is and isn’t appropriate to use them.” He said students will again be required to use Yondr pouches soon.

“This is the governor’s rule we are enforcing,” he said, adding that phones are no longer allowed on school grounds, including lunchtime. “If you are staying on campus or in the building for lunch, no phones. If you are going outside or to the parking lot, you can use your phone there as much as you like.”

Mr. Harklerode explained where the Yondr pouch unlocking stations will be located, and reminded students to unlock them when they leave the campus.

He also warned students not to let other students onto the campus through secured doors, but to instead direct (point) them

to enter through the office. With its many entry and exit points, the school is already difficult to secure and monitor, so letting people in will complicate matters further, he noted.

He also stressed that during lunch, students are not to be in areas such as dugouts and other locations not visible to staff.

Mr. Harklerode also briefed students on attendance rules, lunch/time management, credit requirements, changes in school counseling, and parking passes. He noted that a new program will start soon, team CERT (Certified Emergency Response Team), which would be a good stepping stone toward a career in law enforcement, first response, or emergency management.

CHARTER SCHOOL FIRST DAY

By the time this paper is published, Whitmore Classical Academy students will have had their first day inside the new building at 35th St. and Highway 101.

However, those even intimately familiar with the old Rite-Aid building will not recognize it from any point inside, as the entire space has been rebuilt from floors to walls to ceiling.

Last week, Siuslaw Valley Charter School President Kay King said the number of subcontractors on the side was mind-boggling and that everyone was in the building trying to finish up.

“You’ll be amazed at,

between yesterday morning and last night, how much was accomplished in the building. We had our last meeting with the builder and the architect, and they are right on schedule, so that we can get in there and get to work on the things we need to do,” King said.

The school’s teachers came to the Sept. 1 board meeting to introduce themselves.

Chief operating officer Jennifer Waggoner told teachers they would be amazed when they enter their brand-new classrooms, simply due to the progress made in the last few days.

King said all desks were in place, the colors are amazing, the lighting is excellent, and books are pouring into the new school library.

“When you get into your new classrooms, it will give you goosebumps,” she said.

At the Sept. 1 meeting, Waggoner said an update arrived from the Oregon Department of Education which requires new inclusions to non-discrimination policies.

Waggoner read the updated statement, saying it’s been updated on the SVCS/WCA website. It reads, “Siuslaw Valley Charter School/Whitmore Classical Academy does not discriminate and prohibits discrimination in any programs or activities on the basis of protected class, including age, citizenship status, color, disability, gender identity, immigration status,

marital status, national origin, race, religion, sex, or sexual orientation.”

She said Principal Dr. Angelina McKinsey and she had taken all the necessary training classes, adding, “We do not discriminate, we welcome all students, and we want to serve everyone well.

Waggoner said the student handbook was being printed, which includes basic guidance, along with drop-off diagrams, school operations, a color-coded calendar, and the school’s attendance policy.

The first day of school was Tuesday, Sept. 8, and a full report is pending.

SAFE SHELTER HELPS KIDS, PARENTS

Safe Shelter for Siuslaw Students provided clothing and supplies for Siuslaw School District students on August 12 and 13. A Mapleton event took place August 19.

“We surpassed all former numbers of students who received clothing, school supplies, and hygiene products; 261 students benefited from our community’s generosity at the school events and another 45 to 50 got school supplies at the Cross Road bonanza,” said Executive Director Suzanne Mann-Heintz. “In addition to back-to-school shopping, attendees jumped in our bounce house and consumed 26 giant pizzas from Abby’s.”

She said 13 community organizations supported the effort with clothes, publicity, donations, and

volunteers.

“We had 31 volunteers provide 97 donated hours for supervision, set up and take down, and transporting materials from location to location,” she said. “In terms of expenses, we did better than anticipated, due to a plethora of donations from the community and leftover items from last year. We spent \$3424.34 on clothing, school supplies, and hygiene products, which averages out to about \$30 per student.”

She said that in addition to a half-hour broadcast on KXCR, signs were distributed around town, on social media, and there was an article in this paper.

“Parents were incredibly appreciative of all the things available, and many mentioned how we eased the difficulty of back-to-school expenses and how challenging it is for families to come up with that extra money,” Mann-Heintz said. “We hope you are as pleased as we are with the outcomes of this year’s event. We are excited to begin planning for next year’s event.”

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE

Siuslaw Vision Child Care Working Group will be collecting back-to-school supplies from September 14 to October 16 to benefit child care providers in the region.

“This fall, the Siuslaw region has the opportunity to donate learning materials, cleaning supplies, and

fun items to area childcare providers and early learning educators,” according to the City of Florence Newsletter. “This is your chance to spread joy, foster creativity, and support the youngest minds in our community.”

You can contribute crayons and washable markers, storybooks and picture books, child-friendly scissors and glue sticks, puzzles and educational games, sensory table items, construction paper and drawing pads, gift cards, cleaning supplies, and more.

Collection bins will be set up at Banner Bank, Bi Mart, BeauxArts Fine Art Materials, Coastal Fitness, Columbia Bank, First Community Credit Union, Fred Meyer, Grocery Outlet, the Florence Visitors Center, Jawsome Kids Retail, and True Value Hardware.

A list of needs was prepared by Wildflower Montessori School, Bright Beginnings Christian Preschool, Little Blue Birds, Stepping Stones, Breanna Daycare, Head Start of Lane County, Mapleton Community Preschool, and local in-home providers.

The drive is hosted by Siuslaw Vision Childcare Working Group and sponsored by True Value Hardware, Siuslaw Childcare Friends, the City of Florence, and Siuslaw Vision.

A printable list of kids’ back-to-school safety tips appears in the City of Florence newsletter this month.

Pet of the Week



PUPPY BREATH

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CRASH

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side of the motel. There were several bystanders on scene attempting to help.

Officers were able to contact and identify the

female driver of the suspect vehicle.

After the crash, Lt. Len Larson said the female victim was in the shower when the SUV came through the wall. Her husband was also in the room but was uninjured.

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to the female victim due to the extensive damage to the room and the vehicle blocking access to where the victim was located.

WLFEA personnel arrived on scene and were able to use specialized extrication tools to cut through an interior wall to safely remove the victim.

The injured victim was immediately transported to Peace Harbor Hospital.

The suspect driver of the vehicle was also evaluated on scene by WLFEA personnel and transported to Peace Harbor.

The initial investigation of the scene and statements from witnesses indicated

that the suspect had pulled out from the lot of Circle K and accelerated rapidly.

The suspect vehicle went slightly north and then across Hwy 101, first striking the Edward Jones Investment building located at 1010 Hwy 101. The suspect vehicle crashed through the Edward Jones building then continued and crashed into the Travelodge hotel, embedding the vehicle into one of the motel rooms.

The crash remains under investigation, and felony charges are pending. The female suspect, who is a resident of Florence, was still under medical care.

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CANDIDATES
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AS/YTT in general studies/yoga teacher training, from Sherman Kendall Academy of Beauty Arts and Sciences in 2009 with a diploma in cosmetology, and from Cyprus high school in 1999.

She listed her occupational background as “entrepreneur, manager, educator, and customer service professional with extensive experience leading businesses, managing teams, and serving communities across Utah, Washington, and Oregon. Background includes business ownership, operations management, technical support, sales, education, and community engagement.”

Under prior governmental experience she wrote, not applicable.

electshannonwarren@gmail.com

Daniel Lofy applied for candidacy as a nonpartisan voter and listed her occupation as “photographer, landlord of commercial and residential units and an air BNB – management and maintenance.” He added that he is and “entrepreneur of three successful businesses – General contracting, home services company and a full hearth and home company.”

He graduated from Arizona high school and Bakersfield College with a degree in carpentry.

Additional educational background was listed as journeyman apprenticeship program, for years, and also instructed the class for two years.

Under prior governmental experience, he included Florence Economic Development Committee.

dlofy1896@gmail.com

COUNCIL CANDIDATES

Four candidates filed to run for the two-year city councilor seat, including one incumbent. Voters will choose two candidates for this seat.

Mike Webb has served on the council for almost two years and listed his party affiliation as non-partisan. He listed his occupation as banking, adding that he has 28 years with Oregon Pacific Bank, currently as a VP, commercial relationship manager. Prior employment included four years outside sales, and seven years retail management.

He graduated from Crescent Valley High School, and later, Oregon State University with a bachelors of Science in business management.

Under prior governmental experience, he wrote “21 years on the board of directors for Western Lane Ambulance District, elected. 18 years as a Director for Florence Urban Renewal [Association], appointed.”

mwebb3742@gmail.com

Renee LoPilato

applied for candidacy as a nonpartisan voter, and listed her occupation as retired college faculty/dean. Her occupational background includes 45 years experience as a faculty/administrator in high schools, colleges and universities; worked in Japan and Australia teaching and operating schools; as Dean, responsible for large budget, dozens of staff, managers, thousands of students, served on diverse committees, worked with every type of business.

She graduated from Buena High School in Arizona, graduated with a BA in English literature from University of Arizona, a masters degree from University of Arizona and a Masters/30 units from University of Oregon in counseling.

Under prior governmental experience, she was appointed by mayor and city council to Florence Planning Commission for a three year term, which ended in May, 2026. Responsible for working as a team with other commissioners and assigned city staff on diverse land-use projects, and city codes including affordable housing, Federal Emergency Management Association rules, and subdivisions.

info@VoteForRenee.com

Elijah Yager applied for candidacy as a nonpartisan voter, and listed his occupation

as Project Manager at Siuslaw Watershed Council. Under occupational background, he included museum fellow, the Wild Center; park interpretive specialist, California State Parks; intern, Sea Turtle Inc.; intern, Internal Crane Foundation.

He earned a BS from California State University Chico in recreational administration.

Under prior governmental experience, he stated not applicable.

yager4florence@gmail.com

Haylee Cole applied for candidacy as a nonpartisan voter, and listed her occupation as TR Hunter, Florence.

She has also worked at BJ’s ice cream in Florence. She is a graduate of Siuslaw High School and said she has no prior governmental experience.

Haylee14Cole@gmail.com

Four candidates filed to run for the four-year city councilor seat, including one incumbent. Voters will choose two candidates for this seat.

Jo Beaudreau has been a city council member for four years, and applied for candidacy as a nonpartisan voter. She listed her occupation as an entrepreneur/small business owner.

She graduated

from San Jose State University, BFA cum laude with honors in photography, from San Jose State University with a minor in American studies, and Lane Community College with a certificate and small business management. She said she has taken various classes and workshops in the arts, community building, grants and government.

She listed her prior governmental experience as a city councilor, vice council president, Public Arts Committee charter member and ex officio, chair of the Transportation System Plan Update, and chair of the Oregon Coastal Zone Management Association.

Jo4Florence@gmail.com

Justin Ludwig applied for candidacy as a nonpartisan voter, and listed his occupation as a self-employed communications consultant. Under occupational background, he included newspaper journalist and real estate property manager.

He graduated from Morgan County R2 high school, and William Woods University with a bachelors degree in communication and graduated from State Fair Community College with an associates degree in general studies.

Under prior

governmental experience, he included citizen member, Siuslaw Schools Superintendent’s Policy Review Committee.

j.lloyd.ludwig@gmail.com

Terry Duman applied for candidacy as a nonpartisan voter, and listed his occupation as an excavation contractor.

He graduated from Siuslaw High School, and Oregon State University studying engineering, and United States Marine Corps, rank E5, completing as a truck driver.

He has been a city councilor in Dunes City, and is serving his third elected four year term as a commissioner for the Port of Siuslaw. He was the board chair for six years.

Duman_Inc@yahoo.com

Ryan Eichelberger applied for candidacy as a nonpartisan voter, and listed his occupation as operations director. Under occupational background, he included insurance sales. He is a graduate of Siuslaw High School. Under prior governmental experience, he listed none.

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This newspaper is compiling a list of questions for all candidates, and answers to those questions will be published soon.

9-11
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here in Florence. He described it as unsettling.

Other locals were impacted emotionally by the attacks as well. Local wood carver, Nyal Thomas Jr. began working on a carving titled “Out of the Rubble” depicting firefighters raising the American flag from the rubble of ground zero. Thomas’s efforts, himself a retired fire chief, gained first local, then regional and eventually national attention and a contingent of supporters escorted the sculpture to New York for dedication six months later. Then Siuslaw Valley Fire Chief John Buchanan, Siuslaw News Publish John Bartlett and Editor Robert Serra were among those who traveled east to deliver the sculpture created from a Sitka spruce log.

Months later in his Editorial in the Siuslaw News, Serra shared how moving it was to be in New York for the dedication of the sculpture, witnessing the parade of Americans including police and fire, including 200-plus from Oregon “paying homage to their brethren who died, the day the towers came down.”

Other Americans have been impacted and reacted in many ways since then. Ground Zero in New York is now the location of the World Trade Center site that contains a museum and reflecting pool among other features. The National 9/11 Pentagon Memorial sits outside of the spot at the Pentagon that was struck. In Shanksville, Pennsylvania where Flight 93 was overtaken by passengers thwarting a suspected crash in Washington, DC, the Flight 93 National Memorial stands.

In recent news it was

reported that Mohammed, the alleged mastermind of the attacks, will finally be coming to trial in 2028. Locally, the City of Florence adopted a 9/11 proclamation at a council meeting. On Saturday, September 12th, the community will observe a brief memorial ceremony at the opening of the Florence Fall

Festival Car Show in Old Town. The ceremony begins at 8:45 a.m. and will involve members from Florence Police Dept., Western Lane Fire & EMS Authority, and the United States Coast Guard. Please join us in remembrance of that day as Serra so eloquently put it, “the day the towers came down”.

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84619 EAST LAKE DR. NEW Craftsman style home w/ custom features on .82 parcel. Covered deck & firepit. Steps away from Woahink Lk & boat launch. 3 Bed/2.5 Bath, 2244 SF. \$772,000	4734 STONEFIELD CT. Beautiful new home located in beach area neighborhood. 3 Bed/3 Bath, 1805 SF \$665,000	146 42ND WAY Ideally situated on large lot with very private backyard. Designed for comfortable living. 3 Bed/2 Bath, 1782 SF \$418,000	WOOD LAKE WAY Build your coast dream home on this spacious .85 acre corner lot. \$139,500	1601 RHODODENDRON DR. #640 One row back from Siuslaw River. Corner lot w/ circular driveway. 30'x10' garage & 13'x24' shop. 3 Bed/2 Bath, 1540 SF. \$359,900
4080 CADDINGTON LN Nearly new single level home in Fairway Estates. Quality craftsmanship throughout. 3 Bed/2 Bath, 2020 SF. \$699,900	9959 SWEET CREEK RD Stunning 1587 SF riverfront home + 588 SF remodeled income producing bungalow. Brand new deep water dock. \$850,000	83224 CLEAR LAKE RD. Best of country living on 1.35 acres in the south lakes area. Spacious and comfortable home. 3 Bed/3 Bath, 2129 SF. \$549,000	4596 FOULWEATHER STREET Charming beach bungalow w/ thoughtful modern updates. Storage shed & separate backyard studio. 1 Bed/1 Bath, 528 SF. \$398,000	88282 ELMONT DR. Spacious triple wide manufactured home w/ large detached garage on 1/2 acre lot. 3 Bed/2 Bath, 2240 SF. \$499,000
51 SHORELINE DR. Breathtaking Ocean & River Views in Gated Shelter Cove. Private, beautifully landscaped. Expansive wrap around deck. 3 Bed/3.5 Bath, 2396 SF. \$989,500	5096 WOOD LAKE WAY Wooded & private Heceta South home w/add'l lot available. 3 Bed/2 Bath, 1822 SF. \$599,500	4837 SEAPINE DR. Immaculate 1802 SF home. Remodeled kitchen. Extra lot w/garage/shop. .67 acres total. 3 Bed/2 Bath. \$499,000	3760 HWY 101 #1 • MOBILE ONLY • Live large in cute little park model on the Oregon Coast. 2 Bed/1 Bath, 840 SF \$108,000	1021 PRESTWICK CT. Spacious cape-cod style cottage in gated Golf Course community. Upstairs bonus room w/ a half bath. 3 Bed/2.5 Bath, 2367 SF. \$699,000
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Low5:40 a.m.....-1.0
High12:12 p.m.....-6.6
Low5:52 p.m.....-1.6
High11:47 p.m.....-7.5

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

Low6:21 a.m.....-0.9
High12:46 p.m.....-7.0
Low6:40 p.m.....-0.9

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

High12:37 a.m.....-7.4
Low6:59 a.m.....-0.5
High1:19 p.m.....-7.3
Low7:25 p.m.....-0.4

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

High1:25 a.m.....-7.1
Low7:35 a.m.....-0.0
High1:50 p.m.....-7.4
Low8:08 p.m.....-0.1

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

High2:12 a.m.....-6.7
Low8:09 a.m.....-0.6
High2:21 p.m.....-7.4
Low8:49 p.m.....-0.1

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

High2:59 a.m.....-6.3
Low8:43 a.m.....-1.4
High2:52 p.m.....-7.3
Low9:31 p.m.....-0.0

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

High3:48 a.m.....-5.9
Low9:16 a.m.....-2.1
High3:24 p.m.....-7.1
Low10:15 p.m.....-0.3

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

High4:41 a.m.....-5.5
Low9:50 a.m.....-2.8
High3:59 p.m.....-6.8
Low11:04 p.m.....-0.6

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

High5:41 a.m.....-5.1
Low10:28 a.m.....-3.4
High4:40 p.m.....-6.5

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Low12:04 a.m.....-0.9
High6:54 a.m.....-4.8
Low11:19 a.m.....-3.8
High5:34 p.m.....-6.2

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

Low1:16 a.m.....-1.1
High8:23 a.m.....-4.7
Low12:38 p.m.....-4.1
High6:46 p.m.....-6.1

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Low2:28 a.m.....-1.1
High9:40 a.m.....-4.9
Low2:11 p.m.....-4.0
High8:06 p.m.....-6.1

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

Low3:29 a.m.....-0.8
High10:27 a.m.....-5.2
Low3:23 p.m.....-3.5
High9:15 p.m.....-6.2

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 22

Low4:17 a.m.....-0.6
High11:00 a.m.....-5.5
Low4:18 p.m.....-2.9
High10:10 p.m.....-6.5

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23

Low4:56 a.m.....-0.3
High11:27 a.m.....-5.9
Low5:04 p.m.....-2.3
High10:58 p.m.....-6.7

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

Low5:30 a.m.....-0.2
High11:53 a.m.....-6.3
Low5:45 p.m.....-1.6
High11:42 p.m.....-6.8

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 25

Low6:02 a.m.....-0.3
High12:18 p.m.....-6.7
Low6:24 p.m.....-0.9



The defense was stifling, with the Vikings getting their first shutout of the season.



It was a field day for the Vikings on both sides of the ball as they put up 44 points.

Siuslaw football slay to start season

Will LOHRE
Siuslaw News

It was a heck of a kickoff to the season for the Vikings on the football field, as they conquered Coquille 44-0 to earn their first win of the season.

Playing in front of the hometown fans at Hans Peterson Field on Aug. 28, the Vikings turned in a dominant display, shutting out the Red Devils in style.

It was the first of five non-league games for Siuslaw, and junior quarterback Jericho Lake starred in the victory, with three touchdown passes and reaching the end zone twice with his legs en route to the dominant 44-0 victory.

Head Coach Sam Johnson was thrilled with the offense, and despite it being early season, the team seemed to mesh well.

“Our offense looked really solid; guys knew

assignments and communicated really well,” Johnson said. “Jericho looked good behind center!”

It was a quick start from the jump, and Siuslaw leaped out to a 24-0 lead in the first quarter, spearheaded by Lake’s play. He tossed two touchdowns in the period, hitting Caleb Gray and Raudy Thrall. In the second quarter, Lake threw another touchdown, this time hitting Gray’s brother, Dylan, for a 60-yard TD to extend the lead to 30-0 heading into halftime.

In the second half, Lake added another touchdown in the third quarter with a 15-yard run, putting the game out of reach for the Red Devils. The defense was stifling throughout the contest, and Johnson lauded their physicality and ability to keep Coquille at bay. The Vikings played with something to prove, and



Siuslaw kicked off their season with a big home win in front of the Florence faithful. Courtesy photos from Frazier’s Photos.

it showed.

“Our defense flew around and played with a chip on their shoulder,” Johnson said.

In the fourth quarter, the Vikings put the game together with another TD. Getting some in-game reps in place of Lake with the game out of reach, sophomore quarterback Cam Lyda hit freshman Logan Eichelberger for a 13-yard trip to the pay dirt. It was the cherry on top of a home opener that saw smooth sailing for

the Vikings.

The team’s energy was something to behold, and the home crowd boosted it. The game gave the Vikings a solid foundation to build on, and Johnson can already feel an identity forming for the 2026 squad.

“I thought we played really hard with a lot of passion,” Johnson said. “The boys rallied around each other and definitely found a theme with how they want to play, physical and have fun!”

Coming off the win,

the Vikings are already drumming up some momentum. In the Zero Week 4A and 3A football coaches’ polls put together by OSAA, Siuslaw is ranked #2 of all 3A programs in the state, as voted by football coaches around the classification.

They will hope to build on it in their game against Vale (who sat #1 in that same poll at the time of press). The result of that contest is unknown at the time of press.

Girls Volleyball takes a loss



The Vikings Girls Volleyball team had the energy and the fan support Sept. 2, but were not able to pull ahead of the North Bend Bulldogs. The 0-3 loss against North Bend follows a previous 0-3 loss against Elmira on August 29. The Vikings beat Reedsport 3-1 on Aug. 29 in the Double Duel match in Elmira. Before next press time, they will play Newport and Coquille before facing Douglas at home on Sept. 10. Tony Reed photos.



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Community Briefs

Health Fair at FEC

The 2026 Women's and Children of All Ages Health Fair will take place on Friday, Sept. 11, from 2 – 4 p.m. at Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St., Florence.

Come learn from and visit with local community resources, clinicians and vendors available right here in our coastal community. This event is FREE! All are welcome.

There will be free swag bags, gift-basket prize drawings and more! A kids' station will also be available.

Come learn from and visit with local community resources, clinicians and vendors available right here in our coastal community. Organized by PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center, this event is FREE! All are welcome.

Rhododendron Season is Upon Us

The Siuslaw Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society would like to invite all interested Rhody fans to join us for an informative meeting addressing the basic culture of this varied and interesting genus. Location, color choices, species and hybrid differences, plant size and habit, soil, fertilizing, water requirements, diseases and insect problems will be addressed followed by a Q & A.

This informative gathering will be held at the Presbyterian Community Church on Hwy 101 on Tuesday, September 15th. Doors open at 6:30 for snacks, coffee and rubbing elbows prior to the start of the 7 PM meeting. Our light-hearted, friendly experts are eager to impart their learning through experience with all who are interested.

If you have any questions, please contact Day Farrald, Siuslaw Chapter of the ARS 541-579-5544 or day817@outlook.com

Lane County Treatment Center addresses City Club

The City Club of Florence welcomes guest speakers from the Lane County Treatment Center, Thursday Sept. 10th, at 1:30pm, in the Bromley Room of the Siuslaw Public Library.

As the opening of the new Florence location approaches, learn more about the effectiveness of opioid treatment and how successful outcomes can improve quality of life.

The Center's Clinical Supervisor, Carla Ayres, will also give the community an update on the progress of the new treatment center's development, as well as how it can benefit the community.

The City Club is a non-partisan, civic discussion group that meets on the 2nd Thursday of each month at 1:30pm in the Bromley Room of the Siuslaw Public Library.

City Club meetings are free and open to the public. Meetings are later broadcast on KXCR-FM 90.7 community radio.

The Siuslaw Public Library does not sponsor the City Club or endorse the views of guest speakers.

Earth throws shade at the moon



Clear skies over most of the Oregon Coast allowed residents a start to finish viewing of the lunar eclipse on August 27. According to timeanddate.com, the next visible lunar eclipse will occur Aug 17, 2027, and the next total solar eclipse over the Oregon Coast won't happen for 82 years. Tony Reed photo

Classic Cars, Community-wide Garage Sale Headline Florence's Big Fall Weekend

From FLORENCE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Treasure hunters, bargain shoppers, and classic car enthusiasts will have plenty to celebrate as two of Florence's favorite fall traditions return September 11-13, 2026.

The Florence Area Chamber of Commerce will present the annual Florence Community-wide Garage Sale, and the Florence Siuslaw Lions Club brings classic cars back to Bay Street with the debut of the Florence Fall Classic, marking the return of a major downtown car show after a three-year hiatus.

Throughout the weekend, residents, businesses, nonprofits, and community organizations will host garage sales, fundraisers, pop-up markets, and vendor sales across Florence, creating one of the largest community shopping events on the Oregon Coast.

Historic Old Town Florence will once again come alive with beautifully restored classic automobiles, custom hot rods, and vintage vehicles during Saturday's Florence Fall Classic.

FLORENCE FALL CLASSIC SCHEDULE
Friday, September 11
Free Pre-Show: Noon to 5 p.m. in the Port of Siuslaw parking lot. Open to all years and types of vehicles.

No awards will be presented.

Registration and Packet Pickup: Participants in Saturday's Florence Fall Classic may register or pick up registration packets and event apparel at the pre-show. Registration is \$40 and includes an event T-shirt and dash plaque. Eligible vehicles include completed American, British, and German vehicles, model year 1983 or older. Vehicles under construction are not eligible.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12:
Florence Fall Classic Car Show: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on the streets of Historic Old Town Florence.

- Street parking opens: 6:00 a.m.
- Registration: 7 to 9 a.m.
- Awards presentation: 2:30 p.m.

Music throughout the weekend will be provided by Russ Strohmeier, known by many as "America's Favorite Car Show DJ." The Florence Fall Classic is being produced by Russ Kroenert and Gary Cargill on behalf of the Florence Siuslaw Lions Club, with proceeds benefiting Lions Club charitable projects.

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2002: Switzerland becomes a full member of the U.N.

Holiday
FACT:

This event celebrates the culture and contributions of people who trace their roots to Spain, Mexico, Central America, South America, and the Caribbean.

Answer: Hispanic Heritage Month

Double Word Puzzle
Unscramble the individual words to reveal letters for the phrase.

SCMTUO 1 2 3 4 5 6

RTYOS 1 2 3 4 5 6 7

OPPLEE 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9

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H 11 3 4 5 6 7 A N 10

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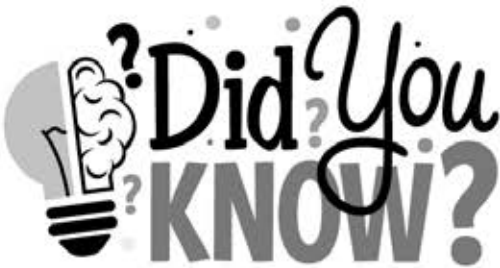
Answers: custom, story, people, diet, History and culture



HISPANIC
people and cultures related to Spain and the Spanish language



English: Heritage
Spanish: Herencia
Italian: Eredità
French: Héritage
German: Erbe



National Hispanic Heritage Month is celebrated each year from September 15 to October 15.



Can you guess what the bigger picture is?

Answer: Pinata

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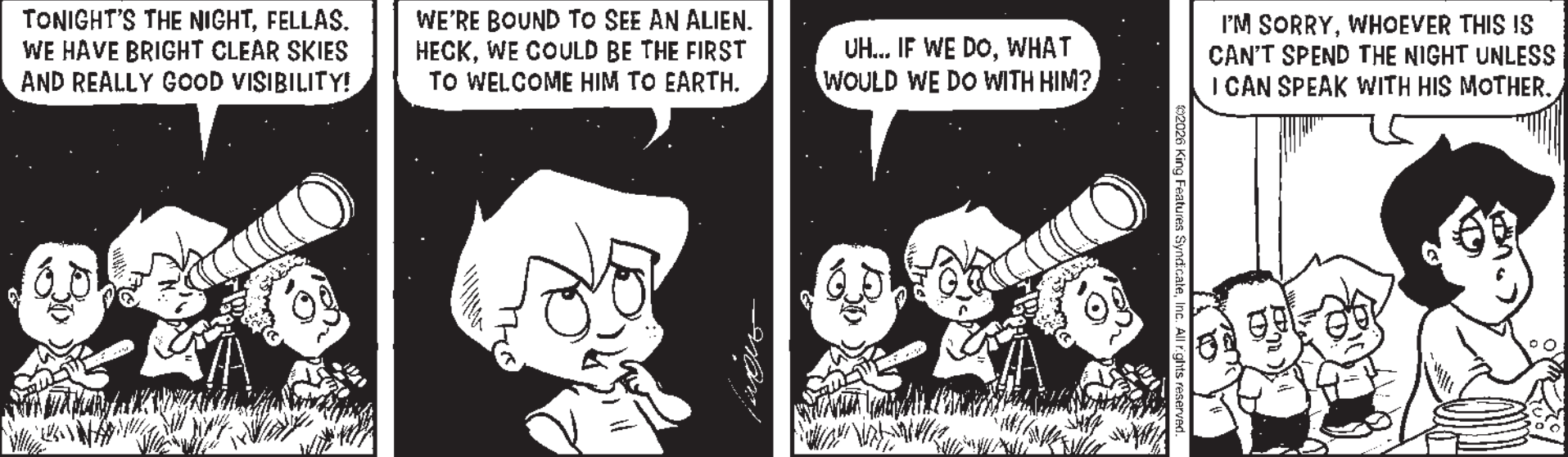
Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

WORDS

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- ANTHEM
- BALLAD
- CADENCE
- CHORD
- CRESCENDO
- DYNAMIC
- ENSEMBLE
- HARMONY
- IMPROVISE
- LYRICS
- MELODY
- OCTAVE
- OVERTURE
- RHAPSODY
- RHYTHM
- SERENADE
- SOLO
- SONATA
- STACCATO
- SYMPHONY
- TEMPO
- TIMBRE
- VIBRATO

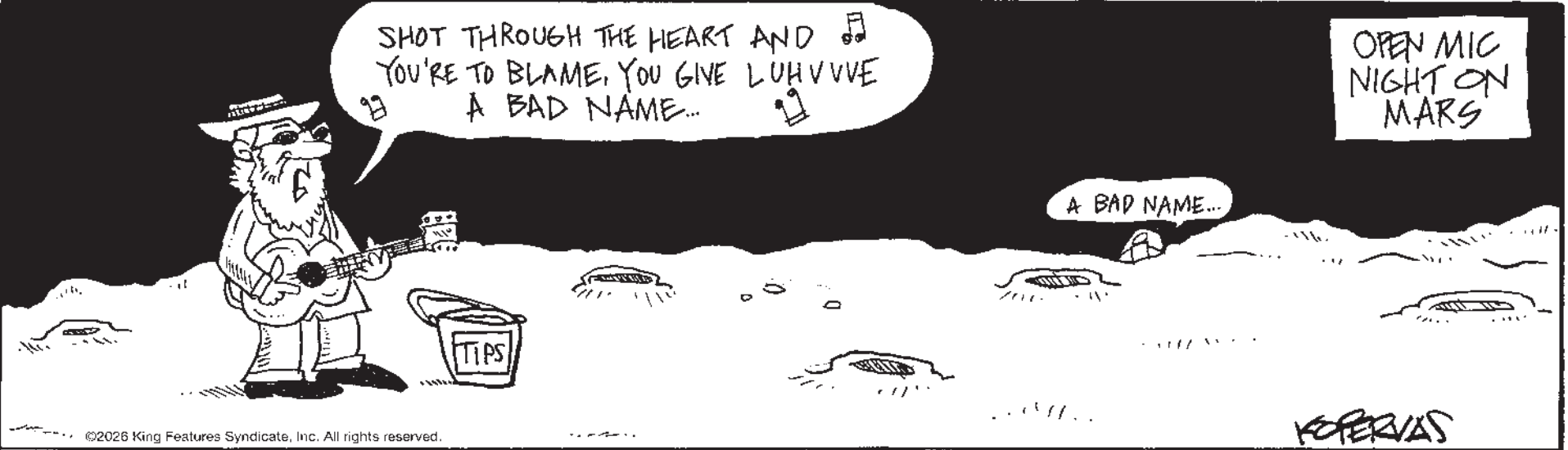
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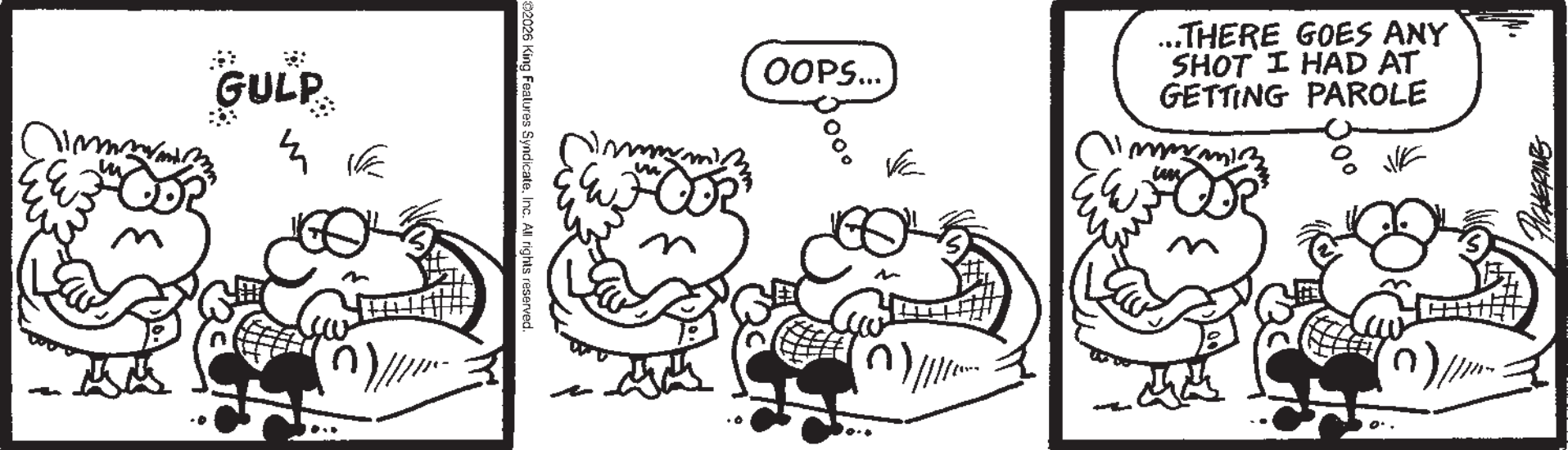
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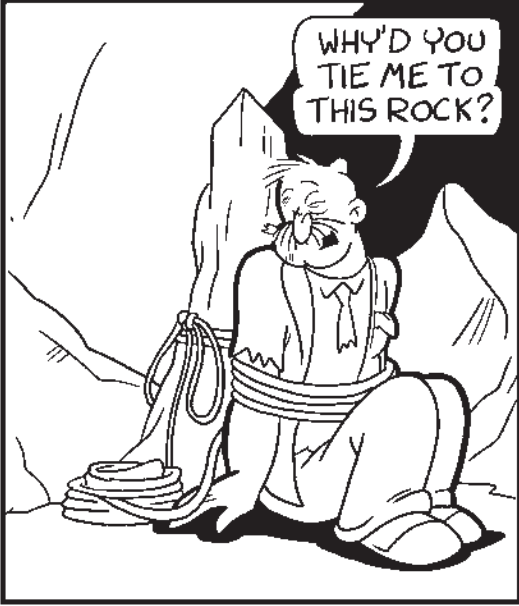
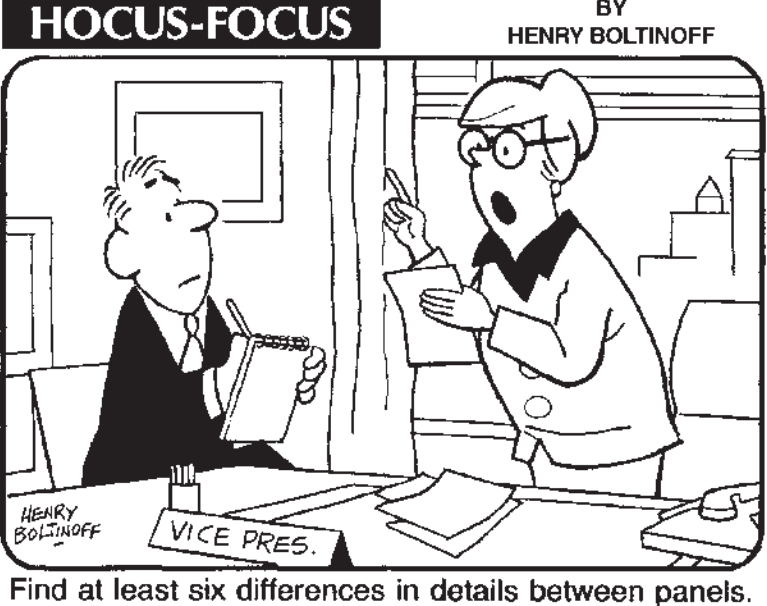
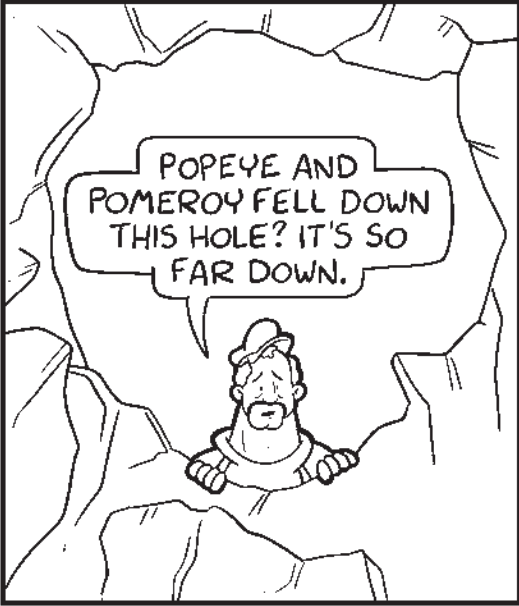
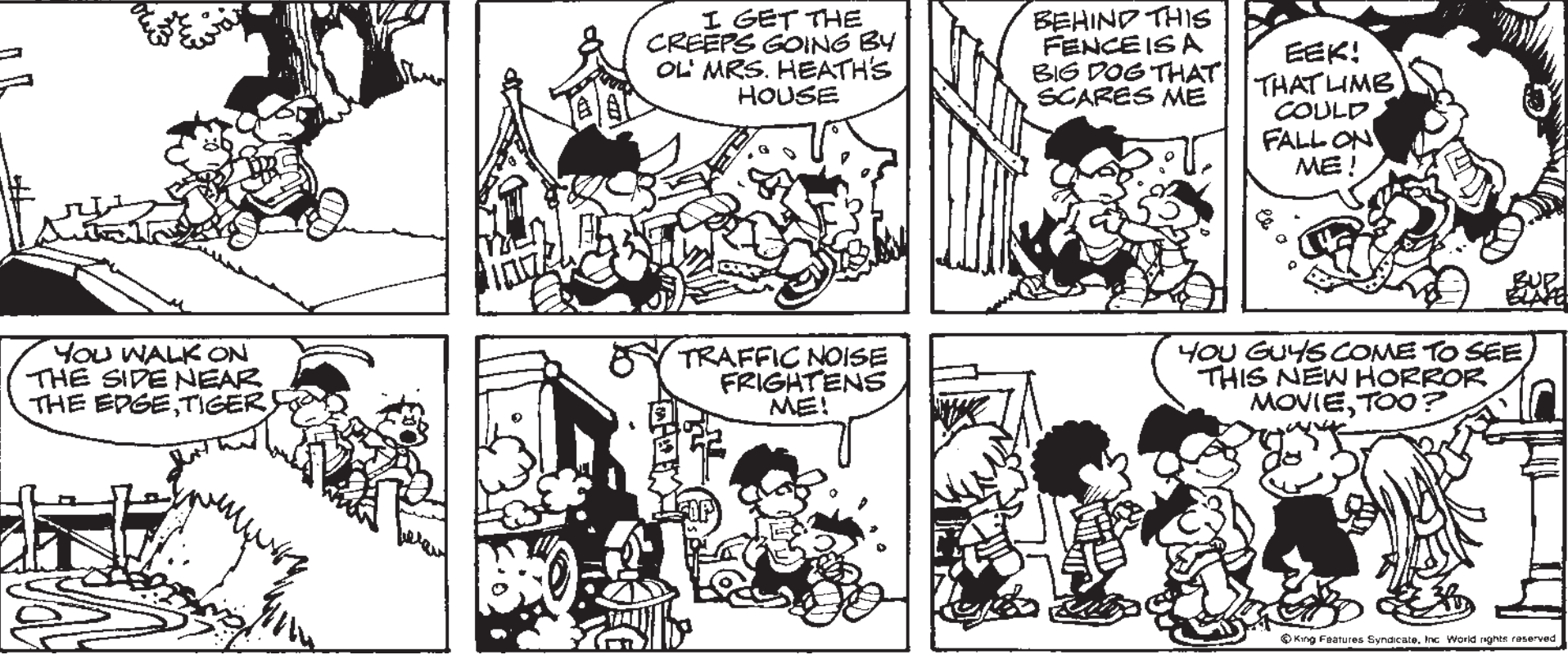
The Spats

by Jeff Pickering



TIGER

by BUD BLAKE



Differences: 1. Hand is moved. 2. Paper on desk is missing. 3. Desk is not as wide. 4. Window is not as wide. 5. Tie is different. 6. Blinds are higher.

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sonal Representative
or the attorney for the
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will be held at 9:00 a.m.
on Thursday, Septem-
ber 17, 2026 at 2129 N.
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Oregon. In addition to
regular business, an
Executive Session will be
held in accordance with
ORS 192.660(2)(e), (f)
and (h) to conduct delib-
erations with persons
designated by governing
body to negotiate real
property transitions, to
consider information or
records that are exempt
by law from public
inspection and to consult
with counsel concern-
ing the legal rights and
duties of a public body
with regard to current lit-
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mission will hold a public
hearing on September
22, 2026, at 5:30 p.m.
in the City of Florence
City Hall Council Cham-
bers, 250 Highway 101,
to consider and deliber-
ate on the following: PC
26 06 CUP 01 - Siuslaw
SD, Tadvleer Buildings
Renewal. An application
from David Spencer, on
behalf of Siuslaw School
District 97J, for a Con-
ditional Use Permit to
continue the temporary
placement of three mod-
ular buildings, previously
approved under PC 22
10 CUP 02, at 2976 Oak
Street, Tax Map 18-12-
22-00, Tax Lot 00300,
within the High Density
Residential District, FCC
Title 10, Chapter 10. The
hearing is held in per-
son and streamed live
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Testimony is accepted in
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in writing, or remotely fol-
lowing the instructions
on the meeting agenda,
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ing. Written testimo-
ny may be emailed to
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al information, call the
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ton Water District will
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open to the public to
discuss the application
and provide an oppor-
tunity for the public to
comment. The meeting
is a requirement of the
USDA application. The
meeting will be held at
6 p.m. on September 21,
2026, at Mapleton Lions
Club kitchen, 88158 Riv-
erview Avenue, Maple-
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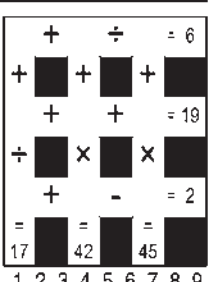
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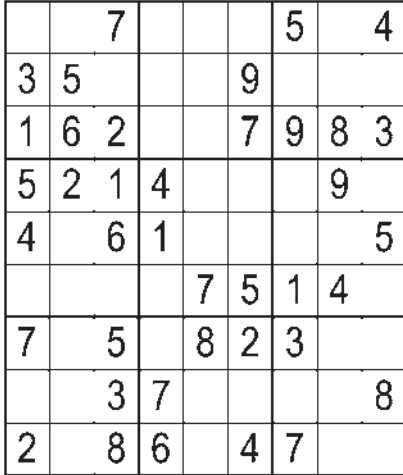
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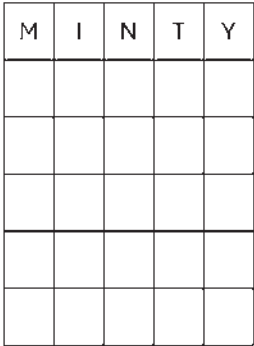
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TXAB ZEBPKCAV. ZOKPA SEHMP
LE PWAQM CEFA SFQBMHJ:
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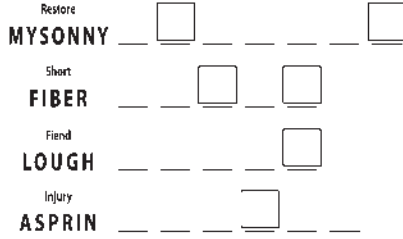
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ACROSS
1 Grass clump
5 Pampering, for short
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12 Beige
13 Taunting laugh
14 — Minor
15 Airline to Tel Aviv
16 Greek vowel
17 Endure
18 Lustrous fabrics
20 Ascribe
22 Soda
23 Abysmal
24 Fairy tale figures
27 Surname of Judas
32 Terre Haute sch.
33 From — Z
34 Ruckus
35 Element No. 78
38 Recognized
39 Train lines (Abbr.)
40 CBS logo
42 More like Unger
45 Signed over
49 China setting
50 Here (Fr.)
52 Mani counterpart
53 Not naked
54 Darjeeling, e.g.
55 "— to differ!"
56 Earth tones
57 Buddhist sect
58 Metal boxes
11 Challenge
19 Rejection
21 CEO's degree, maybe
24 Trendy
25 Visual communication syst.
26 Protector
28 "Rugrats" dad
29 Late-night host, usually
30 Poetic tribute
31 AAA job
36 Three-note chords
37 British verb ending
38 "Consider this a gift"
41 Old pronoun
42 Diplomacy
43 "La — Bonita"
44 Cracker name
46 Mazar of "Younger"
47 Idyllic place
48 Uses a shovel
51 Bee follower
DOWN
1 Golf props
2 Golden State sch.
3 Dorm alternative
4 Dutch exports
5 Actor
6 Long. crosser
7 Spiced drink
8 Inferior
9 Follower of Sigmund's methods
10 Jr.-year exam

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 L, you get MISTER. Do not change the order of the letters.

1. Almost	L	At hand	R
2. Stubble	E	Get on a ship	O
3. Schedule	R	Wanted ad	P
4. Desert mammal	L	Minor acting part	O
5. Thrill	A	Select few	I
6. Detection device	S	Junior's dad	I
7. Gander and gosling	G	Actress Waterspoon	R
8. Royal abode	C	Roof of the mouth	T
9. Bread ingredient	U	Hug location	O
10. Company strategy	Y	Law enforcement	F

Weekly SUDOKU

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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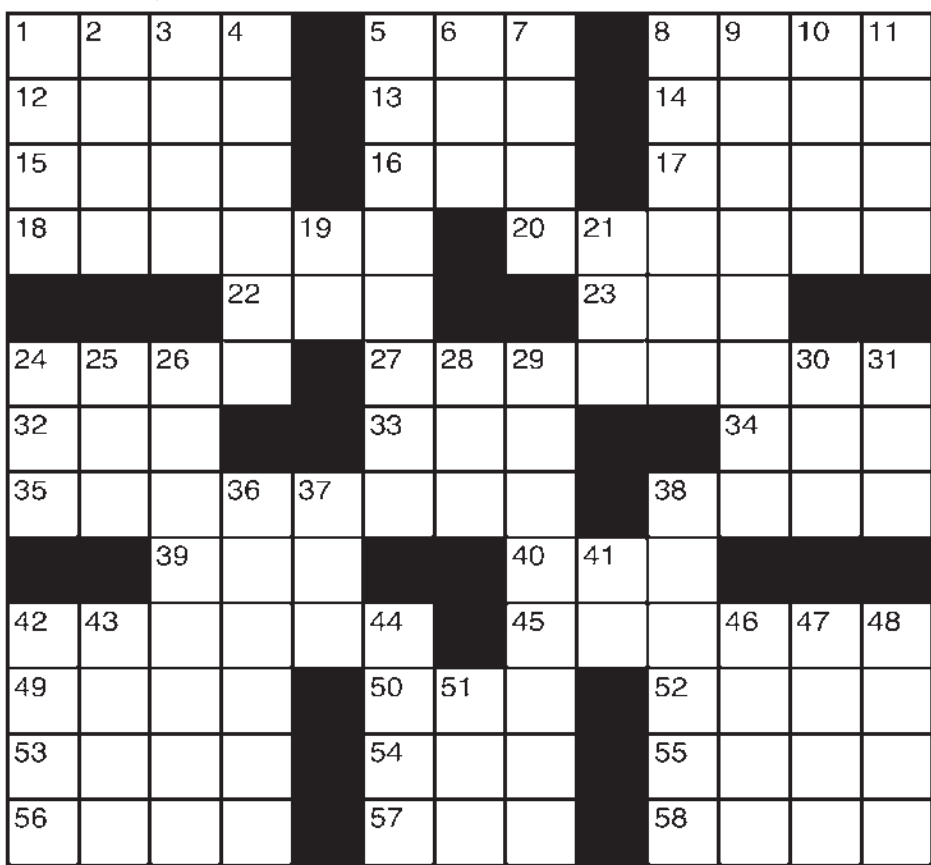
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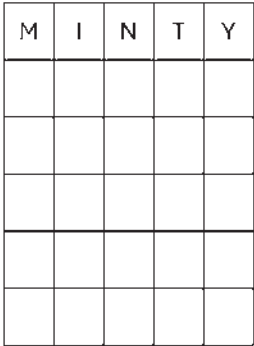
Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

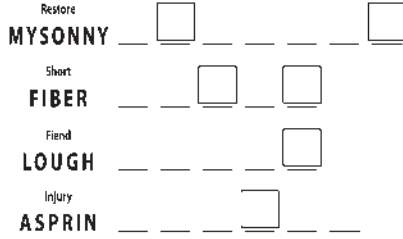
1. LITERATURE: Which author published his only novel in 1890, "The Picture of Dorian Gray"?
2. GEOGRAPHY: What well-known scenic destination includes Horseshoe Falls and Goat Island?
3. MOVIES: Which animated movie features 10,297 balloons?
4. TELEVISION: What is Eleven's favorite food in "Stranger Things"?
5. LANGUAGE: What is a stannary?
6. ANATOMY: What is a pyrogen?
7. ANIMAL KINGDOM: What is the fastest flying insect?
8. FOOD & DRINK: What is carpaccio?
9. SCIENCE: What is the warmest ocean in the world?
10. CHEMISTRY: What is a common name for sodium bicarbonate?
Trivia answers
1. Oscar Wilde.
2. Niagara Falls, New York.
3. "Up."
4. Eggo waffles.
5. Tin mining district.
6. A fever-inducing agent.
7. Horsefly.
8. Seasoned slices of raw beef or fish.
9. Indian Ocean.
10. Baking soda.
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REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE


SCRAMBLERS
FAMILY
Today's Word
1. Synonym; 2. Brief
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Solution

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Solution time: 25 mins.
Answers

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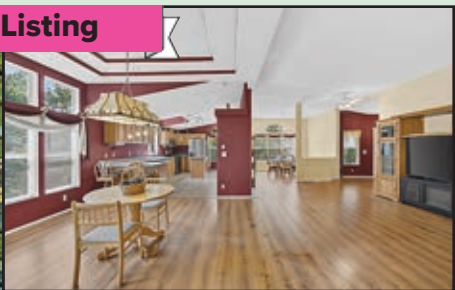
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4895 Seapine Dr. - \$620,000
3 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 2188 SqFt. Riverfront over 2 acres with private dock!
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87218 Munsel Lake Rd. - \$950,000
3 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 3004 SqFt. Gated home with creekside setting, parking, beautiful landscaping and detached bonus building. #3827-112371025

Price Reduced



89215 Sutton Lake Dr. - \$929,000
3 Bdrms, 2.5 Baths, 1982 SqFt. Lakefront home on 3.69 acres. Solid wood doors, hardwood floors, high ceilings, and fireplace. #3780-422372104

Price Reduced



438 Sherwood Lp. - \$470,000
3 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 1782 SqFt. Coastal inspired home in 55+ Florentine Estates. Freshly updated and move-in ready. #3806-609538668

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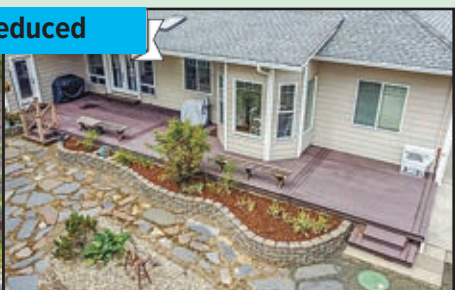
1640 19th St. - \$469,900
1680 SqFt Duplex. Turnkey 2018 with two flexible units, modern finishes, garages, strong rental demand, immediate income. #3784-460153542

Price Reduced



88416 1st Ave #209 & #211 - \$275,000
2 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 780 SqFt. Oceanfront resort condo with Pacific views, beach access, amenities, and investment potential. #3791-504912477

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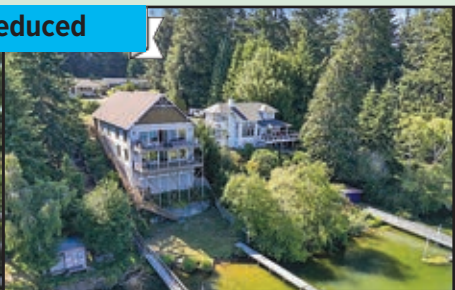
5282 Dunewood Dr. - \$789,000
4 Bdrms, 2.5 Baths, 2610 SqFt. Custom home in prestigious Reserve, featuring hardwood floors, attached shop, and landscaped privacy. #3818-414708798

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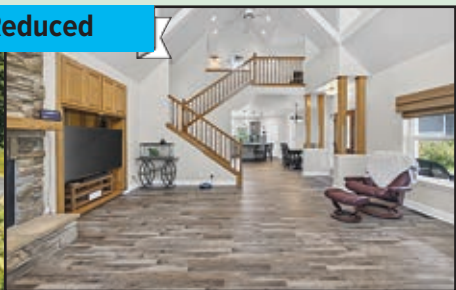
2372 S 22nd Ct. - \$535,000
3 Bdrms, 2.5 Baths, 2113 SqFt. Move-in ready home with updates, spacious living areas, pellet stove, on a cul-de-sac. #3769-768863492

Price Reduced



5404 Buckskin Bob Rd. - \$1,295,000
4 Bdrms, 2.5 Baths, 3530 SqFt. Panoramic Siltcoos Lake views with private dock and proven vacation rental potential. #3819-799676088

Price Reduced



89616 Ben Bunch Rd. - \$1,275,000
3 Bdrms, 3 Baths, 3879 SqFt. Luxurious primary suite, custom kitchen, vaulted ceilings, expansive acreage, with peace and seclusion. #3789-231959855



179 Outer Dr. - \$287,900
3 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 1100 SqFt. Peaceful Coast Village home with natural light, cozy spaces, garden paths, and convenient amenities. #3716-756515536



1699 27th St. #5 - \$74,900
2 Bdrm, 2 Bath, 924 SqFt. Well kept manufactured home in Ocean Breeze Park with sunroom, fenced backyard, and alley access. #3723-583761940



290 Harbor St. - \$1,450,000
5 Bdrms, 3 Baths, 2201 SqFt. Restored 1894 Old Town cottage with new garage, ADU, luxury upgrades, modern comfort throughout. #3724-327759244



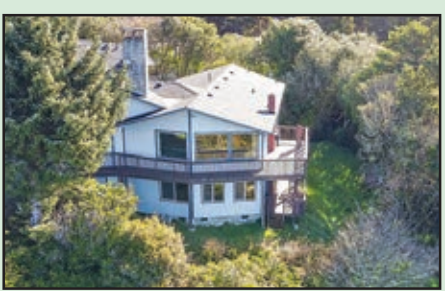
89555 Shore Crest Dr. - \$395,000
2 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 1512 SqFt. Meticulously maintained, spacious home with floor-to-ceiling windows, and an abundance of parking. #3732-270810465



11445 E Mapleton Rd. - \$699,000
3 Bdrms, 3 Baths, 2440 SqFt. Five-acre riverfront property offering privacy, versatility, large shop, and endless potential. #3738-363944680



1070 Bay St #22 - \$397,500
2 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 984 SqFt. Bay Bridge condo with river and dune views, pellet stove, patio, storage shed. #3743-159787344



87784 Terrace View Dr. - \$625,000
2 Bdrms, 4 Baths, 3879 SqFt. Large, tri-level home with views, two double garages and room for RV. Priced to sell. #3751-653392791



89510 Hwy 101 #16 - \$70,000
1 Bdrm, 1 Bath, 412 SqFt. Cute, lake view home in Buck Lake Park with sunny front deck and backyard garden. #3754-208663674



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