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Rhododendron Festival history and tradition. The Rhododendron Festival High School Junior Court members are 1st Grader-Alyssa Lukashov, 2nd Grader-Maren Ferguson, 3rd Grader-Hattie Decker, 4th Grader-Lilia Galvan Mendez and 5th Grader-Lily Hamar

The Rhododendron Festival High School Junior Court members are Claire Lindell, Kamorah Lake, Sophia Montoya, Ashlyn Hart, Macali Lade, Joel Sissel, Storm Kurth, Nyte DeLeon, Charles Nelson and Travis Clark. They will be our ambassadors for the 118th

Rhododendron Festival and will also receive one-on-one mentorship and will showcase their talents in the Rhododendron Coronation on Saturday, May 9th, 2025 where they will compete for the title of Queen Rhododendra and King of the Coast!



Council allows backup plan for warming center

By TONY REED
Siuslaw News

At its Jan. 6 meeting the Florence City Council approved a request from the Florence Emergency Cold Weather Shelter Committee to make an alternate location available in town for overnight guests when freezing temperatures are predicted. City Manager Erin Reynolds said the committee had identified a location for a shelter at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, outside city limits and jurisdiction, but wanted approval for a backup location in town if needed. That approval would be subject to approval within 24 hours by the city manager and police chief. She said the council may allow a warming shelter by any

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Florence's first Baby

The first baby of 2025 was delivered at Peace Harbor Medical Center on Monday, January 6, at 7:58 a.m. to parents Kendra Gilson and Arias Cipriano. Baby Camdyn weighed in at 7lbs 13 oz. and is 20 in. long. The new parents and baby Camdyn are doing well and are thankful for the care and attention they received at Peace Harbor Medical Center.

Head of Charter School answers questions

In response to community questions and feedback, newly-hired head of Schools Arturo Ruelas sat down with Siuslaw News Editor Tony Reed Jan. 2 to discuss aspects of the yet-to-open Whitmore Classical Academy (WCA). Ruelas also introduced himself in person, to the Siuslaw School District Board of Directors at the Jan. 8 meeting. WCA will operate under the Siuslaw Valley Charter School (SVCS) board as a publicly-funded charter of Siuslaw School District. According to Ruelas' LinkedIn profile, he has been the Executive Principal at Suzhou Industrial Park Foreign Language School in Suzhou, The Director of K-12 schools at EtonHouse International School Nanjing, Founding Director of K12 Schools at Dongguan Tung Wah Wenzel International School and Head of Schools at Zhejiang Yuying Education Group, among others. He has



Arturo Ruelas

a Masters in Teaching from Chapman University and earned a Principal License in Education, Leadership and Policy From Portland State University. Asked to to speak about his career as it relates, Ruelas said his experience in educational leadership has lasted about 10 years so far. He started as a principal in Portland and moved to China with his wife. "My career in China is very special," he said. "While my

educational background and training is being a principal, they don't necessarily teach the background of starting up schools. It's more about administration and leadership, but I had the good fortune of having some opportunities, in China, for developing schools." He said those experiences made him the top candidate for SVCS, since startup experience is rare in educational leadership. He said that while the US is somewhat different, "rules are rules," and he's still educating himself as to Oregon laws for public charter schools. When asked, he said his current job description is setting up all aspects of the school and once it's open, his job will be similar to that of a school principal. Asked what part of his experience in education most aligns with his new position at WCA, Ruelas said his career

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Community profile- Rick Yecny

Jan 1 marked the retirement of a well-known member of the Oregon Pacific Bank Board of Directors, whose time in Florence will be remembered for more than just banking.

According to Ellen Huntingdon, OPB’s Marketing Manager, Rick Yecny has served on the board of directors for Oregon Pacific Bank since 1996 and has been an instrumental leader in guiding the bank over decades of growth, seeing the institution grow from a single deposit branch in Florence.

“His creative solutions, analytical expertise, and people-first mindset have provided immeasurable value to the bank and the local community,” she said, noting that he is also a highly experienced Certified Public Accountant with a wealth of experience and a strong commitment to community.

“Currently, Rick is a member of the Holloway and Associates team, where he continues to contribute his knowledge as a dedicated CPA based in Florence, Oregon,” Huntingdon said.



OPB President and CEO Ron Green said Rick’s contributions to the Board of Oregon Pacific Bank extended well beyond his fiduciary duties.

“Rick was always the calm voice of reason and always worked towards creating solutions that truly everyone could get behind,” Green said. “He led by example and always put the Board of Directors, the Bank and the Florence community ahead of himself.”

Prior to his work at Holloway and Associates, Rick served as a principal shareholder of the CPA firm Davis, Yecny & McCulloch, P.C. from 1982 to 2000. Following this, he embarked on a new chapter as Chief Financial Officer, and then Chief Administrative Officer at PeaceHealth

Peace Harbor Medical Center, where he dedicated his skills and expertise from 2001 to 2017.

Beyond his professional endeavors, he actively participates in several community organizations, including serving on the board of directors at Central Lincoln Public Utility District. Additionally, Rick holds the leadership position of Treasurer at the Rotary Club of Florence and has been a long-time supporter of Friends of Florence, a nonprofit organization that facilitates cancer treatment transportation in Western Lane County. He is also an active supporter of and advocate for the Boys and Girls Club of Western Lane County.

“I have never known anyone so thoughtful, kind, and selfless as Rick,” Green said. “I am so grateful for the opportunity to work with him over the past 17 years and want to thank him for 30 years of service to Oregon Pacific Bank. I am a better banker and person for knowing Rick and look forward to our continued friendship outside of the bank”

Huntingdon said that outside of work and his community support, Rick enjoys spending time with his wife, Jane, their two daughters and their families and is an avid reader, a fine beer connoisseur, and a wishful fly fisher.

Yecny was out of Florence this week, likely enjoying his retirement, and could not be reached for comment.

CORDIE (FERN) BENNETT



August 19, 1935 - December 19th, 2024
Born in Stillwell, Oklahoma, Fern excelled in school and was the middle child in a family of 5 brothers and sisters. She attended Cave Springs High School where she served in multiple student body positions over the years including Class President. She loved basketball and earned the distinction of being the only freshman to play on the varsity team. She loved school - both the academics and the social activities and was an energetic participant and leader in both.

While in high school Fern met Ed Bennett, the brother of two new classmates from California. The high school sweethearts began their 49-year marriage in September of 1952 and welcomed a daughter in 1955, and a son in 1956. Fern began medical training as a candy-striper in a large hospital in Tulsa, then continued as a nurse’s aide in the Stillwell hospital before moving to Florence, Oregon

in 1959. Fern worked bunching brush upon their arrival and sold Avon for a time. Her experience in patient care was appreciated when she was hired by Western Lane Hospital. She then worked for Lane County Health Department where she served as receptionist and scheduler for medical services in Florence. During this time, she took college courses at LCC in Florence where she and her daughter shared the experience in several classes. She was next hired by Dr. AJ Brauer as receptionist and billing clerk for the Florence Clinic where she worked for many years. Her knowledgeable help and friendly service will be remembered by generations of patients.

Camping and RV-ing were activities loved dearly. Picking up grandkids for adventures were cherished memories for them all. Many great times and memorable discoveries were made as she and Ed wandered to points of interest.

Throughout her life, she was an exceptional caregiver. To her children and later mother and husband she provided advanced medical care and nurturing. Her gentle, sure hands and lavished care were a legacy to her family. She cared for her mother and husband at home through their passing. Fern lived quietly next door to her brother and his wife in the house she and Ed built the remainder of her life. She passed peacefully

in her home with family at her side on December 19th, 2024.

Fern is survived by her brother Dale and wife Lisa, his twin sister Gale in Oklahoma, her daughter Paula and son Gary, both residing in Washington state, three grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Her wish was to be quietly laid to rest with informal gatherings of loved ones at her graveside.

ERNEST W. PROVOST



Ernest W. Provost, a native of Stockton, passed away Dec.18,2024 at the age of 85. Born Jun.3.1939 to Clarence and Esther Provost. Ernie served in the Navy, was an avid mushroom hunter, and a beloved family man. Husband of 62 years to wife Zelma; father to daughters Jenean, Brenda, and Tina; grandfather to 8 grandchildren, 11 great grandchildren, and 1 great great grandchild; brother to Barbara Malchow and the late Larry Provost. He will be greatly missed. Burns’s Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home.

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In December the Florence Autism Family Support group was able to celebrate a family Christmas party thanks to the wonderful donations form Autism Society of Oregon and the Florence Elks Lodge. Autism Society Oregon graciously donated gifts while the Elks lodge hosted

and fed families from the Florence, Mapleton, and Reedsport communi-ties. This is the ninth year we were able to have this celebration and we are so grateful to be able to continue working with these great organiza-tions to continue this tradition. We would also like to thank all of the

volunteers, Mapleton School dis-trict for the donations, the Circle of Friends from Siuslaw high school, an amazing Santa and the wonderful stormtroopers who made it a special night.

Danielle Walk
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POLICE LOG

Officers from Florence Police Department responded to the follow-ing calls from January 1st through January 6th, 2024.

JAN 1

At 7:23 a.m., Officers responded to the restrooms on Bay Street or a report of a disorderly subject. officers made contact with the subject, who was counseled and released.

At 9:10 a.m., officers investigated a report of fraud from a subject on Kingwood Street.

At 11:16 p.m., officers responded to the 3900 block of Highway 101 for a report that a subject was violating a restraining order. Officers contacted the subject and charges were forwarded to the District Attorney’s office.

JAN. 2

At 2:32 a.m., officers responded to a report of illegal camping along Highway 101.

At 3:30 a.m., officers responded to a report of a domestic dispute in the 200 block of Nopal Street.

At 9:46 a.m., officers transported a subject to county jail as part of a previous court sentence.

At 12:04 p.m., officers responded to the 1400 block of Bay Street or a non-injury traffic accident.

At 12:46 p.m., officers responded to South Jetty Road for a report of found property.

At 2:26 p.m., officers responded to the 700 block of Quince Street for a report of illegal camping.

At 3:27 p.m., officers took a report from a sub-ject on Munsel Creek Loop, of possible identifi-cation theft. At 7:42 p.m., officers responded to the area of Highway 101 and 10th Street for an auto accident with injuries. Officers determined the crash was a hit and run and were able to contact the responsible driver. The driver was cited in lieu of arrest.

JAN. 3

At 9:01 a.m., offi-cers responded to the 1800 block of Highway 126 for a report of bur-glary to a business. The matter remains under

investigation.

At 9:30 a.m., officers arrived in the 700 block of Quince Street to check the welfare of a subject.

At 11:37 a.m. officers arrived in the 1300 block of Spruce Street to check the welfare of a subject there.

At 2:09 p.m., a caller requested that officers check the welfare of a subject in the Florence area.

4:57 p.m., officers responded to the 400 block of 9th Street for a report of a disorderly subject.

At 6:58 p.m., officers arrived to check the wel-fare of a subject in the area of 16th Street and Pine Street.

At 8:07 p.m., officers arrived in the 1200 block of 20th Street for a report of a found dog.

JAN. 4

At 9:30 a.m., officers arrived in the 400 block of 9th Street to assist another agency regarding notifica-tion of trespass warning.

From 12:14 p.m. to 12:33 p.m., dispatch made several attempts to recontact a 911 hangup caller, but were unable to connect or determine the caller’s location.

At 3:40 p.m., officers transported a subject to

county jail for trespass-ing (refusing to leave a business).

At 6:08 p.m., officers checked the welfare of a subject in Park Village.

At 6:14 p.m., officers investigated a report of property theft in the 1300 block of Highway 101.

At 7:32 p.m., officers assisted another agency in the 1600 block of 31st Street.

At 10:31 p.m., officers responded to the area of first and Laurel Street for a report of illegal camp-ing. officers arrived and found no one at the scene, but located some garbage and camping items.

JAN. 5

At 12:57 p.m., a caller was counseled for improper use of 911.

At 6:49 p.m., officers responded to the 500 block of Kingwood Street for a report of a dog barking.

At 10:36 p.m., Officers responded to the Siuslaw River Bridge for a report of a traffic accident. offi-cers arrived and found a stalled vehicle on the bridge. A tow truck was called and the vehicle was removed.

JAN 6

At 1:40 a.m., officers responded to the area of

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Breakfast with Santa

December 14 was the big day to meet with Santa and have breakfast with him. Florence Community PTA holds this community event annually, and it's always a hit.

Pancakes and sausage were on the menu, along with a nice warm cup of hot chocolate. Thanks to a great bunch of volunteers, the kitchen was hustle and bustle to feed over a hundred hungry family members during the morning hours.

Children who met with Santa received a pair of nice warm gloves in bright colors.

In addition to breakfast, festivities included a chance at a raffle and a bake sale table. The PTA would like to thank the bakers who provided baked goods to have for sale. A variety of over 20 baskets were donated by local businesses and individuals. A BIG thank you goes out to: Beyond the Salon; Three Rivers Casino; C & M Stables; Bi-Mart; Eugene Ballet; Kitchen Clutter; Mo's Restaurant; Laurel Bay Gardens; Eugene Emeralds; Steve and Tammy Jeffries; Jason and Crystal Osburn; Diane Osburn; and Diane McCalmont. There was a wide variety of baskets with something for everyone.

While this a community event hosted by the Florence Community PTA, donations were received and will go to the Florence Food Backpack for Kids Program.

If you would like to support education in the Siuslaw District and/or help with great events like this, become a member of the Florence Community PTA. Community members and businesses are welcome. Pick up a form at any of the three Siuslaw schools, email us at florenceoregonpta@gmail.com, or scan the QR code to join online.



Free Educational Medicare 101 Event

A free, open-to-the-public educational Medicare 101 event at the Florence Events Center will help explain the sometimes confusing and complicated federal health insurance program. The presentation by the locally based insurance advisor, Dana Dane, will be from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m., Thursday, February 6.

Medicare 101 will explain what people turning 65 need to do to enroll in Medicare and how they need to review their insurance plans each year after that in order to control their costs. The program will also cover how the different parts of Medicare work, including Medicare Part A (hospital insurance) and Part B (medical insurance), as well as Medicare Advantage (Part C) plans and Medicare Supplement health insurance plans. Participants also will learn how Medicare Part D Prescription Drug plans work, how to get help with the cost of prescription drugs and how Medicare works with the Veterans Affairs health care benefits.

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Mapleton Water District issues quarterly updates

Mapleton Water District (MWD) recently issued its quarterly newsletter which gave updates on upcoming projects, lead service inventory, a new skid update and more. Below are some excerpts from the report.

RICE ROAD IMPROVEMENTS

In 2022, the MWD was allocated a grant through the Environmental Protection Agency. This was a direct allocation from Senator Jeff Merkley's office. This grant allows the district to make progress on the replacement of our distribution system, the cost of which will be upwards of \$20 million.

During the process of creating a master plan for future improvements, the district decided that the best use of these funds would be Rice Road/1st Street Area. This would replace existing, aging mainlines and improve fire protection by increasing the maximum volume for new hydrants.

The district does not anticipate this project to affect customers' property outside the existing right of-way, but customers should expect the usual inconveniences that come with utility work.

NEW SKID UPDATE

Customers may have noticed the activity at the Water Treatment Plant on Highway 36. This project is well on its way to being substantially complete by the end of this March. The expansion of the plant building to accommodate the new skid has almost been completed. The new skid, which includes most of the components used to filter your water, has been completed and will soon be delivered from its manufacturer in Colorado. Final completion of the project will likely be late Spring or early Summer 2025 with the installation of a new backup generator.

It has taken the efforts of many board members, volunteers and

staff members—past and present over many years to get this over the finish line. Once complete the district will be focusing on replacing and repairing the aging distribution lines to reduce water loss and prevent service outages.

EMERGENCY MITIGATION AT THE WATER TREATMENT PLANT

In early Winter 2023 the Board held an emergency meeting to discuss the precarious situation developing above the water treatment plant. There was evidence of significant land movement along Berkshire Creek, the district's sole source of raw water. Further, the existing culverts, critical to access the treatment plant intake were failing and trees threatened existing critical infrastructure. Given the time-sensitive nature of the problem and the existing investment in the treatment plant property, the board discussed the problem with State and Federal agencies.

The solution developed was a mitigation project to be funded with a grant from the United States Department of Agriculture. The Emergency Community Water Assistance Grant (ECWAG) is limited to \$1,000,000.

The project will take place over the next six months to a year and occur over several phases. MWD believes that this work will further protect our new skid (anticipated to be operational by April 1, 2025) and further an important part the district's mission of "to provide reliable potable water at a reasonable price to customers."

RIVERVIEW AVENUE CULVERT PROJECT

This project was originally scheduled for Summer 2024 but was delayed to Summer 2025. Lane County is managing this project but the district will be contributing \$40,000 to adjust the depth of the mainline.

The washed-out section of street has increased traffic on Neely Lane and made the dock area less appealing for the last several years.

While the district is not managing the project we are anticipating some impact on customer service on Riverview Avenue south of the bridge. The Board and staff will keep customers informed when scheduling has been finalized and will be taking measures to mitigate any disruption of service to homes and businesses in the area.

ADDITIONAL STORAGE TANK

The district, with the help of Lane County, applied for and received a grant from the FEMA BRIC program.

This \$3 million grant will go towards the construction of a third, 300,000 gallon storage tank to be located near the Mapleton School District campus. The goal of this project is to improve the reliability of drinking water for customer as well as improve fire protection. The district anticipates that this project will be completed by the end of 2026.

POSSIBLE MERGER WITH THE SEWER SYSTEM

At the board meeting on November 11, 2024, commissioners and attendees discussed a proposal prepared by the Willamette Partnership. This was forwarded to the district by Mapleton Commercial Area Owner. This was forwarded to the district by Mapleton Commercial Area Owners Association (MCAOA). The MCAOA is the organization that operates the small sewer system that serves customers from Steelhead Drive to the Highway 36 Bridge.

The proposal was one of two options included in

the Willamette Partnership report and the one that was best for the future of the sewer system and its patrons. The ultimate end of this proposal is the merging of the Mapleton Water District with the sewer system, thus becoming a water and sewer district.

LEAD SERVICE LINE INVENTORY

In September and October 2024, district staff completed a Lead Service Line Inventory. This was required by the Environmental Protection Agency and the district's State regulator, the Oregon Health Authority (OHA).

The district chose to complete this inventory using the statistical method, which conserved the time of paid staff and because of the lower likelihood of lead service lines being installed due to the relatively age of the housing stock of the district compared with other water providers around the country.

District staff first reviewed its own records and other agencies' records to determine which service lines could be excluded from the list of unknown service lines.

One example would be for homes built in or after 1986. Of the remaining unknown service lines, the district randomly selected

20% to inspect. Staff then exposed the service line on both the district and customer side of the meter and identified the material of each side. The results of these inspections were then submitted to the OHA for review.

Neither side of any of the meters were determined to be lead or galvanized steel requiring replacement.

We can therefore declare with a high level of certainty that the district is free from lead service lines.

However, it is possible that lead plumbing exists in customers homes. In the summer of last year we completed OHA-required lead testing of samples from select customer homes. Two of the ten samples tested positive for lead and one tested positive for copper. Collectively, the district detected low levels of lead and copper—below the mandated action levels and maximum contamination levels. The district, of course, is not responsible for plumbing within a customer's home but does take measures to reduce the leaching of lead and copper from all sources by monitoring the pH of the water it produces.

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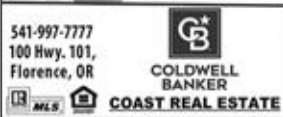


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has focused on “developing high-quality learning environments that elevate both students and communities.”

“My experience in opening schools, strategic planning, promoting strong school cultures, managing various advanced academic programs, and leading transformational initiatives directly aligns with my work at WCA,” he said. “What I’m especially excited about is supporting this classical education model that we will offer. Its emphasis on academic rigor, character development, and critical thinking aligns with my experience and vision for education. My vision is to make this approach to education available to all students, giving them the opportunity to engage meaningfully with the classical

principles and equipping them with the tools they need for lifelong learning and leadership.”

When asked, he said his vision closely aligns with WCA founders’ commitment to classical education that emphasizes academic rigor, character development, and critical thinking.

LOCATION, LOCATION

Asked about a prospective location, Ruelas said SVCS is pursuing options. He said a building is SVCS’s most pressing matter.

“Fall might seem like a long way away, but it’s not,” he said. “When it comes to facilities, there is a lot of planning involved, a lot of permits and since we haven’t located a place ... we’re not certain how much is going to be involved in developing, renovating or completely building up by placing modules there.” He said he hopes to have an update soon.

CHARTER OR PUBLIC

Asked if he feels WCA students will have any advantages over their public school peers, Ruelas said the classical education model will give students unique advantages by “offering a focused and purposeful liberal arts approach that combines content-rich curriculum, an appreciation for the arts, and an emphasis on critical thinking, logic, and communication skills.”

Asked how that education will differ from public schools, he said, “While public schools also aim to provide broad educational opportunities, WCA’s classical approach is distinct in its utilization of great historical and modern works and the Socratic method, which encourage students to explore profound questions of truth, justice, virtue, and beauty.”

RE: RELIGION

A recurring concern

has been that WCA might teach religion or proselytize, which would be an illegal use of public funds. Ruelas said it will not happen at WCA, but students will learn of religion’s influences on history and society. “WCA is a public charter school, which means we are non-sectarian and strictly adhere to Oregon’s laws governing public education,” he said. “In their course of study, students at WCA may study various religions in their historical and cultural contexts, as is common practice in public schools across the country, to provide students with a comprehensive understanding of world history, culture, and philosophy. However, we do not promote, endorse, or prioritize any belief system. Instead, we encourage students to engage critically and thoughtfully with diverse perspectives, so that they develop sincere respect and understanding of

others’ beliefs systems and traditions.”

STUDENT SPORTS

Asked if the school will have sport teams, Ruelas said it’s not likely, especially in the early years that will serve lower grades. He said WCA won’t have its own sports teams but its “whole child development approach” he would encourage kids to participate in sports, even as an extra-curricular activity.

“You learn a lot of skills in leadership and teamwork and communication,” he said, noting that students can participate in Siuslaw School District sports.

He said the school may host and share academic clubs as well, “as space allows.”

TRANSPORTATION

The contract with Siuslaw School District agrees to share bus transportation if students live near existing bus routes

but states that the district will not create any new stops or bus routes to accommodate WCA students. Without a location, it cannot be known which prospective students may take advantage of district bus routes or find other transportation.

“Potentially, the primary additional cost for families may be transportation, as we do not currently provide busing services,” he said. “However, we are exploring ways to support families with this need. Beyond that, any additional costs would be limited and comparable to what traditional public school families might encounter, such as fees for field trips, extracurricular activities, classroom supplies, or enrichment programs, and would comply with state laws.”

Asked if he had any more to share, Ruelas said he’s thankful for the support he’s received and

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nonprofit organization or religious institution and anyone low temperatures or adverse weather endanger human life.

Reynolds said the committee provided information about how it intends to run an emergency shelter, provide a warm meal, and have trained volunteer staff on location through the night. Reynolds said guests would be out around 8 a.m. and the location would be cleaned by staff.

READY TO GO

Linda Stent said the committee has been tracking weather. She said that should two separate forecasts agree that weather will reach the low 30s and below, staff would mobilize and open the shelter. She said local forecasts show that weather will be soon dipping that low. she noted that if weather is predicted to be below 38° but windy and rainy, that would also qualify.

“The committee decided that this year, if any day goes into the 30s, we are going to open,” she said, noting that weather at that time was predicted to get cold for a few days, reach into the 40s for a few more, and then get cold again.

“Some of the restaurants in town are participating, which is nice,” she said. Stent noted that she originally intended only to inform the council but was advised to ask for a permit extension. “If something happened, I don’t know where we’d go. I’ve been very disappointed in the response of the churches and staff, as far as the warming center, but that’s a whole other discussion.”

Reynolds said the council would not be considering an extension, but pre-approving an alternate location should FUUF be unable to fulfill its offer.

“I know you haven’t had the warmest response,” Reynolds said, “but it seems like when the need arises, Florence meets that need in the moment, so I’m expecting that another church or nonprofit facility similar to the FUUF facility

[inside city limits] would say ‘yes.’”

Reynolds explained that the approval would essentially streamline decision-making during emergency cold weather events by allowing the police chief or herself as city manager to make the call.

STICK TO THE PLAN

Councilor Robert Carp surmised that the reason Stent received little response from other churches was due to “a negative impact that this has had in our community in the past.”

He said council and departments put a lot of effort into developing Title 1 chapter 9 of the city ordinances to regulate emergency shelters in the City.

“It’s great that you are doing what you’re doing, and I commend you for it but we have a system in place,” he said. “If you needed a backup location, you had considerable time to address that. Also, If you look at your phone, when you look at the news, you can see the weather report for 7 to 10 days. You have ample time to plan for cold weather.”

Carp repeated what he called an old saying, “Proper Planning Prevents Poor Performance,” saying he saw no need to change the established process for approving warming shelters. He said that while he has the utmost respect for Reynolds and Police Chief John Pitcher, he felt the decision to approve a warming shelter should remain with the council.

“The shelter issue comes along every year with winter weather,” he said. “This is not a new phenomenon. There’s ample time during the year to plan for these situations. The council is the elected body that represents the community and answers to the people. The citizens of Florence want their elected officials to be responsible for these decisions. We have a process in place, let’s respect it.”

Stent responded, saying she has been scouting locations for some time, and even went to Pleasant Hill, Oregon, to speak with the owners of the former Sears building

downtown.

“..for \$6,000 a month, you can rent it, too,” she remarked.

“This year has been really weird because we’ve had warm weather at the beginning of the season, so we’re never really sure.”

IN FAVOR

Councilor Bill Meyer complimented Stent regarding the rules of operation for the warming center and asked if an alternate site in town would adhere to the same rules.

“We would try to stay as close to those as we can,” she replied. “It’s what we have used in the past and it has worked.” She said no problems have occurred at previous locations.

Councilor Sally Wantz said the concept of helping people with a warm place to stay for the night goes back many years in Florence.

“It’s a humanitarian effort, and I commend you for doing that,” she said. “My organization, FUUF, which I have been a part of for almost 20 years, went through extensive interviews. We invited Linda (Stent) to our board meetings to present to us every thing that would happen at our particular facility. It’s not a big facility and we’ll have to move stuff around to make it work, but you’ve been there several times, and never, ever have there been any problems whatsoever with the volunteers, with the guests that have stayed there, or with anything that has happened- except when you were there, septic tank was not working right, and by golly, you helped us get it fixed. Not only did you do that, but you have a great staff of volunteers, and I’m really quite amazed that there aren’t any other faith-based organizations, ... that wouldn’t even consider the possibility of opening their doors on a very cold night for less than 24 hours.”

Wantz asserted that by the following morning, the site would be returned to it’s previous condition.

“I’m putting a plea out there to the people of Florence who have all of these churches ...

to seriously consider the humanitarian effort that this takes. It’s not rocket science, this is just a matter of opening your doors and letting a few folks come in, sleep and stay warm overnight instead of freezing to death.”

Wantz said she was pleased that church and members sat and we talked for two and a half hours and went through item by item and voted to host the shelter.

“Being on the outskirts, we were able to do it without City approval,” she said, asking that if circumstances prevent FUUF from helping, The city manager and police chief could make the decision to allow an alternate location quickly.

Councilor Jo Beaudreau said she liked the proposal to make an alternative location available if needed.

“Within a couple hours our weather can change,” she said, “and be dramatically different from forecasts.” Beaudreau favored giving the city manager and police chief rapid approval authority to mobilize to another location in the city limits, if needed.

“We’ve been doing this for how many years now?” she asked. “This is not the Bridges program, it’s not a different housing program, so I want to make that clear. This is a backup for people in our

community that may have needs.”

When asked, Mayor Rob Ward noted that the requested change would remove such a decision from the council and delegate it to the police chief and city manager.

He said it would be a quicker way for the city to respond, and would entrust that the city manager and police chief know the council well enough to be able to make it a decision.

He added that since the request is only for the remainder of the winter months until spring 2025, a new process would be needed for cold months in the latter part of the year.

APPROVAL

Reynolds noted that the city code dictates that the council may allow a warming shelter by any non-profit organization or religious institution when low temperatures or adverse weather conditions endanger human life.

“The city council has traditionally approved this organization ... for the approximately October through April winter season and have looked at it every year- It says ‘you may allow,’ so your allowance is based on whatever condition you want to put on it.”

Reynolds noted that when approved last year, the committee did not have a location secured,

although FUUF was ultimately chosen.

Reynolds suggested adding language to the approval which would note that “a secondary location has yet to be determined,” but if the city manager and police chief are given 24 hours notice, approval could be given by them.

With no further discussion, the council voted 4 to 1 to approve the request as suggested.

WARMING CENTER
OPENING

It appears that this year’s cold season is fast approaching. In anticipation of that, the Florence Warming Center will be opening January 11-13. Subsequent openings will depend on weather conditions. Any time the cold forecasts fall into the 30s, we will open the Warming Center.

We will be located at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship (FUUF) facility. We will open at 5 p.m. and close at 8 a.m. We will serve dinner and breakfast and provide sleeping mats/linens/blankets for overnight stays.

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“From my perspective, it’s building on

the vision the board has put together,” he said, “because they have established a number of things, even though we don’t have a site yet, such as the school philosophy, the educational model. Those are big milestones but we still have a lot of work to do.”

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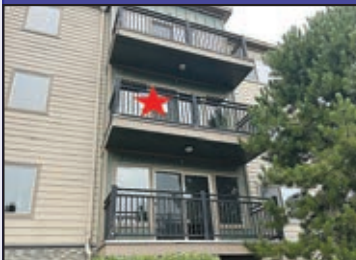
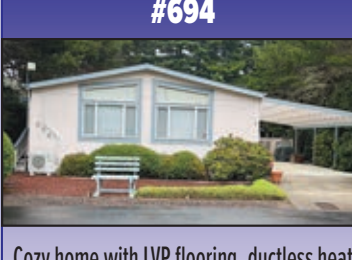
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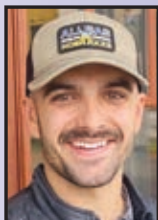
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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 15	
High.....	1:36 a.m.....6.8
Low.....	6:43 a.m.....3.1
High.....	12:37 p.m.....8.1
Low.....	7:25 p.m.....-0.8
THURSDAY, JANUARY 16	
High.....	2:11 a.m.....6.9
Low.....	7:27 a.m.....2.9
High.....	1:21 p.m.....7.7
Low.....	8:00 p.m.....-0.3
FRIDAY, JANUARY 17	
High.....	2:45 a.m.....6.9
Low.....	8:12 a.m.....2.8
High.....	2:03 p.m.....7.2
Low.....	8:34 p.m.....0.3
SATURDAY, JANUARY 18	
High.....	3:18 a.m.....6.9
Low.....	8:59 a.m.....2.7
High.....	2:47 p.m.....6.5
Low.....	9:06 p.m.....1.0
SUNDAY, JANUARY 19	
High.....	3:49 a.m.....6.9
Low.....	9:50 a.m.....2.6
High.....	3:34 p.m.....5.9
Low.....	9:38 p.m.....1.6
MONDAY, JANUARY 20	
High.....	4:22 a.m.....6.9
Low.....	10:46 a.m.....2.4
High.....	4:30 p.m.....5.3
Low.....	10:12 p.m.....2.4
TUESDAY, JANUARY 21	
High.....	4:58 a.m.....6.9
Low.....	11:49 a.m.....2.2
High.....	5:42 p.m.....4.7
Low.....	10:50 p.m.....3.1
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 22	
High.....	5:39 a.m.....6.9
Low.....	12:55 p.m.....1.8
High.....	7:16 p.m.....4.5
Low.....	11:40 p.m.....3.6
THURSDAY, JANUARY 23	
High.....	6:28 a.m.....6.9
Low.....	1:59 p.m.....1.4
High.....	8:52 p.m.....4.7
FRIDAY, JANUARY 24	
Low.....	12:46 a.m.....4.0
High.....	7:24 a.m.....7.0
Low.....	2:56 p.m.....0.9
High.....	10:01 p.m.....5.0
SATURDAY, JANUARY 25	
Low.....	1:59 a.m.....4.1
High.....	8:20 a.m.....7.3
Low.....	3:47 p.m.....0.4
High.....	10:48 p.m.....5.4
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Low.....	3:04 a.m.....4.1
High.....	9:12 a.m.....7.6
Low.....	4:31 p.m.....-0.2
High.....	11:26 p.m.....5.8
MONDAY, JANUARY 27	
Low.....	4:00 a.m.....3.9
High.....	10:01 a.m.....8.0
Low.....	5:12 p.m.....-0.6
TUESDAY, JANUARY 28	
High.....	12:02 a.m.....6.0
Low.....	4:49 a.m.....3.6
High.....	10:47 a.m.....8.3
Low.....	5:50 p.m.....-1.0
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 29	
High.....	12:35 a.m.....6.4
Low.....	5:34 a.m.....3.2
High.....	11:33 a.m.....8.4
Low.....	6:26 p.m.....-1.1
THURSDAY, JANUARY 30	
High.....	1:09 a.m.....6.8
Low.....	6:20 a.m.....2.7
High.....	12:18 p.m.....8.4
Low.....	7:02 p.m.....-1.1
FRIDAY, JANUARY 31	
High.....	1:42 a.m.....7.1
Low.....	7:06 a.m.....2.3
High.....	1:05 p.m.....8.2
Low.....	7:38 p.m.....-0.7

Boys basketball back after break

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The Siuslaw boys basketball team is back on the court after the holiday break, and January has largely brought positive results for the Vikings. In the early days of January, the Vikings achieved their biggest win of the season so far and performed well at the Bandon Dunes Tournament.

The Vikings competed in the Bandon Dunes Tournament on Jan. 2-4 and placed fourth at the tournament due to a first-round loss to Santiam Christian on Jan. 2. It came down to the wire for Siuslaw, and ultimately, they just fell short, losing to the Eagles 56-54.

Though it must have been disappointing to be knocked out of contention for the tournament by such a razor-thin margin, the Vikings quickly rebounded



and competed with a ferocity befitting some Vikings. Siuslaw put up high-scoring games in their final two

tourney games, winning by margins of 20 and 47, respectively.

Siuslaw beat Myrtle Point

58-38 in consolation before going nuclear on La Pine, scoring 70 points while only giving up 23. The 70-23 win was the Vikings' biggest win of the season, but Siuslaw kept the hot hand, one-upping themselves in their next non-league game against Toledo.

The Vikings traveled to play Toledo on Jan. 7 and turned in their most dominant performance of the year so far. Siuslaw scored 83 points, the highest-scoring game for the Vikings this season. Toledo couldn't keep up, and Siuslaw returned home with an 83-28 win. The blow-out marked a three-game winning streak for Siuslaw, bringing their record to 8-4 as of Jan. 9.

At the time of press, the results of Siuslaw's non-league games against Harrisburg (Jan. 10) and Sweet Home (Jan. 14) are

not known. Going into the Jan. 10 game against Harrisburg, the Vikings are atop the 3A-5 Far West League, ahead of Sutherlin, South Umpqua, Douglas, Coquille, and Glide.

Siuslaw has been a powerhouse on offense in the conference, scoring 741 points through 12 games, the highest in the league by far. As of Jan. 9, the second highest-scoring team is Sutherlin, with 596 points.

Despite sitting atop the standings in the league, Siuslaw is ranked #26 in OSAA's 3A rankings. With the non-league portion of the season ending, the decisive league play is fast approaching. The Vikings will open up the league proceedings against Sutherlin on Jan. 17.

How Siuslaw performs in the league will ultimately decide if they qualify for the state playoffs this season.

Siuslaw girls basketball recent results

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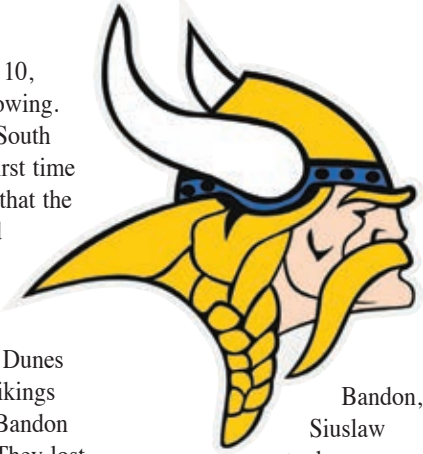
The girl's basketball team at Siuslaw is still on the hunt for their second win of the season, and though they didn't capture a win at the Bandon Dunes Tournament, they did put up their second-highest-scoring game of the season in a 31-43 loss against South Umpqua on Jan. 3.

The performance didn't quite eclipse Siuslaw's highest-scoring game, which came in the Viking's lone 47-18 win against

Reedsport on Dec. 10, but was a good showing. The game against South Umpqua was the first time in almost a month that the Vikings had scored more than 25 points.

At the Bandon Dunes Tournament, the Vikings also face off with Bandon and Myrtle Point. They lost to Bandon 58-12 on Jan. 2 and were also beaten by Myrtle Point 16-47 on Jan. 4.

Following the action in



points, they were beaten by the Boomers 41-22. The loss to Toledo brought the Vikings' record to 1-11 and was their eighth loss in a row, heading into the Jan. 10 game against Harrisburg. At the time of press, the results of Siuslaw's non-league games against Harrisburg (Jan. 10) and Sweet Home (Jan. 14) are not known.

Going into the final two non-league games of the year, Siuslaw was ranked fifth of the six teams in the Far West League, trailing

Coquille, Sutherlin, South Umpqua, and Glide but ranked ahead of Douglas. Zooming out, the Vikings are ranked #39 of the 47 teams in OSAA's 3A rankings.

Going forward, the Vikings still have plenty left to play for. The win against Reedsport was the first for the program in more than a year, and if the Vikings were to get a second win, it would be the first time since the 2022-2023 season and only the second time since the pandemic.

Council members sworn in



Following an unsurprising election in November, three Florence City Council members were sworn in at the Jan 6 meeting. After running unopposed, Rob Ward again took the seat as Mayor of Florence. Councilor Bill Meyer and Sally Wantz were also sworn in under the oath of office and took their seats at the Dias. Councilor Jo Beaudreau was appointed council vice president and Councilor Robert Carp was appointed council president.



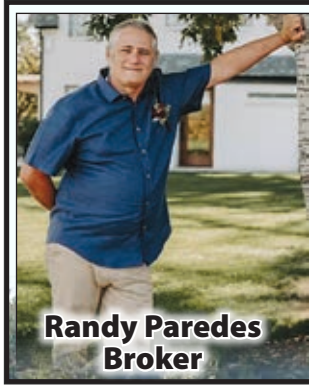
Development grant opportunity

Are you a teacher or non-profit professional looking for a chance to increase your skills? Do you want to bring an exciting new program to your students or clients that will require specialized training? The Florence Rotary Club's Continuing Professional Education Fellowship program is offering up to two fellowships for \$1,000 to \$2,000 to support local people who serve our community. The simple and free application process must be complete by midnight on Friday, February 14, 2025. The form and additional information are available online at theflorencerotary.org.

Since the Rotary Professional Education grant first began, more than a dozen local teachers and nonprofit professionals have received training and education. Here are some of the results:

- *A middle school science teacher attended a graduate-level course at Portland State University focused on engineering and design education.
- *A local nurse attended specialized training to increase her skill in providing direct service to patients.
- *An elementary-school teacher who was struggling to engage the highest and lowest achievers in her classroom used our funding to attend a national conference about using tablets to manage differentiated learning. This approach advocates the use of small workstations throughout a classroom where students can learn in different ways — using a computer or tablet, touching or interacting with objects, engaging in discussion, or pursuing individual study.
- *A counselor received training to teach women and children how to deal with and prevent domestic abuse.

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Community Briefs

Writing Vivid Scenes

How do writers achieve a good balance of sensory details in a scene? How do we hone our attention to the world so that we can make the settings in our scenes vivid?

Join the Willamette Writers Coast Chapter on Saturday, January 18, from 2:00 -4:00pm at the Newport Public Library when author Mark Pomeroy will present a generative writing workshop aimed at helping writers use details to capture setting. Through writing exercises sparked by music and images, as well as readings

of mentor texts, writers will zero in on bringing places to life.

In 2014, Oregon State University Press published Pomeroy’s first novel, The Brightwood Stillness. He has received an Oregon Literary Fellowship for fiction, and his short stories, poems, and essays have appeared in, among other publications, Open Spaces, Portland Magazine, NW Book Lovers, and What Teaching Means: Stories from America’s Classrooms.

In the spring of 2024, University of Iowa Press published his second novel, The Tigers of Lents, which he will read from. For the past twenty-nine years

Pomeroy has led creative writing workshops in Portland schools.

This program is co-hosted by the Newport Public Library.

The WW Coast Chapter hosts presentations from September through June. Programs are free and open to all writers 18 and older. There are Young Willamette Writer chapters for those under 18. Willamette Writers is the largest writer’s association in Oregon and one of the largest in the nation. Join Willamette Writers at their website, <https://willamette-writers.org>.

WLT Meeting

West Lane Translator, Inc., a not-for-profit organization providing free television and radio re-transmission to the Florence area, will hold its Annual Meeting, including election of its officers, on Wednesday, January 22, 2025 at 6:00 pm. The meeting will be held in the Siuslaw Library, Bromley Room and virtually with attendance details provided to all current WLT members via email. For the convenience of the public, a summary of the meeting will be posted to the WLT website, westlanetv.org.

Join the People’s March

People’s March Saturday, January 18th at 11am at the Florence United Methodist Church, 333 Kingwood St. In solidarity with the National Women’s March, we are standing together, defending each other and building a resilient and united community. We are called upon to inspire, energize, and help drive constructive change in Washington DC and in our communities.

We will gather to march,

sing and chant. We will walk from the Methodist Church to Old Town, past City Hall, then back to the church to eat, visit, listen to community leaders, poetry, music and then, we will dance!

All this joyful activity will be followed by Indivisible’s “We Won’t Go Back” rally at 1pm the intersection of Highways 101 and 126.

This is a family-friendly event; we will have activities for children. Everyone

is welcome. This is a feminist led event sponsored by Florence Organizes (local non-partisan group that supports our community) and Florence Indivisible (national organization supporting our American democracy). Sign up: <https://map.peoplesmarch.com/events/florence-community-is-marching-forward>

Find us at: facebook.com/FlorenceOrganizes and facebook.com/FlorenceINDIVISIBLE

Schoolhouse Bingo Fundraiser

Looking for something fun to do for Valentine’s Day weekend? Grab your sweetheart or your pals and join C.R.O.W. on Saturday, February 15th from 5-9:30 PM at Three Rivers Casino & Resort, Events Center for “Schoolhouse Bingo!” All proceeds support youth in the arts, and this event is sure to be “way more fun than a pop quiz!” The theme was chosen to coincide with C.R.O.W.’s upcoming

production of “Matilda The Musical,” which will be performed April 25-May 4 at the Florence Events Center.

Bingo tickets are \$55 per person with a discount for a table of 8. Tickets include 10 bingo game cards, a dauber, and a themed dinner with coffee/tea/iced tea and wine sponsored by Three Rivers. Additional Bingo cards will be available for purchase at check in. Doors open at 5 pm for dinner and

check in. The event will run from 5 - 9:30 PM, with Bingo games beginning at approximately 6:30. This event is for adults only, ages 18+.

Last year’s Bingo Fundraiser sold out very early, so don’t wait to purchase your tickets online at: <http://www.crowkids.com/bingofundraiser>. To donate a prize or ask a question, please contact crowtheatre-kids@yahoo.com

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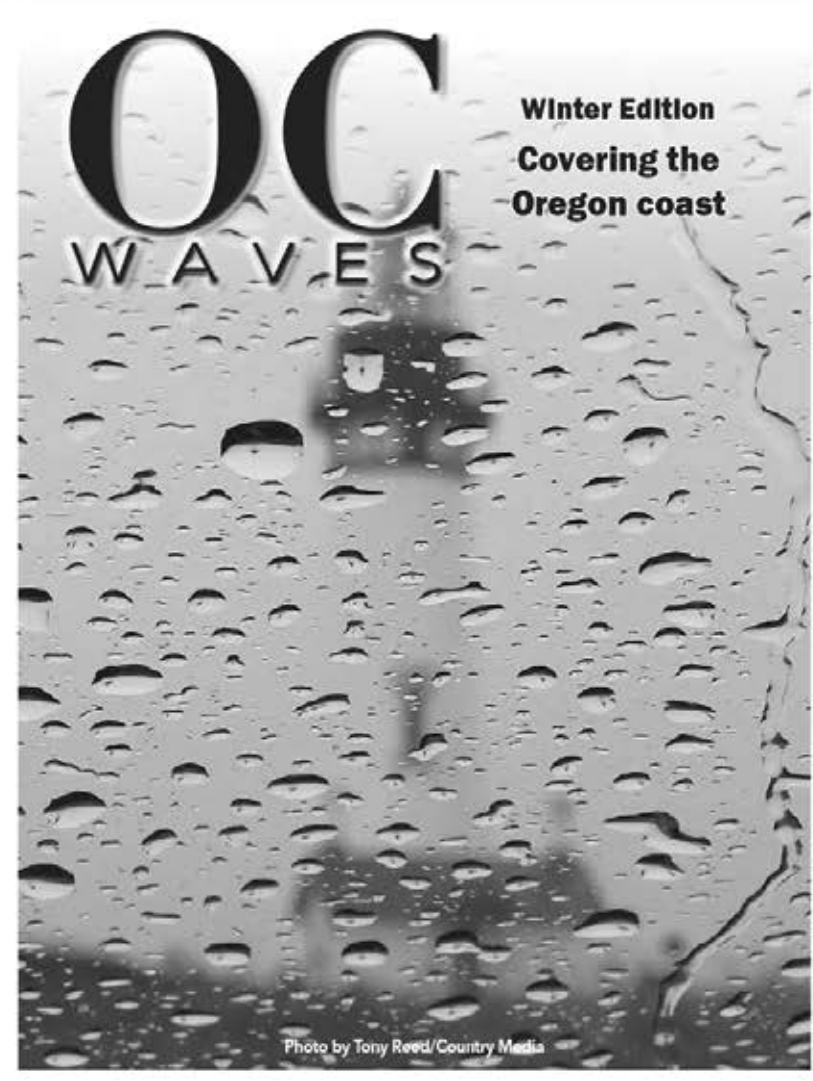


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Siletz Tribe regains ownership of Table Rock homelands

The Confederated Tribes of Siletz Indians has announced the purchase of approximately 2,000 acres of privately-owned property within the original Table Rock Reserve in southern Oregon.

“This is a historic moment that reconnects the Siletz Tribe to its ancestors, history and treaties signed near Table Rock. It is a great honor to return this special land to Indian stewardship,” said Delores Pigsley, chairman of the Siletz Tribe.

HISTORICAL BACKGROUND

The Siletz Tribe’s history is inseparably linked to Table Rocks in southern Oregon. The 1853, the Table Rock Treaty was the first confederation of Oregon Tribes and the first treaty signed by any Indian tribe in the West to be ratified by the U.S. Senate. By that act, the Table Rock Reserve on the north bank of the Rogue River became Oregon’s first reservation.

Euro-American settlers and the American government often grouped together the bands and tribes of the Rogue River basin as “Rogue River Indians.” Amid significant bloodshed, a treaty was negotiated and signed by Indian and American leaders on Sept. 10, 1853. The treaty ceded most of the aboriginal lands of the Takelma, Applegate River, Galice Creek and Shasta Tribes — encompassing the Upper Rogue River Valley. It reserved 100 square miles around Table Rock — just 4 percent of the tribes’ homelands.

Under the treaty terms, the Table Rock Reserve would exist indefinitely until a president declared a “permanent” reservation. A year later in November 1854, two more treaties were signed that form the bedrock of the Siletz Confederation. On Nov. 15, the tribes and bands of the original Table Rock confederation agreed to confederate with other tribes who entered into treaties with the United States and were removed to Table Rock.

Days later, another treaty of confederation was signed by the Chasta, Scoton and Grave Creek Indians. This Chasta-Scoton treaty ceded lands of the mid-Rogue River basin and united the signatory bands, who agreed to remove to a specially assigned portion of the Table

Florence UU Fellowship will host a White Stone Ceremony

Submitted by FUUF

Join us on January 19th as we begin this new year with intentions that are written on white stones that summon the fulfillment of our dreams and our abundance. As Rev. Donna Smith reminds us “We are powerful creators and our intentions are honored by the Universe when we are confident and clear in what we want.” Join us in this beautiful ceremony wherein we will be able to write our intentions on white stones from Hebron, Israel. These white stones hold powerful, ancient and holy energy.

Location: Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship - 87738 Hwy 101 at Heceta Beach Road Date: January 19, 2025 Time: Doors open at 9:30 AM; service begins at 10:00 AM Everyone is welcome to join us for this special ceremony.

For more information, please contact: Sally Wantz - Florence.Unitarian@gmail.com



Several members of the Siletz Tribal Council are pictured on the newly purchased Table Rock property. They are: Robert Kentta, treasurer (left); July Muschamp, secretary; Delores Pigsley, chairman; and Gerald Ben. (Courtesy photo)

Rock reserve or “whatever reserve the President of the United States may at any time hereafter direct.” These confederated tribes and bands resided upon the Table Rock Reserve.

The treaty cessions failed to stop extermination attempts by settlers. In response to a massacre of more than 20 mostly Indian women and children camping near Table Rocks in October 1855, Chief John led a revolt of the Rogue River Indians at Table Rock, leaving the reserve and waging continued war against the United States.

In February 1856, the remaining Indians on the reserve were initially removed to the new Grand Ronde encampment. This “Trail of Tears” from Table Rock took 33 days, and seven Indians died along the way. Those who left the reserve and engaged the United States in hostilities

were forced to surrender on July 2, 1856, and marched north up the Oregon coast.

By April 1857, the U.S. government had removed most Rogue River Indians to the newly created 1.1 million-acre Siletz Reservation. A report to Congress by Inspector J. Ross Browne later explained that “the greater part of the Rogue Rivers were removed to the Siletz [Reservation] ...”

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For many years, the Siletz Tribe has continually consulted with the Bureau of Land Management, The Nature Conservancy and others regarding the stewardship of ancestral homelands around Table Rock. In 2007, Siletz Tribal member Agnes Baker Pilgrim returned the Sacred Salmon Ceremony to its home at the ancient Takelma site at Ti'lomikh Falls, downstream of the re-acquired Siletz property.

The Siletz Tribe plans to use the Table Rock property for cultural purposes as their ancestors did in the past.

“A Siletz ancestor who confederated at Table Rock, Tyee George, said, ‘Let us go back to our homes and our hearts will be bright again like the sun,’” said Pigsley. “Our renewed presence on this land is a step toward fulfilling his wish. We are now coming home.”

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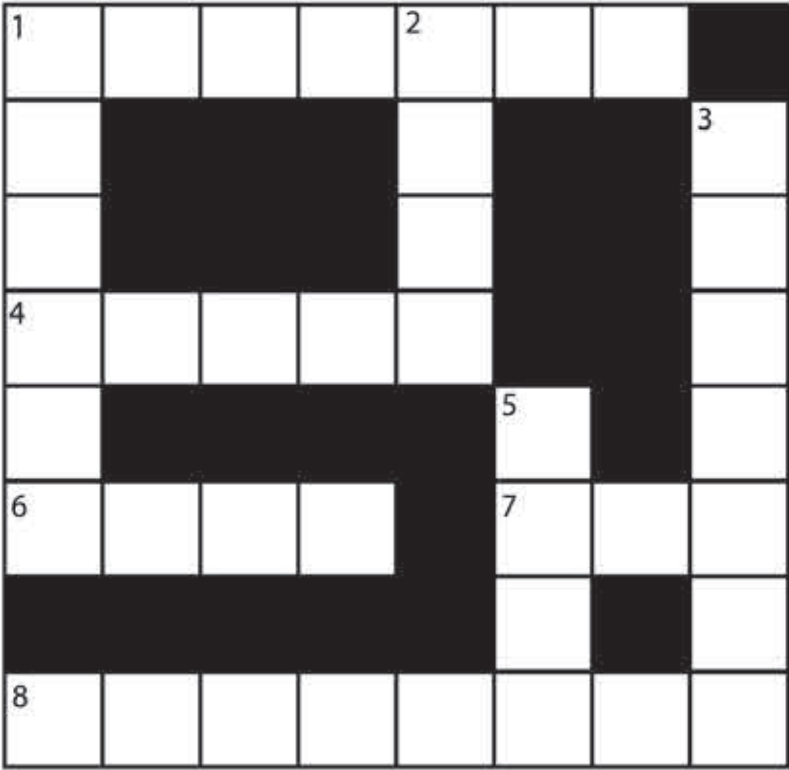
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Answer: Oatmeal

Crossword Puzzle



- ACROSS**
- 1. Instructions for preparing meals
 - 4. Happy sound
 - 6. Computer info
 - 7. Prefix meaning “having three”
 - 8. Early parts of the day

- DOWN**
- 1. Type of oatmeal oats
 - 2. A way or track
 - 3. Breakfast cupcakes
 - 5. Shock or amaze

Answers:
Across
1. Recipes 4. Laugh 6. Data 7. Tri 8. Mornings
Down
1. Rolled 2. Path 3. Muffins 5. Stun

THIS DAY IN HISTORY



- 1822:** The design of the Greek flag is adopted by the First National Assembly at Epidaurus.
- 1849:** The Colony of Vancouver Island is established.
- 1942:** Henry Ford patents a soybean car that is 30 percent lighter than a regular car.

NEW WORD

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Answer: Cooked oatmeal

AT THE RINK

WORD SEARCH

U	V	A	A	F	K	N	O	U	A	N	S	I	B	C	N	H	O	L	X
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B	K	R	W	M	H	R	C	O	R	G	S	Y	V	F	H	Y	Y	C	G

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

WORDS

- AXEL
- BLADE
- BREAKAWAY
- CHECK
- COAST
- COMPETITION
- DISCIPLINE
- EDGE
- FLIP
- HOCKEY
- ICE
- JUMP
- LIFT
- NOVICE
- PROGRAM
- RINK
- ROLLER
- SEASON
- SINGLES
- SKATING
- SPEED
- SPIN
- WARMUP
- ZAMBONI

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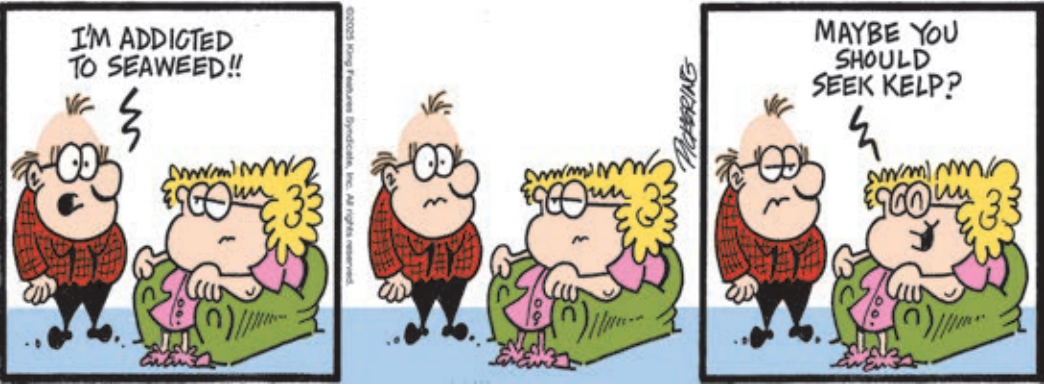
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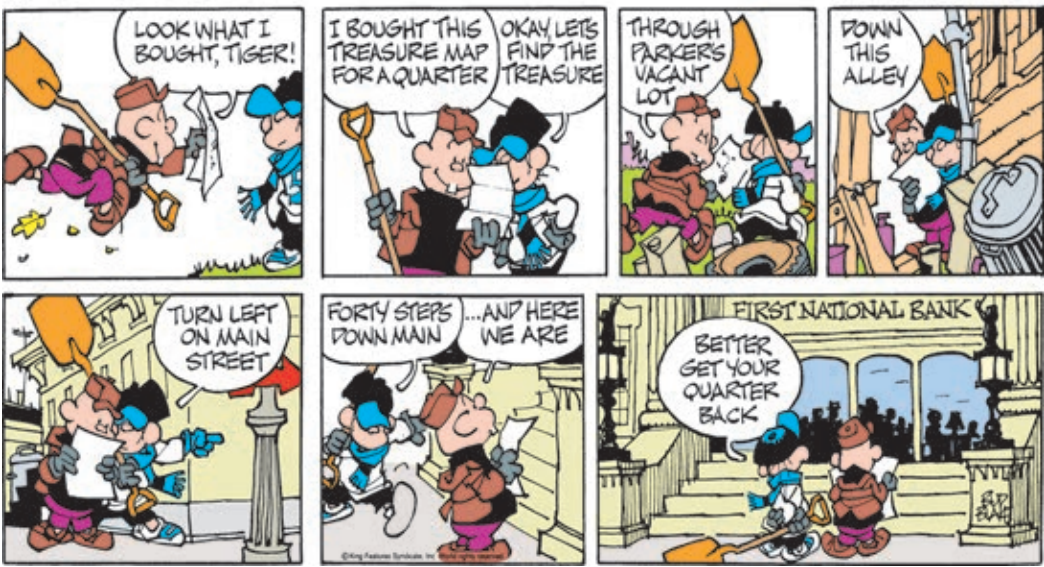
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CryptoQuip

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: F equals N

UQS ZLVFA EQCBW'G BLLGS
CFECGLN HXWS QCG AVHG
JNSUUZ GLNS. C ULBW QCH
"UQCG ULLUQ GQXBB JXGG."

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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!

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BUSMILE

Notice

GRADER

Steal

PARTIE

Slight

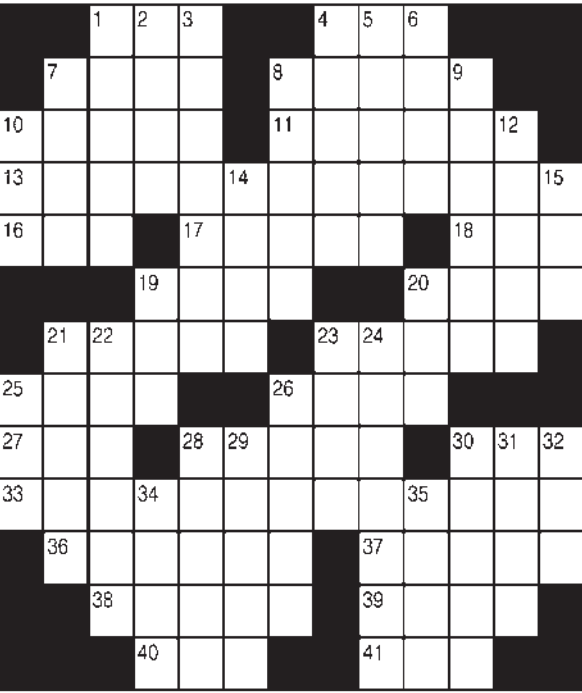
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TODAY'S WORD

King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Kitten's cry
4 Bit of advice
7 Prop for Sherlock
8 Vice President Burr
10 Ancient Greek region
11 Future ferns
13 Mental agility
16 Rds.
17 Pitchers
18 Stickum
19 Unpaid TV ads
20 Close
21 Revue segments
23 Lover's meeting
25 Smack a baseball
26 1982 sci-fi film
27 Signing need
28 "— of One's Own"
30 1959 Kingston Trio hit
33 Burger King, for one
36 Kilt pattern
37 Lubricated
38 Canary snacks



DOWN

- 1 Short skirts
2 Grand tale
3 Least strong
4 Piglike mammal
5 Golf clubs
6 Beans go-with
7 Sulk
8 Campfire leftovers
9 Stallion sounds
10 Mensa stats
12 Animal's nose
14 "Jabberwocky" starter
15 Inherited
19 Peach center
20 Wd. from Roget
21 Hard work
22 Sunflower
23 Walked (on)
24 Date movies, for short
25 Beach lotion letters
26 Animated figures
28 Pursuing
29 Highways
30 Sasha's sister
31 Alliances
32 Moreover
34 Sloth's home
35 Employ

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Weekly SUDOKU

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

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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WORD LADDERS

Can you go from SLANT to GRASS in 6 words?
Change one letter for each rung in the ladder.

SLANT

GRASS

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Trivia test by Fifi Rodriguez

1. GEOGRAPHY: What is the smallest continent by area?
2. MOVIES: What is Deadpool's real name in the movie series?
3. MEASUREMENTS: How many ounces are in 1 gallon?
4. TELEVISION: What is the name of the character that Jason Bateman plays in "Ozark"?
5. FOOD & DRINK: What is the dimple at the bottom of a wine bottle called?
6. U.S. CITIES: Which city also is known as Motown?
7. LITERATURE: The movie "Bridget Jones Diary" is loosely based on which novel?
8. ANIMAL KINGDOM: Which is the only big cat that doesn't roar?
9. MEDICAL: What is a common name for fasciculation?
10. LANGUAGE: What does the Latin term "magnum opus" mean?

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- Answers
1. Australia (Oceania)
2. Wade Wilson
3. 128
4. Marty Byrde
5. Punt
6. Detroit, Michigan
7. "Pride and Prejudice"
8. The cheetah
9. Muscle twitch
10. "Great work"

BEDTIME

Today's Word

1. Suffix 2. Regard
3. Pirate 4. Thin

SCRAMBLERS

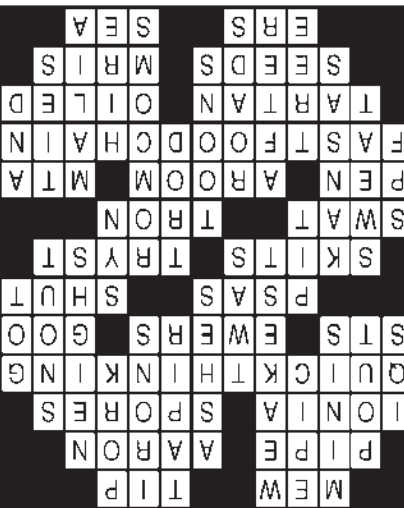
solution

PLAYS, GRAYS, GRASS

SLANT, PLANT, PLANS,

Answer

WORD LADDER



Solution time: 24 mins.

Answers

King Crossword

CryptoQuip

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pretty sore, I told him

"This tooth shall pass."

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A. 5 10 3 1 7 16
Clue: Divided into categories

B. 5 18 5 1 7 9
Clue: Way of doing things

C. 1 22 16 18
Clue: Neat

D. 23 20 4 1 1 7 3
Clue: Scattered items

Answers: A. sorted B. system C. tidy D. clutter

WORD SCRAMBLE

Rearrange the letters to spell something pertaining to organization.

LFEI

Answer: File

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I am a singer/songwriter born in Tennessee on January 19, 1946. I grew up with 11 brothers and sisters in a small cabin. I learned to sing in church. I've released 26 No. 1 Billboard hits during my career, and I'm known as the "Queen of Country Music" as a result.

Answer: Dolly Parton

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Clear communication is needed right now, Capricorn; otherwise, you may fall victim to hearsay or crossed signals. Get the facts before sharing your opinion.

AQUARIUS-Jan 21/Feb 18

Start contemplating big changes pertaining to your employment situation, Aquarius. An opportunity might come along that proves too good to pass up.

PISCES-Feb 19/Mar 20

The feelings you have for someone will help you overlook any imperfections you have noticed, Pisces. Keep your relationship strong by focusing on this person's good points.

ARIES-Mar 21/Apr 20

Aries, charm is one of your strongest attributes. This week your magnetism is magnified and can work to your advantage. You might attract people who can help with a situation.

TAURUS-Apr 21/May 21

Taurus, it is never easy to re-evaluate finances and cut back. However, this is the week when you likely have to keep your credit card in your wallet; otherwise, the bills add up.

GEMINI-May 22/Jun 21

Gemini, now is the time to turn great opportunities into big ideas. Make a plan of action and spell out the steps necessary to see an opportunity come to fruition. Ask for help, if needed.

CANCER-Jun 22/Jul 22

Cancer, others are supportive of a new project you recently proposed. Maintain that support by staying focused on the tasks at hand. It's time to move things along.

LEO-Jul 23/Aug 23

You are open to new activities and friendships, Leo. Luckily, you may not have to work too hard to make these things happen. Bring new members into existing friend groups.

VIRGO-Aug 24/Sept 22

Do whatever it takes to have some quality time to yourself, Virgo. This may include taking a trip or booking a relaxing day at a nearby spa.

LIBRA-Sept 23/Oct 23

Libra, allow some time to pass by before offering an assessment. Responding too quickly might produce a knee-jerk reaction that could prove regrettable down the road.

SCORPIO-Oct 24/Nov 22

Take extra care dealing with a sticky situation at work, Scorpio. You may need to be very careful about checking for mistakes in detail-oriented tasks without stepping on any toes.

SAGITTARIUS-Nov 23/Dec 21

You might need to bargain to get something you want this week, Sagittarius. Figure out what you are willing to give up and then identify a person you can work with.

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3 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 1856 SqFt. Corner lot, primary ensuite separate from the guest rooms. Fenced for pets. One car garage. #3579- 24470795

89402 North Ln • \$380,000
2 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 960 SqFt. North lakes area home on .5 acre. Nicely updated home with room for gardening. #3558-24445997

4881 Gloria Gayle Way - \$549,000
3 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 1440 SqFt. 2015 built with a large kitchen, gas fireplace, and 24x28 garage with sauna on .43 acre. #3606- 24477118

25 Yearling Ct - \$839,000
3 bdrm, 2 bath, 2,076 sqft living area. 3-bay, 780sqft attached garage. 0.33 acre cul-de-sac location. #3521-24314234

63 Shoreline Dr • \$835,000
3 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 2142 SqFt. Ocean and river view home in Shelter Cove. Large deck with views for entertaining. #3443- 23215919

5218 Dunewood Dr • \$865,000
3 Bdrms, 2 Baths, 2120 sqft. New Construction Jan 2025, on 0.4 ac in the Reserve at Heceta Lake, with a 3-car garage. #3576-24348410

4817 Laguna Ave. - \$649,000
3 Bdrms, 1 Bath, 1065 SqFt. Four tax lots 0.23 ac each. Beautiful Siltcoos Lake view property in Westlake. #3609-24665428

3760 Hwy 101 #17 • \$88,000
2 Bdrms, 1 Bath, 924 sqft. Well cared for home with large windows on an extra-large lot in the Wayside RV Park. #3594-24076466

85287 Hemlock St - \$849,000
6 Bdrms, 3.5 Baths, 4414 SqFt. Ideal for multi-generational living on almost 19 acres. New paint, carpet, lighting and flooring. #3563-24062108

87735 Hwy 101 #10 • \$35,000
1 Bdrm, 1 Bath, 420 sqft. Furnished single-wide, minutes from the beach. \$566/month covers water, septic, and garbage. Park approval required. #3597-24496802

5129 N Loftus Rd • \$1,345,000
3 Baths, 4000sqft. Newly built commercial building. 4 potential office spaces, ADA compliant, massive storage/work area. #3538- 24223879

87955 Woodlands Dr. • \$695,000
3 Bdrms, 2.5 Baths, 1976 sqft. Built in 2002 on a .69 acre flag lot. Enjoy privacy with a gazebo and workshop. #3596-24573924

89454 Kezar Ln • \$384,500
2 Bdrm, 2 Bath, 930 SqFt. Mapleton 4.3 ac mini farm, mountain views, huge shop/barn. Private, upgrades in home! #3547-24091956

231 Horseshoe Bend • \$310,000
1 Bdrm, 1 Bath, 648 sqft. 2024 Park Model with additional building for guests, and another building for laundry. #3598-24607041

1600-91 Rhododendron Dr - \$215,000
2 Bdrms, 1 Bath, 1008 SqFt. Fresh flooring and paint throughout, private yard with abundant storage and room for RV. #3510-24006067



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