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Lane Community College (LCC) Florence joined other community colleges around the nation in a solidarity effort Thursday at 11 a.m. to memorialize last week's tragic shooting at Umpqua Community College (UCC) in Roseburg. According to LCC Florence Interim Director Russ Pierson, LCC and UCC have a strong relationship and are sister colleges. LCC President Mary Spilde has been in Roseburg for the week. In a letter to faculty and staff, she said, "Stop for a moment to remember the victims and their families." More than 1,130 community colleges participated in the minute-long moment of silence. Pierson said, "I have felt here in Florence that there is a similar size and spirit to our two communities."

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LCC Florence stands in support of Umpqua Community College

Sea lions prepare to 'splash off'

FEC unveils design of new public art figure for Florence

BY CHANTELLE MEYER Siuslaw News

Florence Events Center (FEC) is preparing for its 20th anniversary next year with Dancing with Sea Lions, a coastwide celebration of the sea lion and the Florence area.



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Cow Painters, based in Chicago, finalized the fiberglass form of "Porter," the sea lion who will be part of FEC's public art display on the coast.

Dancing with Sea Lions will be a public art display sponsored by the nonprofit group Friends of the Florence Events Center and local businesses and individuals.

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AN ACTIVE RESPONSE

Lane County Sheriff's Office presents ALICE safety training to Mapleton School District

BY CHANTELLE MEYER Siuslaw News

Sergeant Aaron Hoberg, with the Lane County Sheriff's Office (LCSO), spent time Wednesday, Oct. 7, discussing options for safety with Mapleton School District students.

Mapleton Superintendent Jodi O'Mara accompanied Hoberg to classes from kindergarten through 12th grade.

"This day was planned prior to the events at UCC," O'Mara said, referencing last week's fatal shooting at Umpqua Community College in Roseburg. "In light of those recent events, ... we're looking at what schools in our area are doing to help keep kids and staff safe from any active threat."

Hoberg discussed the importance of training using a more active approach.

"We don't just want to do a lockdown like we used to do before, and shut the lights off, lock the door and go in the corner or get under our desk," he said.

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Lane County Sheriff's Office Sgt. Aaron Hoberg and Mapleton School District Superintendent Jodi O'Mara met with Mapleton students on Wednesday, Oct. 7, to discuss what to do in the event of an active threat on schoolgrounds.

Coast Guard urges safety during incoming storm

The U.S. Coast Guard would like to caution beach-goers and mariners to remain vigilant of significant weather conditions that will pass along the Pacific Northwest coast this weekend.

Remnants of Hurricane Oho are predicted to cause unusually high ocean swells that could break waves over jetties along south-facing

beaches and heads. The waves may also result in beach erosion across areas that don't commonly see impacts from wave action.

"Surfers, swimmers and recreational boaters must pay close attention to these dangerous surf conditions," said Capt. David Berliner, deputy commander, Sector Columbia River. "People

should also stay off the rocks near the shoreline until surf conditions normalize."

Marine Information Broadcasts on VHF-FM radio channel 16 are conducted by the Coast Guard when hazardous bar conditions and restrictions are put into place or lifted. Mariners are strongly encouraged to monitor VHF-FM

radio channel 16 for all notices and weather updates.

Radio station 1610 AM provides continual broadcast of bar conditions, bar restrictions and local weather in port areas of Columbia River, Tillamook Bay, Depoe Bay, Yaquina Bay, Siuslaw River, Umpqua River, Coos Bay and Chetco River.