

# GENERAL NEWS

## Free cooking class to feature picnic foods

The organizers of the annual Community Health Fair, held each April at the Florence Events Center, are hosting another in a series of free cooking classes for the community.

"Summer is almost here, so we're inviting everyone for a fun evening of cooking and sampling some of our favorite picnic dishes," says organizer Linda Lydick. "We will feature tasty meatless burgers, summer salads and delicious

desserts.

"Our recipes will be heart-healthy, diabetic-friendly and cholesterol-free."

The event is Sunday, June 14, from 6 to 8 p.m., at the Florence Seventh-day Adventist Church, 4445 Highway 101.

Seating will be limited.

For more information, or to pre-register with a friend or small group, call Lydick at 541-999-2052 or email her at lindasveggies@gmail.com.



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## Safety school

Local law enforcement trains Siuslaw School District during in-service day



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Chief of Police Tom Turner, Florence Police Department, Siuslaw School District and other area law enforcement teamed up on Friday, May 22, to provide ALICE-based safety training for school staff, administration and educators. ALICE, or Alert-Lockdown-Inform-Counter-Evacuate, is now being included in schools across Lane County.

## Rainbow Girls place third in 2015 Rhody Parade

The Rainbow Girls and their chaperones worked with the Florence Masons and its families late into the night picking rhododendrons to finish their float for this year's Rhododendron Festival Grand Floral Parade on May 17.

Rainbow Girls welcome young women between the



COURTESY PHOTO

The Rainbow Girls walk in the 2015 Rhododendron Festival Grand Floral Parade May 17.

ages of 11 and 20, regardless of race or religious background.

Rainbow helps girls gain confidence, learn to be leaders and experience how it feels to help in the community.

The girls make new friends throughout Oregon and the

country. Girls ages 6 through 10 can become Rainbow Pledges. They are the "little sisters" of the Rainbow Girls.

Rainbow Girls is an appendant body of Freemasonry. Rainbow was established in 1922 by the Grand Master of

Masons, who was also a Methodist minister.

Gardiner Assembly No. 28 of Rainbow was started in 1940 in the town of Gardiner.

The young ladies attend monthly meetings which they run themselves.

They learn poise and how to wear their formal attire, as well as rolling up their sleeves and working together to raise money for their chosen charities, such as Shrine Hospitals, Habitat for Humanity, the American Heart Association and the Make-a-Wish Foundation.

Gardiner Assembly No. 28 meets twice a month on the first and third Wednesdays at 7 p.m., at the Masons Hall on Highway 101 S, 1.5 miles south of the Siuslaw River Bridge.

To learn more about the Rainbow Girls, visit www.GoRainbow.org, or call Sherry Loennig in Creswell at 541-915-9382.

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Lisa's Avant Gardener Tips of the Week



- Fertilize lawns with one pound of nitrogen per 1000 square feet; water in after application.
- Cut back azaleas and rhododendrons after blooms if too tall, thin out weak branches. Remember that pruning will result in no blooms on that branch next year.
- Watch for flea beetles on cole crops; remove by hand or spray with an approved insecticide.

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Mostly Cloudy, Showers	Times of Clouds & Sun	Sunny, Breezy in the Afternoon	Sunny, Breezy in the Afternoon	Cloud to Partly Sunny	Cloud to Partly Sunny	Partly Sunny
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