

Siuslaw News Sports & Recreation

A Sporting View

By Mark Vasto

KC tale

There is — or was, if you listen to the stylings of Donald Trump — such a thing as “American exceptionalism.”

I don't really know the textbook definition of that phrase, or its etymology, but I'm pretty sure that American exceptionalism makes it OK if I don't look it up and just go from the gut on this one.

Here's a story: There was a great restaurant in Kansas City, long since gone because maybe it wasn't all that great, but one day the restaurant was pretty packed. In the door walks a notorious Kansas City football team executive and his exceptional new wife. He wants a table.

His reservation, he is informed, isn't for another 20 minutes. He flicks his left arm out as if he's pulling a switchblade, but it is not. It is an exceptional timepiece ... it's Swiss, not American, but exceptional nonetheless.

“Yeah, well according to my \$20,000 watch,” he says to the hostess, “it's right now.”

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FIRE BAN LIFTED AT HONEYMAN PARK

Thanks to lower temperatures, moisture and a gradual relaxation of fire bans by other jurisdictions, the statewide Oregon state park fire ban has been canceled.

Fires are allowed in designated metal fire pits in the Columbia Gorge, Willamette Valley, Portland area, and on the coast from Fort Stevens near Astoria to and including Honeyman Memorial

State Park near Florence.

The state park campfire ban continues unchanged on the beach, in all coastal state park campgrounds south of Reedsport, and in Central, Eastern and Southern Oregon.

The ban includes open flames and, in some areas, charcoal briquettes.

Park-by-park information on these restrictions is online at www.oregonstateparks.org.

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Visitors should remember to be extremely careful with any fire in areas where the ban has been relaxed. Conditions and restrictions could change with very little notice.

Information on safely extinguishing a campfire is online at www.smokeybear.com/put-out-campfire.asp.



PHOTOS BY NED HICKSON/SIUSLAW NEWS

Elyssa Rose, Emma Collins and Hannah Bartlett watch as a kill shot scores against Philomath Tuesday night.

Viks open season with clean sweep

By NED HICKSON
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Siuslaw opened its season in dramatic fashion Tuesday night, hosting Philomath to a three-game sweep that required a come-from-behind win for the Vikings.

“We worked a lot during practice and all last week on communication and staying ‘up,’” said junior Elyssa Rose, who had 11 kills against the visiting Warriors. “I think that's what helped us battle back.”

That battle came late in game three, when the Viks — who had won the first two games easily, 25-13 and 25-10 — found themselves down by seven.



Siuslaw junior Claire Waggoner was 32-for-32 in serving in Tuesday's opener against Philomath.

“I was a little worried, but we just played aggressively and battled our way back,” said Rose.

The main ingredient to Siuslaw's comeback concoction was its serving, led by junior Claire Waggoner, who went 32-for-32 from the service line — including 17 consecutive shots across Philomath's bow in game two.

“We were really working well and on were on our game,” Waggoner said

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On the Bite

A WEEKLY FISHING REPORT FOR THE LOCAL REGION

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MID COAST LAKES

Fishing for the various warm water fish species is fair to good during the summer months. There are numerous lakes in the Florence area that can provide good opportunity and have boat and bank access.

SIUSLAW RIVER:

Cutthroat trout

The cutthroat trout fishery is slow to fair. Fishing during the early mornings or in the larger tributaries is the most productive.

River conditions are very low and warm for this time of year. Bait is not allowed above the head of tide but small spinners, spoons and fly fishing can be very productive.

ALSEA RIVER: cutthroat trout

The cutthroat trout

See **FISHING XB**

SPORTS

Calendar

Sept. 8

• **MHS V-BALL**
AT SILETZ V.
6 P.M.

Sept. 9

• **VIK XC**
AT TUGMAN INV.
4 P.M.

Sept. 10

• **MHS V-BALL**
AT ALSEA
6 P.M.

• **SHS V-BALL**
AT J. CITY
4 P.M.

Sept. 11

• **SHS FOOTBALL**
HOSTS P. HILL
7 P.M.

• **MHS FOOTBALL**
AT WASCO H.S.
5 P.M.

TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

| High Tide | Low Tide |
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| Sept. 5 6:27am / 5.5 6:11pm / 7.0 | 12:06am / 0.2 11:59pm / 2.4 |

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| Sept. 6 7:48am / 5.3 7:19pm / 6.8 | 1:17am / 0.3 1:13pm / 2.8 |
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| Sept. 7 9:04am / 5.5 8:28pm / 6.6 | 2:28am / 0.4 2:30pm / 2.8 |
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| Sept. 8 10:06am / 5.7 9:31am / 6.7 | 3:32am / 0.3 3:39pm / 2.6 |
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| Sept. 9 10:54am / 6.0 10:26pm / 6.8 | 4:26am / 0.2 4:35pm / 2.2 |
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| Sept. 10 11:33am / 6.2 11:13pm / 6.8 | 5:10am / 0.1 5:21pm / 1.8 |
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| Sept. 11 12:06am / 6.4 11:55pm / 6.9 | 5:49am / 0.1 6:01pm / 1.5 |
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