

Siuslaw News Sports & Recreation

SPORTS

Calendar

Winter basketball season openers

Dec. 2

• MHS BOYS BB
AT POWERS
7 P.M.

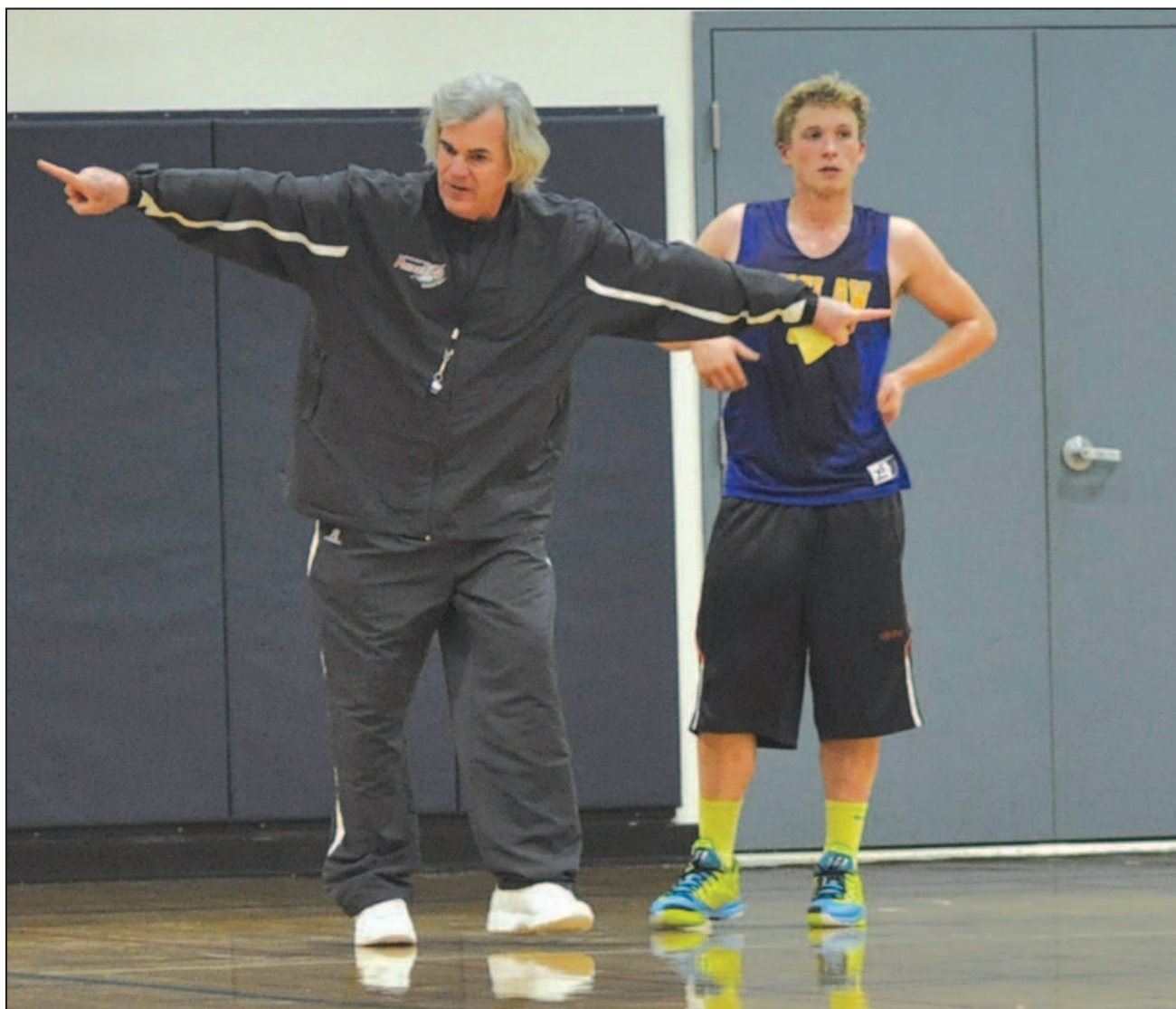
Dec. 4

• SHS GIRLS BB
HOST COQUILLE
6 P.M.

• SHS BOYS BB
HOST COQUILLE
7:30 P.M.

Dec. 10

• MHS GIRLS BB
AT BROOKINGS
6 P.M.



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New Siuslaw boys basketball coach Will Biggs comes to the Viking program with more than 35 years of coaching experience, including 16 at the college level.

VIKS ENTER THE BIGGS' TIME

BY NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

It's not hard to find Will Biggs. Standing a solid 6-foot-2 with long, silver hair that seems as controlled as his demeanor, he tends to stand out in a crowd. And fortunately for Siuslaw, finding Biggs for the new head coaching position for the boys basketball program was a slam-dunk.

"It's really rare to have a coach with his experience and success in a town this size," says Siuslaw High School Athletic Director Jeremy Graybill. "We're very excited to have him. He brings a lot and the kids have quickly bought into his philosophy."

The Viks' new coach sees a lot of similarities to his early years as a high school coach.

"My wife and I have lived here a couple of years, and we've seen this group play," says Biggs, whose retired after 37 years of coaching, including 16 years as head coach at Cal State-Hayward. "When I saw them last year, they reminded me of the first high school team I coached. Lots of talent in need of direction."

See **BIGGS 4B**



Sophomore Trent Reavis and members of the varsity team work the key during an early morning practice Friday.

Annual Fall Fitness Fair at SMS today

The Florence Community Parent Teacher Association (PTA) is teaming up with the Siuslaw Athletic Booster Club (SABC) to encourage health and fitness today, Nov. 21.

The PTA is hosting its annual Fall Fitness Fair from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Siuslaw Middle School.

Local organizations will be presenting ways to get exercise, be healthy and stay safe.

Organizations participating in the event include PTA, Coastal Fitness, Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue, local dentists, Peace Health, SAPPSA and many more.

There will be a new inflatable obstacle course, a highlight of the fair. Healthy snacks will be provided

by the PTA.

Event admission is free.

Florence PTA holds the annual fitness fair during the month of November, in conjunction with the National PTA's Healthy Lifestyles Month.

The National PTA created Healthy Lifestyles Month because research shows that a healthy child can achieve and learn more.

In addition to fun activities and information on healthy living, the PTA will have drawings at the end of the day for bikes, scooters, skateboards, footballs and more.

This year, SABC will join the PTA Fall Fitness Fair by starting the day off with its first-ever Civil War

Fitness Challenge walk/run.

There will be a 3K walk/run and a 5K awards race, as well as free kids' races. All SABC activities begin at the Siuslaw Middle School track and football stadium.

Registration is today from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.

Florence Community PTA serves all of the schools in the Siuslaw School District, grades K-12.

The PTA is parents, teachers and community working together to improve the education, health, safety, and well-being of children and youth.

SABC was re-established in 2004 to create a large, membership-based nonprofit organization to raise funds to help support local athletics

On the Bite

A WEEKLY FISHING REPORT FOR THE LOCAL REGION

www.dfw.state.or.us/RR

MID COAST LAKES

The coho salmon fisheries in **Siltcoos** and **Tahkenitch** lakes are just getting going. With some recent rain and big tide series fresh coho should be migrating into the lakes. Look to fish near the lake outlet and by the major tributaries that enter the lakes.

Casting or trolling spinners or various plugs can be effective.

Fishing for the various warmwater fish species is fair to good. There are numerous lakes in the Florence area that can provide good opportunity and have both boat and bank access.

SIUSLAW RIVER:

Chinook, cutthroat trout

Fall Chinook fishing is producing fair results with a lot of fish moving to the upper tide water reaches and above. Trolling herring, spinners or bobber fishing can all be productive.

The wild coho fishery is closed for the season.

ALSEA RIVER:

Chinook, cutthroat trout

The fall Chinook fishery is producing fair to good results for both bank and boat anglers. Recent rains have helped to move a lot of chinook into the good river bank access sections. Casting lures or bobber fishing is producing depending on the section and conditions.

The wild coho fishery is closed for the season.

SALMON RIVER:

Chinook, cutthroat trout

The fall Chinook fishery is producing fair to good results for both boat and bank anglers. Recent rains have moved a lot of fish out of tide water. Casting lures or bobber fishing tends to be the most productive this time of year.

SILETZ RIVER:

Chinook, coho, steelhead, cutthroat trout

The fall Chinook fishery is producing fair to good results with recent rains moving a lot of fish out of tide water.

The wild coho fishery continues through Nov. 30 with a daily bag limit of 1 adult coho and seasonal limit of 2 adult coho (in aggregate with other areas with the same bag limit).

Summer steelhead

See **FISHING 4B**

TIDE TABLE

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide Low Tide

Nov. 21
7:43am / 7.5 1:10am / 1.2
8:11pm / 6.1 2:18pm / 1.3

Nov. 22
8:32pm / 8.1 2:09am / 1.4
9:19pm / 6.4 3:15pm / 0.5

Nov. 23
9:18am / 8.4 3:05am / 1.6
10:20pm / 6.7 4:07pm / -0.4

Nov. 24
10:03pm / 8.8 3:57am / 1.8
11:15pm / 7.0 4:55pm / -1.1

Nov. 25
10:48am / 6.6 4:47am / 2.0
5:42pm / -1.4

Nov. 26
12:07am / 7.1 5:36am / 2.2
11:32am / 9.0 6:28pm / -1.5

Nov. 27
12:56am / 7.2 6:24am / 2.4
12:16pm / 8.7 7:13pm / -1.4

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