

State grants available for veterans, war memorials

The Oregon Heritage of Oregon Parks and Recreation Department is offering grants for the construction or restoration of veterans and war memorials.

New monuments should recognize veterans and wars not already recognized. Grants for restoration could be used for broken monuments, missing

elements of monuments or the related design elements of monuments for veterans or earlier wars.

Details and the application information are available at www.oregon.gov/oprd/HCD/FINASST/Pages/grants.aspx.

The application deadline is Tuesday, Dec. 15. For more information, call 503-986-0685.

Club

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Trent hopes to establish a monthly program of Boys and Girls Club teens interacting with Spruce Point residents in various ways.

“With kids, you always hear about the bad stuff that goes on, but there is so much good stuff,” Trent said. “As you get to know these kids, they just open their hearts to you. It is a treasure.”

The Boys and Girls Club operates multiple after-school programs, including the Teen Center, the elementary after-school program and several elementary and middle school sports and cheerleading programs.

Currently, between 25 and 35 sixth to 12th grade students participate in Teen Center activities. The center is located at 1601 15th St.

For more information, call 541-902-0304.

LCC

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According to LCC, Estill was honored this past spring as Oregon Youth Authority’s Volunteer of the Year for his commitment to at-risk youth based at Camp Florence.

Estill, a retired Chevron Corp. executive, received his Ph.D. in geophysics at the University of Hawaii.

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‘Share a Pair’ to help those in need at SOS

Warm socks for dad, slipper socks for mom, athletic socks for brother, fashion tights for sister or fun socks for baby.

This time of year it’s very important to remember to treat the feet with new socks.

Siuslaw Outreach Services (SOS) is in need of socks for all members of the family, so the Siuslaw High School Interact Club has launched the

“Share a Pair for SOS” Holiday Sock Drive.

Interact has put donation boxes at the Florence Events Center, Banner Bank and the Siuslaw High School mall.

The boxes will be out until Friday, Dec. 18.

Next time you are in one of the local stores and think of your warm cozy feet, think of others and Share a Pair for SOS.



COURTESY PHOTO

Jaiden Haley (left) and Amelia Spires, from the Siuslaw High Interact Club, get ready to distribute “Share a Pair for SOS” donation boxes, a holiday sock drive, to local businesses.

Storm

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“The best way to stay safe in times like this is to have an emergency response plan,” Kreitz said.

This includes an emergency kit of food, water, first-aid supplies, batteries, flashlights, a radio and other supplies.

He also advised having an escape route and a designated meeting place in mind.

“Most of this has to be done before the storm hits. You might not be able to call 911. You might have to provide your own 911 service,” Kreitz said.

Other than tree hazards, there was also a threat of flooding along the Siuslaw River and other coastal creeks.



PHOTO BY AL KREITZ

The recent batch of storms brought high winds and heavy rain to the area. Trees fell on properties, power lines and across roads. Western Lane Ambulance District and Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue responded when this tree crashed onto a home on Buck Lake Road.

The National Weather Service in Portland announced that a flood watch and high surf advisory continues through today.

A flood watch means there is a potential for flooding based on current forecasts.

Landslides and debris flows are possible during this flood event. People, structures and roads located below steep slopes, in canyons and near the mouths of canyons may be at serious risk from rapidly moving landslides. Those living in areas prone to flooding should be prepared to take action should flooding develop.

For updated road conditions from the Oregon Department of Transportation, go online to www.tripcheck.com.

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Baskets

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To purchase a gift, go to one of the following local businesses and look at the Giving Tree. Select one or more tags from the tree, purchase the gift and bring it back unwrapped to the same Giving Tree.

Giving Trees can be found at Able Insurance, AIC Insurance, Banner Bank, Bi-Mart, Coastal Fitness, Fred Meyer, Hoberg’s Complete Auto Repair, Lane Community College Florence Center, On Your Feet With a Splash, Oregon First Community CC,

Oregon Pacific Bank, Real Food Co-op, Rite Aid, Shipping Shack, St. Mary’s Church, Three Rivers Casino Resort, Umpqua Bank, US Bank, WA Federal Savings and West Coast Autobody.

The Soroptimists are also collecting donations of food and money to provide a Christmas dinner for the families. This usually involves potatoes, stuffing, a turkey and the rest of the trimmings.

“We are still somewhat struggling with funding,” Fraley said. “We’re between half and three-quarters of the way funded to provide din-

ners. The community always steps up.”

Food donations may be dropped off at Holloway and Associates CPA or Hoberg’s Complete Auto Repair.

Monetary and toy donations may be mailed to Soroptimist of Florence, P.O. Box 1209, Florence, OR 97439.

The toys and food baskets will be given out on Saturday, Dec. 19.

Soroptimist members and other volunteers will disperse food at 10 a.m. at Siuslaw Middle School, 2525 Oak St. The food dispersal is open to any family in need in the

Florence Food Share service area.

Soroptimists will disperse toys at Florence Church of the Nazarene, 1536 12th St., at 9 a.m.

For more information on donating food or money, contact Carol Bennett at 541-997-9766. For more information on the toy drive, contact Michelle Fraley at 541-997-3434 or Shasta McMullen at 541-997-2413.

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 On December 14, 2015, the City of Florence City Council will review and consider two ordinances concerning the following...
 Ordinance No. 12, Series 2015 - An Ordinance proposing to add and modify definitions and establish the permitted buildings and use provisions for marijuana production, processing, wholesaling, and sales facilities. The specific amendments can be found on the City of Florence website at <http://www.ci.florence.or.us/planning/recreational-and-medical-marijuana-text-amendment-information>.
 Ordinance No. 13, Series 2015 - An Ordinance proposing to establish the permitted use provisions for the manufacture and wholesaling of food and beverage items accompanied by a retail and/or restaurant where those items are sold, within Old Town Area A. The specific amendments can be found on the City of Florence website at <http://www.ci.florence.or.us/planning/old-town-wholesale-text-amendments-cc-15-07-ta-03>.
 This notice serves as official publication of the availability of the ordinances. The full text of these Ordinances is available on the City of Florence website at www.ci.florence.or.us, or may be inspected at Florence City Hall, 250 Hwy 101, Florence, Oregon during regular business hours. For more information about this notice, or any Florence City Council proceedings, please contact City Recorder Kelli Weese at 541-997-3437, or via email at kelli.weese@ci.florence.or.us.
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