

GENERAL NEWS

Kopilec joins TR Hunter

TR Hunter recently welcomed Ed Kopilec to its real estate team. Kopilec worked in the apparel industry for 35 years before beginning a second career in real estate.

Real estate has always been an interest and passion for Kopilec after building and remodeling more than 15 homes with his family.

He is experienced in all areas of real estate, and is certified by the National Association of Realtors as a Senior Real Estate Specialist.



COURTESY PHOTO

Ed Kopilec

TRAINING BETWEEN STORMS



PHOTO BY DEBORAH HELDT CORDONE

U.S. Coast Guard Station Siuslaw River crew members perform training exercises with their 47-foot lifeboats between storms Wednesday morning in rough surf. While some of us are attending holiday luncheons or getting last-minute shopping done, these Coast Guard members continue to train for the next rescue emergency.

Community Chorus of Florence Presents

Appalachian Winter

Sunday, December 13, 2015,
2 p.m. at Florence Events Center
Tickets \$10; students FREE!
Call 541-997-1994

Special Guest Performers:
Siuslaw Valley Children's Choir
and FloTones

www.communitychorusflorenceor.com



Community Chorus to host 'Appalachian Winter' concert

On Sunday, Dec. 13, the Community Chorus of Florence will present "Appalachian Winter," a cantata that celebrates the legacy of early American carols.

This concert will take place

at 2 p.m. at the Florence Event Center.

Composed by Joseph Martin in the spirit of folk music, the cantata combines traditional sounds with more rustic elements. Popular American carols like "Away in a Manger" and "O Little Town of Bethlehem" blend with traditional spirituals such as "Children, Go Where I Send Thee" and "Go, Tell It on the Mountain."

Sacred harp tunes are retooled and stand alongside new versions of Shaker hymns and Appalachian melodies.

Thoughtful narration weaves the movements together in a meaningful tapestry of song and Scripture.

Between sections of the "Appalachian Winter" cantata, the choir and special guests will entertain us with familiar

Christmas songs

Florence's own jazz combo, the Flotones, will entertain with several tunes including community favorite, "Snowfall."

Elise Arnold will direct the Siuslaw Children's Choir, which is composed of 26 local third- to sixth-grade children. They will perform several folk and Christmas songs.

There will also be a group of six instrumentalists providing accompaniment for the "Appalachian Winter" concert.

The band will include Nancy Ash (violin), Chris Campbell (cello), Linda Yoder (mandolin), Greg Wood (guitar), Barbara Bublari (flute), and Johanna Bonisteel (piano).

The Community Chorus will also include several well-known carols and folk selections, including "The Holly and

the Ivy," "I Wonder As I Wander," "Sweet Little Jesus Boy" and others.

Co-directors for the concert are Dr. Paul Guthmuller and Elise Arnold.

Crystal Farnsworth will be narrator and Johanna Bonisteel will provide piano accompaniment.

Unfortunately, due to unforeseen circumstances, the Intrada Bell Choir will be unable to perform at the Community Chorus concert.

However, there will be a surprise for all attendees.

Call 541-902-8567 for more information.

Tickets are \$10 for adults, with children admitted free.

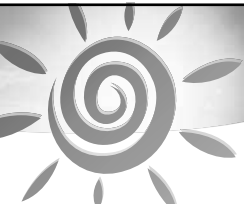
Call the FEC at 541-997-1994 for tickets and more information, or visit the choir's website at www.communitychorusflorenceor.org.

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Caring for a loved one with Alzheimer's disease or other memory related illnesses can be very overwhelming. We're here to help.

- Advance Directives**
Wednesday, November 18th, 2:00pm
What is an Advance Directive? When a loved one is diagnosed with Alzheimer's disease there are many questions. One of the most confusing aspects can be the legal documents that need to be signed while your loved one is still able to participate in decision making.
- Behavin' and Misbehavin'**
Wednesday, December 16th, 2:00pm
Is your loved one resistant to assistance with care? Do they have difficulty sleeping or do they wander? Learn why these behaviors occur and what you can do to improve your quality of life and theirs!

Spruce Point **Expressions** **Memory Care**
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For more information and to reserve your seat please call (541) 997-6111 or visit us today!

Santa visits Florence Justice Center Dec. 18

Florence Police Auxiliary will be welcoming Santa Claus at the Florence Justice Center, 900 Greenwood St., on Friday, Dec. 18, from 5:30 to 7 p.m.

Santa Claus will be giving

out gifts to children and taking photos.

Auxiliary members thank community members who have donated toys.

There is still time to donate toys — just bring

them to the Florence Justice Center.

They are in need of more pre-teen toys for the gift giveaway. Drop off donations at the center or call 541-997-3515 for more information.

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
DECEMBER 12	DECEMBER 13	DECEMBER 14	DECEMBER 15	DECEMBER 16	DECEMBER 17	DECEMBER 18
Breezy with Rain	Periods of Rain	Couple of Showers	Blend of Sun and Clouds	Overcast with a Little Rain	Cloudy, Possible Rain	Cloudy, Possible Rain
52°F 48°F	48°F 43°F	48°F 41°F	50°F 41°F	51°F 49°F	50°F 37°F	44°F 30°F

Relay For Life of Florence

Teams are forming now...
You're invited!



Want to learn more about forming a team or becoming a volunteer...

Monday, Dec. 14th @ 6 pm- Craig's BBQ
1161 Hwy. 101 • Florence

Event/Team details:

- Aug. 13-14, 2016 10 am-10 am
- Teams of 8-15 members (family & friends or business teams)
- 2016 Event theme: Lights! Camera! Cure!
- FREE registration!
- Live music, silent auction, games, food and more!
- Make Relay your new family tradition to honor the survivors in your life and remember loved ones lost.



Sign-Up TODAY at: www.RelayForLife.org/FlorenceOR

Local contact: Sheryll Loftin, 541.997.7664, hecetabeachrvpark@yahoo.com

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