

# THE RECORD

## OBITUARIES

**GEERS**—Edward Joseph Geers, Jr., 71, of Scappoose, Ore., formerly of Florence, passed away on Dec. 15, 2015, after a long illness.



**Edward Geers**

Edward was born in Cincinnati, Ohio, in 1944, to Edward and Romaine Geers. He grew up there with three brothers: Bill, Bob and Joe.

Edward graduated from the Alexian Brothers School of Nursing in Chicago, followed by the St. Francis School of Anesthesia, where he became a Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetist, a.k.a. "The Gas Man."

Ed married Kylie Ann Larson in 1968. They had two children (Sarah and David) then moved to Florence, in 1973. They adopted two more children (Michelle and Christopher) in 1976.

Ed worked at PeaceHealth Hospital providing anesthesia for more than 30 years.

In his spare time, Ed worked and volunteered in a variety of interesting pursuits: commercial fisherman, volunteer firefighter, gas station attendant, mechanic and real estate agent.

He served on the Siuslaw School Board for more than a dozen years.

In retirement, Ed moved to Scappoose to be close to his family. He served on the Board at Springlake Park and lived in the Rose Valley community for more than five years, making many good friends.

Ed is survived by his brothers: Bill (Maryanne) of Crawfordville, Fla., and Joe (Eileen) of Deltona, Fla.; sister-in-law Elizabeth Geers of Charlotte, N.C.; his children: Sarah (Michael) Havlik of

Scappoose, David, Michelle, and Christopher; former wife Kylie King; beloved grandchildren Anika and Kevin Havlik; and his nieces and nephews.

He was preceded in death by his parents and a brother, Bob Geers.

A Rosary will be Sunday, Dec. 20, 2015, at 2 p.m., at Hustad Funeral Home, 7232 N Richmond Ave., in Portland, Ore. A funeral mass and reception will be held Monday, Dec. 21, at 11 a.m., at St. Wenceslaus Catholic Church, 51555 Old Portland Road., in Scappoose.

A celebration of life in Florence is planned for May.

In remembrance, consider doing a corporal work of mercy. Ed, a lifelong Catholic, would love to have you do something for others.

**BUTT**—Charles William "Bill" Butt, 97, of Florence, died Dec. 15, 2015, following the death of his beloved wife, Virginia, just eight days prior.



**Charles Butt**

Bill was born in Peru, Ind., and grew up on his dad's farm. What he remembered most fondly about farming were his two horses, which he used for plowing. He trained them to do the work without too much supervision from himself.

He knew that he didn't really want farming as a career and had many different jobs during his working lifetime. He liked selling cars and did that very successfully until he became a parts manager for General Motors.

While living and working in Peru, Bill was appointed Superintendent of Sunday Schools for the First Baptist Church. During his time in that volunteer job, Bill increased the

attendance from about 30 per Sunday to over 300 members.

He and Virginia moved to Southern California, where they both worked — Bill as a Parts Manager and Virginia as the bookkeeper in a Bible book store.

They both enjoyed California where they were close to their daughter Kate and the two granddaughters Lisa Lee and Lorrie Lynn, and Bill's sister Marge Hodson and her husband Gene.

One of their favorite "volunteer" jobs while there was when they were voted to take over a Square Dance Club in Monrovia. There again, they increased the circles from two to about 20.

They loved square dancing.

After retiring and travelling all around the country (and China, too), they spent a lot of time in Florence and eventually moved here. Bill and Virginia loved Florence and really enjoyed their volunteer job of some 20 years as head ushers at the Florence Events Center.

Bill is survived by his daughter, Kate Fishback; his two granddaughters: Lisa Lee and Lorrie Lynn; his great grandson, Eric Matthew; his sister, Marge Hodson; and his brother-in-law, Don Chapin.

There will be a memorial service for Bill and Virginia on Sunday, Dec. 20, at 3 p.m. at Community Baptist Church in Florence.

Burns's Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

**KNEAPER**—Robert "Bob" Kneaper, 101, of Deadwood, passed away Dec. 13, 2015.

A memorial celebration of his life will be held Sunday, Dec. 20, beginning at 11 a.m., at the Florence Seventh Day Adventist Church.

A reception will follow.

Burns's Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home is in

charge of arrangements.

**MARTIN**—Lavonne Virginia Martin, 95, formerly of Ellensburg, passed away Friday, Dec. 11, 2015, in Eugene, Ore.



**Lavonne Martin**

Lavonne was born in Yakima on May 21, 1920, to John and Minnie (Messinger) Lenz. She married James Martin in Ellensburg on Nov. 23, 1942.

Lavonne had worked for the Ellensburg Telephone Company, Washington State Employment Service and was a co-owner of the Furniture Center in Othello for 40 years.

She enjoyed being a member of the Othello Garden Club.

She and Jim were founding members of the Othello Town and Country Dance Club.

Lavonne was a wonderful wife and mother who always put everyone ahead of herself.

Jim and Lavonne moved to Leavenworth, Wash., in 1990 and enjoyed their retirement years there very much. They moved to the beautiful Oregon coast in 2001.

She is lovingly survived by her daughter, Glenna Martin of Florence, and her son Jim (Debby) Martin of Eugene; four grandchildren and seven great-grandchildren.

She was preceded in death by her husband Jim, her parents and her sisters June and Alice.

Graveside services were held Thursday, Dec. 17, at 11 a.m., at I.O.O.F. Cemetery in Ellensburg, Wash.

To share a memory with the family, log on to [www.brooksidefhc.com](http://www.brooksidefhc.com).

## SVFR removes holiday trees

Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue (SVFR) volunteers will be picking up Christmas trees on Tuesday, Dec. 29, from 4 to 9 p.m. and Saturday, Jan. 2, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Call 541-997-3212 to

schedule one of the two dates.

The SVFR Firefighters Association is asking for a \$5 donation to assist in its variety of programs.

All of the trees will be recycled by the City of Florence.

## CITY LIGHTS CINEMAS

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TIMES BELOW ARE ONLY VALID  
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 18 - THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24

\$9 Regular/\$8 Senior or Student/\$7.50 Matinee/\$7 Child/\$6.50 Member | Performing Arts \$19/\$15/\$10  
NO SURCHARGE FOR 3D - GLASSES TO KEEP \$2

**NEW: Alvin and the Chipmunks: The Road Chip - 86 min (PG)** - If the youngsters aren't quite ready for *Star Wars*, we've got you covered.

Every Day **Except Sat**, Thu: 12:40, 3:40, 6:30, 8:40

Sat, 12/19: 11:00am, 3:40, 6:20, 8:40 | Thu, 12/24 - CHRISTMAS EVE: 12:40, 3:40, 6:30

**Love the Coopers - 106 min (PG-13)** - Ends 12/24. For reals this time.

Every Day **Except Sat**: 5:50 | Sat: 6:30

**NEW: Sisters - 118 min (R)** - "The best comic duo since Lemmon and Matthau." *MovieNation*

Every Day **Except Sat**, Thu: 12:20, 3:20, 6:20, 9:10

Sat: 12:20, 2:50, 5:50, 9:00 | Thu, 12/24 - CHRISTMAS EVE: 12:20, 3:20, 6:20

**Room - 118 min (R)** - We are being serious: Do not miss! ENDS 12/24

Daily **Except Sat**, Thu: 3:10, 9:00 | Sat: 3:50, 9:10 | Thu, 12/24 - CHRISTMAS EVE: 3:10 Only

**NEW: Star Wars: Episode VII - The Force Awakens 2D - 136 min (PG-13)**

The biggest movie on planet earth finally arrives. "1st *Star Wars* review: it was epic, awesome & perfect. The cast was stellar." *Rainn Wilson*

Every Day: 12:30, 6:00

**NEW: Star Wars: Episode VII - The Force Awakens 3D - 136 min (PG-13)**

Every Day **Except Thu**: 3:00, 8:50 | Thu, 12/24 - CHRISTMAS EVE: 3:00 Only

**Trumbo - 124 min (R)** - A true story, starring Bryan Cranston, Helen Mirren. "An invigorating, funny, and moving portrait of a Hollywood hero." *Hollywood Reporter* - ENDS 12/24

Fri: 12:10 | Sat: 1:10 | Sun, Mon, Tue, Wed: 12:00 | Thu: 12:40

**Special Events:**

**Nutcracker - 180 min** - Royal Ballet Encore - A holiday classic! Sat: 11:00

**Coming Soon:**

*Joy*, starring Jennifer Lawrence, Robert DeNiro & Bradley Cooper, opens 12/25

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## COURTS

### Florence Municipal Court Dec. 15

Dakota Raven McCartney pleaded no contest to criminal mischief, criminal trespass, disorderly conduct, resisting arrest, theft and minor in possession of marijuana. He was sentenced to 10 days in Florence City Jail and must report to AMP. He must pay \$1,150 in fines and not contact

or be in or about the premises or place of employment of the victim.

Byron Leroy Barnett pleaded guilty to disorderly conduct. He must report to Emergence Addiction and Mental Health Services. He must pay \$275 in fines and not contact or be in or about the premises or place of employment of the victim, except as

dictated by the court.

Aaron Solomona Teo pleaded guilty to harassment and two counts of assault. He was sentenced six to days in Florence City Jail and must report to Emergence Addiction and Mental Health Services. He must pay \$975 in fines and not contact or be in or about the residence or place of employment of the victims.

### Florence Food Share Monthly Statistics November 2015

Households served	668
Ages served	
Infants	75
Children 3-12	288
Teens 13-17	183
Adults 18-54	936
Seniors 55+	439
Total served	1,921

*Florence Food Share, 2190 Spruce St., P.O. Box 2514, Florence, OR 97439*

### North Jetty Road open to limited access next week

Starting Monday, Dec. 21, and continuing through Wednesday, Dec. 23, North Jetty Road past Harbor Vista County Campground will have only limited access due to road improvement projects.

Expect delays and road clo-

sures for the duration of those dates.

It is advised to find alternative routes to beach access.

For more information, call the Jessie M. Honeyman Memorial State Park Office at 541-997-3851



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The First Annual

# Make a Difference Monday

The Salvation Army of Western Lane County thanks you for tremendous outpouring of support received during its first Red Kettle Campaign during this Christmas Season.

## MAKE A DIFFERENCE MONDAY December 21st

Take a moment to write a generous check **TO YOUR FAVORITE CHARITY, CHURCH or ORGANIZATION** serving Western Lane County and mail it to them today.

Support the associations, clubs, charities, churches, museums, art galleries and social services agencies that are members of the Florence Area Chamber of Commerce listed on its web site: [www.florencechamber.com](http://www.florencechamber.com)

Your gift will serve the needs of others less fortunate than yourself or enhance the educational and cultural opportunities in our community.

May God Bless You and Grant You and Yours a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS!

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