

Siuslaw Schools

ARTISTS OF THE MONTH

Kyle Rose and Brandy Dalbeck

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for Siuslaw High School

— Culinary Arts

December's Artists of the Month are culinary arts students Kyle Rose and Brandy Dalbeck. When asked what he likes most about Kyle Lewis' Culinary III class at Siuslaw High School, junior student Kyle Rose replies, "Everything. I like Mr. Lewis and I like cooking in general."

Kyle, the son of Elizabeth and William Rose, enjoys Mr. Lewis' style of teaching and says, "He does hands on demonstrations, he explains how procedures are done, he observes us, then corrects us and shows us how to do things in the most efficient way."

Brandy Dalbeck, also a junior student, echoes Kyle's comments about their teacher's style.

Brandy, daughter of Joyce and Dave Dalbeck, enjoys the challenge of making large quantities and catering big events.

The students recently made cookies for the Heceta Head Lighthouse Open House and provided a complete dinner for the Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue Firefighter's Association Christmas Dinner. It was the second year in a row that the culinary class was asked to do the dinner since it was so well received last year.

Kyle plays baseball and makes videos with his friends in his spare time and Brandy likes drawing and art in general. Currently she's taking a pottery class.

Both students wish to attend a culinary arts vocational school after graduating from high school and both are thinking of attending the Oregon Coast Culinary Institute in North Bend.

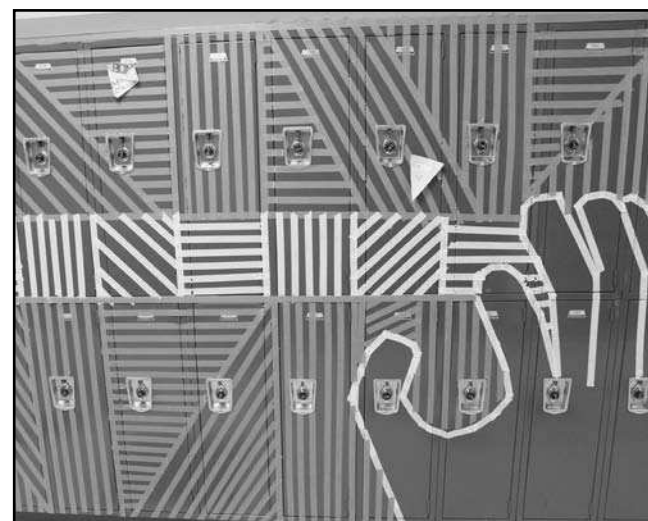
Kyle wishes to be a chef or cook and perhaps in the future open his own restaurant.



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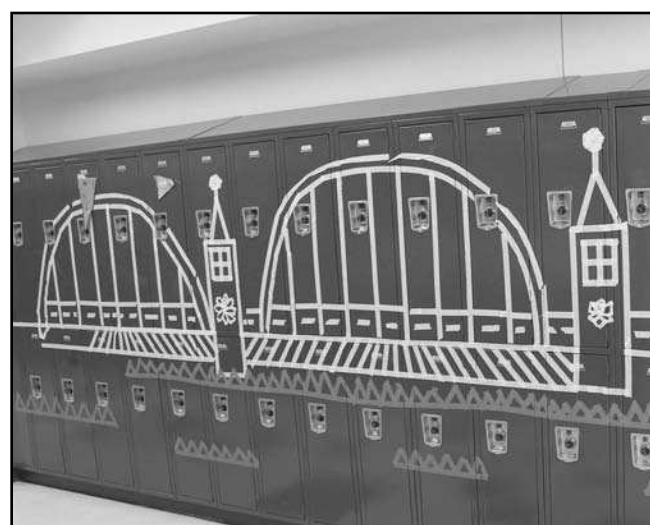
Brandy may wish to also get a business degree along with her culinary training so she can eventually open her own restaurant. Her grandmother was a head chef for several restaurants, so it's a hereditary trait.

SMS STUDENTS MAKE ART THAT 'STICKS'



COURTESY PHOTOS

Eighth-graders at Siuslaw Middle School (SMS) brought a little artwork outside of the classroom and into the hallways using tape on lockers. "It seems we have a lot of lockers and masking tape in our schools," said SMS Language Arts and Drama instructor Edward Mielke. —Submitted by Edward Mielke



Siuslaw students donate to Florence Food Share

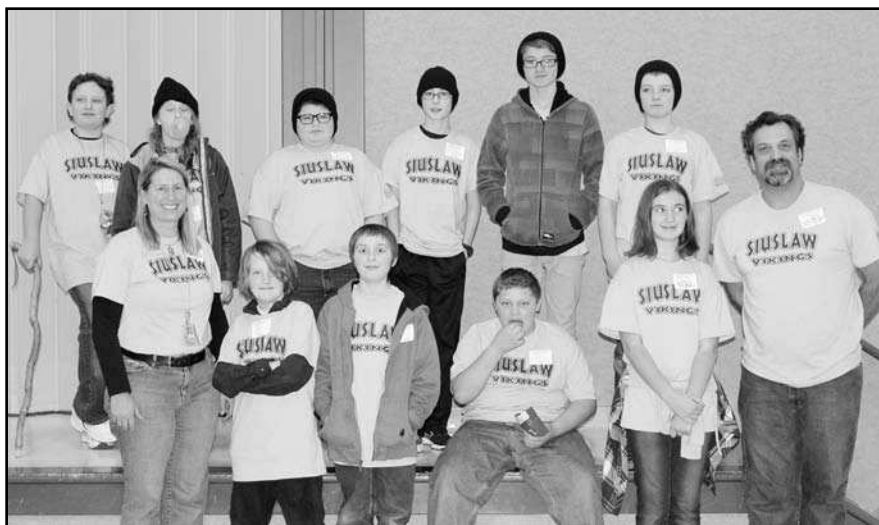


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Siuslaw School District is into the spirit of giving. Siuslaw Elementary School ran a school-wide food drive called "Rock the Sock" for Florence Food Share in December (inset). The students were excited because it was a grade-versus-grade competition and the prize for the grade who brought in the most food was an extra recess. The Giving Tree at Siuslaw Middle School brought in 300 pounds of food this holiday season. Combined with more than 1,700 pounds of food collected by Siuslaw Elementary School, the Siuslaw School District donated an actual ton of food for Florence Food Share. —Submitted by Ella Glowacki and Alice Burns



SMS sends 4 teams to Lego Robotics Challenge



PHOTOS BY EDWARD MIELKE

Four teams from Siuslaw Middle School participated in this year's Lego Robotics Challenge at Philomath Elementary School on Dec. 5. This year's theme was recycling. The teams built robots and programmed them to solve various recycling-themed challenges. Three teams were from the school's Lego robotics class taught by Susan Hawke, the seventh grade science teacher. The fourth team was the Siuslaw Nerd Squad, coached by Edward Mielke. Although they didn't place in any major categories this year, the students had a great time as usual and have returned with a resolve to do better next year. —Submitted by Edward Mielke