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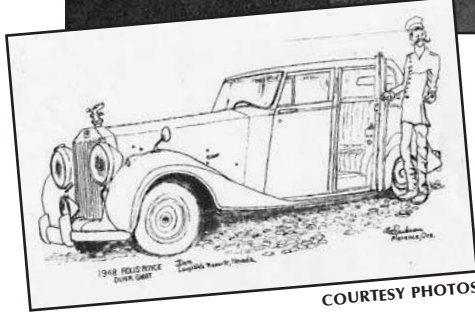
A MAN NAMED BOB

Siuslaw News columnist, longtime Westlake resident Bob Jackson dies at 94

BY CHANTELE MEYER
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Longtime Siuslaw News columnist Bob Jackson, 94, died early Thursday morning. Jackson had been undergoing treatment for cancer. Jackson was born Sept. 19, 1921, in Westlake, south of Florence. He remained a resident of the greater area for most of his life, later moving to Greentrees Village off Rhododendron Drive. Jackson described himself as having a lifetime obsession with fast boats, cars and airplanes. Besides his love for cars, which began on the shores of Siltcoos Lake in the early 1930s, he loved his wife Peggy. In December 2015, they celebrated 71 years of marriage. They had three children together, Rob, Sandi and Ron, and numerous grandchildren. Ron died in 2013. Jackson was many things in his life: car enthusiast, artist, logger, boater, veteran, husband, father, actor and writer.

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Bob Jackson takes his 15-horsepower Neptune out on Siltcoos Lake while on leave from the South Pacific in 1943. At left, his drawing of a 1948 Rolls-Royce.

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BY DEBRA GLENZER
For Siuslaw News

Nearly four and a half years ago we moved to Greentrees community from the Sandy/Boring area east of Portland. We had the fortune to purchase a home on the Siuslaw River just one house away from Bob Jackson. A lot of you know Bob from his articles regularly published in the Siuslaw News. Bob died peacefully in the wee hours of Thursday, Jan. 7. He and his wife Peggy were like parents to my husband and myself, in fact I usually called him dad. His family became our family and his daughter is now like a sister to me, in fact we call each other sis. If you remember, he wrote an article called "A Dog Named Mocha." That was our yellow lab. He loved Mocha. We met almost immediately after we moved in while walking our dogs. Mocha ran between Bob's legs, as she did with people she approved of, and waited to get her back petted.

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Siuslaw Business Award nominees announced

Jan. 20 banquet honors local businesses

BY CHANTELE MEYER
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The Florence Area Chamber of Commerce announced the 14 businesses, restaurants and nonprofits nominated for the eighth annual Siuslaw Business Awards on Wednesday, Jan. 20. The awards will be presented during a banquet at 6 p.m. at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St. Awards for First Citizen, Future First Citizen and Distinguished Service will also be presented that night. The Community Caring Award received three nominations: Cross Road Assembly, Korando Dental Group and Oregon Pacific Bank. The Curb Appeal Award will go to either Old Town Barbershop or the Siuslaw River Bridge Interpretive Center. The Excellence in Customer Service Award received three nominations: Banner Bank, Hoagland Properties and Rosa's Florence Mexican Restaurant. The Nonprofit Achievement Award features three nominees: Kiwanis Club of Florence, Oregon Coast Military Museum and The Salvation Army. The Stu Johnston Business of the Year Award will go to either Foglio Trucking or Homegrown Public House. This year, a new category, Innovation in Business, will be presented to a business that has introduced an innovative product or service, or operates in a mode where innovation is built into the culture of the company. Sand Master Park was the only nominee. Nominees were selected by community members or businesses for the aforementioned awards. Tickets to the event are \$35 and available at the chamber, 290 Highway 101. For more information, call 541-997-3128.

Florence Moose Lodge closes doors



JACK DAVIS/SIUSLAW NEWS

Florence Moose Lodge No. 2110, on Quince Street, has now closed, ending 80 years of fraternal service to the Florence community. Members of the lodge have petitioned to join Waldport Moose Lodge No. 396, which will decide on the merger next week.

Local members vote to merge with Waldport Lodge; approval to be decided Thursday

BY JACK DAVIS
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The more than 80-year history of Florence Lodge No. 2110 Loyal Order Of Moose (LOOM) at 1108 Quince St. ended after members voted to merge with Waldport Lodge No. 396 during a Dec. 29 meeting. The 88-member Florence lodge submitted the merger application to Waldport

LOOM administrator Jim Sehl on Dec. 30. The lodge has since closed. "On behalf of the officers of the Waldport Moose Lodge, we have the deepest admiration for the membership of the Florence Moose Lodge dealing with a difficult situation and proposing this merger application," Sehl said. Waldport LOOM members will vote whether or not to approve the merger on

Thursday, Jan. 14. "I am very confident that the Waldport Lodge will approve the merger," Sehl said. "We will become their home lodge." The Waldport lodge has significantly greater membership, with approximately 288 LOOM members. An additional 250 women

belong to the Women of the Moose, its female auxiliary. If the Waldport Lodge approves the merger application, the organization's headquarters, Moose International, must then

approve it. Sehl said he didn't know what would become of the lodge building and other assets of the Florence Moose Lodge at this time. "We will decide what is in the best interests of the Waldport lodge and act appropriately," Sehl said.

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—JIM SEHL, WALDPART LOOM ADMIN

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