# Habitat to host open house for latest home

Florence Habitat for Humanity will host an open house for its 27th Habitat House on Saturday, Feb. 20, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

At the "Habitour," visitors can take a tour and inquire about how Habitat builds homes in Florence. Interested persons may come to the work site at 2930 Munsel Lake Road.

"If you are curious about Habitat for Humanity, this is the place to come," says Kate McBroom-Redwine, executive director of Florence Habitat. "There's nothing like seeing a house going up, the smiles of the family purchasing the home and the pride of the volunteers building it.

"Come see how we build." Florence Habitat has been in

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#### Vision

The goals are a refined, condensed version of 2015's goals.

Reynolds said that 2015

had seven goals for strategic reasons, such as the inclusion of public safety while the city conducted a search for a new police chief. With the hiring of Police Chief Tom Turner, public safety could be moved

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Florence Habitat for Humanity's latest home under construction at 2930 Munsel Lake Road

existence since 1999, and has completed 26 Habitat homes with the support of the Florence area community.

Questions about financing, answered at the open house. land purchase, mortgages, con-"sweat equity" can be 541-902-9227.

under the "city service deliv-

"We're trying to show we

are a city of people and of

action, and of activity, move-

ment and motion," Reynolds

sented a "snapshot" of the

city's eight-page, five-year

"It has required many,

many hours of work by the

ful job of streamlining the

work plan from last year,"

staff, who has done a wonder-

tives and tasks.

Henry said.

Besides the goals, she pre-

work plan that includes objec-

ery" goal.

said.

For more information, call struction, family selection and the Florence Habitat office at

> setting session in December and a "marathon" work session in January.

Councilor Ron Preisler said, "We spent a lot of hours on this, so it's good to see it approved."

"I can't do it without great people. I do have great people and I want to continue to support the high-performance culture that we have really been working on this last year," Reynolds said.

The 2016 City of Florence Goals and Five-Year Work Plan are available online at www.ci.florence.or.us/council/ city-council-goals-work-plan.

Before coming to LCC, Spilde worked at Linn-Benton Community College in Albany for 15 years in a variety of leadership positions.

"I won't totally disappear from the community college world after I leave Lane," she said. "My passion for community colleges remains strong and I will be considering a number of opportunities in the next several months."

Spilde said that she wanted to give the board enough lead-time to conduct a thorough search for a successor and prepare for an orderly transition.

### Port

Port Operator certification. Leskin spent 23 years as an attorney and municipal judge in Oregon.

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"I'm very glad to have Steven here," McClure said. "He has a professional background and his legal knowledge will be a real asset to the port. He is taking a very pragmatic approach to the issues facing the port."

According to Leskin, his No. 1 priority as port manager will be to evaluate the port's surplus property and determine how best to market and sell them.

"He is taking a very close look at the properties the port

owns," McClure said. "We have had property for sale for a long period of time, specifically the 40-acre Pacific View Business Park that has been zoned light industrial and deemed shovel ready."

LCC Board of Education

Chairman Tony McCown said the board has awarded Spilde

an outstanding performance

evaluation for each of her 15

LCC Florence Center

Interim Director Russ Pierson

said, "She has consistently

invested her time in leadership

development at Lane and I

always know she has the best

interests of our faculty and

staff at heart. Mary has been a

friend to Florence and a fan of

"I love Lane and I love the

work I do and I expect to bring

that same passion for work

over the next 17 months as I

have for the last 36 years,"

our Florence Center."

Spilde said.

years as president.

As part of the evaluation, Leskin said he was planning on doing a study of similar properties along the coast. Leskin will sit in on his

first port commission meeting Wednesday, Feb. 17.

The port will host a public meet-and-greet reception for Leskin at the Florence Events Center this Friday, Feb. 12, from 4 to 6 p.m. Mon Ami will cater the event.

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Appetizers, water and coffee will be offered as well as a no-host beer and wine bar.



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