

**OBITUARIES**

**KNEAPER**—John L. Kneaper, 70, of Swisshome, passed away Feb. 9, 2016.

A memorial celebration of his life will be held Sunday, Feb. 21, at 11 a.m., at the Florence Seventh Day Adventist Church, 4445 Highway 101.

Private interment was held through Burns's Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home.

**BECKMAN**—John Steven Beckman, 53, passed away Feb. 6, 2016.

Steve was born Sept. 13, 1962, in St. Louis, Mo., and spent more than half his life as a resident of Florence.

He loved to be outdoors, enjoying the wilderness and fishing. His hobbies also included playing guitar and listening to music.

He was a talented artist who enjoyed drawing with charcoal and other mediums.

He enjoyed spending time with his friends and family. Steve never met a stranger.

He is survived by his son, John Steven Beckman, Jr.; his parents Edward and Vivian Beckman; and his younger siblings Dan Beckman and Debra (Phil) Derda. He had one niece and two nephews: Taylor Derda, Simon Derda and Brian Beckman.

A celebration of his life will be held Saturday, Feb. 27, at the Jessie M. Honeyman Memorial State Park Meeting Place, beginning at 10 a.m.

The service will be led by Pastor Bryan Moore.

The family requests sending donations to a charity of your choice.

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

**SPOONER**—Robert W. Spooner, 69, of Florence, passed away Feb. 1, 2016, from cancer.

He was born Aug. 9, 1946, to Emily Louise and William Spooner of Grapeview, Wash.

He graduated from Reed College in 1967, and earned his master's degree in mathematics from the University of Saskatchewan.

In the 1970s, Rob owned a computer company in Calgary, Alberta, where he designed and built operating systems. He met his future wife, Alicia Dunn, in Calgary, and they were married on Aug. 14, 1975.

Rob and Alicia returned to the U.S. in the early 1980s and Rob worked for five years as associate publisher of Pacific Northwest magazine, based in Seattle.

In 1988, they moved to Florence and invested their lives into Oregon Coast Magazine. They also publish the Mile-by-Mile Guide to the Oregon Coast.

Rob had a penchant for helping others, especially through education. He especially liked young people and worked to help many along their paths in life. He worried about children, especially those who did not have a strong family network to help them survive.

An active Kiwanian for many years, he most recently strived to establish a nonprofit childcare center in Florence.

He is survived by his wife of 40 years, Alicia; three daughters: Chelsea Spooner, Jennifer Hauge and Jaci Spooner; two grandchildren, Stephen Hauge and Andalusia Yandell; his sister, Linda Humphrey; nieces Charlene and Denise Dunn; and

nephews Marvin and Dusty Humphrey.

A celebration of life will be held at the Adobe Resort in Yachats on Saturday, March 5, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Donations can be made to "Early Learning Florence (ELF)," the childcare center Rob worked so hard to build. Mail checks to 2775 Highway 101, Florence, OR 97439.

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

**ADAMS**—Bruce William James Adams, 80, beloved husband of Kym Adams, passed away peacefully Feb. 2, 2016, at home in Salem, Ore., with his family by his side.

He was born in Woolwich, England, in 1935, before his parents moved to Orpington, Kent, during the first year of his life. He survived the bombing of London during World War II as a youngster, including a V2 rocket attack, which impacted on his street and shattered windows in his house.

He played as a soccer goalie for many years and also played cricket for the Cray Wanderers in St. Mary Cray. Bruce was proud to be a member of one of the oldest football clubs in the world. He served England in the Royal Air Force (RAF) as an aircraft mechanic specializing in cockpit instruments.

Following his time in the RAF, Bruce worked as a toolmaker at Graham Farish Model Railroad Company and then at Amalgamated Dental Company as a dental equipment technician until 1969.

Subsequently, he moved to Windsor, Pa., to work for Dentsply International, which recruited him from Amalgamated.

He traveled the world as a salesman over three decades and retired from the company in 1998.

Bruce claimed to have visited just under 100 countries during his lifetime and made many, many friends along the way. He made an impression on every-

one he met thanks to his high integrity, kindness and conscientiousness. Those fortunate enough to get to know Bruce found themselves holding great respect for him.

Along the way, he had many exciting and sometimes entertaining experiences, including discovering actual KGB bugs in his hotel room in Moscow, meeting many international dignitaries (four of whom were later victims of unrelated assassinations) and bumping into Correta Scott King at an airport where he had the honor of giving her change for a pay phone call.

In 2003, Bruce and Kym moved across country to Florence, so that they could be close to their children. Bruce was a highly accomplished wood worker who often donated his skills towards friends, family and community projects.

His handicap may not have shown it but he thoroughly enjoyed many years of playing golf.

Bruce was preceded in death by his father, Victor Reginald Bruce Adams; and his mother, Dorothy Gwendoline Gwyther.

He is survived by his wife of 46 years, Kym Adams; his children: Alexander (Bridget) Adams, Djaylan Adams and Tim (Tracey) Adams; and six grandchildren: Pierce Adams, Monique Labbate, Lily Adams, Christopher Adams, Michael Adams and Bryan Adams.

His family will greatly miss him and requests that donations be made to either of the following organizations:

**RAM**—Remote Area Medical, 2200 Stock Creek Blvd., Rockford, TN 37853.

**Combat Stress**—Veterans' Mental Health Charity Tyrwhitt House, Oaklawn Road, Leathehead, Surrey, KT22 0BX, England.

**MOXLEY**—Charlie Moxley, 71, of North Bend, passed away Feb. 7, 2016. Burns's Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

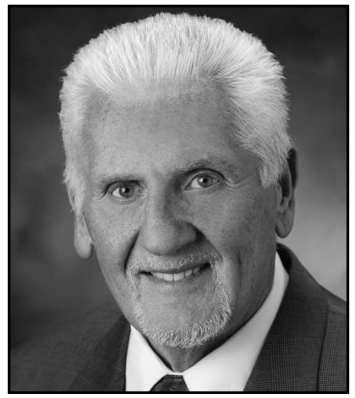
**Mayor Henry to speak at City Club this Friday**

On Friday, Feb. 19, the Florence City Club will hear a presentation on the activities of the city's Economic Development Committee by Mayor Joe Henry.

The committee, appointed in June 2015, consists of seven citizens and four ex-officio members. The members are assigned to one of three sub-committees: Business Retention and Expansion; Marketing and Recruitment; and Organization.

The Mayor's update will focus on partnerships that have been developed with Regional Accelerator and Innovation Network (RAIN) and the South Coast Economic Development Corporation, current economic development activity and the future of the city's economic efforts.

City Club meets at Ocean



COURTESY PHOTO

**Florence Mayor Joe Henry**

Dunes clubhouse and is open to the public. A light lunch is available at 11:30 a.m., with the presentation beginning at noon.

Any questions may be directed to Sharon Hobart, 541-914-7784.

**WEATHER DATA**

DATE	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
Feb. 9	68	43	0.00
Feb. 10	58	42	0.02
Feb. 11	60	52	0.05
Feb. 12	54	43	0.63
Feb. 13	51	39	0.56
Feb. 14	52	48	1.04
Feb. 15	51	43	0.22

**Rainfall** Week: 2.52"  
Month: 4.15" Year: 18.92"

Courtesy of Roger Cunningham

**BIRTH**

**GIUMELLI-ROGERS**—Brynn Marie Giumelli-Rogers, a girl weighing 9 lbs., 12.5 ozs., was born to Sarah Giumelli and Gene Rogers of Florence on Jan. 29, 2016, at RiverBend Hospital in Springfield.

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Old Town location condo! w/covered parking, storage room, view deck, utility closet, open design-nice size rooms  
2 Bdrm, 1 1/2 Ba 1130 sq ft  
**\$172,500** BH7162 ML#16072415



**FEATURED LISTING**  
Come enjoy Florentine living... home has open floor plan, vaulted ceilings, skylights, oversized single car garage w/workshop space  
3 Bdrm, 2 Ba 1344 sq ft  
**\$164,000** BH7137 ML#15078138



**FEATURED LISTING**  
Country home on corner lot. Cute home, double car garage with 2 separate doors, RV/boat parking  
2 Bdrm, 1 Ba 960 sq ft  
**\$159,500** BH6951 ML#15348424



**FEATURED LISTING**  
Beautiful in-town home with private backyard to relax or enjoy outdoor entertaining. Great location  
3 Bdrm, 3 Ba 2288 sq ft  
**\$359,900** BH7033 ML#15063759



**FEATURED LISTING**  
Move in ready. Cute, one owner home in gated community. Easy care landscaping w/native vegetation  
3 Bdrm, 2 Ba 1400 sq ft  
**\$175,000** BH7097 ML#15514369



**FEATURED LISTING**  
What fun... Own a little piece of Siuslaw riverfront, approx. 100 ft of water frontage. Enjoy a day of fishing  
.04 acre  
**\$49,900** BH7166 ML#16329597



**FEATURED LISTING**  
Private community fishing and crabbing dock on the Siuslaw River. Squared away home, neat & clean  
2 Bdrm, 2 Ba 1472 sq ft  
**\$223,000** BH7093 ML#15464027



**FEATURED LISTING**  
Country beautiful 5.48 acres 8+ horse stalls, arenas. 40 x 40 shop plus garage shop. Home remodeled w/Hickory cabinets & Oak floors  
3 Bdrm, 2 Ba 2404 sq ft  
**\$499,900** BH7086 ML#15676288



**FEATURED LISTING**  
Florence's one of a kind grand riverfront estate! 1.9 acre majestically set on the Siuslaw River minutes from Old Town, Dunes & shopping  
5 Bdrm, 5 Ba 8607 sq ft  
**\$1,395,000** BH6998 ML#15509352