GENERAL NEWS

Siuslaw Pioneer Museum celebrates volunteers

Siuslaw Pioner Museum recently honored its 45 volunteers at a luncheon at the Florence Elks Lodge. The theme for the celebration was "A Night at the Oscars," with volunteers walking on a red carpet to receive awards from board president Del Phelps for their various volunteer special-

A moment of silence was held in memory of Bob Jackson, who recently died. Jackson was described by volunteer Judy Fleagle as a "reluctant, rough-edged renaissance man who will be sorely missed."

After the awards ceremony. time was spent reminiscing about, and catching up on, museum activities.

As with all nonprofits, the museum could not function without its volunteers. Anyone who loves local history and has some free time is always welcome to join the museum's staff of volunteers.

WLCF awards grant to local education foundation

The Siuslaw Education Foundation has received a grant from the Western Lane Comm-unity Foundation (WLCF).

Siuslaw Education Foundation is a new private nonprofit corporation governed by an 11-member board of directors committed to collaborating with schools to address the needs of area children.

The mission is to raise funds to enhance academic achievement and expand learning opportunities for every student in Siuslaw and Mapleton school districts. A portion of the WLCF grant money is being used to host a kick-off event for the foundation.

All are invited to attend the "Wish Me a Rainbow" celebra-

tion on Friday, March 4, from 4

to 5:30 p.m. at the Senior

Center on Kingwood Street.

Guests can enjoy tea, coffee, punch, refreshments and facepainting as they listen to student entertainment and information about the education foundation.

There will be a display of items requested by Siuslaw and Mapleton schools and an opportunity to donate to the foundation.

There is no charge for the event. The Siuslaw Education Foundation is sponsored by the Florence Area Community Coalition.

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Confederated Tribes celebrate five years of 'giving'

Feb. 18 marked the fifth annual gifting luncheon of the Three Rivers Foundation held at the Three Rivers Casino Resort in Florence. The Three Rivers Foundation, established by the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians as the giving arm of its Three Rivers Casino Resort, announced gifts totaling more than \$100,000 to 20 deserving nonprofit organizations in the Tribe's service district areas.

"There is a Native American proverb that says 'We will be known forever by the tracks we leave," said Teresa Spangler, Chairwoman of the Three Rivers Foundation and Vice Chairman of the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians Tribal Council. "Together (with these organizations) we are leaving good tracks both for now and future generations to find."

During this gifting cycle, the foundation received 153 grant proposals from nonprofits located in Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln and Polk counties, as well as many communities throughout Oregon.

Of those proposals the following were awarded grant dollars in Lane County: Children's Repertory of Oregon Workshops (CROW) in Florence; Mapleton Food Share; Mapleton School District; Siuslaw Outreach Services (SOS) in Florence; South Lane Mental Health in Cottage Grove; Springfield

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Education Springfield and Eugene Habitat For Humanity and Triangle Food Box in Blachly.

The Three Rivers Foundation supports innovative ideas, collaborative approaches and grassroots efforts in the following areas: education, health, public safe-

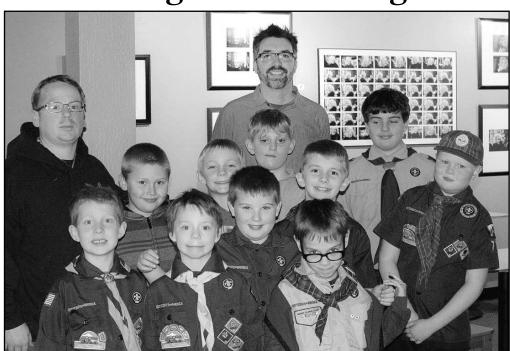
Foundation; ty, problem gambling, the arts, the environment, cultural activities and historic preservation.

Nonprofit and government organizations located in Coos, Curry, Douglas, Lane and Lincoln Counties are encouraged to review grant criteria and application deadlines on the Three Rivers Foundations website.

Other Oregon nonprofits seeking grant support for projects specifically important to Native American populations in Oregon, have a statewide impact, or other Oregon federally recognized tribes are encouraged to apply.

To learn more, visit www. threerivers foundation.org.

Cinema gives scouting tour



Local Scouts from Pack 777 got a full tour of City Lights Cinemas from owner Michael Falter, who gave members of the troop and their families a behind-thescenes look at the projection room before watching "Kung Fu Panda 3."

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