

**Election** from 1A

The other candidates, Joshua Rogers and Guy Rosinbaum, received 14.9 and 11.7 percent of the votes, respectively. Statewide, political parties solidified nominations for such positions as governor, secretary of state and state representatives. For governor, Gov. Kate Brown will be the Democratic Party candidate and Bud Pierce, a veteran and physician, will be the Republican Party candidate.

The U.S. senator will be a choice between incumbent Democrat Ron Wyden and Republican Mark Callahan. For U.S. Representative, Fourth District, incumbent Democrat Peter DeFazio will run against Republican Art Robison. It was a closed-primary vote for the presidential candidates. In the Republican Party, Donald Trump won 64.2 percent of the vote. In the Democratic Party, Bernie Sanders beat Hillary Clinton with a vote of 55.7 percent.

**RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS**

*Florence's 109th annual Rhody Days continue with exciting weekend events*

- RHODY DAYS WEEKEND EVENTS**  
**Rhody Queen and Court Display**  
Open daily – 12-4 p.m.  
Half-price on May 22  
Siuslaw Pioneer Museum  
Contact: 997-7884
- Elks Barbecue and Pie Sale**  
May 21-22 – 11 a.m.-4 p.m.  
Elks Lodge, 1686 12th St.  
Contact: 997-2610
- American Rhododendron Society's Festival Flower Show & Plant Sale**  
May 21 – 1-5 p.m.  
May 22 – 10 a.m.-5 p.m.  
Florence Events Center  
Contact: 997-3082
- Sounds of the Supremes and Drifters**  
May 21 – 7 p.m.  
May 22 – 3 and 6 p.m.  
Three Rivers Casino Resort  
Contact: 997-7529
- SATURDAY, MAY 21**  
**Let it Ride Poker Run**  
8 a.m. to noon  
Three Rivers Casino Resort  
Register at  
www.rebel-rally.com  
Contact: 997-7529
- 38th Annual Rhody Run**  
Race starts at 9 a.m.  
Florence Events Center  
Contact: 997-3518 or  
www.eclecticedgeracing.com
- Hot Dog and Hamburger Sale**  
10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.  
Grocery Outlet parking lot  
Florence Area Humane Society  
Contact: 997-4277
- 24th annual Rhody Days Car Show 'n' Shine**  
10 a.m.-2:30 p.m.  
Grocery Outlet parking lot  
Presented by Beachkomber's Car Club  
Contact: 902-0916
- Junior Parade**  
Staging at 11 a.m., parade starts at noon  
Miller Park and Oak Street  
Presented by Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue  
Contact: 999-0600
- Kiwanis Kids Games**  
Right after Junior Parade  
JV Baseball Field  
Siuslaw High School  
Contact: 999-7083
- Let it Ride Motorcycle Show**  
1-3 p.m., with awards after
- Three Rivers Casino Resort  
Contact: 997-7529
- Homegrown Underground Live Entertainment**  
Starts at 3 p.m.  
Homegrown Public House  
294 Laurel St.
- Coast Radio Classic Car Cruise**  
5:30 p.m. KCST 106.9 FM  
Live Broadcast  
Cruise starts at 6:30 p.m.  
Old Town and Bay Street  
Contact: 997-9136
- SUNDAY, MAY 22**  
**Elks Lodge Breakfast**  
7-11 a.m.  
Elks Lodge, 1686 12th St.  
Contact: 997-2610
- 109th annual Rhododendron Grand Floral Parade**  
Staging at 10 a.m.  
Parade begins at noon  
Starts at Highway 101 and 27th Street and ends in Old Town  
Contact: 997-3128 or  
florencechamber.com

**2016 SALUTE IN REMEMBRANCE**  
MEMORIAL WEEKEND IN REEDSPORT  
Parade, War Memorial Service, 'Meet and Greet a Veteran', Veteran's Dinner, Patriotic Concert, and Cemetery Service

**SUNDAY MAY 29TH**

- 2:00 pm MEMORIAL PARADE
- 3:30 pm MEMORIAL CEREMONY Hahn Park War Memorial
- 4:00 pm VETERAN'S MEET & GREET Pacific Auditorium
- VETERAN'S DINNER Presbyterian Church
- 7:00 pm PATRIOTIC CONCERT Pacific Auditorium

**Memorial Day MONDAY MAY 30TH**

- 10:00 am VFW & American Legion MEMORIAL DAY SERVICE at the Masonic Cemetery

**HONOR OUR VETS MAY 29TH & 30TH**



**Bonds** from 1A

According to O'Mara, the district will be able to start some projects this summer, but the majority of the work will be completed over the next three years. "We appreciate the voters' overwhelming support of the

schools," she said.

In addition to the \$4 million from the bond measure, Mapleton received an additional \$4 million grant from the state of Oregon that was triggered by the passage of the bond. Mapleton will also apply for two state seismic improvement grants of up to \$1.5 million each for the high school and elementary school buildings in July.

"They are competitive grants, so those funds are not guaranteed," O'Mara said. "They can

only be used to improve the seismic stability of the buildings and to create 'shelter in place' areas to be used in the aftermath of an earthquake."

The Siuslaw district will lose an additional \$4 million state grant award that was contingent upon approval of the bond.

Siuslaw Superintendent Ethel Angal said, "I feel sad that what we did in this shortened process was just not enough for our community. We had good support; we just didn't have quite enough."

According to Lane County records, there were 368 more "no" votes out of a total of 5,970 total votes cast.

"The same problems still exist," Angal said. "We are going to have to deal with them in some way. There is not enough general fund money to provide instruction and take on huge capital projects. At some point we are going to have to bond."

Statewide, 13 of 22 school district bond measures on the ballot passed.

**Coastal Conference on Faith**  
Saturday, June 4th, 2016 • 9:00 am- 3:00pm  
Location: Florence Christian Church @ 990 2nd St.



Featured Speaker  
**LAURA MORETT**  
of Survivor Realty TV series.

Laura is an inspirational speaker for both men and women on being a Survivor and Finishing Strong in their faith.

**Cost: \$10 in advance/ \$15 at the door**  
Includes lunch and child care up to age 10.  
**Limited Seating...Get your tickets early!**

**MUSIC • ICEBREAKERS • DOOR PRIZES**

For registration, tickets and information:  
[www.revival-florence.info](http://www.revival-florence.info) or call Bill Specht 503-508-4314  
or purchase tickets from Florence Christian Church,  
Mon. -Thu. 9am-3pm or call 541-997-2961

**Club** from 1A

According to John, the club's drum corps is going to follow the traditional drum corps lineup, which has snare drums, bass drums and tenor drums. He said tenor drums could go from a single drum up to four-drum quad sets.

"We want to maintain the culture and tradition that goes along with the drum corps," John said. "Everyone in each section, snare, bass and tenor has a ranking. Players can challenge other players to move up in ranking. It promotes healthy competition, respect and self-discipline. The program will be based around that."

"Once we get to a performance level, we will be able to compete with other drum corps," he said.

The drum corps will meet and practice Tuesdays and Thursdays at 5:30 p.m., after the regular Teen Center program ends.

"That will allow us to rehearse indoors, protected from the weather," John said. "After a few months, once we get the basics down, we will start field practice Sunday afternoons in Miller Park behind the Teen Center."

John hopes the club's drum corps will be ready to perform for the Veteran's Day parade in November and have the official rollout at the 2017 Rhody Days parade.

According to John, initial enrollment in the drum corps will be limited to 15 students.

Annual enrollment in the club's drum corps is \$35 and includes a practice pad, drumsticks and all learning materials. Non-club members need to join the club and pay the \$25 annual membership. Scholarships are available.

"No child will ever be turned away because they can't afford the startup costs," Tracy said.

"Drum corps members in sixth grade and above are welcome to use the Teen Center facilities, including access to free after-school hot meals, but are

not required to do so," she added. Tracy said the club intends to partially subsidize the drum corps through the club's concession stand and through donations.

"We are looking for sponsors," she said. "We would like to talk to anyone who might want to be a sponsor for the drum corps."

John plans to refurbish old marching drums donated from high school and college programs.

Boys and Girls Club Executive Director Chuck Trent said, "We are marching to the beat of a different drum. We are providing new services and having a bigger impact on our community. At the same time, the Boys and Girls Club is making sure these kids have life skills learned through a variety of enrichment programs. ...

"This is about music education, but it is also about discipline, commitment and fun. It is where this club needs to be going," he added.

For more information on the program, call 541-902-0304.

**WORD ON THE STREET**

What are you most excited for about Rhody Days?

The 109th annual Rhododendron Festival runs through Sunday, May 22. How will you "Catch the Wave?" For more information, go to [www.florencechamber.com](http://www.florencechamber.com).



"Sunday's parade is my favorite part. I just love the Shriners in their little cars. I just go crazy about that. I love the kids, and I love Scott Waiss and his giant bicycle."  
—BETTINA HANNIGAN,  
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR  
FLORENCE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE



"I bought the store two weeks ago and we're new to the community. We've never been involved before, so we're most excited for getting to know the people of the community. I want to meet everybody!"  
—LYNN MALASPINO-BADEL WITH J.P. BADEL,  
OWNER OF BAY STREET FAMILY TYES



"Corndogs. Actually, seeing the whole parade come together. The whole shebang will have 84 entries. It's so much fun to see. We're hoping for sunshine!"  
—NANCY PEARSON,  
EVENTS COORDINATOR  
FLORENCE AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

**CELEBRATE RHODY DAYS WITH US!**

Sterling Silver Jewelry at a fraction of the price that other stores charge!

- Motorcycle Jewelry
- Gallery Pieces
- Turquoise Jewelry
- Glass Art
- Earrings
- Pendants
- Sterling Silver Jewelry
- Cremation "Urn Pendants"
- Engraving
- Collectible Hand Carved Eggs
- Gift Items & MORE ON SALE!


Please visit us in our NEW location  
1499 Bay Street (Old Port Building) **541-997-0111**





**GROCERY OUTLET**  
bargain market

2066 Highway 101, Florence  
541-997-0343

Produce • Dairy & Deli  
Health & Beauty  
Frozen Foods • Fresh Meat  
Housewares • Beer & Wine  
Organic & Natural Foods and much more!  
**We have ample RV parking!**



Woody Woodbury  
Independent Owner/Operator  
Florence Grocery Outlet



**COLDWELL BANKER**  
Coast Real Estate  
100 Hwy. 101, Florence, OR 97439

ONE LEVEL HOME WITH VIEW OF RIVER & OCEAN

**Diana Hackett**  
Broker

Cell: 541-999-7317  
diana@cbcoast.com

VIEW \$590,000

