

**Dog** from 1A

"Sometimes she'll come along and do a swooping motion with the brush, and then suddenly will change colors and will decide to do a job," Pinnock added.

Pinnock lays an array of colors out on the floor and Tru picks the colors she wants by pulling the paint tray toward her.

"She tends to go to the pink a lot. She really likes that one. Must be a good smell."

The only time Pinnock "helps" Tru is when the dog stays too long in one spot, so Pinnock guides her towards another spot on the canvas.

One of Tru's pieces was auctioned off at Fraudville, a fundraiser for the local Boys and Girls Club, in February.

"People seemed to enjoy that, so Tru is going to be doing a painting for Bark for Life," Pinnock said.

American Cancer Society's Bark for Life of Florence will be at Miller Park on Saturday, June 11, from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Tru donates 25 percent of all her sales to Bark for Life of

Florence. She will also be doing a demonstration of her tricks.

Pinnock will discuss self-guided trick training during the demo.

Tru is also seasonally involved in truffle hunting. According to trainers, sniffing out the gourmet black truffles can help soothe a dog with anxiety or fear.

"The sniffing really did work," Pinnock said. "I was thrilled how well it worked to regain her confidence."

Tru found enough truffles that Pinnock donated some to the Siuslaw High School Culinary Class.

"The students used the last truffles for the Dancing with Sea Lions VIP event in April. You could just smell the truffle aroma," Pinnock said.

Each of Tru's paintings is marked with a pawprint. She also sells sets of magnets featuring her pawprints.

As for her next trick, Pinnock is not sure what Tru will take to.

"Tru likes to just do what she wants. We're very much into the positive training," Pinnock said.

"We're just going to play it by ear."

**Oregon allows sale of marijuana edibles****Adults cautioned to keep products away from minors, pets**BY CHANTELE MEYER  
Siuslaw News

With Gov. Kate Brown's signature on March 29, Oregon passed temporary rules to allow the sale of marijuana edibles at certain medical marijuana dispensaries starting June 2.

Senate Bill 1511, which went into effect March 30, directs Oregon Liquor Control Commission to register qualified marijuana producers, processors, wholesalers and retailers for purposes of producing, processing and selling marijuana products, concentrates and extracts.

Oregon Health Authority (OHA) said edible marijuana products containing up to 15 mg of THC will be available for retail sale in registered medical marijuana dispensaries across the state to adults 21 or over.

A registered medical marijuana dispensary can sell one unit of a single-serving, low-dose cannabinoid edible per day to adults age 21 or older. A unit of

low-dose cannabinoid edible can contain more than one edible as long as the total tetrahydrocannabinol (THC) in the unit does not exceed 15 mg.

All edible retail marijuana products in Oregon must have a clear THC serving size indicated on them.

According to OHA, consuming marijuana edibles can take up to four hours for the THC to take full effect, a longer process than smoking or vaping the product.

OHA also warns of increased danger to minors and children and recommends storing all marijuana products in a locked area that children cannot see or reach.

If a child eats or drinks marijuana products, call the Poison Center Hotline as soon as possible at 1-800-222-1222 or take the child to the emergency room right away.

Greenhill Humane Society in Eugene has started a slogan: "Just Say No to Pets on Pot."

"We want people to be aware that marijuana is potentially dan-

gerous for animals," says Cary Lieberman, executive director of the humane society. "We hope people who choose to have it in their homes and around their pets will be mindful and responsible, and seek veterinary care if their pet ingests anything."

Adults are asked to use secure storage of marijuana products in pet-proof containers or locked cabinets.

If a pet ingests marijuana, seek veterinary care promptly. Inform your veterinarian what your pet has ingested so that proper care can be administered.

Brown also appointed Jeff Rhoades as senior policy advisor for marijuana policy in the Governor's Office on May 31.

"Jeff will work on marijuana-related policy issues, helping create responsive regulations in what is still a new industry," Brown said. "Jeff will be mindful of my focus on public safety, user awareness and educating youth as this burgeoning business sector takes root."

**Port** from 1A

In 2010, the port received grant funds and loans to help purchase and refurbish the old Siuslaw Fisherman's Association ice machine. Total cost of the project was almost \$300,000.

The port had problems keeping the ice machine operational and ended up selling it for \$70,000 in 2012. An additional problem was the port's inability to secure a contract with a com-

mercial fish buyer.

The board agreed to direct staff to research potential options and provide the board with a preliminary report at the next board meeting.

In other business, administrative assistant Dina McClure reported that the port's profit and loss comparison shows the port's income at about \$15,000 ahead of last year. Expenses year to date are higher than last year.

"But we are still on track," McClure said.

According to McClure, campground revenue, year to date, is about 4 percent lower than last year, but ahead of two years ago. Moorage is up 3 percent over last year's record year.

The board met at the Triangle Lake location as part of an ongoing outreach effort to include residents living outside of Florence, but within the port's tax-base area. The port is planning to hold additional meetings in other locations within the port's district.

**County** from 1A

For the past eight months, Drik-Muehleck and Dobrinich have explored ways for Lane County to better serve the needs of rural communities.

"We came to the conclusion that successful economic development emphasizes community development, capacity building and collaboration," Drik-Muehleck said.

The framework of the initiative will offer assistance in collaboration and connectivity, technical support, promotion and funding. The program will also include internal evaluation to address challenges and benefits.

Drik-Muehleck said, "Economic development is not a standalone thing. It requires an entire community. It's not just about recruiting someone and bringing them in as coordinator; there has to be a whole organization behind them. It's really helpful when you're able to connect."

The county will also partner and help communities partner with regional service providers such as Lane Council of Governments (LCOG), Travel Lane County, RAIN (Regional Accelerator and Innovation Network), Rural Development Initiatives, programs through University of Oregon and Portland State University and more.

The Rural Prosperity Initiative also includes an action plan for the next two years. Drik-Muehleck referred to the Rural Prosperity Initiative as an ongoing process.

Once the rural economic development liaison position is filled, the county will begin the process of rolling out regional gatherings and solidifying the rural economic development work plan.

"We have to take a little risk here. We are in a time of a lot of change, and if we don't try new things and stick our neck out a little bit, we're not going to get a big reward. We know that we have to be flexible," Drik-Muehleck said.

"I'm just happy to hear that the county realizes the asset that we have to offer and the fact that

we can help each other," Councilor Joshua Greene said.

After meeting with Henry and Reynolds, Mokrohisky congratulated Florence on its current efforts to be "Oregon's premier coastal community."

City staff, committees and the council have worked hard on economic development in the past years, especially in developing ReVision Florence with the Florence Urban Renewal Agency and Oregon Department of Transportation.

ReVision will include streetscaping Highway 101 from Siuslaw River Bridge to Highway 126 and adding gateways to Historic Old Town at key points.

"I really appreciate getting a briefing on all the wonderful things happening here in Florence, in particular the ReVision Florence initiative. It looks really exciting," Mokrohisky said. "We're talking about opportunities in which Lane County can partner with Florence to make its visions become reality."

The Rural Prosperity Initiative draft can be viewed at [www.ci.florence.or.us/council/city-council-meeting-133](http://www.ci.florence.or.us/council/city-council-meeting-133).

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