

POLICE LOG

Florence Police

May 31

Assault was reported in the 4600 block of Heceta Beach Road.

Alarm was reported in the 2100 block of Spruce Street.

Harassment was reported in the 1800 block of Highway 101.

Child endangerment was reported in the 2300 block of Oak Street.

Theft from vehicle was reported in the 88400 block of First Avenue.

Accident, without injury, was reported in the 900 block of Kingwood Street.

Child abuse was reported in the 55900 block of View Loop and in the 1600 block of Maple Street.

Theft was reported in the 1700 block of Siano Loop.

Illegal camping, lodging was reported in the 1800 block of Oak Street and in the 1500 block of 12th Street.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2400 block of Highway 101.

June 1

Illegal camping, lodging was reported in the 1600 block of 12th Street.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 2400 block of Highway 101.

Theft was reported in the 400 block of Ninth Street.

Fraud was reported in the 700 block of Maple Street.

Disoriented subject was reported in the 600 block of Skookum Court.

Dispute was reported E. Mapleton Road.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 800 block of Wecoma Loop.

Indecent exposure was reported in the 2400 block of Highway 101.

Child abuse was reported in the 1700 block of 31st Street.

Harassment was reported in the 200 block of Bourbon Street.

Motor vehicle theft was reported in the 1700 block of 15th Street.

Illegal burning was reported at 46th and Oak streets.

Alarm was reported in the 300 block of Highway 101.

June 2

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1300 block of Highway 101.

Alarm was reported in the 400 block of Sherwood Loop.

Pursuit was reported in the 1500 block of 12th Street.

Alarm was reported in the 100 block of Highway 101 and in the 1300 block of Highway 101.

Theft was reported in the 4600 block of Highway 101 and in the 3200 block of Munsel Lake Road.

Disorderly subject was reported in the 4700 block of Highway 101.

Harassment was reported in the 900 block of Greenwood Street.

Disorderly subject was reported in the 900 block of Highway 101.

Motor vehicle theft was reported in the 1600 block of 35th Street.

Fire was reported at Heceta Beach Road and Highway 101.

Disorderly subject was reported in the 1500 block of 12th Street.

DUII was reported on Spruce Street.

Fire was reported in the Glenada area.

June 3

Theft was reported in the 900 block of Highway 101, in the 1900 block of 21st Street and in the 1400 block of Maple Street.

Disorderly subject was reported in the 3500 block of Highway 101.

Illegal camping, lodging was reported in 1300 block of 12th Street.

Hit-and-run accident was reported in the 4700 block of Highway 101.

Disorderly subject was reported in the 400 block of Ninth Street.

Dispute was reported at Cleawox Lake.

Intoxicated subject was reported at 35th and Oak streets.

Burglary was reported in the 200 block of Foulweather Street.

Fight was reported in the 1300 block of Bay Street.

June 4

Fight was reported in the 1300 block of Bay Street.

Dispute was reported in the 14500 block of Highway 36.

Accident, with injury, was reported on North Fork Road.

Theft was reported in the 2300 block of Spruce Street.

Intoxicated subject was reported in the 10700 block of Highway 126.

Alarm was reported in the 2000 block of Highway 101.

Dispute was reported in the 1500 block of Ninth Street.

Trespass was reported in the 700 block of Highway 101.

Alarm was reported in the 1600 block of Rhododendron Drive.

Theft was reported in the 700 block of Highway 101 and in the 1400 block of Nopal Street.

Alarm was reported in the 1500 block of Kingwood Street.

Theft was reported in the 700 block of Highway 101 and in the 1700 block of 20th Street.

June 5

Intoxicated subject was reported in the 100 block of Highway 101.

Elder abuse was reported in the 300 block of Laurel Street.

Disorderly subject was reported in the 400 block of Ninth Street and in the 88400 block of First Street.

Accident, without injury, was reported in the 95300 block of Highway 101.

Disorderly subject was reported in the 88900 block of Highway 101.

Accident, with injury, was reported in the 83900 block of Highway 101.

Disorderly subject was reported in the 700 block of Highway 101.

Trespass was reported in the 1700 block of Highway 101.

Accident, without injury, was reported on Kingwood Street.

Drill

from 1A

Erica Westphal, of Stellar Productions of Oregon, created makeup and prosthetics on the student, district staff and community volunteer “victims.”

The beginning of the drill involved everything from locking down the school, students practicing their ALICE (Alert, Lockdown, Inform, Counter, Evacuate) training and first-response personnel — in this case, Florence Police Department and Tribal Police — accessing the building with or without district personnel and their keys.

Other emergency agencies could not enter the building until the “perpetrators” were captured, even if it meant the victims had to wait for care.

Lane County Sheriff’s Office Special Response Team gave the final sweep of the building and gave the all clear, allowing medics from Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue and Western Lane Ambulance District to tend to the victims.

This involved setting up a staging area, separating the wounded into moderate- to severe-injury categories and life flighting two women on the REACH and Life Flight helicopters.

Since it was a drill, other victims took a short ride in ambulances and were returned to the staging area. At the same time, PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center was on

standby and had running counts of the injured.

Florence City Manager Erin Reynolds and Mayor Joe Henry attended the beginning of the drill. They both spoke about the event at the Florence City Council meeting Monday night.

Reynolds referred to it as a “boots on the ground” event.

“It was really neat to see that our emergency responders are practicing. They will be prepared should something like this happen in our community,” she said.

Henry said, “It was very interesting, extremely well organized and managed. Hats off to everyone involved. It really was a great group of dedicated people who came out for this.”

Additional participants included staff from Mapleton School District, the local American Red Cross, Florence Public Works and evaluators.

Messmer reported on the “hotwash” after the active part of the drill.

“Participants came together to discuss what was done well, what was learned and areas for improvement. From the beginning to the end, we saw improvement in coordination as our responders and command post progressed throughout the morning,” she said.

The \$10,000 drill was funded through a federal Hospital Preparedness Program and an emergency management grant from Lane County Emergency

Management Program Manager Linda Cook.

“The overall consensus from the participants was that the exercise provided a good practice opportunity for our agencies to work together and coordinate a large-scale response,” Messmer said.

The Blue Cell and the participants will now create an After Action Report and Improvement Plan, which will be the basis for future funding.

While the active participants continue to work and train, the City of Florence management team will participate in another large-scale training, starting today.

“Many of you have heard rumblings about the Cascadia Rising event exercise that we are playing in,” Reynolds said.

“It’s really a way for the management team and other supporting staff and partner agencies in WLEOG to practice what it would look like behind the scenes should any disaster happen, but particularly for this large-scale event.”

At Saturday’s drill, Langborg said, “No matter what happens with this drill, we’re going to walk out of this better prepared.”

Reynolds agreed.

“It gives a little bit of peace of mind knowing that people are ready, aware and can respond if necessary,” she said.

For more information on emergency management services in the area, go to wleog.org.

School

from 1A

Rosinbaum added, “And, why is it coming out so suddenly? Trying to explain to people that we are trying to save them \$4 million by doing it this quick didn’t buy us anything.”

The 48-year-old high school facility is the oldest building in the district. It has single pane windows, roof leaks, electrical

problems, heating and cooling issues and does not meet multiple state and federal codes. The building also does not meet current security and safety standards.

“I know that is hard for us because we don’t like saying bad things about our school,” Rosinbaum said. “But if we want this to pass in the future, people are going to have to see a need for it. I think that’s what we lost on. We lost on our community not seeing a true need for a new school.”

Another common complaint, according to school board members, was the lack of specific information on where the \$36.9 million would be spent and few details on what the

new school would look like.

Siuslaw Middle School Principal and 2016-17 District Superintendent Andy Grzeskowiak compared this bond to the middle school bond passed in 1999.

“People wanted to see not just a conceptual drawing. They remembered when we had the bond for the middle school, which was about an 18-month process. They had a lot of exposure to it. They kind of knew what the whole grand plan was going to be.

“With the process being rushed we couldn’t get down to the point specific details that people really wanted.”

District Business Manager Kari Blake voiced concerns

about the growing amount of the district’s general fund being appropriated for high school maintenance.

“At this point in our budget we have to defer maintenance in other buildings to address some of the issues at the high school,” she said. “What I don’t want to happen is to create a situation where we have our elementary and middle school deferring maintenance because all the resources are going into the high school building. We still have to maintain safety and security to the best of our abilities.”

The board agreed to develop a plan to present a new high school bond proposal for the May 2017 election.

Art

from 1A

The tentative schedule for the proposed teaching arts program will begin in January 2017 and run through February.

Selected artists will be compensated for their time.

Current rates for similar Lane Arts Council (LAC) programs are just over \$30 per hour, according to LAC arts education program manager Laren Suveges.

“As part of the FRAA mission to enrich cultural life here, we want to reach out and help our local artists by giving them more opportunities,” Springer said. “We also want to engage with the youth of the community and get them more involved and enthusiastic about art.”

LAC has operated the Arts in Schools program since 1978. Suveges said it is the organization’s longest running program.

“We are now often a dis-

trict’s only arts opportunity, depending on the school’s mission and teacher involvement,” Suveges said. “We have worked in every school district in the county, except for Siuslaw.”

Springer said the focus of the June 20 meeting is to discover how many local artists are available and interested in the program.

“We will take as many artists as we can from Florence and then fill in from there,” Springer said. “The ideal world would be to have enough people in Florence to do this.”

LAC realizes that teaching students is different than teaching adults.

“Because Lane Arts Council has done this for some period of time, they have a pretty good system in terms of making sure artists are comfortable in the classroom,” Springer said. “Plus, many of our FRAA artists are former teachers.”

Andy Grzeskowiak, the current Siuslaw Middle School principal who will be the 2016-17 Siuslaw School District superintendent when the program is enacted, said, “As far as I’m concerned, the more art the better. Straight academics is not for everybody. There is value in this.”

Siuslaw Elementary School Principal Mike Harklerode said, “Our goal at the elementary school is for art instruction to become systemic. Both art for the sake of art and art in support of other instruction and learning.”

For more information on the program, call Laren Suveges at Lane Arts Council, 541-485-2278.



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