# THE RECORD

### **OBITUARIES**

THOMPSON - Robert Morris Thompson passed away April 7, 2016, in

Vancouver, Wash. He was born Dec. 4, 1921, in Natick, Mass., to Harold C. and Frieda Small

Thompson.

He was raised in the town of Wellesley.

While studying forestry at the University of Maine, he and friends took a summer trip to the West Coast. After seeing the large trees in Oregon, he decided right then that he wanted to spend his career

His studies were interrupted by World War II, during which he served as a U.S. Navy pilot and instructor. After the war, he returned to complete his degree in civil engineering. He then moved his family to Oregon to begin a career span-

ning 50 years as a professional engineer, forester and surveyor.

They lived in several small timber towns before settling Grants Pass, where he lived more

than 40 years before retiring to He was a life member of

Professional Engineers of Oregon and Society of American Foresters. He served on the Grants

Pass water board and the Oregon Board of Engineering He was active in Dale

Carnegie Alumni, The Elks, Professional Surveyors of Oregon.

He enjoyed hiking, camping, backpacking and music.

He is survived by daughters Mariane Brightbill (Jay), Maxine Thompson and Debra Thompson; and son, Eric Thompson (Phyllis).

He was preceded in death by a son, Robert B. Thompson; his first wife, Mary; and his second wife, Rose.

No public service will be held. Cremation has taken place and, per his request, his ashes will be scattered in the forests he so loved.

**SIMON**—Joe B. Simon was born March 22, 1930, to Earl and Marie Simon, in Roswell, N.M. He was the oldest of five children.

He passed away Feb. 29, 2016, in Florence, where he spent the last 30 years of his

He is survived by his wife, Elsie; a brother, Ken;

sons Ron and Steve; daughter, Debbie; three stepdaughters: Julie and Cindy;

Joe Simon

11 great-grandchildren.

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children and

There will be a celebration of life at the Florence Elks Lodge #1858, 1686 12th St., on Sunday, June 26, at 1 p.m.

# Florence home to new onsite weather station

Lane Community College (LCC) Florence Center is the latest LCC location to receive an onsite weather station, joining the Eugene and Cottage Grove campuses.

The new weather stations are part of the Citizen Weather Observer Program and have been installed to allow participation in a national weather network that feeds data directly into national servers, working in conjunction with the University of Utah and the National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration, parent agency of the National Weather Service.

"Forecast information is available free of charge to the public through the National Weather Service," said Dr. Paul Ruscher, Dean of LCC's Science Division.

The Portland office of the weather service serves Lane County and receives data from each of these stations in real time. Station data can be found online at www.lanecc.edu/ florence/announcements.

## American Legion to host flag retirement

Florence will host a public Flag Day ceremony to formally retire flags. The event will be Tuesday, June 14, at Veteran's Memorial Park, 1202 Bay St. at Kingwood Street, in Historic Old Town Florence.

The ceremony begins at 4

"When a flag is so worn it is no longer fit to serve as a symbol of our country, it should be destroyed by burning in a dignified, ceremonious manner," said Rick Shores, the Legion's local post commander. "Faded, tattered or torn flags do not honor our nation. Proper flag etiquette dictates how and when flags are to be retired to show respect for the nation's symbol. It is an honor and privilege to host this annual ceremony for the community, so we invite everyone to

The public is encouraged to bring their worn-out flags for proper retirement. Flags can also be dropped off prior to the ceremony at the Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue Station at 26th Street and Highway

Shores will lead the ceremony with post chaplain Don Jordan and a color guard from

American Legion Post 59 of U.S. Coast Guard Station

Siuslaw River. Bleachers will be erected for public seating.

Parking is available just west of the park in the lot of the former Lotus Restaurant.

According to the American Legion's website, a set of rules of civilian flag courtesy popularly known as the Flag Code "was first formulated by the National Flag Conference meeting in Washington, in June 1923. The Flag Code was an attempt by prominent patriotic organizations to collect together in one instrument statutes, executive orders, and rules of established custom and usage relating to the U.S.

"On December 22, 1942, Congress approved Public Law 829, giving official sanction to most of the provisions of the Flag Code."

Key elements of the Flag Code include:

- The flag should be lighted at all times, either by sunlight or by an appropriate light source.
- The flag should never be dipped to any person or

only as a distress signal.

- The flag should never be used for any advertising pur-
- The flag should never have any mark, insignia, letter, word, number, figure or drawing of any kind placed on it, or attached to it.
- When the flag is lowered, no part of it should touch the ground or any other object; it should be received by waiting hands and arms. To store the flag it should be folded neatly and ceremoniously.
- When a flag is so worn it is no longer fit to serve as a symbol of our country, it should be destroyed by burning in a dignified, ceremonious man-

### **COURTS**

Florence Municipal Court June 7

Solomona Teo Aaron pleaded guilty to disorderly subject. He was sentenced to six days in Florence City Jail must report Emergence Addiction and Mental Health Services. He



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### **IMPOUNDMENT**



13008

A female Amstaff mix #13008 has been impounded at the Oregon Coast Humane Society.

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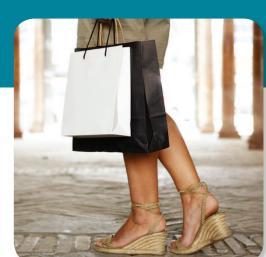
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