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Beachgoers take advantage of the coast's recent warm weather to bask in the sun — and even fly a kite — at the Heceta Head Lighthouse State Scenic Viewpoint north of Florence. More sunshine is forecasted for the area throughout this week.

Movie to film in Florence next week

'The Watchman's Canoe' tells the story of a young girl on an Indian reservation

By JACK DAVIS
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Barri Chase, writer, producer and director of "The Watchman's Canoe," an independent film about a story inspired by her own childhood experiences growing up on the Tulip Indian Reservation outside of Seattle in the late 1960s, begins filming in Florence next week.

"It is a feel-good movie, but it also discusses the ideology of bullying," Chase said. "Hopefully it gives us all better ideas of how we can, as adults, step in when we see bullying going on and how we can end it."

Chase has roots in the southern Oregon coast, having moved with her mother to Coos Bay during her high school years.

"When I was a kid, we lived on the Tulip Reservation at the end of the 1960s," she said. "Then we moved down to Coos Bay and I finished high school there."

After graduation, Chase went to Oregon State University and then to film school in Arizona, where she received her master's degree in film and Indian studies.

The inspiration for the story came to Chase when she returned to Coos Bay to help her ailing mother.

"I was at our house when my mom was passing away and I saw our old family totem pole that we had on our house up on the

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City grows with three new properties

Florence City Council approves annexation, amends wireless code at meeting

By CHANTELLE MEYER
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Florence City Council voted to change wireless telecom codes and approve three property annexation requests north of the city along Highway 101 at its June 20 meeting.

City of Florence attorney Ross Williamson attended the meeting at City Hall.

The owners or representatives of three properties abutting Highway

101 — 87663, 87667 and 87669 Highway 101 — submitted a petition to annex on May 3. Florence Planning Commission held a public hearing on May 10 and recommended approval of the annexation and zone assignment to the council. The lots are each within the Florence Urban Growth Boundary of the Florence Realization 2020 Comprehensive Plan and are contiguous to the city limits.

One of the petitioners was Sharon Gretch, representing

Verizon Wireless, who petitioned on behalf of property owner Patricia Mullins.

Gretch and Mullins ultimately want to place telecommunications on the property but have not filed with the city. In advance of that application for a conditional use permit to construct a personal wireless service facility, Gretch did request the amendment of the city's wireless telecommunications code, which had not been updated since 2003.

According to the report prepared by city staff and Associate Planner Glen Southerland, "Staff took this opportunity to update the code for

the Telecommunications Facilities Overlay District to reflect changes that had been made at the federal level since the code's inception in 2003. Staff also took this opportunity to reorganize the code to make it clearer and more user friendly."

The report noted that wireless telephone services are essential for communications, both in emergency and every day instances.

"Wireless telephone services are needed for successful conduct of business, economic growth of the region, personal communications and health and public safety.

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Early deadlines for Independence Day

Siuslaw News will join other area businesses by being closed Independence Day, Monday, July 4.

Deadlines for the following Wednesday's issue, July 6, will be advanced to accommodate the shortened work week.

All display advertising, news articles and press releases must be submitted by Thursday, June 30, at noon, with legal items due by 5 p.m. on Friday, July 1.

Have a safe and happy Fourth of July!

COOL PLACES TO VISIT THIS SUMMER

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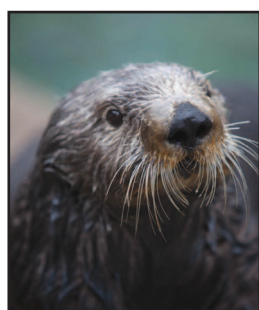
This summer we are highlighting unique spots that make the central Oregon coast one of the coolest places to live and play. New locations will be featured each month.

Oregon Coast Aquarium

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AT A GLANCE: No visit to Newport is complete without a stop at the Oregon Coast Aquarium overlooking scenic Yaquina Bay just south of Newport's iconic bridge. Immerse yourself in a marine science adventure that includes sea otters, sharks, puffins, jellies and octopuses, which are just a few of the 15,000 animals that earn this attraction recognition as one of the 10 best aquariums in the United States.

Stroll through the iconic "Passages of the Deep" exhibit, surrounded by 360-degree views of three



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different Oregon coast underwater landscapes bursting with marine life, including over 100 sharks.

Currently, you can discover the world of underwater archaeology in the new "Secrets of Shipwrecks: Part History. Part Mystery" exhibit, which opened in the summer of 2015. This underwater wonderland will take you on a participatory journey through representations of artificial reefs that shipwrecks create, and the researchers that explore them. Dive into more information at aquarium.org.

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