

## Elks hosts U.S. Marine Corps anniversary



An estimated 125 former marines, family and friends attended the 241st U.S. Marine Corps anniversary dinner hosted by Florence Elks Lodge 1858 Thursday. (Inset): The traditional "Missing Man Table" was set to honor service personnel who were either killed or declared missing in action.

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## Parent group offers support for people with disability

Surfing through the Waves of the Uniquely Gifted, a new community group for parents living in Florence and Mapleton, offers support for parents raising a child with a disability. Its next meeting will be Monday, Nov. 14, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Early Childhood CARES/Head Start classroom at 2325 Oak St.

Childcare and dinner will be provided. Come connect with other

parents who are raising a child with special needs. The group will share in the joys and special challenges of raising a child with a diagnosis.

To RSVP or for more information about this group, email Kerri Lockhart at kerrilockhart1225@gmail.com or call 541-232-4659.

Surfing Through the Waves is a collaboration with The Arc Families Connected of Lane County.

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## Next PTA meeting Nov. 15

Florence Community PTA invites everyone to attend the next member meeting on Tuesday, Nov. 15, beginning at 4 p.m., in the Siuslaw Elementary School library.

The local PTA encourages community members to work together to improve the education, health, safety and well-being of area students.

The mission of Florence Community PTA is to support and speak on behalf of children and youth in the schools, in the community, and before government bodies and other

organizations that make decisions affecting children; to assist parents in developing the skills they need to raise and protect their children; and, to encourage parent and public involvement in our schools.

Florence Community PTA serves all public schools in the Siuslaw School District and invites everyone to become a member and support our local students.

For more information, email FlorenceCommunityPTA@yahoo.com or visit www.FlorencePTA.org.

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