

# BEST 'FRIEND'



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During a recent meeting of the Siuslaw Friendship Club, members named Jean Hosking as the club's Member of the Year for her outstanding service to the club and serving many positions over the years. In addition to luncheons, the club sponsors card games and fundraisers to benefit the local community.

# WLAD, SVFR begin public awareness campaign

On March 14, Western Lane Ambulance District (WLAD) and Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue (SVFR) conducted a Public Awareness Campaign for regional television, radio and newspaper agencies regarding ocean and beach safety during the upcoming spring break along the coast, beginning March 27.

Thousands of visitors are estimated to visit Oregon beaches during that time, as well as throughout the following months as the weather warms.

While beaches can be fun, relaxing places for families and individuals, it can also bring unseen dangers.

Emergency responders encourage safety considerations to prevent injuries or deaths caused by a potentially treacherous ocean.

One of the deadliest hidden beach dangers is the sneaker wave, which surge high on the beach without warning. They can carry a lot of sand and pull beachgoers into the ocean, thereby making it tough to get out. Don't ever turn your back on the ocean.



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Members of WLAD and SVFR work on an ocean and beach safety video this past Monday.

Rip currents, also known as "rip tides," are another hazard to avoid. These conditions are when extremely strong currents encroach along the shore and have the potential to "rip" swimmers out to sea. If caught in one, swim horizontal to the beach until able to swim out of it.

Parents should keep children close at all times. If adults see one, stay out of it. They can be seen as choppy or darker areas of water than the calmer water next to it.

Also, be careful when on high cliffs. Wear proper hiking shoes and don't go too close to the edge — especially

when an ear is marked "danger" or has protective fencing.

Understand the local tide times. It's never a good idea to go wading out to a rock or island in the ocean when the tide is coming in. Beachgoers can quickly become surrounded by water.

Visit a tide table website for tide schedules, if you are planning these activities.

Also, stay off logs in the surf or wet sand. The ocean can pick up small or large logs and drop them down on beachgoers.

Finally, beware of high waves as they can knock beachgoers off rocks, jetties or headlands. Always assume that even if you think you are standing high enough from the ocean, you may not be.

Use common sense. The ocean, while a natural wonder, should be respected at all times.

For more information or safety tips, contact the Western Lane Ambulance District or Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue.

— Al Krietz, EMT-P for WLAD



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## Rhody Society announces dates for annual Early Rhody Show

The Siuslaw Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society will host this year's Early Rhododendron and Azalea Flower Show and plant sale on Saturday and Sunday, April 22 and 23, at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St.

The flower show is open to the public and is free of charge. Hours will be Saturday (after

judging) from 1 to 5 p.m., and Sunday, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

There will also be a Bonsai display with the flower show, located inside the building.

The plant sale opens will be open to the public both days from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. and will be located outside on the south side of building.

The public can bring flower

trusses for judging on Saturday, from 7 to 9 a.m.

The truss must come from a plant the owner has grown for at least six months

Ribbons, trophies and raffle prizes will be awarded to non-members and members.

Experts will be on hand to answer questions about azaleas and rhododendrons.

The Siuslaw Chapter meetings are held from September to May, on third Tuesday of each month, at 6:30 p.m. for refreshments, followed by the program at 7 p.m.

Chapter meetings are held at the Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw, 3996 Highway 101.

For more information, visit [www.siuslawars.org](http://www.siuslawars.org).

## WLCF announces scholarship application submission date

Western Lane Community Foundation (WLCF) has announced that April 14 will be the deadline for WLCF scholarship applications, which are open to seniors at Mapleton and Siuslaw high schools.

WLCF administers 20 scholarship funds, most of which are awarded annually, and range from \$500 to \$2,500 each. The funds represent yearly earnings from funds WLCF manages on behalf of generous donors of the local community.

Two new scholarships were added this past year, The Boys and Girls Club Scholarship and the Brittney Hartzell Baguley Memorial Scholarship.

Scholarships are available for traditional four-year colleges as well as community colleges and accredited trade schools.

While academic achievement is one criteria used in

determining recipients, the scholarship committee also carefully reviews outside activities, scholastic improvement, volunteerism, economic need and work history.

Several of the scholarships are directed toward students in particular fields of education or with other qualifying characteristics such as mechanical interest, nursing and others.

Last year, WLCF awarded more than \$26,000 in scholarships.

Applications can be obtained at the high school counseling offices or on line at [www.wlcfonline.org](http://www.wlcfonline.org) and must be post marked or received no later than April 14, at P.O. Box 1589, Florence, Ore., 97439, or submitted to the web address above.

For more information regarding the graduating senior scholarships, contact school counselors or the WLCF office at 541-997-1274.

Join Us In Worship  
4 lines, approx 15 words, \$10 a week  
4 week Minimum  
Deadline 3 p.m. Mondays.

To be included in this directory contact  
the Siuslaw News at 997-3441, or drop off  
information at 148 Maple St., Old Town, Florence.

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Located at Munsel Lake Road and North Fork Road  
Worship Services 10:00 AM Sunday  
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**COMMUNITY BAPTIST CHURCH**

4590 Hwy. 101, Across from Fred Meyer -- 997-7418  
Sunday School, 9:30a.m. - Worship, 10:45  
Wed. Prayer - 6:00 p.m. -Wed. Ministries 1-8 Grade 7 p.m.

**CROSS ROAD ASSEMBLY OF GOD**

Corner of 10th & Maple -- 997-3533  
Bible Study at 9:00 A.M.  
Services: Worship, 10:30 A.M.  
[florencecrossroad.org](mailto:florencecrossroad.org) • [office@florencecrossroad.org](mailto:office@florencecrossroad.org)

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Series "People of the Bible." on Wednesdays 6 p.m.  
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**FLORENCE CHRISTIAN CHURCH**

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Worship Service: 9:00 am & 10:30 am  
Middle School and High School youth groups meet on Wednesday.

**FLORENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST**

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1833 Tamarack Street (2 blocks east of Hwy. 101 on 18th St.)  
Bible Study: Sunday 10 a.m.; Worship: Sunday 11 a.m.  
[www.churchofchristflorence.org](http://www.churchofchristflorence.org)

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12th and Nopal -997-9020  
Worship Service 10:30 a.m.  
10 am Wed., Women's Bible Study  
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Online Worship Service@ [www.florencenaz.com](http://www.florencenaz.com)

**FLORENCE EVANGELICAL CHURCH**

1318 Rhododendron Dr. -- 997-2523 - Worship at 11:00 AM -- Sunday  
School at 9:30 AM - Variety of Sunday evening activities - 5 PM  
Wed. Bible & Children classes at 6:00 PM  
Call for details.

**FLORENCE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST**

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Worship on Saturday 10:30 A.M.  
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1st Sunday of each month worship at 10:30 am  
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1624 Highway 101 (next to A&W) -- 997-6337  
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Sunday Services: 10am and 6pm  
Tues. Bible Study 7:00pm

**NEW LIFE LUTHERAN CHURCH, E.L.C.A.**

21st & Spruce Street - 997-8113  
Adult Forum 9 a.m. - Sunday School 10:30 a.m.  
Worship services: Sun. 10:30am & Wed. 6pm.  
Pastor Lori Blake  
[www.lutheranchurchflorence.com](http://www.lutheranchurchflorence.com)

**PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF THE SIUSLAW**

Traditional Worship Service 10:00 a.m., Reverend Greg Wood  
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2135 19th St. - 997-6600  
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Sunday Services: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. - Wed, 11 a.m.  
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## ...need a friend?

### Meet Butch

Hey, the name's Butch. I came here as a kitten with my brothers and sister. I'm the last one to get adopted but ever since I went to the big kids' room, I've been getting more social every day! I get along great with other cats and I go bananas when I smell wet food. Soon I will be someone's best friend and partner in crime.



If you would like to meet Butch or any of his friends, please visit us at:

**OREGON COAST HUMANE SOCIETY**  
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[www.oregoncoasthumane.org](http://www.oregoncoasthumane.org)  
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