

THE RECORD

SVFR Burning and learning



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Members of Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue had their own kind of Sunday cookout during a burn-to-learn exercise on 17th street, near Miller Park on April 30. The controlled blaze allowed the department's volunteers, including new recruits, to practice hands-on procedural, fire suppression and safety skills.

Carriers to collect canned goods

Join with neighbors and the local community on Saturday, May 13, during the annual Letter Carrier's Food Drive.

To participate, leave non-perishable food at your mailbox that morning.

Food Share needs: Beef stew, tuna, diced and stewed tomatoes, spaghetti sauce, refried beans, black beans, green beans, fruit, breakfast cereal, chicken noodle soup and fresh carrots.

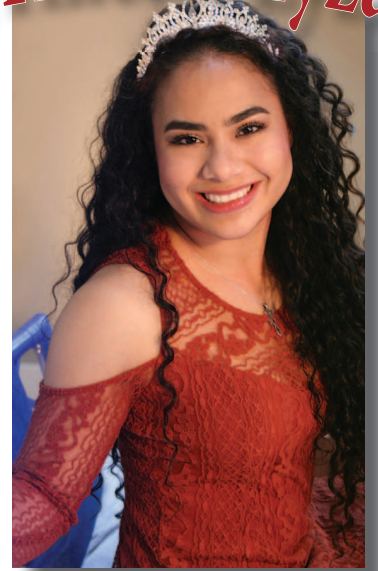
2017 Rhododendron Festival Court

Coronation: Thursday, May 18th, 7:00pm

Florence Event Center 541-997-1994 Tickets \$10 Adults, \$6 Students

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Rhody Festival parade entry deadline extended

Florence Area Chamber of Commerce has extended the deadline for parade applications through May 10.

Applications are available at FlorenceChamber.com/rhody-festival, at the Chamber's Visitors Center, 290 Highway 101, or can be emailed to events@FlorenceChamber.com.

The entry fee is \$20.

"This is our 110th Grand Floral Parade," said Chamber executive director Bettina Hannigan. "We're looking to entrants to really step up this year and rock the rhodies, even with artificial, paper, or painted on their floats."

The parade, one of the longest-running on the West Coast, begins at noon on Sunday, May 21, at 27th Street and Highway 101.

The Chamber is also recruiting volunteer banner carriers, ages 9 to 17, for the parade. Volunteer will receive a ticket to the Davis Shows Carnival.

Volunteer applications and official Rhododendron Festival posters and schedule of events, are available at Florence-Chamber.com/rhody-festival.

"Florence is 'Always Ready to Rhody,'" said Hannigan. "The Siuslaw River Coast Guard Station is celebrating its centennial year of service in Florence, and they are our inspiration for this year's slogan."

"The Coast Guard's slogan is 'Semper Paratus,' or

'Always Ready,' and they will be our grand marshal for the big parade."

The Davis Shows Carnival runs from 4 p.m. on Wednesday, May 17, through Sunday, May 21, at 8 p.m., on the Port of Siuslaw grounds. Discount tickets are available now through Wednesday, May 17, at 1 p.m., at FlorenceChamber.com.

Pre-purchasing saves buyers \$6 on Wednesday's and Thursday's admission, and \$7 on Friday through Sunday admission prices.

Saturday and Sunday bring the Maple Street vendor fair to Historic Old Town from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Also, Three

Rivers Casino and Resort will host its annual "Let It Ride" motorcycle show and vendor fair, and the Reel Rally Poker Run.

At the Florence Events Center (FEC), Queen Rhododendra and the King of the Coast, and their court, will be installed at 7 p.m. Thursday, May 18.

Tickets are \$10, and \$6 for ages 18 and under.

The American Rhododendron Society flower show, the Florence Regional Arts Alliance fine art and crafts show and sale, and the Jazz Kings concert all take place at the FEC throughout the weekend.


The 39th annual Rhody Run

is 9 a.m. Saturday, May 20, at the FEC.

Also on Saturday, the 25th annual Rhody Classic Car Show 'n' Shine runs from 10 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. at Grocery Outlet, with the Coast Radio Classic Car Cruise taking place from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. through Historic Old Town.

The Rhododendron Festival is May 19 to 21.

Dave's RE-CORNER



Most people have heard of the 3Rs of environmentally friendly behavior-

REDUCE is to use less of something. Use less water, turn off lights, use both sides of a paper.

REUSE is to use an item again. Refill a water bottle, reuse a container and buy reusable bags.


RECYCLE is to make new items from old ones; recycle bottles, glass, paper, cans, plastic, cardboard & more.

Tip
Decluttering, Spring Cleaning and Recycling

Avoid Waste: When doing your spring cleaning, aim for zero waste. For instance, instead of using paper towels to clean your windows, use old or washable towels or even newspaper. Instead of buying plastic bags for your trash, utilize any leftover plastic bags from the grocery or discount store.

Quiz *Answer to Previous Quiz: C: Recycling*
If you have a garage sale you are...
A) reducing. B) reusing. C) recycling.

Did you Know?
People in the U.S. make up 5% of the world's population but use 25% of the world's resources and generate 30% of its garbage.*



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BIRTH

CHATHAM—Maleficent McKenna Grace Chatham, a girl weighing 6 lbs., 9 ozs., was born to Shealynne Alleen Johnson and Jeffrey Scott Chatham of Florence on April 29, 2017, at 8:37 p.m., at PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center.

Florence Food Share Monthly Statistics April 2017

Households served 543

Ages served

Infants 51

Children 3-12 178

Teens 13-17 95

Adults 18-54 628

Seniors 55+ 418

Total served 1,370

Florence Food Share, 2190 Spruce St., P.O. Box 2514, Florence, OR 97439

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