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(From left) Florence Rotary President Pat Riley presents Florence Police Sgt. Brandon Ott, Officer Ken Larson, Commander John Pitcher and Corrections Officer Stephanie Sansom with the Paul Harris Fellowship June 20 during the weekly Rotary meeting.

Rotary honors four police officers with Paul Harris Fellowships

BY CHANTELE MEYER
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Harris Fellowship, the highest honor Rotary can award.

Rotary President Pat Riley said, "You have been selected to become Paul Harris Fellows because the Rotary Club of Florence believes that your lives and actions exemplify the objectives and principles of

Rotary. We thank you for demonstrating in your life and vocation a commitment to the ideal of Service Above Self."

The four officers, Commander John Pitcher, Sgt. Brandon Ott, Officer Ken Larson and Corrections Officer Stephanie Sansom, were

involved in an altercation at the Florence Municipal Jail May 8.

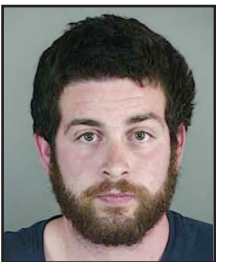
Police Chief Tom Turner said, "On May 8, these officers were exposed to the very worst humanity and society had to offer."

See **SERVICE 7A**

Man shot in Dunes City

Kevin Friend charged with burglary and menacing

BY JACK DAVIS
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Kevin Friend

DUNES CITY—In the early morning hours of June 17, 25-year-old Kevin Friend was shot in the leg after entering a home without permission in the 4900 block of Lake Shore Drive.

According to Sgt. Carrie Carver with the Lane County Sheriff's Office, Lane County

See **SHOOTING 7A**

One person injured when car lands in river

Mapleton Fire District and Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue (SVFR) responded to a single car rollover accident at 9:55 p.m. on June 17.

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SVFR Captain Liz Iabichello said, "We were tapped out to a single vehicle rollover at milepost 17.5 on Highway 126. I was told the car was upside down in the river. Five members of Siuslaw Valley's Rescue 1 extraction vehicle responded.

See **INJURY 7A**

Poster auction to benefit library

City Lights Cinemas donates to fundraiser for Siuslaw Public Library's roof

The rainy season in Florence this year was longer and wetter than many expected. According to the City of Florence's website, 59.83 inches of rain fell between January and May.

BY MARK BRENNAN
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That is a lot of water.

Unfortunately for Siuslaw Public Library, much of that rainfall has made its way into the district's main building, 1460 Ninth St., according to Library Director Meg Spencer.

"During this stormy winter, we discovered that the northern section of the library's roof had some serious issues. There was leaking in several library rooms, most seriously in the Siuslaw Room, where local history and genealogy resources are accessed," Spencer said. "That room was closed to the public for a time while we waited for repairs. After staff spent some late nights and early mornings emptying cups and bowls of water, it became clear that



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Library Director Meg Spencer holds up one of hundreds of posters from recent films that will be on sale June 22 at the main branch of the library, 1460 Ninth St.

we were in need of a new roof for our Florence location."

See **POSTERS 7A**

Food Share gears up for expansion

Rising need for services prompts effort to increase space

BY MARK BRENNAN
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Florence Food Share served 4,168 area residents in 2016. The organization's mission is to provide food assistance for individuals who do not have the resources to purchase the food they need to survive.

Currently, Food Share is housed in a 900-square-foot building that is crammed full with supplies, volunteers, equipment and staff.

According to Food Share Executive Director Norma Barton, the group's current space is no longer large enough for the demands of the community and needs to expand.

"The Food Pantry Expansion Capital Campaign will help us to better accom-



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Florence Food Share driver Jeffrey Kernan, Director Norma Barton and warehouse leader Colin Morgan look forward to expanding the cramped space now in use.

plish our mission by giving us an increased amount of space

See **EXPANSION 7A**

COOL PLACES TO VISIT THIS SUMMER

SPECIAL FEATURE:

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.

Bandon, Ore.

72 miles south on Highway 101 | 541-347-9616

AT A GLANCE: For those wanting a day trip, a trip south on Highway 101 will get you to Bandon in about 1 1/2 hours. The area is surrounded by stunning vistas and natural wonder.

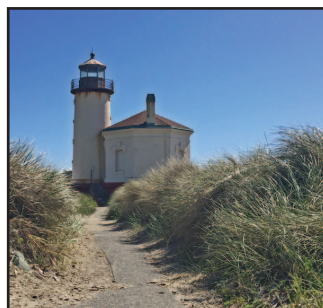
Visit Bullards Beach State Park and the Coquille River Light, 56487 Bullards Beach Road, to see an iconic Oregon lighthouse perched at the edge of the Coquille River and Pacific Ocean.

All the beaches around Bandon are public, so people are welcome to explore Seven Devils Wayside, Whiskey Run Beach, South Jetty Beach,



Face Rock and more.

With options for wildlife viewing, hiking, and visiting the town itself, Bandon is a great option for an afternoon or all-day visit.



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