

**Shiloh** from 1A

both of my children were involved in track," Johnny explained. "So I volunteered and officiated things. Then they found a way to trick me into taking the job when the previous coach retired."

Johnny took over the position during Shiloh's senior year.

"I loved watching just how hard he would work," Johnny recalled. "He was a very avid trackster. He helped the team. He would fill in on a relay or whatever was needed. He was always mentoring the younger students."

After Shiloh left for college, Johnny stayed on as the Mapleton track coach.

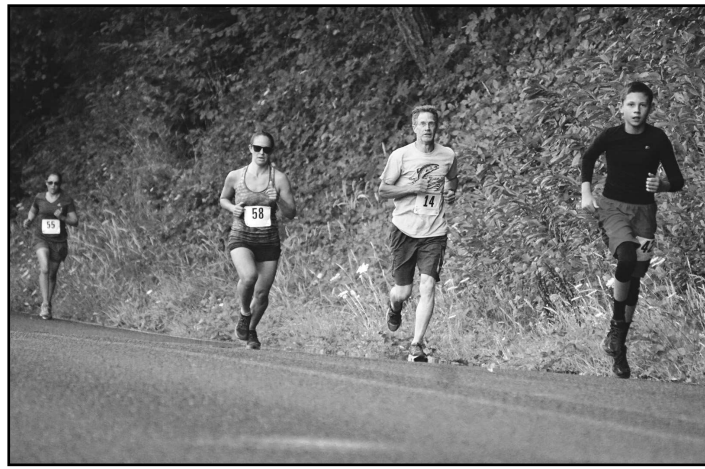
When Shiloh finished his undergraduate degree, he came back to Mapleton.

"He helped me as an assistant. He was unpaid, unofficial, but he became a very valuable assistant coach, handling the distance runners," Johnny said.

Shiloh first introduced the idea of a 5K run back in 2005 while he was an intern for the SWC. However, the event fell to the wayside when Shiloh went on to get his master's degree in forestry from Oregon State University. According to the SWC, the permits



**Johnny Sundstrom (above left) speaks on behalf of his son Shiloh, who passed away in 2015, and in support of the Siuslaw Watershed Council and its annual Salmon Run.**



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were difficult to obtain and the logistics were just too massive.

After Shiloh's death, the SWC posthumously awarded him the Spirit of the Siuslaw award in honor of his work for the watershed.

"I was asked to make a few remarks in accepting that award," Johnny recalled. "I said that if they really wanted to honor Shiloh's memory, than it would be really wonderful to bring back the Salmon Run."

Johnny laughed, saying, "They called it a challenge, but I wasn't challenging anybody. I was just

suggesting the salmon run could be a vital part of the council's activities. And that it would honor his memory in a very concrete and beautiful way."

This year's event hosted around 70 runners from all across Lane County and showcased exhibits from the U.S. Coast Guard, U.S. Forest Service and, of course, the SWC.

In its second year, the new Salmon Run is still small in attendance compared to other races in the area, but Johnny has high hopes for the future.

"To use a running term, we hope

the event develops the stamina to stay around," he said.

As to what his son would think about the resurrection of the event, Johnny said, "Shiloh would be very pleased. I think he would be running out there right now, if he was here."

Johnny stopped and corrected himself.

"He is out there right now, I'm sure. Running with the people in spirit."

**Town Hall** from 1A

Community members are encouraged to submit questions before the event to the Facebook event page or at Facebook.com/peaceharbor.

Participants are also welcome to submit questions during the town hall event.

Input from previous town halls has produced valuable information for PeaceHealth leadership, according to Peace Harbor Medical Center Chief Administrative Officer Rick Yecny.

"After feedback from the last town hall, we have implemented a walk-in clinic wait time clock which has made accessing care in the walk-in clinic easier to navigate," he said.

Another issue that was discussed at the previous town halls was PeaceHealth's continuing efforts to attract and retain staffing at the Florence location.

"Since January 2016, we have succeeded in matching

more than 6,000 community members with newly recruited primary care providers," said Yecny. "So far, we have recruited 13 providers to Florence since the inception of the provider shortage, and have several additional providers scheduled to start with us in the near future."

There are also new initiatives PeaceHealth has implemented recently that have been well received by the community.

"Peace Harbor is committed to forming partnerships with others in the community that work toward improving community health. So far, we have implemented two community health programs — the Points of Grace program and the Palliative Care program," Yecny said. "We will also be unveiling several new initiatives at the Town Hall."

"Our hope is to continue demonstrating our commitment to serving our valued community members and meeting their healthcare needs."

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