

THE RECORD

OBITUARIES

GERTH—James (Jim) Wesley Gerth, 83, formerly of Florence, died Jan. 13, 2018, in Coldwater, Mich.

Jim had been a resident of Florence for 17 years.

Jim was born in Coldwater, Mich. on Feb. 20, 1934. He graduated from Albion High School in 1953 and joined the U.S. Air Force in 1954 during the Korean War.



James Gerth

He was an aviation mechanic and served with the ground power unit until he was honorably discharged in 1962.

Jim went on to work for

Safeway for many years before moving to Henderson, Nev., to work for the Stauffer Chemical Company, where he remained until his retirement.

He met and married Betty Marie Austin on Jan. 15, 1968. Jim and Betty moved to Florence in 1999 to be near their daughters. They loved the community and Jim was active with the VFW, where he proudly served as part of its Honor Guard.

In 2016, the Honor Flight Network invited Jim, as a Korean War Veteran, to be a part of its Honor Flight to Washington, DC, where he visited Arlington Cemetery, the war memorials, and was honored for his military service.

He was impacted tremendously by the letters he

received from family and local school children thanking him for his service. He was a proud veteran and patriot.

With his beloved over-sized garage, Jim enjoyed working on projects and was always willing to lend a helping hand to neighbors and anyone else who needed help. He loved a variety of entertainment including NASCAR, animated movies, the Three Tenors, Polka and gospel music.

He was predeceased by his wife, Betty, on Dec. 29, 2004. He was also predeceased by his father, William Gerth; his mother, Marilyn (Doris) Gillette; his step-son, Robert Miller; son-in-law, George Sanders; and two grandsons: Jeff Sanders and John Sanders.

Jim is survived by his sons:

Dan (Bess) Gerth of Coldwater, Michigan, and Mark (Kathy) Gerth of Battle Creek, Michigan; step-daughters Oralee Pearce and Laverne Sanders of Florence; daughter-in-law Linda Miller of Shelton, Wash.; his grandchildren: Emily, Benjamin, Amelia, Steven, Joe, Rene, Robert and Kenneth; 10 great-grandchildren, two brothers, two sisters, and several nieces and nephews.

Jim had an engaging smile and a wonderful sense of humor and will be missed by his family and friends.

Military memorial services are being planned for a later date in Coldwater, Mich., and in Florence.

Deadline for mail-in ballots has passed

Lane County Elections is reminding residents that the deadline for mail-in ballots to be received was Wednesday, Jan. 17.

Remaining ballots can be returned at one of the many official ballot drop sites available, or turn them in at the Elections Office at 275 W. 10th Ave., Eugene.

A list of available drop sites is on the elections website at www.lanecounty.org/elections and enclosed with the voting material.

To be counted, all voted ballots must be received at the Elections Office or in an official drop site by 8 p.m. on Election Day, Tuesday, Jan. 23. Postmarks do not qualify your ballot.

With an increase in the number of registered voters in Lane County, it may take more

time this year for the United States Postal Service to process and deliver ballots — making it critical for voters who choose to mail their ballots to allow adequate time for processing and delivery.

Lane County Elections reminds voters:

- Each voter must sign his or her own ballot return identification envelope. Make sure you sign the ballot envelope that lists your own printed name and address.

- Sign the ballot envelope in the same manner as your most current voter registration card.

Lane County Elections office hours are 9 a.m. to noon, and 1 to 4 p.m., Monday through Friday.

On Election Day, January 23, the Lane County Elections Office will be open from 7 a.m. to 8 p.m.

Western Lane Ambulance District and Siuslaw Valley Fire & Rescue Ambulance and fire call runs Jan. 7-13

Date	Time	Area	Type	Date	Time	Area	Type
1/7/18	0:25	9th St	Care Facility	1/10/18	12:52	9th St	SVFR Transport to ALF
1/7/18	3:29	Highway 126	Transport to PHH	1/10/18	13:18	Tiernan Rd	Transport to PHH
1/7/18	8:54	Spruce St	Transport to PHH	1/10/18	14:31	Sherwood Lp	Transport to PHH
1/7/18	10:42	9th St	Transport to GSRMC	1/10/18	15:21	18th St	Transport to PHH
1/7/18	13:30	Munsel Lake Road	Transport to PHH	1/10/18	16:19	Hwy 126	Transport to PHH
1/7/18	14:15	Pine St	Transport to PHH	1/10/18	18:48	9th St	SVFR Transfer to RB
1/7/18	14:34	9th St	Transport to GSRMC	1/10/18	18:51	9th St	Transfer to RB
1/7/18	14:40	Sweet Creek Rd	MFR Transport to PHH	1/10/18	22:15	Maple St	Transport to PHH
1/7/18	15:51	View Dr	Transport to PHH	1/11/18	0:34	Park Village Lp	Transport to PHH
1/7/18	17:32	9th St	Bay Area Hospital	1/11/18	11:04	Hwy 101	SVFR Public Assist
1/7/18	18:32	Hwy 101	Transport to PHH	1/11/18	10:20	Hwy 101	Transport to PHH
1/7/18	19:15	Rhododendron Drive	SVFR Transport to PHH	1/11/18	13:00	Hwy 101	SVFR Public Assist
1/7/18	19:17	Rhododendron	Transport to PHH	1/11/18	17:00	Hwy 101	SVFR Public Assist
1/7/18	20:48	9th St	Transfer to RB	1/11/18	16:58	9th St	Transfer to RB
1/8/18	0:20	Harvard Ave	Transport to PHH	1/11/18	17:59	Juniper St	Transport to PHH
1/8/18	9:25	Hwy 101	SVFR Transport to PHH	1/11/18	22:39	Hwy 101	Transport to PHH
1/8/18	11:16	North Fork Siuslaw Rd	Transport to PHH	1/12/18	0:24	Rhododendron Dr	Transport to PHH
1/8/18	11:38	2nd St	SVFR Public Assist	1/12/18	0:27	29th St	Transport to PHH
1/8/18	14:45	9th St	Transfer to RB	1/12/18	1:03	31st St	Transport to PHH
1/8/18	17:18	Hwy 101	FPD, MFR, OSP, SVFR	1/12/18	9:53	35th St	Transport to PHH
1/8/18	22:12	9th Street	Transfer to RB	1/12/18	10:11	Leanza Dr	Transport to PHH
1/9/18	1:27	Rhododendron Dr	Transport to PHH	1/12/18	13:09	Maple St	Transport to PHH
1/9/18	8:01	Leavitt Lp	Transport to PHH	1/12/18	13:11	Rhododendron Dr	Transport to PHH
1/9/18	9:13	Harvard	Transport to PHH	1/12/18	14:06	20th St	Transport to PHH
1/9/18	11:09	Oak St	Transport to PHH	1/12/18	14:32	9th St	Transfer to RB
1/9/18	11:28	Ocean Dunes	Transport to PHH	1/12/18	16:26	Shoreline Dr	Transport to PHH
1/9/18	11:54	9th St	Transfer to RB	1/12/18	18:48	Quanagh Ct	Transport to PHH
1/9/18	12:11	9th St	Transport to PHH	1/12/18	21:15	Munsel Ln	Transport to PHH
1/9/18	13:26	Sherwood Lp	Transport to PHH	1/12/18	20:23	Glendada Rd	SVFR Public Assist
1/9/18	13:59	Woodmere	Transport to PHH	1/13/18	8:51	9th St	Transport to PHH
1/9/18	15:01	Hwy 36	SVFR Transport to PHH	1/13/18	10:54	Rhododendron Dr	Transport to PHH
1/9/18	15:38	Hwy 101	SVFR Public Assist	1/13/18	11:55	16th St	Transport to PHH
1/9/18	17:10	Hwy 101	Transport to PHH	1/13/18	12:39	Highway 101	FPD, SVFR Transport to PHH
1/9/18	19:39	Hwy 126	Transport to PHH	1/13/18	13:21	Competition Hill	SVFR Transfer to RB
1/9/18	21:20	Rio Rd	Transport to PHH	1/13/18	15:26	9th St	Transfer to RB
1/10/18	0:18	Rhododendron Dr	FPD, SVFR Landing Zone	1/13/18	15:48	Hwy 101	SVFR
1/10/18	2:17	29th St	Transport to PHH	1/13/18	17:53	9th St	Transfer to RB
1/10/18	11:36	9th St	Transport to PHH	1/13/18	23:48	Rhododendron Dr	Transport to PHH

COURTS

Florence Municipal Court Jan. 9

Michael Scott Masse pleaded guilty to resisting arrest and disorderly conduct. He must pay \$475 in fines and not contact or be in or about the residence or place of employment of the victim.

Shane Michael Zemansky pleaded no contest to criminal trespass and theft of services.

He was sentenced to seven days in the Florence City Jail. He must pay \$480 in fines and not contact or be in or about the residence or place of employment of the victim.

Anthony Joseph Richter pleaded no contest to reckless endangering, disorderly conduct and reckless driving. He was sentenced to seven days in

the Florence City Jail. He must pay \$980 in fines and not contact or be in or about the residence or place of employment of the victim.

Jared Lawrence Dumire pleaded guilty to criminal trespass, menacing and contempt of court. He must pay \$325 in fines and not contact or be in or about the residence or place of employment of the victim.

Kyle Louis Dierks pleaded guilty to theft, resisting arrest, escape, disorderly conduct, harassment, assault and contempt of court. He was sentenced to forty days in the Florence City Jail.

He must pay \$2455 in fines and not contact or be in or about the residence or place of employment of the victim.

Dunes City announces meeting to discuss streets

The Dunes City Council has scheduled a Town Hall Meeting to discuss streets and roadways to be held Tuesday, Feb. 13, at 6 p.m., at Dunes City Hall, 82877 Spruce St. in Dunes City's historic Westlake area.

"The City Council would like to hear from Dunes City residents about their concerns with the roadways in Dunes City," said Councilor Duke Wells. "We're looking for some feedback so we can set some goals for getting the work done."

Richard Palmer, Dunes City's Public Works Maintenance Supervisor, concurred.

"There's a lot of work to do and very little money to go around. We need to set some priorities and hope the citizens will

come forward to help identify what those priorities should be," he said.

Dunes City does not impose property taxes on its residents, so the city relies solely on Oregon State transportation apportionments to keep its streets in good condition. Historically, that amount has been a little over \$50,000 a year. Thanks to legislation spear-headed by State Rep. Caddy McKeown, that amount will be a bit higher in the coming years, but, according to City Administrator Jamie Mills, the amount will only allow for one or two projects a year.

The last road repair job that was done for the city cost over \$60,000 and only involved a small portion of one street.

In addition to the condition of the pavement, drainage is of great concern. Drains in numerous areas of the city are clogged with debris and backing up, which creates very large puddles during high or extended rain fall events. In the last year, the City has focused its efforts on cleaning and repairing drains in areas susceptible to standing water. Some of those drains, however, are just catch basins that either need to be expanded or attached to newly installed drainage piping — all of which pose a significant cost.

Dunes City residents are encouraged to attend this open discussion with their city council members.

Applications open for Willamette Angels Conference

EUGENE—Applications are now open for the 2018 Willamette Angels Conference (WAC), the annual business plan competition held in Eugene on May 17. Entering its 10th year, the WAC has invested more than \$3 million in Oregon startups.

"The Willamette Angels Conference has become the premier investor conference in our region," said WAC fund manager Marc Manley. "Year after year, we see growth in every measurable area: investors, funding, applicants and conference attendance. We are excited about our 10th anniversary conference, and are looking forward to reviewing another great set of applicant companies."

He added, "Many other funds attend our conferences, providing an opportunity for applicants to receive funding from WAC and other sources."

Applications are available at WillametteConference.com /Apply and are open through Feb. 23.

Companies that apply by Feb. 12 will be charged an

early-bird fee of \$125. Beginning Feb. 13, applicants will be charged \$175.

After the application deadline, WAC investors will review all applicant companies. Ten semi-finalists will be chosen to participate in due diligence, and five finalists will be selected to present at the investor conference, where the winner of the estimated \$200,000 — \$300,000 Growth Stage investment will be announced.

Companies that are not being considered for the Growth Stage investment may be eligible to participate in the Launch Stage Competition for the chance to win a \$2,500 prize package sponsored by founding sponsor Palo Alto Software.

Companies receive many benefits by applying to the WAC, whether or not they are they receive investment. All applicants will receive:

- Feedback on their business plan from experienced angel investors.
- Registration for the May 16 evening reception and the

May 17 full-day conference followed by a cocktail reception.

- Opportunities to network with investors and other entrepreneurs from around the state.

- A free 90-day subscription to LivePlan, the industry's best-selling business plan software by Palo Alto Software.

- Invitation to a free pitch clinic taught by an entrepreneur who has helped raise millions in capital for startups.

At the 2017 WAC, five Oregon startups received investments of \$50,000 to \$250,000. Hemex Health and Diatomix shared last year's WAC's Growth Stage investment.

Founded in 2009, The Willamette Angels Conference is an investment group that connects early stage and seed startups with angel and venture investors. Startup and entrepreneurial applicants receive funding, mentoring, and connections to other advisory resources.

WAC is designed to

advance the innovation economy in Oregon and the Willamette Valley. Throughout its existence, WAC has invested over \$3 million in startup businesses. WAC is produced in partnership by: The Eugene Area Chamber of Commerce and Oregon RAIN (Regional Accelerator & Innovation Network), and supported by the Corvallis Chamber of Commerce and the Corvallis-Benton Economic Development Office.

CORRECTION

In the front-page article, "Keeping Above the Water: Is Coastal Life in Jeopardy? Part IX" in the Jan. 17, 2018, issue of the Siuslaw News, it was stated that Susy Lacer is currently serving as a part-time coordinator for the Siuslaw Vision.

Lacer's contract with the Siuslaw Vision program ended Dec. 1, 2017.

Siuslaw News regrets the error.

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- Florence Events Center
- Florence City Hall
- BeauxArts Fine Art Materials & Gallery

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