

MAPLETON

Exceeding community service

Students at Mapleton High School exceeded their 3,000-hour goal of Community Service last school year. The students are also on track to meet or exceed this year's goal. Some projects completed last year were the beach clean-up in Florence and assembling gingerbread houses for the Siuslaw Public Library.

Other projects Mapleton students were involved in were making cards for the kids in the children's hospital, hanging Christmas lights at the Riverview Market, planting flowers and painting a welcome sign at the railroad yard in Mapleton, as well as the big clean-up day at the old Mapleton Grange. In addition, some students helped serve at an Elks Club fundraiser. — *Submitted by Danita Logan*



College Day

On Oct. 31, Mapleton High School 10th- to 12th-grade students had the opportunity to attend an AVID sponsored event at Western Oregon University's College Day. Over 40 different colleges attended to hand out flyers, talk about their various programs and to discuss their many classes with the students. The event opened up students' eyes to all the opportunities they could have and to the many options of schooling. The event made students consider their future and made them think of ways to make themselves more successful. The Mapleton school district offers its highest regards to Western Oregon University and Mrs. Larson for giving its students the opportunity to attend this event. — *Submitted by Danita Logan*

COASTAL COMMUNITY

Florence PTA to host talent show March 8

Students from Siuslaw Elementary School are set to take the stage and share their talents on Thursday, March 8. The annual show, hosted by Florence Community PTA, will take place at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St., at 6 p.m.

Student talent ranging from gymnastics to piano, singing and more will highlight the

student showcase. "These students have a wealth of talent to share with our community," said Tiffany Holdahl, PTA president. "We hope to pack the house with a full audience."

Tickets for the event are available in the Siuslaw Elementary Office and cost \$3 each. A limited number of tickets may also be available at

the door, though pre-purchase is encouraged.

All proceeds benefit the programs of the Community PTA, including teacher grants, scholarships for graduating teachers and events to encourage engagement of students and their families.

For more information, email florencecommunitypta@yahoo.com.

ROTARY BRINGS BOOKS TO STUDENTS



On Feb. 26, Rotary Club of Florence members, including Gayle Waiss, Sam Spayd and Bob Teeter, volunteered their time to give away free books at Siuslaw Elementary School. The local Rotary generously provided \$2,700 for books to be purchased and given to students at SES, as well as other nearby school districts. Each student at SES got to pick out a brand new book, as well as listen to stories read by the local Rotarians. Siuslaw Elementary is extremely grateful to the Rotary and Miss Gayle for providing this opportunity for our students. — *Submitted by Diane McCalmont*



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Hula scholarships available for middle, high school students

Pacific Northwest Hula Academy (PNWHA) Cultural Arts Program for Youth is an immersion program to the language, music, history and dances of Hawai'i through the storytelling tradition of hula. The program may also include other dance traditions of Polynesia.

A tuition scholarship is currently offered to youth ages 12 to 17.

Participants must be available to attend all classes and re-

hearsals scheduled in the series, commit to at least three or more performances for community awareness of the program, and help fundraise for costumes, expenses and other necessary supplies.

Classes and rehearsals will be held at Lane Community College Florence Center. Limited spots are available; email or call instructor Iwalalani Raes for more information, pnwhula@gmail.com, 541-603-4393.

Apply to these scholarships now

The following are the deadlines for some scholarships available to Mapleton and Siuslaw high school seniors and juniors. Students who apply for student aid and scholarships should also check their two- and four-year colleges, universities and technical schools for additional scholarships and funding resources. — *Submitted by Bou Kilgore, ASPIRE Team Leader*

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Oct. 1 to June 30 – FAFSA (Free Application for Federal Student Aid) at fafsa.ed.gov• March 6 – Peace Scholarships• March 15 – "It's About Heart..." presented by Nathan Fuller• March 15 – Florence Area Community Coalition• March 31 – Florence Rotary• April 1 – Ada Grange• April 1 – Boys and Girls Club• April 1 – Florence Kiwanis Club• April 1 – Florence Elks Lodge 1858 - Vocational• April 1 – Florence Garden Club• April 1 – SHS Alumni Assoc.• April 6 – Oregon Pacific Bank• April 6 – Geraldine Bagley | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• April 14 – Siuslaw Athletic Booster Club• April 15 – Western Lane Community Foundation• April 15 – Florence Masonic Lodge• April 15 – Oregon School Employees Association• April 15 – Soroptimist of Florence (x3)• April 20 – Florence Lions Club• April 21 – Glen C. Butler• April 22 – Pacific Coast Wind Ensemble• April 25 – Siuslaw Valley Firefighters• April 25 – Oregon Jaycee• April 30 – CROW | <ul style="list-style-type: none">• May 4 – Delta Gamma, Tammy Nivens and Andrea Wright• May 1 – Daughters of the American Revolution• May 1 – Florence Community PTA• May 4 – Florence STEP (Salmon Trout Enhancement Program)• May 15 – Central Coast of Oregon Realtors• May 15 – Ronnie Catalfamo Memorial Scholarship• May 15 – Tony's Garage Scholarship• May 15 – Jose De La Mora Memorial• Anytime – Coastal Celtic Society |
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FAFSA CAN HELP PAY FOR COLLEGE

The application period is open to file for federal student financial aid for the 2018-19 academic year (June 2018 – June 2019).

To apply today, visit fafsa.ed.gov to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) online, or request a paper FAFSA by calling

1-800-4-FED-AID (1-800-433-3243) or the TTY line at 1-800-730-8913 for the hearing impaired.

The FAFSA is open to all students planning to attend schooling, not just current high school students. — *Submitted by Lane Community College Florence Center*

Look for KID SCOOP

Kid Scoop runs every Wednesday during the school year in the Siuslaw News and features educational stories and fun activities for families. The activity page is part of the Siuslaw News' Newspapers In Education program, in which teachers from Siuslaw and Mapleton school districts may request copies of the local paper to use as curriculum in their classroom. Call 541-997-3441 for more info.

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