

Possible from 1A

"As for Woody, there are no words to accurately express my gratitude," Kelly said. "He gave Casey a chance, he guided him and gave him a purpose in life. I can't thank him enough and neither can Casey."

"Over the years, Woody has employed several other Lifeskills people. He took the time to learn and understand what their special needs were, so that he could design the job to help them be successful."

Woodbury said that Casey is "an awesome kid" who is easy to work with.

"He's got his duties and he knows what to do when he comes in. We've been expanding some of his responsibilities to make him more independent, too. It's been very gratifying to see the progress he's made, as he is a great young man," Woodbury said.

Kelly said that Casey has responded well to both the work environment and Woodbury's mentorship.

"Woody has reasonable expectations of Casey and,

because of this, Casey truly respects Woody. He doesn't want to let him down," Kelly said.

Woodbury has been a resident of Florence for the past 12 years. During that time, he has served with distinction on numerous boards, committees and fundraising efforts. He is a strong supporter of Florence Food Share, donating large quantities of food throughout the year to the food pantry and to many of his neighbors.

Woodbury is currently a member of the Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue Board of Directors and a member of the Florence City Council.

And while Woodbury will continue to serve in those capacities, he is ready to reduce his time at work. His desire to step back from his many responsibilities was prompted by recent health concerns.

"I had a couple of health issues last fall that made me kind of take a look at what I was doing," he said. "I turned 70 last June and I just thought it was time to live a little outside the store."

Working with Casey and the

Special Education Programs have been very rewarding for Woodbury. One of the projects he and the Kawaharas participated in recently will showcase the possibilities that are open to people with developmental disabilities if they have a strong support system.

"Mirrors" is a project coordinated by The Arc of Lane County. It is a gift book which will showcase individuals on the Autism Spectrum and the employers who have hired them.

"I was asked as Casey's employer to come and do a photoshoot with him and his mom. So we did pictures of Casey and me, him and his mom and just Casey by himself," Woodbury said.

Woodbury said he enjoyed the experience and feels the end result will further his unstated goal of assisting whomever he can, whenever he can.

"It's going to be a book showing what's possible. It's about sharing success stories — and Casey is a success story, no doubt about it," he said.

The gift book "Mirrors" will be available for purchase this summer.

Districts from 1A

Chief Director Jim Langborg then brought a couple of other items to the attention of both boards.

The most significant issue was Langborg's desire to rewrite the policies and procedures for both districts he manages, as SVFR and WLAD continue to consolidate administrative and personnel functions.

"As we bring on new board members, I get questions about what I should do under different circumstances," Langborg said. "As we move forward, we want to bring all district policies into alignment, and this is a step in that direction."

He presented several suggested changes to the Board Responsibility Policies.

Rewriting policies governing board member responsibilities was discussed at length. While the WLAD board approved the new policies, the SVFR board asked that some minor modifications be made to the proposal.

The concern, best expressed by SVFR Director John Carnahan, questioned the additional authority and singular power given to the president of

the board, in certain instances, under the new plan.

Carnahan said he felt that some of the changes would restrict the input of other board members, essentially elevating the opinions and preferences of the president above those of other directors.

Afterwards, Langborg presented his Chief Director Report, highlighting the installation of a new phone system, the district's new payroll service and the completion of seismic improvements at district buildings.

Langborg also discussed the planned construction of a building to house WLAD vehicles, currently unprotected from the elements, and that he felt it was imprudent.

The reason for Langborg's concern was simple.

Bids received on the proposed construction exceeded estimates by more than \$100,000, which would require tripling the amount earmarked for the construction project.

Langborg felt that due to the much higher than anticipated costs, another option was needed, such as storing WLAD vehicles at buildings already operated by SVFR.

This suggestion was initially received by the directors

with a mild degree of skepticism, but Langborg said that he felt confident that after some rearranging, and perhaps a reduction in rarely used equipment, there would be ample room for both districts' vehicles.

Both boards approved the proposal after Langborg's assurances.

In a separate action, SVFR directors nominated and approved the appointment of Marvin Tipler to serve as the new SVFR representative to the budget committee, on a three-to-two vote.

Dina McClure, new office manager for the combined administrative functions of both districts, gave her initial report to the boards, which was limited in scope, due primarily to the fact that McClure started in the position on March 19.

SVFR Operation Chief Jim Dickerson and WLAD Operation Manager Matt House also presented their monthly call reports and associated data.

Both reports were accepted by their respective boards with little discussion.

Directors then approved monthly expenditures and adjourned their meetings.

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THIS WEEK ON THE COAST

A WEEKLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE FLORENCE AREA

SUBMIT ALL EVENTS INFORMATION VIA EMAIL TO PRESSRELEASES@THESIUSLAWNEWS.COM

Mondays and Thursdays through April 14

Tax Prep Assistance
AARP Foundation Tax-Aide
9 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Siuslaw Public Library
aarpfoundation.org/taxaide

March 24 to 31

Whale Watching Week on the Oregon Coast
Whale watch interpreters stationed locally at Cape Perpetua Visitors' Center and Cook's Chasm
whalespoken.wordpress.com/

March 24

17th annual Spring Craft Bazaar
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
11 a.m. to 2 p.m. — Lunch served
Open to public
Yachats Ladies Clubhouse
W. Third and Pontiac Streets

48th annual Yachats Original Arts & Crafts Fair
10 a.m. to 5 p.m.
Open to public
Yachats Commons
W. Fifth Street and Highway 101

March For Our Lives

12:30 p.m.
Open to public and those who wish to "march in solidarity with students across the country for commonsense reforms to end gun violence"
Florence United Methodist Church

March 25

17th annual Spring Craft Bazaar
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Open to public
Yachats Ladies Clubhouse
W. Third and Pontiac Streets

48th annual Yachats Original Arts & Crafts Fair
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Open to public
Yachats Commons
W. Fifth Street and Highway 101

Florence Ukulele Club "The Flukes"

1:30 to 2:30 p.m. — Beginners
3 to 4 p.m. — Song Circle for all levels
Open to public; loaner ukuleles available
Siuslaw Public Library
janetlwellington@gmail.com

March 28

Caregivers Dealing with Dementia
6 p.m.
Open to public
Spruce Point Assisted Living & Memory Care

Florence Food Share Bingo
6 to 9 p.m.
Open to public 21+
Jerry's Place

88274 Rhododendron Drive

March 29

Pilates at the Studios Ribbon Cutting

5 to 7 p.m.
Open to public
The Studios at Jayne Smoley Designs
1458 First St.

Kiwanis 3-2-1 Meeting

6 p.m.
Open to public
Beachcomber Pub

March 30 and 31

Friends of Yachats Library annual Book Sale
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Open to public
Yachats Commons

March 31

Free Potting Day

To Benefit Florence Community Garden
9 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Laurel Bay Gardens Nursery
88493 Highway 101

Central Oregon Coast British Car Club

9 a.m. — breakfast
10 a.m. — meeting
Open to public
Sandpines Golf Clubhouse

Dunes City Trash Pick-Up

10:45 a.m. to 2 p.m.
Open to public — wear bright safety gear and bring heavy gloves
East Woahink Lake Day-Use Area
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