

Salute to Western Lane Ambulance District



Dick Childs
Board of Directors
7 Years

14 year resident of Florence. He is a Navy veteran of the submarine service, and a graduate of San Diego State. He went on to become a Special Agent with the Naval Investigative Service (now NCIS), retiring after 26 years. Dick has been an active volunteer in Florence. Over the years he has worked with the Humane Society, Oregon State Police, the Step Group, and is currently involved with the Habitat For Humanity Restore, the hospital, Heceta Water District, and as a Board member for Western Lane ambulance

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1365 HIGHWAY 101, FLORENCE
(541) 997-7121



Mike Webb
Board of Directors
13 Years

After growing up in Corvallis and completing my formal education at Oregon State University, I moved to Florence to take the opportunity to manage the local Sprouse Reitz store. It was in Florence that I met my wife Jana. We have two wonderful children, two grandchildren, two dogs, many cats and a bird. Currently I work as a Commercial Relationship Manager with Oregon Pacific Bank. I've been with the bank since 1998. In my spare time I enjoy cycling, running, golf and bowling. I began working with Western Lane Ambulance several years ago, first serving as a budget committee member. For the last 12 years I have served on the board of directors for the district. I also fill a seat for the District on the Florence Urban Renewal Committee. Since moving here, I have had the opportunity to witness tremendous growth in the Florence area. I continue to see what the future holds for our community.

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Rick Yecny
Board of Directors, 1 year

Rick, a Certified Public Accountant, was Chief Financial Officer of Peace Health Siuslaw Region from 2001 to 2010, and has since been promoted to Chief Administrative Officer. From 1982 through 2000, he was a principal shareholder of Davis, Yecny & McCulloch, P.C., a certified public accounting firm with offices in Florence and formerly Reedsport, Oregon. Rick previously was on the Lane Community College budget committee and was a board member and treasurer of Friends of Florence, a nonprofit organization located in Florence.

SIUSLAW NEWS
148 MAPLE ST, FLORENCE
(541) 997-3441



Larry Farnsworth
Board of Directors
1 year

Larry was elected to the Board of Directors in 2017. He is currently a Boeing 787 Captain flying international routes for United Airlines. Larry previously worked in Hospital Financial Administration and has an MBA from Pepperdine University. He is married to Crystal and they have four adult children and 13 grandchildren. Larry and Crystal own and operate Heceta Self Storage. He enjoys flying, hiking, camping, travel, scuba diving, riding motorcycles and other fun outdoor activities that he hopes will never require any emergency response from the excellent Paramedics and EMS responders at Western Lane Ambulance.

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1935 25TH ST, FLORENCE
(541) 997-7660



Cynthia Russell
Board of Directors
3 years

In addition to my Nursing degree, and experience for over 40 plus years, I have earned many certifications. Those include Trauma Nursing, Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner (SANE) and I have received multiple Excellence in Nursing Awards. I also hold certificates in Essential Management Skills, Disaster Preparedness and Skills for Leads. I am also a small business owner here in Florence. I am an energetic people-oriented person. Honesty and integrity are the most important standards that I hold for myself.

LES SCHWAB TIRE CENTER
4325 HWY. 101, FLORENCE
(541) 997-7178



Jim Langborg
Chief/Director of SVFR & WLAD
2 Years

Jim is the Chief/Director of SVFR and WLAD. He has been in the fire service for 24 years and been involved in emergency medical services for over 30 years. He got his start in the United States Air Force where he served his country as a Medic. Throughout his career, he has worked as a Paramedic, Firefighter, EMS Chief, Battalion Chief, Deputy Chief, and Fire Chief. Jim has an AS Degree in Fire Protection Technology, a BS Degree in Fire Science, a Master's Degree in Public Administration, and is a Certified Executive Fire Officer through the National Fire Academy. When Jim is not working, he enjoys the great outdoors with his wife and two dogs.

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1234 RHODODENDRON DR., FLORENCE
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Matt House
Operations Manager
21 years

I have been with Western Lane Ambulance District for 19 years, starting as a part-time employee to recently being promoted to Operations Manager. Having been in every facet of the District has given me a great perspective of past, current and into the future for Western Lane Ambulance District. Most importantly, I have the pleasure of sharing life with Melissa, my lovely wife. For the past 17 years she has stood by my side and encouraged my professional growth and has been my biggest supporter.

SIUSLAW VALLEY FIRE & RESCUE
2625 HIGHWAY 101, FLORENCE
541-997-3212



Ronnie Pearson
Paramedic
18 years

Happily married, and enjoys being in the outdoors and being with family.

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Rob Chance
Training Coordinator
4 years

I am happily married to someone also in the medical field. We have two little boys and look forward to raising them in our community. I believe that I have the best profession in the world, and I enjoy helping and serving those in need.

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Darrek Mullins
Critical Care Paramedic, Training Supervisor, ,
Union Representative Executive Board Member
22 Years this year (2 part time, and 20 full time).

I was born and raised in California and moved to Oregon just after marrying my best friend in 1992. We have two daughters, Genevieve and Gyllian, both homeschooled and into the arts. We love movies, concerts, plays, camping, yurting, playing board games, and everything in the nerd/geek culture. In addition to teaching PT paramedics at LCC since 01, I volunteer for two organizations: South Willamette Honor Flight and The Concord Blue Devils drum and bugle corps. It has been an honor and a privilege serving in this community since receiving my paramedic license in 1996. This is an amazing community that understands the value of a strong and well-trained Emergency Medical Service.

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Albert Kreitz
Paramedic PIO
27 years

I was born in Germany, raised in Michigan then moved to Oregon after graduating from Northern Michigan University. I earned a masters from NLU, and I worked in Social Services for 5 years before becoming a paramedic. I have 3 children and one grandson, I enjoy a variety of sports, hobbies, church and volunteer activities including working as a boxing coach.

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Danielle Hanson
Paramedic
11 years

I am a Siuslaw High School Alumni. I graduated from Chemeketa Community College for my AAOS for my Paramedic. In my free time I like spending time with my Family; Husband Robert, Children Ryan, Hailey, Logan, Lila and new baby Gideon. I am also the Head Coach of the Siuslaw High School JV Softball team.

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