

Deadline approaching for purchase of Vet Wall bricks

The deadline for submitting applications for placing the name of a veteran, or an individual on active duty, on a brick in the Veteran's Memorial Park will be May 31.

Applications are available at the Chamber of Commerce, Patriot Place, 175 Nopal St., and at the Veterans Memorial Park on Bay Street, in the afternoons during Rhody weekend.

Placement of the personalized bricks will take place this July.

The cost of a brick is \$75, which is tax deductible, with a limited number of spaces currently available.

For more information, call project coordinator Tony Cavarano at 541-997-1677.

Garden Club celebrates growing season

Florence Garden Club celebrated the growing season with locals at their annual Plant Sale and Marketplace last Saturday. Record sales from this year's event boosted the group's scholarship efforts for local students. Congratulations to winner, Bobbye Justet, who was the high bidder of the club's artful potting bench.

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Siuslaw High School symphonic band hits high note with seventh place at state competition



PHOTO BY HEATHER RICHARD

Members of the Siuslaw High School symphonic Band pose following their performance at the state competition.

Siuslaw Schools Director of Bands, Chris Rowbotham, was complimentary about the efforts of his Symphonic Band students at Wednesday's OSAA State Band Championships in Corvallis.

Rowbotham said, "We placed 7th in the 4A Division at State. That's a major achievement, given there are 40 Bands at the 4A level in Oregon."

Director Rowbotham credited the support of the greater

Florence Community for the continued success of 97 Bands.

"It's a tribute to our students, parents and volunteers — as well as the members of the Florence Elks Lodge #1858, the Oregon Coast Military Museum,

Florence Rotary Club, Pacific Coast Wind Ensemble, and so many others.

"We couldn't do it without them."

Sticks and Stone, Blue Heron Gallery exhibits at Visitor Center

More than two dozen pieces of art, including photos, watercolors, ceramics and sculptures in metal and wood, are part of a new art display at the Florence Chamber of Commerce's visitors center this month.

The Chamber features a different local art exhibit each month. Their current display of

local artistry features a variety of works by local and Northwest artists from both Sticks and Stones Gallery and The Blue Heron Gallery in Old Town.

"Visitors will find a beautiful display and a wide variety of photography, sculpture and artwork in several mediums by locally, regionally and national-

ly-acclaimed artists," said Bettina Hannigan, the chamber's executive director.

Jack Butler, owner of the Blue Heron Gallery, Sticks and Stones Gallery, and Wind Drift Gallery in Florence said, "It's exciting to be invited to participate in the chamber's monthly exhibit. We appreciate the many ways that the chamber supports Florence's growing and vibrant arts community."

Butler says his three galleries, entering their 29th year in Florence, are contemporary craft galleries that focus on American made craft.

"We are delighted to have a sampling of Sticks and Stones Gallery and The Blue Heron Gallery's collection on display at the chamber's visitor center this month," he said. "Each of our galleries offers something different. The variety found in our galleries, and the other great shops and galleries of Old Town, sets Florence apart from other communities where you go into a half-dozen different shops and find the same thing over and over. There is a tremendous di-

versity of work in our community."

"The chamber is listed in the local art tour map because of our ever-changing displays of photography, paintings, or three-dimensional art by local artists and galleries," added Hannigan. "Art is growing in its importance for enhancing Florence's tourism business, and that helps all businesses."

Sticks and Stones Gallery is at 1368 Bay Street, and The Blue Heron Gallery is at 1385 Bay Street in Florence. Their phone numbers are 541-997-3196 and 541-997-7993 respectively. Their website is oregoncoastgalleries.net.

The Chamber's Visitor's Center is open Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Saturdays from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Sundays 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. through Labor Day.

For more information about the Florence Area Chamber of Commerce and how to join or volunteer, drop by 290 Highway 101, visit FlorenceChamber.com, or call 541-997-3128.

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