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his involvement in the process that led to the creation of the Siuslaw Valley Fire Protection to know Skip." District. He was determined to provide better fire protection for area residents and worked closely with current Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue (SVFR) Budget Committee member Marvin Tipler to integrate the fellow firefighters and the continued working on mergcity and rural fire services that community. were operating separately in the 1980s.

department and I joined the to the competitive nature of rural department in 1981," Ti- the individuals in both departlot of things differently. SVFR reality. Board member John Carna-

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rural fire department and we to merge after Passenger's tes-

Passenger and Tipler continued to advance in the ranks of chief and I was the assistant their respective departments, forging a friendship over the years that was primarily driven by their shared interest in and retired Operations Chief improving fire safety for their together," Tipler said. "He tion and safety of the residents

"Skip was in the city fire sidered impossible, due mostly together and had a great rela-

han and I were both in the Council approved the measure young fire fighter.

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city fire drills. That's when I (IGA) being formed today be-Ambulance District.

chief at the rural department. We did some purchasing together for both of our departments and worked really well ing the two departments until The idea of merging the two the city council approved the cated to his job and to protectdepartments was initially con- merger. We continued working ing this community. His first tionship until he retired."

The example that Passenger Florence," Tipler said. pler said. "We were two differments. Passenger was deterset for those he worked with ent departments and we did a mined to make the merger a is something that Charleston Fire Chief Michael "Mick" Eventually, Florence City Sneddon remembers as a Family Mortuary/West Lawn

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"I grew up around Skip and worked with Skip because he timony and proceeded down the Passenger family around One of his most important ran the jaws of life for the city, a path that is similar to the the fire station. Skip was very accomplishments as chief was so John and I started going to intergovernmental agreement active with the fire department from many years," said really got to work with and get tween SVFR and Western Lane Sneddon. "He was part of the fireman's muster team in the "Skip became my assistant late 1970s and early 1980s with the Florence Fire Department with Engine 3."

> Both Tipler and Sneddon agree that Passenger was deeply commitment to the protecunder his care.

> "Skip was completely dedipriority was always to safeguard and secure the people of

> A celebration of Passenger's life will be held Friday, June 22, at 2 p.m., at Musgrove Memorial Park in Eugene.

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Tuesdays

Yoga for Pain Management & Easeful

Sponsored by PeaceHealth Peace Harbor 2:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. Free and drop-ins welcome Lane Community College Florence Center

Florence Farmers Market

3 to 7 p.m. Open to public Kingwood and Bay streets

Wednesdays

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Experience relief from pain and stress 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Donations appreciated 1845 Highway 126

Weekly

Yoga at the Yachats Commons

Therapeutic — Tuesday 9:30 to 11 a.m. & Friday 8 to 9:30 a.m.; gym Vinyasa Flow for beginners/intermediate -Thursday 3 to 4:30 p.m.; Room 8

Bikram-Ease —Tuesday 4:20 to 6 p.m.;

541-47-4139 and altruh444@gmail.com

Weekdays from June 19 to Aug. 17

Summer Meal Program

Free to youth 18 and under; no questions

Breakfast: 8 to 8:30 a.m., Siuslaw elementary and high schools Lunch:

Elementary: 11:30 to 11:55 a.m. Miller Park: Noon to 12:15 p.m. Siuslaw Public Library: 12:20 to 12:35 p.m. High school: 12:40 to 12:55 p.m.

www.siuslaw.k12.or.us; 541-997-2651

June 16

Yard Debris Disposal Days

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Disposal costs vary Kingwood and 27th streets ci.florence.or.us

Oregon Coast Military Museum's 2nd annual Jeep Junction Show & Shine

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Open to public Johnston Motor Company

"Game On!" Vacation Bible School **Registration Tailgate Party**

Noon to 2 p.m. Open to public

First Baptist Church, 1935 25th St

"Ghosts in the Kelp: Sea Otters in Oregon"

With author Bob Bailey 1 to 2 p.m. Open to public Siuslaw Public Library

Boys and Girls Club Eighth-Grade **Graduation Dance**

5 p.m.

Open to eighth-grade students Boys & Girls Club of Western Lane County, 1501 Airport Road

"A Nice Family Gathering"

Presented by Last Resort Players 7 p.m. Tickets required Florence Events Center

Jesse Mead 7 to 11 p.m.

Open to public 21+ Blue Bills Sports Bar at Three Rivers

June 17

"A Nice Family Gathering" Presented by Last Resort Players 2 p.m. Tickets required

Florence Events Center

June 18

Arts and Craft Supplies Sale 2018

4 to 7 p.m. Open to public FRAA Art Center

Soroptimist Community Event

5:30 to 7 p.m. Open to public to meet local Soroptimist members 87218 Munsel Lake Road

June 19

Us TOO Florence Prostate Cancer Support Group

With Dr. Roger McKimmy Noon to 1 p.m. Open to public Ichiban Restaurant 541-999-4239

Florence Green Movie: "Revenge of the Electric Car"

Sponsored by Central Lincoln PUD Hosted by Siuslaw News and Coast Radio

1:30 and 6:30 p.m. Open to public City Lights Cinemas

Diabetes/Pre-diabetes Support Group

2 p.m. Open to public Siuslaw Public Library

Caregiver Support Group

6 p.m.

Open to public Spruce Point Assisted Living

June 20 Governor's Marketplace

The Office of Diversity, Equity and Inclusion/Affirmative Action 7:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. Open to public Florence Events Center

Herbal Provings & Musings

6 to 7:30 p.m. \$10 admission; bring your own mug Rose & Crown Apothecary 1845 Highway 126 Suite H RSVP at 541-902-8860

June 21

Reptile Man

Children's Summer Reading Program 10:30 to 11:30 a.m. Open to youth and families Siuslaw Public Library

Peace Harbor Volunteer Luncheon & **Installation of Officers**

11:30 a.m. Lunch purchase required Florence Events Center RSVP to womangolfer7@gmail.com

Windermere Real Estate Business After Hours

Florence Area Chamber of Commerce 4 to 6 p.m.

Windermere Real Estate - Florence 1625 12th St.

June 22

Aging in Place Forum: "A Plan for the Future"

Hosted by Florence Area Community Coalition 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Open to public Florence Events Center

Olem Alves and Inner Limits

7 to 11 p.m. Open to public 21+ Blue Bills Sports Bar at Three Rivers Casino Resort

June 23

Kiwanis Golf Tournament 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Registration required

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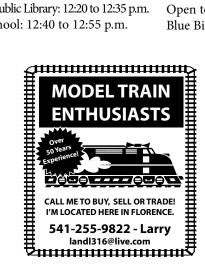
Trails Locals Love Hosted by Vision Quest

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Open to public 21+ Blue Bills Sports Bar at Three Rivers Casino Resort

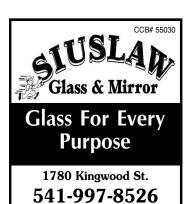
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