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“At the meeting where we presented the checks, other guests stepped forward after the presentation and contributed their own personal checks or in some instances cash to the LCSO unit,” Sharon said.

According to the LCSO, the K9 Program is funded largely by community donations which cover the cost of food, veterinary services and equipment, including a bullet proof vest for the dog.

K9 teams are required to pass the annual Oregon Police

**Representatives of the City of Florence, Florence Elks Lodge 1858 and the Band of Brothers present checks to the K9 Team Deputy Raymond May and Hektor. Pictured (from left) are Florence Mayor Joe Henry, LCSO deputy Raymond May with K9 officer Hektor, Elks Trustee Gary Hensen and Band of Brothers members Jim Swant and Tom Armstrong.**

Canine Association (OPCA) standards tests, after having received an initial 240 hours of basic training. They also complete a minimum of 16 hours of formal training each month and attend supplementary OPCA seminars each fall and spring.

The LCSO has two canine units which are used to locate subjects that have fled the im-

mediate area of a crime or to cover a larger crime area that would require many more officers to search. They can also be trained to locate illegal drugs or explosive devices that may not be visible to a human officer.

To contribute to Hektor’s training, contact the sheriff’s office at 541-682-4150.



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**Local Lions to offer free health screenings**

The Florence-Siuslaw Lions Club, in partnership with the Oregon Lions Sight & Hearing Foundation (OLSHF), is bringing free health screenings to the Florence-area through its Mobile Health Screening Program (MHSP) during the Power of Florence, Saturday, July 21, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at City Lights Cinemas, 1930 Highway 101.

The MHSP provides free health screenings for vision, glaucoma, blood pressure and diabetes (blood glucose) with a 3-hour fast for adults.

In the last two decades, more than 1,000,000 people in Oregon and Northern California have been screened, and because of it, over 180,000 health problems have been successfully detected.

MHSP is the only statewide free health screening program of its kind in Oregon.

OLSHP’s mission is to screen, treat, save and restore sight and hearing for those in need in partnership with local Lions Clubs. Last year, 184,000 people were screened statewide through MHSP, at an average cost of less than \$4 per person.

In 2015, OLSHF launched its

newest program — the LEAP Optical Finishing Lab — that will support local Lions Clubs with low-cost glasses for eligible adults.

Lions also provides the gift

of sight to people in developing countries with nearly 72,000 eye glasses shipped and distributed through mission work.

Learn more at [www.olshf.org](http://www.olshf.org) or [www.facebook.com/olshf](http://www.facebook.com/olshf).

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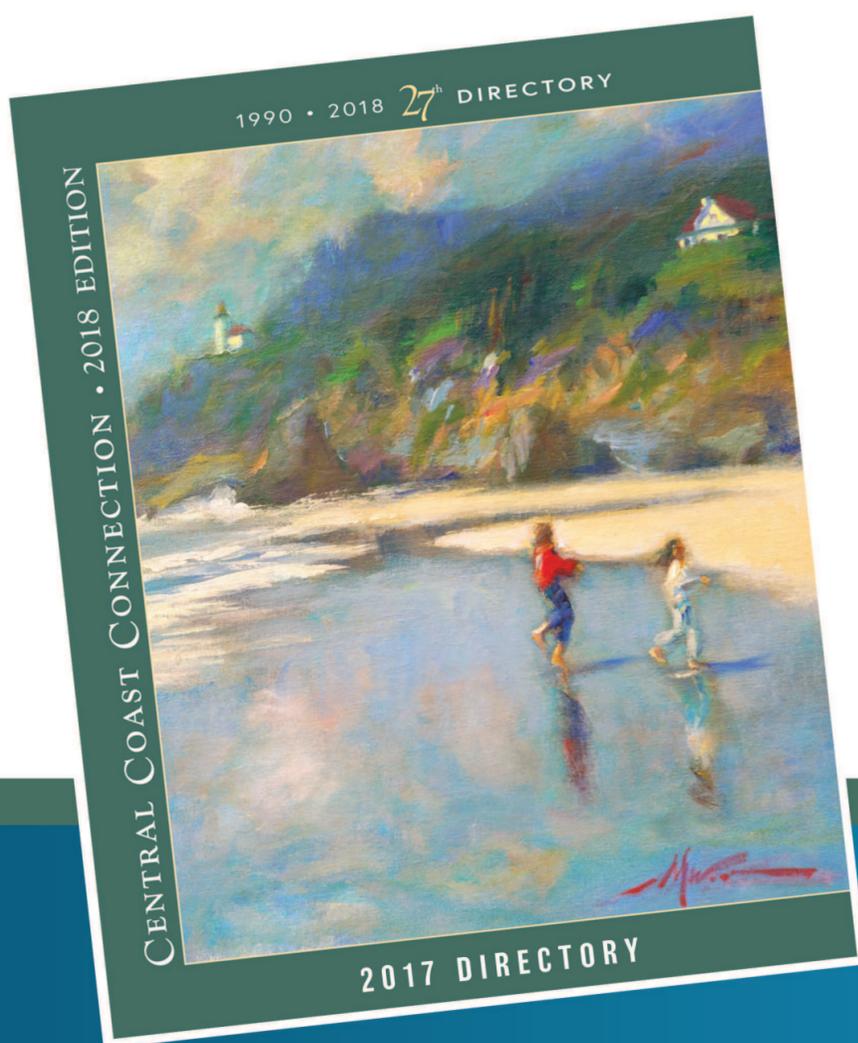
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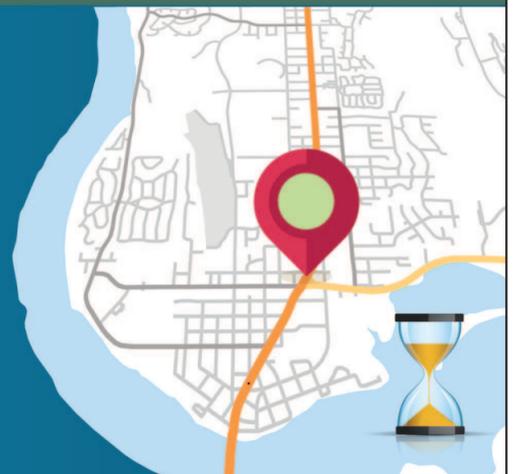
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