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bright sunshine, with plenty of fall produce available for shoppers. The first season of the centrally located, multi-farm food market has brought positive feedback this year, as evidenced by the crowds that were waiting to pur-



chase items. According to market organizers with the Siuslaw Vision, the Florence Farmers Market will return next May for its second season. Farmers and vendors interested in selling their products at the market should call 541-902-2425 or email contact@florencefarmers market.org for information.

Siuslaw Valley's interim chief begins service

New Chief Director Steve Able signs contract to serve through June 2019

By Mark Brennan SIUSLAW NEWS

Interim Chief Director Steve Able officially began his tenure as leader of Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue (SVFR) on Oct. 10.

Able was selected by a unanimous vote of the SVFR Board of Directors at a special meeting earlier this month to succeed Jim Langborg, who had tendered his resignation. Able attended his first board meeting as chief on Oct. 17.

Able has spent the majority of his life as a firefighter, starting out as a volunteer firefighter in Alaska before pursuing a career in the broader field of fire services after serving tor. in the U.S. Coast Guard in the early 1970s.

Able began what was to be-

in Salem, Ore., where he received an associate's degree in fire protection. He was a volunteer firefighter at Chemeketa before returning in 1989 to become a fire protection

Chemeketa Community College continues to offer Fire and EMT classes, certification and training, building on early work done by Able, and the college is at the forefront of educational preparation for first responders.

In the mid-1980s, Able began working at the Oregon Office of State Fire Marshal as Deputy State Fire Marshal, eventually becoming the State Fire Training Coordina-

His responsibilities as coordinator included the development and delivery of firefighter and fire officome his life's work as a student at cer training courses statewide. He and Western Oregon Universi-Chemeketa Community College also created the state's first "Model ties, where he worked towards a



MARK BRENNAN/SIUSLAW NEWS

Interim Chief Steve Able joins Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue after a long career in fire services across the western United States.

Training Guide" for firefighters. Able's preparation for the management and administrative asbachelor's degree in fire adminis-

A long list of certifications from pects of his career have included the states of Oregon, Washington educational stops at both Eastern and Arizona include successfully completed training in Hazardous See INTERIM page 8A

Nov. 6 General Election

'Communities across Oregon are struggling with a housing crisis'

Measure 102 could pave way for additional affordable housing funds

Oregon Measure 102 — Amends Constitution: Allows local bonds for financing affordable housing with nongovernmental entities. Requires voter approval, annual audits.

Creating communities where people can find adequate housing is hardly controversial. Public By DAMIEN SHERWOOD and private entities

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alike strive to combat what has been called Oregon's "housing

crisis," yet a lasting solution remains evasive.

According to the Oregon Center for Public Policy, half of all renters in Oregon spend more than 30 percent of their income on rent and utilities - what the Department of Housing and Urban Development defines as being "cost-burdened." This burden results in other basics such as nutrition and child care falling by the wayside as those in the most dire circumstances turn to the streets.

While affordable housing efforts exist throughout the state, some complain that these efforts are hampered by not having access to the resources they need — and the source of the problem lies

As it currently stands, Section 9 of Article XI in the Oregon Constitution prevents county and municipal governments from raising money for, investing in or loaning credit to companies and See MEASURE page 7A

Meet Dunes City's candidates

Dunes City's 3 councilors and mayor run unopposed

Like its larger neighbor Florence, Dunes City has four candidates running for position on the

By Chantelle Meyer SIUSLAW NEWS

Dunes City Council. However, each of Dunes City's candidates are running un-

opposed for their same positions.

According to Dunes City Recorder Jamie Mills, three of the council's seven positions are running, along with Mayor Bob Forsythe. These include councilors Sheldon Meyer, Susan Snow and Duke Wells, who each will run for a fouryear term. The mayor is a two-year term.

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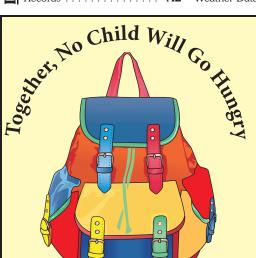






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