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Siuslaw senior Makenzie York (center) signs her Letter of Intent for Western Oregon University as her parents Wendy and Charlie York, along with brother Logan, look on.

York from 1B
student section — a chant that will likely follow York to

the Wolves' den and the Great Northwest Athletic Conference, where she won't be the only Siuslaw alumni competing on the court.

Elyssa Rose, a 2017 graduate and past league all-star, is currently a sophomore at Concordia University. That means the two will

be competing in the same conference in the fall. York and Rose played together for two seasons on the Vikings between 2016

and 2017. Though York has a particular interest in graphic design, "she wants to take different classes to decided

what interests her the most."

Little from 1B
time and time again. Perhaps the veterans assume players know these unwritten rules.

Yet unwritten is just that: not written down but passed down from one generation of players to the next. In the movie "A Few Good Men," Corporal Barnes is testifying. Captain Jack Ross asks, "Where is it written in the manual about a code red?" to which Barnes responds, "It is not in there." As Ross leaves the witness, Lt. Daniel Kaffee grabs the manual and gives it back to Barnes and asks him, "Where in there [the manual] is the directions to the mess hall?" Barnes replies, "It's not in there." Kaffee then asks, "Then how do you know where to eat?" "I just follow the crowd," Barnes replies. Many unwritten rules are taught by example. When a player hits a home run he is needs to just run the bases without celebrating while on the base path. If a player tries to show-up the opposing pitcher, it leads to retaliation by the pitcher; the next

batter — or the next time the home-run hitter — steps to the plate, they will likely be pitched high and tight. Pitchers were expected to take some measure of retaliation. It was an acceptable part of baseball. But rules changed. Now, if a pitcher retaliates, he is ejected from the game. It is the responsibility of the runner on first base to do all they can to prevent a double play on a ground ball. Previously, players went out of their way — not to mention out of the base line — to make sure they "take out the player covering second base" to make the throw to first base more difficult. Today, rules say the runner must be able to touch the base when sliding into second base. If not an automatic out will occur. Another unwritten rule is: "Do not rub it!" When a batter is struck by a pitched ball, he is to drop the bat and jog to first base. The struck batter is to make no indication the pitcher hurt him. I believe this is primarily to show teammates not to fear being hit with a pitched ball rather than a "He ain't got nothing" mentality. In 1986, Dean Anderson, an all-league pitcher at Siuslaw High School, was at the plate. Anderson pitched left handed but batted right. This exposed his pitching arm to the opposing pitchers. We were playing the team from the south when he was struck with a pitch on his left elbow. I heard the sound of leather striking flesh from my position all the way down the third-base line. As I rushed to the dugout to get an ice pack, Anderson casually tossed his bat and jogged to first base. I was convinced he would need to leave the game. As I jogged towards the base, he waved me back to the dugout. I told my relief pitcher to get warmed up. By the time the inning ended, Anderson's elbow was swollen and there were baseball stitch marks on the elbow. When I told him to put ice on it and rest his arm, he looked at me and said, "I've got a game to pitch." We lost the game 2-1 and Anderson pitched the entire game. He later had a single hit with a pitched ball rather than a "He ain't got nothing" run. The next day, his elbow

was black and blue and had swollen to the size of a grapefruit. He never missed a practice or game. Anderson was a prime example of a player who "Did not rub it." Another unwritten rule? Don't speak to a pitcher throwing a no-hitter. You also do not bunt to break up a no-hitter during the last three innings of the game. Some of you know other unwritten rules. Today, it seems there are fewer and fewer unwritten rules being passed down to the next generation. I think it's too bad the rule makers are reducing the number of those unwritten rules.

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CAPE PERPETUA TO HOST NEXT WINTER PRESENTATION

Through November and December, join guest speakers at Cape Perpetua for free educational presentations along with hiking, tidepooling and exploring. Presentations will be held every Saturday now through to Dec. 29, and will include a special focus on wildlife, geology, landscapes and threatened species along with other unique topics. Scheduled presentation include:
Saturday, Nov. 24, 1 p.m.
Mountain Lions, Cougars, Panthers, Oh My!
Dave Thompson — Lifelong Educator:
Thompson will recount his multiple encounters with a mountain lion while living in the Redwoods as a National Park Ranger. Come enjoy this free 45 minute presentation at the Cape Perpetua Visitor Center and learn more about living with large predators.

David's storytelling has drawn record crowds at various venues in Oregon and this is his third time to present this program at Cape Perpetua Visitor Center.
• Sunday, Nov. 25, 1 p.m.
Alsea Tribal Life at Cape Perpetua Prior to European Contact
Dick Mason — Cape Perpetua Volunteer:
Learn about the pre-European inhabitants of Cape Perpetua from one of Cape Perpetua's exceptional volunteers. Mason will also take you on a quick and entertaining tour of world history that occurred while the Alsea were enjoying their evening seaweed and mussel dinners at Cape Perpetua.
• Saturday, Dec. 1, 1 p.m.
King Tides, Sea Star Wasting, Marine Debris
Fawn Custer — CoastWatch

Volunteer Coordinator:
Fawn Custer will give a brief introduction to CoastWatch describing the various opportunities for volunteers who love the Oregon Coast to help document changes.
King Tides will be the focus of this talk, and their impact on our shoreline and infrastructure. Fawn will explain the guidelines for the photos needed to document these events and how best to get involved.
All events are free and open to the public, but a Northwest Forest Pass, Oregon Coast Passport, Federal Recreation Pass or \$5 day-use fee is required within the Cape Perpetua Scenic Area.
For more information on any of these events, contact the Cape Perpetua Visitor Center at 541-547-3289.

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