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David Frizzell joins Amy Clawson in concert June 27

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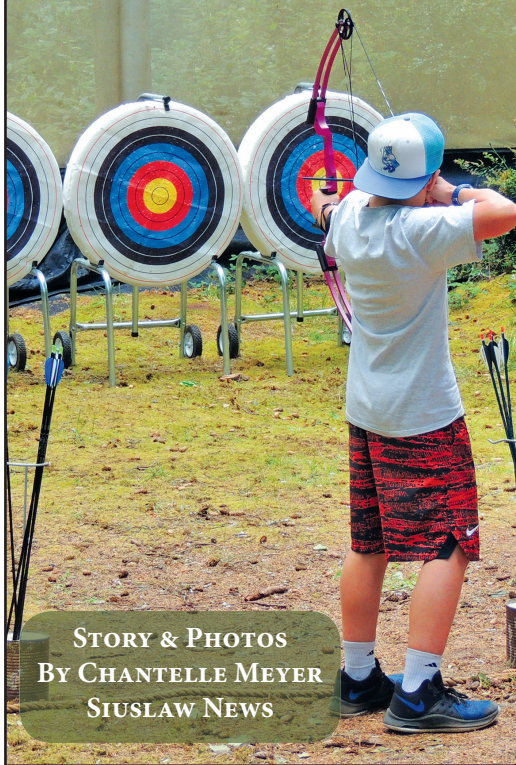
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Campers from the Elks Living Group (above) gather for the end-of-day Flag Ceremony at Outdoor School. Max Reynolds (Right) takes aim.



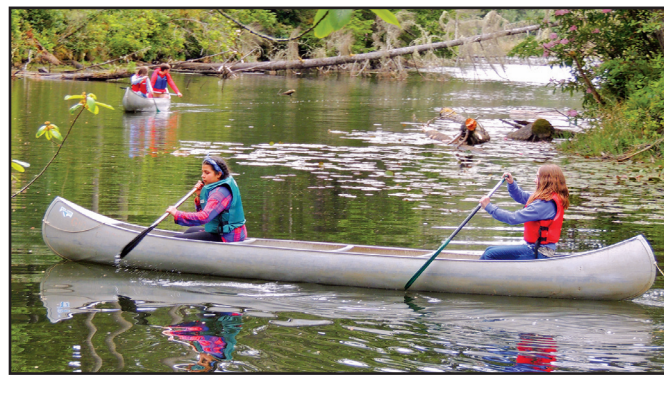
STORY & PHOTOS BY CHANTELE MEYER SIUSLAW NEWS

Overnight Outdoor School returns

Siuslaw Middle School sixth-graders attend first Outdoor School since 2006

After a 13-year hiatus, Siuslaw students experienced an overnight Outdoor School this week at Camp Clewox. Thanks to Outdoor School Director McKenzie Perry and a team of leaders, teen councilors and eighth-grade helpers, more than 100 sixth-grade students spent Tuesday to Friday at the camp.

Perry, whom the students called “Chickadee” during the camp, remembers her own Outdoor School adventures



when she was a student at Siuslaw. “I did Stream Team when I was at the middle school, and my grade was one of the last groups to do the overnight Outdoor School,” she said.

She said that Siuslaw ended its previous overnight Outdoor School in 2006 after a couple years on and off. It was eventually replaced by the Outdoor Adventure Camp for fifth- and seventh-graders at Camp Baker, a local Boy Scout Camp.

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Workshop plans to promote ‘SAFE’ thinking

Free self-defense, awareness workshop offered June 10

An active lifestyle is part of the appeal of living in Florence. Unfortunately, an attack suffered by a woman at Carter Lake on May 4 has significantly raised the level of concern among local women’s groups regarding their personal safety when outdoors.

According to the assault victim, she was walking her dog when she was attacked and raped. The brutal attack has prompted an increased level of awareness among women that walk or hike in the forests and dunes that surround Florence. This concern has now coalesced into a strategy to better prepare women to be aware of the situations

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Siuslaw Scholarship Ceremony



Thirty-five Siuslaw High School graduating seniors, including recipients of awards managed by Western Lane Community Foundation (above), received 137 scholarships from 49 local providers on May 30 at the Florence Events Center. According to School Counselor Steve Moser, the scholarship awardees make up 41 percent of the entire senior class. As of press time Friday, the total amount generated by the Florence community was still being tallied. “It was an amazing night for sure. And will only get better next year too!” Moser said. Additional information and pictures will be included in the June 5 edition of the Siuslaw News.

Oregon Dunes Restoration plan released for comment

Project looks to eliminate invasive species in Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area

By JARED ANDERSON SIUSLAW NEWS

The Central Coast Ranger District/Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area (CCRD/ODNRA) of the Siuslaw National Forest has released a draft environmental analysis for the Oregon Dunes Restoration Project (ODRP), which looks to promote the recreational economy and natural ecosystem by reducing non-native species in a 13,700-acre swath of ODNRA and the adjacent Baker Beach area.

The 58-page report, which covers the history of non-native plant species in the region and gives a detailed explanation on how the project looks to reduce grasses such as European beachgrass, is open for a public comment period. “I think that people should recognize that what’s going on out there is a very unique ecosystem,” said Project Leader Mick Mueller of the Siuslaw National Forest. “It really doesn’t occur anywhere else in North America. There was a time it was very natural and we decided to plant species to hold the sand in place, and now we’re having to do a lot of work to change that back to natural.”

The history of the dunes goes back millions of years, when “the ocean floor uplifted to create the Coast Range and Cascade mountains that dominate the local landscape,” the report explained. “Extreme events such as earthquakes, floods and storms hastened the erosion of these landforms, and rivers transported gravel, sand and other sediments downstream from the mountains to the ocean. Near-shore ocean currents moved sands north along the shoreline to a shallow basin west of Florence.”

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OREGON COAST MILITARY MUSEUM JEEP JUNCTION

Jeep-only Show & Shine to celebrate the birth of the jeep in WWII and the iconic vehicle it has become!

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