

## SERVICES PROVIDED IN AUGUST 2012

20- Victims of domestic violence received advocacy services

36-Focus 4 24-hour hotline crisis calls handled

2-Victims of sexual assault received advocacy services

24- Participants in financial management/parenting classes

44- Individuals received emergency basic needs vouchers

15- Low-income families received utility assistance

6-Responses to after hour calls from police/hospital

5-Protective order assistance for domestic violence victims

0-Shelter nights provided- domestic violence victims/children

9-Domestic/sexual violence survivors participated in support groups

### OUR MISSION:

**Siuslaw Outreach Services is a non-profit organization dedicated to assist individuals and families in leading safe, dignified and secure lives by offering a range of services from basic needs to self-empowerment.**

## UPCOMING EVENTS

October 1-31: Small Art Show & Silent Auction

October 13: Artist Reception at Silver Lining

October 28: Domestic Violence Awareness March

November 1: LIHEAP Program Kick-off

**To become a financial supporter of SOS, donations can be made by check, or:**



## HOW YOU CAN HELP

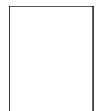
- We need volunteers for: Front Desk Reception, Office Assistance, Clothing Sorter, Fundraising, Landscape Maintenance, Crisis Line.
- Friends Of SOS: An annual donation of \$100 or more.
- SOS Endowment Fund
- Donate Items such as: Sleeping Bags, Tents, Shoes, Blankets and Small Household Items

**For more information on how you can help or get involved please contact SOS staff at 541-997-2816**

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## Siuslaw Open A Success

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Siuslaw Open golf tournament was held September 6<sup>th</sup> at Sandpines. The weather was cool but almost no wind, close to perfect conditions for a round of golf. The par 3 fifth hole, sponsored by Johnston Motors, was the location where a lucky shot would win a new Ford Focus. Andy Johnson's shot got close, but the new car will have to wait until next year. The other par 3 closest to the pin winners were Jack Butler, Michael Bartlett, and Tim Salisbury. The winning team for low gross was Jack Smrekar, John Bartlett, Michael

Bartlett, and Aaron VanDehay. Runners-up were John Sutter, Elaine Padovani, Kim Friese, and Gwen Friese. Low net honors went to Andy Johnson, Kurt Hargens, Jack Butler, and Bob Teter. Low net runners-up were Harry Abel, Joe Hatzel, Tim Salisbury, and Rick Stevens. Straight drive honors went to Dawn DeWolf and David Doctor, and long drive winners were Ron Green and Linda Schantal. Louis Mawcinnitt won the chipping contest.

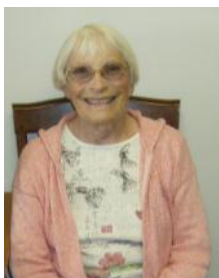
A very special thank you to our presenting sponsor, Oregon



Pacific Bank, and to our premier sponsors Peacehealth Siuslaw Region and Divine Decadence. And much appreciation to all of our hole sponsors and prize donors. Our hole sponsors were Johnston Motors, Copeland Lumber, Abel Insurance, Siuslaw Bank, Coldwell Banker/Coast Real Estate, Best Western Pier Point Inn, Red Rose Catering, Coast Insurance, and Dutch Bros.

Prize Donors were Abby's Pizza, Bay Street Grille, Drift Inn (Yachats), Mill Casino, Oregon Coast Magazine, Mo's (Newport), Sandpines, King Estate, Ocean Dunes, Agate Beach Golf, Watson Ranch Golf, Oregon Coast Aquarium, 3-2-1 Video, Sandmaster Park, The Archives, Big 5 Sporting Goods, Camp Florence, Umpqua Resort, Trysting Tree Golf Course, Portland Trailblazers, Sandland Adventures, Dutch Bros, and Grocery Outlet. We could not have made the event possible without the help of staff at Sandpines, our dedicated event volunteers, Cherie Martin, Ilse Bax, Lori Oltman and Rob Long, and our staff, Bob Teter, Marie Hickman, Pamela Long and Charie Koslov. Please thank these businesses and individuals when you see them.

## Volunteer Spotlight



We would like you to meet one of our long standing volunteers, Jeanne Kimball. She and her husband, Charlie, have been actively volunteering in Florence for the past 22 years and Jeanne currently volunteers with Peace Health, Friends of the

Library and Siuslaw Outreach Services. She started out with SOS over 14 years ago by working at the front desk and assisting with various events and projects, and now she compiles statistics for various reports. Jeanne always brings with her a beautiful smile and a cheerful presence. Thank you,

Jeanne, and thank you to all our other volunteers, Alex, Alice, Annie, Becki, Cheri, Ilse, Laurel, Lailia, Lina, Lori, Meg, Mary Ellen, Sharon, Steve, and Paul. You're amazing. If you would like to be a part of our loyal volunteer team, please call Charie at 541-997-2816, Ext. 15, or stop by for a visit.

## Welcome To The Team: Sharon & Jane

Siuslaw Outreach Services is proud to announce two new additions to the SOS Board of Directors.

**Sharon Stiles** brings twenty-five years of experience in the areas of human resources management, mediation, employee relations, and equal employment opportunity. Her employment experience includes the Army Corps of Engineers, U.S. Navy, and the U.S. Army in locations such as Cuba, Washington, Belgium, and San Diego. She is a graduate of Southern Illinois University, Silverdale, Washing-

ton, and Army Management Staff College, Ft. Belvoir, Virginia.

From 2002-2010 she was a presenter and facilitator for many Florence area businesses and organizations such as The City of Florence, Peacehealth Hospital, Chamber of Commerce, Board of Realtors, Rotary, Western Lane Emergency Response Team, and Three Rivers Hotel and Casino. More recently, Ms. Stiles was elected Chair of the Board of Trustees for Lane Community College.

**Jane Yecny** grew up in a small town in Montana and moved to Oregon in the 1970s where she graduated from the University of Portland with a degree in communications. She and her husband Rick have lived in Florence since 1982, where they raised their two daughters.

Jane has served as a Siuslaw Public Library Board Member since 2010 and enjoys volunteering for the library, the Siuslaw School District and Florence's Relay for Life. She has been a member of Delta Gamma, a

local philanthropic organization for over 25 years. When she's not volunteering, Jane enjoys reading, walking, travel and spending time with her family.

The board, staff, and volunteers of SOS are very excited to have both Sharon and Jane join the organization.

# The Outreach

A Newsletter from Siuslaw Outreach Services

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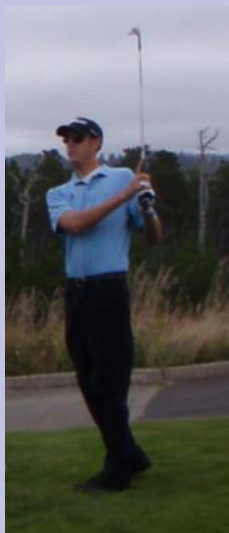
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## A Call To Artists

Get out your pointy brush-  
es and think small!

Siuslaw Outreach Services is calling artists to it's Small Images Art Show and Silent Auction. This will be a fundraiser for SOS held during the entire month of October at Silver Lining Boutique & Gallery. October is National Domestic Violence Awareness month. Images are entirely of the artists' choosing with a maximum size of 40 square inches (example 5"x8"). Framed pieces are preferred but all will be accepted. Small 3-D pieces such as sculptures, ceramics, crafts or photos are also welcome.

Those who wish to donate are asked to bring their artwork to Siuslaw Outreach Services at 1576 12th Street in Florence between 9 am and 4 pm Monday through Friday. SOS is asking artists to submit their art no later than October 2nd. The artwork



can be viewed at Silver Lining Boutique, located at 2217 Hwy 101 between noon and 4pm, Monday through Saturday beginning October 2nd. Bids will be accepted though Wednesday October 31st. Winning bidders will be notified the next day.

A special reception will be held at Silver Lining Boutique for the artists and supporters of SOS on Saturday, October 13th from 3pm to 5pm.

Funds raised will be used to provide services to victims of domestic violence. Each year, SOS staff respond to more than 150 incidents of domestic violence each year as well as provide safe havens for those escaping domestic violence.

## October: Domestic Violence Awareness Month



*During Domestic Violence Awareness Month, we recognize the significant achievements we have made in reducing domestic violence in America, and we commit ourselves to the important work still before us. Despite tremendous progress, an average of three women in America die as a result of domestic violence every day. One in four women and one in thirteen men will experience domestic violence in their lifetime. These statistics are even more sobering when we consider that*

*domestic violence often goes unreported. Young women are among the most vulnerable, suffering the highest rates of intimate partner violence. Exposure to domestic violence puts our young men and women in danger of long-term physical, psychological, and emotional harm. Children who experience domestic violence are at a higher risk for failure in school, emotional disorders, and substance abuse, and are more likely to perpetuate the cycle of domestic violence themselves later in life.*

At Siuslaw Outreach Services, we know all too well the impact of this issue locally. Each year SOS responds to more than 150 acts of domestic violence. SOS provides advocacy services to victims of domestic violence which include after-hours responses to calls from police/hospital; a 24 hour crisis line; individualized services; a shelter home; assistance with protective orders; education and awareness; a women's empowerment group, and information and referral.



## This Is Jill's Story...

Last year SOS saved me. It was around Christmas last year. I was a single mother of two with another on the way. I had left my physically and emotionally abusive boyfriend and was now on my own with no clue what to do. Things had gotten so tough being homeless, I thought it was worth going

back to him and taking the abuse just to put a roof over my children's head and food in their belly. On Christmas Eve, he got to drinking and beat me one too many times. I packed up the kids and went to the Police station scared and seeking some kind of refuge. The Police called an advocate from

SOS. She met me at the Police station late that night, helped me think things through and provided shelter for a few nights. In the days to come, she and another staff member helped me develop better parenting skills, assisted me in going back to school and helped me get into low income housing.

I have since found work out of state and am reconnected with several relatives. I am stable. My kids are happy and safe. The staff tell me I made it happen. I know I could not have done it without them.

## Mary Kay Foundation Gives \$20,000 To SOS

In observation of Domestic Violence Awareness Month in October, The Mary Kay Foundation<sup>SM</sup> awards \$20,000 grants to more than 150 domestic violence shelters across the country for a total of \$3 million.

Siuslaw Outreach Services will use the grant to provide critical support for its Hope House shelter. The home has a number of repairs needed as well as replacement of many old appliances. A special landscaped play area for children will be added along with outdoor play equipment. A number of security upgrades are also budgeted, along with some basic operations costs.

"We have been very hopeful that we would receive this grant because the shelter really needs these repairs and upgrades" said Executive Director David Wiegan. "Our budget is very tight and we have not been able to come up with the resources to do this before. We are really excited about making our shelter one of the best in Oregon, especially since October is National Domestic Violence Awareness Month."

Siuslaw Outreach Services provides advocacy to victims of domestic violence/sexual assaults; low income housing and energy assistance; emergency aid vouchers; a 24 hour crisis line; a women's empowerment group; and a variety of classes on financial

management and parenting skills.

"The Mary Kay Foundation<sup>SM</sup> is committed to breaking the cycle of domestic violence," said Anne Crews, Mary Kay Inc. Vice President of Government Relations and board member for The Mary Kay Foundation<sup>SM</sup>. "Through our grants, we honor and support shelters across the country that are having a profound impact for women and children in their communities. Since 2000, we have granted \$31 million to help domestic violence shelters meet their critical needs and support their ongoing community efforts."

The Mary Kay Foundation<sup>SM</sup> was created in 1996, and its mission is

two-fold: to fund research of cancers affecting women and to help prevent domestic violence while raising awareness of the issue. Since the Foundation's inception, it has awarded nearly \$31 million to shelters and programs addressing domestic violence prevention and more than \$18 million to cancer researchers and related causes throughout the United States. To learn more about The Mary Kay Foundation<sup>SM</sup>, visit [marykayfoundation.org](http://marykayfoundation.org) or call 1-877-MKCARES (652-2737).



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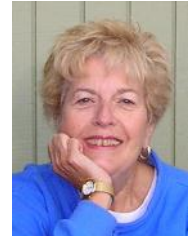
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