

U.S. Coast Guard



Station Siuslaw River



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UNIT NAME:

USCG Station Siuslaw River

PERSONAL MAILING ADDRESS:

“Members Name”
US Coast Guard
Station Siuslaw River
4255 Coast Guard Road
Florence, Oregon 97439

WELCOME ABOARD PACKAGES: Will be sent to incoming members either in Cape May or to their leave address upon verification of graduation date and report date.

SPONSOR & WELCOME ABOARD INFO: Sponsor and welcome aboard information is sent to Training Center Cape May's public bulletin board via email. Graduating recruits are assigned sponsors included in the email, along with all other contact information and telephone numbers. When you call, ask for the name of your assigned sponsor.

COMMERCIAL PHONE: (541) 997-2486

FAX: (541) 902-7783

E-MAIL: Station Siuslaw River does not have a general information e-mail account. Each member of the Coast Guard has a personal e-mail account. Upon reporting aboard you will be required to set up your own account with the Local Systems Manager. Your assigned Sponsor will provide his/her e-mail address for contact.



UNIT MISSIONS: Search and Rescue, Maritime Law Enforcement, Marine Environmental Protection, Recreational Boating Safety, Port and Waterways Security, Living Marine Resources Protection, and many more.



TYPICAL SA/SN JOB ASSIGNMENT: Upon reporting aboard you will be assigned to the Deck Department. At this time your training will begin. With self-motivation and dedication you will easily accomplish the Certifications required of a Non-Rated member. These Certifications include Communications Watch-Stander, Motor Life Boat Crewman, and Boarding Team Member. A common phrase in the Coast Guard is “Train, Maintain and Operate”. You will learn to do all of these through hands-on experience. As an individual, first you will **train** to earn your Certifications. The Communications Watch Stander Certification is usually achieved in a 3 week period. The first week consists of training in the communications room from 0600 to 1400, and the second week training will commence from 1400 to 2200. For these first two weeks you will be considered a "Day Worker" and return home after your required training time slot is complete. The last week of training you will be assigned a duty section and stand port/starboard duty and complete your Watchstander Certification by the end of the third week. As a Coast Guard Watch Stander you are the eyes and ears of the Command. You are the first contact the boating public has with the Coast Guard. Whether on the telephone or on the VHF-FM radio your pride, professionalism and demeanor is extremely important in a distress situation. Your ability to remain calm and think clearly will be challenged in some very stressful situations. The 47' Motor Life Boat is the Coast Guard's primary Heavy Weather response asset. Capable of operating in 50-knot winds, 30-foot seas and 20-foot breaking surf, it is the backbone of our unit's Search and Rescue capabilities. Certification as a Crewman is usually accomplished in 180 days or less. You will become an expert in line handling, towing evolutions, navigation, personnel recovery operations, helicopter operations, first aid and especially **Teamwork**. A Coast Guard Boarding Team is responsible for Enforcing Laws and Treaties, Protecting Living Marine Resources and Educating Recreational Boaters. Certification as a Boarding Team Member is usually accomplished in 4 months or less after certifying as a Boat Crew Member. Certification will require you to exhibit a high level of Maturity, Responsibility and Judgment in carrying out these duties. **Maintaining** is a daily responsibility. Not only will you learn to use the equipment carried on board the Motor Life Boat, you will learn how to perform Preventive Maintenance as well. We never know which piece of equipment will be reached for to save the life of a civilian or one of our own crewmen. Every piece of equipment we carry needs to be ready at all times. Through Training and Maintenance we will be able to **Operate** in a professional

manner. We render assistance to hundreds of boaters each year, both directly through Search and Rescue operations and indirectly through boating education.



TYPICAL FA/FN JOB ASSIGNMENT:

As a Fireman or Fireman Apprentice, you will need to complete the same Certifications as the Deck Department Non-Rated Members. Communications Watch Stander, Motor Lifeboat Crewman and Boarding Team Member. You will then begin training as a Motor Life Boat Engineer. The position of Boat Engineer is an extremely important part of a Team. The small boat engineer is second in command to the Coxswain. You will be

responsible for the many systems aboard the MLB. These include the Detroit Diesel Electronic Control system, The Raytheon Electronics system, the fuel system, the cooling system, the Reintjes Reduction Gears, and the fire suppression system, among others. You will become an expert in Casualty Control and Rescue and Assistance. Certification as a Motor Life Boat Engineer is usually achieved in 90 days or less. Upon MLB Engineer Certification you may begin working towards Engineer of the Watch (EOW) Certification. The EOW is responsible for the many systems on-board the station. These include the Fire Warning System, the Fuel system, the Electrical system and Emergency Power system, water and waste systems. You will be involved, daily, in maintenance and repair of the units Motor Life Boats.

WHAT TYPE OF DUTY WILL I STAND: Typically the Station Crew stands a Port and Starboard Duty rotation with sliding weekends. This means that you will stand two days of duty, have two days of Liberty and work every-other weekend. Recall is a period of time that you still remain on duty, but may stand duty from your home. A reliable phone or communication device is required to be able to do so. During periods of recall you will be required to remain within 15 minutes of the Station. The recall crew is also known as “Second Boat”, because that is exactly what you are responsible for; launching the Second Boat in cases requiring response across a breaking bar.

SPECIAL PROCEDURES FOR REPORTING AFTER HOURS: None, but it is recommended to report during regular working hours between 0800 and 1600 Monday through Friday.

UNIFORM NORMALLY WORN DURING THE WORKDAY: Operational Dress Uniform (ODU’s) with steel toe work boots and unit ball caps.

RECOMMENDED UNIFORM ITEMS IN ADDITION TO SEABAG ISSUE: None. There are no optional uniform items authorized for wear aboard Station Siuslaw River.

HOW MUCH PERSONAL STORAGE SPACE IS AVAILABLE FOR MY BELONGINGS: Since there is no Unaccompanied Personnel Housing (UPH) at Station

Siuslaw River, there is no storage space for your personal belongings. Each member is required to acquire adequate housing which is covered more in depth below.

WHO IS THE MUTUAL ASSISTANCE REPRESENTATIVE: All Mutual Assistance requests are submitted through the unit Executive Petty Officer. The unit XPO is BMCS Bretz and he can be reached at (541) 997-2486

AVERAGE TEMPERATURE:

SUMMER: 69

WINTER: 37

Rainfall averages 76 inches per year.

WHAT TYPE OF CONTINUING EDUCATION IS AVAILABLE IN THE AREA:

Lane County Community College holds courses on board Station Siuslaw River. Lane County Community College also has a satellite campus at 3149 Oak Street, Florence Oregon. (541) 997-8444.

RATINGS PRESENT AT UNIT: Boatswains Mate, Machinery Technician, Food Service Specialist and Store Keeper.

NAME OF NEAREST CITY AND DISTANCE: Eugene, Oregon is located approximately 66 miles from Florence. Eugene is the third largest city and boasts the second largest metropolitan population in the state of Oregon. It is located at the South end of the Willamette Valley at the confluence of the Mckenzie River and the Willamette River. As of July 1, 2003 the US Census Bureau estimated the population of Eugene to be 142,185.

NAME OF NEAREST MILITARY FACILITY AND DISTANCE: Coast Guard Group/Air Station North Bend is located approximately 49 miles south of Florence.

LOCATION OF NEAREST EXCHANGE AND COMMISARY: A small CG Exchange is located in North Bend, Oregon. The closest commissary is at Fort Lewis, Washington and is a 5 hour drive.

RELIGIOUS DENOMINATIONS IN THE AREA: There are several denominations represented in Florence. For a complete list visit the Florence Chamber of commerce at; <http://florencechamber.com/CL-Churches.html>.

UNIFORM TO REPORT IN: Between November 1st and March 31st, the Uniform is Service Dress Blue Bravo. Between April 1st and October 31st the Uniform is Tropical Blue Long.

IF YOUR SPONSOR IS NOT AVAILIBLE, YOU SHOULD ASK FOR: Your sponsor will be a member that stands duty. They may be on Liberty when you call. If this is the case, ask to speak to the Officer of the Day or the Senior Duty Officer. These

members will be able to answer most of your questions and will inform you when your sponsor will be on duty again. Make sure you leave your Name and Telephone number, especially if you are calling while on leave. The Officer of the Day will ensure that your sponsor is notified that you called and will give any special instructions.

ANY OTHER INFORMATION A NEWLY ARRIVING MEMBER SHOULD KNOW: Your tour of duty at Station Siuslaw River will be both challenging and rewarding. With the shallow depths of the Siuslaw River entrance, our bar breaks constantly throughout the fall and winter months and even into the spring. Between November and April is heavy weather season. It is common to encounter 14 to 16 foot breaking surf on the Bar. The unique environment in which we operate will teach you first hand about Operational Risk Management, Safety and Team Work.



On October 1, 2004 the station stood up after a decade of operating as a Station Small under Station Umpqua River. There are now a little over 30 members stationed here. There are two 47' Motor Life Boats and one 25' Response Boat Small. Florence is a small town. In the city the population is spread out with 16.8% under the age of 18, 5.0% from 18 to 24, 16.0% from 25 to 44, 23.9% from 45 to 64, and 38.2% who are 65 years of age or older. The median age is 56 years. In 2004 Florence was voted the #1 retirement community in America.



The town of Florence has a Private Commuter airport, 3 grocery stores, a McDonalds, a Taco Bell, Kentucky Fried Chicken, A&W Restaurant, a Pizza Hut, Dairy Queen, 4 Mexican Food Restaurants, a Bi-Mart, a Fred Meyers, a Movie Theater, and several small businesses. Old Town Florence offers river front dining, art galleries, antique and other shopping.

INFORMATION FOR MEMBERS WITH/WITHOUT DEPENDENTS

IS MESSING AVAILABLE: The unit galley is now serving members of the crew.

ARE QUARTERS AND OR BARRACKS AVAILABLE: Station Siuslaw River has 8 housing units on the station grounds. These units are for members with dependents only.

IS UNACCOMPANIED PERSONNEL LEASED HOUSING AVAILABLE: No. Basic Allowance for Housing is received by all members not living in Station Housing Units. There are several privately leased homes and apartments in the Florence area. Keep in mind that the Station Siuslaw River recall policy requires you to be on-board the station within 15 minutes of being recalled. Recall is usually granted to members who have completed all their required certifications, and must have a phone available at all times while in recall status. If you live 20 minutes away from the station and are granted recall you may be required to stay on-board the station during your recall period.

A simple solution is to ensure you find adequate housing within the city limits of Florence.

DO I QUALIFY FOR GOVERNMENT QUARTERS: If you have legal dependants, enrolled in D.E.E.R.'s, you qualify for government quarters.

HOW CAN I GET MOVED INTO BASE HOUSING:

Station Siuslaw River has a housing waiting list that is on a first come, first serve basis. If you meet the dependency requirements and you desire to put your name on the waiting list, notify your sponsor and your name will be added. You will need to find adequate housing for you and your family until a housing unit becomes available.

HOW LONG IS THE NORMAL WAITING PERIOD FOR HOUSING: There is no set waiting period. Housing availability is determined by vacancies created by members leaving for Class “A” Schools or Permanent Change of Station orders. It could be as little as a couple months, or as much as a year or two. Speak to your sponsor to determine the number of members on the waiting list and if there are any scheduled departures that would create an opening, but you should plan to live on the economy at first.

HOW CAN I FIND HOUSING IF I AM UNACCOMPANIED: There are several property management firms in Florence. These include:

Elson Shields Property Management 1287 Bay Florence, OR 97439 - 9648 (541) 997-6235
Action Realty 1720 Highway 101 Florence, OR 97439 - 9753 (541) 997-8277
Dolphin Property Management 508 Kingwood Florence, OR 97439 - 9302 (541) 997-7368

WHAT IS THE AVERAGE COST OF A TWO BEDROOM APARTMENT: As with any Coastal Town, the rates are seasonal. The normal, year round, apartment rental is approximately \$600.00- \$700.00 a month. Basic Allowance for Housing (BAH) for an E2 or E3 with Zero Dependents is \$741.00 a month.

WHAT SHOULD I KNOW BEFORE RENTING OR LEASING A HOME: In Oregon the tenant is responsible to pay for all Services. You will be required to supply your own water service, trash removal, electricity, telephone, television and Internet services. A telephone is required to meet the Stations Recall policy. A Land Line or Cellular telephone meets the requirement. Provided is a Frequently Asked Questions section of Oregon State Landlord-Tenant Law:

<http://www.efn.org/~fairhous/eng/legalres/oregon/orlltleng.html>

DO I HAVE TO HAVE OREGON REGISTRATION AND DRIVERS LICENSE: Some Lien Holders, Leasing Firms and Insurance Companies require State of Garaging/Use registration. Generally if your State of Legal Residence, block 37 of your L.E.S., matches your current registration you will be considered a temporary resident of Oregon and will not need to register your vehicle here. However, check with your primary Lien Holder or Insurance Company, explain your situation and follow their requirements. For more info: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/DMV/>

WHERE WILL OUR CHILDREN GO TO SCHOOL:

Rhododendron Primary is located at 2221 Oak Street, approximately 3 miles from the Station. They can be reached at **997-2514 or 997-8016**. They also have a web site with interactive calendars, upcoming events, and web-based summer projects for children, points of contact and more at: <http://www.siuslaw.k12.or.us/primary/index.html>.

Siuslaw Elementary School is located at 2151 Oak Street. They can be reached at 997-2070 or 997-2339. They also have a very informative web site at: <http://www.siuslaw.k12.or.us/elementary/index.html>

Siuslaw Middle School is located at 2525 Oak Street. They can be reached at **997-8241**. Their web site is available at: <http://www.siuslaw.k12.or.us/sms/index.php>.

Siuslaw High School is located at 2975 Oak Street. They can be reached at **997-3448**. Their web site is available at: <http://www.siuslaw.k12.or.us/shs/index.html>

All of the Siuslaw schools are located on the same street and are very close to the station. Bus service is available to and from school and the children are picked up on the corner of Rhododendron and Coast Guard Avenue.

CAN WE BRING OUR PETS WITH US: Pets are allowed in Base Housing but there are some guidelines to follow. You are allowed a maximum of two dogs or two cats, or one of each. If you do have a dog, you're required to have the animal on a leash at all times while walking it, or outside of your dwelling. You shall not leave your dog unattended outside of your fenced yard. The pet is required to be registered in the State of Oregon. To register a pet in Oregon you must have proof of current rabies vaccination. Registration can be done at the Florence Humane Society located less than 2 miles from the station or at one of the local veterinarian's offices. Registration includes tags for your pet's collar and is \$19 for three years.

WHERE IS THE POST OFFICE LOCATED: The Florence Post Office is located at 770 Maple Street. The number is (541) 997-9406.

HOW CAN I CONTACT THE CITY HALL OFFICES FOR INFORMATION: The Florence City Hall offices are located at 250 Highway 101 in Florence. The general information phone number is (541) 997-3437.

WHO DO I CALL IN CASE OF AN EMERGENCY: If you have a Police, Fire or Medical emergency dial **911**. For non-emergency situations you can reach them at:

Florence Police Department: (541) 997-3515 located at 900 Greenwood St, Florence

Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue: (541) 997-3212 located at 2625 Highway 101, Florence

WHAT TYPE OF HEALTH CARE IS IN THE AREA:



Peace Harbor Hospital is a full-service, 21-bed acute care facility and Level IV Trauma Center. Peace Harbor provides a range of services to residents and visitors in western Lane County, including emergency and inpatient medical and surgical services, intensive and cardiac care services, labor and delivery, and state-of-the-art diagnostic and therapeutic services.

The medical staff includes more than 60 resident and visiting physicians representing 17 medical and surgical specialties. (541) 997-8412 (front desk/switchboard)



Recently the crew of Station Siuslaw River helped to raise over \$1000.00 for the establishment of a Maternity Ward at the Peace Harbor Hospital.

Health Associates of Peace Harbor is a multi-specialty medical group of physicians and allied professionals, including a midwife and nurse practitioners. Health Associates' services include primary care, women's and children's health care (including obstetrics), and orthopedic and general surgery.

- Health Associates Primary Care Building
380 Ninth St.
(541) 997-7134
[Physicians at this clinic](#)
- Siuslaw Surgical
330 Ninth St.
(541) 997-2820
[Physicians at this clinic](#)
- Orthopedic Surgery
530 Ninth St.
(541) 997-7104
[Physicians at this clinic](#)
- Hospice & Home Health
310 Ninth St.
(541) 997-3418
- Visiting Specialists Clinic
340 Ninth St.
- Counseling Service
340 Ninth St.
(541) 902-0408

WHAT TYPE OF MEDICAL INSURANCE WILL I BE USING FOR MY FAMILY: All members of Station Siuslaw River qualify for and receive medical care via Tricare Triwest Prime Remote at the Peace Harbor Hospital and Peace Harbor Health Associates here in town.

IS DENTAL PROVIDED IN FLORENCE: Dental insurance is handled by United Concordia and there is one Dental Office in town that accepts this insurance. You may have your teeth cleaned 2 times a year and an annual check up is required and is done at the North Bend Clinic.

WHERE CAN WE GET OUR PRESCRIPTIONS FILLED:

Rite Aid Pharmacy is located at 1310 Highway 101 Florence, OR 97439. Their phone number is (541) 997-2861.

Fred Meyers is a Grocery and department store. They are located at 4701 Highway 101 in Florence. Their pharmacy can be reached directly at (541) 902-7333.

Bi-Mart will accept Tri Care Prime and is located at 4310 Highway 101 in Florence. The pharmacy number is (541) 997-3099. Bi-Mart requires a membership to shop in their store. The cost of this membership is \$5 and is good for life. They are a discount department store.

Safeway is a grocery store and pharmacy. They are located at 700 Highway 101 in Florence. The pharmacy number is (541) 997-2513.

WHERE DO MOST PEOPLE BANK: Local Banks include:

Oregon First Community Credit Union 2077 Highway 101 Florence, OR 97439 - 9723 (541) 902-9599
Oregon Pacific Banking Co Main Office 1355 Highway 101 Florence, OR 97439 - 9619 (541) 997-7121
Siuslaw Bank Florence Office 777 Highway 101 Florence, OR 97439 - 9647 (541) 997-3486
Sterling Savings Bank

430 Highway 101
Florence, OR 97439 - 7635
(541) 997-3431

U S BANK

U S Bank Florence OR Office Branch Offices Florence
2300 N Hwy 101
Florence, OR 97439 - 9705
(541) 997-5151

WASHINGTON FEDERAL SAVINGS

Washington Federal Savings
620 Highway 101
Florence, OR 97439 - 7616

IS THERE A MALL IN THE AREA: The closest mall is the Valley River Center, which is approximately 69 miles away in Eugene, Oregon. There is a Target and a Wal-Mart located 54 miles from the station in Eugene, Oregon. A Best Buy, Circuit City, Sears, JC Penny, and other stores are located in the Gateway Mall. Normal driving time to the Gateway Mall is approximately 1hr 40mn. Target and Wal-Mart are approximately a 1hr 10mn drive.

WHAT TELEVISION SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE: There are Cable and Satellite Television services available.

- **American Satellite & Entertainment @ (800) 909-7343**
<http://www.americansatellite.com>
- **DIRECTV @ (888) 866-3008**
[DIRECTV](http://www.directv.com)
- **Eagle Satellite @ (888) 565-6064**
[From \\$29.95/Mo-Free Install-200+ Chanel](http://www.eaglesatellite.com)
- **Qwest Digital TV @ (800) 528-6188**
[Better service,simpler plans,more value](http://www.qwest.com)
- **Direct Digital TV @ (800) 620-2602**
- **Charter Communications @ (866) 731-5420**
<http://www.charter.net/>

WHAT TELEPHONE SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE: The following is a list of Land Line Service providers for the Florence area:

McLeodUSA Phone & Data Services

(800) 393-1413

Preferred Connections Inc NW
(541) 902-1999

Qwest
Bellevue, WA 98004 - 5514
(800) 244-1111

SPRINT

Sprint Personal Customer Service
(800) 877-4646

Sprint Personal Sales
(800) 877-7746

Sprint Business Sales & Service Business Sales & Service
(800) 877-2000

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(800) 877-2000

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(800) 877-4646

Sprint Personal Sales
(800) 877-7746

WHAT CELLULAR TELEPHONE SERVICES ARE AVAILABLE: Verizon Wireless, Sprint and Cingular Wireless (including AT&T) have reception in Florence. **Note:** if you have Nextel service, it will not work in Florence.

AM I REQUIRED TO HAVE A CELLULAR PHONE: A cellular phone is not required in the performance of your duties. However, during recall situations, you will need to be able to be reached on a telephone to meet the 15-minute recall policy. Be aware, if you decide to purchase a cellular telephone and a service plan, that the Coast Guard will not pay for this service and any early termination fees associated with your contract are not covered under the Soldiers and Sailors Act. For more information of the SSCRA:

<http://usmilitary.about.com/cs/sscra/a/sscra.htm>

ARE THERE CHILD CARE SERVICES IN FLORENCE: Included is a list of Day Care Providers in Florence:

Serendipity Day Care Florence, OR 97439 - 9412 (541) 997-9297	ABC Day Care Florence, OR 97439-9412 (541) 902-8979
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LINKS OF INTEREST: <http://www.coastguardfamily.org/Sitemap.htm>

FLORENCE SOUNDS REALLY SMALL, IS THERE ANYTHING FOR ME TO DO ON MY LIBERTY TIME: There are plenty of opportunities for recreation in Florence and the surrounding areas. For instance:

SEA LION CAVES: Located 11 miles north of Florence on highway 101. The “sea lion caves” is the world's largest sea cave. Formation of the cavern began about 25 million years ago. It now soars to the height of a 12-story building and stretches the length of a football field. Sea lions gather in this natural amphitheater, usually during fall and winter. In spring and summer, they breed and have their young on rock ledges just outside the cave. The caves are a world famous attraction and the only of their kind. Please visit their web site for more information. <http://www.sealioncaves.com/2root/index.html>



Oregon Dunes National Recreation

Area: The dunes stretch for 40 miles along the Oregon Coast. They begin in Florence and stretch to

ling in for a weekend on the -rails and dune buggies travel through Florence on their way to one of the many “OHV” (Off Highway Vehicle) areas. There are numerous campgrounds, hiking trails, boat launch sites, and picnicking areas. Visit the Oregon Dunes NRA web site at: <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/siuslaw/>



SAND MASTER

Located just north of Old Town Florence, Sand Master Park is the only Sand Boarding facility in the United States. Open 7 days a week during the

summer and 6 days a week in the winter. They host National Sand Board riding events as well as live bands. Visit their web site at: <http://www.sandmasterpark.com/#>



Sand Land Adventures and Family Fun Center is located 3 miles South of Florence. They offer Dune Buggy, Long Buggy, Group Tours, Go Karts, Miniature Golf, Bumper Boats, and a Train Ride all in one location. Please visit their web site for more information: <http://www.sandland.com/default.htm>



The **Siuslaw Pioneer Museum** is located one mile south of the Old Town Bridge on Hwy 101. The Siuslaw Pioneer Museum displays relics and historical information featuring the Siuslaw River and its pioneers. Home life, farming, fishing, lumbering and transportation are shown in displays and pictures. Formerly a Lutheran Church, the museum is open every day except Monday. Please visit the Pioneer Museum website at http://florencechamber.com/RecAtt_PioneerM.htm to view a short slide show of the History of Florence.



Heceta Head Light House is located 15 miles north of Florence on HWY 101. Guided tours of the Lighthouse and Keepers quarters are given daily. Whales are often visible from the Keepers house as they scratch the barnacles from themselves on the rocks below. The lighthouse is a working lighthouse. From a height

of 205 feet above the ocean, it's "first order" Fresnel lens, casts its beams some 21 miles out to sea. It is the brightest light on the Oregon coast. It is said to be the most photographed lighthouse in the U.S. Today the Keepers Quarters is a working Bed and Breakfast.



The Highway 101 Bridge crosses the Siuslaw River in Old Town. The "Siuslaw Bridge" was finished in 1936. Up until that point a small ferry had carried passengers, livestock, wagons and automobiles back and forth across the river. Today the bridge is the focal point of Old Town.



C&M Stables is located 7 miles North of Florence on Hwy 101. They offer guided beach rides, morning adventure rides, ocean view trail rides, Half-day coast and dune rides and Sunset beach rides. They are open 7 days a week, from 10am to Dusk, year round. They offer boarding for horses and provide riding lessons, party facilities and even a Beach Sunset Ride with

Dinner served after. Please visit their web site at:
<http://www.oregonhorsebackriding.com/>



Three Rivers Casino

Three Rivers Casino is owned and operated by the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians. Located on the Central Oregon Coast at Florence in Lane County. This new facility, which is open 24 hours per day, has over 265 slot machines and a wide variety of your favorite progressive games. This is Oregon's first casino using state of the art ticket-in-ticket-out gaming machines.

They have comfortable, adjustable chairs with their signature footrests for your comfort. They also have six Blackjack tables. The onsite restaurant, Prime Steakhouse, offers fresh seafood, prime cuts of meat, lovely salads and mouthwatering deserts. **Aces Sports Bar** has many TVs. They also offer a snack bar, the Winners

Express. Quick bites for those famished players on the go. Three Rivers Casino staff has customer satisfaction first and foremost. In fact, if anything can make your experience more enjoyable, feel free to ask and they will do their best to accommodate you.

Avalon Park Pitch and Putt



Avalon Park Pitch and Putt is located 2 miles South of Florence on Highway 101 South. There are 9 holes situated on 6.2 Acres. Each hole is a challenging Par 3 with distances ranging from 40 to 70 yards. Admission is \$10 per person with monthly membership available for \$35 offering unlimited play. Drinks and snacks are available. Clubs and balls are included in the admission, or bring your own. 10am to dusk, Daily.
(541) 997-1590

WHAT IS THE TOWN OF FLORENCE REALLY LIKE: If you are transferring here from a large city, you are in for a very pleasant surprise. There is a saying in Florence; **“No one is in a hurry here”**. They really mean it. Very few business’ here have a web site and most have only a single phone line. Proprietors would rather do business face to face and conclude with a handshake. Even the fast food drive through attendant will take the time to ask how you’re doing, and actually want to hear your answer. If you enjoy hunting, fishing, hiking, camping, and other outdoor activities, you will really enjoy the Pacific Northwest. The people here are friendly and the Station has invested much time and effort in establishing a good relationship with the community. Each year Station Personnel participate in the Flags Across America program, we march in the Rhododendron parade, Post the Colors at several functions and hold fundraisers for several charitable organizations.

IS THERE A JUNIOR MEMBER OF THE CREW THAT CAN DESCRIBE THE AREA AND JOB DESCRIPTION TO ME:

SN Chantal Newell; Station Siuslaw River serves multiple purposes for the town of Florence, Oregon and the Pacific coast line in the stations area of response. The primary

duties of the crew at Station Siuslaw River are to maintain a constant watch of the Siuslaw river bar and to perform search and rescue. The bar can create hazardous conditions for public boaters and commercial fisherman. The station allows the bar to remain open to the boating public or closed for safety purposes. In the incident when a distressed vessel needs immediate assistance, the station is able to respond in heavy weather conditions across the bar and outbound into the ocean. The 47' motor life boats that the station operates is the primary means of search and rescue.

The duties inland on the Siuslaw River also include boarding other vessels to verify that all boating regulations are followed. Boarding's can be conducted along side a vessel or on the old town docks. The station can respond to distress calls or non distress calls as far upriver as the town of Mapleton, in this case the station will use the Response Boat-small to report upriver to Mapleton.

When the crew is not responding to search and rescue or law enforcement needs, the stations trains its members for all aspects of search and rescue and law enforcement. Training is critical to the effectiveness of the station and its response.

The area of operation for Station Siuslaw River consists of many land marks such as Cape Perpetua, Heceda head lighthouse, the Siuslaw River entrance buoy and the Siltcoos River. The Siuslaw River consists of buoy's and day boards for the safe navigation through the river. The 101 bridge is upriver and is able to be raised with appropriate notice, a boat ramp and docks are available to the public just past 101 the bridge.

There are two duty sections at the station that rotate shifts to keep a well rested crew ready to respond to any situation at any time. The station itself has a galley to keep the crew fed, a workout room and male and female berthing rooms. There are eight housing units on station and a basketball court.