

LEARNING AT THE LIBRARY

Newport Public Library is celebrating its 100th birthday with a new, yearlong series focusing on the history of different partner organizations in Lincoln County.

The series will kick off on Wednesday, Sept. 18, with a presentation by Regina Martinez, the City of Newport's emergency preparedness coordinator, to coincide with National Preparedness

Month.

"Disaster can strike at any time.

Whether it's a house fire or an earthquake, a single disaster can change your physical, emotional and financial health in a matter of seconds," Martinez said. "During this program, learn about family preparedness, what goes in a go-bag, what goes in your car, how to

prepare a family on a budget and how to stay informed with what is happening in Newport."

Martinez has worked in emergency management for more than 10 years and has been in Newport for the past two. She recently graduated with her associate's degree in Emergency Management and graduated in July 2019

from FEMA's Emergency Manager Academy in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

The presentation, which is free and open to all, will run from from 6 to 7 pm in the McEntee Meeting Room of the Newport Public Library, 35 NW Nye Street.

For more information, go to www.newportlibrary.org or call 541-265-2153.

Stay current on electric cars

Lincoln City's Bijou Theatre will give a jump start to National Drive Electric Week this Saturday, Sept. 14, with a free screening of "Revenge of the Electric Car," sponsored by Pacific Power.

Bloomberg Technology projects that by 2025, one of every six cars sold will be electric. How did this happen — and why? In "Revenge of the Electric Car," filmmaker Chris Paine documents the race to mass-produce electric cars, from Tesla's struggles to launch the groundbreaking Roadster to Chevy and Nissan's stunning surge into the electric vehicle global market.

The movie begins at 11 am at the Bijou Theatre, 1624 NE Hwy. 101. Tickets are available for pickup at the Bijou box office from 1:30 to 9 pm daily.

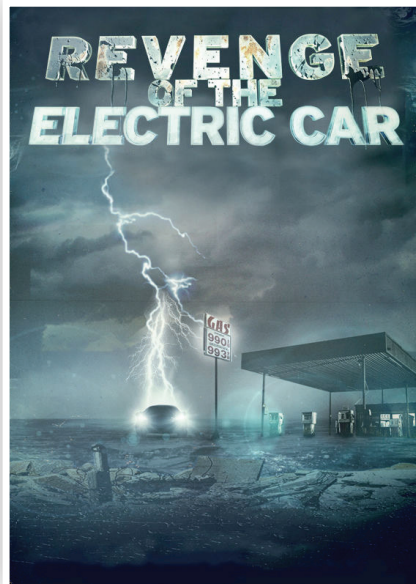
On the same day as the screening, a wide variety of electric cars will be on display at the Cruisin' the Bay Car Show in Taft. From 9 am to 2 pm, guests can check out models including the new Kia Niro, Honda Clarity, Smart Fortwo and many more. Test drives will be offered in a Tesla Model X, Tesla Model 3, BMW i3, and the restyled Nissan LEAF in

a pressure-free environment — no car dealerships will be in attendance.

"Events like this are a great way for people to discover how easy and affordable it is to drive electric — and how fun these cars are to drive," said Cory Scott, Pacific Power's director of customer solutions. "We encourage people to come to the electric car show either before the movie or afterward to test drive an electric car, and to see the wide variety of electric cars on the market today."

"There are hundreds of electric cars registered to Oregon Coast residents," said Cruisin' the Bay's volunteer coordinator Debbie Jimmerson. "Many people don't know that because a majority of electric cars look like gas-powered vehicles. But electric cars are much quieter and are cheaper to drive and maintain, and with more torque, they are quicker than gas-powered vehicles. Even more importantly, driving electric reduces air pollution."

Cruisin' the Bay will run from 9 am to 2 pm next to The Bay House Restaurant at 5911 SW Hwy. 101.



'Hippies' tell their story

Residents of Tenmile Creek will tell the story of how they faced off against developers and won in "Just a Bunch of Hippies," a Saturday, Sept. 14, presentation at Newport's Pacific Maritime Heritage Center.

In 1981, a developer bought 186 acres on the coast south of Yachats with the aim of building a resort on the property. A diverse community living along Tenmile Creek Road, Big Creek Road, Yachats, the Yachats River Valley and surrounding areas, came together to testify against the development at a public hearing. Dismissed by the developer as "just a bunch of hippies" the Tenmile community found themselves united by a common goal — stopping development of this wild, scenic part of the Oregon Coast.

For the next 35 years, these "hippies" fought against the development with every legal means at their disposal. Leadership came from Tom Smith, a fisheries biologist with many years of experience working with environmental organizations, but the young people who had moved to the area in the 1970s contributed a surprising

range of skills, as well as dedication. Many continued to have careers or pursue volunteer opportunities that impacted the natural environment and the culture and arts of the Central Oregon Coast.

Several members of the "Greater Tenmile Community" will join Andrea Scharf, author of "Saving Big Creek," the story of the campaign against the resort, to talk about their experiences — what drew them to the Central Oregon Coast, how they built community, learned new survival skills and what resulted from their participation in the effort to save Big Creek.

Saturday's presentation, will start at 2 pm in the new Doerfler Family Theater at the Pacific Maritime Heritage Center, 333 SE Bay Blvd. Audience participation is welcome. Copies of "Saving Big Creek" will be available for purchase.

Admission is \$5, but free for members and children aged 12 and under. Parking is available at the top of the hill adjacent to the museum.

For more information, call 541-265-7509.

