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Joanne Rideout is the news director at KMUN

Women leaders raise their voices

ASTORIA — The American Association of University Women (AAUW) Astoria Branch begins the new year with the forum “Voices of Leadership,” to be held at the Astoria Library 5:30 to 6:30 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 16.

The event features Liane Donovan, Astoria High School assistant principal; Tiffany Mitchell, co-organizer of Indivisible North Coast Oregon; Joanne Rideout, KMUN news director; and Kathleen Sullivan, a Clatsop County commissioner.

Donovan received bachelor's and master's degrees in mathematics and mathematical education from Arizona State University. She has taught high school classes for more than a decade.

Mitchell co-organizes Indivisible, an organization



Liane
Donovan

whose goal is to defend democracy by opposing authoritarianism, bigotry and corruption.

For seven years, Rideout has been the KMUN station manager and is now the news director. Rideout is the recognizable voice of the “Columbia River Ship Report.”

Sullivan graduated from Michigan State University at Hamline. She served on the Astoria Budget Committee and helped rebuild



Tiffany
Mitchell

the Pioneer Shelter at Camp Kiwanilong.

Representing diverse backgrounds and professions, these leaders will discuss their leadership style, the challenges in their role, how those challenges are met and how the public can understand their roles.

The presentation is free and open to the public. Light refreshments will be served. For more information, contact Jan Nybakke at 503-325-4592.



Kathleen
Sullivan

On death and dying

CANNON BEACH — What do we think about when we think of dying? When we think about our own dying, what do we want most?

Death is part of the human experience. All of us have experienced loss, and all of us will die one day. Yet conversations about death and dying are difficult and often avoided, even with our closest family members and friends.

This is the focus of “Talking about Dying,” a free conversation with Jennifer Sasser 4 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, at the Cannon Beach History Center & Museum. This program, sponsored by Oregon Humanities, provides an opportunity for participants to hear perspectives and ideas from fellow community members.

Facilitators of “Talking about Dying” discussions are trained professionals working in the fields of



COURTESY CANNON BEACH HISTORY CENTER & MUSEUM

Jennifer Sasser, the facilitator of “Talking about Dying” at Cannon Beach History Center & Museum

chaplaincy, counseling, gerontology, facilitation and hospice care in Oregon.

Through the Conversation Project, Oregon Humanities offers free programs that engage community members in thoughtful, challenging conversations

about ideas critical to our daily lives and our state's future.

For more information about this free community discussion, please contact Elaine Trucke at 503-436-9301 or elaine@cbhistory.org.

Salty Talk: A life on the high seas

ILWACO, WASH. — Mariner and shipboard naturalist Bette Lu Krause will give a Salty Talks presentation about her adventures on the high seas 6:30 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 18, at the Salt Hotel & Pub.

The event is free to the public. Those wanting to grab dinner or a beverage can come early or stay late. Seating is limited. No reservations are required.

“In 1976, when I was 24, I ran off to sea,” Krause said. “That began a 20-year career as a Merchant Marine.”

During her long career, Krause traveled the world

as an able-bodied seaman, received her big ship license, sailed as a tugboat captain and worked for Linblad Expeditions.

She has piloted a ship up and down the Columbia at least 50 or 60 times, she said, from Astoria, up as far as Clarkson and back. “Every trip is a story in itself.”

Salty Talk presentations are located upstairs in the Salt Hotel and Pub (147 Howerton Ave.) on the Ilwaco waterfront.

Salty Talks are held in partnership with the Salt Pub & Hotel, Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum,



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Bette Lu Krause

and Washington State Parks and Recreation Commission, with support from Friends of Columbia River Gateway.

The Columbia Pacific Heritage Museum is located at 115 S.E. Lake St. in Ilwaco. Museum hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday. Admission is free on Thursdays thanks to the Port of Ilwaco.