

Celebrate the squid

MANZANITA – Celebrate the newest edition of the ‘North Coast Squid Journal of Writing and Art’ at the annual Squid launch party, happening at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2 at the Hoffman Center for the Arts, 594 Laneda Ave. This is a free event.

The literary magazine offers local writers and artists — as well as those with strong connections to the North Coast — a way to share their work in print. This edition, with more pages and more color images than ever, features the work of 53 contributors.

The celebration will feature readings

by 10 authors, a gallery show of published artists and a cake displaying the cover of the latest journal.

The show will be on display at the Hoffman Center through November, and 15 of the artists who are published in the new issue of the North Coast Squid will be showing their work in the gallery during the month.

Copies will be available to purchase during gallery hours and in bookstores along the coast by mid-November.

For more information, contact 503-368-3846 or info@hoffmanarts.org

Club holds year’s final hike

ASTORIA – Join the Angora Hiking Club for their final hike of the year at 1 p.m. Wednesday, Nov. 6 around the Port of Astoria. This is a free expedition.

Participants should meet for this easy walk at the parking lot between 2nd and 3rd streets in Astoria, west of Burger King off Marine Drive. The route takes you under the Astoria-Megler Bridge, where you can take in the stunning views and the Maritime Memorial, which pays

tribute to the area’s seafaring history and locals lost at sea. Located just west of the bridge is the West Basin Marina at the Port of Astoria, home to hundreds of ships.

This walk is led by Marlene Colendich. RSVP with her at 503-325-8208 by Tuesday Nov. 5. All people are welcome, but dogs are not allowed on club hikes.

For more information, visit angorahikingclub.org

Emotion, expression, authentication

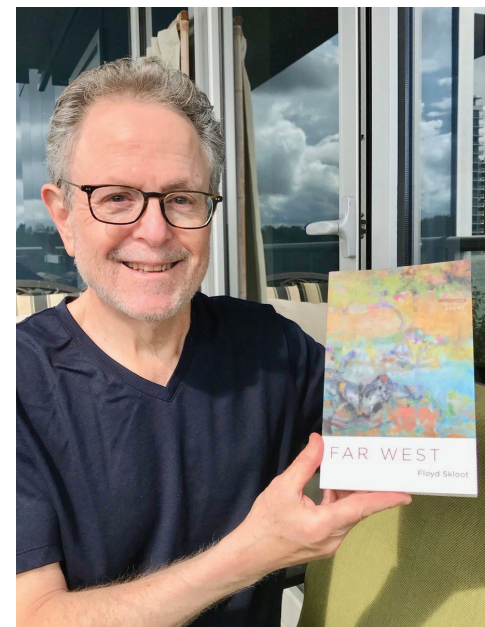
MANZANITA – The Manzanita Writers’ Series is delighted to welcome back Portland based poet Floyd Skloot, who will read from his latest collection, “Far West,” at 4 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 7 at the Hoffman Center for the Arts, 564 Laneda Ave. Tickets are \$7.

Skloot’s “Far West” intertwines the past and present as time alternates between racing and standing still. Skloot traces his moments of purest perception and expression: his wife practicing music, his daughter finding delight in the presence of wildlife, Vladimir Nabokov able to lose himself when playing goalie in a soccer match.

Poems range from traditional forms and short lyrics to longer narratives and free verse. Skloot explores how emotional experiences come together in the search for coherence and authentic self-expression.

His award-winning work has appeared in numerous publications, including The New York Times Magazine.

For more information, visit hoffmanarts.org/writing/manzanas-writers-series/



Floyd Skloot is a poet, creative nonfiction writer and novelist who will present his poems at the Hoffman Center for the Arts.

Go deep into faith, politics

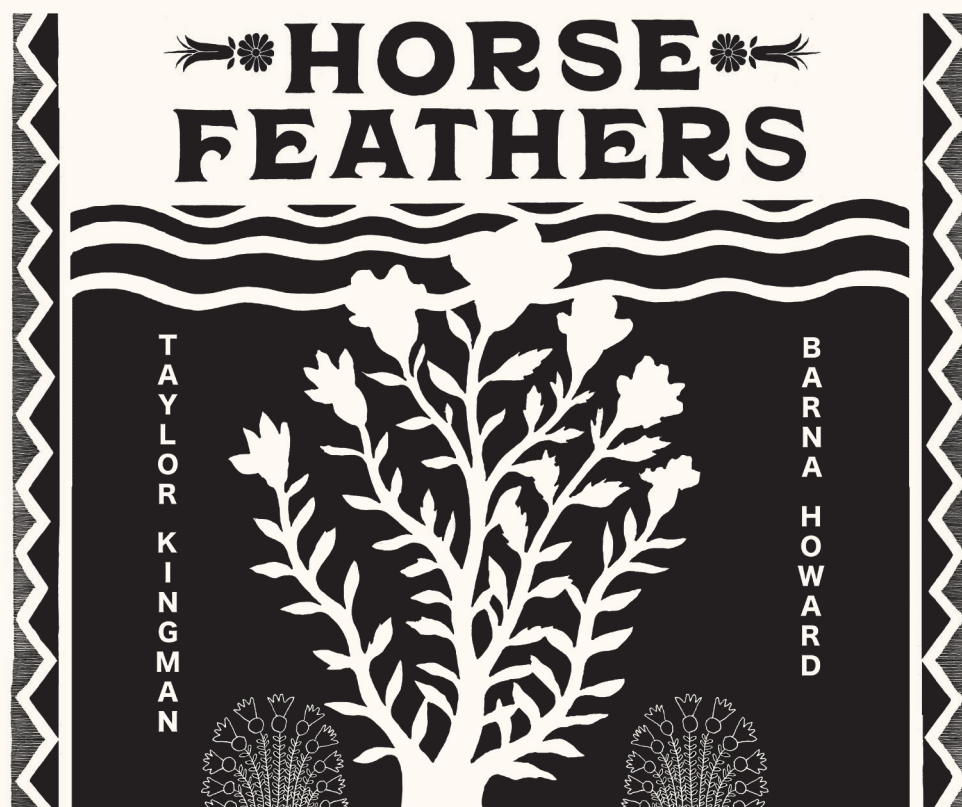
ASTORIA – Culturally taboo subjects like faith and politics are often omitted from the conversation, but Russ Pierson will bring them to the front of the table during his presentation “Faith and Politics in Oregon and Beyond.” The free event happens at 7 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 2 at the Astoria Library, 450 10th St.

Pierson is earned a doctor of ministry in global leadership from George Fox University and holds several sustainability-related certifications. He is dean of the Lane Commu-

nity College Florence Center on the coast and has a mixed-up background in construction management, the faith community and higher education.

This event is part of the Conversation Project, sponsored by Oregon Humanities. The event aims to engage community in thoughtful, challenging conversations about ideas critical to our daily lives and our state’s future.

For more information, visit oregonhumanities.org, astorialibrary.org or contact 503-325-7323.



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