

# GENERAL NEWS

## Win a gourmet dinner for 10 at Senior Center

The Florence Senior Center once again is offering the chance to win a gourmet prime rib dinner for 10.

Tickets are now available for the annual fundraiser for \$10 each.

"Only 300 tickets will be printed, so your chances of winning are really good," said senior center board President Beth Johnston.

The raffle is open to the community and all ages are encouraged to participate. Since this is a fundraiser, there are no restrictions on who can buy tickets or who can attend the winning meal.

Tickets are available at the senior center, 1570 Kingwood

St. The senior center is open from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. weekdays. Reserve tickets by calling 541-997-8844.

Chef Larry Osgood will prepare the five-course feast for the winner and nine of his or her friends. The winner of the raffle will be drawn on St. Patrick's Day.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will benefit the activities and operations of the Florence Senior Center.

The Senior Center offers daily meals and a variety of classes and activities for area seniors 60 or older.

For more information, visit [www.florencecenter.org](http://www.florencecenter.org).

## Roby's employees volunteer service at SOS

On Jan. 28, Roby's Furniture was closed and the whole staff spent the day doing volunteer work at Siuslaw Outreach Services.

One crew raked leaves, fertilized plants, trimmed shrubs and spread barkdust. A second crew painted the entire SOS conference room.

"This was a tremendous donation of service for us, and our building looks great," said Executive Director David Wiegan. "We have said this many, many times. Florence is an amazing community with a big heart."

Roby's manager, Dustin Herring, arranged for the day of volunteerism and stated that all of the Roby's stores were participating in their respective communities.

Roby's crews included Dustin Herring, Ryder Herring, Nolan Herring, John Alsop, James Tennon, Tom Hagle, Vanessa Blankenship, Tina Ruggles and Kevin McClellan.



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Roby's volunteers help clear landscape around the Siuslaw Outreach Services building.

## Show your love of books at library book sale

In the spirit of upcoming Valentine's Day, the community is invited to show its love for the Siuslaw Public Library with the big February Book Sale, Saturday and Sunday, Feb. 7 and 8.

The sale will be from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. both days, in the Bromley Room at the main branch of the library, 1460 Ninth St.

As a sweet treat for Friends of the Library, a special VIP preview sale will be open from 8:30 to 10 a.m. on Saturday, for Friends members only.

Coffee, juice and a continental breakfast will be provided, along with door prizes and first dibs on thousands of books. This preview event is a small

thank you to the Friends for their support of the library all year long. Friends of the Library memberships start at \$10 per calendar year and will be available at the door, or may be purchased in advance at the library.

This two-day book sale is a great opportunity to stock-up on winter reading material at bargain prices.

"We have thousands of hardcover books selling for only a dollar, pocket paperbacks are only 50 cents," said Sherry Curran, president of Friends of the Library. "The book sale is the perfect time for readers to fill their bookshelves without spending a lot of money."

The popular \$2-per-bag sale will run for the last hour of the sale on Sunday, from 3 to 4 p.m. Credit and debit cards are

accepted, along with cash and checks. All proceeds go to support the Siuslaw Library and its programs.

Friends volunteers have been hard at work sorting fiction and nonfiction books, along with magazines, DVDs, CDs, and even VHS tapes for the big sale. All types of fiction will be for sale, grouped alphabetically by author's last name, along with a huge variety of nonfiction including biography, history, cookbooks, sports, nature, spirituality and travel.

Reusable canvas book bags, featuring whimsical book art by a local artist, also can be purchased at the sale and filled with books.

New books are put out throughout the sale; shop early and shop often.

The book sales provide ter-

rific value for book lovers, while also providing tremendous service to local libraries.

"The Friends of the Library are amazing," said Meg Spencer, Library Director. "We could not offer all of the programs that we do without the Friends' help. Plus, they are our biggest fans — they act as ambassadors for the library throughout the community."

Book sales are one of the Friends' primary fundraisers.

By purchasing books, shoppers help to support the libraries in both Mapleton and Florence.

Anyone having books to be donated for this or future sales may bring them to the library at any time.

For more information, email [SiuslawLibraryFriends@gmail.com](mailto:SiuslawLibraryFriends@gmail.com) or call 541-997-3132.



- M** Chicken Caesar Spinach Wrap / Mac & Cheese Soup
- T** Shepherd's Pie / Bacon & Corn Chowder
- W** Swedish Meatballs over Egg Noodles / Minestrone Soup
- TH** Chicken, Bacon & Avocado Club / Beefy Noodle Soup
- F** Homestyle Meatloaf Sandwich / White Chicken Chili

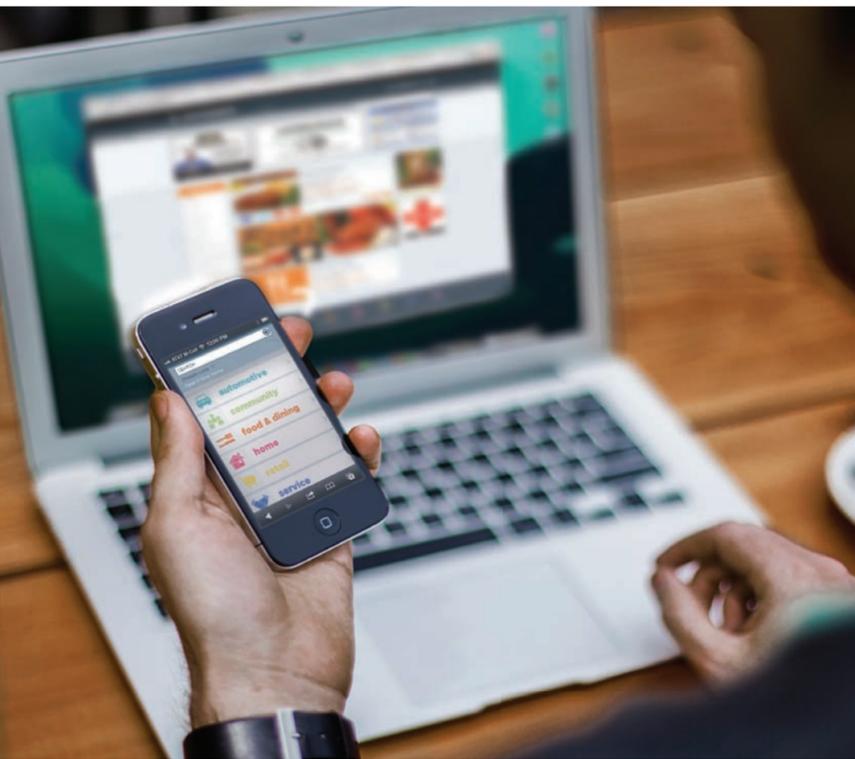
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## Judy Roth to be guest speaker at Friendship Club meeting Feb. 12

Judy Roth of the Florence Humane Society will be the guest speaker at the February meeting of the Friendship Club. The meeting will be Thursday, Feb. 12, at Three Rivers Casino at 10:45 a.m.

Reservations are required.

On March 18, the club will hold its postponed fundraising

luau. Tickets are \$15 and all proceeds benefit Florence charities.

For more information, call Pam Thompson at 541-999-4883.

The Friendship Club meets on the second Thursday of the month, September through June, at the casino.

In addition to luncheons, the club sponsors card games: pinochle on Thursday and hand and foot on the second and fourth Friday of the month. Annual dues are \$15.

For more information, contact membership chairwoman Betty Fieldson at 541-997-2842.

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
JANUARY 31	FEBRUARY 1	FEBRUARY 2	FEBRUARY 3	FEBRUARY 4	FEBRUARY 5	FEBRUARY 6
Sun then Cloudy	Cloudy Some Rain	Periods of Rain	Clouds then Sun	Periods of Rain	Rain Tapering off	Rain
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