

Florence detective to speak at next City Club meeting

Bring your friends and neighbors to City Club of Florence on Friday, Feb. 6, to hear a program presented by Detective Brandon Ott of the Florence Police Department.

The City Club program begins at noon at the Ocean Dunes Golf Links, 3345 Munsel Lake Road.

Ott will talk about his experiences as a detective, how he partners with other safety agencies in solving crimes and other topics.

Ott began his career in law enforcement as a reserve officer with the Florence Police Department in June 2004.

In July 2007, while continuing to serve as a Reserve Officer, Ott was hired full-time as the first Code

Enforcement Officer with the City of Florence.

In June 2011, Ott was hired as a police officer with the City of Florence, finishing first in his Basic Police Academy class at the Department of Public Safety Standards and Training in Salem.

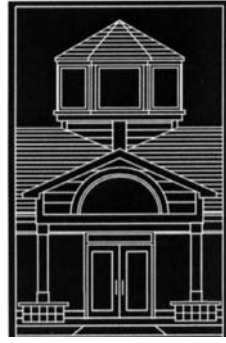
Chief Lynn Lamm assigned Officer Ott to the position of detective in August 2014.

In addition to his detective duties, Ott continues to work patrol shifts and serves as a firearms instructor and taser instructor for the police department.

A limited lunch menu is available for purchase prior to the program.

For more information, call Roger Johnson at 541-902-5135.

Library Tidings



News about the Siuslaw Public Library

Library Tidings, a regular feature of the Siuslaw News, features news about upcoming Siuslaw Public Library programs for adults and children, new books and videos, and other library news of interest to the community. Library Tidings by Kevin Mittge

Letters from Skye

By Jessica Brockmole

Book Review by Lynda Green

In 1912, young Scottish poet, Elspeth Dunn, receives her first fan letter from David Graham, an American. She replies, of course, from her home on the isolated Isle of Skye, a home she has never left. The exchange of letters continues.

Friendship blossoms and a romance blooms — a romance that is forever changed by the circumstances of World War I.

Mrs. Dunn saves David's letters and tucks them away only to be discovered decades later by Elspeth's adult daughter, Margaret, just as World War II erupts and just after Elspeth cautions Margaret about the perils of wartime romances.

The discovery of the long hidden letters results in more discoveries, and more letters, this time written by Margaret to her intended, a pilot in the Royal Air Force. Margaret's discovery of the letters leads the grandest discovery of all.

I picked up this book because of the title, to learn a bit about the Isle of Skye where my great-grandmother was born and spent her girlhood. I was treated to a

glimpse of the insularity and beauty and harshness of the island as well as the insularity we can create without an island.

An unexpected bonus was the surprisingly satisfying love story.

My letter to you: I urge you to read "Letters from Skye," Jessica Brockmole's epistolary-style debut novel. It is full of hope, dreams and flowing sentiments written in lovely prose, a stark contrast to our current cryptic practice of impersonal texts and emails.

And, after you do, tell me that you don't feel like writing an old-fashioned pen and paper letter. And tell me you didn't cry when you read the last letter.

Blind Date with a Book

Is your book life feeling a little lackluster? Do you feel like you're in a reading rut? Do you want to rediscover that love for reading that you once had?

Well, you can!

During the month of February the library is offering our second annual Blind Date with a Book program. For the adventurous reader this program offers the opportunity to let fate take a hand in selecting what you read.

The program works like this: Select a plainly wrapped book from a selection of books at the library.

Read the book — or at least make an honest and fair attempt at doing so — then return the book with a "blind date" evaluation form. The forms, besides being used to recommend new and wonderful books to readers, will also be used for prize drawings.

The point is to take a risk and expand your reading interests.

Sound fun?

The program started Feb. 1!

Literary events in February

Among the events scheduled for this month, include a movie screening on Wednesday, Feb. 11, at noon (check at the library for details); a Literary Trivia event on Saturday, Feb. 14, also at noon; and finally the Best Books of 2014 presentation on Tuesday, Feb. 24, at 2 pm.

New Quilt Display

Be sure to check out the new hanging quilt display in the center of the library, courtesy of Mapleton quilter and library staff member Susie Voth.

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Happy 90th Birthday Irene (Kroupa) Shelton.
On February 6, Irene will reach 90 years young. Irene's family will join her in celebrating this remarkable milestone on February 7th in Corvallis, Oregon. One of Irene's many pleasures is caring for her beautiful flower garden and berry patch. Her family and friends really enjoy the delicious bounty of pies and crisps prepared with those berries. She also loves the company and the competition of playing pinocle with her friends. Our Mother is simply an amazing lady and we are so fortunate that she is our Mom. Happy Birthday Mom! We love you!

POLICE LOG

Florence Police

Jan. 26

Theft was reported in the 100 block of Highway 101.

Alarm was reported in the 1600 block of Highway 101.

Animal abuse was reported in the 1600 block of 25th Street.

Theft from vehicle was reported in the 2900 block of Highway 101.

Fraud was reported in the 1600 block of Rhododendron Drive.

Illegal camping, lodging was reported at 54th and Spruce Streets.

Child abuse was reported in the 700 block of Quanagh Court.

Harassment was reported in the block of 700 block of Quanagh Court.

Child abuse was reported in the 1900 block of 32nd Street.

Assault was reported at Second and Harbor Streets.

Alarm was reported in the 1700 block of 20th Street.

Alarm was reported in the first block of Eden Lane.

Child abuse was reported in the 1300 block of 11th Street. Dispute was reported in the

2200 block of Highway 101.

Illegal camping, lodging was reported in the 1800 block of 37th Street.

Forgery was reported in the 4700 block of Highway 101.

Theft was reported in the 700 block of Highway 101.

Alarm was reported in the 3400 block of Rhododendron Drive.

Dispute was reported 1.25 miles southeast of Florence.

Assault was reported in the 87600 block of Highway 101.

Jan. 28

Theft was reported in the 1700 block of Highway 126.

Theft was reported in the 2900 block of Highway 101.

Hit-and-run accident was reported at Mulberry Lane and Airport Road.

Theft from vehicle was reported in the first block of Village Street.

Theft of services was reported in the 1800 block of Highway 101.

Intoxicated subject was reported at the south jetty.

Dispute was reported in the 1900 block of 37th Street.

Theft from vehicle was reported in the Florence area.

Death investigation was conducted in the 3300 block of Oak Street.

Jan. 29

Child neglect was reported in the 3400 block of Laurel Street.

Alarm was reported in the 2500 block of Oak Street.

Child neglect was reported in the 100 block of 11th Street.

Theft of services was reported in the 1600 block of 14th Street.

Theft was reported at Grocery Outlet.

Jan. 30

Criminal mischief was reported in the 4800 block of Highway 101.

Harassment was reported in the 900 block of Greenwood Street.

Accident without injury was reported in the 4300 block of Highway 101.

Harassment was reported at Siuslaw High School.

Incident exposure was reported at 18th and Upas Streets.

Criminal mischief was reported in the 1900 block of 32nd Street.

Jan. 31

Animal abuse was reported at Second and Laurel Streets.

Theft was reported in the 1500 block of Ninth Street.

Feb. 1

Accident without injury was reported at Canary Road.

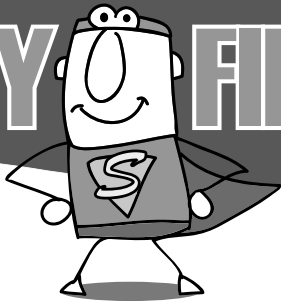
Loud noise was reported in the 200 block of Oak Street.

Theft from vehicle was reported in the 1900 block of 37th Street.

Prowler was reported in the 1700 block of 43rd Street.

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THURSDAY, JANUARY 29, 2015, 2:00 PM

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THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 26, 2015, 2:00 PM

Modifying Your Home for Safety

THURSDAY, MARCH 26, 2015, 2:00 PM

Eat Healthy for Life and Prevention of Diabetes

THURSDAY, APRIL 30, 2015, 2:00 PM

Surviving the Heat

THURSDAY, MAY 22, 2015, 2:00 PM

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THURSDAY, JUNE 26, 2015, 2:00 PM

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During any earthquake..... DROP, COVER, HOLD

until the shaking stops; then get your "grab and go bag" and evacuate preferably on foot to an assembly area.

However, if you must drive make sure you always keep you gas tank at least half filled.

Be sure to tune into KCST 106.9 as the local emergency broadcast station for further information.

The rule of thumb is if there is violent shaking and it lasts more than 10 seconds once the shaking stops – evacuate immediately if you are in a low lying inundation zone area.

This message brought to you by the West Lane Emergency Operations Group

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With a special appearance by Nyah Vollmer

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Return from Sundance
Local cinema owner Michael Falter Talks about his visit to the Sundance Film Festival

Relay for Life
The 2015 event is set for August 8th at Miller Park
Co-Chairs Nancy Bosket and Nicole Hundley

Disaster Planning and Recovery
Siuslaw Valley Fire Chief Jim Langborg
And Disaster Planning Consultant Stacy Burr talk about revising the Florence Area plan.

Wednesday February 4 from 3:30 to 5:30 pm KCST FM 106.9

With Host Bob Sneddon

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