

# Dunes City plans community expo

DUNES CITY — A Community Expo will be held on Saturday, Aug. 22, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Dunes City Hall, at 8 2 8 7 7 Spruce St.



**Arnie Roblan** A number of vendors and demonstrations are scheduled, as well as speakers making presentations on such topics as ensuring well water is safe and sanitary, family emergency preparedness and preparing your home for wildfire. Topics will also include "Drop, Cover and Hold On - For How Long?," Senior Citizen Preparedness, Grab-N-Go Kits, Build a Kit on a Shoestring Budget, Documentation and Insurance, Pet Care Planning for Disaster and Living Without Grid Electricity. Senator Arnie Roblan will

make a presentation at noon and tell of the latest legislative developments regarding water quality and septic maintenance, as well as a number of other issues.

The Expo meets one of the goals for the city that was set by the Dunes City Council earlier this year.

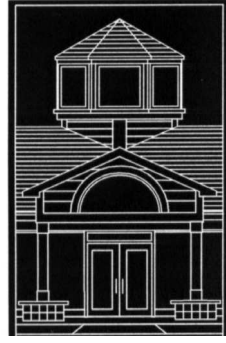
"Our hope is to keep our citizenry up to date on the latest developments and opportunities to ensure they have healthy drinking water, effective septic disposal and are prepared to take care of themselves in the event of a major disaster," said the council president and event organizer, Jamie Mills. "We have lots of door prizes, and provide lunch."

Mills also explained that there is more room available for vendors who may be interested in having a booth.

The event promises to be an informative, fun time for all.

For more information, contact Dunes City at 541-997-3338.

## 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 Mitige

### The Secret Place

By Tana French

Book review by Susie Voth

The Secret Place is the fifth book in Tana French's Dublin Murder Squad series. Stephen Moran, a cold-case detective, is temporarily assigned to the Dublin Murder Squad after Holly Mackey presents him with an index card.

The card has a picture of Chris Harper and the words, "I know who killed him" on it. Mackey discovered the card on a bulletin board known as The Secret Place at St. Kilda's School.

The unsolved murder of Chris Harper took place a year previously on the grounds of St. Kilda's, an exclusive girls school where Mackey is a boarding student.

Moran takes the index card to the Dublin Murder Squad and Detective Antoinette Conway picks up the case where she left off. She invites Moran to tag along, all the while letting him know that if he messes up, she'll send him right back to cold-case division.

The book takes place over a 12-hour period. Conway and Moran spend the day interviewing students to gather informa-

tion about the death of Harper. Moran has just the right attitude with the teen girls to encourage them to talk.

Conway is abrasive and has just the right attitude to make the girls clam up. Between the two of them they spend the day getting to the heart of this suspenseful mystery.

On the audiobook, the investigative parts are read by Stephen Hogan. His accent is spot on and he does an excellent job. The flashbacks in the book are read by Lara Hutchinson.

She does a terrific teenage girl's voice, in fact, several teenage girls to be exact.

If you haven't read any of the previous Dublin Murder Squad novels, you may wish to start with In The Woods.

### Mapleton open house

Don't forget that the Mapleton branch library will be having an open house tomorrow, Aug. 20, beginning at 5 p.m.

Besides the usual food and fun, this event will feature the unveiling of 12 historical photographs of Mapleton and the surrounding area which will hang permanently in the library. The branch is at 88148

Riverview Avenue overlooking the beautiful Siuslaw river.

If you've never visited before, this is a great opportunity to do so!

### Windows 10 overview

On Monday, Aug. 24, beginning at 1 p.m. in the library's Bromley Room, librarian Linda Weight will present an introductory overview of the new Windows 10 operating system, recently released by Microsoft.

If you're curious about the new operating system and how it works and how it's different or the same from earlier versions this is the program for you.

It is not a hands-on class, but a discussion of the program, therefore there is no pre-registration.

Weight will show screen shots of the new desktop, start menu and other features, as well as touching on the pros and cons of the system, and things to consider when installing and setting it up.

This program is free and open to the general public.

For more information please contact Weight at 541-997-3132.

## Former resident inducted into Oregon Bankers Hall of Fame

Oregon Bankers Association (OBA) inducted Ann Marie Mehlum, former Florence resident and current U.S. Small Business Administration associate administrator, into the Oregon Bankers Hall of Fame during its 110th Anniversary Convention held in Sunriver, Ore., in July.

Induction into the Oregon Bankers Hall of Fame is the highest honor bestowed peer-to-peer on members of the Oregon banking community. It recognizes the outstanding contributions inductees have made to the Oregon banking industry and the communities they serve.

Linda Navarro, president and CEO of the OBA, said, "The Oregon Bankers Association is honored to welcome Ann Marie into the Hall of Fame. She is an instrumental part of OBA's legacy and is highly respected by her peers."

Navarro added, "Ann Marie is truly one in a million. I couldn't think of a more deserving individual for this recognition."



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Ann Marie Mehlum (front, fourth from left) celebrates with her family and former colleagues following her induction into the Oregon Bankers Hall of Fame.

Mehlum was nominated by the bank that she helped found, Summit Bank in Eugene. In the bank's nomination packet, Craig Wanichak, the bank's current president and CEO, stated, "Ann Marie has been such an important role model for young bankers. Many who have entered and remained in our business did so because they saw a leader — Ann Marie — doing things the right way,

providing great service to clients and having fun along the way."

Mehlum is the daughter of Johan Mehlum, also a member of the Oregon Bankers Hall of Fame, who founded Siuslaw Valley Bank (now Banner Bank) in Mapleton.

She has a bachelor's degree in economics and Norwegian from Pacific Lutheran University, where she graduated magna cum laude, and she also received her MBA from University of California, Berkley. During her studies, she served as a Fullbright-Hayes research fellow in Norway.

After working at Wells Fargo and Manufacturers Bank in California, Mehlum came back to Oregon and worked at Siuslaw Bank as chief credit officer. In 2004, she was selected by the founding board of Summit Bank to serve as the bank's CEO. Many of those board members were also behind her nomination and credit her for all she did to found, build and grow Summit Bank.

Mehlum has contributed to the banking industry in many ways, including serving as OBA chair in 2011-2012 and

on the boards of the Independent Community Banks of Oregon and on OBA's subsidiary company, Synergy by Association.

In 2012, Mehlum was selected to serve on the inaugural community bank advisory board of the FDIC, one of only 15 bankers nationwide. She also served on the Administrative Committee of the American Bankers Association's Community Bankers Council.

Mehlum was selected in 2013 to become the associate administrator of Capital Access at the U.S. Small Business Administration in Washington, D.C., a position she holds today.

Mehlum's volunteer activities have included: the Eugene Chamber's Executive Committee, the University of Oregon Foundation Advisory Committee for the Domestic Violence Clinic, the Western Rivers Girl Scout Council, board president of the United Way of Lane County, Ophelia's Place, Oregon's Festival of American Music, Sacred Heart Medical Foundation, City Club of Eugene, Eugene Rotary Club and Cascade West Financial Services.

In Mehlum's nomination packet, Priscilla Gould, retired executive director of the United Way of Lane County, stated, "Ann Marie is a stand-out in any setting because of her integrity, her passion, her willingness to roll up her sleeves to get the job done, her inquisitive nature, her refreshingly direct style and, on top of all, her humility."

Since its creation in 1987, the Oregon Bankers Hall of Fame has inducted 75 individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the Oregon banking community and communities where they live and work.

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- Siuslaw Pioneer Museum Board

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