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

Spark

By John Twelve Hawks Book review by Kevin Mittge

Spark features a most unusual character. A man named Jacob Underwood, following a motorcycle accident, suffers from Cotard's syndrome, a real condition in which a patient believes he is dead. Underwood is a contracted hit man for the Special Services Section of a large international bank. He solves problems, mostly through assassina-

Believing he is dead, that there is just a "spark" within the "shell" of his body, Underwood feels only three emotions: boredom, curiosity and disgust.

This has made him the perfect, unemotional "enforcer" of secret bank actions.

The story takes place in a future not far away. An international terrorist event several years before has resulted in unprecedented surveillance and a security state in the U.S. as well as all countries across the globe. The bank Underwood works for can tap into this government network of surveillance.

One day a young bank employee, Emily Buchanan, fails to show up for work and disappears without a trace.

The bank is afraid she possesses confidential information and contracts with Underwood to track her down and "make a successful presentation to the customer" - code words for assassination.

As Underwood traces the elusive bank employee, with flashbacks to his accident and psychological condition, he begins to think outside of his unemotional box and maybe, just maybe, begins to develop a relationship with the missing banker.

This is a fast moving, well written, dystopic thriller about the near-future.

John Twelve Hawks is the pseudonym for an American author, who's real identity is unknown. He has written the Fourth Realm trilogy consisting of The Traveler, The Dark River and The Golden City, and has written about the growing surveillance state in a nonfiction ebook, Against Authority.

Genealogy Society to learn about Internet research

Tonight at 7 in the Bromley Room, the Siuslaw Genealogical Society, a library sponsored group, will feature genealogist Kim Davis of North Bend, speaking on "Beginning Your Internet Research: A Pattern for Research."

Today, when people decide to start researching their family history, most turn immediately to the Internet. You can begin with a scattershot approach through all the available websites with valid or invalid genealogical information, or you can plan your research in such a way as to make best use of your time and to build your family tree accurately and methodically.

Davis, a third generation genealogist, has been researching family history for more than 30 years. Pulled reluctantly into Internet usage, she now enjoys the challenges and opportunities of Internet research. This program is free and open to the general public.

Lego Club to meet

Join children's librarian Gayle Weiss in the Bromley Room from 2:30 to 4 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 18, for engineering fun with Legos. Kids from grades 2 through 6 are invited to create, build and display their creations.

View previous club creations made from the internationally popular building block in the display case in the children's area of the library.

March for Domestic Violence Awareness

This year's Domestic Violence Awareness March, hosted by Siuslaw Outreach Services (SOS), will be held Sunday, Sept. 27, beginning at 12:45 p.m., at Veteran's Memorial Park, at the west end of Bay Street.

Participants will march to the boardwalk, which takes approximately 10 minutes.

to bring awareness of this important issue, and that it is present in all communities and social circles; raising awareness is a critical component in dealing with the problem.

In 2014, SOS provided advocacy services to 170 survivors of domestic violence in Florence.

Last year's march included more than 100 participants. Once again, members of the Siuslaw High School cheer-The march begins at 1 p.m. leading squad and football team will join the march, along with a police escort.

"We would love to have as The purpose of the march is many supporters as possible," said David Wiegan, executive director of SOS. "It is a serious but positive experience, and each year we have victims come forward afterward to seek advocacy services because of the march."



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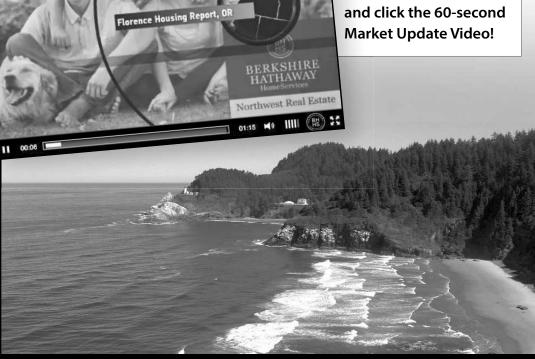
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