

Ada Grange to host breakfast, raise funds

Ada Grange will hold its annual scholarship breakfast fundraiser for the Harley Huff Sr. Memorial Scholarship Saturday, Oct. 3, from 7 to 11 a.m.

Entry is by donation.

Breakfast includes options like biscuits with sausage gravy, pancakes, eggs, sausage, juice and coffee.

The Grange Hall is 10 miles out Canary Road.

For information, call Linda at 541-997-4254.

Chuck Trent to speak at Friendship Club Oct. 8

Chuck Trent, director of the Florence Boys and Girls Club, will be the guest speaker at the Thursday, Oct. 8, luncheon meeting of the Siuslaw Friendship Club.

The meeting will be held at the Elks Club beginning at 11 a.m.

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

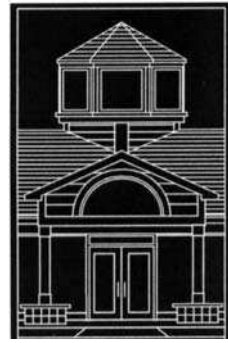
In addition to luncheons

and fund raisers for the benefit of the Florence community, the club sponsors card games: Pinochle on Thursday, and Hand and Foot on the second and fourth Fridays of the month.

The Friendship Club's annual dues are \$15.

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

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 Mitghe

Genre review

By Susie Voth

Just what is alternate history? Alternate history (AH) is a genre in which events in history have been changed. The author decides which historical events will turn out differently.

Examples might be the Confederate South winning the Civil War or Vikings colonizing the Americas. AH can be a sub-genre of literary fiction, science fiction or historical fiction.

According to editor and publisher Steven H. Silver "alternate history requires three things: 1) the story must have a point of divergence from the history of our world prior to the time at which the author is writing, 2) a change that would alter history as it is known and 3) an examination of the ramifications of that change."

There are many AH books on our shelves.

An adult author widely known for his AH books is Harry Turtledove. There are 48 titles of his books on our adult fiction shelves — within that selection are more than a few AH offerings.

Stephen King has written an AH book about the time surrounding the assassination of JFK. The title of the book is

"11/22/63." In this novel, Jake Epping travels back in time to prevent that dreadful occurrence. It is also available as an audiobook.

I recently finished "Ink and Bone" by Rachel Caine, a young adult AH novel. This is the first book in a trilogy that examines the world in which paper books are outlawed. The supremely powerful and ruthless Great Library oversees the flow of knowledge to the masses.

The premise is intriguing and I'm eager for the next installment.

"The Leviathan" trilogy by Scott Westerfeld is a young adult AH/steampunk series. It is set around the time of World War I. The trilogy is also available as an audiobook.

Wish to experience alternative histories? Explore our shelves.

Arts and humanities in October

October is National Arts and Humanities Month and the library is celebrating with a wide variety of programs.

Here are just the first three events:

- Internationally renowned musical group Quattrosound will be at the library on Friday, Oct.

9, at 11 a.m. If you come to the library at that time be prepared to be blown away by spectacular music.

- The ever popular demARTS program will return on Saturday, Oct. 10, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. This will be your opportunity to watch as 18 artists and crafters create a wide variety of art works.

There will be altered journals, jewelry, pyrography, fiber arts, pastel, beadwork, buttons, oils with knife, pottery, paper arts and much more.

Several of the demonstrations will feature "make and take" where you will have an opportunity to try out the artistic format yourself.

In the lobby, the Siuslaw Fiber Arts Guild will also be demonstrating its wonderful craft.

- Author Bob Welch will be at the library Tuesday, Oct. 13, at 1 p.m., to talk about his latest books, "My Oregon III: Final Collection of RG Columns, 2009-2015," and "52 Little Lessons from A Christmas Carol."

Welch is a popular author so make sure you arrive early to get a seat. He will be discussing and reading from his books and will have books available for sale and signing.

PEO wine tasting to offer art, food and fun

Wines for the third annual Philanthropic Educational Organization's (PEO) fundraiser, "Wine, Women and Who Knows What?" will include LaVelle Vineyards, River's Edge, Reustle Prayer Rock

Vineyards and Silvan Ridge.

In addition, food pairings for each wine will be created and prepared by Siuslaw High School culinary arts students.

More than 20 uniquely themed gift baskets will be

available, including everything from treats and toys for your favorite dog, to a special date night package or elaborate barbecue collection.

There will also be a silent auction featuring art works by more than a dozen well-known local artists.

The "Wine, Women and Who Knows What?" wine tasting will take place Sunday, Oct. 18, from 5 to 7 p.m., in Galleries One and Two at the Florence Events Center.

Sponsored by PEO Florence Chapter FQ, all the proceeds from the event will

go to fund scholarships and loans for women pursuing higher education.

A number of past scholarship winners are from the Florence and Mapleton communities, and many have returned home to contribute their talents to the local business community.

"Our first two wine tastings sold out," said event co-chairwoman Paula Becker. "So it would be smart to reserve your tickets early."

Tickets are \$25 per person, and can be reserved by calling 541-999-9667 or 541-997-2318.

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Family Owned BUSINESS SPOTLIGHT

Central Coast Disposal – David R. & Lynne Twombly – 5405 Hwy. 101 – 541-902-7554

Dave and Lynne Twombly face a monumental task when they rise each day. As the owner-operators of Central Coast Disposal, their work involves the removal and recycling of tons of waste from the city.

Originally from Milwaukee, Ore., Dave traces the roots of his pioneering Oregonian family back to 1846. He and Lynne, who hails from Portland, came to Florence in 1991, while Dave was still in college, to start a new life.

"We came here because we love the area and thought it would be a great place to raise our kids," Dave said.

Prior disposal experience and fluency in DEQ regulations, plus skills in truck mechanics, business management and construction, meant that he possessed all the requirements to start a waste-management operation. The Twomblys rolled out their first truck in 1999.

"A family business requires time, patience and investment," Dave said. "It took three years before we saw any return."

It also took seven-day weeks and 12-hour days, while raising a family at the same time. Lynne managed the office while their four children, now ages 16 through 27, all lent a hand in building the business.

Their hard work paid off. Today the family business has grown into a 9,600-square-foot facility with 11 employees, including their daughter, Clarita, and her husband, Cameron.

"We treat everyone like family," said Dave, who notes that "having a spouse who believes in you makes all the difference."

So does friendly, personal service. The company follows up

Keeping Florence Beautiful by Catherine J. Rourke

if a customer forgets to put out the trash and encourages drivers to go the extra mile.

On average, Central Coast Disposal hauls 126 tons of refuse and recycling per week. Dave and Lynne tackle the load with a fleet of six trucks. They also "give back" by supporting many local nonprofit events.

"We believe in doing things for the community, without making any capital gains," Dave said. "We love Florence and the volunteer spirit here."

As Florence continues to grow, so does this family business, proving the truth behind the adage "One man's trash is another's treasure."



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Opera presents Mozart's 'Don Giovanni' Sunday

Cascadia Concert Opera will conclude its 2015 season with Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's "Don Giovanni" on Sunday, Oct. 4, at 3 p.m. at the Florence Events Center.

The concert will be presented with piano accompaniment.

A groundbreaking serio-comic masterpiece, Mozart's "Don Giovanni" recounts the story of a wealthy, charismatic Lothario who recklessly seduces a multitude of women only to meet his rightful yet untimely fate.

Arguably the pinnacle of Mozart's collaborations with librettist Lorenzo da Ponte, the opera offers an incisive and ironic perspective on the duplicitous nature of humanity.

The concert will be presented in English, with piano accompaniment.

The convergence of Mozart's exquisite musical development and da Ponte's vulgar depiction of the Don Juan myth results in a complex and electrifying opera that exemplifies Mozart's mastery of the form.

Currently in its seventh season, Cascadia Concert Opera is a nonprofit performing arts organization based in Eugene.

Showcasing some of the finest local and regional talent, Cascadia has a unique identity as a touring ensemble, presenting opera in intimate venues throughout the Pacific Northwest.

Tickets are \$20 for adults or \$10 for students.

Purchase them by phone at 888-968-4086, online at www.eventcenter.org, or at the door.

Florence Kiwanis donates to Food Share in memorium

During the past year, Florence Kiwanis Club members have internally donated weekly cash donations for Florence Food Share in loving memory of Ron Vestey, a dedicated Kiwanian who died three years ago.

The club recently presented a check in the amount to \$619.12 to Florence Food Share director Norma Barton.

This amount is roughly equivalent to 40,000 pounds, or one whole month's worth of food needed for distribution to the 1,800 to 2,000 individuals in need in the Florence community.

For every dollar donated, Food Share can receive about \$65 worth of food from the

Eugene Food Bank. Barton said that sometime in October, Food Share will start opening on Saturdays.

Additionally, the Kiwanis Club has collected approximately 480 pounds of nonperishable goods (not available through the Eugene Food Bank) over the past year through its "first-of-the-month" donation drive.

They have routinely provided much of the Food Share's most-needed food items, which include flour, sugar, coffee, baby formula, "Hamburger Helper," Kraft Mac 'n' Cheese, canned goods such as tuna and chili, diced or stewed tomato products, milk and eggs.