

COAST GUARD AWARDS MK2 COULTER

U.S. Coast Guard Station Siuslaw River awarded Petty Officer Second Class Machinery Technician Second Class (MK2) William Coulter as the Sailor of the Quarter for the first quarter of 2016.

Of the almost 35 USCG crewmembers assigned to Station Siuslaw River, only one shipmate per quarter receives the distinguished title Sailor of the Quarter. Sailor of the Quarter recognizes a USCG member for superior performance and achievements.

During this quarter, Coulter displayed notable accomplishments that earned him the distinguished award.

According to Station Siuslaw River Senior Chief Timothy Tregoning, Coulter demonstrates an exemplary can-do attitude, outstanding initiative and excellent leadership to junior peers.

His devotion to duty and extracurricular morale-boosting activities has proven to be a



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MK2 William Coulter



great asset.

In 2015, Coulter was nominated for Enlisted Person of the Year. He also maintains a 4.0 GPA while obtaining general education for an associate's degree.

Coulter, who has been stationed in Florence for over three years, is from Houston Texas.

According to Coulter, his love of the ocean and surfing

attracted him to the USCG military branch.

Serving in the Coast Guard for past 4-and-a-half years, he is currently an engineer and crewmember on the Motor Life Boats. He plans on staying with the USCG for a full military career.

Coulter selflessly volunteers his off-duty time as a volunteer firefighter for Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue.

He can also be seen performing with the USCG Color Guard at many community events. Earlier this year, he had the honor of participating in the giant American flag ceremony at Seattle's Safeco Field during a Mariners game. —Submitted by Deborah Heldt Cordone

Club to discuss family history research

Why do people research their family history? Is there a benefit to knowing where you came from? Is it important for children to grow up hearing family stories?

Millions of Americans and others around the world have turned researching their roots into a multi-million dollar hobby and the Internet has made researching your family history easier and more accessible than ever before.

Kevin Mittge, adult services librarian at Siuslaw Public Library, will discuss the current state of genealogy at the

Florence City Club meeting Friday, June 3, at noon at Driftwood Shores, 88416 First Ave.

Lunch is available prior to the meeting at 11:30 a.m.

Mittge, a native of Kirkland, Wash., received his Master of Librarianship from the University of Washington and has worked at the Siuslaw Public Library since 2000. He has been researching his family history since his teens, written a family history of his Oregon Trail ancestors and traveled widely in search of relatives.

Mittge is the current president of the Siuslaw Genealogical Society and a member of the Glenada Odd Fellows Historic Cemetery Association, the Association of Professional Genealogists and the Oregon Library Association.

At the City Club meeting on June 3, Mittge will discuss the fast-moving technological and scientific changes made to genealogy research and share stories from his own family research and local history projects he has worked on.

Vintage market sets up shop June 3 to 4

Gypsy Camp Vintage Market is coming to the Oregon coast at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St., on Friday, June 3, and Saturday, June 4.

On Friday evening, everyone is invited to the "Champagne and Shop," from 4 to 8 p.m. Come sip champagne or beer and browse the best vintage goods on the coast.

The market continues on

Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Visit GypsyCampVintageMarket.com for more information.

Cost of admission for the Friday night event is \$7 and will also allow you admission on Saturday. The cost for Saturday only is \$5.

Expect to see vendors selling antique, vintage, repurposed and up-cycled goods in a wide

variety of styles. Look for an entire section dedicated to outdoor living.

As a tribute to all of the brave men and women who have fallen in service to the United States, I encourage everyone to connect with our local VA centers where there is always a great need for volunteers. There is so much we can do to show our appreciation to our veterans – or just lend a helping hand – right here on the Oregon Coast! Please do not hesitate to contact our office for more information on recent legislation that helps protect and support our state's veterans.

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