

Van Fans to host card games, luncheon fundraiser

Get together with friends for a fun day of card games and lunch hosted by the Van Fans on Wednesday, Oct. 19.

The event will take place at a new location, St. Mary's Our Lady of the Dunes Catholic Church, two miles south of Florence on Highway 101.

Tickets are on sale now for \$15 to reserve a table. Games begin at 11:30 a.m.

There will be raffle prizes and games throughout the day.

Ticket price, with or without card games, is \$15 per person and includes the luncheon.

The Friends of Florence Van Fans is a nonpolitical organization that sponsors this event twice a year. All proceeds go to support the Cancer Van, which transports cancer patients every weekday to and from Eugene and Springfield for radiation treatments.

For more information or to sign up for card games, call Karen Lee at 541-997-9669.



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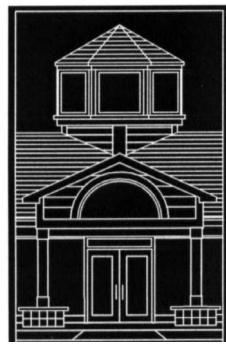


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Sam Phillips: The Man Who Invented Rock 'n' Roll

By Peter Guralnick

Book review by Kevin Mittge

In January 1950, Sam Phillips opened Sun Studio, originally called Memphis Recording Service, in Memphis, Tenn. An Alabama native, Phillips had been a disc jockey and radio engineer for a local station in Muscle Shoals before moving to Memphis.

Music historian Peter Guralnick has now written an intensely interesting and entertaining biography of Sam Phillips and his impact on rock and roll music.

Entitled "Sam Phillips: The Man Who Invented Rock 'n' Roll," the subtitle continues "How One Man Discovered Howlin' Wolf, Ike Turner, Jerry Lee Lewis, Johnny Cash and Elvis Presley, and How His Tiny Label, Sun Records of Memphis, Revolutionized the World!"

That subtitle captures the nature of this wonderful book.

Guralnick, who has written extensively on American music and musicians, including a two-volume biography of Elvis Presley, tells Phillips' amazing story loaded with detail from extensive interviews and first-

hand personal observations extending over his own 25-year friendship with Phillips.

Phillips recorded what some, including author Guralnick, considers the first rock and roll record, "Rocket 88" by Jackie Brenston and his Delta Cats, a band led by Ike Turner, who also wrote the song.

From 1950 to 1954, Phillips recorded Howlin' Wolf, whom he considered his greatest discovery, Elvis Presley, his second, as well as James Cotton, Rufus Thomas, Rosco Gordon, B.B. King, Charlie Rich, Junior Parker, Roy Orbison, Carl Perkins and many more.

If you enjoy biographies about American greats and creative geniuses, you are sure to enjoy Sam Phillips.

New materials

The library has several "new" materials shelves. We separate out new adult fiction and nonfiction, new large print, new DVDs, new audiobooks, new young adult and new juvenile fiction.

The length of time items stay on the new shelves depend on various factors, including shelf space to move them off the new shelf as well as the need to make room for more new items.

A six-or nine-month stay on any "new" shelf is about average. Keep in mind that not all "new" items will be on the new shelf. We try to select the most popular and most diverse new titles for your browsing pleasure.

Study rooms

Did you know that the library has two small study rooms that comfortably seat about four or five people, that can be used for small meetings, private study, one-on-one tutoring or as a quiet place to use one's laptop?

The rooms may be scheduled up to four hours and are available on a first-come, first-served basis; the rules of use are otherwise the same as for the larger conference room and Bromley Room.

Please note that one of the rooms is equipped with a whiteboard, and both rooms are equipped with a dictionary, thesaurus and MLA handbook.

Story Time on Hiatus

Twice weekly story times with Ms. Gayle are on hiatus until September.

Story times resume on Tuesday, Sept. 6, at 10:30 am. See you then!

Sheriffs to conduct DUII, seat belt enforcement blitz

Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT) Crash Analysis and Reporting Unit released the latest available state-wide data for passenger vehicle fatalities by county.

The data from 2014 shows 232 deaths from crashes throughout Oregon that year. Lane County recorded 28 fatal-

ities from vehicle crashes — the highest number of fatalities resulting from vehicle crashes state-wide, with Clackamas County next with 23 deaths in the same year.

Lane County Sheriff's Office received special allocated funding from ODOT and

Oregon State Sheriff's Association to provide overtime patrols with a focus on Traffic and Life Safety, emphasizing DUII and aggressive driving enforcement, as well as seat belt use enforcement.

Through the grant funding, sheriff deputies will be con-

ducting overtime patrols in the Lane County area through Labor Day, Sept. 5.

This saturation is in conjunction with a nation-wide effort to reduce drunk and impaired driving and reduce the number of injuries and deaths from vehicle crashes.

Lane County Sheriff's Office wants to remind motorists to buckle up, drive safely and drive sober. With the passage of Oregon's marijuana laws, this is also a reminder of the impairment marijuana creates of drivers, impacting their ability to safely operate a motor vehicle.

Driving Under the Influence of Intoxicants (DUII) applies to drivers under the influence of marijuana, as it does with alcohol.

Three Rivers Casino holds comedy night

Three Rivers Casino Resort's Comedy Thursdays continues through the summer, with stand-up comedians performing each



Thursday in Blue Bills (located inside Three Rivers) from 7 to 8 p.m.

On Aug. 25, the headliner will be Susan Jones, a West Coast favorite and nationally known headlining comic.

Jones brings her 20 years of comedy and radio experience to the stage with some seriously funny girl talk. Larger than life, Jones uses her attitude and experiences with size acceptance and being a single mom to deliver consistently funny, crowd pleasing performances.

She has opened for Ron White, Jeffrey Ross, Brad Garret, Doug Stanhope, Josh Wolfe, Emo Phillips, Rick Overton, Judy Tenuta, Brad Upton, Susan Rice, Rod Long, among a host of others. She can frequently be heard on national television and radio.

Susan won Jack FM and Snoqualmie Casino's Funniest Comedian in Washington contest, Club Casino's Jokers Run Funniest Comedian contest, was a finalist in the "Funniest Woman in California" competition, and can be seen in the independent film "Homeless".

The opener for Jones is Bahiyih Mudd.



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