

## Speaker Wave music video to premier at City Lights

On Thursday, Sept. 29, Florence-based band Speaker Wave will screen its first original music video live on City Lights Cinemas' Chaplin Stage.

The event will include live music performances by Speaker Wave and new Florence-based band Good Problems.

This release brings Speaker Wave's original song, "Leavin' Town," featured on its debut album "Tsunami Evacuation Route," to the big screen. The song brought the band local fame as a semi-finalist pick in the Eugene Weekly's "Next Big Thing" song competition, earning them an invitation to play The Lane County Fair and a spot on the Next Big Thing compilation CD.

"Leavin' Town" exhibits an acoustic, slightly folk-rock side of Speaker Wave.

Folk melodies, traditional folk instruments and elements of alternative rock mingle, fusing together to create an emotional indie folk-rock ballad. (Steven Ingham on guest fid-

dle, Teresa Mihm on guest flute)

The band contacted director and editor Dan Haberly with a proposed music video project, Leavin' Town being the likely candidate.

Haberly, having shot still photography for the band in the past, was intrigued by the prospect of a video collaboration. Shooting commenced and, with much local support, the video was completed.

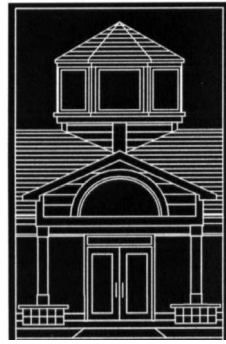
The combination of ethereal cinematography from Haberly and the smooth yet slightly angsty lyrics of Speaker Wave's original song offer an apt portrayal of a somber tale about a guy who believes his circumstances will improve by "leaving town."

The video was all shot, edited and produced locally in the Florence area.

Tickets are \$4 and available at City Lights Cinemas or online at [www.citylightscinemas.com](http://www.citylightscinemas.com).

Doors open at 7:15 p.m., and the show is from 7:30 to 10 p.m.

## 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

### Three Minutes in Poland

By Glenn Kurtz

Book review by Kevin Mittge  
When author Glenn Kurtz stumbled upon an old family film in his parents' closet in Florida, he had no inkling of its historical significance or of the impact it would have on his life.

The film, shot long before by his grandfather on a sightseeing trip to Europe, includes shaky footage of Paris and the Swiss Alps.

Astonishingly, the elder Kurtz also captured on color 16mm film the only known moving images of the thriving, predominantly Jewish town of Nasielsk, Poland, shortly before the community's destruction in the Holocaust.

In his book "Three Minutes in Poland: Discovering a Lost World in a 1938 Family Film," Kurtz details his remarkable journey to learn everything he can about Nasielsk and the people who appeared in his grandfather's film.

In restoring the film and providing a copy to the U.S. Holocaust Museum, remarkable stories begin to emerge. A young woman views the film and recognizes her grandfather as a young boy; an elderly refugee in Florida helps Kurtz locate more survivors of the village, includ-

ing a woman in the film found standing next to the man she would later marry.

Kurtz painstakingly assembled "Three Minutes in Poland" from interviews, photographs, documents and artifacts.

The book tells the rich and harrowing story of seven survivors and their Polish hometown. From his grandfather's brief film, Kurtz creates a poignant yet unsentimental exploration of memory, loss and improbable survival.

### Contacting the library online

If you find yourself wanting to contact the library when the library is closed or don't have time to call or visit, or if you are online with the library's website ([www.siuslawlibrary.info](http://www.siuslawlibrary.info)) and want to ask us to purchase a book, or let us know about a problem with your account, or have a concern or compliment, there is a very easy way to message us.

From the library's main webpage, hover over "About" near the top of the page and you will see "Contact Us" appear on the drop down menu.

Click on that and you will be brought to a page where you can "Contact a Librarian/Ask a Question," "Share a

Compliment, Suggestion, or Concern," and "Make a Purchase Request."

After entering your information, click "Send" and an email is sent immediately to the Reference Desk.

As soon as the library is open, the reference librarian reads all messages received and deals with them promptly or distributes them to the appropriate staff member for action.

### Dr. King to discuss carcinogenesis

What causes cancer? Why does it happen? Will too much of anything give you cancer?

Dr. Charles King will address these and other issues in a presentation at the library on Tuesday, Oct. 4, at 1 p.m. in the Bromley Room.

Dr. King was awarded his Ph.D. in biochemistry from the University of Minnesota, and began a lifetime's work of researching the origins of cancer, on which he has published extensively. In this program designed for a general audience, Dr. King will explain what carcinogens are, changes in cancer rates over time, the environmental basis for cancer, and much more.

Anyone interested in science and medicine should not miss this important program.

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## Adults, here's your chance to take center stage

Have you always been interested in acting and the theatre? Now's your chance to take center stage.

Melanie Heard will offer an acting class for adults on 5 Saturdays this fall: Oct. 8 and 15, Nov. 5, 12 and 19, with a possible extra Saturday evening "Improv Games Nights."

Classes will be held at the new CROW Center for the Performing Arts, 3120 Highway 101 in Florence.

During this fun and enriching five-week course, students will explore characterization, motivation, diction, and stage presence. Students will learn how to deal with stage fright, how to audition like a pro, and will uncover individual strengths as an actor, while also discovering how to overcome habits and weaknesses.



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### Last year's members of the CROW Adult Acting Class

Through the use of games and activities, participants will be exposed to a wide range of theatre terminology and tips, tricks and traps for actors.

"Acting is very liberating, and great for building your self-confidence," said Heard.

"I have enjoyed working with Florence's adult actors in past class sessions, and I can't wait to do it again. We laugh a lot, learn a lot, and it's a great place to push yourself in a safe and supportive environment."

The class will be custom tailored to each level of participant.

"Even if you have no desire to be an actor, this class can still be very helpful," Heard said. "Many of the skills you will learn can help you in your day to day life, such as interpersonal communication and job seeking skills."

"Theater is powerful stuff." Heard is a director/choreographer, actress and credentialed teacher with more than 20 years of experience in the professional theater world.

She co-owns Poison Pen Players, a comedy murder-mystery company headquartered in Florence, and is the artistic director of Children's Repertory of Oregon Workshops (CROW).

Originally from Los Angeles, Heard has studied acting with the well-known South Coast Repertory Professional Conservatory, has performed in more than 50 plays and musicals, holds a bachelor's degree in Theatre Arts from Cal State Fullerton, and an master's degree in Education.

To sign up, call Melanie Heard at 541-999-8641 or email [crowtheatrekids@yahoo.com](mailto:crowtheatrekids@yahoo.com). All ages over 18 are welcome. Classes will be held at the CROW Center for the Performing Arts.

Space is limited and no experience is required.

Participants can attend single classes in this session for \$12 per class, or will receive a discount if they sign up for all five classes at \$50.

For more information, visit [www.crowkids.com](http://www.crowkids.com).

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## Cars, Elvis and rootbeer floats at Shorewood

The annual Shorewood Car Show will be held Sept. 23, at The Shorewood, 1451 Spruce St., in Florence, from 10 a.m. to noon.

This year, Shorewood Senior Living is adding some flair to the annual car show, with Elvis on stage. The public is invited to come enjoy finger foods and refresh-

ments while taking in the beauty of the vintage vehicles.

At 11 a.m., Elvis will take the stage to put on a hip-shaking good time, and to bring it all to a close enjoy a refreshing root beer float.

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