

Area crafters hold Fun Fest Saturday

Vendors offering a variety of products for scrapbooking, crafts, totes and jewelry will be on hand for the Scrapbook Fun Fest at Three Rivers Casino Resort, 5647 Highway 126 on Saturday, Oct. 1.

Five classes, ranging from card and banner making to scrapbooking techniques will be offered, along with make-and-take projects throughout the day.

In addition, the ORegon Coast Avid Stampers (ORCAS) will be participating in the "Card for Troops" project, which makes cards and provides them to soldiers

to send home to celebrate holidays, birthdays and other special occasions from afar.

Visitors are encouraged to stop by the ORCAS table and make a card for the troops.

The organization's partner, Operation Care Packages, includes the cards in its "comfort boxes" sent directly to soldiers, airmen, sailors and Marines.

Admission to the festival is \$2 or two cans of food, all of which will be donated to Florence Food Share.

The event will be from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m.

For more information, visit www.scrapbookfest.com.

FIND CREATIVE INSPIRATION AT DEMARTS

On Saturday, Oct. 8, the Siuslaw Public Library will host the third annual demARTS event in partnership with the Florence Regional Arts Alliance (FRAA), the Siuslaw Fiber Arts Guild, the Central Coast Miniature Club of Florence, Friends of the Siuslaw Public Library, Florence Area Beaders and Beaux Arts Fine Art Materials.

This fun and talent-laden event is the library's premier celebration of National Arts and Humanities Month.

Named demARTS for the demonstration of creativity and art, this event includes something for anyone and everyone who enjoys art, creates art or yearns to create art.

More than twenty artists will demonstrate techniques in painting and drawing, fiber arts, beading, fabric arts and ceramics. Visitors through the door will receive a charm commemorating this exciting community event.

Mary Colgan-Bennetts, Library Circulation Supervisor, staff liaison to the library's Art Committee and creator of demARTS, said she is excited that the event, now in its third year, has become a popular October community celebration.

"The success of the past two demARTS is a reflection of our community's appreciation of all art forms," said Colgan-Bennetts. "This year, we have some different art media for people to learn about and potentially explore. We're excited to share a demonstration of 3-D printing in an art



Area artists and community members create art at Siuslaw Public Library during last year's demARTS event.



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Consider stopping by to see artists create an altered journal, draw a zentangle image, or make magic out of fabric.

Or, if you have been thinking about beading, try the beading demonstration.

Fiber artists and admirers will want to spend time in the library's lobby between 10 a.m. and 4:30 p.m. to see the Fiber Arts Guild display weaving, spinning, felting and all things fiber.

This event is the perfect opportunity for adults and children alike to watch the creative process, to speak with the artists as they work and to find inspiration and encouragement.

While at the library, check out one or more of the dozens of art or craft books in the library collection.

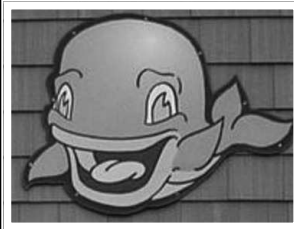
Attendees of the third annual demARTS will receive a commemorative charm, have a chance throughout the day to win prizes and also have the opportunity to create a word tile from a list of pre-selected words which will be applied to the tiles and then fired.

Once fired, they will be assembled in an artful display in the library. Other hands-on opportunities include button-making, greeting card creation, coloring and painting.

Other events coming in October at the library will include a book reading with celebrated local author, syndicated columnist and new Siuslaw News editor Ned Hickson on Wednesday, Oct. 12 at 1 p.m.; a display of miniatures from the Central Coast Miniature Club of Florence on Oct. 15 and 16; a workshop and performance by Portland Story Theater on Oct. 22; and a demonstration of felting with award-winning fiber artist Kathy Elfers on Oct. 29.

For more information about the demARTS program, including a detailed schedule of artist demonstrations and other arts events, visit the Siuslaw Public Library in person at 1460 Ninth St. or at the Mapleton Branch or online at siuslawlibrary.info.

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Sills to speak about LCC at City Club meeting

Marsha Sills, Lane Community College Florence Center's continuing education coordinator, will give the presentation, "Discover More: Lifelong Learning in the Community" during the City Club of Florence's upcoming meeting on Friday, Oct. 7, from noon to 1 p.m.

Sills joined the college in January after a 15-year career as a journalist in south Louisiana. In her role at the Florence Center, she plans and

oversees continuing education courses and programs, such as Outward Ventures.

During her presentation, Sills will share information about current and new opportunities through the college for businesses and those interested in health careers.

In October, the City Club of Florence will return to its original home at the club house of the Ocean Dunes Golf Links at Munsel Lake Road.

Lunch will be available from 11:30 a.m. to noon.

For more information, call Ruth Baumrucker at 541-305-9003.

Van Fans host card games, lunch

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. This includes lunch. Reserve a table for the game of your choice.

The friends of Florence Van Fans is a nonpolitical organization that sponsor this event twice a year.

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