

# DMV offices to be closed Thursday, Friday

All Oregon DMV offices, along with other state offices normally open weekdays, will be closed on both Thanksgiving and the Friday after Thanksgiving, Nov. 24 and 25.

Customer wait times tend to be longer on the days just before and after holidays and weekends, so customers are advised to avoid offices just before and after Thanksgiving break.

DMV urges customers to do business by mail or online, if possible, or plan their visits to DMV before Wednesday, Nov. 23, or after Monday, Nov. 28.

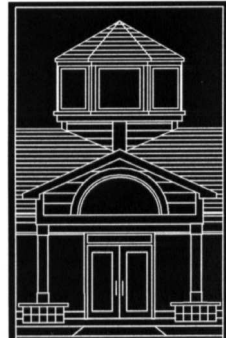
DMV also suggests that you first check [www.OregonDMV.com](http://www.OregonDMV.com) before visiting a field office in person to make sure you have everything you need.

You can complete some DMV business online or find out how to make your visit as efficient as possible.

If you renew your vehicle registration online at [OregonDMV.com](http://OregonDMV.com), you can print the online receipt and drive temporarily with expired tags.

Law enforcement can accept the online receipt as proof of valid registration for up to 30 days after you renew.

# 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**

### Book review

Valiant Ambition

By Nathaniel Philbrick

“Valiant Ambition” is a book about the American Revolution, focusing on George Washington and Benedict Arnold — and the story of one man’s rise to greatness and the other’s fall to infamy.

Philbrick brings his mastery of narrative to a tumultuous time in the Revolution.

Moving beyond the storied victories at Trenton and Princeton and the ordeal of the Continental army at Valley Forge, he shows how the injuries Arnold suffered at the Battle of Saratoga set Washington’s greatest fighting general on the road to treason.

Arnold was an impulsive but sympathetic hero whose misfortunes at the hands of self-serving politicians undermined his faith in the legitimacy of the revolution. By 1780, he had fled to the enemy after his failed attempt to surrender the American fortress at West Point to the British.

During this same period, Washington came to embrace the full scope of his leadership, with an unmatched ability to rise above the petty politics of his time.

Philbrick is also the author of *In the Heart of the Sea*, which was made into the recent movie, “Mayflower,” and “Sea of Glory,” among other works.

His books are well-known for sound research and engrossing narrative.

### Free concert

The library will present David Helfand and Justin Lader in concert at the library on Saturday, Dec. 3, at 2 p.m.

Join an afternoon of vibrant, transcendental original music inspired by journeys to Cornwall, the Negev desert, and beyond, and featuring music from their brand new album, “Through the Portal.”

Helfand is a multi-instrumentalist who composes and performs original instrumental music on Celtic Harp, mandocello, octave mandolin, guitar and keyboard; Helfand performs with friend and violist extraordinaire, Lader.

Their music is an eclectic blend of original multi-cultural inspired music of passion and transcendence with inspirations from the Celtic lands, the Middle East, pentatonic meditation music, space music and progressive rock.

They have performed throughout the Northwest and the San Francisco Bay area and released three albums together to date.

From 1996 to 2009, Helfand recorded six albums as a solo artist and with ensembles.

This concert is free and open to the general public.

### Hang-It All art display

Don’t miss this month’s Hang- It-All art display, featuring a wide variety of artistic talent from western Lane county.

Each time you visit the library be sure to place your vote for your favorite work of art for the People’s Choice Award.

Can’t decide which to vote for? Vote for a different work on each visit.

The library’s Art Committee will also be selecting a work as “Best in Show.”

### Holiday closure

The library will be closed tomorrow, Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, Nov. 24, as well as the following day, Friday, Nov. 25.

Regular hours resume at 10 a.m. in Florence and at noon in Mapleton on Saturday, Nov. 26.

Have a wonderful and safe holiday!

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12 cups soft bread cubes  
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2-3 tsp salt  
Dash poultry seasoning  
Dash pepper  
PREPARATION:  
Drain oysters, saving liquor. Remove any pieces of shell. Chop oysters. Cook celery and onion in oil until tender. Combined cooked vegetables, bread cubes, parsley, seasonings, and oysters. Mix thoroughly. If stuffing seems dry, moisten with oyster liquor. Yields enough to stuff 10-15 lb Turkey.  
Recipe from Southern Living  
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# SEAc coast, SHS and Pink Martini collaborate

On Nov. 18 and 19, two talented students from the Siuslaw High School symphonic bands had a unique opportunity to perform with the internationally renowned little orchestra, Pink Martini.

The engagement, produced by SEAc coast Entertainment Association and The Friends of the FEC, hosted rollicking twin nights of unparalleled energy at the Florence Events Center.

Pink Martini has achieved worldwide acclaim, but that doesn’t mean its musicians have forgotten their musical beginnings.

According to Claire Dennerlein, Pink Martini’s

sales and marketing director, the band members are always eager to help young musicians.

Dennerlein has been coordinating a student outreach with Chris Rowbotham (SHS director of bands), SEAc coast Producer Sandy Kuhlman and SEAc coast Outreach Coordinator Rachel Pearson, to select two students to perform “Hang On Little Tomato” with the orchestra.

All SHS band students were encouraged to learn the music and create a video audition, produced by Rowbotham, and reviewed by bandleader Thomas Lauderdale.

Five students completed the videos: Chandler Call on stand-up bass; Jessy Keppol on bass clarinet; Logan Lindner on

tenor sax; Blake Morrow on vibraphone; and Nic Wilkinson on trumpet.

The selection decision was not an easy one, but Lauderdale chose Wilkinson and Morrow as best fitting the Pink Martini sound.

Both students have learned the music thoroughly and attended rehearsal and sound checks on their show days in anticipation of the evening performances.

The other three students received a complementary ticket to one performance.

Wilkinson and Morrow also received a pair of tickets and a bit of Pink Martini memorabilia.

In addition, Pink Martini donated \$200 to the SHS band

program in support of instrumental music education.

“We were excited to involve Siuslaw High School’s best and brightest young instrumental musicians with Pink Martini on stage,” said Dennerlein, “Hopefully, this will help encourage them to pursue music beyond high school. Most of the musicians in our band are classically trained and started playing at a young age, and we all feel fortunate to make a living in music.”

“We are excited to encourage young musicians in your community to do the same!”

Tickets for both performances of Pink Martini in Florence sold out within a days. However, there are five great concerts still to come in the SEAc coast Entertainment 2016-17 season.

For information, visit [www.seacoastea.org](http://www.seacoastea.org) or call the Florence Events Center at 541-997-1994.

## WEATHER DATA

DATE	HIGH	LOW	RAIN
Nov. 15	56	42	0.54
Nov. 16	49	38	0.41
Nov. 17	52	38	0.16
Nov. 18	48	43	0.22
Nov. 19	59	49	0.48
Nov. 20	53	47	1.44
Nov. 21	53	43	0.66

Rainfall Week: 3.91”  
Month: 7.95” Year: 67.00”

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I want to thank all my patients from Coastal Denture Clinic and Natural Dentures. I have had the pleasure of serving you for the last 26 years.  
You all have been a delight and have enriched my life. The office sadly closed in October and I now will be training future Denturists as an instructor at the American Denturist College. This will allow me to impart the knowledge I have to future Denturists. I will share experiences and stories you have brought me while helping you with your oral health. It has been my pleasure to be of assistance to each and every one of you.  
Shawn M. Murray CDT, LD  
**www.TheSiuslawNews.com**

## Christmas store seeks donations

Christmas Store donations such as Christmas trees and other items are welcome and appreciated. Donations may be made during business hours directly to the Christmas Store located south of the bridge at 85365 Highway 101 directly across the street from Sandland Adventures.

Watch for red and blue flags at the driveway entrance.

The Christmas Store is open daily 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sundays noon to 4 p.m., and is closed Thanksgiving Day.

## Florence Christian Church, Fred Meyer hold food drive

The Florence Christian Church and Fred Meyer are teaming up for their third annual Holiday Food Drive.

Food will be collected Saturday, Dec. 10, from noon to 4 p.m. at Fred Meyer.

Most needed items are peanut butter, tuna, beef stew, macaroni and cheese, spaghetti sauce, canned fruit, diced tomatoes, sugar, coffee, baby formula, chili, milk and eggs.

All food purchased and donated will go to Florence Food Share.