

## Shorewood Senior Living to host Grand Open House

Shorewood Senior Living, 1451 Spruce St., will celebrate its Grand Open House on Thursday, Jan. 26, from 3 to 6 p.m.

A special public ribbon-cutting ceremony will begin at 3:15 p.m., followed by hors d'oeuvres, refreshments and tours of the newly remodeled facility.

"Shorewood Senior Living is out to change the misconception in senior living," said manager Belinda Shores. "Senior living communities can offer a social environment

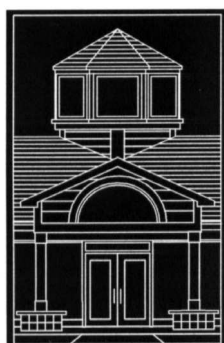
while staying independent of care as long as possible.

"If or when you might need some assistance, you have a support system and team at the ready that already know you, your preferences and your personality – and you know them."

The Shorewood invites the community to come see the facility's new look, enjoy food and refreshments and learn about services and pricing.

For more information, contact Shores at 541-997-8202.

## 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**  
Preserving Family Recipes  
By Valerie J. Frey  
Heirloom dishes and family food traditions are rich sources of nostalgia and provide vivid ways to learn about our families' past, yet preserving them can be problematic.

Many family recipes and food traditions are never documented in written or photographic form, existing only as unwritten know-how and lore that vanishes when a cook dies.

Even when recipes are written down, they often fail to give the tricks and tips that would allow another cook to accurately replicate the dish.

This book, "Preserving Family Recipes: How To Save and Celebrate Your Food Traditions" by Valerie J. Frey, is a guide for gathering, adjusting, supplementing and safely preserving family recipes and for interviewing relatives, collecting oral histories, and conducting kitchen visits to document family food traditions from the everyday to the special occasion.

It blends commonsense tips with sound archival principles, helping one achieve effective results while avoiding unnecessary pitfalls.

Whether you simply want to save a few accurate recipes,

help yesterday's food ways evolve so that they are relevant for today's table, or create an extensive family cookbook, this guidebook will help you to savor your memories.

The author Frey is a writer, archivist and education consultant who lives in Atlanta, Ga., but has Pacific Northwest roots.

Family history isn't just about tracing ancestors, sometimes it's about tracing food.

### Language Learning open house

Come check out the Language Learning Open House on Saturday, Jan. 7, from 2 to 5 p.m., in the library's Bromley Room.

Sponsored by the Friends of the Library, this open house will celebrate the new Mango Language database that the library now offers to its patrons.

There will be several work stations set up to see how the language lessons work, you'll be able to sign-up for free for a Mango Languages account, and there will be international food to match each language table available.

Don't miss this fun opportunity to learn about a new service from the Siuslaw Public Library.

### Computer open labs

Did you get a new technology device for the holidays? Are you wondering how to get online, send an email or read a book with your new eReader?

Join a library staffer for two open house computer labs this January.

Bring your own device or use one of the library's laptops. This is a chance to ask all your "techie" questions.

The labs will be open Jan. 10 and 24, from 1:30 to 3 p.m., in the library's conference room.

### Finding Your Roots class

Librarian Kevin Mittge will be offering two basic classes in starting your family history research. The first "Finding Your Roots" will be on Friday, Jan. 13, from 1 to 3 p.m., in the Siuslaw Room; the second "Finding Records" will be on Friday, Jan. 22, from 1 to 3 p.m., in the Siuslaw Room.

The classes complement each other but can be taken separately. The first is a general class on how to start your family history research, while the second will look for specifically at what kinds of records are available, where to find them and how to use them.

Space is limited to 10 participants, so you must sign up at the reference desk.

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## Local inns ranked among top 100

Two Florence businesses have been named to Oregon Business Magazine's Top 100 destinations of 2016.

The Old Town Inn and The River House Inn, both operated by Hoagland Properties, placed first and second in Florence and 51 and 73 in the state's top 100.

"This is a rare and unique achievement," said, Craig Peebles of Oregon Business, in a communiqué to the inns. "Of roughly 9,000 tourism destinations in Oregon we analyzed, we crunched scores from 22,000 online reviews

combined from TripAdvisor, Yelp and Google. Then we ranked the results."

"The quality and quantities of our reviews demonstrates the commitment of our staff and management to offer a sparkling clean, exquisitely maintained space with a friendly and helpful staff, who are knowledgeable about all the fun things to do around Florence," said Craig Sanders, President of Hoagland Properties.

The survey was conducted from Feb. 15 through Sep. 15, 2016. To qualify for consideration, destinations had to have at least 50 reviews combined from the three online review sites. Destinations were ranked based on a ratio of their four and five-star reviews.

As of September 20, the River House Inn had just over 1000 reviews and the Old Town Inn had just over 1800 on TripAdvisor alone.

The award comes with statewide media exposure in 2017 including coverage in Oregon Business magazine, Oregon Home magazine, the Discover Portland Hotel Book, and the "100 Best Map" distributed through visitor information locations around the state.

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The Florence Ladies of Elks, B.P.O.E. #1858, is now accepting scholarship applications from graduating seniors attending Siuslaw, Mapleton, Reedsport and Triangle Lake High Schools.

One scholarship of \$4,000 will be awarded to a student attending a four-year program at an institution of higher education.

In addition, three \$2,000 scholarships will be awarded to students attending community college or vocational training, with the intent of transferring to a four-year program at a later date.

Students may get an application from their guidance counselor, along with an information sheet detailing what to include when submitting the application packet.

The deadline for all applications is Saturday, March 4, 2017.

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