

LCC Florence seeks spring course proposals

Got an idea for a class and want to share your expertise with your neighbors?

Lane Community College Florence Center's Continuing Education program is currently accepting spring term course proposals from interested instructors through Feb. 1.

The Continuing Education program provides courses and field trips to encourage lifelong learning in the community.

LCC's spring term begins April 3 and concludes June 16.

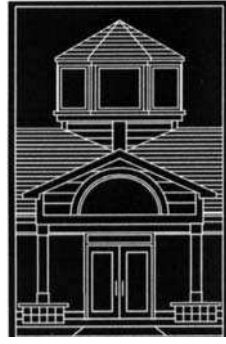
The program currently offers a variety of courses on technology, health and fitness, energy medicine, cinema studies and the arts.

Students have specifically requested new courses on foreign language, culinary skills, painting or drawing and music classes.

However, all proposals will be considered.

To submit a course proposal contact Marsha Sills, program coordinator, at sillsm@lanec.edu or at 541-463-4825.

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
"On Trails: An Exploration"
By Robert Moor
The just recently announced winner of the Pacific Northwest Book Award for non-fiction, is "On Trails: An Exploration" by Robert Moor, who hails from Halfmoon Bay, B.C.

This debut author has been compared to Annie Dillard, Edward Abbey and Jared Diamond. "On Trails" is a wondrous exploration of how trails help us understand the world — from invisible ant trails to hiking paths that span continents, from interstate highways to the Internet.

In 2009, while thru-hiking the Appalachian Trail, Moor began to wonder about the paths that lie beneath our feet: How do they form? Why do some improve over time while others fade? What makes us follow or strike off on our own?

Over the course of the next seven years, Moor traveled the globe, exploring trails of all kinds, from the minuscule to the massive. He learned the tricks of master trail-builders, hunted down long-lost Cherokee trails and traced the origins of our road networks and the Internet.

In each chapter, Moor interweaves his adventures with findings from science, history, philosophy and nature writing.

Throughout, Moor reveals how this single topic — the oft-overlooked trail — sheds new light on a wealth of age-old questions: How does order emerge out of chaos? How did animals first crawl forth from the seas and spread across continents? How has humanity's relationship with nature and technology shaped world around us?

And, ultimately, how does each of us pick a path through life?

Moor has the essayist's gift for making new connections, the adventurer's love for paths untaken and the philosopher's knack for asking big questions.

With a breathtaking arc that spans from the dawn of animal life to the digital era, "On Trails" is a book that makes us see our world, our history, our species and our ways of life anew.

For another, more local perspective on hiking, you might enjoy "On the Trail: A History of American Hiking" by Silas Chamberlin.

This is the first history of the American hiking community

and its contributions to the nation's vast network of trails.

Blind Date with a Book

Are you ready to take part in the library's fourth-annual Blind Date with a Book program?

For the adventurous reader this program offers the opportunity to let fate take a hand in selecting what you read.

The program works like this. Select a plainly wrapped book from a selection of books at the library. Read the book — or at least make an honest and fair attempt at doing so — then return the book with a "blind date" evaluation form.

The forms, besides being used to recommend new and wonderful books to readers, will also be used for prize drawings.

The point is to take a risk and expand your reading interests. Sound fun

The program starts Feb. 1.

Friends of the Library to meet

The Friends of the Library will hold its monthly board meeting tomorrow, at 11 a.m. This will be your opportunity to meet the new officers for the year.

Pre-SUPER BOWL, Feb 4th 2017

Tickets available at Casino Cage (Cash Only)

\$5,000.00
Bingo Bash

All proceeds support Siuslaw 2017 Project Graduation!
Chance to win over \$5,000.00 worth of Gifts & Prizes!

Location & Time: Three Rivers Events Center, doors open at 5 p.m.
First game starts at 5:30 p.m.

Price: \$25.00 includes 2 bingo cards; extra cards available to purchase!
Beverages available for purchase! Dinner from Hole in the Wall BBQ only \$5.
Open to all ages!

Date: Saturday, February 4th, 2017

Contact:
Michelle Rose at 541-999-0401
Kay King at 541-997-2248

For details, purchase advanced tickets or reserve a special table for groups of 8 or more!

All Sponsorships and Donations are tax deductible - EIN #93-0962789. Credit cards will be accepted, excluding the Casino Cage. In the case of multiple bingo winners on any single game a play off game will determine a single winner.

Top Prizes • Las Vegas Trip
Safeway Shopping Spree
Golf Membership & Much More!

Thank you to these donors and many others!

Doggie Day Care • Bob Rannow • Les Schwab
Kathryn Rannow Pampered Chef • Lucy's Nails
OPB • Banner Bank • Chen's • Rosa's • Gigi Lissan

www.TheSiuslawNews.com



Oregon Department of Transportation PUBLIC HEARING/OPEN HOUSE

Statewide Transportation Improvement Program (STIP) - Draft
2018 to 2021 STIP for Public Review

The open house will feature maps to view and handouts about selected projects. ODOT staff will be on hand to answer questions and take comments. There will be comment cards available to leave comments regarding specific projects.

Wednesday, February 8, 2017

Lane County Area Commission on Transportation
(Lane County ACT)

Lane County ACT Open House 4:30-5:15PM;
followed by Lane County ACT Meeting 5:30-7:00PM

Lane County Public Works Complex

3040 N. Delta Hwy.
Eugene, OR

Goodson Conference Room

The meeting is open to the public for comment.

To view or comment on this document, please visit:

http://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/TD/STIP/DRAFT_STIP_18-21.pdf

You can also contact the Region 2 STIP and Financial Plan Manager John Maher at Ph. 503-986-2674 or his email address: John.D.MAHER@odot.state.or.us

Accommodations:

Accommodations will be provided to persons with disabilities. To request an accommodation, please call John Maher the Region 2 STIP and Financial Plan Manager.

PeaceHealth, Providence join for neonatal program

PeaceHealth Sacred Heart Medical Center at RiverBend has announced plans to expand their current neonatal therapy program as part of the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit (NICU) at the hospital.

The program, which will provide additional services to infants and families in the community, will be developed through an ongoing alliance with Providence Health and Services through Providence Children's Development Institute.

"Providence Children's Development Institute currently has an excellent neonatal therapy program," said Katie Vendasco, Director of Rehabilitation Services at Sacred Heart Medical Center, University District.

"We are eager to work with them to expand our own program, which will support infants and families in everything from musculoskeletal development to neurologic maturation, successful breast-feeding techniques and managing aspects of parent education," Vendasco said.

A neonatal therapist residency program has been designed to pass on learnings from Providence to PeaceHealth caregivers.

"The vision we share in our alliance with PeaceHealth is to improve the health of any child in our communities," said JoAnn Vance, Executive Director for Providence Children's Developmental Health in Oregon.

Beginning in February, "PeaceHealth therapists dedicated to the new program will spend one day per week for three to six months with an

experienced Providence neonatal therapist at Providence St. Vincent Medical Center," said Vance.

On the strategic alliance with Providence, Vendasco said, "This is a powerful alliance between healthcare industry leaders with common values and heritage who share the same priority, the health of our communities."

"We believe this spirit of cooperation is the future of healthcare."

The program's anticipated implementation date at RiverBend is July 2017.

ACA discussion continues at library to explore health care options Jan. 29

Approximately 45 members of the community came together at the Senior Center on Sunday, Jan. 15, to participate in a conversation about what the repeal of the Affordable Care Act, (ACA) could mean to the Florence area, as well as the nation.

The new congress is moving quickly to make changes, and a group of concerned area

Democrats felt it was important that the community understand the impact of those changes and what you can do about your concerns.

The meeting facilitator, Pat Reno stated, "Having designed employee benefit plans for over 20 years, I know how complicated it is to navigate the system."

The group held open discussions on such issues as exclu-

sions for pre-existing conditions, minimum levels of coverage, health savings accounts, as well as numerous areas of Medicare that could be affected. Because there is still so much uncertainty surrounding these issues, the group decided to hold another meeting on Sunday, Jan. 29, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m., in the Bromley Room at the Siuslaw Public Library, 1460 Ninth St.

HUGE INDOOR YARD SALE

THE LARGEST YARD SALE UNDER ONE ROOF!
OVER 35 BOOTHS
INDIVIDUALS, FAMILIES AND NON PROFIT GROUPS

Saturday

January 28
8 a.m. — 2 p.m.

Florence Events Center
715 Quince Street
Florence, Oregon
541-997-1994

\$1.00
Admission