

GENERAL NEWS

Next FACC meeting to highlight Indian Education

The Florence Area Community Coalition (FACC) will host two speakers at its next monthly meeting on Wednesday, March 1, from 9 to 10:30 a.m., in the Bromley Room of the Siuslaw Public Library.

Lynn Anderson, Indian Education Coordinator and Community Family and Youth Services Liaison for the Siuslaw School District, will speak about this year's Pow Wow, which will be held Saturday, March 18, at Siuslaw Middle School.

This annual event brings dancers from all over Oregon. This year will include a new child's drum group from Roseburg.

Grand entry is at 1 p.m. Amber Tucker is a Home Visitor and Parent Educator for Healthy Families Lane

County, a program hosted by Parenting Now and Relief Nursery. Tucker does home visits to new parents, either pre- or post-birth, to provide parent education, information about child development, and to help families connect to community resources.

This program is new to Florence. This month's featured agency is the Indian Education Program.

Attendees are invited to bring donations for the program, which include child-sized socks, underwear, sweat-pants and sweatshirts. All are welcome to attend the monthly FACC meeting.

There is no charge. Individuals and groups are invited to consider becoming members of the FACC, which supports volunteerism and community development.

Medeiros joins Military Museum board



Jolene Medeiros

The Oregon Coast Military Museum announced at its February meeting that Jolene Medeiros was unanimously added to the museum board, filling a position vacated by the departure of long-time board member Greg Freeze.

Board President Wayne Sharpe said, "Jolene is a perfect fit for our organization. Although she is new to the community, she brings a unique perspective both because she represents a younger generation, which will help us address military heritage with that age group, but more importantly from a newer generation of veterans serving our nation."

Medeiros was born at Ellsworth Air Force base near

Rapid City, S.D., and grew up in Northern California. She has been a Florence resident since early 2016, joining her family who has lived in Florence for almost two years.

Medeiros followed in her father's footsteps by joining the

Air Force, where she served two tours in Afghanistan during her eight years of service.

She was assigned to the Communications Squadron at both Little Rock AFB, Ark., and Fairchild AFB, Wash., where she got her experience with computer repair and teaching. While in the Air Force, she received two associate degrees in information technology, various IT certifications and her bachelor's degree in computer science.

After separating from the Air Force last year, Medeiros moved to Florence to be closer to her family. She immediately fell in love with the area and decided to start a mobile computer business, Florence Tech Solutions, which quickly took

off in its location on Bay Street.

"I am excited and honored to become the newest member of the Oregon Coast Military Museum board and look forward to continuing to honor those who have served before me, and those that continue to serve," said Medeiros, who has already taken on responsibilities serving on a committee to create a monthly rotating display honoring different veterans.

The museum is at 2145 Kingwood St. in Florence, and is open to the public Thursday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

For more information, visit www.oregoncoastmilitarymuseum.com.

RAIN seeks applicants for Coastal Pre-Accelerator Program

12-week programs in Florence and Newport begin in mid-March

The Oregon Regional Accelerator and Innovation Network (RAIN) is now accepting applications for its first coastal pre-accelerator program. The pre-accelerator, which will be offered in Florence and Lincoln County, is a 12-week, bootcamp style program for the best and brightest startup companies on the central Oregon coast.

Applications are available through Monday, Feb. 27, at bit.ly/FloCoPreaccelerator for Florence and bit.ly/lincopreaccelerator for Newport.

Applicant companies must be based in coastal Lane or Lincoln county, plan to sell nationally and create jobs.

Four to six companies will be selected for each pre-accelerator, which begin in mid-March. The cost is \$99 per company, and the fee includes a one-year subscription to the online business plan software LivePlan.

"Over the past year and a half, RAIN has hosted many educational and networking events on the central Oregon

coast, but this is the first multi-week program designed to help take an early stage startup from concept stage to launch stage, or from selling product to scaling the company," said Oregon RAIN's Coastal Venture Catalyst David Youngentob.

The Florence pre-accelerator begins on March 15 and concludes on June 14 with an open-to-the-public Demo Day exhibition and graduation for the cohort.

The Newport pre-accelerator, which will cover the same material, begins on March 22 and concludes with its Demo Day on June 21.

"Rural communities want and need programs that help advance innovation. It would be difficult for the City of Florence to support such a program by itself, but we found a sustainable way to do so by leveraging local dollars with funds from the county and state. Our entrepreneurial community has grown by leaps and bounds since we partnered with RAIN in the fall of 2015, and we believe that the pre-accelerator

will help our innovators reach even greater heights," said Erin Reynolds, city manager for the City of Florence.

Over the course of 12 weeks, the company cohorts will cover a range of topics including marketing and sales, financials and business modeling and pitching and fundraising. They will address these topics through seminars and workshops, group and one-on-one mentoring, one-page business plans and more.

Time commitments include two weekly sessions of three hours each, with an additional 10+ hours per week of homework.

"Innovation is very important to Lincoln County as our population is well-educated and self-motivated. We can leverage our strength in marine industry and ocean sciences. The pre-accelerator will provide the structure and guidance to help our entrepreneurs turn an idea into a thriving business," said Caroline Bauman, executive director of the Economic Development

Alliance of Lincoln County.

The RAIN coastal pre-accelerator is supported by the cities of Florence, Newport, Toledo and Lincoln City, Lane and Lincoln counties and The Ford Family Foundation.

RAIN is an Oregon consortium of government, higher education and the business community.

It was founded by the State of Oregon's Regional Solutions network and funded by the 77th Oregon State Legislative Assembly to advance the formation of high-growth innovative startup companies located in Lane, Linn, Benton and Lincoln Counties.

In coordination with many cities and communities throughout the region, RAIN is partnered with two accelerators to create a collaborative environment to assist entrepreneurs in establishing viable companies that generate jobs, wealth and opportunities for the region.

For more information about RAIN, visit oregonrain.org.

Annual 'Fraudville' event to raise funds for B&G club tonight

The Boys and Girls Club's seventh annual "Fraudville" lip sync event will be held on Feb. 25 at Three Rivers Casino Resort. Doors open at 5 p.m.

"Fraudville" is a fun-filled evening featuring seven local

businesses and organizations strutting their stuff on stage, as they vie for a trophy in the lip-sync contest.

In addition to the lip-sync contest, there will be a silent auction with delectable treats, libations, art and sporting gear,

and four live auction items with special prizes and trips.

A Name-That-Tune game was introduced last year and was so popular that it will return this year.

New to the event is a Roomba Beer Pong, where players are challenged to get the ping pong ball into a moving beer cup and may win a 6-pack.

At the start of the evening, guests will be invited to bid on a Wild Card seat at the judges table.

Rounding out the fun and games is a raffle for a Lamiglass Salmon Rod with a Shimano reel and a chartered salmon fishing trip for two, with a total package value of \$540.

"Fraudville" tickets will be available at the door for \$25.

Tickets allow entrance to the event and include food and ice cream sundaes.

All proceeds support programming at the Boys and Girls Clubs of Western Lane County.

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FEB 24 - MAR 2	FRI 24	SAT 25	SUN 26	MON 27	TUE 28	WED 1	THU 2	
20TH CENTURY WOMEN R 118 MIN - Stars Annette Bening "Every scene is packed with moments that are in turn engaging, amusing, poignant, awkward, heart-warming, heart-breaking and profound."	1:00 PM 6:05 PM 8:45 PM	1:30 PM 5:35 PM 8:10 PM	11:00 AM 5:50 PM	1:00 PM 6:05 PM 8:45 PM	1:00 PM 6:05 PM 8:45 PM	1:00 PM 8:40 PM	1:00 PM 8:40 PM	
A DOG'S PURPOSE PG 120 MIN A moving, dog-human story that warms the heart. "A comforting Milk Bone for the soul." EW	12:50 PM 6:20 PM 9:05 PM	10:45 AM 3:30 PM 6:45 PM 9:05 PM	11:20 AM 5:40 PM 8:15 PM	12:50 PM 6:20 PM 9:05 PM	12:50 PM 6:20 PM 9:05 PM	12:50 PM 6:20 PM 9:05 PM	12:50 PM 6:10 PM	
FENCES - Oscar Nominee Returns! PG-13 139 MIN - "A simply extraordinary film without crashes, bangs and wallops but full of towering performances." Empire	12:30 PM 6:10 PM	10:40 AM 6:10 PM	1:35 PM	12:30 PM 6:10 PM	12:30 PM 6:10 PM	12:30 PM 6:10 PM	12:30 PM	
THE FOUNDER - PG-13 115 MIN	3:30 PM	3:00 PM	1:55 PM	3:30 PM	3:30 PM	3:30 PM	3:30 PM	
LION - Oscar Nominee Returns! PG-13 129 MIN - Dev Patel is audience favorite	3:25 PM 9:00 PM	4:00 PM 9:20 PM	1:30 PM 8:25 PM	3:25 PM 9:00 PM	3:25 PM 9:00 PM	3:25 PM 9:00 PM	3:25 PM 8:45 PM	
LOGAN - R 135 MIN - PREVIEW!							7:00 PM	
JOHN WICK: CHAPTER TWO R 122 MIN - "A more audacious film, bolder and more violent than its predecessor. It's also surprisingly hilarious, wringing humor from physical pratfalls and dry wit." Ebert.com - 3.5 *s	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:00 PM 8:40 PM	10:30 AM 1:10 PM 3:50 PM 6:30 PM 9:10 PM	12:30 PM 5:45 PM 8:20 PM	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:00 PM 8:40 PM	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:00 PM 8:40 PM	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:00 PM 9:30 PM	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:00 PM 9:30 PM	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:00 PM 9:30 PM
SEASONS - From Winged Migration directors PG 97 MIN - Gorgeous nature doc!	3:40 PM	1:20 PM	11:10 AM	3:40 PM	3:40 PM	3:40 PM	3:40 PM	

THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL EVENTS: Films are regular prices | Performing Arts \$19/\$15 Member/\$10 Student

BOLSHOI BALLET: SWAN LAKE NR 200 MIN - Born at the Bolshoi in 1877!		11:00 AM					
AND THE WINNER IS... 200 MIN - Our Oscar Party and SOS Fundraiser			4:30 PM				
ROYAL OPERA HOUSE: IL TROVATORE 170 MIN - Visually arresting staging of Verdi						6:00 PM	
ROYAL SHAKESPEARE CO: THE TEMPEST 163 MIN - "State of the art stagecraft."							6:00 PM

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