

Project from 1A

The format of the conversations was designed to encourage attendees to share their relevant experiences and to actively listen to the presenter and the other voices in the room.

This is an intentional and important aspect of the series that creates an advantage for those listening and speaking.

"We have literally hundreds of organizations from across the state that have participated in the project, holding conversations with some variations, depending on their location, that have resulted in starting a dialogue between people with different opinions and perspectives on an issue," said Davis.

The goal of the project — initiating conversation — has

been achieved, according to Spencer.

"The Oregon Humanities Conversation Project is unique because it is exactly that, a conversation. Everyone who attends is invited to participate in a discussion about important and interesting subjects with topic experts," Spencer said. "It is a really special opportunity to hear from friends and neighbors who may have the same or completely different opinions about what you are discussing."

For more information or to view conversation topics, visit oregonhumanities.org/projects/conversation-project/.

Siuslaw Public Library is open to all requests for future discussions from local residents.

Job Fair from 1A

"I thought we should bring us all together to share and network. We learned so much by pooling resources," Hickson said. "By reaching out to the most possible folks in the area, the fair is one-stop shopping for both employers and applicants."

Thirty-four employers plan to have tables at the fair, and more opportunities will also be available.

The fair will have a greater variety of offerings this year, including self-employment opportunities through Avon and Berkshire Hathaway Home Services NW Real Estate and volunteer opportunities with Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue.

"It's another diverse group representing Florence and community

businesses and organizations," Hickson said.

Another new feature this year is a bank of computers for people to fill out online applications.

"Our application is online," Hickson said. "We found that it was a challenge to get people to apply online. I encourage people to bring their résumé to best fill out any forms."

Youth will also find options for volunteering and employment.

"We really made an effort to network with the school districts and with Camp Florence. A lot of the youth are job-ready, but this is their first time job searching," Hickson said.

Resources include NW Youth Corps and area employers who hire people under 18 years old. Yachats Angell Job Corps will potentially be at the fair as well.

Hickson also recommended job

seekers of all ages connect with Worksource Lane.

"It's the first place people should start. Worksource will help you build your resume and get into the employment system," she said.

She said there are a few things applicants should prepare before they arrive at the fair, the first being a prepared résumé, including employment and education history and references.

She continued, "Dress the part of the job you're looking for. Business casual is the norm in Florence. Be prepared to ask questions and put your best foot forward. Some businesses will take your résumé, and some will require an application. Be ready either way, and be open to what people tell you."

Hickson advised asking employers about what the job entails and what opportunities are

available.

Do these things, and the right employers might find a match with the right applicants.

One huge success last year came from Shorewood Senior Living, who received "a surge of applicants" after the fair, Hickson said.

"We made initial contact at the fair and followed up from there," a Shorewood representative said.

Before long, Shorewood hired Horst Jahn as its executive chef.

"We're very pleased," the representative said.

Hickson said that now is the perfect time to match employers and applicants.

"March is a great time to prepare for the busy season. ... The first step to having a wonderful summer is having qualified people here in to fill those empty positions," she said.

Council from 1A

communications providers occupying or operating within the city's right-of-way at 5 percent of gross revenue.

The council also voted to approve a \$55,510 fee to complete a Buildable Lands Inventory and Housing Needs and Economic Opportunities analysis.

In addition, the council approved staff recommendations

to establish, define responsibilities and recruit a Housing and Economic Opportunities project ad-hoc committee.

Public Works Director Mike Miller received council approval to proceed with a \$360,000 grant request from Oregon Parks and Recreation Development for a concession stand, restrooms, storage building and improvements to the softball and soccer fields at Miller Park. The grant would require \$144,000 in matching funds that could be

accomplished through city and volunteer labor, equipment and material.

Public Works was unsuccessful in obtaining a \$750,000 grant for the project last year.

"We are doing a better job of outlining where the volunteer labor will come from," Miller said. "We are also working with Lane Council of Governments to help us polish this application so we have a better chance of succeeding."

The final action item

approved by the council was to allow city staff to change the city code to allow multi-family housing to be developed on lot sizes smaller than 5 acres.

Planning Director Wendy Farley-Campbell said, "There are only three properties in the city right now that meet that (5-acre) requirement."

According to Farley-Campbell, the city has had six inquiries on one property in the last two weeks, but according to current code, it was too small.

Auction from 1A

Groups filled 38 tables with costumes that fit the "Dancing with the Stars" theme, including disco dancers, dapper couples, 1950s teeny boppers, The Village People, line dancers, cosmonauts and even Star Wars.

Rotarian Jennifer Connor said, "Every year I'm really amazed at the costumes that come out. ... Everyone who does costumes, it's amazing. You guys look great — you look great every year — but this year everyone took it to the next level."

Personnel from U.S. Coast

Guard Station Siuslaw River and Siuslaw Interact Club students helped during the auction.

"We have a lot of people to thank," McMullen said.

McMullen and co-chair Kim Erickson coordinated a huge team of Rotarians to pull off the event, from decorations to auction items, food and wine to the dance floor.

"Kevin and I would just like to thank everyone for their overwhelming support and generosity. We live in an amazing community and are very honored to be part of it," Erickson said.

Rotarian volunteers decorated for the event, sought out contributions, set up, tore down and ran the

auction, including packaging auction items and ringing up totals.

"Our decorations every year continue to get better and better," McMullen said.

Bright stars, red carpet and opulent red and gold decorations hung from the ceiling and festooned the events center.

Decorating Committee chairwoman Crystal Farnsworth said, "In the case of the Rotary Auction, it definitely takes a club."

Rotarians also stepped in with a record number of donated desserts.

McMullen said the sale of desserts alone brought in more than \$6,200.

Father-son duo Blair and Bob Sneddon auctioneered during the live auction with good-natured ribbing.

The auction featured many "stars," but McMullen and Erickson made a special point to thank the cashiers who rang up \$93,000 in less than 20 minutes at the end of the auction.

The show went on past 10:30 p.m. as some people danced to beats laid down by DJ Al Rojas.

The Florence Rotary Auction is a tradition that has lasted since 1962 and has raised a total of \$1,462,276.63 for youth scholarships, community events and projects.

Marijuana from 1A

The retailer noticed the failed pesticide results in the CTS on March 10, and immediately contacted the OLCC.

A wholesaler transferred the product to the retailer before the pesticide results were recorded in the OLCC Cannabis Tracking System.

The affected marijuana has a label that includes one of the following OLCC license numbers:

- 050-1002850B56E
- 060-100301304FE
- 050-1002850B56E

The following package numbers are also included in the recall:

- Blue Magoo: 1A40103000 05B05000000772
- Blue Magoo: 1A40103000 05B05000000769
- Blue Magoo: 1A40103000 05911000000005


The remainder of the affected nine-pound batch of marijuana flower has been placed on administrative hold pending the outcome of an additional pesticide retest.

Consumers who have these recalled products should dispose of the products or return them to the retailer where they were purchased.

There have been no reports of illness.

Contact the product retailer and/or the Oregon Poison Center at 800-222-1222 for more information.

For information about a Buds 4 U purchase, call 541-268-1924. It is located at 10692 Highway 126, Suite 4, in Mapleton.



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