

## HCAO to screen film 'Now is the time'

The Florence chapter of Healthcare for All Oregon (HCAO) is presenting a second showing of the free documentary film, "Now is the time for Health Care for Everybody."

For those who missed the first well-attended showing, be sure to catch this impressive film and take part in an open discussion Saturday, April 8, at the Bromley Room in the Siuslaw Public Library at 7 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

The United States pays nearly twice as much for healthcare as any other industrialized nation, yet it still does not care for all of its citizens.

Polls show that 58 percent of Americans favor a national,

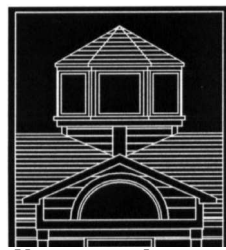
publicly funded single payer healthcare program. This documentary delves into what single payer healthcare is, how it operates and how it can save money.

Additionally, the film shows what is being done to clear up the misperceptions that keep us from moving forward.

As HCAO readies for a Single Payer ballot initiative in 2020, it is important that citizens are well versed with healthcare concepts and are able to understand the many advertisements authorized by insurance companies and their political allies.

For more information this event call 541-997-2997

## 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 Adult Services Librarian Siuslaw Public Library (541) 997-3134

### Book Review 'The Wangs vs. the World' by Jade Chang

Charles Wang is mad at America. A brash, bighearted immigrant businessman who built a cosmetics empire and made a fortune, he's just been ruined by the financial crisis.

Now all Charles wants is to get his kids safely stowed away so he can go to China and attempt to reclaim his family's ancestral lands — and his pride.

Charles pulls Andrew, his aspiring-comedian son, and Grace, his style-obsessed daughter, out of schools he can no longer afford.

Together with their stepmother, Barbra, they embark on a cross-country road trip from their foreclosed Bel-Air home to the upstate New York hideout of the eldest daughter, disgraced art-world it-girl Saina.

But with his son waylaid by a temptress in New Orleans, his wife ready to defect for a set of 1,000 thread-count sheets and an epic smashup in North Carolina, Charles may have to choose between the Old World and the New — between keeping his family intact and finally fulfilling his dream of starting anew in China.

Author Jade Chang has covered arts and culture as a journalist and editor and lives in Los Angeles. "The Wangs vs. the World" is her debut novel. If you enjoy books about goofy, dysfunctional families and their problems, you'll enjoy Jade Chang's first book.

### Finding Your Roots Class

Librarian Kevin Mittge will again be offering two basic classes in starting your family history research.

The first "Finding Your Roots" will be on Friday, April 14, from 1 to 3 p.m., in the Siuslaw Room; the second "Finding Records" will be on Friday, April 28, 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 more 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.

### No-Smoking Policy

Effective April 15, in order to provide a safe, clean and wel-

coming environment, the Siuslaw Public Library campus in Florence will be a smoke and tobacco free campus.

This policy states that tobacco use and smoking in all forms will not be permitted in any facility or on any property owned by the library district.

The prohibition includes all devices, such as cigarettes, cigars, pipes, electronic cigarettes, oral tobacco, etc.

Tobacco use will be permitted within enclosed private vehicles parked more than 25 feet from any library entrance or ventilation intake.

The policy is posted on the library's bulletin board above the copy machine and for more information on this policy, please check with library staff.

### Best Books in Mapleton

There will be a repeat of the library's Best Books program, this Friday at 3:30 p.m., at the Mapleton branch library.

If you didn't get a chance to see the program in Florence, stop by the branch.

We also still have copies of the book list available at the reference desk in Florence.

IN HONOR OF THE 100TH ANNIVERSARY OF ROTARY FOUNDATION

**Florence Rotary Club's 100 Acts of Good**

62. **Florence Rotarians** join Siuslaw Valley Fire & Rescue and the American Red Cross to install 103 smoke detectors in senior homes in the Greentrees development
63. **Rotarian Ron Caputo** donates seeds to the school gardens, Florence Food Share, St. Mary's and community gardens
64. **Florence Rotary** commits to Rotary International for an Inbound Exchange Student for the 2017-18 school year
65. **President Pat Riley** and Youth Committee Chair Jane Hanawalt attend SHS International Fair and meet with students about rotary programs that benefit them such as youth exchange, leadership training, and scholarship opportunities
66. **Florence Rotarians and Interact students** participate in Read Across America donating books to the schools, library, and head start students and reading with students in classrooms
67. **Rotarians Nate Kaplan and Ron Green** with Miles to Go Quartet donate proceeds of their first CD to the Siuslaw High School Band's instrument fund/music program

For more information Call President, Pat Riley: 541-991-6371  
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## Little Dickens winners featured at Backstreet

Painter Julie Strecker and Silversmith Patti Williams won the Best of Show awards at the Little Dickens Miniature Show last December at Backstreet Gallery.

That win allows both artists to exhibit more of their work at the Gallery throughout the month of April.

Award-winning painter Julie Strecker is the owner of Old Town Coffee and Gallery a local "art hub."

Enjoy a cup of coffee and view her paintings and pastels along with other artwork displayed there.

Julie loves interacting with her customers, many of whom are local artists.

They congregate there to create, critique and find out what's happening in Florence's art world.

Her subject matter includes the Oregon shore, local architecture and people just doing what they love. Creating with attention to detail, she interplays light with strong color in her paintings.

About 20 years ago when she owned a bakery in Colorado, Julie took a watercolor class and was hooked. A few years later, she took up pastels.



COURTESY PHOTO

A 'Painted' lampwork pendant with Oregon themes by Backstreet member Patti Williams will be one of the pieces featured during the month of April at Backstreet Gallery.

Julie settled in Florence 11 years ago and has continued to expand as an artist.

After taking classes in clay at LCC, she invested in equipment and now creates pottery out of her home.

An award-winning artist with a fine arts degree, Patti Williams has shown her work in museums and galleries

throughout California.

Sacramento television aired a lesson she taught on jewelry making.

Patti's silver jewelry may include scrolling filigree silver and lampwork beads.

Because she is also an accomplished painter, she now captures essences of Oregon by melting small bits of glass, into

tiny painterly scenes on her lampwork beads.

After watching a baby whale "spy hop" in and out of the water, she designed the piece entered in the Dickens show.

The finished pendant shows a whale spouting delicate silver swirls of water.

Patti loves plants, nature and light. Light glowing through a translucent leaf or petal as well as outlining the Siuslaw River Bridge inspires her to paint in either watercolor or oil.

At Florence Regional Art Alliance (FRAA), she teaches a class in oil painting with a palette knife.

Her piece "Mystic River" was recently accepted into FRAA's Florence Fest at the Florence Events Center.

The Backstreet Gallery is an Artist's Cooperative located at 1421 Bay St.

For information about artists and upcoming shows call 541-997-8980.

**FRAA ART CENTER**  
120 Maple Street  
Phone: 541-997-4435  
Hours Open: Wed-Fri noon-5pm, Sat 10am-5pm, Sun. noon-5pm

### Classes and Workshops

**NEW! Open Studio at FRAA**  
No registration required. Drop-in, bring your materials, and create. All artistic mediums welcome. Every Thurs, 1-4 pm

**Palette Knife Painting with Patricia Williams**  
Mondays, 11 am - 2 pm  
Contact Patti at 916-296-0485 or [artjewelrybypatti@gmail.com](mailto:artjewelrybypatti@gmail.com) for details, fees and to register.

**Ceramics Classes:**  
**Ceramics for Kids w/ Ben Cahoon and Alissa Clark**  
Thursdays, 4-5 pm

**Whimsical Hand Building Ceramics w/ Alissa Clark**  
Wednesdays, 3-5 pm and Thursdays, 6-8 pm

**Open Lab Ceramics on Saturdays**  
Drop in, work at own pace. Sat 12-5 pm  
All ceramics classes held at Alissa's Studio, 180 Laurel Street. Call Alissa with questions: 503-857-5222

**NEW! Seed Bead Chain with Pat Tellez**, Learn to create a chain using seed beads to wear alone or enhanced with a cabochon.  
Friday, April 14, 12:30-4 pm  
Contact 360-718-1963 or 541-997-4435 for fees & to register. Registration req'd.

**Creative Writing Workshops - Writers on the River w/ Catherine Rourke**  
All writing levels  
Sat April 22nd, 10 am to noon  
To register, call 541-708-2120 or email [CJReditor@gmail.com](mailto:CJReditor@gmail.com)

**Painting with John Leasure**  
Saturdays 9 am - 12 pm  
April 1, 8, 15, 29, May 6, 13, 20, and 27  
Contact: [jleasure@hotmail.com](mailto:jleasure@hotmail.com) or 541-991-2754 for details and fees.

**Oil Painting with Michael Wood**  
Wednesdays 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm  
Contact: [fmwood@msn.com](mailto:fmwood@msn.com) for fees and more information.

For more information about classes, visit [fraaoregon.org](http://fraaoregon.org). To register for these classes, please call or visit FRAA at our art center on Maple Street.

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