

## 'Awakening Peace' event May 28 at Senior Center

Florence's fourth annual "Awakening Peace" event will be held on Sunday, May 28, from noon to 4 p.m., at the Florence Senior Center located at 1570 Kingwood St. in Florence.

The purpose of the event is to reflect on and experience peace both individually and collectively.

Featured artists include Siuslaw's Indian Education Program Drummers and Dancers with Lynn Anderson.

MaryBeth Nickel, storyteller, harpist and flautist, will be performing along

with percussionists Rodney Turner, Jim Harder and others.

There will be a Native American smudging upon entering with Elder Julie Belcher and Sarah Bower accompanied by Bruce Jarvis on flute. There will also be a Children's Table and Face Painting by Susan Peavey.

Bring your own lunch or snacks. Come for an hour or the whole afternoon.

The Baha'i community of Florence is sponsoring this event.

There is no charge and everyone is welcome.

## FUUF discusses energy and the healing process

On Sunday, May 21, from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, Rev. Dr. Marcia Pierce will lead the worship service titled "Our Marvelous Minds: Thought as Energy and Its Part in the Healing Process."

For many years science and religion have been slowly moving closer together. There is a strong connection between the spiritual and religious world and there is also a great deal of logic in what's now called 'New Thought Teachings.'

Pearce will talk about the amazing expansiveness of the power of mind, and how

we might use it more to bless and uplift our world.

The UU Fellowship, located at 87738 Highway 101 at Heceta Beach Road, is wheelchair accessible.

Each service concludes with refreshments and a dialogue circle to explore the questions that come up during each service.

Every Sunday evening at 5:30 p.m., Jim Tubesing leads Peaceful Meditations at the Fellowship Hall.

For YouTube videos of past worship service, visit FUUF's website at [www.florenceuuf.org](http://www.florenceuuf.org).

Call 541-997-2840 for more information.

## Bahai' to examine the concept of susceptibility

On Monday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m., at 875 Seventh St., everyone is invited to join a group from varied spiritual paths to discuss susceptibility.

The Baha'i Writings say: "Sterile soil will produce nothing, even if the cloud of mercy pours rain upon it a thousand years. We must make the soil of our hearts receptive and fertile by tilling in order that the rain of divine mercy may refresh them and bring forth roses and hyacinths of heavenly planting."

"We must have perceiving eyes in order to see the light of

the sun."

Therefore, we must ever strive for capacity and seek readiness. As long as we lack susceptibility, the beauties and bounties of God cannot penetrate.

The public is invited to bring stories about personal efforts to be spirituality attentive. The gathering will end at 8 p.m. with prayers for the requests left in the Prayer Pole in the garden of the Florence Playhouse, and those shared by the group at the service.

For more information, call Suzanne at 541-590-0709.



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