

Elks to host fish fry fundraiser Saturday

The Florence Elks Club will host a Fish Fry Fundraiser benefitting its new Vocational Scholarship Fund, which will award money to students who wish to pursue vocational training after high school. The fish fry, which is open to the public, will be from 5 to

7 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 1686 12th St., on Saturday, Aug. 12. Cost is \$10 and will include fried fish, French fries, tartar sauce and cole slaw. Refreshments will be available for purchase. All ages are welcome.

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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

“The Dark Flood Rises”
by Margaret Drabble

From the great British novelist Dame Margaret Drabble, “The Dark Flood Rises” is a vital and audacious tale about the many ways in which we confront aging and living in a time of geopolitical rupture. Francesca Stubbs has an extremely full life. A highly regarded expert on housing for the elderly who is herself getting on in age, she drives “restlessly round England,” which is “her last love...She wants to see it all before she dies.” Amid the professional conferences that dominate her schedule, she fits in visits to old friends, brings home-cooked dinners to her ailing ex-husband, texts her son, who is grieving over the shocking death of his girlfriend and drops in on her daughter, a quirky young woman who lives in a flood plain in the West Country. Fran cannot help but think of her mortality, but she is “not ready to settle yet, with a cat upon her knee.” She still prizes her “frisson of autonomy,” her believe in herself as a dynamic individual doing meaningful work in the

world. “The Dark Flood Rises” moves between Fran’s interconnected group of family and friends in England and a seemingly idyllic expat community in the Canary Islands. In both places, disaster looms. In Britain, the flood tides are rising, and in the Canaries, there is always the potential for a seismic event. As well, migrants are fleeing an increasingly war-torn Middle East. Though “The Dark Flood Rises” delivers the pleasures of a traditional novel, it is clearly situated in the precarious present. Margaret Drabble’s latest enthralls, entertains, and asks existential questions in equal measure.

Donations for book sale needed

The Friends of the Library will be holding their next book sale on Labor Day weekend and they are seeking donations. Please bring any unwanted books or other materials to the library’s circulation desk. The Friends sales help support the library in many ways, from helping with the costs of putting on programs to helping purchase new furniture and

equipment. Your donation to the Friends goes a long way towards helping the library continue to provide excellent service to district residents and visitors.

Thanks for Summer Reading

Story times with Ms. Gayle are on hiatus for the month of August. We wish to thank everyone who participated in this year’s summer reading program making it such a great success — children, teens, and adults. During the month of August the twice weekly story times are on hiatus to give Ms. Gayle a well-needed rest, but will resume in September.

Mapleton Branch

The Mapleton library is located at 88148 Riverview Ave. in the Lion’s Club Building. With a nice view of the Siuslaw River, it’s a wonderful place to sit and enjoy a good book or read the newspaper. The library also has books, magazines, DVDs and videos, recorded books, Internet computers, wireless Internet access, a rotating art display and more. Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m.

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