Oregon Heritage Commission offers arts grants

The Oregon Heritage Commission is offering grants for qualified projects for the conservation, development and interpretation of Oregon's cultural heritage.

Awards typically range between $5,000 and $20,000.

Projects can include anything related to Oregon heritage, and priority will be given to projects that preserve, develop or interpret threatened heritage resources or heritage resources of statewide significance.

The grant application deadline is Oct. 2.

Projects can include theatrical performances, collections preservation and access, exhibits, oral history projects, public education events, organizational archives projects, films and more.

"We hope to see a variety of projects that engage Oregonians in heritage," said Kuri Gill, heritage grants program coordinator. "We encourage the documentation, preservation and exploration of all aspects of Oregon's heritage."

Applications are submitted online.

The Heritage Commission is comprised of nine people representing Oregon's heritage and geographical diversity who have been appointed by the Governor. There are nine advisory representatives from state agencies and statewide organizations. To learn more about the grants, visit www.oregonheritage.org or email Kuri Gill at Kuri.Gill@oregon.gov or call 503-986-0685.

St. Mary's Women's Guild makes Donations

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Bonnie Mueller (center) of The Women's Guild with Maryanne and Genoveva, volunteers at Memory Loss Respite Center

The Women's Guild of St. Mary Our Lady Of The Dunes Catholic Church recently made charitable donations to several organizations in Florence.

Checks were given to the Florence chapter of Oregon Right To Life, Meals On Wheels, St. Vincent dePaul's, Helping Hands Coalition, Memory Loss Respite Center and Caring Pregnancy Center.

The Women's Guild wants to bring attention to these local organizations that are always in need of volunteers and donations.

LCC-Florence campus hosting community open house today

The Continuing Education Program at LCC Florence Center invites the public to its fall term open house beginning at 10 a.m. today.

Guests will receive a sneak peek of new programming and planned Outward Ventures excursions, and also have an opportunity to meet new instructors.

Some of the fall line-up includes new classes on quilt- and jewelry-making, watercolor arts, chair yoga, and genealogy.

This fall, licensed massage therapists in Oregon may also receive continuing education credits for a course offered in energy medicine.

The open house event also features light refreshments, door prizes and a chance to win a $50 credit toward registration.

Continuing Education Program registration opens on Sept. 5 and classes start Sept. 25.

Look for the LCC program schedule in The Siuslaw News on Sept. 2.

For more information, call 541-997-8444, ext. 4825.

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