

## Learn about upcoming Medicare Open Enrollment

Every year from Oct. 15 through Dec. 7, people with Medicare have the opportunity to change their health and drug plans.

Companies that offer Medicare programs make changes in rates, co-pays, deductibles, drug lists and provisions each year. Consumers should receive information about the 2018 plans by Oct. 1, in time to review them before Open Enrollment.

Local Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance (SHIBA) counselors are gear-

ing up for appointments to be held most Fridays during Open Enrollment in the computer lab at the Florence campus of Lane Community College.

SHIBA counselors meet with individuals to personally assist with Medicare choices, problems, enrollments and questions.

As trained volunteers serving under the direction of the Center for Medicare Services, they offer free, unbiased advice and services.

To schedule an appointment, call 800-722-4134.

## Free class offered on Alzheimer's legal, financial planning

The Alzheimer's Association Oregon Chapter will be holding a class, "Legal and Financial Planning," from 1 to 3 p.m. on Thursday, Oct. 5, in the Bromley Room of the Siuslaw Public Library, 1460 Ninth St.

The diagnosis of Alzheimer's disease makes planning for the future more important than ever. Legal and Financial Planning for Alzheimer's Disease is an interactive program presented by a local attorney.

Participants will have a chance to learn about important legal and financial issues, how to put plans in place, and how to access legal and financial resources in the community.

"Planning ahead is one of the most important things families can do when a loved one is diagnosed with Alzheimer's or another dementia," said Abby Gershenzon, Cascade Coast regional coordinator for the Alzheimer's Association. "This class is a wonderful opportunity for members of

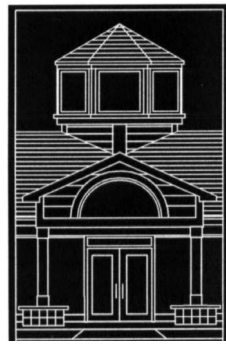
the Florence community to learn more about Alzheimer's-related legal and financial considerations from a local attorney, free of charge."

The program will cover information for families and individuals dealing with Alzheimer's disease or another dementia. Topics covered will include: Making legal plans that fit individualized needs; necessary legal documents and what they mean; how to find legal and financial assistance; practical strategies for making a long-term plan of care; tax deductions and credits; and government programs that can help pay for care.

This class is free, but registration is required. To register, call 800-272-3900.

The Alzheimer's Association will present a wide variety of free education classes to the Florence community about every other month, thanks to the co-sponsorship of the Siuslaw Public Library. The next class in the series will be held Thursday, Jan. 11, from 1 to 2:30 p.m.

## 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 STRANGER IN THE WOODS BY MICHAEL FINKEL

Many people dream of escaping modern life, but most will never act on it. Told in a riveting narrative, this is the remarkable true story of a man who lived alone in the woods of Maine for 27 years and made this dream a reality.

In 1986, a shy and intelligent 20-year-old named Christopher Knight left his home in Massachusetts, drove to Maine, and disappeared into the forest.

He would not have a conversation with another human being until nearly three decades later when he was arrested for stealing food. Living in a tent even through brutal winters, he had survived by his wits and courage, developing ingenious ways to store edibles and water, and avoiding freezing to death.

He broke into nearby cottages for food, clothing, reading material and other provisions, taking only what he needed but terrifying a community never able to solve the mysterious burglaries.

Based on extensive interviews with Knight himself, "The Stranger in the Woods" is a vividly detailed account of his secluded life — why did he leave? what did he learn? — as well as the challenges Knight

has faced since returning to the world.

It is gripping story of survival that asks fundamental questions about solitude, community and what makes a good life, as well as a deeply moving portrait of a man who was determined to live his own way, and succeeded.

### DEMARTS IS COMING!

On Saturday, Oct. 14, the library will be presenting the very popular demARTS. This demonstration and celebration of arts from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. will feature a wide range of artists and crafts people demonstrating their work.

Enjoy textile painting, calligraphy, rock painting, reading journals, Zentangle, decoupage and a lot more.

Visit the "Create & Take Room" and make cards and buttons and recycled art. Demonstrations by the Fiber Arts Guild will be in the lobby, and people can have a photo button created by the Siuslaw Viewfinders Camera Club.

Last Resort Players will also be giving a preview of their musical "Annie."

Don't miss this fun and exciting program at the library!

### GENEALOGY CLASSES

The library will be offering

two introductory family history classes this month and there is still time to sign up.

"Finding Your Roots" will be on Friday, Oct. 13, from 1 to 3 p.m. and Finding Records will be on Fri., Oct. 27th, from 1 to 3 p.m.

Both classes are limited to 12 participants, so contact the reference desk, 541-997-3132, to register.

### ALZHEIMER'S ASSOCIATION CLASS TOMORROW

The library is co-sponsoring an event with the Oregon Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association tomorrow, Oct. 5, from 1 to 3 p.m. in the Bromley Room.

"Legal and Financial Planning For Alzheimer's and Other Dementias" will be the topic of the class. All classes are free, but people should call 800-272-3900 to register.

### MAPLETON BRANCH

The Mapleton library is located at 88148 Riverview Avenue, 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.

Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5 p.m.

Check it out!

## BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB TO HOST 'SENIOR-SENIOR PROM'

A white sports coat and a pink carnation will fit right in at the Senior-Senior Prom set for Friday, Oct. 20, at Three Rivers Casino Resort.

This gala party is a fundraiser for Boys and Girls Club of Western Lane County, with proceeds going toward helping finish the building expansion project currently underway at the Boys and Girls Club.

"The project is a critical

part of the club's expanding outreach and ongoing commitment to helping kids in the Florence area realize their full potential as healthy, happy, involved members of this community," said Boys and Girls Club Executive Director Jack Davis.

The Senior-Senior Prom will have dancing to popular tunes of the '50s and '60s, a silent and live auction, games and hors d'oeuvres. In addition, beer, wine and soft drinks will be available, so no need to spike the punch bowl.

Dance the Mashed Potato, Twist, Hand Jive and Chicken

Dance, or just slow dance to the Righteous Brothers.

Tickets are \$65 each, or people can sponsor a six-, eight- or 10-seat table.

Corporate and individual sponsorships are available at the Senior, Junior, Sophomore or Freshman level.

No prom is complete without a king and queen. The king and queen of the Senior-Senior Prom will be crowned at midnight (8:30 p.m. Senior-Senior time).

The prom runs from 6 to 9 p.m.

"We're the Boys and Girls Club of Western Lane County

and we know how to have fun," said Davis. "So, be a cool daddy and bring your main squeeze. Get down with it and have a far out, groovy, blast from the past."

Tickets will be available at Coast Insurance, Boys and Girls Club, Umpqua Bank, Banner Bank, Oregon Pacific Bank, The Shippin' Shack, State Farm Insurance and Washington Federal.

This is a 21-and-way-older event.

For more information, call the Boys and Girls Club at 541-902-0304.

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