

Spirituali-Tea to celebrate Baha'i Holy Day

On Monday, Oct 16, beginning at 6:30 p.m., the public is invited to join a group that enjoys finding the common grounds in diverse spiritual thoughts and paths.

This year, in mid October, the Baha'is of Florence will be holding the 200th year anniversary

of the Birth of Bahá'u'lláh. The Holy Day mark the happiest and most festive time for Bahá'is, and the Baha'i community is inviting friends, neighbors and acquaintances to take part in the special celebration.

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.

For more information, call Suzanne Mann-Heintz at 541-590-0779.

Free classes on New Testament continue

Nine New Testament classes are being taught by Joel Marks, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., each Thursday night through Nov. 16 at the LDS Church at the corner of Munsel Lake and North Fork roads.

The classes are free and open to the public regardless of denomination or belief. Each verse of the New Testament will be covered, starting with the Book of St. John, and class participation is encouraged.

Refreshments will be served following each class session.

For more information, call 541-840-0620. The class is a



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Joel Marks teaches a class on The New Testament at the Church of Latter Day Saints in Florence.

journey into the meaning of the Messiah's life and how it relates to life today.



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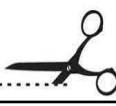
Community Forum



Thursday, Oct. 19
7 p.m.
at City Lights Cinemas

The community is invited to a live discussion regarding the DACA program debate, its pros and cons, and the potential impacts at the local, state and national level. A panel representing both sides of the issue will be on hand to answer audience questions submitted on the form below. Drop your question off at the Siuslaw News (148 Maple St.) or bring it with you on Oct. 19.

Question:



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FUUF to discuss why Halloween is celebrated

Rev. Rick Davis has served as minister of the Unitarian Universalist Congregation of Salem for the past 25 years.

On Sunday, Oct. 15, from 10 to 11 a.m., Rev. Davis will be speaking for the first time at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship.

His topic will be: "Why Do We Celebrate Halloween?"

Davis is a graduate of Emory University's Candler School of Theology. He serves on the board of the Unitarian Universalist Buddhist Fellowship and is currently the longest serving active UU minister in the Pacific Northwest.

The UU Fellowship, 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.

For more information, visit FUUF's website at www.florenceuu.org or call 541-997-2840.

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- Jumper cables
- Waterproof matches and candles
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- Flashlight with fresh batteries
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My husband Dave and I were both born and raised in Springfield, Oregon. We graduated from Thurston High School. Dave and I married in June of 1979 and moved to Florence two months later. Dave manages and works on the family timber farm outside of Springfield as well as working in construction.

We enjoy spending time with our grown children. Bryce and Carly live on the family farm in Springfield while Trent and Jenna continue to live here in Florence. In July, Trent and Jenna married, so it is official, I have another daughter! As a family, we enjoy target practice, trap shooting, riding quads and bowling.

I began working at the Siuslaw News in February 2003. I am in the sales department as a Marketing Associate. I enjoy getting to know my clients and helping them with their advertising needs.



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Chantelle Meyer is the features editor at Siuslaw News, where she formats, edits and creates the special features and editions of the twice-weekly Florence-area newspaper. She enjoys writing stories about economic development, events around town and the fascinating people who make up the Siuslaw Region. She loves the creativity she gets to use daily and the chance to feature her own and the editorial staff's writings and photographs.

Her main goal is to live a creative life, and she can definitely say she is.

When not working, Chantelle likes to read, write and draw, as well as volunteer with local community groups, dress in costume and continue to explore this area she calls home.

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