

Final house concert of season to feature jazz pianist Dec. 10

Award-winning jazz pianist and composer John Paris returns for his sixth appearance in Kathy Parsons' house concert series in Sandpines West (Florence) on Sunday, Dec. 10, at 3 p.m.

This concert will feature original compositions as well as many familiar holiday favorites interpreted in Paris' unique style.

Paris made his Carnegie Hall debut in 2015. A life-long performer with a very impressive resume, his concerts are always a special treat. Paris has been a featured performer alongside the Minneapolis Symphony, an accompanist to the Moody Blues, and a special guest on The Merv Griffin Show and Jerry Lewis Telethons.

His diverse and varied career has spanned four decades. Touring the country's major cities, he has entertained millions as the leader, composer and arranger of his show-band, Atlantis, which was based out of Las Vegas. In addition to composing and performing, Paris is a music teacher in the Yuba City, Calif., school district.



John Paris

He has received "Best Jazz Album of the Year" awards the past three years from Enlightened Piano Radio and has also won awards from SoloPiano.com. He performed at the EPR awards concert at The Grand Ol' Opry this past September as well as several concert appearances around the country.

There is a suggested donation of \$15 at the door, and all donations go to the artist. CDs will be available for sale.

The address and directions will be given when reservations are made by calling Kathy Parsons at 541-999-9720 or emailing her at kathyjpiano@gmail.com.

Wind Ensemble Presents Seasonal Celebration Benefit

The Pacific Coast Wind Ensemble will present its sixth annual Holiday Concert on Saturday, Dec. 9 at the Yachats Commons beginning at 2 p.m. Proceeds from the concert will benefit South Lincoln County Resources.

The program will draw heavily on traditional favorites woven into carol medleys, but there will also be contemporary pieces taken from Christmas movies, and lively marches and tunes from the concert band repertoire.

Refreshments will be available at intermission, as well as baked items for sale to take home.

The conductor for the concert will be David Olson in his first appearance as principal conductor.

David has had a long history with the band, serving as co-director and lead alto sax in prior years. David is assisted by two associate conductors: Chris Lewis from the South Region and John Trullinger from the North.

The concert is free but a



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The Pacific Coast Wind Ensemble will be holding its sixth annual Holiday Concert on Saturday, Dec. 9 to benefit the South Lincoln County Resources and Yachats Food Pantry.

donation of \$5 per person and \$10 per family would be appreciated.

Proceeds will go to South Lincoln County Resources. Non-perishable food items will also be collected for the Yachats Food Pantry.

The Pacific Coast Wind Ensemble is composed of

about 35 professional and amateur musicians from the central Oregon coast, and has provided concert band entertainment for more than two decades. The band plays several concerts per year throughout the region.

Besides the Seasonal Celebration Concert in

Yachats, the band will be performing at the Sea of Lights at the Oregon Coast Aquarium on Saturday, Dec. 16, Spring concerts in Florence and Newport, Beachcomber Days in Waldport, and Waldport High School graduation.

No auditions are required to join the band. Rehearsals are Monday nights during the school year, alternately in Waldport and Florence. Most of the members are adult, but high school students make up about a third of the band.

For further information, visit www.snagglebunnytribe.net/P_CWE_Home.

As part of the bands outreach program, it provides scholarships to local music students, mainly from Newport, Waldport and Siuslaw high schools.

Persons interested in applying for a scholarship should contact the music teacher at their local school.

For further information, contact Eric Bigler, band secretary, at ebigler@europa.com.

Military Museum and City Lights to treat Coastie kids

The Oregon Coast Military Museum is partnering with City Lights Cinemas to provide free tickets to the families of the United States Coast Guard Station Siuslaw River, for the Thursday, Dec. 7, viewing of the classic Christmas movie "A

Christmas Story."

The story is set in 1940s America and features many of the traditions of the holiday season, including visits to Santa, the Christmas dinner, and of course a boy's dream of owning a BB gun.

The movie was produced in 1983 and stars Darren McGavin as the father who must guide his family through the wintery perils of the season.

"The museum's board is anxious to continue the efforts to support and thank our Coast Guard family here in Florence, particularly in light of the Coast Guard City designation received earlier this year," Oregon Coast Military Museum Executive Director Cal Applebee said.

"Mayor Joe Henry, who is our board treasurer, proposed we do something for the families for the holidays, and board president Wayne Sharpe approached City Lights Cinemas with the idea of participating," Applebee said.

Michael Falter, co-owner of City Lights Cinemas, said, "We are glad to partner with the museum to support our Coast Guard Families," and stepped up with the donation of the

tickets for the Pearl Harbor Day viewing of the movie.

Joe Henry reminded the board that the community needs to continually support the USCG Station Siuslaw River throughout the years to maintain the Coast Guard City status.

"Besides, they are a significant part of our community and we want to make sure they know we appreciate them," Henry said.

The Oregon Coast Military Museum is a nonprofit 501(c)3 organization dedicated to preserving and honoring the history and service of veterans from every military branch.

Located at 2145 Kingwood Street, the museum is open 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Thursday through Saturday.

The website is www.oregoncoastmilitarymuseum.com.

City Lights Cinemas is located at 1930 Highway 101.

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BOY SCOUTS TO HOLD ANNUAL PANCAKE BREAKFAST

The public is invited to indulge in a breakfast of fluffy pancakes and sizzling sausages while supporting Florence Boy Scouts this Saturday, Dec. 9, from 8 to 11 a.m.

Visit the Florence Elks Lodge as it hosts Boy Scout Troop #777 for their annual Pancake Breakfast.

All monies will go toward membership fees, ensuring that all youth interested in Scouting can join no matter their financial circumstances.

The breakfast costs \$8 for a plate full of pancakes and sausages, with seconds costing \$2. Meals also include coffee and juice included.

Contact Scoutmaster Chris LaCosse at 458-215-5538 for more information about the breakfast or to join Boy Scouts.

Screening of holiday classic to raise funds

The community is invited to attend to a screening of "A Christmas Story" tonight, Dec. 6, at City Light Cinemas to raise money for Florence's Future First Citizens scholarship fund.

The scholarship team and Michael Falter, owner of City Lights Cinemas, are hosting the event, complete with beer, wine and popcorn — plus the classic holiday movie. The \$2,500 scholarship, named for Past First Citizen Marteen Wick, is awarded each year to Florence's Future First Citizen.

Tickets are for a tax-deductible donation of \$30 and include a reception at 6 p.m.

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