

Parks and Recreation seeks comments on rule change about abandoned cemeteries

Oregon Parks and Recreation Department (OPRD) is accepting comments on a proposed rule change that would establish a permit to restore, maintain or preserve an abandoned cemetery.

The proposed rules are a result of House Bill 2516, passed during the 2017 session.

The deadline for public comment on the amendments is Monday, Jan. 15.

The proposed rules, developed in consultation with the Oregon Commission on Historic Cemeteries, outline the process for entities to apply for permits and permit requirements. OPRD currently offers a grant program for protection, restoration and education of historic cemeteries.

Information about the grant program is available at www.oregon.gov/oprd/HCD/FINA/SST/Pages/grants.aspx#Historic_Cemeteries_Grant

The full text is available online at www.oregon.gov/oprd/RULES/pages/index.aspx.

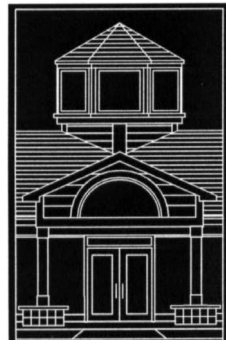
Comments can be made directly there or in writing to Oregon Parks and Recreation Department, Attn.: Katie Gauthier, 725 Summer St NE, Suite C, Salem OR 97301; or by email to OPRD.publiccomment@oregon.gov.

They will be accepted until 5 p.m. on Jan. 15.

Anyone wishing to comment in person may attend a public hearing at 6 p.m. on Tuesday, Jan. 9, in Salem's North Mall Office Building, 725 Summer Street NE, Room 124A.

After reviewing public comments, agency staff plan to present a final recommended rule for consideration by the Oregon State Parks and Recreation Commission at its February 2018 business meeting.

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 Second Mrs. Hockaday" By Susan Rivers

When Major Gryffth Hockaday is called to the front lines of the Civil War, his new bride is left to care for her husband's 300-acre farm and infant son, Placidia, a mere teenager herself living far from her family and completely unprepared to run a farm or raise a child on her own.

By the time Major Hockaday returns two years later, Placidia is bound for jail, accused of having borne a child in his absence and murdering it.

What really transpired in the two years he was away?

Inspired by a true incident, this saga conjures the era with uncanny immediacy. Amid the desperation of wartime, Placidia sees the social order of her Southern homeland unravel as her views on race and family are transformed.

A love story, a story of racial divide, and a story of the South as it fell in the war, "The Second Mrs. Hockaday" by Susan Rivers, reveals how that generation — and the next — began to see their world anew.

Rivers was awarded the Julie Harris Playwright Award for "Overnight Lows" and the New York Drama League Award for

"Under Statements."

She is also a recipient of two playwrighting grants from the National Endowment for the Arts. Despite having a length of playwrighting successes to her credit, "The Second Mrs. Hockaday" is Rivers' first novel, and what a wonderful debut novel it is.

Quattrosound to be at the library

The library will present Quattrosound, the Grammy award-winning group playing a mix of classical, jazz and Latin pop, at a free outreach concert on Wednesday, Jan. 17, at 3 p.m. in the Bromley Room.

This event, a pre-show concert of the group's later performance that evening at the Florence Event Center, is free and open to the general public.

Special thanks to SEAcost Entertainment Association for making this event possible.

Tax Forms and assistance

Once again, AARP will be providing their free tax service to local residents beginning in February, on each Monday and Thursday through April 12, with a Saturday session on April 14.

The library will be providing

basic federal IRS tax forms again this year and will be putting them out as they are received from the IRS.

Additional forms are available online at www.irs.gov/forms-instructions. Oregon forms are not available except through their website at www.oregon.gov/DOR. If you need assistance be sure to check with the reference desk.

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, computers, wireless Internet access and more.

Hours are Tuesday through Saturday, noon to 5 pm.

Holiday Hours

The library will be closing early on Sunday, Dec. 31, at 4 p.m., and will be closed Monday Jan. 1, in honor New Year's Day.

The library wishes all its patrons and the entire community a very happy New Year!



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