

# GENERAL NEWS

## Siuslaw Steering Committee makes recommendation to board

At the Feb. 14 Siuslaw School Board meeting, members heard a recommendation from the Facilities Steering Committee to hold a bond election in November 2018.

The committee presented the recommendation and gave background of how they came to their decision.

The board had initially been considering a May 2018 bond election.

The committee indicated that through a series of stakeholder meetings and having had individual discussions with community members, that additional public engagement would be valuable to share the needs of the district

and to receive feedback from the community.

Between the surveys and meetings, a sizable portion of the community has information regarding school facility needs, and much more of the community must be reached with the relevant details as part of a successful information campaign.

The school board ultimately motioned to authorize the continuation of the Steering Committee.

The board additionally recommended the Steering Committee, administration and the board engage in a formal public engagement process regarding facilities.

## SIUSLAW PIONER MUSEUM HONORS VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers at the Siuslaw Pioneer Museum were feted recently at a luncheon at The Grill at Sandpines Golf Links.

Volunteers serve as docents, on the Board of Directors, in the research library, with the John Quay Heritage Players and as special projects people.

Board President Steve Skidmore gave a special welcome to Harry and Sandy Zinn for their long-term and extensive work at the museum.

Harry is the operations manager and is at the museum almost every day; Sandy has been serving as the research librarian for several years and just recently retired from that position.

Prior to lunch, each person introduced themselves and recounted an anecdote about their service at the museum or their relationship to an early



COURTESY PHOTO

Heritage Player Betty Johnson, dressed as early settler Elizabeth Morris, visits the volunteers of Siuslaw Pioneer Museum at a recent lunch at Sandpines.

pioneer. A special treat was Heritage Player Betty Johnson, who appeared in her

dress as early settler Elizabeth Morris. Prior to leaving, the kitchen staff at Sandpines was given a

hearty round of applause for the delicious meal they served.

**Saturday, March 10**  
**Florence Events Center**  
**Begins at 5**  
**Dinner at 6:30**  
**Live Auction at 7:30**

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*Let the Games Begin*

Rotary celebrates a world filled with possibility, raising funds for scholarships for Florence area youth and other community projects.

## Military Museum announces Military Heritage Day

The Oregon Coast Military Museum is hosting a Military Heritage Day on Saturday, Feb. 24, starting at 2 p.m., at the hangar of Sam Spayd at the Florence Municipal Airport.

The program for this first event of 2018 will be a presentation by Col. Terry Tomeny, USAF (Retired), who was the F-16 airshow pilot for the Air Force Flight Test Center in the late 1980's and flew a major airshow at the Edwards AFB Open House in Oct 1986 for over 500,000 people.

"This talk will discuss the F-16A airplane I used, what you

wear when you do this, the risks, challenges, and goals of flying an airshow in a high performance jet, and will include video of the actual airshow from both a ground and cockpit perspective." Tomeny said.

In addition to being a top graduate of test pilot school while with the United States Air Force, Tomeny is also a retired Boeing Test and Evaluation executive, Fellow and past President of the Society of Experimental Test Pilots and recipient of two Collier Trophies, in a C-17 and an Eclipse 500.

Tomeny also has extensive test pilot experience with Lockheed Martin on numerous models and has over 9,000 hours in over 80 types of aircraft.

He holds bachelor's and master's degrees in mechanical engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Tomeny and his wife, Winette, are the current owners of Aerolegends, the vintage bi plane scenic ride service based at the Florence Municipal Airport.

The event will start at 2 p.m. with light refreshments being

offered. Seating will be limited so it suggested those interested in attending go to the museum's new website and RSVP for the event.

There is no admission charge, however donations will be appreciated.

The museum is located at 2145 Kingwood St. in Florence, and is open to the public Thursday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Visit [www.oregoncoastmilitarymuseum.com](http://www.oregoncoastmilitarymuseum.com) for more information, or contact Cal Applebee at 541-999-4175.

## Florence Public Art Committee offers latest update

Established in 2015, the mission of the Florence Public Art Program is to integrate art into the daily life of the community and inspire extraordinary creative expression that will enrich public awareness, enhancing the vitality, economy and diversity of Florence through the arts.

The City's Public Art Program is managed by the volunteer Public Art Committee with current funding from Florence Urban Renewal Agency (FURA).

The Public Art Program has five projects planned within the

2017-18 City Work Plan, including:

1. Trash Cans and Transit Stops Beautification

Note: A project with the local schools to paint 15 of the trash cans on Bay Street was completed in 2017.

2. Highways 101 and 126 Intersection Mural

Note: Applications for this project ended on Jan. 15. The jury is working on a recommendation to the full committee

4. "Art Exposed — Dynamic Public Art"

5. Public Art Donations

Note: We have received and placed two pieces (in Gallagher Park) and a third piece is being prepared for placement at the Senior Center.

**Outdoor Art coming to Bay Street**

The Public Art Committee of

the City of Florence has created an exciting new program to enhance the beauty and livability of our community by regularly introducing original outdoor art into Florence. This program, called "Art Exposed — Dynamic Public Art" provides a creative outlet for artists to display their work in five locations in the high visibility and high traffic area of Historic Old Town Florence along Bay Street.

The five locations selected for art pieces are:

- Next to River Roasters
- In the Rain Garden at the Interpretive Center
- The East Side of the Interpretive Center
- Old Town Park
- Maple Street Park

Artists are encouraged to utilize maximum creativity to offer pieces specific to each location.

The goal is to provide visitors

and locals with interesting and attractive artwork. The request for applications went out on Jan. 7, and the deadline for entries was Feb. 25. A decision on the projects will be made the week of March 19.

All these projects are moving forward at an exciting pace, and the committee encourages public input. Community members are invited to attend all meetings of the Public Art Committee. A schedule is available on the City of Florence web site.

In addition, the Public Art Committee will be providing updates on a monthly basis.

For questions or additional information, contact Florence City Recorder and Economic Development Coordinator Kelli Weese at [kelli.weese@ci.florence.or.us](mailto:kelli.weese@ci.florence.or.us) and 541-997-3437.

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	FRI 23	SAT 24	SUN 25	MON 26	TUE 27	WED 28	THU 1
<b>THE 15:17 TO PARIS - Final Week</b> PG-13 94 MIN - Clint Eastwood's latest	4:00 PM	11:10 AM 4:00 PM	3:40 PM	4:00 PM	4:00 PM	4:00 PM	4:00 PM
<b>BLACK PANTHER</b> - PG-13 145 MIN "Say this about Black Panther, which raises movie escapism very near the level of art: You've never seen anything like it in your life." Rolling Stone	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:10 PM 8:50 PM	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:10 PM 8:50 PM	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:10 PM	12:40 PM 3:40 PM 6:20 PM	12:40 PM 3:40 PM 6:20 PM	12:40 PM 3:40 PM 6:20 PM	12:30 PM 3:40 PM 6:50 PM
<b>HOSTILES - Final Week</b> R 127 MIN - Christian Bale in stunning Western	6:20 PM	6:20 PM	6:00 PM	1:20 PM	1:20 PM	1:20 PM	6:30 PM
<b>FIFTY SHADES FREED - By Popular Demand</b> R 105 MIN - "Finally, the Fifty Shades phenomenon has yielded a disarming comedy that makes this ridiculous material fun to watch."	1:00 PM 3:45 PM 6:30 PM 9:10 PM	1:00 PM 3:45 PM 6:30 PM 9:10 PM	12:50 PM 3:45 PM 6:30 PM	1:00 PM 3:50 PM 6:50 PM	3:50 PM 6:50 PM	1:00 PM 3:50 PM 6:50 PM	12:40 PM 3:10 PM
<b>PETER RABBIT</b> PG 94 MIN - w/ Domhnall Gleeson, James Corden, Daisy Ridley and more "It's certainly a new spin, but those who make the leap will do so vigorously." Time Out	1:10 PM 3:30 PM 5:50 PM 9:00 PM	10:50 AM 2:35 PM 4:45 PM 6:55 PM 9:05 PM	12:20 PM 4:30 PM 6:40 PM	1:10 PM 4:10 PM 6:40 PM	2:20 PM 4:25 PM 6:30 PM	1:10 PM 3:50 PM	1:10 PM 4:10 PM 6:40 PM
<b>THREE BILLBOARDS OUTSIDE EBBING, MISSOURI</b> - 9 Oscar Noms! R 115 MIN - "Funny, brutal...beautiful." 5/5 *s	1:20 PM 8:10 PM	1:20 PM 9:00 PM	1:00 PM	6:30 PM	1:00 PM	6:30 PM	1:20 PM

Events & Performing Arts:	FRI 23	SAT 24	SUN 25	MON 26	TUE 27	WED 28	THU 1
<b>MATTHEW BOURNE'S CINDERELLA</b> NR 180 MIN - Full of 'visual magic'		11:00 AM					
<b>JUST ONE DROP +Q&amp;A with Dr. Mark UN</b> 66 MIN - Wellspring Clinic Presents			2:30 PM				
<b>BEST OF THE 44TH NW FILMMAKER'S FESTIVAL</b> - NR 75 MIN - Short Film Heaven					12:30 PM 6:30 PM		
<b>ROYAL OPERA HOUSE: TOSCA</b> 180 MIN - One of the grandest of operas						6:00 PM	
<b>THE FINAL YEAR + MEL GURTOV</b> Book signing, discussion, film + Q&A							6:00 PM

Box Office opens 30 min. prior to 1<sup>st</sup> Film | 1930 HWY 101 | [www.citylightscinemas.com](http://www.citylightscinemas.com) | Times: 541-305-0014

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
FEBRUARY 21	FEBRUARY 22	FEBRUARY 23	FEBRUARY 24	FEBRUARY 25	FEBRUARY 26	FEBRUARY 27
Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Mostly Cloudy	Rain	Showers	Showers	Mostly Cloudy
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