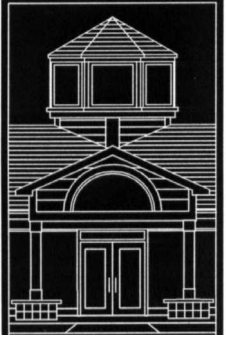


Library Tidings



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.

By Kevin Mittge

BOOK REVIEW "Bringing Columbia Home"

by Michael Leinbach and Jonathan Ward

Michael Leinbach was the launch director of the space shuttle program when Columbia disintegrated on reentry before a nation's eyes on Feb. 1, 2003. And it was Mike Leinbach who would be a key leader in the search and recovery effort as NASA, FEMA, the FBI, the U.S. Forest Service and dozens more federal, state and local agencies combed an area of rural east Texas the size of Rhode Island for every piece of the shuttle and her crew they could find.

Assisted by hundreds of volunteers, it would become the largest ground search operation in U.S. history.

For the first time, here is the definitive inside story of the Columbia disaster and recovery and the inspiring message it ultimately holds.

In the aftermath of tragedy, people and communities came together to help bring home the remains of the crew and nearly 40 percent of the shuttle, an effort that was instrumental in piecing together what happened so the shuttle program could return to flight and complete the International Space Station.

"Bringing Columbia Home" shares the deeply personal stories that emerged as NASA employees looked for lost colleagues and searchers overcame immense

physical, logistical and emotional challenges and worked together to accomplish the impossible.

Featuring a foreword and an epilogue by astronauts Robert Crippen and Eileen Collins respectively, this is an incredible narrative about the best of humanity in the darkest of times and about how a failure at the pinnacle of human achievement became a story of cooperation and hope.

Architecture of Internment

The library is pleased to host a traveling exhibit exploring Oregon's relationship to the incarceration of Japanese Americans and immigrants during World War II. The display, which includes letters, documents, images and more, will be at the library for only two days, tomorrow and Friday, April 12 and 13.

Film to Highlight Undocumented Youth

The library will be showing the film "Papers: Stories of Undocumented Youth" on Thursday, April 12, at 6 p.m.

The hour-long documentary explores the historical and contemporary stories of young people without papers — from Japanese immigrants to high school students, from the 1940s to today.

Author Mel Gurtov to Speak

On Friday, April 13, at 4 p.m., join local author and international diplomacy expert Dr. Mel Gurtov for "Who Are We? America's Problematic Treatment of Immigrants." From the internment of Japanese Americans forward, Gurtov will speak about the changing definitions of "American."

The ABCs of Birds!

On Saturday, April 21, at 10 a.m., the Cascades Raptor Center will present "Bring the Wild Alive" at the library.

Following the presentation, the center will be having an open house at the library where the public can see a raptor and displays up close and ask questions about our winged friends.

On Sunday, April 20, at 10 a.m., Siuslaw National Forest ranger Vicki Penwell will present "Birdwatching for Beginners" at the Siltcoos Recreation Area.

All of the programs are free and open to the public, but the program at Siltcoos does require a day-use fee or appropriate recreation pass.

For more information see the posters at the library or ask library staff.

Rhody Society hosts Early Rhody Flower Show

The Early Rhododendron Flower Show is this weekend, April 14 and 15, at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St.

Community members are invited to bring in their flowers between 7 and 9 a.m. Saturday morning to be judged for a trophy.

People will have the chance to win beautiful plants, view the bonsai display of rhododendrons and azaleas, pick up a plant at the annual sale, and get their questions answered about rhododendrons and azaleas.

It's all sponsored by the Siuslaw Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society (ARS).

Viewing will be open to the public from 1 to 5 p.m. Saturday and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Sunday.

The Siuslaw Chapter of the ARS is one of the few worldwide Rhododendron Chapters that hosts two, two-day, free flower shows. The Late Rhododendron Flower Show will be in May during the 111th annual Rhododendron Festival.

For more information, call Rhody Society Chapter President Mike Bones at 541-997-3082.



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