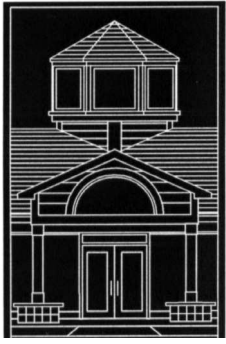


Library Tidings



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

"Dinner at the Center of the Earth"

By Nathan Englander

Nathan England, author of "The Ministry of Special Cases" and "What We Talk About When We Talk About Anne Frank," has now written "Dinner at the Center of the Earth," a spellbinding thriller, spy novel, love story and a literary tour de force that tackles the most freighted moral issues of our time with emotional power and comedic genius, showcasing Englander's gifts as never before.

A secret prisoner has been held in a black site in the Negev desert for a dozen years, suspended with his guard in a state of mutually shattering existential limbo.

How does a nice American Jewish boy from Long Island wind up an Israeli spy working for the Mossad and, later, a traitor to his adopted country?

What does it mean to be loyal, what does it mean to be a traitor, when the ideals you cherish are betrayed by the country you love?

From Israel and Gaza to Paris, Italy and America, the story shifts back in time, providing a kaleidoscopic glimpse of the

prisoner's improbable journey to that cell. Englander's irresistible hero — who fatally imperils himself for a plate of hummus and a little chopped liver, and opines that the greatest challenge in a Jewish spy agency is training everyone not to look so guilty — brings wit and heartbreak to his own predicament and to the plight of a damaged and riven nation.

Taut, provocative and impossible to put down, a novel full of shifting surfaces, where nothing and no one are what they seem, "Dinner at the Center of the Earth," is the most electrifying of Nathan Englander's extraordinary career.

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 22, 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.

Author Jennifer Chambers to speak

On Tuesday, April 24, at 1 p.m., the library will present Oregon author Jennifer Chambers, who will discuss her latest book, "Abigail Scott Duniway and Susan B. Anthony in Oregon: Heritage No Longer."

The book was released this past February. The story begins when Duniway meets Anthony in San Francisco in 1871 and follows their efforts in Oregon and the nation to secure women's suffrage.

Chambers has written other books, including "Remarkable Oregon Women: Revolutionaries & Visionaries," as well as works of fiction, poetry and horror.

Chambers is also co-owner and contributing editor of Groundwaters Publishing.

Oregon Pacific Bank to Host Free Shred Day

Oregon Pacific Bank will be holding its 11th annual Shred Day on Saturday, April 21, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., or until the truck is full.

The shred truck will be set up to accept confidential paper materials to be shredded on site in the Financial Center parking lot located at 1365 Highway 101. The event is free and open to everyone in the Florence community.

Business owners are asked to please wait to bring confidential materials for shredding until the last hour of the event. Please remember that once the shred truck is full, Oregon Pacific Bank will be unable to accept any more confidential documents.

The public is encouraged to take advantage of Shred Day

as a way for individuals to protect themselves from identity theft and correctly dispose of paper waste. After all paper documents have been shredded they are taken to be recycled, allowing for a safe and responsible way to dispose of confidential paper materials.

In place of a car was this year, Oregon Pacific Bank will be collecting donations for Florence Food Share. Though not required, community members are highly encouraged to bring at least one non-perishable food item with them to Shred Day.

For more information about the upcoming Shred Day event, please call Oregon Pacific Bank at (541) 997-7121 or visit the Bank's website at www.opbc.com.

Earth Day On The Boardwalk features education, crafts

Earth Day is coming to Florence.

On Sunday, April 22, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., the Siuslaw Climate Alliance will bring the community "Earth Day On The Boardwalk" in historic Old Town Florence.

The first Earth Day Festival in Florence will bring together a number of environmental and health entities who will provide a day of free information and entertainment for area residents.

Earth Day On The Boardwalk features environmental education zones for plastic reduction, bee protection, recycling and more. There will be free seed planting, crafts for kids and other

family-friendly events. Being "green" is trending among Florentinians.

Earth Day On The Boardwalk thanks local participants including Master Recyclers, Food Share Garden, Friends of Harbor Vista Park, Oregon Wild, HCAO Florence Chapter and Florence ORganizes.

People can encourage their group to join in the celebration of Earth, our only home.

The Siuslaw Climate Alliance meets every Friday at 2:30 p.m. at Old Town Coffee.

For more information, email siuslawclimatealliance@gmail.com or call 503-705-0310.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY CELEBRATES 19TH BIRTHDAY

The Florence Habitat affiliate is celebrating 19 years of service in Florence with a "Home is the Key" event.

One key, and only one key, will open the Door to Opportunity that has been erected at the ReStore.

The Florence community is invited to participate in this fundraising event by purchasing a key for \$19.00. There is no limit to the number of keys one may buy. The winning key will reward the owner with a gift basket worth more than \$1,000.00, "19 Things to Do in Florence." Fun, fine dining, an overnight stay, four Rhody carnival bracelets, adventures and entertainment

await the lucky winner.

Throughout the month, shoppers will support Habitat for Humanity's national "Home is the Key" campaign and help families unlock their futures.

"We have seen firsthand how an affordable home can play a key role in helping families and individuals thrive," said Janell Morgan, executive director of FHFH. "We invite our community to show their support by donating, volunteering, or advocating with us throughout April so we can

partner with more homeowners and build strong futures together."

Keys can be purchased at the Habitat ReStore until April 21st. The Door Opening Event will be held on Saturday, April 21 at 11 a.m.

The ReStore is located in the Grocery Outlet shopping center at 2016 Hwy 101.

For more information, contact Janell Morgan at 541-902-9277, or Burney Moore at 541-997-5834.

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