

# GENERAL NEWS

## Community invited to forum on gun regulation

The Siuslaw News, in conjunction with City Lights Cinemas, will be holding a special town hall discussion on the perspectives of those for and against gun control. The public is invited to take part in the discussion as the Siuslaw region looks to find common ground on this often-contentious issue.

Panelists will include Lane County Commissioner Jay Bozievich, City of Florence Police Commander John Pitcher, pro-gun rights advocate and Dunes City Mayor Robert Forsythe, gun-reformer and City of Florence Council member Joshua Greene and Siuslaw News editor Ned Hickson.

Panelists will share their own personal views of these issues in an attempt to move forward in a bipartisan way.

The views and opinions expressed by the panelists are those of the speakers and do not reflect policy positions of local governments, law enforcement and the newspaper.

The event is free to the public and will be held Tuesday, May 22, at 6:30 p.m., at City Lights Cinemas, located at 1930 Highway 101. Placeholder tickets are available now at the theater.

## Coast Guard, City of Florence celebrate 'Safe Boating Week' May 19-25



Mayor Joe Henry and Station Siuslaw River Coast Guard and Auxiliary members getting ready to launch safe boating week.

The National Safe Boating Week campaign kicks off this month and continues throughout the year. On Monday, City of Florence Mayor Joe Henry presented Station Siuslaw River Coast Guard and Auxiliary members with a city proclamation for Safe Boating Week, May 19 -25.

Several Coast Guard members, including USCG Station Siuslaw River Master Chief Petty Officer Tim Tregoning and Executive Chief Petty Officer Kevin Smith, attended the presentation at the city council meeting.

The U.S. Coast Guard, Coast Guard Auxiliary and City of Florence, who are safe boating partners, wish to help ensure the public has a safe, secure and enjoyable recreational boating experience this season. While enjoying the Siuslaw River, Pacific Ocean, local lakes and other nearby recreational waterways, boaters (including the paddle craft community) are

encouraged to always wear the appropriate life jacket and understand navigation rules.

U.S. Coast Guard statistics show that drowning is the reported cause of death in over 75 percent of recreational boating fatalities. A large majority of those who drowned were not wearing life jackets. Operator inattention, improper lookout, operator inexperience, excessive speed and alcohol-use rank as other primary contributing factors in accidents.

"Time and time again, the wearing of life jackets proves to significantly increase chance of survival and detection when the unthinkable happens," said USCG Master Chief Tregoning state. "With the many variables that can affect the outcome of a voyage, life jackets are cheap insurance to help Mariners return to their loved ones after a day on the water."

In the State of Oregon, all boaters who operate a motorboat over 10 horsepower

are required to take an approved boating safety course and carry a boater education card onboard.

A variety of paddling education courses are also available in Lane County. To be a responsible boater, boating etiquette and the rules of the water should always be followed.

To help the public embrace safe boating, the Coast Guard Auxiliary performs free vessel safety checks year-round and offers safe boating courses over the summer. Local businesses can also become safe boating partners by displaying safe boating literature provided by the Auxiliary.

For more information, contact Deborah Heldt Cordone, USCG Auxiliary Public Affairs Officer, at 541- 991-9300 or Brad Hooper, USCG Auxiliary Flotilla Commander, at Station Siuslaw River 541-997- 2486.

## Call to artists for Connection phone book

Pacific Publishing and Florence Regional Arts Alliance (FRAA) are inviting artists to submit their photography for the cover of the 2019 Edition Central Coast Connection Phone Book.

Imagine having a photograph on the cover of a publication that was delivered to almost 20,000 residents last year.

"We so appreciate local art, and the way it represents where we live, work, share adventures and make memories," Publisher Jon Thompson said. "We are delighted to have a piece of that artwork grace the cover of the phone book."

The winner of this contest will receive \$300, as well as have their

photo and bio in the phone book.

To learn further details and instructions about this contest, visit the FRAA website: [www.fraaoregon.org/central-coast-entry-instructions.html](http://www.fraaoregon.org/central-coast-entry-instructions.html).

The deadline for submissions is June 30, 2018.

Photography should represent the area the publication serves, from Yachats to the North, Reed-sport to the South, and East to Swisshome.

Pacific Publishing will determine the winner by Monday, July 9, and notice of being chosen as the winner will be made via email during the week of July 9.

For more information, write to [fraaoregon@gmail.com](mailto:fraaoregon@gmail.com).

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## 'Just In Time For Summer' book sale to be held June 2

Here is your opportunity to grab some great summer reading at bargain prices.

The Friends of the Siuslaw Public Library will hold a two-day book sale Saturday, June 2 and Sunday, June 3, from 10 a.m.

to 4 p.m. each day, with good quality hardcover and trade paperbacks priced at \$1 each and regular paperbacks priced at only .50 cents each. DVDs and CDs will also be available at \$1 each.

Going on a road trip this summer? How about listening to an audio book on CD? Audio books will be priced at only \$2 each, with hours and hours of listening enjoyment in each one.

And if you don't have any more room on my bookshelves,

then now is the perfect time to clean out all those books you've already read that are filling up and donate them to the Friends of the Library.

The Friends of the Siuslaw Public Library welcome donations of books, DVDs and CDs in good condition. Bring donations to the circulation desk of the main library, 1460 Ninth St., in Florence.

Receipts for tax purposes are available upon request.

If you know you will want a

receipt, be sure to have a count of the quantity of each type of item you are donating.

The Friends of the Library is a 501 (c) (3) nonprofit organization and all proceeds from the book sales benefit the Siuslaw Public Library.

Don't miss this opportunity to get some great books at bargain prices and help the Friends and the Library at the same time.

Contact [siuslawlibrary-friends@gmail.com](mailto:siuslawlibrary-friends@gmail.com) for more information.

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May 18 - 24	FRI 18	SAT 19	SUN 20	MON 21	TUE 22	WED 23	THU 24
<b>AVENGERS: INFINITY WAR</b> PG-13 156 MIN - An unprecedented cinematic journey ten years in the making and spanning the entire Marvel Cinematic Universe.	12:20 PM 3:00 PM 6:00 PM 8:45 PM	12:20 PM 3:00 PM 6:00 PM 8:45 PM	1:45 PM 4:40 PM 7:20 PM	12:20 PM 3:15 PM 6:30 PM	12:20 PM 2:45 PM 6:50 PM	12:20 PM 3:15 PM 6:30 PM	12:20 PM 3:15 PM 6:30 PM
<b>BOOK CLUB</b> - Stars Diane Keaton, Jane Fonda, Candice Bergen & Mary Steenburgen! PG-13 104 MIN - The lives of these four lifelong friends are turned upside down after reading the infamous "50 Shades of Grey," catapulting them into a series of outrageous life choices.	12:30 PM 3:20 PM 6:10 PM 8:30 PM	11:10 AM 1:30 PM 3:50 PM 6:10 PM 8:30 PM	2:00 PM 4:20 PM 6:40 PM	12:30 PM 3:20 PM 6:40 PM	12:30 PM 3:20 PM 6:40 PM	12:30 PM 3:20 PM 7:00 PM	12:30 PM 3:20 PM 6:00 PM
<b>DEADPOOL 2</b> - The Merc with a Mouth is back! R 103 MIN - "Wicked, dark fun from start to finish, with some twisted and very funny special effects, cool production elements, terrific ensemble work - and for dessert, perhaps the best end-credits "cookie" scene ever." Sun-Times	12:40 PM 3:30 PM 6:20 PM 9:15 PM	12:40 PM 3:30 PM 6:20 PM 9:15 PM	2:15 PM 5:00 PM 7:55 PM	12:40 PM 3:45 PM 6:50 PM	12:10 PM 3:45 PM 7:00 PM	12:40 PM 3:45 PM 6:50 PM	12:40 PM 3:45 PM 6:50 PM
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<b>SOLO: A STAR WARS STORY</b> PG-13 143 MIN - "It's a non-stop adventure packed with way more emotion than you're expecting. You'll have a smile on your face the whole time and leave eager for more."		Preview Tix On Sale Now!					7:00 PM

Events & Performing Arts:	FRI 18	SAT 19	SUN 20	MON 21	TUE 22	WED 23	THU 24
<b>ROYAL OPERA BALLET: BERNSTEIN CENTENARY</b> 205 MIN - "A revelatory tribute to Leonard Bernstein." 4/5 Stars - The Guardian		11:00 AM					
<b>TOWN HALL: CONVERSATION ON THE RIGHT TO BEAR ARMS</b> - NR 120 MIN -Town hall on the beliefs for and against gun control	Siuslaw News Presents	FREE!			6:30 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

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
MAY 19	MAY 20	MAY 21	MAY 22	MAY 23	MAY 24	MAY 25
Mostly Cloudy	Partly Sunny	Sunny	Sunny	Partly Cloudy	Partly Cloudy	Showers
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