

he Siuslaw Public Library sponsored a performance by the acting troupe The Traveling Lantern, which presented the "Life of Mozart" to a small, attentive group last Thursday. The library's **Summer Reading Program** continues all through July. More information is online at siuslawlibrary.info.

## Free discussion about faith and politics as part of Conversation Project

by their faiths. At the same time, education. faith-based movements, such as political arenas.

fluence our political beliefs — Oregon and nationally?

How do our religious ideas what it means for our common life together?

This is the focus of "Faith and Politics in Oregon and Beyond," a free conversation with Russ Pierson on Sun-Fellowship Room, 333 Kingwood St., Florence.

Humanities' statewide Conversation Project and is hosted by Florence United Methodist Church and sponsored by Oregon Humanities.

certifications. He is dean of the oregonhumanities.org.

While faith and politics have Lane Community College Florlong been taboo subjects in po- ence Center on the Oregon coast lite conversation, it's no secret and has a mixed-up background that people's political affiliations in construction management, and support are often influenced the faith community and higher

Through the Conversation the Religious Right of the 1980s, Project, Oregon Humanities have exhibited great power in offers free programs that engage com-munity members in How do our faith systems in- thoughtful, challenging conversations about ideas critical and vice versa — today, both in to our daily lives and our state's future.

For more information and political identities mix and about this free community discussion, contact Paula Ziegelasch at 541-603-6948 or pziegelasch@gmail.com.

Oregon Humanities, 921 SW Washington, Suite 150; Portland, connects Oregonians day, July 8, at 2 p.m. at Flor- to ideas that change lives and ence United Methodist Church transform communities. Oregon Humanities is an independent, nonprofit affiliate of the This event is part of Oregon National Endowment for the Humanities and a partner of the Oregon Cultural Trust.

More information about Oregon Humanities' programs and publications, which include the Pierson is a GreenFaith fellow Conversation Project, Think & who earned a doctor of min- Drink, Humanity in Perspecistry in global leadership from tive, Idea Lab, Public Program George Fox University and holds Grants, and Oregon Humanseveral sustainability-related ities magazine, can be found at

**Deadline for Press Releases Is Every** Monday and Thursday by Noon. Email PressReleases@TheSiuslawNews.com.

## paving scams under way

SALEM-The Construction Con-Summer tractors Board (CCB) is investigating but not always. reports of paving scams across the state.

> "Homeowners should be wary of people who knock on the door and make an offer to pave a driveway at and whether complaints have been an unrealistic price," Lead Investigator filed against them. Eric McLauchlin said.

> People can call the CCB at 503-934-2229. They can also report scams contractor has a bond and insurance

Scam suspects are often unlicensed,

Consumers can look up a contractor on the CCB website, ww.oregon.gov/ ccb, to see if they are actively licensed

Nearly all home improvement work requires a CCB license, meaning the that offer some protection.

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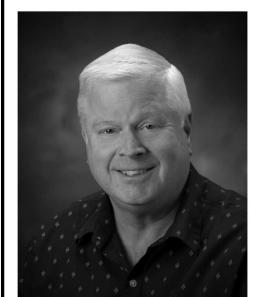
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### Classes, Workshops & Events

### **Next Art Change-Out Day**

Monday, July 9th, 9-11 am Please pick up your artwork and bring something new to help keep the art at FRAA fresh to our visitors.

#### Spirit of Summer Art Exhibit, FRAA and the Friends of the **Florence Gallery Committee**

Artwork on display in July and August 2018 at the Event Center. Reception for all w/ the Patron's and Artists on July 11, 5-7 pm,

### **FRAA Quarterly Member's**

Monday, July 16th, 3:30 pm. Come learn what we have been doing, upcoming events, and provide inputs for the future.

**Painting** with John Leasure Saturdays 9 am - 12 pm Contact: jnleasure@hotmail.com or

541-991-2754 for details and fees. **Whimsical Hand Building** 

Ceramics w/ Alissa Clark Wednesdays, 3-5 pm & Thursdays, 6-8 pm Open Lab Ceramics on Saturdays Drop in, work at own pace. Sat 12-5 pm Call Alissa with questions, 503-957-5222. All ceramics classes held at Alissa's Studio. 180 Laurel Street.

### **Big Wave Poetry 1st Tuesday**

Open Mic July 3rd at 6:30 pm. Admission is free and

#### Poetry Writing Class with Jeff Lovejoy

refreshments will be available.

Tuesday, July 10th, 6-8 pm. All levels welcome! Recapping intro class; new poems, exercises, discussion of poetry problems. Contact Jeff for questions and registration: <u>ilovejoy54@gmail.com</u>

#### **Bastille Day Literary Salon with** Catherine Rourke

Saturday, July 14th, 6:30-8:30 pm Writers Open Mic, Tribute to Tom Wolfe, Phil Roth, Anthony Bourdain Free public event, \$5 suggested donation Email CJReditor@gmail.com or 541-708-2120

#### Writers on the River - Creative Writing w/ Catherine Rourke -

Writing to Heal Your Life Sat., July 28th 10 am - 12 noon Journaling/storytelling for transformation. All writing levels and genres, Contact: CJReditor@gmail.com, 541-708-2120

For more information about classes, visit <u>fraaoregon.org</u>. To register for these classes, please call or visit FRAA at our art center on Maple Street.