

Find treasure at the next Florence Coin Show

The 21st Annual Florence Coin Show is coming to the Florence Events Center on Saturday and Sunday, Aug. 18 and 19.

Show hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. on Sunday.



Admission is FREE and coin appraisals will be available.

Exhibitors will display coins from the United States and around the world, including Greek and Roman coins, territorial gold coins, and hundreds more.

For anyone who is new to coin collecting or who has never been to a major coin show before, here are a few tips: Plan to arrive early to allow plenty of time to look at all the exhibits; bring a good coin guide with prices for reference; and bring a notebook to keep track of contact information for dealers that might become good contacts for future needs.

For more information, contact Dennis Hankins at 541-401-0949 or Terry Woodward at 541-997-2682.

Celtic harps, rare instruments play in Aug. 11 concert

A duo of Celtic harpists and multi-instrumentalists, Lisa Lynne and Aryeh Frankfurter, will be performing rare instruments and sharing stories at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship on Saturday, Aug. 11, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The show features Lynne and Frankfurter playing two Celtic harps, the rare Swedish Nyckelharpa, Ukrainian Bandura, Cittern, Viola and more. The audience will hear traditional instrumental music from Sweden and Ireland as well as heartwarming original compositions blended with stories of humor and adventure.

The concert will take place at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, 87738 Highway 101 in Flor-

ence. Admission is free but donations are appreciated.

Lynne and Frankfurter are a Celtic harp and multi-instrumentalist duo. They share a background as progressive rock musicians who later discovered a love for Celtic, Renaissance and Swedish music on unique acoustic instruments.

They hail from Oregon and tour extensively playing fine performing arts centers, theaters and intimate venues around the U.S. and Europe. They perform as a duo, with legendary storyteller Patrick Ball and with the Windham Hill Winter Solstice tours.

For more information, call 541-997-2840.



Mushroom gathering permits on sale Aug. 13 CAT opens 'Proof' Aug. 17

Annual permits for matsutake mushrooms go on sale beginning at 9 a.m. Monday, Aug. 13, at the Oregon Dunes National Recreation Area office, 855 Highway 101, in Reedsport.

Anyone gathering matsutake mushrooms within the Siuslaw National Forest for the purpose of selling must carry a commercial-use permit while picking.

One hundred permits will be available for sale at \$250 a permit. One permit per person. Permits will be sold on a first come, first served basis.

To purchase a permit, the following information must be

provided:

- Valid identification card issued by a state or U.S. federal government

- Vehicle make, model and license plate number

Permits can be purchased using cash, check or credit card.

After Aug. 13, unsold permits can be purchased out of the Siuslaw National Forest headquarters in Corvallis, the Central Coast Ranger Station in Waldport and the ODNRA office in Reedsport.

No permits are needed if gathering matsutakes for personal use. Personal use restrictions are six matsutakes

per person a day, and the mushroom must be cut in half length-wise immediately upon harvesting to remove its commercial value.

Please be aware that similarly looking poisonous mushrooms exist in the same area as matsutakes. Do not disturb topsoil when searching for matsutakes by digging or raking. Upon harvesting a matsutake, return soil or debris attached to the stem back into the cavity created by the removed mushroom and cover the hole.

For more information, contact the ODNRA office at 541-271-6000.

The Pulitzer prize winning play "Proof" will open at Class Act Theatre (CAT) on Friday, Aug. 17, and run for two weekends.

This play was originally scheduled to run in 2017, but in keeping with CAT's commitment to quality, was delayed until the right actors could be recruited for each role.

Director James Wellington welcomes the cast of Cara Beere, David Lauria, Alex Grady and Polly Fleming to the stage.

The play explores Catherine's fear of following in her father's footsteps, both mathematically and mentally, and her desper-

ate attempts to stay in control. The dialogue draws the audience in and the wit keeps the serious nature of the matter engaging.

Friday and Saturday performances will be at 7 p.m. and matinees will be on Sunday at 2 p.m. Seating is reserved. Tickets — \$18 for adults and \$16 for senior and military — are available online at www.cat-productions.org.

Tickets will also be available at the door one hour before performances, subject to availability.

CAT is located at 509 Kingwood St. For more information, call 541-991-3773.

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"We knew there was a need

to do the projects, and the engineering team confirmed that for both the public and the

board," Grzeskowiak said. "I had been asked by board and community members to objectively define the differences between need and want in terms of facility planning, and with the technical review we have accomplished that task."

Erickson has the freedom to not only provide facts to the

public but also to share the rationale behind the decision to ask for the \$108.6 million bond.

She has provided the information the advisory committee will be sharing with the public as it makes a case for the need for this measure. This includes:

- The elementary and high

schools are too antiquated to bring up to modern seismic and building codes.

- The plumbing, electrical and mechanical systems are at the end of their life.

- The high school has no kitchen or cafeteria.

- Simple remodeling cannot overcome all of the safety concerns of the original floorplan.
- Buildings do not fit current models of effective, 21st-century instruction.

Erickson believes that the passage of the bond will allow the district to make the changes necessary to provide students with a safe and secure environment that meets the teaching and learning methods of the modern age.

Next year, the district is looking to expand programs for business, technology and construction education. This is a nationwide trend that is reflected in the increased attention being afforded to career

technical and trade focused students.

Both Erickson and Grzeskowiak realize the amount of money being requested is large, but they point out that much of the expense is for overdue maintenance and continually rising construction costs.

Bond Advisory Committee wants the community to know the new campus will also provide spaces that can be used by the public in case of a natural disaster.

"These projects are more than just about the school buildings themselves. They are also about part of the greater Florence community," Grzeskowiak said. "The goal of the district is education, but there will be secondary benefits as well. The new high school will now be up to seismic code and can serve as a community shelter in the time of an emergency."

There will also be tangential benefits that Grzeskowiak hopes residents will include in their deliberations when they consider the district's bond request.

"The construction will be a short-term boon to our local economy. Not only will there be opportunities for local people and companies to be part of the projects, specialty firms from outside of Florence will be staying here in town, eating in restaurants and putting money back into local businesses," he said.

The bond advisory committee has already scheduled a number of public presentations on the upcoming bond measure and invites interested groups to contact them to schedule a presentation.

"We ask everyone to be as informed as possible about the current bond as well as current graduation rates and the schools' current conditions," Erickson said. "We do realize that this bond is a large amount; however, this is something that we feel is very important to our community."

Community members are asked to complete an anonymous survey, www.surveymonkey.com/r/bap2, to provide feedback to the committee.

For more information on the upcoming bond measure, call the Siuslaw School District at 541-997-2651 or attend a weekly Bond Advisory Committee meeting.

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There are two classes being offered. Positions in the class are on a first paid for, first reserved basis and classes are limited to the first 25 paying participants in each class.

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How To Participate

The fee to participate is \$20. An ad for the Community Wide Garage Sale with a map of all participation sales will be published in the Siuslaw News on September 5th and 8th. Because of print deadlines, the registration deadline is 5pm Thursday August 29 2018.

You will also receive two official Community Wide Garage Sale signs as well as a tip sheet on how to have a great sale. Maps will be available in the Siuslaw News, online and at the Florence Visitors Center.

Please post signs only on private property with the owner's consent. Posting signs on City utility poles, street or signal light poles, and median strips is against the municipal code.

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ Email _____

Subdivision name (if any) _____

Dates (CIRCLE): Friday 9/7 Saturday 9/8 Sunday 9/9

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Bring form and payment to 148 Maple St in Historic Old Town or mail to Siuslaw News PO Box 10, Florence, OR 97439
Call 541-902-3526 | florencechamber.com
Deadline is August 29th at 5pm to be included on the map.