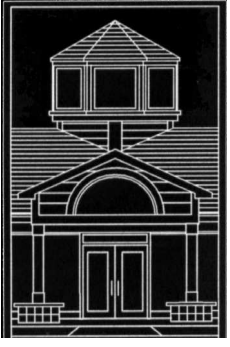


Library Tidings



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 "The Amazing Adventures of Aaron Broom" by A. E. Hotchner

Twelve-year-old Aaron Broom is guarding his father's car, parked across the street from the jewelry store where his father, a traveling watch salesman, has stopped on a call. Suddenly, Aaron hears shots fired, sees the store's front window shattered, and watches the gunman escape.

To Aaron's shock, his father, caught in the wrong place at the wrong time, is escorted out in handcuffs by the police, to be held in jail as a material witness to a robbery gone wrong. Despite seeing the killer flee the scene, Aaron can't do much to help in the moment — no one will take a kid's word for it. Undaunted, he enlists an unlikely band of helpers made up of plucky kids and sympathetic adults to get his father released.

Aaron's unusual mission is

complicated by the painful realities of the Depression: His father's longtime business folded after the local bank closed, leaving the family penniless, and his mother is in a sanitarium, bedridden with tuberculosis.

So, Aaron is forced, in the spirit of Tom Sawyer and Huckleberry Finn, to fend for himself. He evades a Mother Superior intent on putting him in a children's home; skirts nosy neighbors, landlords and social workers; and scrambles for something to eat and a place to sleep.

While searching for answers, Aaron draws upon the help of the corner newsboy, a kindly lawyer and the super of his apartment building — all of whom offer newfound friendships and perspective on the investigation as more information comes to light. And as they dig into the details of the case, these unconventional detectives reveal a cover-up that goes much deeper than a jewelry-store heist gone sour.

Through it all, Aaron's spirited narration and optimistic resourcefulness shine. Destined to become a classic for readers of all ages, A. E. Hotchner's latest is a wild ride through St. Louis at its lowest, as seen through the eyes of his most lovable narrator to date.

Hotchner is the best-selling author of "Papa Hemingway," "Doris Day: Her Own Story" and "Sophia, Living and Loving: Her Own Story," and his own memoir, "King of the Hill." He has adapted many of Hemingway's works for the screen.

Central Coast Miniatures Display

The library is pleased to host the Central Coast Miniatures Club's annual exhibition of more than a dozen complete miniature houses and scenes. This event, the weekend of Oct. 20 and 21, is delightful and will appeal to people of all ages. You can always check out

the club's ongoing "miniature" display of miniatures in the case on the reference shelves.

Hang-It All is Coming

All artists, craftspeople and collectors are invited to participate in the library's annual Hang-It All display in November. Bring your 2D or 3D art to the Florence branch of the library on Thursday, Nov. 1, between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m. If you can't make it to the library during that time, you can also drop off your art at Frames of Florence on Wednesday, Oct. 31.

Let's make this the best Hang-It All ever. For specific size limitations and hanging preparations, visit www.siuslawlibrary.org.

For more information about the Siuslaw Public Library or its programs, stop by 1460 Ninth St. in Florence or 88148 Riverview Ave. in Mapleton, or visit www.siuslawlibrary.info.



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Unitarians contemplate America 'Before Europeans'

The Dr. Rev. Ruth Miller will deliver a message, "Before the Europeans Arrived," on Sunday, Oct. 14, from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship.

Miller draws on her background in anthropology to explore America's culture clashes.

"We're all immigrants to this continent," she said. "Whether your family came 40 or 40,000 years ago, they

brought to the Americas a way of living and relating to the land that is foreign. What does that mean?"

The fellowship is located at 87738 Highway 101 at Heceta Beach Road and is wheelchair accessible. Each service concludes with refreshments and a dialogue circle to explore the questions that come up during each worship service.

For more information, visit www.florenceuuf.org.

Spirituali-Tea to watch film, discuss peace

Anyone interested in discussing diverse spiritual ideas in an atmosphere of respect and inquisitiveness are invited to join Spirituali-Tea, a group that meets each Monday beginning at 6:30 p.m., at 875 Seventh St.

This week, Monday, Oct. 15, the group will play a game called "Name that Prophet" and will discuss the movie "The Gate," which will be shown Thursday, Oct. 18, beginning at 6:30 p.m. at City Lights Cinemas.

In the midst of religious intolerance and extremism, the Bahá'í Faith offers a path toward world peace by advocating the oneness of humanity's major religions.

The groundbreaking documentary "The Gate" tells the amazing, little-known story of the origins of the Bahá'í Faith. Filmed in Spain, Israel and the UK, "The Gate" transports viewers back to 1844 Persia, combining dramatic reenactments with interviews of renowned historians, religious

scholars and other experts to celebrate the brief life of a prophet and the indelible impact his message continues to have on the world today.

Individual thoughts and perspectives are important to the group, so come prepared to discuss and share.

At the end of the gathering, the group will read all the prayer requests that have been left in the Prayer Pole in the garden of the Florence Playhouse 208 Laurel.

Library hosting Nativity display preview in October

A preview of the upcoming Florence Nativity Festival will be on display at the Siuslaw Public Library, 1460 Ninth St., until Oct. 30.

This display is a prelude of what can be seen at the 13th annual Nativity Festival, which will be held Nov. 30 through Dec. 2, from 1 to 5 p.m., at the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, 2705 Munsel Lake Road.

The festival will be free of charge, with individuals and

groups providing music during the event. Activities will also be available for children.

Participants are welcome to display any large or small Nativity sets scene at the Festival. Security is provided for the Nativity scenes once they are set up at the church.

More than 400 Nativity scenes are expected to be on display for all to enjoy this year.

For more information, email vdkenedy54@gmail.com or call 541-997-7404.

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