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Special
GUIDE

Holiday Craft Sale
All handmade items
Saturday 12/1
9am-5pm
89195 Sutton Lake Drive
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THIS SUNDAY,
10am-4pm
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SALE! **SALE!**

Submit nominations now for annual Siuslaw Awards

The 12th annual Siuslaw Awards event is fast approaching. The awards banquet, sponsored by the Florence Area Chamber of Commerce, will take place Wednesday, Jan. 23, at the Florence Events Center.

This event recognizes excellence in the local business community by naming recipients for awards in: Excellence in Customer Service, Curb Appeal, Non-Profit Achievement, Community Caring, Innovation in Business and

the Stu Johnston Business of the Year Award.

The Chamber will also recognize an individual or business that has selflessly given of their time and efforts in supporting the Chamber and its efforts with the Distinguished Service Award.

Two outstanding individuals in the community will be honored with the Future First Citizen Award and the First Citizen Award. The First Citizen Award recognizes that individual who has given selflessly to the community based on community involvement, leadership and overall community impact.

The Future First Citizen Award recognizes that student based on his or her academic success as well as civic involvement and contributions to the community.

Anyone can choose to nominate their own or another business for the Siuslaw Awards. Applications are available now either at the Florence Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center or online at florencechamber.com.

Nominations must be submitted to the Florence Area Chamber of Commerce by Nov. 28. First Citizen and Future First Citizen nomination forms are available through area service clubs on Friday, Nov. 30, and are due back to the Chamber by Friday, Dec. 21.

For more information, call the chamber at 541-997-3128.

Lighthouse to host annual Christmas open house

Heceta Head Lighthouse is celebrating 23 years of the Annual Victorian Christmas Open House on Dec. 8 and 9, 15 and 16 from 4 to 7 p.m. each day.

The Queen Anne style Keeper's House will be decorated inside and out with festive Victorian holiday decorations Dec. 6 through Jan. 2.

Open house sponsors will be providing warm drinks and treats.

Each evening, local performers will be play holiday favorites at the historic Keeper's House.



Even Santa will be visiting to welcome children of all ages.

Guests are encouraged to take a night time walk to the lighthouse, which provides an opportunity to watch the lighthouse beams rotate over-

head. Guests are encouraged to bring a flashlight.

Entry to the Keeper's House is free, but donations are gladly accepted. Parking is available at the Heceta Head Lighthouse State Scenic View Point, just below the Keeper's House, for \$5 per vehicle.

A free shuttle bus offered by NW Adventures Quest

and Carnahan Construction will take visitors from the park right to the front door.

For more information, contact the Heceta Lighthouse B&B at 866-547-3696 or email keepers@hecetalighthouse.com.

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Apply now for WLCF 2019 grant cycle

In this time of Thanksgiving, Western Lane Community Foundation (WLCF) is very thankful to offer the 2019 grant cycle to eligible applicants.

Each year, WLCF awards several grants to local non-profit organizations for projects/programs in its target area of Western Lane County. Grants are awarded in the areas of education, medicine and science, the arts and social and civic services.

In 2018, over \$73,000 was awarded to several of these worthy causes. The annual amount to be awarded is determined by the performance of the invested portfolio of discretionary funds during the current year.

Grant requests for the 2019 grant cycle will be accepted until Jan. 15, 2019. The application may be downloaded at WLCF's website. It is highly recommended that applicants review the Grant Guidelines included there. Please submit applications to Western Lane Community Foundation, P.O. Box 1589, Florence, OR, 97439, or by email to wlcfc@wlcfonline.org in PDF format.

Completed applications must be postmarked or received no later than close of business on Jan. 15.

Applications will be reviewed by the Board of Directors and each applicant will be contacted by a Board Member for an interview

regarding the request for funds. Grants will be selected in February and then awarded in late March.

Selected grant recipients will be required to submit a grant report by Aug. 31, 2019.

Grant requests and awards will be selected based on merit, need, and benefit to the community at large. Grant requests and award amounts vary greatly, but are usually between \$100 and \$5,000, depending on the nature of the grant project and funds available for distribution.

For more information, contact WLCF at the address above or by calling 541-997-1274.

Help contribute to Florence by serving on a city committee

Would you like to see more public involvement in the City of Florence to make sure your voice is heard? Would you like to make a difference and help contribute to the goals and objectives of the City as a whole?

At the Nov. 5 Florence City Council meeting, the council elected to amend its committee structures to allow for more opportunities for citizens to get engaged in projects that interest them.

"City committees work tirelessly to provide much needed volunteer time to keep many of the City's programs functioning at a level

that would be impossible without their services," states City Recorder/Economic Development Coordinator Kelli Weese.

City Committees generally meet once per month as a group.

People interested in positions should expect to attend recurring meetings and devote time for study of issues and performance above and beyond meeting attendance.

Volunteer time is vital in working towards solutions to local government issues.

If you are interested in serving your city and getting

involved, consider applying for one of the open positions on one of the City's committees.

The following boards and committees are currently filling vacancies for varying term lengths, with positions set to begin on February 1, 2019.

- Planning Commission
- Budget Committee
- Community & Economic Development Committee
- Environmental Management Advisory Committee
- Public Arts Committee
- Transportation Committee
- Audit Ad-Hoc Committee

The deadline for applications is Dec. 31.

Applying for a position is easy. Applications can be downloaded from the City's website at www.ci.florence.or.us and are available at the Florence Public Works Facility (2675 Kingwood Street) during regular business hours.

For details regarding the duties and responsibilities of these bodies, residency requirements of applicants, term lengths, or any other questions, contact Weese at 541-997-3437 or via email at kelli.weese@ci.florence.or.us.

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