

## FUUF looks to 'graceful endings' as year's end approaches

The service on Sunday, Dec. 2, at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship will be led by the Rev. Dr. Marcia Pearce. During the service, which runs from 10 to 11 a.m., Pearce will speak about "Graceful Endings & New Beginnings."

"December is symbolic, not only for the coming of a new birth, but also for the letting go of what has been quietly trying to die away — the no longer usefulness of old 'stuff,'" she said. "Perhaps those are uncomfortable memories or the little things that just won't let go. The journey which starts each today, can only begin when we let go of yesterday. We might think, 'Ah yes, new beginnings are the opportunity to start anew,' or we nervously think, 'Oh no, New Year's resolutions!'"

Journalist and author Cory Doctorow has said about graceful endings, "Every good thing comes to some kind of end, and then the really good things can begin."

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](http://www.florenceuuf.org).

## Campbell receives communication award from Toastmasters

**A**lan Campbell ALB, AACS received his **Advanced Communicator Silver Award from Toastmasters International** after presenting a variety of speech topics ranging from "Time Space Relatively" to a speech first given by Mark Twain. The Siuslaw Tale Spinners is the local chapter of Toastmasters International. The group meets every first and third Thursday of the month at the Port of Siuslaw meeting room at 5:30 p.m., and every second and fourth Thursday at the Siuslaw Valley Fire station on Highway 101 at 12:05 p.m. The public is always welcome to attend.



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## Spirituali-Tea to learn about teachings

People interested in discussing diverse spiritual ideas in an atmosphere of respect and inquisitiveness are invited to join Spirituali-Tea, a group that has been meeting for years at 875 Seventh St. in Florence.

This Monday, Dec. 3, the group will discuss "The Teachings of the Bahá'í Faith" at 6:30 p.m.

At the meeting, Dr. I. Walter Tunick, Ed.D. will discuss his book "Spiritual Journey: The Bahá'í Faith."

The evening will be an effort to acquaint participants with the message of the Bahá'í Faith, its history and its principles.

Walter states that the deteriorating moral conditions that are spreading globally have caused devastating gaps in social behavior that endanger the well-being of all societies and nations. The growth of interest in moral and religious values has been stirring calls

to action among the established religions.

The Bahá'í Faith, claiming hereditary connections with its older sister religions, offers relevant explanations for current world problems that do not conflict with the earlier teachings.

People should come prepared to share their thoughts with the group.

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

## Community invited to sing carols with Lutheran Church

The season of Christmas is upon us. Resurrection Lutheran Church, 85294 Highway 101, invites the Florence-area community to the annual Community Carol Sing on Wednesday, Dec. 12, at 7 p.m.

Refreshments will be served after the event.

In addition, the church is holding a special Christmas Eve Service at 7 p.m. on Monday, Dec. 24.

All are welcome to attend both events.

## Support Peace Harbor Gift Shop

Peace Harbor Hospital Gift Shop is having a sale on Wednesday, Dec. 5, from 7 a.m. to 7 p.m. The gift shop is located inside PeaceHealth Peace Harbor at 400 Ninth St. in Florence.

"We have Christmas and gift items you can't find in other Florence stores," said Kathy Blok, manager of the hospital gift shop.

This 12-hour sale will

have most items in the store marked to a special price.

"We appreciate the support of our community and remind them that the Gift Shop profits are given to the hospital to support various programs and equipment purchases every year," Blok said.

For more information, call PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center at 541-996-8412.

## 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](mailto: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.



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88906 Highway 101 N, Florence, OR (milepost 185N)  
For Info: Jack - 541-999-8278 + Ron - mccrary9483@gmail.com

#### THE CHURCH OF JESUS CHRIST OF LATTER-DAY SAINTS

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87738 Hwy 101 at Heceta Beach Road  
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