

Vintage burlesque show brings WWII-era glamour to Florence

Pin-Ups On Tour, billed as “a good time for a great cause,” is a patriotic World War II-style stage revue coming to the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St., on Sunday, March 10.

The Friends of the Florence Events Center are bringing the vintage burlesque and variety revue from Las Vegas to town for anyone with an appetite for the era’s nostalgia, including retired and active military veterans/active duty personnel and their families.

From the moment guests enter the event, they will be treated to something special. The nationally-touring troupe’s goal is to recreate the magic of the Hollywood Canteen of the 1940’s as a club offering dancing, refreshments and entertainment for service members on their way overseas.

The afternoon matinee promises dancing showgirls, comedy, variety acts, soulful lounge singers, vintage candy girls and more than a few surprises. Performers include Los Angeles- and Las Vegas-based comedians, singers and dancers. In-uniform color guard and ushers will be provided by local veterans’ organizations.

With entertainment and atmosphere around every turn, attendees will feel like they stepped into another era. Vintage attire for the audience is encouraged.

“This is the G-rated family show version. You would feel comfortable bringing your mother to this show,” says Friends of the Florence Events Center President Kirk Mlinek.



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Pin-Ups On Tour will present a family-oriented variety show with dancing, comedy and vintage WWII-era entertainment.

He added that the performance of the cast of four is centered on singing, dancing and comedy with little to no use of staging or props.

According to their website, Pin-Ups On Tour “is committed to providing low or no-cost entertainment for veterans as part of our morale-boosting mission.” Proceeds from their shows go to support their work entertaining U.S. veterans inside and outside of VA hospitals.

The show is Sunday, March 10 at 2 p.m. at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St. Advance tickets are available at www.EventCenter.org or at the FEC box office for \$20 (adults) and \$10 (under 18).

Admission for veterans and active-duty service members is free as the show’s producers’ way of saying “Thank you for your service.”

Doors open at 1 p.m. and concessions will be available.

For information on the touring group, visit pinupsontour.com.

For tickets, visit eventcenter.org, call the Florence Events Center at 541-997-1994, or visit the box office at 715 Quince Street in Florence, OR.

The Friends of the Florence Events Center is an all-volunteer 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that helps fund capital improvements and performance grants at the venue.

Hospitality industry releases tsunami prep tool

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The hospitality industry in Oregon has an updated tool to help prepare employees, residents and visitors for a tsunami. It is available online at oregontsunami.org along with other resources including a hazard map viewer to find out what parts of the Oregon Coast are in the Tsunami Inundation Zone.

Oregon Office of Emergency Management Geology Hazards Program

Coordinator Althea Rizzo has helped coordinate the initiative on the Oregon Coast called Hospitality Begins with Safety that is funded by the National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program.

The module provides basic information about what a tsunami is, how to be safe during a tsunami, and how to help keep others safe, and Rizzo says you don’t have to be in the hospitality industry to take this education module about tsunami safety.

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The Preserving Oregon Grants fund the preservation of historic buildings listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Work may include non-maintenance preservation like window repair, roof work, foundation projects, plumbing, and electrical needs.

The program also funds significant work contributing toward identifying, preserving and interpreting archaeological sites.

The Diamonds in the Rough Grants help restore or reconstruct the facades of buildings that have been heavily altered over the years.

These grants return buildings to their historic appearance and potentially qualify them for historic register designation (local or national).

The online grant application is simple to use and includes plenty of support. Free grant workshops on project planning, grant writing and using the online grant application will be available.

A workshop will be held in Salem on Tuesday, March 19, and a webinar workshop will be available on Friday, March 15.

Recorded trainings and tips are also online.

To learn more about the grants and workshops, visit www.oregonheritage.org or contact Kuri Gill at Kuri. Gill@oregon.gov or call 503-986-0685.

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