

## Spirituali-Tea to learn 'kindness to strangers'

The community is invited to attend a gathering of friends who are diverse in their spiritual backgrounds and wanting to discuss a spiritual topic with an attitude of discovery and appreciation. The Spirituali-Tea meeting will occur Monday, Feb. 25, at 6:30 p.m. at the Heintz family home, 875 Seventh St. The topic for the evening will be: "Kindness to Strangers."

The Writings of The Bahá'í Faith say, "Let not conventionality cause you to seem cold and un-sympathetic when you meet strange people from other countries. Do not look at them as though

you suspected them of being evildoers, thieves and boors. ... Be kind to the strangers, whether come they from Turkey, Japan, Persia, Russia, China or any other country in the world. Help to make them feel at home; find out where they are staying, ask if you may render them any service; try to make their lives a little happier."

The evening will end with prayers said for requests left in the prayer pole in the garden of the Florence Playhouse and requests by those attending.

For more information, call Suzanne Mann-Heintz at 541-590-0779.

## FUUF completes 'Building the Future'

On Sunday, Feb. 24, from 10 until 11 a.m. at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, the Rev. Dr. Ruth Miller will finish up her four-part series titled "Building the Future." This Sunday's message is, "Becoming."

"It's so easy to look around and decide what things 'out there' need to change for us to be happy," Miller said. "It takes much more courage and commitment to look inside and realize that the change must start here, in our own thoughts, feelings, words and actions. The process of becoming the person we see in our vision may be

instantaneous with our recognition ... or it may take months, even years, before we've dissolved the mental blocks and barriers to our idea of Heaven on Earth."

This Sunday, the Universalists will explore how that process works.

FUUF 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).

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photos of the building, which has functioned as Siuslaw Public Library and City Hall over its 52 years. Members of past city councils, planning commissions and committees were also able to take a photo with the current staff.

Henry closed the presentation with an announcement from Lane Council of Governments (LCOG), of which the City of Florence is a member.

"Each year, LCOG selects a number of government employees to receive awards. One of those awards is for the Outstanding Public Employee," he said.

He introduced LCOG Executive Director Brenda Wilson, who stated, "Every year, for more than 50 years, LCOG has been celebrating outstanding work in our region. There's a lot of it going on. We represent almost every man, woman and child in Lane County. These are awards that are well deserved and highly competitive. This year, I'm happy to announce that LCOG will recognize your very own city administrator Erin Reynolds."

Reynolds has served as Florence's city manager since 2015.

"I'm honored to accept this award on behalf of the



MARK BRENNAN/SIUSLAW NEWS

**Lane Council of Governments Executive Director Brenda Wilson awarded Florence City Manager Erin Reynolds the Outstanding Public Employee Award. Mayor Joe Henry said it was an important honor for Florence and city staff.**

City of Florence and all the employees and city council — and everybody that has gone before me, from which we're building this success from," she said. "It truly is a great foundation that we've had to work from these last four years. Again, I'm honored to be accepting this award in front of our friends and neighbors. It will be special next weekend at the awards ceremony in Eugene, but you can't beat this."

LCOG will host its annual Appreciation Dinner on Saturday, March 2, at Lane Community College's Center for Meeting and Learning. Tickets and more

information are available at [www.lcog.org](http://www.lcog.org).

Reynolds also thanked her family for their support before inviting the public to continue their tours of the building.

"Thank you again to everyone that has supported Florence in making this the best place to live. I am so proud to call this my home," she said. "Thank you for celebrating with me as we open City Hall up."

Florence City Hall is now open at 250 Highway 101. Hours are from 8 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information, visit [ci.florence.or.us](http://ci.florence.or.us).

## Lane County offers free, comprehensive Recycling Guide

The Lane County Waste Management Division just released a new comprehensive Recycling Guide designed to help more residents and businesses access the wide array of recycling and waste reduction resources

available in the community.

The guide provides tips to prevent waste, which saves money. It describes free resources for schools and businesses and provides basic instructions for recycling both at the curb and at Lane

County's transfer stations.

The Recycling Guides are available at all Lane County Transfer Stations. To acquire larger quantities for distribution, email [wastemgmt@co.lane.or.us](mailto:wastemgmt@co.lane.or.us) or call 541-682-4339.

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