

Learn about lineage societies, how and why to join one

Next year will mark the 400th anniversary of the arrival of the Mayflower and establishment of the Plymouth Colony in 1620. The members of this hereditary organization, founded in 1897, are those who can document their descent from one or more of the 102 passengers who arrived at Plymouth Rock.

The General Society of Mayflower Descendants is just one of more than 200 lineage organizations in the United States. On April 17,

Jacque Beveridge, a member of Colonial Dames XVII Century, Jamestown Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, and U.S. Daughters of 1812, will share information about lineage societies and tips for joining one during a meeting of Siuslaw Genealogy Society.

"You may well qualify for membership in one of the numerous organizations," said Beveridge, who says that there are four basic categories of lineage societies: Military Lineage societies, such

as Daughters of the American Revolution, Sons of the American Revolution, U.S. Daughters of 1812, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and Sons and Daughters of WWII Veterans; first families and pioneer lineage societies, such as Sons and Daughters of Oregon Pioneers; colonial and New England lineage societies, such as National Huguenot Society, Colonial Dames of the XVII Century and the Jamestown Society; and occupational lineage societies, such

as National Society Sons and Daughters of Antebellum Planters, Order of Descendants of Colonial Physicians and Chirurugiens, Society of the Descendants of the Colonial Clergy, Hereditary Society of Teachers, Flagon and Trencher, and Associated Daughters of Early American Witches.

"Membership in lineage organizations comes with many privileges you might not otherwise consider," says Beveridge. "It connects you with family historians who

have similar research interests, it lets you access the organization's library, recommends publications and other resources you may not have known."

All are welcome to attend the April 17 meeting of the Florence Genealogical Society, which will be held in the Bromley Room of the Siuslaw Public Library beginning at 7 p.m.

For more information, visit www.siuslawgenealogy.org.

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Florence Farmers Market to host plant sale on Earth Day, April 20

Florence Farmers Market will have a plant sale and information booth at Earth Day this year. Community members are invited to stop by on Saturday, April 20, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., at the Port of Siuslaw Boardwalk in Old Town Florence. Earth Day is free and open to the public.

During the Earth Day event, Florence Farmers Market will be offering vegetable and other plant starts for sale.

Proceeds of the sale help fund the Market's Double Up Food Bucks match program for SNAP (Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) recipients.

This program allows SNAP shoppers to redeem up to \$10 in matching funds

to purchase fresh, local produce. In 2018, the first season for Florence Farmers Market, over 70 low income families were able to benefit from the program.

Earth Day is a family friendly event.

Florence Farmers Market, a nonprofit organization, promotes awareness and access to healthy, local foods for Siuslaw residents. It will begin its 2019 season on May 14 and run through Oct. 15, open every Tuesday from 3 to 6 p.m., next to the Veteran's Memorial Park on Bay Street.

The Market offers only local foods, grown or produced within 60 miles of Florence.

Short workshops will be offered during the first three Market days as part of the

Local Matters series. These fun and informal sessions will provide free education on relevant topics for area residents. The first workshop, "Growing in Florence," will be held Tuesday, May 14, at 4 p.m.

The second in the series, on May 21, will focus on Backyard Edible plants.

Florence Farmers Market is fiscally sponsored by the Florence Area Community Coalition and received funding support from the Western Lane Community Foundation; it is an initiative of Siuslaw Vision.

For more information about Florence Farmers Market, email contact@florencefarmersmarket.org.

Volunteers needed to help with SHIBA applications

Anyone looking for a volunteer activity that is needed and fulfilling, consider being a trained Medicare counselor for the SHIBA program.

SHIBA stands for Senior Health Insurance Benefits Assistance.

Florence only has two SHIBA counselors, so the need for counselors to help those applying for SHIBA grants is greater than ever.

Trained counselors meet with Medicare eligible clients to introduce them to Medicare, to help them select and enroll in programs, to troubleshoot problems with Medicare or to get assistance with medical costs through available low-income subsidies.

Florence SHIBA counselors meet with clients at the

Lane Community College computer lab one Friday per month throughout the year, and more often during Open Enrollment, Oct. 15 to Dec. 7.

Appointments are scheduled for one hour per client.

In order to become a SHIBA counselor, volunteers do a two-day training and an online course.

A new volunteer training is scheduled for Thursday, April 18 and Friday, April 19, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. in Springfield.

Lunch, snacks and beverages are provided. There is no charge for the training.

Interested persons can call 541-736-4421 or email Jake.Gariepy@willamalane.org.

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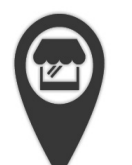
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FUUF to discuss how 'You Can't Please 'Em All' with art

On Sunday, April 14, from 10 to 11 a.m., Unitarian Universalist member Jennifer French will share a message at the Fellowship Hall, titled: "You Can't Please 'Em All."

"Eleven Florence citizens answered the City's call for applications for people who wanted to volunteer for the City Public Art Committee," said French. "We were appointed by our town mayor because he liked what each of us had to offer in the way of our art and business knowledge. The City gave our group the autonomy, meaning they trusted us to move forward and do what we needed to do — to finally bring eye-catching art to our town."

French will explain how

one of the things she said she learned through the recent mural installation process in a town of 8,500 people is there is no way to please everyone. "After all, art is certainly in the eye of the beholder, isn't it? One's own perspective — which means that it's a matter of personal opinion.

Each one of us has different opinions and values about whether something is beautiful or not, interesting or not, or even good enough."

FUUF, located at 87738 Highway 101 at Heceta Beach Road, is wheelchair accessible.

For more information, visit the FUUF website at www.florenceuuf.org

FROM WHENCE THEY COME

It was just a thought;
But not one soon forgot.

Now we get on this special little bus, to ride for free;
This act of love for his fellow man, was started years ago, for those of us, that are not yet, cancer free.

In our small town, there seemed to be a great demand;
For a few good people to drive, there was no shortage of hands.

The drivers, take us to places, like Eugene, and Springfield,
to be treated for this hand of cancer, that we have been delt;
Some of us feel no pain, while others, there is not a moment, when it is not felt.

As we board the bus, we feel the warmth from the drivers greeting, and the bus's small heater;
There are those, that just look out the window, others are lost in conversation, and each is a believer.

For most of us, there was many things to rearrange;
As we listen to the driver's story, some of them had what we have, but now want to drive, to me that doesn't seem so strange.

Many volunteers, make quilted blankets, which fill the bus galore;
We are encouraged, to take one with us, on your last day of treatment, the day that we shut cancers door.



Charles L. Myrick



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