

Community News

Community invited to free Thanksgiving Dinner

The Kiwanis Club of Florence presents the annual Community Free Thanksgiving Dinner on Thursday, Nov. 28, from noon until 2 p.m. at the Florence Elks Lodge, 1686 12th Street.

Food donations for Florence and Mapleton Food Share, as well as cash donations, are gratefully accepted.

Free Transportation to/from the Elks Lodge to destinations within the city limits is provided by River Cities Taxi. Please call 541-997-8520 to schedule in advance.

The free Thanksgiving Dinner is organized by the Kiwanis Club of Florence and hosted by Elks Lodge #1858.

For information about volunteering or attending a Kiwanis meeting, visit www.florencekiwanis.org.



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Florence Kiwanians and community members gather each year to serve a free Thanksgiving Dinner at the Florence Elks Lodge.

Donate food to the 19th Pounding for Florence Food Share

The 19th annual Pounding to benefit Florence Food Share will be held at Grocery Outlet on Saturday, Nov. 23, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Founded and hosted by local businesswoman Cindy Wobbe, this annual food drive aims to fill the food bank's pantries with much needed canned, boxed and frozen food items in time for the holiday season.

Started in 2001 and held the Saturday just before Thanksgiving, the Pounding is modeled after the early tradition often practiced



Grocery Outlet is again the host site for the annual Pounding for Florence Food Share on Nov. 23.

in small communities when a new family or preacher would move to town.

"To help folks get their feet firmly planted, everyone would join together and contribute a pound of food to fill the pantry. Someone would bring a pound of flour, another a pound of sugar, and somebody else a pound of beans. When everybody chips in, we can fill those shelves pretty quickly," said Wobbe. "Over 650 families in our community rely on Flor-

ence Food Share to keep from going hungry each month, and that need is not going to go away. This food drive has been a godsend year after year."

Last year's event raised a record 14,752 pounds, pushing the total Pounding donations over the last 19 years to over 120,000 pounds.

For the third year, Top Hydraulics, Inc. has announced that it will also match the total number of pounds donated.

"I'm thrilled for Food Share!" says Wobbe. "This corporate match means that for every pound we receive, Top Hydraulics will donate an additional \$1. It's a significant and generous gift and that will impact so many who are in need."

Wobbe will be joined by local radio personality Wayne Sharpe of KCST Radio, who has conducted a live radio remote on location every year since the beginning.

Florence Grocery Outlet will mark specials throughout the store of items most desperately needed at the food bank and plans to have extra staff available during the event to help with pushing grocery carts, loading boxes of canned foods and ringing in customers at the check stands.

Grocery Outlet is located at 2066 Highway 101. The Pounding will begin at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Nov. 23, and continue in the store until 2 p.m.

Nov. 18 to 25 is Operation Christmas Child Gift Collection Week in Florence

Florence Evangelical Church is once again the area collection point for Operation Christmas Child, the world's largest Christmas project of its kind.

Florence residents, families, churches and groups can help spread joy to millions of children around the world by filling shoeboxes as Christmas gifts for them. The gifts can include school supplies, clothing, toothbrushes and toys for children ages two to 14. (No liquids, lotions, candy, or gum please.)

From the distribution

sites, boxes are flown to countries around the world, and then delivered to communities by trucks, and even donkeys, camels or canoes.

This year's National Collection Week is Monday, Nov. 18, to Monday, Nov. 25.

Florence project coordinators hope to collect at least 500 shoebox gifts this year at Florence Evangelical Church, 1318 Rhododendron Drive.

Collection hours are Monday through Sunday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Plus, on Wednesday, Nov. 20, from

5 to 8 p.m., and Monday, Nov. 25, from 8 to 10 a.m.

For questions about dropping off shoeboxes, call the church 541-997-2523.

Donations to help with postage are also appreciated.

Operation Christmas Child has been an annual project of Samaritan's Purse since 1993. The project has delivered gift-filled shoeboxes to more than 124 million children, in more than 150 countries and territories. For information on how to pack a shoebox, visit www.samaritanpurse.org/occ.

WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY
NOVEMBER 13	NOVEMBER 14	NOVEMBER 15	NOVEMBER 16	NOVEMBER 17	NOVEMBER 18	NOVEMBER 19
Partly Cloudy	Cloudy	Showers	PM Showers	Showers	Showers	AM Showers
63°F 45°F	56°F 48°F	55°F 44°F	58°F 48°F	57°F 47°F	54°F 43°F	53°F 39°F

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FREE EVENT

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Call to reserve your seat at NO COST informal presentation.
Saturday November 23rd from 10:30am-1:30pm OR
Sunday November 24th from Noon to 3:00 pm.
Location: Florence Senior Center
1570 Kingwood St., Florence.

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Christmas on the Coast
with
Charles Suniga and the Angels

Saturday, December 14th • 6pm
Florence Events Center

Charles Suniga a Florence native, Siuslaw High School Alum, and two time grammy nominee brings his classic holiday cheer back to the coast. Charles will be backed up by the "Angels" Audrey Breznikar, Jeannine Harwood, and Julia Weiss along with returning guest vocalists performing many of the holiday tunes we all grew up with.

For more information or to charge by phone, call the Florence Events Center's ticket office at 541-997-1994 or visit their website at www.eventcenter.org
Tickets for the performance are \$20 each

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Informal Marketing Event
11/20/2019
12pm- 7pm
Florence event center
715 Quince street
Florence, OR 97439

Keep your own Doctor!
RSVP is requested but not required.
Start times are **12:00, 2:00 and 4:00 pm** to talk to representatives of United Health Care on **November 20th!**

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DEAD BETWEEN THE LIES
DOCTOR SLEEP
LAST CHRISTMAS
THE GOOD LIAR

\$9.50 | \$8.50 Sen/Student/Military | \$8 Matinees Before 2 | \$7.50 Child | \$6.50 Members | Performing Arts: \$19/\$15/\$10

November 8 - 14	FRI 15	SAT 16	SUN 17	MON 18	TUE 19	WED 20	THU 21
DOCTOR SLEEP - R 151 MIN - "[Director] Flanagan improves upon King's source material yet remains respectful to the themes the author explored in his novel...[It's] a monumental achievement of tension, suspense, forgiveness & sacrifice I'm not soon to forget." Seattle Times	12:40 PM 2:55 PM 6:10 PM 8:35 PM	12:40 PM 2:55 PM 6:10 PM 8:35 PM	12:40 PM 3:10 PM 6:10 PM	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:40 PM	12:40 PM 3:20 PM 6:40 PM	12:40 PM 3:10 PM 6:40 PM	12:40 PM 3:20 PM
FORD V FERRARI - Matt Damon & Christian Bale R 152 MIN - "It stands with the greatest racing movies ever, and it's certainly the most entertaining. But there is no doubt about one last superlative. Ford v Ferrari is one of the best pictures of the year." Movie Nation	12:20 PM 3:10 PM 6:15 PM 8:30 PM	12:20 PM 3:10 PM 6:15 PM 8:30 PM	12:20 PM 3:00 PM 6:15 PM	12:20 PM 3:10 PM 6:30 PM	12:20 PM 3:10 PM 6:30 PM	12:20 PM 3:20 PM 6:30 PM	12:20 PM 3:10 PM 6:40 PM
FROZEN 2 PG 103 MIN - Preview!							6:30 PM
LAST CHRISTMAS - PG-13 102 MIN "Even on my most Ebenezer of days, I wouldn't have been able to resist this sentimental journey... The tune that might best describe "Last Christmas" is "Put a Little Love in Your Heart." Chicago Sun-Times	12:40 PM 3:30 PM 6:20 PM 9:15 PM	12:40 PM 3:30 PM 6:20 PM 9:15 PM	12:40 PM 3:30 PM 6:30 PM	12:40 PM 3:40 PM 7:00 PM	12:40 PM 3:40 PM 7:00 PM	12:50 PM 3:30 PM	12:40 PM 3:40 PM 7:00 PM
THE GOOD LIAR - Helen Mirren, Ian McKellan R 109 MIN - "The pleasure of The Good Liar, and it's a major one, is the chance to watch Mirren and McKellan act together in a cat-and-mouse duet that turns into an elegant waltz of affection and deception." Variety	12:30 PM 3:45 PM 6:00 PM 9:20 PM	12:30 PM 3:45 PM 6:00 PM 9:20 PM	12:30 PM 3:45 PM 6:20 PM	12:30 PM 3:50 PM 6:50 PM	12:30 PM 3:50 PM 6:50 PM	12:30 PM 3:50 PM 6:40 PM	12:30 PM 3:50 PM 6:50 PM

Events & Performing Arts:	FRI 15	SAT 16	SUN 17	MON 18	TUE 19	WED 20	THU 21
BOLSHOI BALLET: RAYMONDA NR 180 MIN - One of legendary choreographer Marius Petipa's final works.						6:00 PM	
COMING SOON: Midway "It's spectacular and realistic-looking." Seattle Times							

Box Office opens 30 min. prior to 1st Film | 1930 HWY 101 | www.citylightscinemas.com | Times: 541-305-0014