

Community News

Western Lane Community Foundation awards \$87,090

Western Lane Community Foundation (WLCF) President Jim Grano and Rick Klessig, Grant Program Chair, are pleased to announce that 32 local non-profit organizations will be receiving grant awards totaling more than \$87,090 in the 2020 grant cycle.

These checks represent the WLCF's ongoing mission of supporting projects or programs providing needed services or facilities for which public funds are not available, or insufficient, and to contribute to the cultural, economic, educational, or social betterment of our community. Their intent is to award large enough sums to make a significant and visible impact on a demonstrated need in our Western Lane community.

WLCF was founded in 1974 and is a community trust, private non-profit organization attracting, administering and distributing private charitable resources for the benefit of residents of Western Lane County. Only the income generated by invested foundation assets is awarded as grants each year.

Current assets are over \$8 million under the auspices of

Oregon Community Foundation, and thus more than \$260,000 will be awarded this year for designated giving, scholarships and discretionary grants. This year, \$87,090 in discretionary grants were awarded to the following organizations:

Boys & Girls Club Florence Air Academy for the summer aviation program; Boys & Girls Club of Western Lane County for child safety and security upgrades; CASA of Lane County for their rural outreach program; CAFA for their at-risk family workshop; C.R.O.W. for costumes, sets, and props for their Mary Poppins production; Deadwood Creek Services for a playground equipment update; Florence Food Share for asphalt driveway repair; Florence Regional Arts Alliance for artist-in-residence classes for Siuslaw Elementary 4th & 5th grades; Food Backpack for Kids for food pick up/

delivery/distribution; Friends of Florence Events Center for the Florence Festival of Books; Helping Hands Coalition for their voucher program; Lane Arts Council for Siuslaw Middle School mural project; Mapleton Elementary School, Otter Sports

for 1-6 grade youth sports; Mapleton Food Share for food purchase; Mapleton High School for a concession stand menu board; Mapleton Community Preschool for active play equipment; Oregon Coast Emergency Repeater, Inc. for their emergency communication link; Oregon Coast Humane Society for low income/senior community member veterinary care; Oregon Trail Council Boy Scouts of America for Camp Baker radio tower; Pregnancy & Parenting Center for service capacity upgrades; Safe Shelter for Siuslaw Schools for host home development; Seacoast Entertainment

ment Association for children's live performance arts events; Siuslaw Education Foundation for upper-level math graphing calculators; Siuslaw Elementary School for the Camp Learn-a-Lot program; Siuslaw Elementary School for author studies for reading literacy program; Siuslaw School District for community outreach training; Siuslaw High School HOSA Chapter for the HOSA State & International Leadership Conferences; Siuslaw Math Club for a portable weight scale; Siuslaw Outreach Services for emergency vouchers & agency adaptation; Siuslaw Pioneer Museum for event enhancement equipment; Siuslaw Watershed Council for community meeting room furniture replacement; U of O Foundation/Center for Prevention of Abuse & Neglect for the Roots of Empathy program.

Congratulations to all of these fine organizations!

Should you have any questions or wish more information regarding how to leave a legacy or contribute to an existing fund, please contact Gayle Waiss, Executive Director, at 541-997-1274 or email her at wlc@wlcfonline.org.



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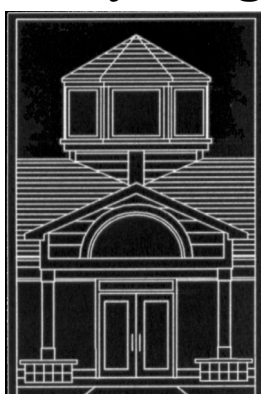
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Library Tidings



News about the Siuslaw Public Library
by Adult Services Librarian
Kevin Mittge

Library Closure

For the safety of patrons, volunteers, and staff, the Siuslaw Public Library will be closed until future notice. Please keep all of your checked out materials until the library is re-opened (the outside book drop has been closed). All items have been automatically renewed. And, of course, the library has no overdue fines to worry about.

COVID-19 Resources

If you visit the library's website at www.siuslawlibrary.info you will find a link to pertinent sites and information about the COVID-19 pandemic. These sites include PeaceHealth's Coronavirus page (www.peacehealth.org/coronavirus); Siuslaw Vision's very helpful page with local information and resources (www.rivercal.org/covid19/); Lane County Health's page (www.lanecountyor.gov/coronavirus); and the Centers for Disease Control (www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html), among others.

Contacting the Library

One of the easiest ways to contact the library during this closure is simply by emailing the Reference Desk at ref@siuslawlibrary.org. We will do our best to respond to your emails daily. You can also visit the library's homepage, www.siuslawlibrary.info.

In addition, library staff are bringing interesting, educational and entertaining materials or programs digitally, through the library's Facebook page.

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With print books and other materials being unavailable, downloadable eBooks and eAudios are more popular than ever. Click on the "eBooks and eAudio" tab on the library's webpage. If you are a first time user be sure to check out the "help" resources, by clicking on the small "Help" at the very top of the page. That page will give information about specific devices and the easy-to-use Libby or Overdrive apps.

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The library is pleased to present a new database available for our patrons: BookBrowse. This site is an extensive guide to exceptional books. Included are guides to the best new and current books, book reviews, excerpts, reading lists, find-a-book tool, and helpful information for book clubs. BookBrowse is different from the library's other book database, NoveList, in that the books listed as individual selected and curated by staff. While NoveList has a huge range of books which is useful in finding information about almost any book you want, BookBrowse provides more in-depth information about a fewer number of titles.

Check it out — we think you'll like it!

Mapleton to apply for grant to fund pool improvements

The Mapleton School District is applying to the USDA Rural Development Community Facility Program for funding of roof and building improvements to the Siuslaw Regional Aquatic Center. The estimated total project cost is \$1.2 million.

The Mapleton School Dis-

trict will hold a board meeting open to the public via online attendance (due to the COVID-19 pandemic) to discuss the application and provide an opportunity for the public to comment.

The meeting is a requirement of the USDA application and will be held April

1, beginning at 6 p.m. at Mapleton High School, 10868 E Mapleton Rd. in Mapleton.

Visit www.Mapleton.k12.or.us for login information to attend the meeting online.

For more information on the USDA Rural Development application, contact Jodi O'Mara at 541-268-4312.

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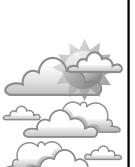
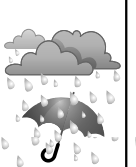
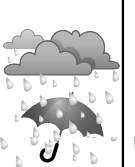
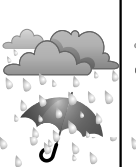
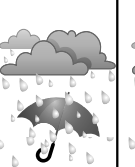
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2 Hand Sanitation– Our staff will continue to wash their hands throughout the day and change gloves after each car they service.

3 Give Customers Options– We will pick up and deliver your vehicle to your home. You may also drop your key in our secure mailbox for drop-offs to avoid or minimize contact.

4 Employee Illness is Serious– We are encouraging employees not to shake hands. We are practicing "personal distancing" and encouraging employees to stay home if they feel under the weather.

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