

# Library Tidings

News about the Siuslaw Public Library



Library Tidings by Kevin Mittge features news about upcoming Siuslaw Public Library programs for adults and children, new books and videos, and other library news of interest to the community.

**Book Review**  
 "Ghosts of Harvard"  
 By Francesca Serritella

name has been buried for centuries, and another whose name mankind will never forget.

Cadence Archer arrives on Harvard's campus desperate to understand why her brother, Eric, a troubled genius, took his own life the year before by leaping from his dorm room window. Eric's brilliance overshadowed Cady growing up, but still — she loved and idolized him.

Cady doesn't know how or why these ghosts are contacting her. But as she is drawn deeper into their worlds, she believes they're moving her closer to the truth about Eric, even as keeping them secret isolates her further.

He developed paranoid schizophrenia while at college, retreating from everyone and everything except his purportedly top-secret physics project — until even that was not enough to tether him to this world.

Will listening to these voices lead her to the one voice she craves — her brother's? — or will she follow them down a path to her own destruction?

Losing Eric has left a black hole in Cady's life, and while her decision to follow in her brother's footsteps threatens to break her family apart, she is haunted by questions of what she could have done and what she might have missed in his last year.

Francesca Serritella is the New York Times bestselling author of a nine-book series of essay collections co-written with her mother, author Lisa Scottoline, and based on "Chick Wit," their Sunday column in The Philadelphia Inquirer. "Ghosts of Harvard" is her first novel.

And there's only one place to find answers.

**Computer Appointments!**

Need to check email or print something? People can now make an appointment to use one of the library's computers.

As Cady struggles under the enormous pressure and competition at Harvard, she begins to investigate her brother's final year, armed only with a blue notebook of Eric's cryptic scribbles. She knew he had been struggling with his mental illness — the paranoia, the delusions, the illusory enemies — but what tipped him over the edge into doing the unthinkable?

Call 541-997-3132 Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., to make a one-hour appointment for the following weekday.

Soon, her prying turns up clues that grow increasingly sinister. With her suspicions mounting, Cady begins to hear voices herself. Then the panic sets in. Does she share Eric's illness, or is she tapping into something else?

There are a limited number of morning and afternoon slots available.

Voices fill her head, seemingly belonging to three ghosts who passed through the university in life, or death, and whose voices, dreams and terrors still echo down the halls. Among them is a person whose

More information will be given over the phone, or go to [www.siuslawlibrary.org](http://www.siuslawlibrary.org) to learn more.

**New Books**

Did you know the library has some wonderful new books to check out?

Library staff are going to try to post new videos about every two weeks.

The library is posting videos of new fiction and nonfiction that is hitting the shelves on its YouTube page. Go to [www.siuslawlibrary.info](http://www.siuslawlibrary.info), scroll towards the bottom and click on the YouTube link.

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## FLORENCE AIR ACADEMY & THE BOYS & GIRLS CLUB

# Take to the Skies

**August 3rd - August 14th • For Teens 12 - 18**

The Boys & Girls Clubs of Western Lane County is partnering with **Aero Legends Biplane Rides August 3-14** for the 4th Annual Florence Air Academy.

All teens 12-18 are invited to apply. The Florence Air Academy, led by COL (Retired) Terry Tomeny, will be a two week course teaching Boys & Girls Club members the principals of aviation and information on careers in the aviation industry. Classes will include a tour of the Coast Guard Helicopter, flying Remote Controlled planes, piloting drones, and the change to go up in a plane one-on-one with an instructor pilot! The Academy activities will be a combination of classroom study, interspersed with hand on activities and flight operation.

There is no cost to Boys & Girls Club of Western Lane County members. All expenses for members are paid by Aero Legends Biplane Rides & Western Lane Community Foundation. Teens not already a CLUB member can join for a \$25 membership fee and \$100 Program fee.

**Date & Hours of Operation:** The course will be conducted on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday for two consecutive weeks, August 3rd – August 14th. Class time will be 0800 - 1200 and 1300 – 1500. Lunch will be provided by The Boys & Girls Club.

There will be a graduation ceremony and celebration BBQ held on the last day of the Academy at Hangar 26E at noon. All family members are invited to attend. Prior to the graduation ceremony, Academy graduates will take to the skies with a qualified pilot. Families are invited to watch graduates and hear their teen make the radio calls during flight!

**Instructor:** Terry Tomeny is a former USAF and Lockheed Martin Test Pilot and current Flight Instructor with over 45 years of flying experience in aircraft ranging from Reno Air Racers to F-16 Fighters to C-17 Transports.

**GREAT FUTURES START HERE.**

**BOYS & GIRLS CLUB OF WESTERN LANE COUNTY**

## Last Chance to Register, Deadline July 24

Applications are available at the Boys & Girls Club Teen Center located at 1501 Airport Road, Florence.

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