



Book Review

“One Hundred Years of Exile” by Tania Romanov
“One Hundred Years of Exile” is the true story of one woman’s journey through 100 years of history to find peace with her father. Tania Romanov Amochaev and her father were both exiled from their homelands as infants; both knew life in refugee camps. But their shared fate does not lead to mutual understanding.

The family’s immigration to San Francisco heralds a promising new future — but while Tania just wants to be an American, her fa-

Library Tidings

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ther cannot trust that this is his final asylum. His fears and resistance to assimilation leave Tania with deep resentment towards him and her Russian heritage. Decades later, his unexpected death exposes Tania’s open wounds and a host of unanswered questions about her father and his story.

A serendipitous meeting with a last surviving member of the Russian royal family, followed by a baffling error that miraculously connects her with unknown relatives, catapults Tania on a quest for answers in her father’s homeland.

Computer Appointments

Need to check email or print something? We are offering a limited number of computers by appointment, twice a day, Monday

through Friday, at 11:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. Call us at 541-997-3132 Monday to Friday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., to make your one-hour appointment for that day or the following weekday. We’ll give you more information over the phone or visit our website to learn more.

Wireless Available

Don’t forget that both the main Florence library as well as the Mapleton branch library have wireless internet access. No log in is required and access is free. During the COVID closure, we installed several boosters so access is generally good from anywhere on the library property.

Browsing at the Library

A lot of our patrons are enjoying the new browsing hours at the library. As re-

minder, the current browsing hours in Florence are Monday through Thursday, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and Fridays, 11 a.m. to 6 p.m. In Mapleton, browsing is on Thursdays from noon to 5 p.m.

Curbside will continue for those who prefer to order books through phone or online, with pick-up hours matching the browsing hours.

Patrons are required to wear masks inside the library. Appointments are not necessary. We have new touch less check-out stations we encourage patrons to use. There is no seating at this time and meeting rooms are not available. You can bring your kids in to select books but toys are not available and we cannot accommodate play groups or meet-ups. Restrooms are also closed to the public.

‘Glorious Spring’ comes to Backstreet

Backstreet Gallery’s May show, Spring Glorious Spring, offers a variety of fresh art by the talented Backstreet artists who are celebrating the renewal of spring.

In addition to the collection of art, a new feature — a gift basket — is being presented to Backstreet Gallery patrons, as a silent auction fundraiser for the gallery.

This special basket is loaded with items designed to make a special occasion out of spring gardening. Toast the event with two crystal wine glasses filled with two different wines included in the gift basket.

In addition, there’s a wheel-thrown piece of pottery with lovely underglaze designs, pretty fabric napkins with matching ceramic rings, a gleaming fused glass wine stopper, and a cork-

screw with an elegant hand-made wooden handle.

In between sips of wine, the winner can plant their garden with the variety of spring flower seed packets included. Then they can reward themselves for a job well done with the premium chocolate for dessert.

The silent auction takes place at Backstreet Gallery, 1421 Bay St. in Historic Old Town Florence, open daily except Tuesday, from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Come by and enjoy this spring happening. Ask the clerk for the sign-up sheet to make your bid and help support the Gallery. The auction ends on May 31.

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Outstanding location close to schools and shopping. This beautiful 1748 SF home has an open floor plan with a combination of vaulted and 9 Ft ceilings. The home has 3 bedrooms, 2 bathrooms with the primary bedroom having 2 walk-in closets. It has carbonized bamboo hardwood flooring, custom chefs kitchen with island and solid surface counters. This home has a large 2 car garage, RV pad, covered porch, deck with a newer hot tub. Low maintenance landscaping. Hurry this won't last long! \$389,000 #12162 MLS#21232107

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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



JASON GARCIA
JUNIOR
BASEBALL



HIGHLIGHT:

The Sports Club, the Siuslaw News and Coast Radio Sports congratulate Siuslaw junior baseball player **Jason Garcia** as this week’s Athlete of the Week. Jason was Siuslaw’s winning pitcher in the season opener against Cottage Grove, pitching 3 and 1/3 innings and was also named to the Sky-EM All League First Team in Soccer.

Honorable Mention: Adriana Edwards - Siuslaw Softball

Highlight:

Honorable mention goes to senior Viking softball player **Adriana Edwards**. Adriana was 4 for 8, 1 RBI, and 4 stolen bases in Siuslaw’s double-header against Elmira

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FLORENCE RESTAURANTS ARE HIRING!

Servers | Bussers | Managers | Line Cooks | Hosts | Dishwashers

Local restaurants fighting to rebound from the pandemic are in need of help, in the form of staff.

Why should you consider working for a restaurant?

Whether you’re working in the kitchen whipping up entrees or prepping vegetables, or hoping for a big tip as a server, there are a lot of perks to working in a restaurant.

Flexible hours:

Working in a restaurant might mean pulling a weekend shift in order to make more money, of course. But there are perks to the scheduling too. Many servers and chefs work in the evenings, leaving the daytime free for errands and workouts while most other people are at work. There are benefits to this type of schedule, and many servers are able to schedule several days off a week or switch days to suit their schedule.

Variety

While some days may be similar, it’s a guarantee that the day-to-day in a restaurant is going to change often. One day, you might be serving tables of teenagers – the next, a group of families out on the town. If you’re working as a prep cook, you could find yourself chopping potatoes one night, and poaching shrimp the next. There’s always something new to do when you’re in a restaurant.

Camaraderie

If you work with a good team, you can really have fun. Restaurant crews often become friends, and have each other’s backs. Restaurant managers might pitch in to help the servers, servers help each other out, hosts make sure to seat patrons evenly so servers can make the most in tips, and bussers clear tables quickly so more customers can be seated. Many people reminisce fondly about their restaurant team.

Experience that transfers

Serving jobs provide good experience that you can rely on later in life. Many people use serving as a part-time job while in school, but it can help pay the bills before moving on in your career. Some decide to make being an excellent restaurant worker a lifelong career, which is also rewarding. With restaurant experience, you can go anywhere.

“Two decades after leaving the restaurant industry, I still use the many skills I learned in dealing with people, pressure, team building, communication, empathy, organization, time management... and the list goes on. If you’ve spent time working in restaurants, I’m willing to bet you’re a better person for it — and better prepared to deal with life in general.” — Ned Hickson, Siuslaw News Editor

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