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### **LINCOLN COUNTY RESIDENTS INVITED TO TALK ABOUT DEATH AND DYING**

The March 11th event is part of Oregon Humanities' statewide Conversation Project.

**Lincoln City, OR—February 7, 2018**—What do we think about when we think of dying? When we think about our own dying, what do we want most? Death is part of the human experience; all of us have experienced loss, and all of us will die one day. Yet conversations about death and dying are difficult and often avoided even with our closest family members and friends.

This is the focus of "Talking about Dying," a free conversation with Bob Daley on Sunday, March 11, 2018 at 3:00 p.m. at Driftwood Public Library in Lincoln City. This program is hosted by The Friends of Driftwood Public Library and sponsored by Oregon Humanities. This conversation provides an opportunity for participants to hear perspectives and ideas from fellow community members.

Facilitators of Talking about Dying discussions are trained professionals working in the fields of chaplaincy, counseling, gerontology, facilitation, and hospice care around Oregon. Bob Daley finds great fulfillment in accompanying others through life transitions. He manages the Transitions and Caregiver Support Program at Benton Hospice Service, is the current chair of his local Senior Services Advisory Council, and volunteers as a day lead for Leadership Corvallis. He began facilitating groups in a professional setting while working in a mental health facility in his mid-twenties, and his love of facilitation continues. Much of his free time is spent with family and friends (usually in the outdoors), but he also likes to read, write, and listen to music of all sorts.

Through the Conversation Project, Oregon Humanities offers free programs that engage community members in thoughtful, challenging conversations about ideas critical to our daily lives and our state's future.

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Oregon Humanities (921 SW Washington, Suite 150; Portland, OR 97205) connects Oregonians to ideas that change lives and transform communities. More information about Oregon Humanities' programs and publications, which include the Conversation Project, Think & Drink, Humanity in Perspective, Public Program Grants, Responsive Program Grants, and *Oregon Humanities* magazine, can be found at [oregonhumanities.org](http://oregonhumanities.org). Oregon Humanities is an independent, nonprofit affiliate of the National Endowment for the Humanities and a partner of the Oregon Cultural Trust.

Driftwood Public Library is located on the second floor of the Lincoln City City Hall building at 801 SW Highway 101 in Lincoln City (on the west side of the highway, adjacent to McKay's Market, and across the street from Burger King). For more information about this free community discussion, please contact Ken Hobson at 541-996-1242 or [khobson@lincolncity.org](mailto:khobson@lincolncity.org).

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