

# Mount Angel monks welcome visitors

**SAINT BENEDICT** – The monks of Mount Angel Abbey will share a farm-to-fork picnic and their own craft beer at the Saint Benedict Festival on Saturday, July 9.

The event will take place from noon to 4 p.m. on the Abbey's scenic hill-top above Mount Angel. Last year's debut proved so popular that tickets sold out several weeks in advance. Tickets for this year's festival are on sale now.

The festival was created to share the heart of monastic life with first-time visitors as well as longtime Abbey friends.

"It's a unique opportunity to spend an afternoon at a Benedictine monastery, interacting with the monks," said Father Pius X Harding, O.S.B., the Abbey's guest master. "The festival begins and ends with prayer, because that's an important value in our life."

Hospitality is another important value for the Benedictine community, in line with the teachings of their sixth-century founder, St. Benedict of Nursia. A bountiful picnic will be sourced from local farms and ranches, with seasonal berries, salads and main dishes.



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A crowd gathers at last year's festival.

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"What it does is celebrate the Abbey's rootedness in the Willamette Valley and the greater community," said Father Pius. "The long-term partnerships we enjoy with local farms and ranches will come together with Bon Appetit chefs to produce a picnic to enjoy all afternoon."

The Abbey's Benedictine Brewery will pour its latest creations and wine from several Willamette Valley wineries will be served as well.

Monks will take guests behind the scenes to visit some of the Abbey's treasures:

» Relics associated with saints, which help inspire Catholics to prayer;

» Antique liturgical vestments that demonstrate changes in the Mass over the years;

» The extensive art collection bequeathed by the late Archbishop Robert J. Dwyer;

» The quiet Abbey cemetery, resting place for some 170 monks who have served this abbey through its century-plus history.

Guests can challenge monks to lively lawn games, including bocce ball and croquet.

The Abbey's famous li-

brary, designed by Finnish architect Alvar Aalto, will open its doors to visitors.

Guests can bid on silent auction items including dinner for eight, hosted by Abbot Jeremy Driscoll, O.S.B., and prepared by Abbey Chef Paul Lieggi; a Vietnamese dinner prepared by Brother Louie Nguyen, O.S.B., and his mother; and a Columbia Gorge hike, Mass, and a picnic lunch with Fr. Ralph Recker, O.S.B., and Brother Cyril Drnjevic, O.S.B.

In addition, an Abbey Marketplace will feature monastic crafts and the

Abbot's Attic Sale will offer mementos from the cloister.

Guests can join the monks as they chant midday prayer at noon and 4 p.m. Vespers in the Abbey church.

Tickets for the adults-only event are \$50 per person, which covers all activities, the picnic, and two glasses of beer or wine. Tickets are available online at [mountangeleabbey.org/saint-benedict-festival-2016](http://mountangeleabbey.org/saint-benedict-festival-2016).

To purchase tickets by mail, note quantity and send a check to: Abbey Foundation of Oregon, PO Box 497, Saint Benedict,

OR 97373-0497.

Proceeds will support the Abbey's library, retreat center and monastery.

Mount Angel Abbey was founded in 1882 by the first Benedictine monks on the West Coast. Today, some 50 monks follow a practical, prayer-centered life laid out by their sixth-century founder, St. Benedict. In April, the Rev. Jeremy Driscoll, O.S.B., became the 12th abbot in the Abbey's history.

For more information, contact the Abbey at (503) 845-3064 or [stbenedictfestival@mt.angel.edu](mailto:stbenedictfestival@mt.angel.edu).

# Public safety gets input on crime reduction

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Anyone with thoughts, ideas or questions about public safety in the Silverton, Mt. Angel and Scotts Mills area may want to pencil this in on the calendar.

## Commune

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disfavored and need to be eliminated as a public health hazard," said Public Works Director Paul Eckley.

"At the end of the day, all of you who are sitting on septic in the city are sitting on a time bomb – whether it's going to go off in two years, or five years or 25 years," added Councilor Ken Hector.

If that happens to a neighbor *within* 10 years of this project, city ordinance requires owners to reimburse the Leslies for half the cost of the main line pipe – about \$60 per foot – along their property.

If failure happens *after* 10 years, a homeowner pays to connect but gets his or her section of main line for free. For someone with 100 feet of frontage, the value is about \$6,000.

Either way, homeowners with a failed septic will pay hookup costs once sewer is available. These property-side costs start at \$10,000 but can be more, according to a memo from Community Development Director Jason Gottgetreu.

"I might need a reverse mortgage for that," said neighbor John Murray. "I'm not complaining about anything except I don't think we need a sewer unless you have that multi-family-living development."

After the vote, Leslie pledged to hold a meeting explaining her family's plans for the commune, something she and her husband have been dreaming about for 20 years, she said. They hope to build at least eight units on the lots surrounding their farmhouse on East Main Street.

"I don't know that there is a sweeter deal to get sewer to this neighborhood," Leslie added. "I know the people behind me are sending daggers my way, but I don't know what else to do."

She also promised to share project costs with neighbors as bids come in.

"We need more information," said neighbor Paul Wallsinger. "Right now it feels like (the city's) giving this project a blank check with our names on it."

Marion County Public Safety Coordinating Council is holding a public-safety town hall forum from 6 to 7 p.m. Thursday, June 23, at Silverton Hospital in the Family Birth Center, second floor conference room D, 342 Fairview St., Silverton.

Attendees will hear from Marion County District Attorney Walt Beglau, Commissioner Janet

Carlson, who is the public safety council chair, and long-time council member Ed McKenney.

Marion County Public Information Officer Jolene Kelley noted that the council has hosted a series of town hall discussions around the county in recent months.

"The council looks forward to this opportunity to describe progress and challenges on important

public safety issues such as juvenile justice, emergency preparedness, homelessness, and justice reinvestment," Kelley noted. "However, the primary goal is to hear the comments, questions, and concerns of community members."

Information gathered at the forum will guide the council's future work.

"We're eager to meet with residents from the

Silverton, Mt. Angel, and Scotts Mills communities to hear your thoughts," Carlson said. "We'll launch with an update on initiatives the council has been involved in this year and then open the meeting for the audiences' choice of topics."

The public safety council meets each month to address public safety issues, and it strives to encourage effective use of

community resources to prevent and reduce crime while increasing safety within the county and its communities. It serves as an advisory panel to the Marion County Board of Commissioners.

Meetings are open to the public. For information, visit [www.co.marion.or.us/BOC/PSSC](http://www.co.marion.or.us/BOC/PSSC).

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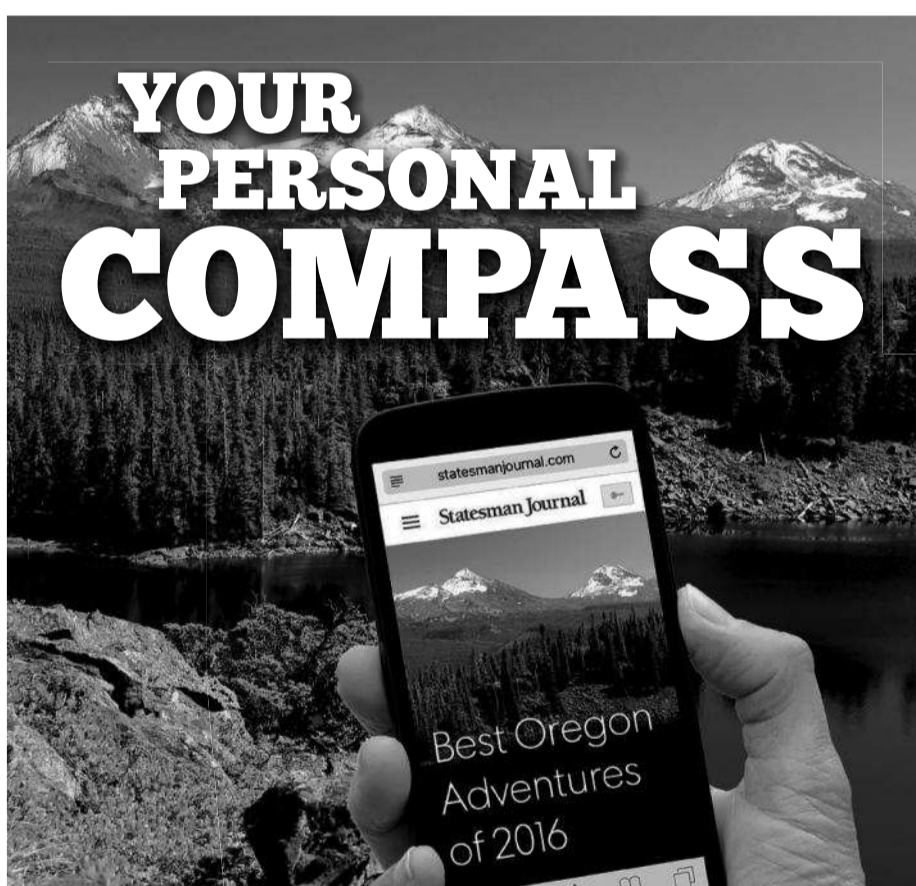
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