

whom she met through Dykes on Bikes at Portland Pride—not only helped organize Friday's Drag-U-Licious show and Saturday's Dykes on Bikes breakfast, but are also opening their property to traveling bikers.

That spirit of support permeates through the entire festival, which, in line with the superhero theme, will come to the rescue of vulnerable youth by donating funds for the Oregon Safe Schools and Communities Coalition.

"Iris is the goddess of the rainbow and the messenger of peace. She was someone who protected and defended people who had been shunned by society," Conrad explains. "Helping the community and giving back is a part of Iris Pride. So naturally Iris Pride and superheroes seem to go hand in hand."

with a clambake at the Surftides Resort followed by Drag-U-Licious at BK Mulligan's, a show in which "everyday women" are transformed from "ordinary" to "fabulous" with the gence, leaving plenty of time to comb the help of local drag royalty.

Saturday begins with a breakfast hosted by Dykes on Bikes at BK Mulligan's and continues with the motorcycle escort of Emmy-Can Host), aka "The Flower of Couture," to the Beachside Street Fair.

The superhero theme really soars at the gay time," Miller says. street fair, with an Arco Flight Jumper Bunchange" contest.

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Divas, sit for free caricatures and peruse the local vendors. Later that night, Aunt Mary's Toaster Bistro hosts a "filthy meet and greet," followed by a drag show at Surftides featur-The festival kicks off Friday, September 16 ing Marcy Kraft and Adrienne Alexander.

The festival wraps up Sunday, September 18 with Flamingo Bingo at Surftides hosted by the Portland Sisters of Perpetual Indulbeach for the handblown glass rainbow floats that will be dropped along all 7.5 miles of public beaches in Lincoln City.

"We're bringing together straight people nominated emcee Armani (So You Think You in the community who are friends with gay people to erase that line between gay and straight, and just have one great wonderful

gee and Batman Bounce House, phone booth For full Iris Pride details, visit oregoncoast.org/ photo ops with Superman and a "quick iris-pride-festival or call 800-452-2151. To learn more about Portland Dykes on Bikes, Attendees are encouraged to dress as their search for "Pride Rides" on Facebook. Bikers infavorite superheroes as they enjoy drag per- terested in staying overnight on Barnhart and



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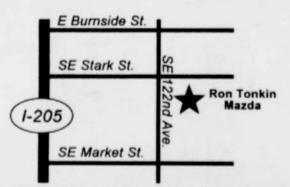


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