

Honor veterans, see jewelry show at Astoria Art Loft

ASTORIA — November is a busy month at the Astoria Art Loft.

During Second Saturday Art Walk from 3 to 6 p.m. Nov. 12, the art loft will honor all current and former military personnel and their families. Find their artwork on display, including many subjects and many different media. Military medals and photos will also be on display, and visitors can meet the many who have served our country.

Have fun from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Nov. 18 and 19 with special festivities at the art loft: a jewelry trunk show, original art-and-soul, and pet portraits. Enjoy jewelry creations by Nancy Karacand, known for her original designs and her beadwork. Also on display will be many original,

small and affordable pieces of art.

Want a beautiful portrait of your beloved dog or other pet? Make an appointment for a pet portrait with a professional photographer. Appointments are available 10 a.m. to 3:45 p.m. Nov. 18 and 19. Call 503-325-4442 or 503-791-8444 for appointment and fee information.

Classes and activities are ongoing. Wednesday afternoons are devoted to watercolor, and Wednesday evenings to drawing. Thursdays are for Open Studio, and Fridays are for art-related films and videos. Private lessons are available through the week. The gallery is open 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Tuesday through Saturday and other times by appointment.

Find baked goods, gifts, crafts at holiday sale

MANZANITA —The Women's Club of Manzanita-North County will host a holiday Crafts, Gifts and Bake Sale from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 12 at Pine Grove Community House, located at 225 Lane-da Ave.

The event will feature a select group of vendors who will showcase their crafts and one-of-a-kind of gift selections for shoppers. This is a relaxed, unhurried event where shoppers can enjoy home-made baked goods or take home breads, cookies or candy for their holiday tables.

The popular ready-made gift baskets will be available for sale at a variety of prices. They are already wrapped and ready for gift giving as hostess gifts, for the man

on your list, or a best friend who enjoys chocolates, wine and a good book.

A special raffle will feature a hand-crafted stained glass window created and donated by Chuck Winkelman for the Women's Club scholarship fund. Tickets will be on sale for \$5 each or five tickets for \$20. This raffle helps fund a scholarship for a Neahkahnie High School senior young woman.

The Women's Club's fundraising efforts support the group's goal of "Women Helping Women of all ages and circumstances to make their lives, families and community stronger." Funds raised throughout the year support community organizations that support women and families.



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Polecat will return to perform at Fort George on Nov. 13.

Polecat brings blend of rock, bluegrass, Celtic

Catch Bellingham band perform at the Fort George

ASTORIA — Fort George favorite Polecat returns to the brewery's upstairs stage at 8 p.m. Sunday, Nov. 13.

Polecat is a do-not-miss, self-proclaimed stomp-grass band from Bellingham, Washington. All ages are welcome, and there is no cover charge. The Fort George Brewery is located at 1483 Duane St.

Polecat's high-energy blend of Americana, blue-

grass, Celtic, reggae, country and rock 'n' roll makes for an incredible live show. Performing at festivals like Bumbershoot and the Northwest String Summit, these guys have their sound down. If you've heard them before, you know the drill, and if you haven't, it is a see, hear and dance-to-believe show.

Formed in the spring of 2010, Polecat has traveled all over Northwest, performing over 400 shows in four years. The general appeal of Polecat comes from their take on roots music and their interactive live shows.

Create your own painting, sign up for workshops

CANNON BEACH — Ladies, leave the boys at home, grab your girlfriends and enjoy a painting experience led by artist Blue Bond. Creative Coast, a new program of Cannon Beach Arts Association, will hold two Women Only Weekend painting workshops Friday, Nov. 11.

The first workshop will take place from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. CBAA will serve brunch along with complementary mimosas, as class participants are led through the creation of an acrylic painting of pumpkins.

Then, during the afternoon class, set for 4 to 6 p.m., Bond will guide students through the recreation

of beautiful and delicate cherry blossoms in acrylic. In pre-dinner fashion, complementary hors d'oeuvres and wine will be provided.

At the end of each session, students will have their own original paintings to take home.

Both classes will be held at the Creative Coast Project Space, in Suite 25 on the second floor of Sandpiper Square in Cannon Beach.

Each session is limited to 14 participants. Registration is required. Cost is \$25 per person. To register, call 503-436-4426 between 11 a.m. and 4 p.m. Wednesday through Saturday, or visit cannonbeacharts.org



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"Pumpkins" by Blue Bond.

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