

# GOLFIN' FOR A GOOD CAUSE

MANZANITA — The Mudd Nick Foundation has been providing meaningful learning experiences for the children of North Tillamook County since 1993.

Take part in the organization's annual fundraising weekend events at the Manzanita Golf Course and the North County Recreation District Building in Nehalem on Friday, Sept. 15, and Saturday, Sept. 16.

For the golfers: Enter your own foursome or your "dream team" will be created for you. This event fills up fast so don't delay — register now!

Events:

- 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, Sept. 15: Pre-Golf Tournament Dinner at the North County Recreation District (36155 9th St.)

- 7 a.m. to 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16: Annual Charity Golf Tournament at the Manzanita Golf Course (908 Lakeview Drive)

- 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16: Annual Dinner & Charity Auction at the North County Recreation District (36155 9th St.)



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## CCC hosts 'Extraordinary Living' conference

ASTORIA — The fourth annual Conference on Extraordinary Living will be rockin' the socks off seniors again 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16, at Clatsop Community College's Patriot Hall.

Participants can attend a plethora of breakout sessions, starting with an engaging keynote speech by Chris Breitmeyer, the community college president.

"We will have a rousing wrap-up with local experts on A Cannabis Discussion about medical marijuana for people and pets," the college wrote in a release. A donation of \$10 is requested.

Lunch is provided by the Bandit Cafe.

Choose from presentations on health, finance, travel and general interest. The 45-minute breakout sessions cov-

er topics like Disaster Prep, Making Friends of All Ages, Ship Report/KMUN, Dancing Your Way to Fitness, Trail Opportunities on the North Coast and more.

For a complete list of events, visit [clatsopcc.edu/communityed](http://clatsopcc.edu/communityed). Check out the animals at the Wildlife Rescue Center and the Therapy Animals exhibits. Free flu shots will also be available.

The event is made possible by a partnership among Clatsop Community College, ENCORE, Columbia Memorial Hospital, Providence Seaside Hospital, Northwest Senior and Disability Services and FamilyCare Health.

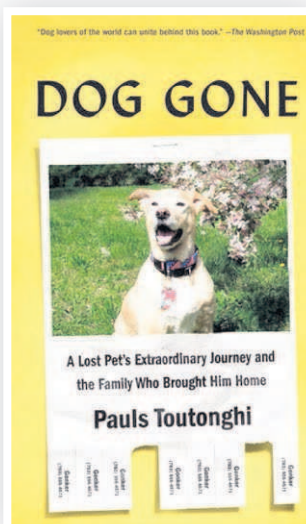
To preregister, and for more information, visit [clatsopcc.edu/communityed](http://clatsopcc.edu/communityed) or [orencorelearn.org](http://orencorelearn.org), or call the community college at 503-338-2566.

## Hoffman Center hosts 'Dog Gone' author, writing workshop

MANZANITA — Author Pauls Toutonghi will read from his book "Dog Gone: A Lost Pet's Extraordinary Journey and the Family Who Brought Him Home" at the Hoffman Center for the Arts at 7 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 16.

Admission for the evening reading is \$7. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

On Oct. 10, 1998, Fielding Marshall hikes on the Appalachian Trail. His beloved dog — a six-year-old golden retriever mix named Gonker — bolts into the woods. Just like that, he vanishes. And Gonker has Addison's disease. If he's not found within 23 days, he will die. "Dog Gone" is the story of the Marshall family and



their hunt to track down Gonker.

The author of four books, Toutonghi has been awarded a Pushcart Prize, and has written for The New

Yorker, The New York Times, Virginia Quarterly Review, Granta, Tin House and numerous other periodicals. After receiving his Ph.D in English Literature from Cornell University, Toutonghi moved to Portland where he teaches at Lewis & Clark College.

Toutonghi's reading kicks off a weekend for dog-lovers in Manzanita, preceding the all-day Sunday events for the ninth annual Muttzanita Festival ([muttzanita.com](http://muttzanita.com)).

### Writing workshop

From 1 to 3:30 p.m. that day, Toutonghi will teach a workshop "Writing with Balance."

Whether in fiction or nonfiction or memoir, how

does a writer share personal, painful stories and still negotiate active relationships with the people involved? How do they decide what to tell — and what not to tell? What are some of the best practices for determining how to use a difficult or personally challenging piece of one's story?

The workshop will be held at the Hoffman Center for the Arts. Tuition is \$40. Register at [hoffmanblog.org/register-for-workshops](http://hoffmanblog.org/register-for-workshops).

### Open mic

Following Toutonghi's reading and Q-and-A, the Hoffman Center will hold its Open Mic, where up to nine local or visiting writers will read five minutes of their



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original work. The suggested (not required) theme for the evening is "Dog Stories."

The Manzanita Writers' Series is a program of the Hoffman Center for the Arts. The center is located across

from the Manzanita Library (594 Laneda Ave.).

More information is available at [hoffmanblog.org](http://hoffmanblog.org), or contact Kathie Hightower at [kathiejhightower@gmail.com](mailto:kathiejhightower@gmail.com).