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During a previous Savor Cannon Beach, a wine and culinary festival, volunteer Carolyn Anderson, right, slowly pours a red blend at Cannon Beach Community Hall.

MEET *and* DRINK

Good wine, good food, good company at Savor Cannon Beach

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FOR COAST WEEKEND

Although wine is the star of the 10th annual Savor Cannon Beach festival, taking place Thursday through Sunday, March 7 through 10, food and fellowship are strong supporting characters that round out a lavish showcase of some of the Pacific Northwest's finest qualities.

"Wine is one of the base beverages of civ-

ilization," said winemaker Edward Fus, of Angel Vine in Portland. "It's part of what gets people to sit down together. You have to have good food, good drink and good company to be happy. And then you throw in Cannon Beach, which has good views in any direction, so how can you go wrong?"

The weekend, which features six distinct ticketed wine-tasting experiences, kicks off Thursday evening with the Best of the Northwest Throwdown from 5 to 7 p.m. at

Tolovana Inn. Local chef Jonathan Hoffman will present a selection of light bites, created to pair with eight specific and complementary award-winning wines. Participants can vote on their favorite wine of the evening.

The other food-centric "signature" event that frames the festival, director Gary Hayes said, is the Battle of the Bites from noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, March 10.

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IF YOU GO

10th Annual Savor Cannon Beach

Where: Multiple locations throughout town

When: Thursday through Sunday, March 7 to 10

For more information, visit savorcannonbeach.com/ or call 888-609-6051

2019 Schedule of Festival Events

Best of the Northwest Throwdown

5 to 7 p.m. Thursday, March 7

Tolovana Inn

\$40 per ticket

Winemaker's Premium Pours

2 to 3:30 p.m. Friday, March 8

Tolovana Inn, 3400 S. Hemlock St.

\$30 per ticket

Art & Wine Walk

6 to 8 p.m.

Check-in begins at 5:45 p.m. at Sandpiper Square, 172 N. Hemlock St.

\$30 per ticket

Wine Tasting Basics & Beyond

11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Saturday, March 9

Tolovana Inn, 3400 S. Hemlock St.

\$25 per ticket

Savor Cannon Beach Wine Walk

1 to 5 p.m., Saturday, March 9

Check-in begins at noon at the Coaster Theatre Playhouse, 108 N. Hemlock St.

\$50 per ticket

Gold Medal Wines & Battle of the Bites

Noon to 2 p.m. Sunday, March 10

Tolovana Inn, 3400 S Hemlock St.

\$40 per ticket