

Monkey Bugs discount children's apparel to 'pop up' at FEC

Monkey Bugs is a family owned children's resale "pop up" with the goal of helping families in communities across Oregon by providing quality children's clothing (newborn-18) at affordable prices. In addition to its store locations, Monkey Bugs also travels to locations around Oregon, bringing with it a wide selection of quality used clothing. At Monkey Bugs, you don't have to search for sizes or have to worry about checking for stains or holes. Monkey Bugs selects only the best items and always offers a wide variety of items to choose from. In addition, its inventory is always changing, so those who attend a Monkey Bugs pop up event one time will find different items the next time. Monkey Bugs pop up shops are clean and organized, with spacious aisles for strollers, along with activities for kids.

Monkey Bugs will pop up at the FEC on Saturday, April 11, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.



FACC to honor Florence area volunteers

The Florence Area Community Coalition (FACC) will host its annual celebration of volunteers in Florence April 15. This event gives organizations and individuals a chance to publicly thank and honor those people in their groups and lives who unselfishly volunteer their services in various capacities around the community. The cost is \$100 to reserve a table of eight, or \$7 for an individual. All proceeds will go towards funding scholarships for Youth Volunteers of the Year. Awards will be presented during the volunteer celebration.

Program highlights of the afternoon will include

recognition of all local volunteers, audience participation, door prizes and refreshments. Sponsors for this year's event are Three Rivers Foundation and the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) of Lane County.

The event will be held Wednesday, April 15, from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Florence Events Center.

Groups are invited to bring their program materials to share.

For more information, call the FACC at 541-902-8308.

Rhodys to bloom early at flower show April 11-12

The Early Rhododendron Flower Show will take place April 11 and 12. The flower show, held each year by the Siuslaw Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society (ARS), takes place one month before the annual Rhododendron Festival Rhody Show, which takes place this year May 22-24.

Both flower shows are held at the Florence Events Center and are judged. The aim is to educate and introduce the public to as many varieties of rhododendrons as possible. The show is open to the public – without charge – as soon as judging is completed.

Either of the rhododendron flower shows is a great place to find what flowers would look great in your garden and view varieties of both rhododendrons and azaleas from around the world. The Siuslaw Chapter also has an outdoor plant sale during both shows. Many selections of rhododendrons and azaleas are available for a reasonable price.

Doors open at 1 p.m. to the public on Saturday and remain open until 5 p.m. On Sunday, viewing will be available from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

