

## IN BRIEF

**Soroptimists sell roses to benefit local students**

Tickets for the annual Soroptimist Rose Sale are available now through April 20, for \$20 per dozen.

Rose delivery will be April 29 to the recipient's home or work.

Proceeds fund the scholarships awarded to local students.

Tickets can be purchased from any Soroptimist or by calling Jo Hine at 541-997-2233.

**Coastal Women Vets set luncheon**

The Coastal Women Veterans' April luncheon will be April 10, at 11:30 a.m., at the Ichiban Restaurant, 1179 Highway 101. Call Dottie Henderson to RSVP at 541-902-8623.

All military women are invited and encouraged to attend.

**'Once Upon a Mattress' at FEC**

CROW's latest production opens April 10, with shows set for April 11 and 12 on the Florence Events Center's main stage. Tickets for "Once Upon a Mattress" can be obtained by calling the Florence Events Center at 541-997-1994 or visiting [www.eventcenter.org](http://www.eventcenter.org).

Adult tickets are \$16 and tickets for children (under age 12) are \$8.

**Public speaking class April 11**

The Florence Toastmasters, Siuslaw Tale Spinners, will host an Eric Winger workshop on Saturday, April 11, called, "Public Speaking 101 and Beyond." The class is geared for the novice and professional alike and will be held at the Florence Playhouse, 208 Laurel St. Doors open at 8:30 a.m. and the first session, Public Speaking Tips, starts at 9 a.m.

The afternoon session, Guided Speech Evaluations, starts at 1:30 p.m.

Admission is free and the public is invited. Contact Irma at 541-999-0912, or register at [www.goo.gl/6uDcxX](http://www.goo.gl/6uDcxX).

**Rhody Society early flower show set**

The Siuslaw Early Rhododendron Show will be April 11 and 12. In addition to exhibiting flowers, rhododendrons and azaleas will be for sale.

The exhibit will include azaleas, rhododendrons and Bonsai. The show is free and open to the public. Times will be from 1 to 5 p.m. on Saturday, and from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Sunday.

The exhibit will be at the

Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St. For more information, call 541-997-3082 or visit [www.siuslawars.org](http://www.siuslawars.org).

**BBQ to benefit Wayne Crosthwaite**

On Sunday, April 12, a fundraiser will be held at Miller Park from noon to 4 p.m. to help pay for medical expenses related to a bi-lateral hip replacement for Boxlunch owner Wayne Crosthwaite.

There will be a barbecue, silent auction, games and more, with all money raised going toward medical expenses.

**Mapleton Lions to host breakfast**

The Mapleton Lions Club will host its next monthly pancake breakfast Sunday, April 12, from 7:30 to 10:30 a.m., at the Mapleton Lions Club, 88148 Riverview Drive in Mapleton.

The menu will include pancakes, sausage, ham and eggs.

Cost is \$7 for adults or \$3 for children 12 years and under.

**Need help preventing substance abuse?**

Siuslaw Area Partnership to Prevent Substance Abuse (SAPPSA) meets Monday, April 13, at 3.30 p.m., at the Siuslaw Public Library.

The meeting is free and open

to the public.

**Port of Siuslaw to meet April 15**

The Port of Siuslaw Board of Commissioners will hold its regular meeting on Wednesday, April 15, at 7 p.m., at the port office, 100 Harbor St.

Port meetings are open to the public.

For more information contact the port office at 541-997-3426.

**Music of Quartetto Gelato April 17**

Quartetto Gelato brings its world-class talents to the Florence Events Center Friday, April 17, at 7 p.m.

Individual tickets for concerts are \$30 per adult and \$10 for those under 18.

Tickets are available online at [SEAcoastEA.org](http://SEAcoastEA.org) or at the Florence Events Center box office, 715 Quince St.; or by phone at 541-997-1994.

**Coast Guard offers boating classes**

The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary will conduct an 8-hour boating safety education course Saturday, April 18, in Charleston.

The course covers the basics of boating safety, rules of the road and Oregon boating laws.

A test at the end of the course

will qualify boaters for their Boater Education Card, under the Oregon Mandatory Boater Education Program.

The Boater Education Card is required for all motorboat operators of all ages for boats more than 10 horsepower.

Additional provisions apply to youths.

The cost of the course and materials is \$15.

Pre-registration is required. To register for the class, call 541-267-6152.

**Dunes City Triathlon run, ride and swim**

The annual Oregon Dunes Triathlon and Duathlon will be held May 9. Interested athletes can register at [www.oregondunestriathlon.com](http://www.oregondunestriathlon.com).

Anyone that is interested in volunteering for this one-day event can call Renee at Dunes City Hall 541-997-3338.

Pre-race announcements will begin at 7:45 a.m.

The transition area will open at 6:30 a.m.

**FEC Performance Grant available**

The Friends of the Florence Events Center (FFEC) has announced performance grant applications will now be accepted from nonprofit performance groups that use the Florence Events Center.

Fund requests up to \$700 are to be used for an event rental during the 2015-2016 season.

The deadline for applications are due in the FEC office by June 1, 2015.

More information is available from the FEC website at [www.eventcenter.org/general/page/friends-fec-grant-application](http://www.eventcenter.org/general/page/friends-fec-grant-application).

**LCC seeks volunteers for ESL program**

The English as a Second Language (ESL) program at Lane Community College Florence Center is in need of volunteers.

On Monday evenings from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., ESL needs one volunteer to help a student study for the citizenship test.

Thursday mornings, 10 a.m. to noon, a volunteer is needed to help mid-level ESL students with English conversation.

For more information, call the LCC Florence Center at 541-997-8444, ext. 4835.

**Poetry Group meets Wednesdays**

Friends of Poetry meets every Wednesday from 3 to 5 p.m., in the activity room at Shorewood Retirement Center, 1451 Spruce St.

All are welcome.

For more information, call 541-991-7556.

# A Taste of Florence Dining Guide

**Le Bouchon**  
PROVISIONS  
WINE BAR & SALES - DELICATESSEN

Locally Baked Pastries – Breads – Muffins  
**Sandwiches - Soup - Salads**

- Big Fat Meat Loaf Sandwich
- Mac & Cheese • Broccoli & Cheddar Quiche
- Morning Glory Muffins
- Croissants (Ham & Cheese or Chocolate)

Wine of the Month: Drops of Jupiter Red Blend  
J. Scott – Sauvignon Blanc  
**Wine Tasting Saturday & Sunday**

1277 Bay Street- Old Town Florence - 541-902-1391

**1285 Restobar**  
[www.1285restobar.com](http://www.1285restobar.com)

FEATURED:  
**CLAM CHOWDER FLORENTINE**  
Classic chowder with spinach

1285 Bay Street - Old Town Florence • 541-902-8338

**MOTHER'S DAY**  
May 10th, 2015  
**Surfside Restaurant**  
On the Beach

Treat Mom to our elegant Mothers Day Brunch  
Created Just for Mom.

**CALL for RESERVATIONS**  
**541-997-8263**

88416 1<sup>st</sup> Ave.....Florence, OR

**Lovejoy's Restaurant & Tea Room**

Regular Menu:  
Crab Cakes  
Stuffed Sole  
Shrimp Salad

French Press  
Coffee  
Large Tea  
Selection

Closed through  
**Thursday, April 9th.**

**OPEN on Friday,  
April 10th at 10am**

**OPEN on Saturday,  
April 11th at 11am.**

195 Nopal Street • 541-902-0502

**MAPLE STREET GRILLE**

WEDNESDAY: Chicken Carbonara  
THURSDAY: Pot Stickers  
served over fried rice and roasted sesame broccoli  
FRIDAY: Shrimp Scampi served over linguine pasta  
SATURDAY: Chicken Picatta  
served over lemon, rosemary & garlic orzo pasta

Open for Lunch & Dinner • Lunch Specials Daily  
Reservations Suggested.

Hours  
Tues-Sat:  
11:30am-9pm

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**Spring Hours**

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**HAPPY HOUR- 2-5 Wed-Sun**  
Great Appetizers and Prices

**NEW TGIF! Fridays 5-7**  
Free hors d'oeuvres and music by Denny Weaver  
See our menu at [sandpines.com](http://sandpines.com) & facebook

1201 35th Street at Kingwood, Florence  
**541-997-4623**

**Little Brown Hen CAFE**

Benefit for  
**KELLY WITTEW BURNETT**

Help us support Kelly in her fight with breast cancer.  
Join us at Little Brown Hen for a Spaghetti Feed on  
Wednesday, April 29th • 3pm to 7 pm

Dinner will include spaghetti with salad and bread  
\$11.00 for adults and \$6.00 for kids  
Cash or check only (made payable to Brown Hen Cafe)

435 Highway 101 • 541-902-2449

**Spice**  
Global & Northwest Fusion Cuisine  
[www.spiceinflorence.com](http://www.spiceinflorence.com)

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- Tuesday - Ladies Night \$2 off entrée
- Wednesday - Burger & Brew \$8.50
- Thursday - \$4 Margaritas - \$2.50 Tacos

TUE, WED, THUR: DINNER 3PM TO CLOSE  
FRI, SAT, SUN: LUNCH AND DINNER 11:30 TO CLOSE  
CLOSED MONDAY

541-997-1646 1269 Bay Street • Old Town Florence

**Mo's Restaurant**

Every Month Mo's has brought in special "Motivation for Kids" tables which raise money for local charities that are devoted to helping the wellbeing of local children. This month FLORENCE HEAD START is the local charity being honored.

By sitting at these tables you help a specific local charity each and every time. We thank you for that!

Me's Old Town, Florence • Daily 11 am - 8 pm  
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