

RHODODENDRON FESTIVAL SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Florence's 108th Annual Rhody Days continue with exciting events throughout the area

All-Weekend Events
Rhododendron Fest Display
Open daily – 12-4 p.m.
Half-price admission on May 17
Siuslaw Pioneer Museum
Contact: 997-7884

Davis Shows NW Carnival
May 16-17 – All day
Port of Siuslaw parking lot
Contact: 997-3128

Moose Lodge Activities
May 16 – Casserole 4-6 p.m.
May 17 – Breakfast 9-11 a.m.
1108 Quince St.
Contact: 997-7749

Apex Helicopter Rides
May 16-17 – Sunrise to sunset
Florence Municipal Airport
Contact: 997-3270

Old Town Vendor Fair
May 16 – 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
May 17 – 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Maple Street in Old Town

Contact: 997-3128
Highway 101 Vendor Fair
May 16 – 12-6 p.m.
May 17 – 10 a.m.-3 p.m.
Shippin' Shack on Hwy 101
Contact: 997-5888

Art Fest 2015
May 16 – 11 a.m.-5 p.m.
May 17 – 10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Florence Events Center
Presented by Florence Regional Arts Alliance
Contact: 902-1933

Elks Barbecue and Pie Sale
May 16-17 – 11 a.m.-4 p.m.
Elks Lodge, 1686 12th St.
Contact: 997-2610

American Rhododendron Society's Festival Flower Show & Plant Sale
May 16 – 1-5 p.m.
May 17 – 10 a.m.-5 p.m.
Florence Events Center
Contact: 997-3082

Saturday, May 16
37th Annual Rhody Run
Race starts at 9 a.m.
Florence Events Center
Contact: 997-3518 or eclecticedgeracing.com

Airboat Tours Northwest
Every hour
\$25 for 45-minute ride
Port of Siuslaw Boardwalk
Contact: 800-252-0975

Hot Dog & Hamburger Sale
10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Grocery Outlet parking lot
Presented by Florence Area Humane Society
Contact: 997-4277

23rd Annual Rhody Days Car Show 'n' Shine
10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Grocery Outlet parking lot
Presented by Beachkomber's Car Club
Contact: 902-0916

Rhody Days Gun Show
10 a.m.-4 p.m.
Presented by Siuslaw Rod & Gun Club
87227 Munsel Lake Road
Contact: 997-2475

Junior Parade
Staging at 11 a.m.
Parade starts at noon
Miller Park & Oak Street
Presented by Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue
Contact: 999-0600

Kiwanis Kids Games
Right after Junior Parade
Siuslaw High School
Contact: 999-7083

Motorcycle Show 2015
11 a.m.-1 p.m.
Three Rivers Casino Resort
Contact: 997-7529

Coast Radio Classic Car Cruise
KCST Live Broadcast
at 5:30 p.m.

Cruise starts at 6:30 p.m.
Old Town and Bay Street
Contact: 997-9136

Journey Unauthorized Concert
7 p.m.
Three Rivers Casino Resort
Contact: 997-7529

Tommy Hogan Concert
8-11 p.m.
Kenneth B Gallery
Contact: 999-5875

Sunday, May 17
Elks Lodge Breakfast
7-11 a.m.
Elks Lodge, 1686 12th St.
Contact: 997-2610

108th Annual Grand Floral Parade
Staging at 10 a.m.
Parade begins at noon
Starts at Highway 101 and 27th Street, ends in Old Town
Contact: 997-3128 or florencechamber.com

IN BRIEF

Boardwalk market now open

The Florence Boardwalk Market's 2015 season kickoff

is today, May 16. The market is located adjacent to the Port of Siuslaw boardwalk at Bay and Nopal streets.

Hours are Saturdays, 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. The market runs every weekend through Oct. 4.

for \$2 during the Elks' barbecue chicken dinner.

All proceeds go to local charities.

Lady Elks offer freshly baked pies

Today, May 16, the Ladies of Elks will have their Rhody Days Pie and Bake Sale. Enter through the west door of the Elks Lodge on 12th Street. The sale begins at 11 a.m. and will continue until all items are gone. Items include pies, gourmet desserts and baked goods. Also, on Saturday, the Lady Elks will sell ice cream sundaes

FAHS Thrift Store selling goodies

The Florence Humane Society (FAHS) Thrift Store will host a hot dog and bake sale during Rhody Days, May 16 and 17, from 10:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. The FAHS Thrift Store is at 1193 Bay St. All proceeds will go to support the Florence Humane Society.

Diabetes Support Group meets May 19

The Siuslaw Diabetes/Pre-diabetes Support Group will meet Tuesday, May 19, at 2 p.m., in the conference room at the Siuslaw Public Library.

Prostate cancer support Tuesday

The May meeting of the Us TOO Florence Prostate Cancer Education/ Support Lunch Bunch is Tuesday, May 19, at the Kozy Kitchen Restaurant from noon to 1 p.m. Call 541-999-4239 for more info.

Race from 1A

Dunes City Councilors finished at 1:39:24. "Mayor Henry's Florence team is the winner," said Ruede. "It is noteworthy that it is less than four minutes difference." "Team Florence edged out the Dunes City team by a nose," Henry said. It was a "hard fought battle with both teams demonstrating superhuman capabilities," he added. Henry believes that a factor

in Lacer and Reynolds' win was that they were wearing official City of Florence T-shirts bearing the city's motto, "City in Motion." It gave them a "slight edge in momentum," he said. The stakes of the competition were simple: whichever city team lost, the mayor would volunteer three hours for the other city. "We have a wonderful idea for this," said Henry. Saturday, July 18, is Power of Florence Day, a city-wide day of volunteering. Henry said, "I personally

want to be very involved in this effort and I can think of no better community service than to invite Mayor Becky to join me." Ruede said, "In all, it was great fun and plans are underway to expand the challenge to include other cities next year." Next year's Oregon Dunes Triathlon and Duathlon will again feature running, biking and swimming through the beautiful scenery of the Oregon dunes — and possibly, more teams sponsored by local cities.

Water from 1A

After hearing the first reading of the letter publicly, the audience at the council meet-

ing applauded. Boyd said, "Thank you, thank you very much, council and Mayor Henry. ... Our community is really grateful. What you've done is be heroic. We

Ladies of Elks Homemade Pies & Bake Sale Saturday, May 16th 11:00 am til sold out

Florence Elks Lodge
1686 12th Street
North Entrance



All Proceeds Go To Local Charities

WORD ON THE STREET

What do you like most about being on the Rhody Court?



"Rhody Court has been a great honor. My junior princess Elizabeth Perez has been a great joy and light in my life. I have found more confidence and purpose within myself."
—QUEEN RHODODENDRA KENNEDY ROYLANCE



"The best part was the Rhody Showcase and bonding with everyone on the court and who helped out."
—KING OF THE COAST KEONI CASTRO



"I enjoyed most bonding with my junior princess Alizé Castallanos. We had a lot of fun hanging out together. It was a fun addition to end my senior year with and I'm forever grateful."
—PRINCESS COURTNEY KING, RUNNER UP



"My favorite part about being on Rhody Court is giving back to the community. We live in a great place, and giving back to make it better is awesome!"
—PRINCE JOE DOTSON, RUNNER UP

HAVE A QUESTION WE SHOULD ASK?
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