

Port from 1A

Port Manager Bob Forsythe said, "I think Mike represented the board very well at the Wednesday meeting. His arguments and suggestions were well received. I look forward to him being a driving force on the board. I really think he has a good future with this board."

The port will have to develop a supplemental

budget, as the new rate increase revenues will need to be offset by expenditures.

"We don't know how much that will be," Forsythe said. "But we will have to do it soon. The board will then decide where the additional funds will be spent."

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Port of Siuslaw commissioners and manager Bob Forsythe prepare to approve an RV/campsite rate increaseduring a meeting on Wednesday, Sept. 16. The \$3 per night increase on daily and weekly rates is the first in 5 years.

Parks from 1A

Stockdale said, "If it seems like some parks are getting more attention than others, it's because they are. It's because of where the funding comes from."

When the public spoke, they showed dissatisfaction with the plan.

Heceta South Homeowners Association abuts Ocean

Woods, and HOA representatives spoke out against the loss of the park. They said the park's undeveloped aspects are a key part of living in the area. Some of the commenters spoke about the wildlife, including endangered species, and the seasonal birdwatching opportunities in the area.

Some wondered if the money of the sale would benefit the 27 LCP coast parks, or if funds would go to parks in the

Eugene area.

And some claimed that the sale would be illegal, according to the original deed of the land.

"We are information gathering," Stockdale said. "Nothing in the plan is cement or stone. Whether you love it or whether you hate it, there's going to still be refinement after this."

The county will do a redraft based on the public comment meetings that continue in October.

At least one more draft is scheduled before the LCP Master Plan is finalized.

To add comment to the draft plan, go to www.lanecounty.org/Departments/PW/Parks/Pages/masterplan.aspx, email laneparks@co.lane.or.us, or call 541-682-2002 and ask to go on record.

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IN BRIEF

VFW to host annual barbecue today

The Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) will host its annual barbecue today, Sept. 19, at the "Yurt" at Honeyman State Park from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Members of the Disabled American Veterans (DAV), American Legion, the local Coast Guard station and any military veterans in the area are invited to attend.

Hamburgers, hot dogs, bratwurst, condiments and beverages, including soda and beer, will be provided.

Attendees are asked to bring a salad or dessert. Guests of veterans are also invited.

A donation of \$10 is requested. For more information, contact Tony Cavarno at 541-997-1677.

Bingo is back at Ada Grange tonight

Ada Grange is starting back with monthly Bingo games tonight, Sept. 19. The regular Bingo menu will be available.

The kitchen opens at 5 p.m., followed by Bingo at 6 p.m.

Ada Grange Hall is 10 miles up Canary Road. For more information, contact Nancy Flatley at 541-997-2380.

All are invited to attend.

Matson to perform in Yachats tonight

Wendy Matson returns to the Yachats Underground Pub and Grub, 125 Ocean View Dr. in Yachats, for the third year. She will perform tonight, Sept. 19, from 7 to 9 p.m.

Matson forms a unique blend of folk, blues, jazz, rock and country to create music in the tradition of Woody Guthrie, Bob Dylan and Joan Baez.

For more information, call 541-547-4600.

Powerful one-man play comes to City Lights Thursday

"Mercy Killers" is a thought-provoking one-man play, by actor and playwright Michael Milligan, that puts our current healthcare system under a microscope.

It will be performed live at City Lights Cinemas on the Chaplin Stage on Sept. 24, at 7 p.m.

Tickets can be purchased at City Lights daily between noon and midnight before Sept. 24.

Call 541-997-2997 for more information.

LCC closed Thursday for in-service day

Lane Community College will be closed to the public for its annual fall in-service on Thursday, Sept. 24. No services will be available, unless otherwise announced by a department or program.

Classes begin Sept. 28.

Library Friends board meeting Sept. 24

The Friends of the Siuslaw Public Library will hold a board meeting Thursday, Sept. 24, at 11 a.m., in the Bromley Room.

FOL members and others interested in supporting the library or learning more about the Friends is invited to attend.

Refreshments are provided.

The purpose of the FOL is to support the Siuslaw Public Library.

For more information, email siuslawlibraryfriends@gmail.com.

SOS sponsors March for Domestic Violence Awareness

This year's Domestic Violence Awareness March, hosted by Siuslaw Outreach Services (SOS), will be held Sunday, Sept. 27, beginning at 12:45 p.m., at Veterans Memorial Park, at the west end of Bay Street.

The march begins at 1 p.m.

Annual Senior Expo set for Oct. 1 at FEC

The annual Good Life Boomer and Senior Expo will be held Thursday, Oct. 1, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Florence Events Center.

Admission is free.

The Expo is a unique hybrid of information, resources and entertainment, all geared toward satisfying and enhancing the life of boomers and seniors. Spend the day socializing, becoming better informed and having fun.

For more information on booth and sponsorship opportunities, call 541-902-3524.

Animals to be blessed at St. Mary's

Everyone is invited to have their animals blessed on Sunday, Oct. 4, which is the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi.

The service will be at 12:30 p.m. at St. Mary Our Lady of the Dunes Catholic Church, 85060 Hwy 101 S.

Become a part of Siuslaw, Mapleton equestrian team

Mapleton and Siuslaw high school equestrian season is beginning soon. Teams are looking for anyone interested from Mapleton or Siuslaw high school, grades 9-12, who would like to ride. Also, anyone who might be interested in coaching the siuslaw team should contact Trisha Geddes at 541-999-4957, or email her at trishachadgeddes@yahoo.com.

For more information, visit www.facebook.com/ohset.mapleton.

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.

Boardwalk Market open until October

The Florence Boardwalk Market, located adjacent to the Port of Siuslaw Boardwalk at Bay and Nopal streets, will be open weekends through Oct. 4.

Local and regional vendors are there Saturdays, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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 to help students study for the citizenship test and with English conversation.

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

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Mercy Killers

Thurs. 9/24 7pm

EXCERPT

Letter to the Editor

"I hope everyone in our community will take the opportunity to see *Mercy Killers*. It's a powerful one-man play that's hard to forget. The playwright and actor, Michael Milligan, is amazing at conveying his bewilderment, despair and pain...because of the machinations of the healthcare system. It's a wrenching indictment of the power that's been given to corporate entities....

I've seen *Mercy Killers* already. I'm going to see it again."

Patricia Burke
Westlake

Chaplin Stage
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