

Oompah!



Oktoberfest's lineup of entertainment

**All performances are on Saturday, Oct. 3, at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St.*

Meg Graf has played music all her life. She performs accordion



with the Junction City Polka Band, Attaboy! Polka Band and various other ensembles. Her motto is "Music makes the

world a better place, and live music is best!" She resides in the Willamette Valley and works at the University of Oregon.

Meg Graf performs at 8 a.m. during the Kiwanis breakfast.

John R. Klobas is an accordion player who has entertained people all over the United States and Europe. He and his wife Nancy, who plays the hammered dulcimer, live on a farm near Fall Creek.



John played at the Mt. Angel Oktoberfest for 15 years and also taught at Lane Community College from 1965 to 1999, with some of his classes held at the Heceta Head Lighthouse and in the Light Keeper's House.

He also hosts the International Polka Party, heard on KCST 106.9 FM every Sunday from 4 to 8 a.m.

He has been doing this for over a quarter of a century.

John R. Klobas performs from 9:45 a.m. until 11 a.m., as well as later in the day.

The Tirolean Dancers started in the 1970s as a traditional German and Bavarian style dance performance group. Today, with new members, The Tiroleans continue to perform and bring the joy of traditional



German dance to numerous Oktoberfests, Maifests, special and international events and cultural and folk festivals in both Oregon and Washington. Their appearances all over Oregon at signature events such as Mt. Angel, Alpenfest and St. Peters Oktoberfest, and Junction City, have delighted thousands of spectators and enthusiasts.

The Tiroleans perform at noon and 1:30 p.m.

The Alpine Echoes Band, new to the Florence

Oktoberfest this year, plays music for happy occasions, specializing in German, Scandinavian and folk dance music. They play for your dancing or listening pleasure. Although they include several teaching dances for audience participation (both adult and children) they also perform some authentic folk dance numbers for folks to

dance to as well. Their repertoire includes polkas, waltzes, swing, country western, fox trot, schottisches, hambos and specialty folk dance. The chicken dance is a crowd pleaser of all ages. Several members of the band are also in the Tirolean Dancers which is also performing at this year's Oktoberfest.

The Alpine Echoes Band plays music from Germany, Austria, France, Russia, Italy, Mexico, Norway, Sweden, the United States and other countries.



Orchestration includes accordion, clarinet, tuba, flute, banjo, bass, fiddle, trumpet, drums, Austrian cowbells and vocals. Join them during one of three performances for your shot at the chicken dance!

The Alpine Echoes Band performs from 12:30-1:30 p.m., 3:30-4:30 p.m. and 5-6 p.m.

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