

THIS WEEK ON THE COAST

A WEEKLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE FLORENCE AREA

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Sunday, Oct. 4

MOZART MASTERPIECE TO BE PERFORMED AT FEC

Cascadia Concert Opera will conclude its 2015 season with Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart's "Don Giovanni" at 3 p.m. Tickets are \$20 for adults or \$10 for students. Purchase them by phone at 888-968-4086, online at www.eventcenter.org, or at the door.

HAVE YOUR ANIMALS BLESSED AT ST. ANDREWS

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church will honor St. Francis, lover of animals Sunday, during the Feast of St. Francis at 1 p.m. There will be a blessing of animals at the plaza near the Port of Siuslaw Boardwalk. Deacon Steve and Mother Georgia will be present to pray with animals and their people. Bring animal friends on leashes or in appropriate carriers to receive a blessing. (Reptiles will be blessed only in carriers.) Humans will receive a prayer card to use in praying for their animal companions. The blessing service will finish up at 2 p.m. For more information, call the church at 541-997-6600, or Mother Georgia DuBose at 541-503-5549.

Monday, Oct. 5

SIUSLAW SOIL, CONSERVATION DISTRICT MEETS

The Siuslaw Soil and Water Conservation District will hold its regularly scheduled Board meeting at the district office, 1775 Laurel Place, Ste No. 4, in Florence, at 6:30 p.m. For more information, contact the district office at siuswcd@gmail.com or call 541-997-1272.

Wednesday, Oct. 7

VAN FANS TO DISCUSS UPCOMING FUNDRAISER EVENT

The next monthly meeting and luncheon for the Florence Van Fans will be at The Shorewood on Spruce Street at 11:45 a.m. The group's October fundraiser is scheduled for Oct. 21 at the Florence Events Center. Lunch is catered by Fresh Harvest and there will be a card party afterwards. Help raise funds to keep the cancer van functioning for patients on the coast. For more information or reservations, call Karen Lee at 541-997-1564.

LEARN ABOUT MEDICARE

"Medicare and Open Enrollment" will be the keynote at this month's general meeting of the Florence Area Community

Coalition (FACC) on Wednesday, Oct. 7, from 9 to 10:30 a.m., in the Bromley Room of the Siuslaw Public Library.

In honor of Domestic Violence Awareness month, FACC will be collecting donations for SOS.

Attendees are invited to bring socks, toiletries, disposable diapers, feminine hygiene products, or monetary contributions in lieu of items.

For more information visit www.florenceareacc.org.

Thursday, Oct. 8

BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB DIRECTOR TO SPEAK AT FRIENDSHIP CLUB

Chuck Trent, director of Florence Boys and Girls Club, will be the guest speaker at the luncheon meeting of the Siuslaw Friendship Club. The meeting will be held at the Elks Club at 11 a.m. For more information, contact membership chairwoman Betty Fieldson at 541-997-2842.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC BEGINS IN MAPLETON WITH CONCERT

The Mapleton Evangelical Church will be hosting a Christmas music concert at 6:30 p.m., when the McLean family from Montana will be singing Christmas songs with a country sound.

There will be refreshments afterwards.

For more information, call Mark at 541-268-4414.

Friday, Oct. 9

WOMEN VETS TO TOUR MUSEUM

The Coastal Women Veterans will host its next monthly luncheon Oct. 9, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Rosa's Mexican Restaurant, 2825 Highway 101. Please RSVP to Judith Turk at judithturk@kickmetopaul.com, or call 541-952-4951.

After the lunch, everyone is invited to the Oregon Coast Military Heritage Museum, 2145 Kingwood St., for a special tour from 1:30 to 2:30 p.m.

Ongoing Events

FRIENDS OF POETRY

The Friends of Poetry meet every Wednesday from 3 to 5 p.m. at The Shorewood Retirement Residences, 15th and Spruce streets. Readers and writers of all poetry are welcome. For more information, call 541-373-0065.

NATIVITY DISPLAY AT LIBRARY

There will be a display of nativity scenes in the glass display cases in the lobby of the Siuslaw Public Library through Oct. 30.

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