

THIS WEEK ON THE COAST

A WEEKLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE FLORENCE AREA

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Sunday, Oct. 11

MAPLETON LIONS SERVE PANCAKES

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

Menu includes pancakes, sausage, ham and eggs.

Cost is \$7 for adults or \$3 for children age 12 and younger.

Monday, Oct. 12

SUBSTANCE ABUSE PREVENTION HELP

The Siuslaw Area Partnership to Prevent Substance Abuse (SAPPSA) meets at 3:30 p.m., at the Siuslaw Public Library.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

Tuesday, Oct. 13

FREE EYE EXAMS FROM TRILLIUM

Trillium will be sponsoring the SeeMore vision van in Florence on Tuesday, Oct. 13, and Wednesday, Oct. 14, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. each day.

The van will provide free vision screenings and exams, as well as glasses for Trillium Oregon Health Program (OHP) members who do not have vision services as a covered benefit.

The SeeMore van will be at PeaceHealth Family Medical Clinic, 390 Ninth St.

Trillium members should contact Trillium member services to schedule an appointment by calling 1-877-600-5472.

PFLAG TO DISCUSS NAMI

A representative from the National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) will speak at PFLAG-Florence at 6:30 p.m., at the Florence United Methodist Church, at Second and Kingwood streets.

Tamara Clark from NAMI-Lane County also will be available for discussion and sharing time.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

Refreshments will be served.

October also is the "founding" month for PFLAG-Florence, and officer elections will be held. The slate is available on the PFLAG-Florence website at www.pflagflorenceoregon.org.

WELCH TO SPEAK AT LIBRARY

Bob Welch, popular columnist, prolific author, inspirational speaker and adjunct professor at the University of Oregon, will be at the Siuslaw Public Library at 1 p.m., to speak about his newly published books, "52 Little Lessons From A Christmas Carol" and "My Oregon III."

He will also share a video clip of his show "Bob Welch and Friends: My Oregon," a sold-out event scheduled for Oct. 18 at the Florence Events Center.

GET PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT

Us TOO Florence Prostate Cancer Education/Support Group will meet at the Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw from 5 to 7 p.m.

With the presence of urologist Dr.

Bryan Mehlhaff, plus prostate cancer survivors and their spouses/loved ones, this Us TOO Florence meeting is an excellent source of prostate cancer information.

Bring questions and leave with answers or just come to listen and learn.

Call Bob Horney at 541-999-4239 for more information

Wednesday, Oct. 14

GARDEN CLUB TO TACKLE WEEDS

The Florence Garden Club will welcome the autumn season at its October program and meeting. The public is invited to hear special guest, Master Gardener Pat Patterson discuss "Weeds and Wildings," beginning at 1 p.m., at the Presbyterian Church, 3996 Highway 101.

Saturday, Oct. 17

FIDDLERS IN WINCHESTER BAY

The Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers Association, District 5, a nonprofit organization, will be fiddling, picking and strumming and singing onstage at the Winchester Bay Community Center on Oct. 17, from 1 to 3 p.m., with an acoustic circle jam from 3 to 4 p.m.

The public is invited to listen and dance. This is a nice opportunity to hear local musicians, young and old play their hearts out.

A meeting for members only starts, at 11 a.m.

For more information, call 541-759-3419.

Upcoming Events

Tuesday, Oct. 20

RHODY SOCIETY MEETS

The Siuslaw Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society meets at 4 p.m. Note that there is a new start.

Jack Olson will present a program on "Companion Plants for the Rhododendron Garden."

The public is invited to come to the Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw 3996 Highway 101 in Florence.

For more information, call 541-997-3082 or visit www.siuslawars.org

Wednesday, Oct. 21

GAMES TO BENEFIT VAN FANS

The Van Fans will hold a card games and lunch fundraiser at the Florence Events Center. The event begins at 11:30 a.m.

Ticket price, with or without card games, is \$12 and includes a catered lunch by Fresh Harvest Café and Bakery.

There will be raffle prizes and other exciting events.

All proceeds benefit Friends of Florence, which transports cancer patients every weekday to Eugene and Springfield for radiation treatments.

For more information or reservations, call Karen Lee at 541-997-1564.

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