

SALVATION ARMY KETTLES ARRIVE IN FLORENCE

Supporters and volunteers of The Salvation Army-Western Lane County are calling upon their fellow community members to step forward as volunteers for "Standing Kettle" this Christmas season.

"We have seven locations now for friends in western Lane County to contribute to our local effort to fund a \$10,000 Agency Fund with the Western Lane Community Foundation," says volunteer kettle coordinator Janet Snow. "Everyone is very excited to have kettles back in Florence. We will even have a kettle in Mapleton, and another 'floating kettle' to be used by special arrangement."

Local retail stores Safeway, Grocery Outlet, BiMart and Fred Meyer have kettles in front of their stores now. Bell ringers started ringing on Friday.

One Kettle in Old Town Florence will have a bell ringer at either The Riverside Restaurant or Old Town Barbershop.

In addition, it was announced that Pop's Smokehouse, just outside of Mapleton on Highway 126, will serve as an additional location where supporters can bring cash or checks.

"We didn't want Mapleton to be left out of this," says local supporter "Pops" Goodman. "So we intend to have a kettle on this side of Florence and we'll have a special promotion with our Carolina BBQ Sandwich with \$1 going to The Salvation Army each and every Sunday."

The floating kettle can be scheduled by special arrangement to be used by churches and civic groups during the holiday season.

In addition, a Salvation Army Christmas Boat Parade is scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 12, at Darlings Marina



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Siuslaw News sports editor and syndicated humor columnist Ned Hickson hands a donation to Kettle coordinator Janet Snow while kayaking on Siltcoos Lake. A "floating kettle" is available for churches and civic groups to schedule during the holidays, though Hickson adds that it will not actually float.

and RV Resort on Siltcoos Lake. A dinner with live music will follow the early evening parade on Siltcoos Lake.

"We definitely will need some top end, larger gifts to reach our goal," says support-

er Sam Spayd. "But the community is extremely generous and when they realize that their gifts to The Salvation Army-Western Lane County will be used 100 percent in our area, I am confident we will get all the support we are

seeking and then some."

A special dedicated agency fund will be established within the Western Lane Community Foundation for use by The Salvation Army in the local area.

"Once we've reached the \$10,000 level, the Western Lane Community Foundation will begin sending checks annually to the Salvation Army," says Spayd. "Officers who coordinate services in all of Lane County will be restricted to use these funds for their services within western Lane County, which is specifically the areas of the Mapleton and Siuslaw school districts at this time."

Anyone willing to help establish the Salvation Army's Agency Fund with the Western Lane County Foundation should send their tax-deductible checks to: The Salvation Army, P.O. Box 1041, Florence, OR 97439 and write in the memo line "WLCF".

To volunteer for Kettle duty, call Janet Snow at 559-289-3063.

Celebrate winter Solstice, 'New Light' in Yachats

YACHATS — The Yachats Academy of Arts and Sciences invites all to join it and the greater Yachats community in celebrating the winter Solstice and the coming of the "New Light."

This annual event has become popular and takes place Saturday, Dec. 19, at 4 p.m.

People gather around that time, just as the sun sets on the Pacific Ocean. The bonfire will be lit shortly thereafter.

If it is raining, the picnic shelter will provide cover. Again this year, the

Yachats Ladies Club will be providing sweet treats and there will be coffee and hot chocolate.

Spontaneous drumming and singing always breaks out, so feel free to bring a percussion instrument — or bring a piece of firewood to add to the bonfire.

This is a free celebration event.

Any donations will be shared with the nonprofit organizations that are participating.

For more information, visit www.YachatsAcademy.org, www.GoYachats.com or call 541-961-6695.

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