

THIS WEEK ON THE COAST

A WEEKLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE FLORENCE AREA

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Saturday, Jan. 9

Florence Dems to meet

Florence Area Democratic Club will hold its first meeting of the year at 11 a.m. in the Port of Siuslaw meeting room at 100 Harbor St.

Everyone is invited to hear guest speaker Page Atcheson of Renew Oregon.

'Stormy Weather' exhibit

Backstreet Gallery, 1421 Bay St., opens its "Stormy Weather" exhibit with a special reception from 3 to 5 p.m. The show, for which gallery members created their own "Stormy Weather" art pieces, will run through February.

During the reception, local singer songwriter Stephen McVay will perform.

Second Saturday Gallery Tour

Enjoy the Second Saturday Gallery Tour in two distinct art-focused regions in Florence.

From 3 to 5 p.m. on the second Saturday of each month, enjoy great art, meet artists, attend receptions with refreshments, experience live entertainment and interact with fellow patrons of the arts.

For more information and a list of participants, go to www.2ndSaturdayGalleryTour.com.

Sunday, Jan. 10

Mapleton Lions make pancakes

The Mapleton Lions Club will host its monthly pancake breakfast from

7:30 to 10:30 a.m. at the Mapleton 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 under)

Senior Center open house

To celebrate the end of all grant restrictions, the Florence Senior Center is inviting the community to its open house from 1 to 4 p.m.

Everyone is welcome, refreshments will be served and the mayor will be on hand during the afternoon to say a few words.

Monday, Jan. 11

Food, ale pair at Homegrown

Homegrown Public House has announced a one-of-a-kind collaborative pairing experience with Agrarian Ales in an evening of creatively fresh food paired with favorite farmhouse ales.

Both Homegrown and Agrarian Ales believe in supporting local farms and producers. The menu will reflect this belief.

Join them at 5:30 p.m. for this collaborative beer-pairing experience. A limited number of tickets are available at Homegrown, 294 Laurel St. in Florence.

Tuesday, Jan. 12

PFLAG begins meeting at LCC

California activist Zoyer Zyndel, chairperson of Trans-E-Motion, will

be the featured presenter at the regular meeting of PFLAG (Parents, Families and Friends of Lesbians and Gays), at Lane Community College, 3149 Oak St., in Florence.

The meeting will begin at 6:30 p.m. in Room 250.

Us TOO to have special guest

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

Special guest is Janis Finley, RN, Emergency Department nurse manager, PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center.

Saturday, Jan. 16

FRAA Writing Workshop

Writers on the River presents the "2016 Writing Boot Camp" from 10 a.m. to noon at Florence Regional Arts Alliance (FRAA), 120 Maple St.

Set writing goals, start writing and stay in the creative flow all year with tips to improve your prose.

All levels and genres welcome.

Call Catherine Rourke at 541-708-2120 or e-mail CJReditor@gmail.com.

Fiddlers to jam

The Oregon Oldtime Fiddlers, District 5, will be making music at the Winchester Bay Community Center.

On stage performance is 1 to 3 p.m., with an acoustic jam following from 3 to 4 p.m.

The public is invited; there is no

charge.

For more information, call 541-572-5532.

Tuesday, Jan. 19

Ride with a City Councilor

Hop aboard the Rhody Express and talk to Florence City Councilor George Lyddon on Ride with a Councilor day, Jan. 19, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Take the opportunity to share thoughts, ideas or support.

Get support for diabetes

The next meeting of the Siuslaw Diabetes/Pre-diabetes Support Group will be held at 2 p.m. at the Siuslaw Public Library.

For more information, call 541-902-6059.

Rhody enthusiasts to meet

Siuslaw Chapter American Rhododendron Society will meet from 4 to 6:15 p.m.

Jack Olson, who has much experience hybridizing and propagating, will present his program of "My Favorite Rhododendrons and Why." The public is invited.

Upcoming 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.

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