

THIS WEEK ON THE COAST

A WEEKLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE FLORENCE AREA

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Saturday, April 9

SEA LIONS SPLASH OFF

Dancing with Sea Lions Splash Off! is from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St. This first-time peek at all 21 sea lions handpainted by area artists is a gift to the community from the Friends of the Florence Events Center and is free to the public.

RUMMAGE SALE TO BENEFIT KIDS

The Florence Evangelical Church is raising money through a rummage sale at Florence Evangelical Church from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. to help youth attend camp this summer.

QUILT GUILD 'SEW-IN'

The Rhododendron Quilt Guild is sponsoring a Sew-In at Wenz-daze Quilters Emporium from 1 to 4 p.m. Everyone is invited to bring their sewing machine, hand sewing or just themselves to enjoy the afternoon meeting and stitching with some of the Guild members.

Wenz-daze Quilters Emporium is at 5045 Highway 101, next to Ron's Paint.

ART RECEPTION AT SILVER LINING

Visual artists and photographers Bill Durst and Al Moore are the featured artists at the Gallery Above the Silver Lining Boutique for the month of April.

The gallery will host a champagne and hors d'oeuvres reception during the Second Saturday Gallery Tour, from 3 to 5 p.m.

Other Second Saturday Gallery Tour locations can be found at 2ndsaturdaygallerytour.com.

RAISE MONEY FOR MAPLETON POOL

A pulled-pork dinner and live/silent auction will be held at the Florence Elks Lodge as a fundraiser for the Siuslaw Regional Aquatics Center, the Mapleton pool.

Doors open at 5 p.m. with dinner served between 5:30 and 7 p.m. The Elks' no-host bar will be open. Only a handful of tickets, \$15 each, will be available at the door, 1686 12th St.

Call 541-268-6945 with questions.

Sunday, April 10

LIONS PANCAKE BREAKFAST

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 Drive. Menu includes pancakes, sausage, ham and eggs.

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

Monday, April 11

GET HELP FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE

The Siuslaw Area Partnership to Prevent Substance Abuse, SAPPSA, meets Monday, April 11, at 3.30 p.m., at the Siuslaw Public Library. The meeting is free and open to the public.

That same day, from 5 to 8 p.m., SAPPSSA presents information at Abby's Pizza in Florence. Abby's Legendary Pizza supports educational nonprofits with every pizza sold.

Tuesday, April 12

PFLAG MEETING AT LCC

Learn more about the more about the Gay-Straight Alliance (GSA) at

Siuslaw High School at PFLAG's monthly meeting at Lane Community College, 3149 Oak St., in Florence, at 6:30 p.m., in room 130. The public is invited and refreshments will be served.

The GSA, formed at the High School in 2012, consists of students who identify with issues related to the LGBT (lesbian, gay, bi-sexual, transgender) spectrum, forming an alliance to assure full inclusion and prevent bullying.

PROSTATE CANCER SUPPORT

The 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, prostate cancer survivors and their spouses or loved ones, the 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, April 13

BONES TO SPEAK AT GARDEN CLUB

Florence Garden Club will host guest speaker Mike Bones, whose passion for gardening is evident as the premier supplier of rhododendrons for the local area. Bones will share some tips on pruning, as well as his enthusiastic plant auction, which is one of the club's favorite fundraisers for its scholarship fund.

The meeting will begin at 1 p.m. at the Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw, 3996 Highway 101.

Thursday, April 14

FRIENDSHIP CLUB ELECTS OFFICERS

The Siuslaw Friendship Club will elect new officers for the 2016-17 year at its lunch and general meeting at the Elks Club, beginning at 11 a.m.

Nominations are: President Janet Van Kleek, vice-president Pam Thompson, secretary Jeanette Bratcher and treasurer Dee Darrow.

For more information, contact membership chairman Betty Fieldson at 541-997-2842.

Friday, April 15

CROW OPENS 'SHREK JR.'

Children's Repertory of Oregon Workshops (CROW) will be performing four shows of "Shrek the Musical, Jr." between April 15 and 17 at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St. For tickets, showtimes and more information, go to eventcenter.org.

Saturday, April 16

OPB SHRED DAY, CAR WASH

Oregon Pacific Bank will be holding its ninth annual Shred Day and car wash from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., or until the truck is full.

Confidential paper materials will be shredded onsite in the Florence Branch parking lot, 1355 Highway 101.

The event is free and open to everyone in the Florence community. Businesses may bring confidential materials for shredding during the last hour of the event.

The event is staffed by OPB employee volunteers and friends. For more information, call 541-997-7121.

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