

Mapleton Community Foundation announces grant

The Mapleton Community Foundation is currently accepting grant applications from nonprofit organizations for community projects within the Mapleton School District boundaries.

The applications should demonstrate how the funding would educationally, culturally, physically or civically improve the students or residents of the area.

Applicants must be a not-for-profit organization.

Funds will not be awarded to individuals or for operating expenses.

Grant applications can be obtained at the Mapleton Post Office, Mapleton Public Library or by calling Kathy West at 541-268-4665.

Application deadline is May 11.

Siuslaw Friendship Club names new officers

Recently, the Siuslaw Friendship Club announced its new officers during its April luncheon.

New officers include: Treasurer Dee Darrow, secretary Jeanette Bratcher, vice president Pam Thompson, president Janet Van Kleek and consultant Judy Sause.

The club meets on the second Thursday of the month, September through June, for lunch and a general meeting at Driftwood Shores at 11 a.m.

The primary goal of the club is raising funds to support Florence charities such as Food Share, SOS, Florence Area Humane Society, Helping hands and Habitat for Humanity.

In addition to luncheons and fund raisers, the club sponsors card games: 5 Crowns on the



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From left: treasurer Dee Darrow, secretary Jeanette Bratcher, vice president Pam Thompson, president Janet Van Kleek and consultant Judy Sause

third Tuesday each month; Pinochle on Thursdays; Hand and Foot on the second and fourth Fridays of the month;

and Triple Play on the first and third Mondays.

Annual dues are \$15. Everyone is invited to a card

game or meeting.

For more information, call Janet Van Kleek at 503-708-5038.

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Florence Bark for Life event set for June 11

Bark for Life of Florence has started preparations for its third annual event at Miller Park on Saturday, June 11, from 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m. Registration starts at 10 a.m.

The bark committee has been busy adding new events to make the day full of fun and games and contests.

Bark for Life of Florence kicked off its third year with a campaign through booster.com selling its purple tie-dyed T-shirts, which supporters are wearing around town now.

Once again, Bark for Life will be participating in the Rhody Parade on May 22,

when float marshals Angie and Mike Bartlett — and canine ambassador Afghans Audi and Wilson Barrett — will be riding on the Hawaiian-themed “Catch the Wave” float.

Loyal owners and dogs will walk next to the float to show their support for the main event June 11 at Miller Park. Friends and their canine family members are encouraged to participate. Join or leave the parade anywhere along the route. Local DJ, “magic man” Al Rojas, will rock the bystanders with great dance and shout music.

This year, many new Bark

for Life events have been added for dogs and their “uprights,” including games, contests and barnyard agility. Surf City dog trainer Dina Pavlis and her great team have added some simple dog trick introductions and a special demonstration in nose work, which teaches dogs to recognize certain scents. There will be other demonstrations, interesting acts on stage and a fundraising silent auction as well.

Contests will include best dog/owner look-a-likes, best costume, best trick and more. All are welcome to come and

join the events for a few hours of fun with their beloved canine member.

Register online at www.booster.com/barkforlifeofflorence2, or register at Miller Park on June 11 at 10:30 a.m. All registered participants will receive a bag with a purple bark for life bandanna, a poop bag, a “pawspport” and a few doggie treats for the instruction classes.

Anyone interested in starting a Bark for Life team can visit www.florencebark.org and follow the instructions.

—Submitted by Peggy Budd-Loa

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