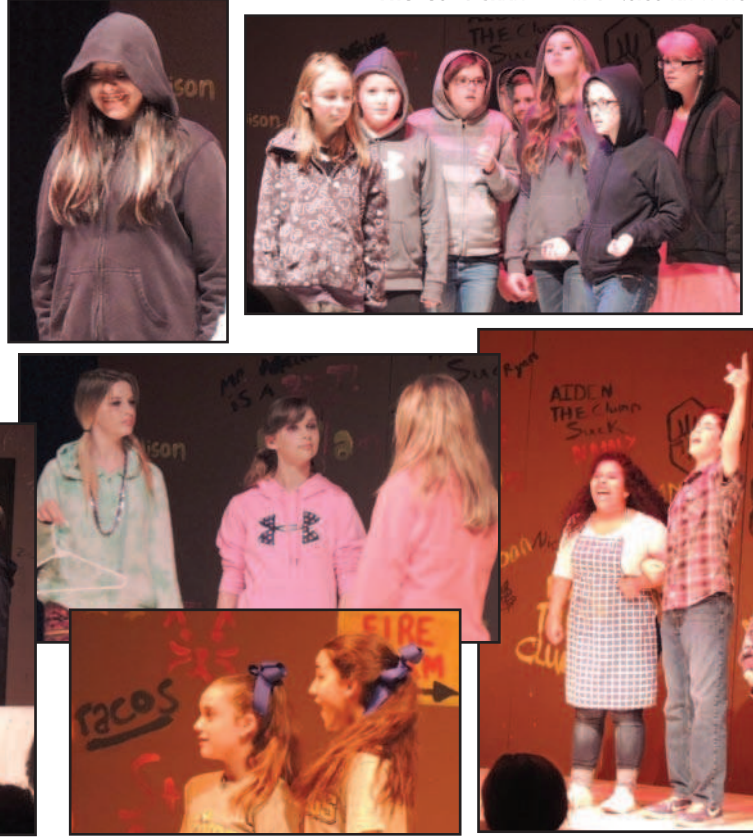




# Life under the 'hood'

**S**iuslaw Middle School Junior Thespians explored the characters of Dr. Change, The Clump and Hoodie during three shows of the vignette play "Hoodie," by Lindsay Price. More than 30 actors performed monologues and group sketches about fitting in, standing out, clothing choices and what exactly they wear under their hoodies. One vignette portrayed a modern version of Hans Christian Andersen's "The Emperor's New Clothes." Students also ran the show backstage and helped with the design of the set, lights and sound. Eddie Mielke, drama instructor for Siuslaw Middle and High schools, directed the show.

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## Local award-winning photog featured at FRAA

The public is invited to the second annual fine art photography exhibit featuring Ken McDougal at Florence Regional Arts Alliance's (FRAA) Art Center, 120 Maple St. in Old Town Florence.

Come view the photographic works of McDougal, an award winning nature, scenic and wildlife photographer.

Attendees will have the opportunity to meet McDougal, as well as have the opportunity to view or purchase some of his photographs.

Along with his larger wall prints, he will also be offering many of his smaller, matted and hand-signed images, as well as his own line of photo greeting cards and photo T-shirts.

An artist reception will be held Friday, June 17, from 3 to



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Ken McDougal

5 p.m. The exhibit will continue through Saturday, June 18, from noon to 5 p.m. During both days, light hors

d'oeuvres and non-alcoholic refreshments will be served.

Thanks to a large social media following, last year's event brought visitors from as far away as Portland, Eugene and Coos Bay.

The show is open to the public and there is no admission fee to this event, but donations are welcomed.

For more information, visit McDougal's website at [www.KenMcDougal.com](http://www.KenMcDougal.com).

For more information about the exhibit, call the FRAA Art Center at 541-997-4435.

## Pups head out to Bark for Life June 11

Bark for Life of Florence and area dogs are all set for the third annual Bark for Life 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.

Friends and their canine family members are encouraged to participate.

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 — featuring artwork by Tru the Painting Dog — 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 family member.

Register at Miller Park, 1651 18th St. in Florence, on June 11 at 10 a.m.

All registered participants will receive a bag with a purple bark for life bandanna, a poop bag, a "pawspert" and a few doggie treats for the instruction classes.

Anyone interested in starting a Bark for Life team can visit [www.florencebark.org](http://www.florencebark.org) and follow the instructions.

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