

THIS WEEK ON THE COAST

A WEEKLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE FLORENCE AREA

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Monday, June 13

GET HELP FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE

The Siuslaw Area Partnership to Prevent Substance Abuse, SAPPSA, meets at 3:30 p.m., at the Siuslaw Public Library.

The meeting is free and open to the public.

Tuesday, June 14

GET 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. Guest speaker will be Lori Koby, recently hired Director of Clinical Services at PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center.

Come meet her and learn about her role in providing quality healthcare at Peace Harbor Medical Center.

Prostate cancer survivors and their spouses' loved ones will also be present to provide an excellent source of prostate cancer personal experiences.

Call Bob Horney at 541-999-4239 for more information.

LIBRARY HOSTS EPIC JOURNEY

Siuslaw Public Library, 1460 Ninth St., will present author Susan Marie Conrad at 6 p.m. in the library's Bromley Room.

Conrad has recently published her latest book, "Inside: One Woman's Journey Through the Inside Passage," which she will discuss and show photographs of from her epic journey.

This program is free and open to the public.

For more information, contact the library at 541-997-3132.

MEET LOCAL PFLAG MEMBERS

Join your friends and meet new ones at Chen's Family Dish for PFLAG-Florence's monthly meeting, in the meeting room, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

Order off the menu or share tea and hors d'oeuvres. Chen's is at 3620 Highway 101, just north of 35th Street.

The public is invited. As is customary, there will be time for news and sharing.

PFLAG is the country's largest organization for parents, families, friends and straight allies united with people who are lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender.

Thursday, June 16

STUDENTS SHARE MUSICAL TALENT

Jason Wood's vocal students will be performing their Summer Showcase at Class Act Theater, (CAT), 509 Kingwood St., at 7 p.m.

Between 15 and 20 vocal and piano students of all ages will perform songs they have perfected under Wood's tutelage. Some may even add movements to their songs. Admission is free.

Friday, June 17

CANCER SURVIVOR TEA AT ELKS

The Elks Lodge #1858 Ladies of the Elks will host its sixth annual

Cancer Survivor Tea. Cancer survivors, caregivers and a guest are welcome to attend from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 1686 12th St.

Come for an afternoon dessert, coffee or tea, entertainment, door prizes and a gathering of cancer survivor friends celebrating one more birthday. This year's presenter will be former Florence First Citizen Mike Bones. He will be giving his thoughts and views on "Living a Happy Life."

RSVP by contacting Karen Earnshaw at 541-999-8411 or email k.earnshaw1@gmail.com.

'BASED ON A TRUE STORY' AT FEC

Last Resort Players present "Based on a True Story," or "BOATS" at 7 p.m. Friday and Saturday at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St. Doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Tickets are \$15 at the FEC box office or online at eventcenter.org.

Audiences will enjoy listening to true stories (or slightly embellished) that are also poignant, laugh-out-loud-funny, provocative and in some cases life-changing. The storytellers are your local friends, relatives, teachers, city councilors, pastors and restaurant servers. It's a lineup not to be missed.

Between stories, Debra Young will provide brief piano interludes as transitions.

Upcoming events

CAR WASH/CHILI DOG FUNDRAISER

The children of Swisshome Church will be putting on a chilli

dog feed and car wash fundraiser starting at noon on June 18, in the parking lot of Banner Bank in Mapleton.

Proceeds will be used to pay for 12 kids to attend church camp this summer.

LEARN TO SIGHT-READ MUSIC

Lane Community College Florence Center will offer an eight-week sight reading course designed for singers of all skill levels starting June 20. The classes, taught by Laura Merz, will help students develop music theory skills, including vocal development and performance, simple notation, rhythm, pitch and harmony.

About 50 percent of the class will be spent singing to practice theories.

Classes are from 2 to 4 p.m., Mondays, June 20 through Aug. 15, at 3149 Oak St.

For more information, contact Laura Merz at merz1@lanec.edu or call 541-997-8444.

DINNER, DANCING AT ELKS LODGE

Florence Elks Lodge #1858, 1686 12th St., will be opening its doors Sunday, June 26, for dinner and dancing. The Fabulous Studio Band is on tour and will be performing from 5 to 7 p.m. There will be a chicken fried steak buffet dinner at 7 p.m.

Cost is \$20 per person and tickets are available at the Florence Elks Thrift Store, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Tuesday through Saturday, or at the North Door of the Elks Lodge on the day of the performance.



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