## **GENERAL NEWS**

#### Town hall on septic systems

Bay), Oregon Department of Environmental Quality and local city and county officials will meet at two separate coastal locations on June 27 to discuss a program being developed that will enable those with failing septic systems to access low-interest loans to repair or replace them.

The town halls are scheduled at the request of local residents and Lane County and Lincoln County officials wanting to learn more about the legislation Roblan sponsored in the 2016 session. Roblan represents Senate District 5, which includes parts of Coos, Douglas, Lane, Lincoln, Tillamook, Polk and Marion counties.

The town hall in Lane County is scheduled as follows:

• 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. on

Sen. Arnie Roblan (D-Coos Monday, June 27, at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St., in Florence.

> Senate Bill 1563 benefits the environment and also helps low-income families and qualifying small businesses, often in rural Oregon.

> Septic systems are the most common method of sewage treatment for homes and businesses that are not connected to an area-wide sewage system. Properly functioning septic systems treat sewage to minimize groundwater and surface water pollution.

Septic systems that fail or malfunction can pollute Oregon's land and waterways with raw sewage and create public health hazards. More than 30 percent of Oregonians rely on septic systems to treat wastewater from their homes and businesses.

# Organizers say third Bark for Life 'best yet'

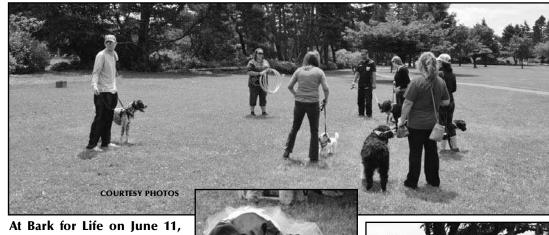
The third annual Bark for Life, held at Miller Park on June 11, was highly successful.

Organizer Peggy Budd-Loa said they counted close to 70 dogs and raised about \$5,700.

"All told, that is about \$1,300 more than last year. We started in 2014 making around \$3,350 and last year was around \$4,040. We are growing, and this was the best yet," she said.

Bark for Life is a fundraiser for American Cancer Society's Relay for Life. Teams and individuals could preregister online or sign up at the event.

"Each year we evaluate what people and dogs liked and what wasn't so great," Budd-Loa said. "The games were fun. People especially liked the musical hoops and trying to carry water while having your dog walk on a leash."



teams compete in "musical hoops," contests for the fundraiser for American Cancer Society. Deborah Heldt Cordone's Lady Charlie, (inset), wins the 2016 Best Costume Award. At right, Animal Behaviorist Caroline Sparks sits at her "Peanuts" inspired booth.

This year featured a judging booth for the people looking for best costume and monitoring the games.

Some games weren't a complete success — the socks kept falling off during Dress your Dog — but both dogs and people were happy with the new events this year.

Dina Pavlis of Surf City Dog Training led demonstrations with the help of Cheryl Pinnock and her champion trick dog, Tru.

"Next year we will have the rally and agility section closer to the contest area so Dina can attract more participants," Budd-Loa said.

Some of the contest winners

• Biggest Dog: Quinn, an Irish Wolfhound owned by

- Smallest Dog: Pepper, a black Pomeranian owned by Karen and Frank Souza
- Best Coordinating Owner and Dog Costume: Rita and

Nali Verdugo

- Best Owner Dog Look-A-Like: Christopher and Ornstein Huntingdon
- Best Dog Costume: Lady Charlemagne. owned Deborah Heldt Cordone

There were more winners and categories as well.

Look for news on the upcoming Relay for Life, Saturday, Aug. 13, and next year's Bark for Life.



Catherine Miskella Brauer died unexpectedly at home in Florence on June 15, 2016 at the age of 78.

She was born on November 3, 1937 to Thomas and Catherine Miskella in Clongeen, County Wexford, Ireland, the ninth of fourteen children in a devoted Catholic family. Catherine entered the convent in Ireland at the age of 15 and eventually became educated as a nurse and midwife in Manchester, England, both professions that she loved. In 1963, as Sister Hyacinth, she was sent to Kenya and began a decade of nursing service, primarily at St. Elizabeth Hospital in Kisumu. It was there that she met Dr. Albert Brauer, a new widower whom she nursed after a serious automobile accident while on a medical mission trip. After Albert returned to the United States to complete his recovery, they began a correspondence that led to a strong connection and eventually

love. Catherine made the difficult decision to leave her order to come to the U.S., at Albert's urging, to deepen their relationship and meet his six teenaged children. On March 4, 1973, she and Albert married. Catherine took on the challenge of becoming part of her new family with grace, kindness, and amazing patience, endearing herself not only to her initially-skeptical stepchildren, but to the entire community of Florence as well. Over the years, she was very active in New Life Lutheran Church, serving on the church and preschool boards, teaching Sunday School, visiting shut-ins, acting as a Deacon, and sewing quilts. She was also active with the Boys and Girls Club and on the Board of Peace Harbor Hospice.

Most of all, though, Catherine loved her husband and children, and was delighted with her grandchildren as they started arriving, always seeking to love and support each one. More recently, she was thrilled to welcome her great-grandchildren into the family. She was loving, generous, and giving - she regaled family and friends with her often funny adventures in Ireland and Africa. She thrived in caring for her beloved home and property on Woahink Lake, growing beautiful roses and other flowers. Her life was dedicated to being of service to her family, church, and community - it was a life well-lived in every respect.

Catherine is survived by her husband, Albert, who adored her, and by her six step-children: Al (Lenise), Becky (Rex), Gretchen (Dave), James (Jan), Melissa, and John (Suzanne). She also leaves behind the grandchildren who loved her dearly: Patrick (René), Aaron (Amber), Alayna, Matt (Amandine), Clare (Ryan), Andrew, Kelsey (Jonathan), Nate, Ali, Alison, and William, and the great-grandchildren who will only know her through the memories that are shared: Tate, Maeve, Evan, and yet-to-be-born great-grandson. Her surviving siblings will remember her with love: Bridget, James, Sean, Richard, Michael, Teresa, Joan, and Philomena. Catherine was predeceased by siblings Patrick, Thomas, Robert, Mary Ann, and Aiden.

A Memorial Celebration service will be held for Catherine at New Life Lutheran Church in Florence on Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 at 3 PM. In lieu of flowers, donations are suggested to The Boys and Girls Club of Western Lane County (http://www.bgcwlc.org/index.php/donate), ABC Preschool (c/o New Life Lutheran Church with ABC Preschool in memo, 2100 Spruce St., Florence, OR 97439) or Peace Harbor Hospice (mail to 400 - 9th St., Florence, OR 97439) in memory of Catherine Brauer. Burns's Riverside Chapel Florence Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.

## Florence Habitat receives grant

Florence Habitat for Humanity announced it has received a \$5,000 grant from the Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation for its "Aging in Place" Program.

The funds will be used to assist elderly and disabled Florence-area homeowners with repairs and modifications to their homes, such as wheelchair ramps and widened doorways so that they can remain in their homes as long as they wish to do so.

The Florence area population already has a high percentage of persons over 60 years of age, and the United States of Aging Survey has estimated that this group will more than double in size during the next 25 years.

anticipation of this trend, has created home repair and neighborhood revitalization programs and hopes, with the help of volunteers, donors and foundations, such as Cow Creek Umpqua Indian Foundation, to meet the challenge and assist Florence residents to "age in place" in well-maintained

Since its inception in the spring of 2014, the Habitat Home Repair Program in partnership with Lane Council of Governments Senior and Disabled Services has assisted more than 30 local homeowners with projects ranging from new roofs to deck and railing replacements.

Coast Village home repairs as well as conversion of its Habitat for Humanity, in electrical utility from park power to the Central Lincoln PUD have been major activifor Habitat's Neighborhood Revitalization Program, with the financial support of Lane County Regional Housing Rehabilita-..... tion Program through St. Vincent DePaul.

At this time Habitat, in partnership with the Florence Area Community Coalition, the City of Florence and Peace Harbor Hospital, is planning the first Aging in Place Forum to be presented Friday, Sept. 15, at the Florence Events Center.

Anyone interested in volunteering to preserve the housing and neighborhoods of Florence can contact Habitat for Humanity at 541-902-9227 or email questions to info@ florencehabitat.org.

### Free shuttle service at Wings and Wheels

event, Saturday, July 2, at the Oregon Coast Military Florence Municipal Airport, Museum and the Wings and finding parking thanks to a provided by the Rhody Express.

The Rhody Express will be a ride to the events.

Those planning to attend making regular trips starting the annual Wings and Wheels at 9:45 a.m., servicing the won't have to worry about Wheels Fly-In and Car Show.

Just park at the Siuslaw free park and ride service Middle School parking lot or Florence Senior Center, board the Rhody Express, and catch

Getting back to your vehicle is just as simple by boarding the Rhody Express at the Airport.

The Rhody Express will operate from 9:45 a.m. to noon and 12:30 to 3:15 p.m.

More information is available by calling the Rhody Express at 541-902-2067.

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