

Meet winners of Backstreet challenge

Commemorating independence month, Backstreet Gallery welcomes all to enjoy the fantastic creations of the July Community Challenge, "Summer Box Social Celebrates the American Spirit," at a reception honoring the artists today, July 9, from 3 to 5 p.m., during the Second Saturday Gallery Tour.

Local citizens were invited to decorate, redesign, embellish, enhance or spruce up the round boxes in anyway their creative spirit might lead them.

After sharpening their wits and honing the right side of their brain, the results these artists have achieved will absolutely amaze and delight you.

The finished pieces will be exhibited at Backstreet Gallery through July 31.

The winners are: Best of Show — "Fireworks Over the Siuslaw" by Bill Johnson; First Place — "Enigma" by John Stead; Second Place — "Time Flies" by Terry Dewey; and Abby Mucker took Third Place.

Michael Anderson, guitarist extraordinaire, will be back to strum great tunes from the '40s to the present.

Visit Backstreet on July 9 for a gallery full of fun, fine art, great appetizers and guitar music at its best.

The gallery is open daily from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., and to 8 p.m. Fridays and Saturdays.

OUTWARD VENTURES TO GO 'ON THE TOWN'

The deadline to register to experience the musical "On the Town" with the Lane Community College Florence Center's Outward Ventures program has been extended to Monday, July 11.

The Outward Ventures group will attend the 3 p.m. matinee performance on Sunday, Aug. 7, at the Shedd

Institute in Eugene, but those interested must register by the deadline.

The World War II-era musical features beloved classics such as "New York, New York" and "Some Other Time."

For more information or to register, visit www.lanec.edu

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Rhody Drive construction moves to Thursday

Construction work previously scheduled for July 5 has been delayed until Thursday, July 14.

Ray Wells, Inc. will be performing a grind/inlay to remove and repave 2 inches of asphalt on Rhododendron Drive from approximately 250 feet north of 35th Street to just south of Eden Lane, for a total length of approximately 1,500 lineal feet.

This paving will help preserve the roadway for several more years.

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