THIS WEEK ON COAST

A WEEKLY LISTING OF COMMUNITY EVENTS IN THE FLORENCE AREA

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Saturday, July 30

ARTIST Q&A AT KB GALLERY

Kenneth B Gallery will sponsor an artist question and answer session with featured artist Tamarah Phillips from 1 to 2 p.m.

Enjoy light hors d'oeuvres and refreshments as the artist explains how she broke through old routines and developed new painting skills.

Kenneth B Gallery Art Studios is at 1458 First St. Call 541-999-5875 or visit

kennethbgallery.com for more information.

CONCERT TO BENEFIT OCHS

Pianist and composer Dan Chadburn, along with singer and songwriter Tom Nichols, will be making their third appearance at Kathy Parsons' "Mainly Piano House Concert Series" as a benefit for the Oregon Coast Humane Society (OCHS).

The concert begins at 7 p.m. at Parson's house in Sandpines West.

Suggested donation is \$15. For directions or more information, call Parsons at 541-999-9720 before the event.

Sunday, July 31

FLORENCE FLUKES TO STRUM

Florence Ukulele Club (The Flukes) will meet from 3 to 4 p.m, for a song circle in the Bromley Room of the Siuslaw Public Library, 1460 Ninth St.

Meetings are open to ukulele players of all levels and anyone interested in learning more about the club, as well as anyone who just wants to listen and/or sing along—audience welcome.

Beginners meet first from 1:30-2:30 p.m.

For more information, email janetwellington@charter.net.

Monday, Aug. 1

SSWCD BOARD MEETING

The Siuslaw Soil and Water Conservation District will hold its monthly scheduled board meeting at the district office, 1775 Laurel Place, Ste #4, at 6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 3

COMMUNITY COALITION MEETS

Florence Area Community Coalition will hold a meeting from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Bromley Room of the Siuslaw Public Library.

The coalition meets on the first Wednesday of each month throughout the year.

GET TO KNOW THE VAN FANS

The monthly meeting and luncheon for the Van Fans will be at The Shorewood, on Spruce Street, beginning at 11:45 a.m.

Everyone is welcome to bring new members and guests.

The Van Fans is a fun group of

volunteers who meet monthly with the goal of keeping the local cancer van in operation. This is a free service, which transports patients round trip to Springfield and Eugene for radiation treat-

The group also sponsors two card parties and an annual ice cream social to benefit the van service.

For more information, call Karen Lee at 541-997-9669.

Upcoming events

FLORENCE DEMS PICNIC

The Florence Area Democratic Club will be holding its annual picnic at the Honeyman State Park Meeting Hall on Sunday, Aug. 7, from noon to 4 p.m.

This is a campaign kick-off event and opportunity to meet candidates. For more information and to RSVP, contact Sue Jones at 541-997-4820.

2ND STAR ALIGHTS IN **FLORENCE**

Second Star Festival presents its second annual cultural arts celebration honoring creativity of all forms at the Florence Events Center on Aug. 13 and 14.

"Always Create! Always Encourage! Never Land!" is the motto of the festival, highlighting artisans, authors, illustrators and performers of music, storytelling and puppetry.

Go to 2ndstarfestival.com for

details or email 2ndstarfestival@ gmail.com with questions.

LCC TO HOST OPEN HOUSE

Learn more about upcoming Lane Community College Florence Center Continuing Education classes and trips during an open house planned on campus at 10:30 a.m. Aug. 16.

This will be the only chance to meet instructors and learn about upcoming opportunities for the fall semester prior to registration on Sept. 6. Guests will have a chance to win door prizes and Continuing Education course registration up to \$50.

Light refreshments will be provided. The open house is planned on the Lane campus, 3149 Oak St.

For more information, contact Marsha Sills at 541-997-8444, ext. 4825.

DeFazio to visit Florence

Rep. Peter DeFazio will soon be holding his next series of town hall meetings across Southwest Oregon to hear from his constituents and update them on his work in Washington.

This year, DeFazio will be holding 16 town hall meetings across Oregon's 4th Congressional District.

He will be in Florence on Wednesday, Aug. 17, at the Siuslaw Public Library, 1460 Ninth St., from 10 to 11 a.m.



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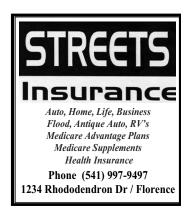
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