

# ASK A MASTER RECYCLER

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A MONTHLY COLUMN OF RECYCLING  
INFORMATION PROVIDED BY FLORENCE  
MASTER RECYCLERS  
For the Siuslaw News

available repair providers and shops. Repairing broken items, instead of throwing them in the trash and buying new, saves both money and resources. As an added economic benefit, local, sustainable jobs are maintained by supporting these repair businesses.

**Q.** I want to do more recycling, I just don't have time. What can I do in my very limited time available?

**A.** The biggest bang for your buck is to Reduce, the first and most important of the popular 3Rs. Here are four simple ideas that can have a significant impact:

- Keep a reusable mug in your car for that morning mocha stop; many coffee shops offer a discount if you bring your own cup.
- Still collecting plastic bags when you go to the store? Carry a few reusable bags in the car so you

always have them on hand. Or try one of the bags that stuffs into its own pouch and clips to a belt or pack.

• Use cloth napkins and towels instead of disposable paper ones; nearly one-fifth of material disposed as trash in Oregon is paper and cardboard.

• BYOB-bring your own water bottle; there are endless choices for reusable water bottles these days, find one for every member of the family.

**Q.** When does the city take yard debris?

**A.** That program has just reopened for the season. The first 2017 Yard Debris Disposal Day will be Saturday, March 18, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. In general, it is the third Saturday from March through October — May is held on the second Saturday to accommodate Rhody Day festivities.

Costs for disposal start at \$10 for a pickup load; cash payments are required.

To participate in this program, go to the Kingwood Street entrance of

the Florence Airport, at Kingwood and 27th streets. This is a great place to recycle brush, leaves, weeds, grass clippings, and winter prunings.

Please do not bring: food waste, construction debris, animal waste, plastics, household or hazardous waste.

The City recycles yard debris to make their popular FloGro soil amendment. For more information, visit [www.ci.Florence.or.us/PublicWorks](http://www.ci.Florence.or.us/PublicWorks).

Yard and construction debris may also be taken to the Florence Transfer Station at 2820 North Rhododendron Drive year 'round for recycling. They are open Monday through Saturday, 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.

Costs start at \$12 for less than 1 cubic yard.

In the yard debris recycling program, they welcome grass clippings, tree limbs under 12 inches in diameter, bush prunings, and leaves; please, no lumber, poison oak, dirt, rocks, sod, root wads or stumps.

For wood waste/construction debris, they accept most solid wood, lumber, plywood, pressboard, parti-

cle board, pallets, paneling and broken wood furniture; painted wood and wood with small screws or nails are okay.

They do not accept railroad ties or other wood treated with Creosote, wood with a foam core or plastic coating, Formica, or any wood with hardware larger than your thumb.

For more information, visit [www.LaneCounty.org/Recycle](http://www.LaneCounty.org/Recycle).

*Florence Master Recyclers (MR) are part of the Lane County Master Recycler Program, a service of the county's Public Works Waste Management Division since 2002. The mission of the MR program is to bridge the gap between awareness and action by motivating people to reduce solid waste at home, work and play. This monthly column, written for The Siuslaw News, answers commonly asked recycling questions. For more recycling information, visit [www.ci.florence.or.us/building/recycling](http://www.ci.florence.or.us/building/recycling) or [www.lanecounty.org/Departments/PW/WMD/Recycle](http://www.lanecounty.org/Departments/PW/WMD/Recycle), or follow Master Recyclers on Facebook.*



(A monthly column of recycling information provided by Florence Master Recyclers)

**Q.** I hate just throwing something away, if it can be fixed instead. But where can I find someone who knows how to repair a watch, or a vacuum cleaner, or my favorite pair of shoes?

**A.** Thank you for asking! In answer to just this question, a few years ago Lane County Waste Management and Master Recycler volunteers created a local repair resource guide for Lane County.

Visit [www.Repair2Reuse.org](http://www.Repair2Reuse.org) for a directory of common items that can be repaired and where to find a service provider for those repairs. While many of the listed providers are located in the Eugene area, several are listed in Florence.

Community members are invited and encouraged to add to the list of

## Pioneer Museum names new board members

The Siuslaw Pioneer Museum recently welcomed Diane Baliff and Don Stewart as its two new Board of Directors members.

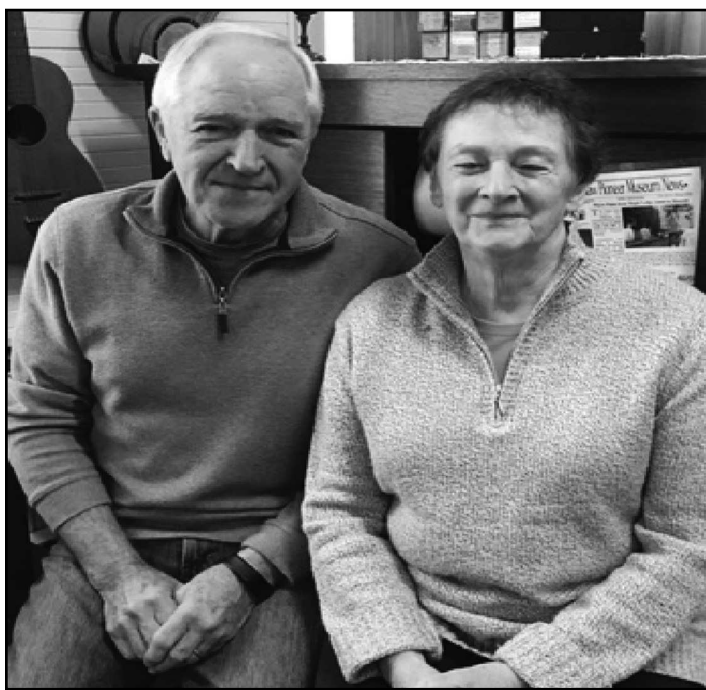
Baliff retired to Florence in 2006 after a full career in academic administration.

Among her roles since moving here are as board president of the Siuslaw Library District, board member of Siuslaw Outreach Services, a family partner with Habitat for Humanity and president of the West Lane Translator Board.

Stewart moved to Florence in 1961 and worked in the grocery business until his 2005 retirement. He is an active Rotary member and works with both Florence Food Share and Habitat for Humanity.

Stewart and his wife, Pat, received the Florence First Citizen Award in 2008.

Both new board members said they look forward to helping maintain the rich history of this area and to assure that those important memories and artifacts are always here for future generations.



New Pioneer Museum Board of Directors members Don Stewart (left) and Diane Baliff

## 'Smart Driver Safety' to be offered at LCC

A Smart Driver Safety class is being offered by Lane Community College Florence Center and is scheduled for Thursday, March 16, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at the Shorewood Retirement Residences.

This course offers people an important opportunity to learn how to drive more efficiently and safely.

The course contains up-to-date information about changes over time in people, their vehicles, area roads and new laws. The course is open to all ages.

The content of this course can help boost safety aware-

ness, refresh and improve driving skills, minimize crash risk, increase confidence, prolong mobility, and maintain independence.

Completion of this six-hour driving refresher course can yield discounted auto insurance premiums for safe driving individuals 55 and older.

Pre-registration is required and can be made by calling LCC at 541-997-8444.

The course fee is \$20 with a \$5 discount for current AARP members, the fee includes a workbook and other materials, and is payable to AARP at the time of the class.

**12th Street Alano Club Hope** Meets 1525 12th Street (Old hospital, back annex). Meeting site for "Open to All" recovery groups: AA, DDA, Al-Anon, Native American AA, GA, Kids caught in the crossfire, Alanohopc.org Meetings. Seven Days a week. Call for times and meeting agenda. Contact: 541-997-9558 or 612-462-1481. Friday 5:30pm. 1525 12th St. (Old hospital, back annex) Contact: 541-999-1243 or 541-991-9588.

**55 ALIVE/MATURE DRIVING.** Contact Lane Community College. 541-997-8444.

**AA Candlelight Meditation Meeting** meets Sat., 7pm., 1525 12th St. (rear). Contact: 310-210-3324.

**A. C. A. Adult Children of Alcoholics (and Addicts).** Meets every Monday at 3pm St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 19th & Tamarack. Contact: Loyd or Kyle (612) 462-1481.

**Ada Grange #570** meets second Saturday of each month. Potluck at 5pm. Meeting at 6pm. Enjoy getting together with people involved in helping the community. Ada Grange is 10 miles out Canary Road. Contact: Linda Pugh 541-997-4254, or PO Box 674, Florence, OR 97439.

**Aglow International** meets first Saturday, 10am-Noon., at Florence Vineyard Fellowship, 2610 Kingwood St., Contact: Judy Murphy 541-997-5849.

**Al-Anon Family Group** meets every Thursday at noon, at St. Andrews Episcopal Church, Library Room, 19th & Tamarack. Contact: 541-997-3788.

**Al-Anon Family Hope Group** 1525 12th St. (old hospital back annex). Meets Fridays 5:30pm to 6:30 pm. Contact: 541-999-1243.

**Al-Anon Siuslaw Family Group** meets every Tuesday at 7pm., at Cross Roads Assembly of God, 10th & Maple St., Rm 14. Contact: 541-997-1209 or 999-0271.

**Al-Anon Mapleton Family Group** meets every Monday at 7pm, at the Mapleton Evangelical Church, Riverview Ave., Mapleton. Access door off rear parking lot. Contact: 541-999-5223.

**Alano Club Hope** meets Mon.-Sun. daily, 1525 12th St., Florence (rear). 7-8pm Contact: 310-210-3324.

**Alcoholics Anonymous 12 Step Study** meets Tues., 6:00pm. Alano Club Hope (rear). Contact: 310-210-3324.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** meets Mon., Wed. & Thurs., 7pm., Episcopal Church, 19th & Tamarack. Contact: 541-902-0152.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** meets Mon. & Fri., 10am., New Life Lutheran Church, 21st & Spruce Streets. Contact: 541-902-0152.

**Alcoholics Anonymous** meets Tues (closed), Thurs and Sat (open), 7pm., Mapleton Lions Club Annex on River Ave., Mapleton. Contact: 541-902-0152.

**Alcoholics Anonymous Open** meetings Sunday, 10-11am. 1525 12th St. (Old hospital, back annex). Contact: 541-991-7870 or 541-999-7300.

**Alcoholics Anonymous Brown Baggers Bunch** 1525 12th St., Florence, OR 97439. Meets Daily at noon Contact: Pat Duncan 310-210-3325.

**Alcoholics Anonymous Men's Meeting.** Meets Tuesdays, from 5-6pm, at the Methodist Church on the corner of Kingwood & 2nd St. Contact: 541-902-0152.

**Alcoholics Anonymous Serenity** Meeting 1525 12th St., Florence, OR 97439. Meets Sunday 10-11am.

**Alcoholics Anonymous Uptown Group** meets Sun., Wed., Thurs., Fri., 5:30-6:30pm., 1525 12th St., Alano Club Florence (rear). Contact: 310-210-3324.

**Alcoholics Anonymous Sisters (SIS)** Sisters in Sobriety Women's meeting. Meets Saturday at 10-11:30am, at Alano Club Hope, 1525 12th St. rear entrance. Contact: 310-210-3324.

**Anger Management for Women.** Meets weekly every Tuesday from 12 to 2pm. Location: 1710 Laurel Way, Unit B (upstairs), Florence. For information contact: Deborah Grigsby, LPCI, MMHC, 541-999-1913, no cost group sessions.

**Argentine Tango in Newport** meets every Monday night at 7-9pm. (7:30pm on second Monday) at South Beach Community Center located east of LaQuinta motel on 3024 SE Ferryslip Rd. First 1/2 hour is a lesson-then dancing. No partner needed. All ages welcome. Wear leather bottom shoes, for info contact: 541-563-2705 or <http://www.geocities.com/yesnewportango/>

**Baha'i Faith of Florence** discussion meetings every Monday evening @ 875 7th Street. 6:30pm. Soup's on supper and interfaith devotional discussion. No Charge. Contact: Suzanne Mann-Heintz 541-990-0779 or James Heintz 541-990-0616.

**Beloved Community of Florence.** Healing Circles, Meditation, Spiritual Coaching. Meets every Saturday, 10:30am., Private Home. Contact: Eleanor 541-999-8700 Cell.

**Better Breathers Club.** meets 4th Wednesday of each month, Peace Harbor Medical Center in Conference room C. 2-3:30pm. Contact: Karl 541-902-6300 Ext 5635.

**Breastfeeding Support Group.** second Thursday, 6:30-7:30pm., Siuslaw Area Women's Center, 12th St., Florence. Contact: 541-997-1794.

**Cancer Education Group** Everyone Welcome. Meets every other Tuesday at 1:30pm @ 1525 12th St., Ste. 4A, Florence, 97439. For further information please contact: 541-999-6809 or 541-999-8624. Fee: No fee.

**CaregiverSupport Group** Bimonthly meeting is held at SprucePoint on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of each month starting at 11 AM. Spruce Point has supported this group by providing a complimentary lunch for the participants on those meeting times. It is facilitated by Mary Ann Earl RN BSN retired. Contacts are Annette Poston 541-997-6111 or Mary Ann Earl 541-997-4866. Anyone needing support caring or assisting another person with their responsibilities for health, welfare, finances or decision making can be supported in that process in this group.

**Celebrate Recovery** for hurts, habits and hang-ups Starting Nov. 29th. Meets every Friday, 6 PM for a meal, following by meetings at 6:30PM Meeting. 1st qtr. at Cross Road Church., 2nd quarter at Florence Christian Church, 3rd qtr. at Florence Evangelical church and 4th qtr. at Florence Church of the Nazarene. For more information call Chick 541-997-3370.

**Central Coast Miniatures Club** of Florence, 1st Thursday of month, 6pm., Siuslaw Public Library, Bromley Room, Florence.

**Central Oregon Coast Amateur Radio Club** meets every Wed. 7-8:30am. at Koffee Klatch @ Clawson's Wheelhouse. Wed net @ 7 pm. 146-80(-) 100hz tone.

**Chronic Pain Group** People with chronic pain helping people with chronic pain, meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday, 5:30 to 7:00pm at Community Baptist Church, 4590 Hwy. 101, Florence. Contact: 541-991-0037.

**Circle 4 Oneness community** meets two times a month, the 11th and 22nd, 6:30-8pm. Contact 541-902-7912 for directions.

**Citizens Democracy Watch.** meets at 1pm., the last Sunday of the month at the Women's Center. Contact: 541-997-3950.

**City Club of Florence.** Meets 1st Friday of each month, 11:00am order off the lunch menu., Speaker: 12-1 pm. Driftwood Shores Surfside Restaurant upstairs, 88416 1st Ave. For information, call 541-902-5135.

**Coast Chamber Ensemble.** meets every Thursday, 3-5pm., Coast Village Clubhouse. All musical levels welcome. Contact: 541-870-4346.

**Coastal Celtic Society.** Meets the third Wednesday of each month. Contact: Carolyn McCord 541-997-9142 for different locations and time.

**Coastal Women Veterans.** 2nd Friday, 11:30am. Place to be announced. Contact: 541-997-3950.

**Coastal Writers.** 1st and 3rd Thursday, 7-8:30pm. at The Shorewood, 1451 Spruce St. Contact: 541-902-8575.

**Community Chorus of Florence** meets Mon. 7-8:30pm, at Cross Road Church, 10th & Maple Sts. Florence. Contact: 541-997-3469.

**Diabetes Health & Wellness Group.** Meets twice a Week every Wednesday from 9am to 11am AND 8pm to 9:30pm. Location: 1710 Laurel Way, Unit B (upstairs), Florence. For information contact: Deborah Grigsby, LPCI, MMHC, 541-999-1913, no cost group sessions.

**Disabled American Veterans** and Auxiliary meet first Saturday each month at 2pm., 1715 W. 21st St. Contact: DAV Skip Stitt 541-997-1562.

**Family Support Group** for family members of chronically mentally ill, meets the 4th Wednesday of each month, 6:30-8pm., PeaceHealth counseling Serv., Florence Business Center.

**Fibromyalgia Support Group** of Central Oregon Coast, 1st Saturday, 1pm., Pacific Community Hospital, Newport. Contact: 541-563-5240.

**Fibromyalgia Support Group** of Reedsport meets 3rd Wednesday of every other month at the Reedsport Public Library.

**Florence Area Chamber of Commerce** Noon forum 2nd Thursday of each month, noon, at Best Western Pier Point Inn. Open to the public. Contact: 541-997-3128.

**Florence Area Coordinating Council** meets the first Wednesday of the month at the Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue Hall on Hwy. 101, 9am.

**Florence Area Democratic Club** meets at 11am the 1st Saturday of every month. Contact: [www.florenceareademocrats.org](http://www.florenceareademocrats.org).

**Florence Area Humane Society.** Low Cost Spay/Neuter, Wednesdays, Please call the Shelter for an appointment. 541-997-4277.

**Florence Caring Pregnancy Center** open Mon., Tues & Thurs., 11:00am-4pm. FREE. 1525 West 12th Street (Florence Business Center), Margaret Getchell, Executive Director, 541-902-2273.

**Florence Chapter-Oregon Right to Life** Contact: Mona Dick 541-997-2065.

**Florence Community PTA** meets 2nd Tuesday of the month, 4pm. Siuslaw Elementary School Library. Contact Diane McCallmont, 541-997-1854. Email: [florencecommunitypta@yahoo.com](mailto:florencecommunitypta@yahoo.com). Website: [florencepta.org](http://florencepta.org); Facebook: Florence Community PTA.

**Florence Dance Guild.** meets monthly. Contact: Angela Palmer 541-997-6839.

**Florence Duplicate Bridge** (non-smoking). Every Thursday afternoon starting @ 12:30pm. St. Andrews Episcopal Church, 19th & Tamarack, Florence. Contact: John Weatherwax 541-997-2677.

**Florence Elks Lodge 1858** meets every Thursday at 7:00pm., 1686 12th Street.

**Florence Garden Club.** 2nd Wed., Sept.-June, 1:00pm., Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw, 3996 Hwy 101. Contact: [www.facebook.com/FGCOR](http://www.facebook.com/FGCOR).

**Florence Kiwanis** meets each Wednesday, noon, Florence Elks Lodge, 1686 W. 12th St., Florence.

**Florence Memory Loss Respite Center** meets Mon., Wed., Thur. from 10am-2pm., Florence Senior Center, 1570 Kingwood Street, S10 includes lunch. 541-902-8539.

**Florence Parkinson's Disease Support Group.** Meets 4th Wednesday of every month, 1:30pm., Shorewood Apartments meeting room. Contact: Carole 805-587-3394

**Florence Performing Arts Association** Board meeting, 2nd Thursday of each month, 3:15pm. [www.florenceperformingarts.com](http://www.florenceperformingarts.com)

**Friends of Poetry.** Meets every Wednesday, 3-5pm., in the activity room at Shorewood Retirement Center, 15th & Spruce. All welcome. Contact: Shirley Nelson 541-373-0065.

**Florence Rotary Club.** Tuesdays, noon, at Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St., Florence. Contact: Ron Caputo, 541-997-4961.

**Florence Salmon/Trout Enhancement Program.** 1st Wed., 7pm. Florence Elks Lodge. Contact Ron Caputo 541-997-4961.

**Friends of the Library** meeting, 4th Thursday of each month, 11am., Bromley Room Siuslaw Public Library. Contact: Susy Lacer, 541-997-8663.

**Grief & Loss for Adults.** Meets weekly every Thursday from 9am, to 11am. Location: 1710 Laurel Way, Unit B (upstairs), Florence. For information contact: Deborah Grigsby, LPCI, MMHC, 541-999-1913, no cost group sessions.

**Grief & loss for Students,** ages 12-18, Meets weekly every Thursday from 3:30pm to 5:00pm. Location: 1710 Laurel Way, Unit B (upstairs), Florence. For information contact: Deborah Grigsby, LPCI, MMHC, 541-999-1913, no cost group sessions.

**Grief & Loss Support Group** sponsored by Hospice. Please contact facilitator for information. Contact Norma Wood, LCSW, 541-997-3418.

**Grief Share** Meets at the Florence Christian Church, Thursdays, 3-4pm., 2nd and Ivy streets. Contact: 541-997-2961.

**Health Associates,** a parenting support group, 3rd Wednesday, 7pm., 340 9th St. Contact: 541-997-1877 or 541-997-7134.

**Helping Hands Coalition.** is an all-volunteer community organization dedicated to providing services, food, clothing, and a daytime center for the homeless and others with unmet needs. Our small but friendly facility provides warmth, comfort, and basic services for those in our community. Meets every Mon., Wed., & Fri. from 11am-2pm, 1339 Rhododendron Dr. Contact: 541-997-5057.

**Ladies of Elks,** second Monday, 7pm., Florence Elks Lodge. Contact: Linda Tank, secretary, 541-997-3352.

**Lower Umpqua Gem & Lapidary Society** Meets the 2nd Tuesday of each month @ 2pm. Winchester Bay Community Center, 451 Winchester Ave. Contact: Bill Hendrickson, 541-271-6816

**Reedsport, or Cam Grow,** 541-997-8089 Florence.

**Managing Chronic Pain Support Group** Forming Starting March 2, 2015. Meets 1st & 3rd Tuesday of each month from 5:30-7pm, at Community Baptist Church, 4590 Highway 101. For information: 541-590-0591.

**Mapleton Advisory Committee** meets the second Wednesday of each month, Siuslaw Valley Bank in Mapleton, 4pm.

**Mapleton Booster Club.** Meets 3rd Wednesday of each month @ 6pm. Siuslaw Bank in Mapleton. Contact: Krystal Wolford 541-268-6951.

**Mapleton Grange #584.** Meets 2nd Tuesday of each month, potluck @ 4pm, meeting @ 5pm. Barbara Reeder, Master: 541-268-1061.

**Mapleton Lions Club** meets 1st and 3rd Mondays of every month.

**Masonic Lodge of Florence** Stated Communication, 1st Tuesday. Family dinner 6:30pm. Open Lodge 7:30pm. 84910 Hwy. 101 S. Contact: 541-997-9728 (bus).

**Masonic Widows Social Club.** 84910 Highway 101 South (1.5 miles south of the bridge). Contact: Phyllis Williams 541-997-7965.

**Meditation** held Thursdays, 5:30pm, at United Methodist Church, 2nd & Kingwood. Contact: Pip Cole, 541-971-1173.

**Mid Coast Soldiers.** Come ride with us, Christian Motorcycle Association (CMA) Florence, OR. Breakfast meeting/ride, 1st Saturday @ Kathleen & Ninas, 8:30am. Business meeting, 3rd Tuesday @ Chen's Family Dish, 6:00pm. Contact: Rob 541-999-7605

**NAMI (National Alliance for the Mentally Ill)** of West Lane County, meets on the 4th Thursday of each month, 6:30pm-8pm. Hospital Cafeteria. Contact: Monica: 541-902-8308.

**Narcotics Anonymous** meets every Mondays: 5:30-6:30pm, Wednesdays: 7pm-8pm & Fridays, 7pm-8:30pm at Alano Club Hope, 1525 12th Street, East end of building. Contact: Carol K:541-268-4769.

**Oregon Dunes Chapter Daughters** of the American Revolution meets monthly September-May. For more information, contact: E. F. Westphal - Regent 541-517-5333.

**Oregon Right to Life** please contact Mona Dick at 541-997-2065.

**Overeaters Anonymous.** meets every Wednesday at 7 pm, at the Rose Room in the Coast Village Clubhouse, at 131 Rhody Loop (enter east side of Coast Village at 27th and Spruce and follow signs to office/clubhouse). Contact: (503) 775-6927 or (541) 590-0738.

**Pacific Coast Wind Ensemble** meets Monday 6:30-8:30 pm., alternates btw SHS & Waldport HS music rooms. Amateur thru professional welcome. Contact: Gail Nichols 541-999-6907.

**Pacific Dunes Shrine Club** meets for Dinner Socials at Driftwood Shores, for Business Meetings at Bliss' 101. For details, call 541-997-4082.

**Parkinson Support Group** meets first Tuesday of each month at Ocean View, 834 SW Lee, Newport. Call 574-6560 for more information. Jeff Geiger, Facilitator.

**Peace Harbor Hospital Auxiliary** meeting, 3rd Thursday, except July/August, luncheon at 11:30, Florence Events Center. Contact: 541-902-9669 or 541-902-1970.

**Points of Grace - Community Acupuncture.** Relieve pain • balance your nervous system • integrate body, mind & spirit - Live life more fully. Meets Wednesdays: 12noon - 3 pm @ Wellspring Clinic, 1845 Hwy. 126