

Community Chorus sings 'Summer Songs' May 6, 7

On Saturday evening, May 6, and Sunday afternoon, May 7, the Community Chorus of Florence Oregon will present a concert at the Presbyterian Church of the Siuslaw, 3996 Highway 101.

The chorus will present lovely summer songs, including "The Summer of 69" med-

ley (Woodstock, of course).

Other tunes from that era will also be performed and refreshments will be served during intermission.

There is no fee to attend; however donations will be appreciated. For additional information call 541 997-3469.

Brighten the gardens at Oregon Coast Humane Society

Oregon Coast Humane Society (OCHS) is seeking volunteers who enjoy gardening to brighten and maintain the garden areas at the OCHS Animal Shelter and Thrift Store.

Anyone who enjoys spending time outdoors gardening and has a few hours a week should call Daniel Dickson, director of development, at 541-999-5702 for more information.

Gallery Above Silver Lining features artist, cartoonist Don

The Gallery Above The Silver Lining Boutique is hosting the Second Saturday Gallery Tour, with a champagne and hors d'oeuvre reception, for exceptional cartoonist and artist Don on May 13 from 3 to 5 p.m.

Don's freelance work has been recognized by The New Yorker Magazine, Mad Magazine, Marvel Comics and Hallmark Cards.

The gallery is excited to present this extremely talented artist.

"We know that you will appreciate the quality of his drawings, his captions, his rich and wonderfully interesting stories and his acute sense of humor. He was born to delight!" said gallery owner Kimberly Fleenor.

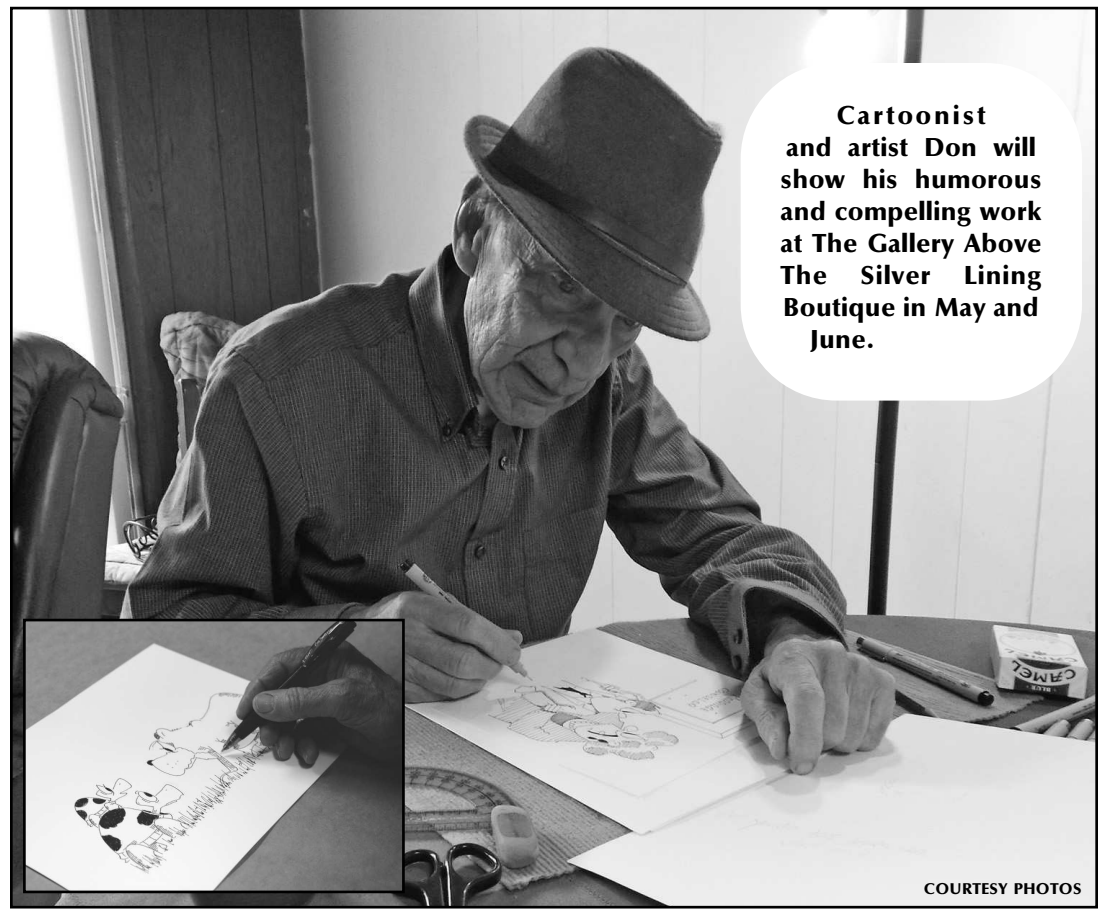
Don likes to draw cartoons because he wants to bring happiness and laughter to all who see his work.

Due to the enormous amount of talent and cartoons, this show will be on exhibit the entire month of May and June, so that all have a chance to see it.

Don dedicates a portion of his time each and every day filling his drawing paper with ideas and humor that will suit everybody's palette.

His subject matter depicts normal everyday life from the New Yorker and Mad Magazine genre to current American life that we all can relate to. His cartoons can make anyone laugh at themselves and the humor in life.

"His captions are perfectly



Cartoonist and artist Don will show his humorous and compelling work at The Gallery Above The Silver Lining Boutique in May and June.

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placed, suited and written for each drawing and guaranteed to crack you up," Fleenor said. "His characters are reminiscent of the cartoons from all of our childhoods. Remember, 'Laughter is the panacea of the world.'"

During the reception on May 13, there will be a contest with prizes for creating the most clever caption for one of Don's famous cartoons. There will be gift certificates for Lovejoys, MANNA and Silver Lining Boutique.

Fleenor said preparing for the show was a collaborative effort with multiple individu-

als involved.

Project organizers thanked The Shippin' Shack for tireless hours of layout, display and matting work; Dayle Murphy, who sparked and ignited this entire idea and has been instrumental in every step of the show; Michael Wood for mentoring, sharing ideas and encouragement; LeBouchon for keeping Don happy and busy; Jo Beaudreau from BeauxArts Fine Art Materials, for her special orders and constant consideration in always having exactly what Don needs to create his wonderful-

ly special works; and those that have provided the gift certificates for the winners.

"We look forward to sharing this unique artistic show, complete with champagne, coffee and appetizers for all of you art enthusiasts and anybody that enjoys a good laugh. I guarantee that you will feel better and more light-hearted after participating in this show. Life is great and so is Don's artwork," Fleenor said.

The Gallery Above the Silver Lining Boutique is at 2217 Highway 101.



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Diffenderfer to speak to Community Coalition

Michele E. Diffenderfer, program director of development, PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center Foundation, will be the guest speaker at the Wednesday, May 3, Florence Area Community Coalition (FACC) meeting.

The meeting will be held in the Bromley Room at the Siuslaw Public Library, 1460 Ninth St., at 9 a.m.

Diffenderfer will explain the new pilot program here in Florence called Palliative Care.

It is often confused with hospice and it is an important component of hospice care. While hospice offers comfort during the last months of life, palliative care can be given at any point in a serious illness. It is appropriate for any age or diagnosis.

Palliative care teams focus on managing symptoms and stresses to help patients and families make informed decisions that reflect what is most important to them.

Everyone is invited to attend this informative meeting and learn how it is already impacting the lives of members of our community.

Every month the FACC highlights and supports a program or project benefitting the Florence area. Come and network with organization and agencies represented in Florence and Lane County.

This month, FACC members and others are invited to donate to the schools' gardening programs. Donations of seeds, small tools and gardening gloves would be appreciated.

June is the month of the FACC annual election meeting. At the May meeting, nominations for board members are taken from the floor to be added to the list of candidates for the June election.

Board members must be FACC members.

Consider serving on the board to help FACC carry out its mission: "To improve the quality of life in Western Lane County through partnerships, networking, volunteerism, community involvement, education and awareness."

FloTones sing in Yachats Sunday

On Sunday, April 30, Florence's FloTones vocal jazz group will present a Songs of Faith concert at the Yachats Community Presbyterian Church, 360 West 7th St., Yachats at 3 p.m.

Admission is free admission but donations will be accepted.

Featured favorites include "This Little Light of Mine," "Down to the River to Pray/Lord Listen to Your Children," "Deep River," "The Prayer/Lead Us Lord," "Hallelujah," "He Never Failed Me Yet" and more.

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