

FACC to hold tobacco abuse prevention education

Everyone is invited to join the Florence Area Community Coalition (FACC) monthly meeting on Wednesday, April 4, from 9 to 10:30 a.m. in the Bromley Room of the Siuslaw Public Library, located at 1460 9th Street.

This month's presentation will be about "Tobacco Abuse Prevention & Education."

Speakers Christy Inskip and Christiane Ochoa from Lane County Public Health Department will share information about campaigns and resources to prevent tobacco addiction, Oregon's Indoor Clean Air Act and to raise awareness of the effects of tobacco on those who don't smoke.

In addition to this program, there are also programs from the Health Department to assist those dealing with gambling, gaming, drugs, or other addictions.

For more information on these visit www.prevention-lane.org.

Each month, participants are invited to lend support to one of our many community service organizations.

This month's featured agency is Van Fans. This group provides transportation to and

from Eugene to any residents who are receiving cancer treatments. The program operates with dedicated volunteers and gas money. There is no charge to riders for this service. There will be a box for cash donations at Wednesday's meeting.

The FACC also wants to remind everyone about its annual volunteer recognition event coming up on Wednesday, April 11, from 1 to 3 p.m. at the Florence Events Center.

This is FACC's 30th birthday, so there will be a party atmosphere with the theme "30 Years of Volunteers."

Speakers will include several past-presidents of FACC and Library Director and Vision Project member Meg Spencer. A scholarship will be awarded to a deserving senior from Florence or Mapleton.

Music will be provided by the Siuslaw High School Chamber Choir. And of course, birthday cake will be available.

Organizations are encouraged to treat their volunteers to this lovely gathering. Tickets are \$7 per person or \$50 for a table of 8.

Call 541-999-2927 by Monday, April 2, for reservations.

Commissioner candidates attend forum April 6

With the elected terms of three of five Lane County Commissioners due to expire soon, Friday, April 6, marks a singular opportunity to join the City Club of Florence as Western Lane Commissioner Jay Bozievich and candidate Nora Kent present their positions on a variety of crucial county issues.

The free noon forum, hosted at the Class Act Theatre, 509 Kingwood St., will offer a regional opportunity for voters to ask questions on issues of economic, educational, social and environmental concern facing Lane County.

Questions can be submitted in writing when the doors open at 11:30 a.m. or can be asked during the meeting.

Kent, a long-time resident of Lane County, moved to the Florence area 14 years ago and works as an instructor for Lane Community College. She has been an active advocate for building affordable housing, increasing rural patrols and the number of healthcare providers, and bringing family-wage jobs to Lane County though the citizen initiative process.

Bozievich, running for his third term as West Lane Commissioner, advocates for increasing the supply and diversity of housing, especially for the work force in Lane County.

He would like to improve the capacity of the public safety system and implement restorative justice programs.

WLCF school scholarship submission date approaches

Western Lane Community Foundation (WLCF) has announced that April 15 is the deadline for WLCF scholarship applications, which are open to seniors at Mapleton and Siuslaw high schools.

WLCF administers 20 scholarship funds, most of which are awarded annually and range from \$500 to \$2,500 each. The funds represent yearly earnings from funds WLCF manages on behalf of generous donors of the local community.

Scholarships are available for traditional four-year colleges as well as community colleges and accredited trade schools.

While academic achievement is one criteria used in determining recipients, the scholarship committee also carefully reviews outside activities, scholastic improvement, volunteerism, economic need and work history.

Several of the scholarships are directed toward students in particular fields of education or with other qualifying characteristics such as mechanical interest, nursing and others.

Last year WLCF awarded more than \$24,000 in scholarships to local high school students.

Representatives from WLCF will be visiting both high schools to work with students on their applications. Siuslaw High School is scheduled for Monday, April 9, from 9:15 to 10 a.m. in the school library to answer questions and assist students. WLCF will also be meeting with Mapleton students after spring break.

Applications can be obtained at the school counseling offices or online at www.wlcfonline.org and must be postmarked or received no later than April 15 at P.O. Box 1589, Florence, OR, 97439 or submitted to the web address above.

For more information regarding the graduating senior scholarships, contact school counselors or the WLCF office at 541-997-1274.

Siuslaw News

Greentrees Community Wide Yard Sale. Fri-Sat, 4/6-4/7
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Elks to host annual 'Best Wurstfest' April 7

A Bavarian Folk Festival will be held at the Florence Elks Lodge on Saturday, April 7. The "Best Wurstfest" will have an authentic Bavarian atmosphere featuring German folk music and dancers, along with traditional German food and beer.

Festivities will begin at 11 a.m. inside the Elks Lodge, 1686 12th St., and will continue until 6 p.m.

Funds raised will go to scholarships for vocational education.

The festival will be a family friendly with lots to do for people of all ages.

Admission will be \$5 for adults, with children age 12 and under admitted free.

For more information, contact event coordinator Jane Carrico at 541-997-1067 or email her at janecarrico@mac.com.

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This training is designed for Lane County alcohol retailers and service establishments. To register call or email Emily Buff Bear at 541-682-6480 or emily.bear@co.lane.or.us

Presenters Include

Oregon Liquor Control Commission Officer

Tobacco Prevention Staff

Problem Gambling Prevention Staff

Oregon State Police

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Florence Food Share provides food to those who are hungry in our community. If you have four hours a week available, we are in need of volunteers to staff our Front Desk and also act as Guides as clients walk through the pantry. Please call our volunteer coordinator, Sarah Lovejoy, @ 541-997-9110 (Monday - Friday, before noon) to learn more about volunteering. info@florence-foodshare.org 2190 Spruce Street.

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