

THE POWER OF FLORENCE

Florence City Councilors and city staff talked about the importance of the event at the July 16 council meeting at the Florence Events Center.

While the girls could not attend the July 16 meeting, Florence City Manager Erin Reynolds said "the new generation that is coming up" had done an excellent job.

According to Councilor Woody Woodbury, "Power of Florence is just a day of volunteerism, and many of the nonprofit groups already have stuff lined up. Grocery Outlet will be making its parking lot available again for entertainment, food, nonprofit groups and the Florence Police Department."

Woodbury, who retired from Grocery Outlet this year, partnered with Graham in 2011 to hold the Party in the Parking Lot in the 2000 block of Highway 101.

Florence Mayor Joe Henry said, "Power of Florence begins with a walk through Old Town, a march of sorts, with a police escort, and that heads out at 9 a.m. We hope you'll all be there for the Power Walk."

People are encouraged to come earlier to buy official merchandise, including T-shirts, sweat

shirts and hats.

"The Power of Florence website also has a whole slew of volunteer activities," Reynolds said. "If you don't have your own that you are putting on and you want to plug in and show up at a site, I know from experience you can do that."

City of Florence employees will be landscaping and planting in the islands outside the Florence Justice Center on Greenwood Street.

"That will us to have a little more pride of ownership of that space," Reynolds said. "Again, there's a lot of things happening at the event center, parks in town and at the hub in front of Grocery Outlet."

EVENTS AROUND TOWN:

7 to 10 a.m. — FREE pancake and scrambled egg breakfast at United Methodist Church, 333 Kingwood St.

9 a.m. — POWER Walk to Official Start of Power of Florence. Mayor Henry will officially start the walk, which begins at the Florence Christian Church.

9 a.m. — The Florence Garden Club and the Siuslaw Chapter of the American Rhododendron Society will be weeding

Power of Florence returns today for the eighth annual day of service and giving back to the City of Florence. The brainchild of Siuslaw High School graduate Kaylee Graham while she was still 11 years old, Power of Florence is now continued by 13-year-olds Ava Glowacki and Faith Lumadue.

and beautifying Gallagher's Park.

9 a.m. — Delta Gamma will be cleaning and beautifying the tennis courts and surrounding park area at 35th Street.

10 a.m. to noon — Oregon Dunes Restoration Collaborative Scotch broom removal: Help remove invasive Scotch Broom at Heceta Dunes (corner of Joshua Lane and Nautilus). Bring water, gloves, sunscreen and tools (such as loppers, hand pruners and small hand saws). Dogs are welcome.

10 a.m. to noon — City of Florence employees will be cleaning and beautifying the islands outside the Justice Center on Greenwood St. at 9th St.

10 a.m. to noon — The Siuslaw Youth Soccer Association will be cleaning and beautifying Miller Park.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. — C.R.O.W will hold a Costume and Prop Garage Sale at 3120 Highway 101.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. — The Friends of the Florence Events Center will be beautifying and adding bark dust to the front of the Events Center.

11 to 2 p.m. — Florence Regency will have a carnival with games, dunk tank, face painting, bounce house and Crepe/SnoCone food truck to raise money for the Thomas Fuller It's All About Heart foundation,

the Genevieve Bailey Memorial scholarship and the Oregon Coast Military Museum.

1 to 4 p.m. — Van Fans Ice Cream Social at the Florence Events Center. Serving homemade pie & ice cream with live music and entertainment tickets \$5 each.

PARTY IN THE PARKING LOT
2066 Highway 101
11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Mike Bones emcees this party from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be live music and entertainment by the CROW Summer Camp kids, Jason Wood's voice students, the Luke Turner Jazz Quartet, Last Resort Players and Speaker Wave. In addition, the following organizations will have booths:

• **Florence Food Share** — Beavers vs. Ducks food collecting contest. Bring canned goods and donated items to "weigh in" for your favorite college team.

• **Florence/Siuslaw Lion's Club** — FREE health screening will offer screening stations for vision, glaucoma, blood pressure and blood sugar in the lobby of City Light Cinemas.

• **Foursquare Church** — accepting donations of new/gently used clothes, shoes and small household items to benefit the Better Living Center, aka "The Free Store."

• **Oregon BoxLunch** — serving up delicious lunch with proceeds going to Sacred Animal Sanctuary.

• **Oregon Coast Humane Society** — hamburger & hotdog BBQ and the "Stuff the Van" pet food drive.

• **Oregon Coast Military Museum** — T-shirts for sale to raise money to support the museum; military vehicles and historical weapons on display.

• **PeaceHealth Peace Harbor** — collecting refundable cans and bottles to raise money for Food Backpacks for Kids.

• **Vehicles on display** — Florence Public Works, Florence Police Department, Oregon State Police and Siuslaw Valley Fire and Rescue will have vehicles on display for kids and adults to explore and learn the departments.

Siuslaw Elementary School Kindness Club will host:

• **Bake Sale** — Darcie and Lily will have a bake sale to benefit the Oregon Coast Humane Society.

• **Confections** — Emma will be selling cookies and cupcakes donated by Sweet Mama's Cupcakes & Goodies to raise money to clean the Deadwood Pioneer Museum.

• **Lemonade Stand** — Melody and Thalia will sell lemonade to support Loved Again Pets.

• **Power of Florence Booth** — Sale of T-shirts, sweatshirts and hats. Get yours while they last! Hosted by the Siuslaw Elementary School Kindness Club.

In addition, informational booths will have representatives from:

• **Florence Climate Alliance** — help educate and encourage citizens to understand how climate change is affecting the local area.

• **Florence Community PTA** —

membership drive and fun games.

• **Florence Farmers Market** — spread the word about the Tuesday market and seek new volunteers.

• **Florence Master Recyclers** — discuss the program and learn about the free dishware for loan program.

• **Florence ORganizes (FOR) Education Group** — learn about opportunities at Lane Community College and provide information on the upcoming Siuslaw School District bond issue.

• **Food Backpacks for Kids (FB4K)** — learn about the mission to erase weekend hunger for students in Florence and Mapleton.

• **KXCR** — learn about the area's local nonprofit radio station, 90.7 FM.

• **Precious Plastics** — help fundraise for a machine to take the plastic we can no longer recycle.

• **Siuslaw Vision** — let the community know how the Vision "puts people at the center" of its mission.

• **Siuslaw Youth Soccer Association** — learn about this group and register new soccer players for a fall team.

• **Students for a Better World** — learn about scholarships for Siuslaw High School college-bound students.

In addition, other businesses will be open during the Party in the Parking Lot, including **Grocery Outlet**, the **Habitat for Humanity ReStore** and **City Lights Cinemas**.

For more information, visit www.powerofflorence.org.



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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Florence Habitat for Humanity ReStore is a place to put your talents to work. From customer service to furniture repair, we offer volunteer opportunities geared toward individual interests and skills. By giving your time, you help Florence Habitat ReStore do more to support building projects that benefit families in our community.
2016 Hwy 101 or email volunteer@florencehabitat.org
Store hours 9am - 5pm Monday - Saturday 541-997-5834
www.facebook.com/restoreflorence

Annual Ice Cream Social
July 21 at Florence Events Center
Meet 1st Wednesday of every month
Luncheon Meeting (\$8.50)
Shorewood Senior Living
1451 Spruce St
541-991-3209 or sgelmstedt@gmail.com

Memory Care Respite of Florence
Your Memory Care Respite Center needs you!
Seeking volunteers for our Coffee Club:
Conversation & companionship in a caring setting while providing respite for caregivers.
Contact us at memcarerespite@gmail.com

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Do your part and volunteer today to help support these local non-profit organizations in our community!

Join the Peace Harbor Hospital Volunteers. You will find an area of interest in a caring organization.
Peace Harbor Volunteers
400 9th Street, Florence, OR 97439
541-997-8412 ext. 2218

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FUUF to look at 'The Power of Reason'

On Sunday, July 22, from 10 until 11 a.m., at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, the Rev. Dr. Ruth Miller will lead the worship service. The fellowship is located at 87738 Highway 101 at Heceta Beach Road and is wheelchair accessible.

Her message is titled: "The Power of Reason."

When Ralph Waldo Emerson was looking for ways to help

people understand the idea that divinity didn't sit on a throne, he used a number of different terms for the divine, including both Oversoul and Reason.

In the process of "translating" some of his essays for the book "Natural Abundance," Miller had the opportunity to really explore Emerson's thinking on the subject, and to compare it to some other, similar uses of the term.

In Sunday's program, she will link that work back to one of the Unitarian Universalist Sources, which encourages all "to heed the guidance of reason and the results of science."

Each service concludes with refreshments and a dialogue circle to explore the questions that come up during each worship service. For more information, visit www.florenceuuf.org.

ESTATE SALE

2888 Munsel Lake Road

Saturday & Sunday July 21st & 22nd 9:00-4:00

Partial List of Items:

- Samsung 40" TV
- Oak Dining Table Set
- Coffee Table
- Entertainment Center
- Cloth Love Seat
- Recliner
- Bed Side Tables
- King Size Bed
- Queen Size Bed
- Curio Cabinet
- Art
- Chest of Drawers
- Table Lamps
- Garage Storage
- Front Load Washer and Dryer with Pedestals
- Kitchen Items
- Cookware
- Assorted Collectibles, Adult & Children's Clothing, Blankets, Linens and lots of misc.

For more information contact aric@cbcoast.com