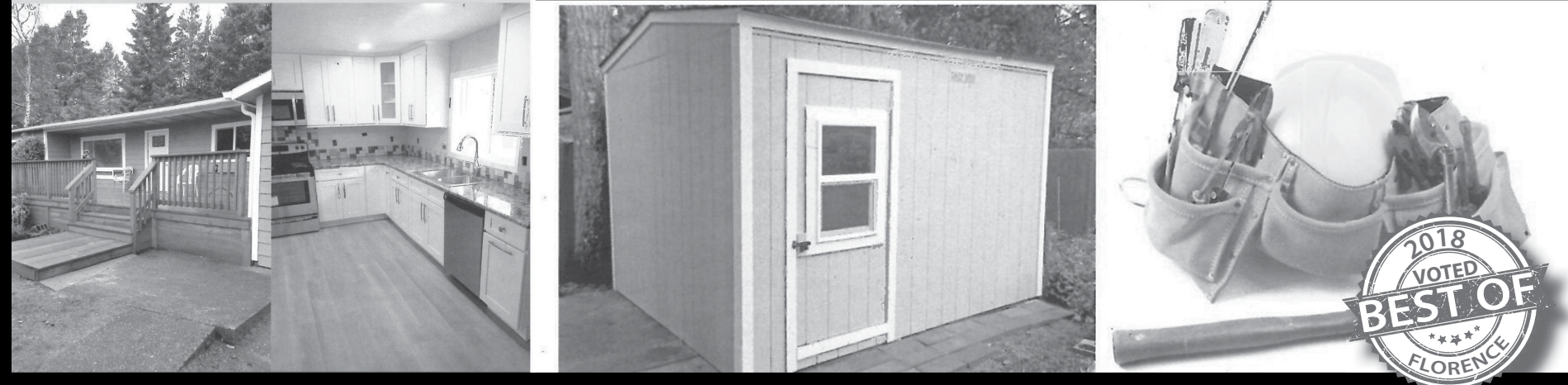


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Classic cars prepare for Rhody Days Car Show

Preparations for the 27th Rhody Days Car Show and Shine are underway. This is Florence's longest running car show and a big draw during the Rhody Days festivities.

On the morning of Saturday, May 18, you can see a wide variety of Classic Cars and Trucks 1979 and older, including a few British Cars and usually a couple of military vehicles. This is a judged event, with the award ceremony beginning at 1:30 p.m., and will be held in the Parking lot for City Lights Cinemas and Grocery Outlet, located at 2066 Highway 101.

"This car show, with its convenient location, is a great activity for people of all ages," said Joe Scalera, one of the BeachKomber Car Club members who has been volunteering for this car show since its beginning.

The central location provides easy access for all spectators to enjoy the cars, listen to the DJ playing classic songs and partake in the raffle, which always has a great array of prizes to win. This year includes several gift certificates for lodging in the local area.

"As the years go by, car ownership has greatly increased for the ladies. It has been fun to watch the women bring their cars in

and show them. Husbands and wives now have their own cars. They park next to each other and enjoy hanging out and talking about classics," Scalera said.

The BeachKomber Car Club stated they could not thank each of the businesses enough for giving up their parking lot for the day so the event can be held. These businesses include: Florence Shipping Solutions, The Oregon Department of Motor Vehicles, Habitat For Humanity Restore, Focal Point Optical, City Light Cinemas, Grocery Outlet, McDonalds, Pizza Hut and Knecht's.

"This show always has a nice turnout of spectators and a wide range of classics to enjoy," Scalera continued. "Many members of our community show their cars at this event, and there are lots of entries from neighboring states."

T-shirts and dash plaques are available at the show. This year's logo features rhododendrons, a military jeep and a yellow Chevrolet Bel Air.

To buy a shirt up early, go to Shervin's Automotive, located at 44th Street and Highway 101, or Twin Lakes Store, located three miles north of Florence on Highway 101.

If you have a classic car you want to show, there is a preregistration and mini show and shine on Friday, May 17, from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. Additional registration is done the day of the show. The registration booth opens at 8 a.m. on May 18, and the show starts at 10. Registration is \$20.

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