

BRAVE KIDS TALENT SHOW

Florence Community PTA hosts the "Brave Kids" annual Talent Show this February to showcase the diversified talents of Siuslaw students.

The PTA Talent Show will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, Feb. 26 and 27, at 6 p.m. at the Florence Events Center. Tickets are \$2 per person or \$5 per family. All proceeds go to the Florence Community PTA.

Tickets can be purchased in the Siuslaw Elementary School Office the week of the shows or at the door.



Backstreet Gallery artists on display at FEC this month

From Jan. 28 through Feb. 25, local artists from Backstreet Gallery will fill the walls of the Florence Events Center Galleries with an array of distinctive artwork, created in both two and three dimensions.

Enjoy wood pieces turned or carved; unique paintings in watercolor, oil and acrylic; one-of-a-kind jewelry; stunning photography; rare paper painting collage; as well as fiber art, decorative gourds and gleaming fused glass.

Among the Backstreet Gallery artists displayed are Stephanie Ames, Kristin Anderson, Mark Anderson, Pattie Brooks Anderson, Larry Bishop, Deborah Cray, Kathryn Damon-Dawson, Meredith Draper, Caroline Estill, Rhiannon Griffiths, Claudia Ignatieff, Daphne John, John Leasure, Colleen Mcknight and Karen Nichols.

Backstreet Gallery has come a long way since its humble beginnings in a small house on Laurel Street some 15 years ago.



"Octopus' Garden" by Backstreet Gallery member Pattie Brooks Anderson

It has been voted the best gallery in Florence and has become well-known along the entire Oregon Coast.

The Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St., is open to the public Monday to Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., but will be closed Monday, Feb. 17, for Presidents' Day.

Backstreet Gallery is located at 1421 Bay St. in Historic Old Town Florence and is open daily 10 a.m. to 5 p.m.

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LET'S GET CRACKING!

The ninth annual Crab Crack fundraiser for Florence Food Share will happen on Saturday, Feb. 1, from 4 to 7 p.m. at the Florence Events Center, 715 Quince St. There will be no ticket sales at the door.

Ticket price is \$45 per person, and advance purchase is required. Only 400 tickets will be sold, so it is suggested that people get their tickets early.

Attendees will enjoy Oregon coast crab along with pasta, coleslaw, garlic bread, sodas, coffee and dessert. A no-host bar will be available. There will also be a silent auction during the event that will include a beautiful selection of items.

This year, 50 "To Go" boxes, which include one whole crab, pasta, coleslaw, garlic bread and dessert, will be pre-sold. These will be available for pick up on Feb. 1 from 2 to 3 p.m. and cost \$25 each.

All proceeds will benefit the hunger relief

efforts of Florence Food Share, an emergency and supplemental food pantry serving individuals and households in West Lane County.

For more information, to arrange group seating or to purchase tickets, contact Florence Food Share at 541-997-9110. Tickets will also be available Monday to Friday, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. at Florence Food Share, 2190 Spruce St.

The special silent auction items at Crab Crack include a Golf Package, including three rounds of golf for two people, a Newport outing with a night at the Hallmark Resort and an Ashland Package with a night at Ashland Hills Hotel and two tickets to the Oregon Shakespeare Festival.

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