

# CHAMBER NEWSLETTER

Below is an outline of the weekend's events:

**August 17** - 7:00pm Eugene Emeralds Baseball Game "Animal House Night" with Otis Day & Friends

**August 18**

**Historic Downtown Cottage Grove**

10:00am Parade Staging

Noon Parade

**Cottage Grove Armory** (628 E. Washington)

1:00pm Screening of Animal House

2:30pm Intermission

3:00pm Animal House of Blues

**Bohemia Park** (101 N. 10th Street)

5:00pm Beer Garden & Food Gate Opens

7:00pm Mayoral Proclamation "Animal House Day"

7:15 pm Concert in the Park

Starting to Cry

Otis Day & The Original Knight(s)

The Kingsmen! (of 'Louie Louie' Fame)

## Animal House Parade

Downtown Cottage Grove was the location of the Animal House homecoming parade scene. 40 years later we're having another parade and would love for you to join in the fun! There are no entry fees we just want to have FUN! Parade applications are available at the Cottage Grove Area Chamber of Commerce or you can find it at [www.animalhousetoga.com](http://www.animalhousetoga.com). Complete your form and email to: [AnimalHouseParade@mail.com](mailto:AnimalHouseParade@mail.com). NOT gmail.com.

Parade theme: Animal House movie, 1960's era and older vehicles, floats representing your business or organization with a Greek fraternity/sorority twist. Every float or entry shall pertain to the movie in some way (Togas, music, decoration, etc.) The parade is a family friendly and politically neutral event.

## August Concerts in the Park

In addition to weekly entertainment throughout the summer local vendors gather to offer a variety of food, craft, and other items. Market hours are from 5pm – 8pm. Concerts begin at 6:30pm. Bring a friend and support your local vendors, musicians and their sponsors by attending the Wednesday evening activities. These concerts are made possible with financial support through sponsorships so join us and take a moment and thank them.

**Season Sponsors:** *Blackstone, Inc. and Northwest Natural.*

**Supporting sponsors:** *Banner Bank, Chambers Bridge Dental, City of Cottage Grove, Cottage Grove Sentinel, Emerald People's Utility District, Jack Sprats, Land Community College, Lane Electric Cooperative, Pacific Power, Rain Country Realty, South Lane County Fire & Rescue, and Wal-Mart.* Concerts begin at 6:30pm.

## This month's concert line-up

### August 8 - Blue Skies Big Band

One of the premier dance bands in the Pacific Northwest, Blue Skies 17 piece band brings back the smooth big band sound that has become the band's trademark. Come out to dance, or just to enjoy the great music of the big band era!

### August 15 - Annie Mae Rhodes Band

Come relax- enjoy- and be part of a fun energy filled performance...The band's love of music is contagious and guaranteed to make you smile. The Annie Mae Rhodes Band is one of Cottage Grove's local long time bands that enjoy giving back to our community the gift of music by being a part of many of our local Benefit events such as,- Habitat for Humanity -Humane Society-SLMH-Relay for Life-to name a few and of course our own Hometown Happenings-Bohemia Days -WOE- Concert in the Park-and many others...A great mixture of Bluegrass-Country, a few oldies thrown in once in a while, gospel, and Originals by Annie Mae. Plus their very own little ray of Sunshine Miss Clara Lynn..So come and be part of a great evening of music and fun..

Band Members

Annie Mae - Lead Vocal/mandolin

Kelly White - Guitar /vocal

Linda Danielson - Fiddle

Vic Allen - Bass

Clara Lynn - Vocal /Ukulele

### August 22 - The Men From S.U.R.F

The special agents who comprise THE MEN FROM S.U.R.F. (Secret Underground Retro Fraternity) are four seasoned musicians who's mission it is to preserve and promote the uniquely American musical art forms known as "surf" and "hot rod"! From classic instrumentals by the likes of Dick Dale, The Chantays, The Ventures and Los Straitjackets; to vocal hits by The Beach Boys, Jan & Dean and others, THE MEN FROM S.U.R.F. provide a musical vacation to a fantasyland of sun, surf, sand, drag strips and drive-ins! So we invite you dig your aloha wear out of the closet, grab your shades and beach chairs, and join Special Agents Beat, Rock, Thunder and Smart for a "fun in the sun" evening of musical memories that you won't soon forget!

### August 29 - Gabe Schliffer and the Sugar Pine String Band

From their home base in Eugene, OR, The Sugar Pine String Band mixes traditional bluegrass with old-time and original Americana music. Sit back relax and listen to the sweet acoustic tones of the dobro, mandolin, upright bass, guitar and fiddle.

Recently transplanted from the hills of western New York, Gabe Schliffer has been playing cello since the age of four, and writing music since 2007. He has been a member of many different bands including The Cabin Killers, Mulberry Soul, Outland County, and Thy Burden. Stargazers is a continuation of Gabe search into the roots of Americana music, evoking the spirit of jamming around campfires and finding inspiration in the fields and forests of American heartland. His new album features him on cello, fiddle, tenor banjo, guitar as and lead vocals. Gabe has shared the stage with the likes of Donna the Buffalo, Giant Panda Guerilla Dub Squad, Big Mean Sound Machine, The Blind Owl Band, The Prickers, and Thunderbody.

### Learn@Lunch: Cottage Grove - Presented by the Center for Nonprofit Stewardship

Bring your lunch and learn with us! Join us for our August Learn@Lunch series in Cottage Grove! The Center for Nonprofit Stewardship is offering four bite-sized workshops for nonprofits interested in affordable and accessible learning opportunities. The workshops will be held in the Shepherd Room at the Cottage Grove Community Center, 700 E. Gibbs from 12:00-1:00 p.m. Please be ready to start and end on time!

#### What You Get for just \$20 per session!

1hr training with CNS professional staff

30-day access to three e-learning videos

Handouts in your inbox

Activities to use with your organization

#### Session Information

Tue, Aug 21: Board roles and responsibilities

Thu, Aug 23: Practical ways to engage your board in fundraising

Tue, Aug 28: Board roles and responsibilities (so important we're doing it twice!)

Thu, Aug 30: Building business partnerships

Center for Nonprofit Stewardship  
2021 NW Grant Ave, Corvallis, OR 97330  
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## Chamber Calendar

If you have an event you want published on our website calendar, please, please, please submit it to:

Go to [www.cgchamber.com](http://www.cgchamber.com)

Click on "Event Calendar"

Click on "submit new event"

Fill in the blanks and submit

Once your event is approved, it will appear on the community calendar. For more details on the events listed below, visit the Event Calendar on our website at [www.cgchamber.com](http://www.cgchamber.com). (**Chamber events in bold**)

### August

**8 Concerts in the Park 8/08: Blue Skies Big Band**

**8 Market at Concerts in the Park**

**9 Greeters Committee**

Startup Coffee Meet up

Treehouse Opening

Regular City Council Meeting

**15 Chamber Board Lunch**

**15 CIP: Annie Mae Rhodes Band**

**15 Market at Concerts in the Park**

**16 Business After Hours – EPUD @ Saginaw Vineyard**

Animal House Party

**17-18 Animal House 40th Reunion and Toga Party**

Bohemian Film Festival

W.O.E. Family Fair

**20 Promotions Committee**

**21 Learn@Lunch for Nonprofits**

**22 CIP: Men From S.U.R.F.**

**22 Market at Concerts in the Park**

**23 Greeters Committee**

Regular City Council Meeting

Science Pub

**29 Final CIP: Gabe Schliffer and the Sugar Pine String Band**

**29 Market at Concerts in the Park**

### September

**3 Labor Day – Chamber office closed**

Regular City Council Meeting

**13 Greeters Committee**

Startup Coffee Meet up

**17 Promotions Committee**

**19 Chamber Board Lunch**

**20 Business After Hours – South Lane County Fire**

Regular City Council Meeting

**27 Greeters Committee**

\*Bingo every Friday night at the American Legion Hall

\*South Valley Farmer's Market weekly on Thursdays

	6/28 thru 7/31	YTD
<b>2018 Visitor Center Stats</b>		
Phone calls:	704	930
Walk-In Visitors:	277	686
Relocate Requests:	2	16
Visitor Requests:	9	36
Referrals to Chamber Members:	153	726
<b>2018 Website Stats</b>		
Business Directory Searches Total Listed:	834	8134
Member Page Views:	2,261	7,469
Event Searches:	1,238	12,883
Events Viewed:	3,597	7,404
Hot Deal Searches:	54	235
Job Searches:	58	299

*Special Thanks to our 2018 Enhanced Members*

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