

Community News

Cottage Grove welcomes return of 'Creative Chaos'

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forded to Creative Chaos participants allows each person to set their own limits and work with what they feel is comfortable.

Scenes this year include a diverse range of themes based on concepts such as Vikings, "Willie Wonka," John Wayne and Broadway.

"I mean, what other play can have a Viking and a dinosaur in one scene?" Dowell said.

Creative Chaos member Elaine Coffman was in the audience for last year's play and was inspired to join the group this year. Coffman chose to focus on a "happy vacation" theme for her scene.

While she enjoyed the creativity and hard work involved with the play, Coffman said her favorite part was working with Dowell.

"She gave me confidence that I never had," Coffman said.

Creative Chaos members are scheduled to



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From left: Mike Wilson, Eric Nilsen, Monica Venice, Natasha Cosper, Chip Gernhardt, Carmen Dowell, Ian Miller and Elaine Coffman begin the performance of "Somewhere in Time" during Sunday's matinee.

return this winter for a Christmas-themed play. "Somewhere in Time" will finish its second with

shows at 7 p.m. Sept. 20-21 and 2 p.m. on Sept. 22. Tickets are \$12 per person.

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Annual Oktoberfest celebration to take place in Elkton

The Elkton Community Education Center (ECEC) is hosting its 11th annual Oktoberfest on Saturday, Sept. 28.

Doors open at noon with live music from the Roseburg German Band from 1 to 4 p.m. The cover charge is \$6; kids 12

and under are admitted free with a paying adult. Food and drinks will be available for purchase.

The event menu features locally made brats, traditional handmade hot pretzels, potato salad, red cabbage and a variety of desserts. Vegetarian op-

tions are also available.

The featured beers are from Hop Valley and Pelican Brewing Company, with wine provided by a variety of local wineries, including: Gillirose Vineyards, Lexème Wines, Bradley Vineyards, River's Edge Winery and

Crew Work Wines.

Elkton's Oktoberfest is family-friendly with a fall activity booth, pumpkin decorating, fresh-pressed cider, hot dogs and harvest-themed vendor booths.

ECEC's butterfly pavilion will be open and but-

terflies will be available for adoption and release during the event. Commemorative Elkton Oktoberfest mugs by local potter Jayme Allen will be available for purchase at the event; supplies are limited.

Event-goers are en-

couraged to take advantage of the cider press by bringing your own apples and making cider to take home in your own container or to enjoy at the event.

All proceeds benefit ECEC's educational programs.

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