

This weekend



Wind quintet to take the stage

The Solstice Wind Quintet will perform at 7 p.m. Friday, May 25, at the Liberty Theatre, 1203 Commercial St., Astoria.

The quintet was founded in 1978 and is the resident faculty wind ensemble at Washington State University. The group performs throughout the Northwest.

Tickets are \$20 and available at the box office from 2 to 5:30 p.m. or online at libertyastoria.org.

Garage sale raises funds for Relay

Astoria Moose Trekkers, a Moose Lodge team that will participate in Relay for Life, will have an indoor garage sale from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, May 26, and 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Sunday, May 27.

The sale is at the lodge, 420 17th St., Astoria. The group is accepting donations of clean nonbroken items at the lodge today until 5 p.m.

All proceeds will benefit the American Cancer Society's Relay for Life.



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Scandinavian fest entertainment tickets on sale

Astoria Scandinavian Midsummer Festival released its lineup of entertainment for the 2018 festival, set for June 15-17 at the Clatsop County Fairgrounds.

Back by popular demand are two Canadian bands: ARRIVAL, an ABBA tribute band, and Dreams, a Fleetwood Mac tribute band.

ABBA was the most commercially successful pop group in the world from 1974 to 1982. Dreams will take the stage as a seven-piece band. Both groups perform in full costume and have traveled the world with their shows.

The tribute bands performance is at 7 p.m. Saturday, June 16.

The night includes a Scandinavian joke-telling contest and a public dance with Scandinavian country music.

Tickets are available online at libertyastoria.showare.com. Reserved seats are \$35 and \$25. General admission tickets are \$15. Prices will increase by \$2 at the door. Parking is \$2.

Admission to the concert includes festival admission after 5 p.m. Shopping, snacks, a



Above: Fleetwood Mac tribute band Dreams performs with an ABBA tribute band on June 16.

Right: Sara Pajunen and Sunniva Brynnel will perform Scandinavian folk music.



Viking dinner, and beverages will be available as will the beer garden, which opens before and after the show.

Other entertainers during the festival: Kristoffer Kleive and Maria Skjeldrum Toppe of Norway, who play button accordion and har-

danger fiddle and are known for their humorous interaction; and Sara Pajunen and Sunniva Brynnel, who have roots in Swedish and Finnish folk music.

The festival is in its 51st year and has been declared an Oregon Heritage Tradition.

Habitat conservation stamp competition opens

Artists are invited to enter the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's 2019 Habitat Conservation Stamp, Waterfowl Stamp and Upland Game Bird Stamp art competitions.

Collector's stamps, art prints and other promotional materials are produced from first-place artwork.

Winning artists in each contest receive \$2,000. Entries can be delivered or shipped to ODFW headquarters between Aug. 31 and Sept. 28, at 4034 Fairview Industrial Drive S.E., Salem, OR 97302.

Habitat Conservation Stamp: Entries must feature a species in its natural habitat from the Oregon Conservation

Strategy. The list of eligible reptiles, amphibians, fish, invertebrates and plants and algae are on the entry form. Proceeds are used to restore native habitat and benefit Oregon's native fish and wildlife of greatest conservation concern.

Upland Game Bird Stamp: Entries must feature ruffed grouse in its natural habitat setting. The sale of upland game bird stamps funds game bird research, surveys, habitat improvement and conservation.

Waterfowl Stamp: Entries must feature one of the following species: lesser scaup,



The endangered pygmy rabbit was a habitat stamp winner last year.

red-breasted merganser, American green-winged teal or greater white-fronted goose. The sale of waterfowl stamps funds game bird research, surveys, habitat improvement and conservation projects.