

# DEADWOOD DITTO

## NOVEMBER 2020



Deadwood Swisshome Fire Dept Board mtg	November 12, Thursday at 7 pm, Swisshome station (next to the Post Office)
Mapleton Food Share- contact 541-268-2715 or 541-268-2919	Nov 12, Thursday and November 28 Saturday. 10am-2pm
Triangle Lake Food Box- contact: 541-925-3090	November 20, Friday. 11am-2pm
Deadwood Farmers Market. Parking lot of Deadwood PO	Every Sunday 11am-2pm

### Deadwood Food Coop Standard Informational Blurb

The Deadwood Co-op is a food buying club comprised of Deadwood area members. Established in the 1970's and run by volunteers, we bring natural, whole, organic, and local foods to Deadwood. We order six times yearly: Ordering information can be found in the Deadwood Trading Post under Food Coop tab. If you are a new member you will need the passwords to the catalogues. Contact Cathy Barr (541-964-5371) for those.

### And....New Coop Coordinator Needed

Dear Coop Friends,

I'm sad to tell you that Linda & I will be selling our home & moving to Eugene this spring. We have had the privilege of living here for 37 years. Leaving is very difficult yet, in the long run, as we age, we think it will be best for us. We value the community, the spirit, our friends, the natural beauty & peace. We will miss it all.

I will do the December & February orders. We need a new order coordinator to do the April order & then every other monthly orders. I can train the new person.

Please consider if you can meet this need. The Coop is well established & needs to continue to meet the needs of our members. Denice & Nancy are very good @ their jobs & are great to work with.

I'm wishing you & your family's safety, health & happiness. Best regards,

Cathy Barr

'Man is always a teller of stories, he lives surrounded by his stories and the stories of others. He sees everything that happens to him through them; and he seeks to live his life as if he was telling one.' It seems to me that the very notion of story is at the heart of what happened to us then. -Jean Paul Sarte-

*Sub: AKA, John Forbis*

### **Local Wildflower Honey Fundraiser at the Fill Your Pantry Event**

Sunday November 8, 2020 at Siuslaw Middle School

Everyone knows the health benefits from consuming local raw honey, particularly the boosting of the immune system and providing tons of disease fighting antioxidants and vitamins. But finding that local honey, especially here along the Oregon Coast, can be challenging. Well, the Central Coast Beekeepers Association (CCBA) has some great news for all of you honey lovers in search of that golden nectar!

Over the past couple of months, several members of the CCBA along the coast, have collected their local raw honey and bottled two different special wildflower blends. These will be exclusively sold at the Florence Farmers Market Fill Your Pantry Event on Sunday November 8th, 2020. This honey is being sold as a fundraiser for the Oregon State University (OSU) Bee Lab with all proceeds going toward a donation to the ongoing research and extension programs at the lab.

For \$10, you can purchase a one-pound jar of either the Light Oregon Coast Wildflower Honey or the limited edition of the Dark Oregon Coast Wildflower Honey. Both types are loaded with local anti-viral, anti-bacterial properties which are great for boosting the immunity and helping combat allergies. Quantities are limited, so make sure you order early. Now is the time to stock up for the winter season.

The Fill Your Pantry Event will be held on Sunday November 8th from Noon until 3 pm at the parking lot and covered area of the Siuslaw Middle School – 2525 Oak Street in Florence. It will be a drive through market with no money exchanged. You must pre-order your honey via the Whats Good App online starting on October 26th and ending on November 2nd only. The drive-through pick up event will be following the state and county Covid-19 guidelines for your health and safety. All volunteers and participating vendors will take the necessary precautions and thank you for being respectful of the state and county requirements to ensure the safety of everyone involved.

Here are some important links for more information about the event:

Florence Farmers Market

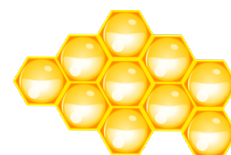
Website: <http://www.florencefarmersmarket.org/>

Whats Good App:

<https://sourcewhatsgood.com/>

Central Coast Beekeepers Association:

<http://www.ccbaor.org/>



## Election

I voted.

I voted for the rainbow.

I voted for the cry of a loon.

I voted for my grandfather's bones  
that feed beetles now.

I voted for a singing brook that sparkles  
under a North Dakota bean field.

I voted for salty air through which the  
whimbrel flies  
South along the shores of two continents.

I voted for melting snow that returns to the  
wellspring  
of darkness, where the sky is born from the  
earth.

I voted for daemonic mushrooms in the  
loam,  
and the old democracy of worms.

I voted for the wordless treaty that cannot  
be broken  
by white men or brown, because it is made  
of star semen,  
thistle sap, hieroglyphs of the weevil in  
prairie oak.

I voted for the local, the small, the brim  
that does not spill over, the abolition of  
waste,  
the luxury of enough.

I voted for the commonwealth of the  
ancient forest,  
a larva for every beak, a wing-tinted flower  
for every moth's disguise, a well-fed  
mammal's corpse

for every colony of maggots.

I voted for open borders between death  
and birth.

I voted on the ballot of a fallen leaf of  
sycamore  
that cannot be erased, for it becomes the  
dust and rain,  
and then a tree again.  
I voted for more fallow time to cultivate  
wild flowers,  
more recess in schools to cultivate play,  
more leisure, tax free, more space between  
days.

I voted to increase the profit of evening  
silence  
and the price of a thrush song.

I voted for ten million stars in your next  
inhalation.

- Alfred K. LaMotte  
*Submitted by Richie Gross*

## **Deadwood Creek Services (DCS)**

### **Board Updates:**

- The annual meeting has been postponed until further notice (hopefully in January)
  - The playground project is underway with various projects started. Thank you to all the volunteers who came to help with this. There is still more to do.
  - The Community Center will remain closed until further notice.
  - 2021 calendar is in the works. We will be taking orders for these.
  - Seeking a youth community member to join the board.
- Any questions or concerns please feel free to contact a board member.

We miss our community and events.  
Wishing you all good health and wellness as  
the seasons turn.  
Thank you!

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### **Volunteer Opportunity**

Friends of Florence is seeking new drivers. This free bus service, for cancer patients who are receiving radiation treatment, operates Monday through Friday, all year long. A driver's shift requires approximately five hours, from 7:30 a.m. to noon. Volunteers typically drive once per month. The Friends' bus is a 14-passenger vehicle. A commercial driver's license is not required. "It's about the same size as a small RV," said Bart Mealer, Chief Operating Officer for the organization.

As a result of the current COVID-19 pandemic, the organization has taken several steps to help ensure the safety and health of drivers and passengers. Some of these steps are:

- All passengers including the driver will wear face coverings while on the bus.
- Everyone will have their temperatures taken prior to boarding the bus.
- We have limited the number of passengers on the bus to four. This allows for 6ft of physical distancing.
- The bus will be cleaned and sanitized daily at the end of each trip.

"Cancer patients have to travel to Eugene or Springfield daily for these radiation treatments—it's 160 miles roundtrip from Florence," added Mealer. "Riding the bus helps ease the stress during this difficult time."

For over 34 years the Friends of Florence, a 501(c)(3) nonprofit, has transported patients roundtrip from Florence to the Willamette Valley Cancer Institute and to the Oregon Urology Institute. The bus leaves from Peace Harbor Hospital and, when requested, has pick-up locations in Mapleton and Veneta. The Friends maintain about 22 active drivers.

"Riding the bus also offers companionship for patients who are making this trip every day. It shows them that they're not alone," said Mealer. "It's a traveling support group." If you are interested in driving for the Friends of Florence, please contact Bart Mealer at 541-997-8663.

*Submitted by Bart Mealer*



**Happy Fall Y'all- *Elly and Kaki***

**BTW....**

The object of life is not to arrive at the end with a perfect body...;;;but to slide in dusty sideways ...uttering "What a Ride"  
Sub A.K.A., John Forbis

## **To Our Watershed Community:**

It has been almost two months since our local students at Siuslaw and Mapleton schools started the 2020-2021 school year.

With Covid-19 limiting the ability to work

with teachers on place-based field trips in the watershed, the Council has temporarily shifted to an offering of online resources.

With the help of our Board Vice President, Jim Grano, founder of the Stream Team Program and former Siuslaw and Mapleton Schools teacher, we are offering an annotated resource guide to teachers, tutors, parents, and others to engage our local students with their environment. Visit the SWC's website: [www.siuslaw.org](http://www.siuslaw.org), to view the guide.



The guide includes an annotated list of online programs that are both free and Ready-to-Use as well as a directory of additional resources to aid lesson development. The annotations from Jim include his comments and recommendations on the program offerings which include lesson plans, videos, slide shows, art ideas, and more. We look

forward to getting back out in the watershed with you soon!

*Submitted by Mizu Burruss*

### **Classifieds**

#### **Local help is**

**available:** garden/greenhouse care, harvesting/weeding/trimming, watering while you are away, household assistance help, typing, editing, proofreading, personal driver, errands, home & office organizing, tax help, grocery shopping, laundry, eco-friendly house cleaning including de-cob webbing your entire home & organizing, dump runs (\$25 + dump fee), landsitting, EMF radiation mitigation and more! Highly skilled at many things. Stellar local references, clean driving record, OR DL, full insurance, small truck, can pass background check. \$15-20/hr. Contact Sequoyah #964-5838 or [Walkingfeather42@protonmail.com](mailto:Walkingfeather42@protonmail.com)

Professional pet and farm animal care services available in Deadwood, Blachly, Triangle Lake, Swiss Home, Mapleton (30 yrs exp) - dog walks, elderly/convalescent care & baby animal care, overnights, daily visits (includes feeding, potty breaks outside, cleaning litter boxes, poop scooping, etc), 1/2 day or full day care in the pets' home, medication administration (IV fluids, insulin, pills), nail clips/trimming for cats, dogs, goats, etc, farm sitting while you go away, horse exercise/training (riding, lunging) and stall cleaning, holding animals for sheering/clipping or the farrier; goat milking, and more! Specialized in working with canine leash aggression, food aggression & all species rescues! Stellar local references, plus testimonials on my website; flexible



rates & availability, holiday coverage, available for emergencies. Contact Sequoyah #964-5838 or [Walkingfeather42@protonmail.com](mailto:Walkingfeather42@protonmail.com) ~ [www.sequoyahwalkingfeather.com/animal-care](http://www.sequoyahwalkingfeather.com/animal-care)

### **Journey On, Mary Lou Goertzen**

Mary Lou Goertzen, daughter, lifelong partner, mother, artist, gardener of all things creative and fun, full of song (to the end) has passed on.

The Deadwood community would be a much different place if she had not lived here. For she truly lived here. There was never a person whom she did not welcome to the community and find a place for them in her heart.

To say nothing of the innumerable Trilliums that were blessed and immortalized by her.  
Love love love.

*Submitted by Jan Kinney*



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If there any other remembrances that people would like to submit, I would save space in upcoming Dittos for those.

Respectfully, Jan Kinney

### **Nature's Corner (or editor's note)**

By the time you are reading this, the election will have taken place. The breath holding will be at an end and the real work will resume. There are so many times in the past few months when my breath is shortened by anxiety I have been reminded of the largesse of nature.

It is reassuring when the geese fly over, the hawks hunt the chickens, the northern pygmy owl flies across my path carrying her/his just caught mouse, the chinook bash each other under the bridge, the ruby crowned kinglet hangs from the branch with its scarlet crown fully open, the stars shout from the skies, the eagle drifts downstream.....and the kids adjust to the new school paradigm....

Life goes on. And on. And on. Joy to be found in that.

### **Deadwood Creek Services Board Members**

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Mikelle Loar, Ami Levy,  
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**Ditto Editor-** either Jan Kinney or Helen Burruss