

Deadwood Ditto

November 2025



Swisshome/Deadwood Fire Dept Board mtg	November 13, Thursday at 7 pm, Swisshome station (next to the Post Office)	Contact Mona Arbuckle @sd.rfpd.@gmail.com
Third Saturday dinner and dance, Deadwood Community Center	November 15, Saturday	Potluck Dinner 6:30, Music 7:30
Mapleton Food Share- contact 541-268-2715 or 541-268-2919	November 13, Thursday and November 28, Saturday	10am-2pm
Triangle Lake Food Box- contact Cyndie Blake 541-925-3254	November 14, Friday	10am-2pm
Siuslaw Watershed Council end of season community dinner	December 6, Saturday @ Deadwood Community Center	6pm
Deadwood Holiday Bazaar	December 13, Saturday Deadwood Community Center	11am-3pm
Deadwood Ditto deadwoodditto@yahoo.com	Submissions due the 26th of the month, with distribution very close to the first of the next month	Editor Jan Kinney
Deadwood Food Coop	Every other month Info available on Deadwood Trading Post under Food Coop tab	Yvonne Pappagallo contact yvonnpappy@gmail.com

Deadwood Holiday Bazaar Returns

Saturday, December 13, 11am-3pm

Deadwood Community Center

A popular event before Covid, we are bringing it back!
Shop locally this year for your hand crafted holiday gifts.
Support local artisans.
Enjoy lunch and snacks by the fireplace.

Call to Crafters

To register for table space (provided) please contact Cindy Curry rosecac@yahoo.com

See you there! Submitted by Mary McNutt



Deadwood Community Services Board Minutes

Present: Courtney Stone and Jacquie Ortiz -co conveners, Maggie Muir-treasurer, Mary Gibney-secretary, Kate Harnedy, Greg Hertzbach-building coordinator
Absent: Danell Sundstrom, Jack Ortiz
Guest: Marygold McNutt

- I. **Approval of Agenda:**
Motion to approve. All agreed.
- II. **Approval of Minutes:**
Not discussed
- III. **Building coordinator packet update:**
Rental brochures -motion to include an increase of \$5 up to 6 hours, \$10 6-12 hours for the use of the heat pump. All agreed
Dogs in building- feces and urine have been present. Motion -service dogs only allowed in building. All agreed. Greg will speak with the owner of the dogs.
Jacquie will put laminated signs on both doors and Courtney will submit to the ditto.
- IV. **Curtain upgrade:**
\$800 budget included. Motion- DCS will match donations given. All agreed . Kate will set up a link through Givebutter as a fundraising campaign. A sewing party shall commence.

- V. **Financial report:**
Included. Motion- Maggie requests items to improve the kitchen. All agreed.
- VI. **External events:**
10/16 - Siuslaw Vision Celebration
Event - highlight playground
10/17 - Sheltering Fundamentals Training w/ Red Cross (10a-4p)
11/7 - Board of Directors training
DCS will cover attendance fees for interested board members.
- VII. **Oral History Update:**
Asking for an extension. January or February ?
- VIII. **3rd Saturday:**
Skip Jones November. No December booking. Courtney will see if Dave will DJ. Backup option salsa classes.
October is Chilli night.
- IX. **Grants:**
Plans for 2026 - Prioritized: Operations (General), Operations (Third Saturday supplement - gas stipends, subsidized tickets), County fees for Property Donation - 3 Rivers (Nora said paperwork is being filed? - no updates), Fencing/access for Property Donation/insurance coverage (3 Rivers),

Camp (depending on how board recruitment goes), Fill the propane tank. Any additional projects need commitment from community volunteer champions.

X. **Maintenance:**

Upgrading/fixing lighting - refreshing stage (xmas lights over stage out). Jack will finish lighting updates in the next few weeks (may not be by this 3rd Saturday).
Playground structure - there's a crack. Maggie will take a picture and contact site.
Ditch near electrical for conex - Courtney to contact Forefront

XI. **Annual Meeting:**

Succession Planning - Board Member recruitment to start ASAP. Courtney and Maggie would like to remain on the board, just not as treasurer or convener. January 30th (Friday) or 31st (Saturday)? Ask Danell and Greg

XII. **End of year donation campaign:**

Courtney will write a draft letter.

XIII. **Calendar:**

Follow up in email with the Board

XIV. **Website updates:**

Update "donate" button to Givebutter. Kate will email Ami.

Next meeting 11/11/25 6pm

Meeting adjourned *Submitted by Mary Gibney*



New Curmudgeon Nov. '25
"Movement Never Lies" Martha Graham

It is in the basic uncertainty of all things that I find some reassurance. Some days I get caught up in my own failings and lose sight of the most important thing in my life right now...time. To arise from the shapeless mass of the common one must find a hole in the default condition and, with great assiduity, widen the size of time, its edges alight with rosy possibility...not to ignore the egregious, but to make of it the best you can. We long for "the inward grace of good feeling" that would save us from the vulgarity of worshiping rank and wealth though the realities of inequality are tightly woven into the culture's social fabric. Time is not a single thing but a package, a combination of things. There is no meaning for "now" outside this bubble...now is only local. Everything we "see" is in the past and is the history of our future. Our senses have the traditional role as the basis of non-inferential belief, despite their fallibility. In this model of belief the requirement of incorrigibility is dropped. Ideas are outside of linear time and have relevance only when we bring them into the next level, that of physical reality or the world as we perceive it. Time is "the acumen of all these years" *Sgt. Pepper*. All created things, in time, are copies of what was once an idea. The phenomenal world is a world of effects whose causes originate from a higher level of reality and are related to one another in a time sequence. Thus the visible is derived from the invisible. We have learned to manipulate different frequencies of ever moving particles into "solid" objects, which simply means a certain level of density. Modern synthetics illustrate how we have learned to manipulate the very elements of physical reality into composites. All this from what is originally an idea of mind...an undefinable idea in itself. This mind exists in a higher level of reality we cannot grasp. We are made of time...the echoes of a song that saturates the waking memory, an old veteran made of barbed wire and twisted metal, yet as real as the stark reality of a bad toothache. What is salient to each of us is singular to each particular consciousness. An essential thing about our human experience is that understanding is always governed by feeling and that any factual knowledge, rather than shaping subjective experience, is shaped by it. The future is but a gasp beyond fact, our younger self, always unwrinkled, invulnerable, immortal. Life takes away as impartially as it gives. We have no protection at all, neither for ourselves or others. We grow by giving it up. *Submitted by James Webb*

End of Season Dinner

Saturday December 6th 6:00 pm

Deadwood Community Center



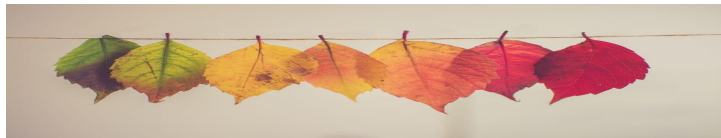
Deadwood residents are invited to join us for a thank-you spaghetti dinner sponsored by the Siuslaw Coho Partnership to celebrate the completion of the new bridge and floodplain reconnection project at West Fork Deadwood.



Spaghetti, including vegan options, drinks, and bread will be provided.
Feel free to bring a side dish or dessert to share!

Please contact outreach@siuslaw.org to RSVP and with any questions

Submitted by Eli Yager



Even with insects--
some can sing,
some can't.
Issa

Submitted by Kaki Burruss

Siuslaw Watershed Council Fundraising

The Siuslaw Watershed Council is kicking off its end-of-the-year fundraising campaign with a Matching Donations challenge to our supporters! Thanks to the generosity of two of our members, any gifts made between October 1 and December 31, 2025 will be automatically matched up to \$20,000!

“Donations from the local community really help our organization’s capacity,” commented Tim Moffett, executive director of the SWC. “While much of the funding for our restoration projects comes from grants and partnerships with other organizations, the operating costs to keep the doors open aren’t covered in those grants.” Operating costs are expenses such as rent and utilities, office supplies, insurance, and accounting fees. They can also include staff salaries that are not included in restoration projects.

The Council works to restore, protect, and promote stewardship of the Siuslaw and Coastal Lakes watersheds, and support sound economic, social, and environmental uses of natural and human resources in the Siuslaw River Basin. You can learn about our major restoration projects on our website or in our quarterly newsletters. Projects implemented in 2025 include tidal marsh reconnection at haich ikt’at’uu in Cushman, floodplain reconnection at the confluence of West Fork Deadwood and Misery creeks in Deadwood, large wood placement for salmon spawning and winter rearing habitat in Pataha Creek in Walton, replacement of failed culverts to allow aquatic organism passage at Swartz Creek in Blachly, and revegetation of riparian areas of legacy farms and private properties throughout our service area.

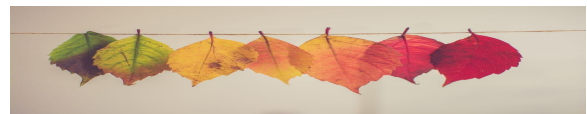
SWC also hosts educational programming throughout the year. In 2024, field trips reached over 800 students while community events engaged 124 residents in workshops, volunteer activities, and restoration site tours. In 2025, our free summer programming brought 75 students, grades 4-8, on exploratory trips throughout the watershed, connecting them with the outdoors and introducing them to concepts of watershed-scale natural resource management. This fall also welcomed the start of recreational trail revitalization at Sweet Creek Falls in Mapleton.

Donations can be made at the Council website, <http://www.siuslaw.org>, or by mailing a check to SWC at PO Box 422, Mapleton, OR 95453. Remember, your donation helps us raise \$2 for every \$1 you give during our current match campaign! You can also select the option for recurring online donations to help ensure support for our programs well into the future. For any questions call our office at (541) 268-3044 or contact us by email at outreach@siuslaw.org.

There are other ways to give to SWC as well. The Legacy Giving Program offers participants a way to donate stocks to the Council. Donating in this way gives the value of that stock on the day of donation to the Council and allows a credit and income tax deduction for the value of the day it was donated. Donations can be made to the Siuslaw Watershed Council Agency Fund at Western Lane Community Foundation; at the end of each calendar year the Council receives the interest earned. SWC can also be selected as a beneficiary of your IRA distributions.

Any of these forms of donation provide critical support to help us complete our mission of stewarding the lands and waters of the Siuslaw and Coastal Lakes to benefit our communities, economy, environment, and future generations.

Submitted by Eli Yager



Naked
on a naked
horse
in
pouring
rain!

Issa

Submitted by Kaki Burrus



"There is a road
no simple highway
between the dawn and the dark of night"
And in that hour where dreams are berthed
we can access a place
of marvelous dimension
where fantasy merges with what we realize
and how that shapes our day
is really hard to say
but we are not to question

as we follow the ripple out
knowing not whence came the stone
That which is to happen cannot be known
and even the fleeting present
not for the keeping
fades in the half light between night and day
between time and memory
lost upon an indifferent universe
We are enamored with an idea of eternity
James Webb



Notice of Regular Board Meeting

The Swisshome Deadwood Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors will hold the regular Board Meeting on Thursday, November 13th, 2025 at 7:00 PM at the Swisshome fire station (12) - 13283 OR-36, Swisshome, OR 97480.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES and BILLS:

OLD BUSINESS:

NEW BUSINESS:

PUBLIC COMMENT: TREASURER'S REPORT

CORRESPONDENCE: FIRE CHIEF REPORT

Meeting venue

SWOT

Submitted by Mona Arbuckle

RED CROSS EMERGENCY SHELTER

On Friday, October 17th, the Red Cross offered a course on Shelter Fundamentals and Simulation. Courtney Stone of DCS hosted this course at the Community Center. The event was well attended by Deadwood Community Action members and fire chief Greg Hertzbach.

Rah Mareel-Alley and Lisa Phinney presented the program which started with background information on Red Cross. The organization is non-denominational, non-political and 90% volunteer.

Red Cross responds to emergencies only when requested. Types of emergencies which may require an emergency shelter include storms, fires and earthquakes. Information on opening, operating and closing a shelter was presented. Logistics of arranging a shelter as well as privacy concerns were discussed.

After a lunch break, Courtney opened the resiliency pod.

We familiarized ourselves with the contents. The solar generator was unpacked and activated. Lights were unpacked and powered with the solar generator. A large pop up canopy was set up. Contents of the first aid kit were checked out. Courtney demonstrated how to switch the pod from line power to generator power.

A shelter simulation, psychological factors and pet etiquette will be offered in a follow-up class.

Submitted by MaryLou Robicheaux



The first hearths

fires makes smoke

That does not choke

As it hangs low and heavy

Like a mulling wine

In the stomach of the valley.

It brings

Suspended belief:

Apollo's teeth will never release us from heat

And then

With a grand nonchalance

Nature stands in its own death with ease

Our somniferous old friend

Visits and begins a slow dance

That's puts earth to sorrowful sleep

A bleakness that will creep

Our bodies can't help but imitate landscapes

Pour a moment

Wash it down

With nostalgia and yearning

More bitters than that now

Count your limbs and blessings

The eyes in the back of my head

What we can and cannot see

To have bled, loved and become dead

Lucky you

Lucky me

To fall means

One was amongst the birds

Justice Johnson

Mapleton School November Calendar

NOVEMBER

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
						1 Friday School and Elementary Program
2 Daylight Savings Time	3 Canned Food Drive Begins	4 Election Day	5	6	7 Friday School and Elementary Program	8
9 Lion's Club Breakfast	10 Veterans Day School in Session	11	12 Ruby Bridges Walk to School Event	13 4pm- Conferences Canned Food Drive Ends	14 8am- Conferences	15
16	17 GearUP College and Career Readiness Week	18 GearUP College and Career Readiness Week	19 College Application Day 6pm - Board Mtg	20 Spirit Day! Elementary Value Your Learning Awards	21 Friday School and Elementary Program	22
23	24 NO SCHOOL	25 FALL BREAK	26 NO SCHOOL	27 FALL BREAK	28 NO SCHOOL	29 FALL BREAK
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