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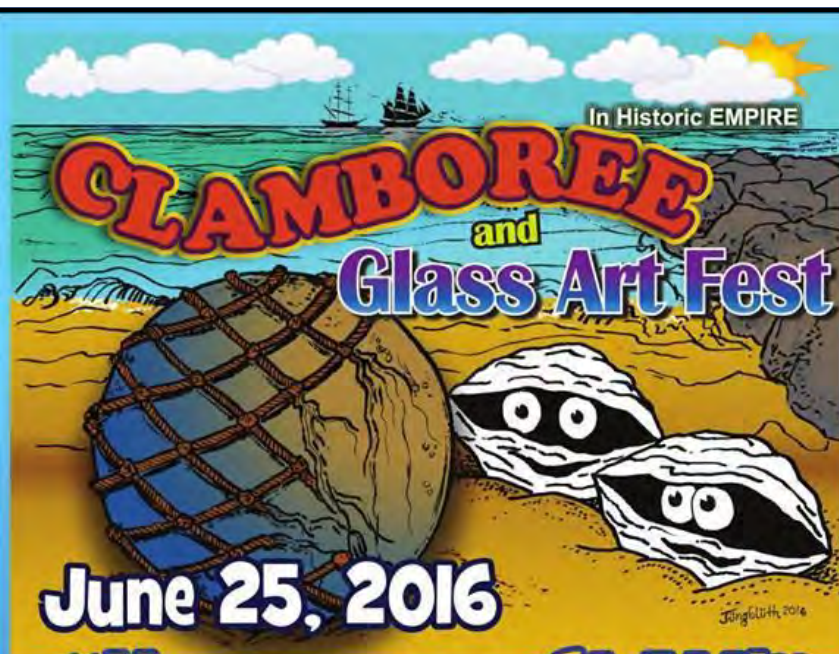


The Friday Update

June 24, 2016

Tomorrow in Historic Empire!!!

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VENDORS • LIVE MUSIC • BEER GARDEN

CLAMS

BOAT BUILDING CENTER, TRIBAL HALL & MUSEUM TOURS

GLASS BLOWING DEMONSTRATIONS

HOLLERING CONTEST

BEER & WINE GARDEN

SPECIAL CHILDRENS' AREA

HOLLERING PLACE RADIO SHOW

LIVE MUSIC LINEUP:

10-11:30: Daily Bills
11:30-12:30: "Finnavarra & The Nor'Westers" Pub Style Celtic Music
12:30-1:00: Buzz Krill
1:15-2:00: Metro Gnomes
2:00-3:00: Road Rockers
3:00-4:00: Hollering Contest
4:00-6:00: The Clamdiggers

Special Thanks to Event Sponsors:



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Making it shine...



The Vigue Company building, next door to City Hall at 598 Anderson Avenue, has taken advantage of the warmer weather to spruce up the building. Owner Dick Vigue had the building exterior power-washed and re-painted, installed new handrails at the main entrance, installed upgraded exterior lights, and re-topped and striped the parking lot. The building houses the Vigue Company insurance agency along with offices for accountants, lawyers, and other professionals.

Getting a facelift soon...

Empire Mercantile is getting a facelift with help from the Facade Improvement Grant Program which helps finance exterior improvements to promote the revitalization of the City's two Urban Renewal districts. Located at 640 Newmark Avenue, the building was constructed in 1930 with the western addition built in 1973/1974. It is located in the Empire Urban Renewal District and the Empire Waterfront Settlement Design Review District.

The south side of the building facing Newmark Avenue will have the biggest changes. The painted rock façade will be replaced with dark cultured ledgerstone, three existing recessed windows will be framed in to make an indoor display area, and the deteriorated exterior siding will be replaced with stucco-style Hardie boards to match the original stucco finish. The existing wood canopy will be replaced with a dark metal canopy that extends about a foot away from the structure, and it will wrap around to the west side of the building. A recessed opening on the west side facing Wall Street will be framed in with the stucco-style siding. The entire building will be painted a medium warm grey with dark grey trim.

Second-generation owners Shawn and Lori Frost are excited about improving their storefront and Empire's main thoroughfare.



EMPIRE MERCANTILE ...Building Color Concept

Little Italy is expanding...

Coos Bay is blessed to have not one but two great Italian restaurants, Benetti's and Little Italy. Little Italy located downtown in the historic Chandler building is in the process of expanding to better serve the communities' banquet needs, local service clubs, and parties with seating for up to 50 people.



Being good stewards of our boat launch facilities...



This past Wednesday, the City temporarily closed the Empire recreational boat launch facility for maintenance of the parking lot. The lot was crack sealed, seal coated, and restriped using funds from the Oregon State Marine Board.

Cleaning up the City...

The City Council discussed the possibility of making the Visitor Information Center campus a no smoking campus in an effort to clean up the area. Currently, the grounds around the building are littered with hundreds of cigarette butts despite the fact that there are ashcans provided for the proper disposal of cigarette butts.

Currently, the Coos Bay Municipal Code prohibits smoke on the Library campus, in Mingus Park, and on the downtown Boardwalk. The Council was not only in favor of an ordinance banning smoking at the Visitor Information Center, but possibly all City owned facilities. This matter will be revisited at the City Council meeting on July 19th.



Park hours...



Nearly all of the City's parks are "day use" only parks. Several years ago, the Council adjusted the hours for Mingus Park (open 24 hours a day). Since that time, crime and complaints about crime has increased.

The City Council will be considering an ordinance on July 19th to change the park hours from dawn to 10:00 pm.

Empire Blvd. closed for daytime paving next week...

Empire Blvd. (Cape Arago Highway) will be closed from Newmark Avenue to Fulton Avenue between the hours of 7 a.m. and 5 p.m. on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, June 28-30, Oregon DOT says.

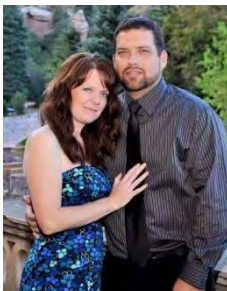
The daytime closures of this eight-block section of Empire Blvd. will allow workers to pave the northbound lane. The southbound lane will be used for staging each of the three days, but it will be open at night. Motorists traveling either direction between Coos Bay and Charleston are advised to detour through Marple Street and Fulton Avenue. Flaggers will be posted at several locations along the detour route. After the grinding and paving work is completed, this section of Empire Blvd. will be limited to a single lane of southbound traffic for several weeks. Northbound motorists will continue to use the Marple-Fulton detour.



Access to local businesses will be limited while the grinding and paving work is underway next week. Customers visiting the Espresso Mill & Bakery (520 S. Empire Blvd.) and Fisherman's Seafood Market (170 S. Empire Blvd.) are encouraged to park on a nearby side street and walk the short distance to either business. Empire Blvd. residents are also advised to park on side streets while paving work is in progress. During construction, motorists will be able to use Newmark Avenue to reach the Empire boat ramp.

ODOT and the City of Coos Bay are partnering on the construction of the \$5 million Empire Blvd: Newmark Avenue to Wisconsin Avenue Street Improvements project. Construction began in January, and it is expected to be completed in October.

A fond farewell...



Captains Kevin & Heather Pope of the Salvation Army recently announced that they had received transfer orders, and they would be transferring to the Bakersfield CA to oversee the work of the Salvation Army there. Kevin and Heather came to the Coos Bay area approximately five years ago after completing a two year course of training.

With Kevin's previous experience as a Fire Fighter in California, he soon became engaged in one of the many needs of our community, Disaster Preparedness. In addition, Kevin began serving as a Police and Fire Chaplin to our public safety departments, and he deployed on numerous requests for those services.

Heather oversaw the numerous services offered at the Salvation Army campus located on Ferguson Street in Empire. This included after school programs for the youth in that area as well as distributing food, clothing, and other supplies to the families and individuals in need.

Both Kevin and Heather will be greatly missed!

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**CITY OF COOS BAY
CELEBRATION IN MINGUS PARK**

“THE MAYOR’S FIRECRACKER RUN”

Sponsored by South Coast Running Club
Registration 9:00 a.m. - Run 10:00 a.m.

PRESENTATION OF THE FLAG

The Boy Scouts of America 11:00 a.m.

COME SUPPORT OUR SCOUTS!

Boy Scouts: Hamburger & Hot Dog Booth

FREE SWIMMING AT MINGUS POOL 1:30-4:00PM



LIVE MUSIC - Endless starting at 11:00AM

ACTIVITIES AND VENDORS

11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

COOS BAY FIREFIGHTER VOLUNTEER ASSOC. & ODFW - FISHING DERBY

COOS BAY FIRE DEPT. - SHOW & TELL OF FIRE TRUCK

BAY CITIES AMBULANCE - INFO & GIVEAWAYS

TENDER SPIRIT RANCH - HORSE PETTING & INFO

COOS ART MUSEUM - FACE PAINTING

COOS BAY PUBLIC LIBRARY - FREE BOOKS & STORYTELLING

BOY SCOUTS OF AMERICA - FLAG CEREMONY & FOOD BOOTH

COOS BAY POLICE & K-9 UNIT

SHORELINE COMMUNITY CHURCH - CRAFTS

COOS BAY FIRE AXILLARY - INFO BOOTH, POPCORN & FREE GIVEAWAYS

JUMP FOR FUN & FURRY FRIENDS

COOS BAY ELKS # 1160 - INFO & GIVEAWAYS

SURFRIDER - INFO ON UPCOMING EVENTS

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY - CRAFTS & GAMES

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