

# DEADWOOD DITTO

May 2022



Deadwood Food Coop	Next order due in June 2022	
Siuslaw Saunter Sponsored by Siuslaw Watershed Council (SWC)	PAWN Old Growth Trail May 7th, 2p.m.- 4p.m.	See article
May Day Run	May 8th, Sunday Deadwood Community Center 10 a.m.	See article
Swisshome/Deadwood Fire Dept Board mtg	May 12th, Thursday at 7 pm, Swisshome station (next to the Post Office)	Contact Mona Arbuckle at <a href="mailto:sd.rfpd@gmail.com">sd.rfpd@gmail.com</a> or Call 541-964-3225
Mapleton Food Share- contact 541-268-2715 or 541-268-2919	May 12, Thursday and May 28th, Saturday	10am-2pm
Triangle Lake Food Box- contact 541-925-3090	May 20th, Friday	11am-2pm
Jig Tying Workshop Sponsored by SWC	May 21st, Saturday 11a.m.-1p.m.	See article
Siuslaw Watershed Council Gathering	May 25th, Wednesday Zoom 5:30-7:30	See article
Deadwood Ditto info and deadlines	Editors- Jan Kinney Printing- Kaki Burruss Delivery- Greg Kennedy	The 26th of each month, with the goal of printing and delivery by the first of the month. Ditto url <a href="mailto:deadwoodditto@yahoo.com">deadwoodditto@yahoo.com</a>





**Notice of Budget Committee and Regular Meeting**

**Swisshome Deadwood RFPD Board**

The Swisshome Deadwood Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors will hold a Budget Committee Meeting at 6:00 PM on May 12th, 2022, followed by a regular Board Meeting at 7:00 p.m. at the Swisshome fire station (12) - 13283 OR-36, Swisshome, OR 97480.

The meeting agenda will include:

- Strategic plan
  - Policy 0.6
- Volunteer bank account
- Out of District Contract
  - Ordinance

This notice is provided in accordance with ORS 192.640 (1)

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Regular meetings of the fire board are held at 7p.m. on the second Thursday of each month at the Swisshome fire station unless otherwise posted. Requests for accommodations can be addressed to [sd.rfpd@gmail.com](mailto:sd.rfpd@gmail.com).

Notices of future meetings will be posted at the following locations:

- Swisshome Post Office
- Deadwood Post Office



## IT TAKES A COMMUNITY TO PROTECT OURSELVES

The last two years have been challenging for everyone, your local volunteer fire protection district included. We've had volunteers leave and we've had others become less active. We currently have nine dedicated volunteers who show up for calls, day or night, and attend drills regularly. This doesn't mean nine people are going to show up for your emergency. It means nine of your neighbors are trained and willing to show up anywhere in the district IF they are available. This is the smallest amount of volunteers we've had since 2015. It doesn't take a lot of time to volunteer but it does take time and a commitment to helping your neighbors and your community.

Swisshome-Deadwood RFPD protects over 47 square miles between milepost 6 and 22 on hwy36. We maintain three stations. Station 12 in Swisshome, Station 13 in Deadwood on hwy36, and Station 14 on Deadwood Creek Rd. We responded to 62 calls in 2021.

Station 12 in Swisshome has no volunteers

Station 13 in Deadwood has 3 volunteers, 1 Firefighter and 2 FF/EMTs

Station 14 on Deadwood Creek Rd has 6 volunteers, 3 FFs, 2 FF/EMRs and 1 FF/EMT

Contact [chief@sdrfpd.org](mailto:chief@sdrfpd.org) to volunteer, applications are available on our website at [sdrfpd.org](http://sdrfpd.org).

Greg Hertzbach  
Fire Chief

Swisshome-Deadwood RFPD  
541-901-1469



In the clear fording  
Pale feet of the silent girl...  
Clouding May waters

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Walking Jett in the pasture, I glimpsed through the trees on the other side of Deadwood Creek a small group of women making their way down to the ford. The image was illusionary, the wavy image of a mirage or a dream.

The old Deadwood-Alsea Highway runs downhill across our property to that ford. But even before it was used by settlers, I'm sure the road was a First Nations trail, and the ford a gathering place.

A story my mother told me came to mind. Sitting on the porch of her farmhouse in the Panhandle of Texas in the 1930s she could see Native people come down to the creek for water.

Jett and I made our way down to the ford, but it was silent except for the rush of water over the small rocky dam. Around me I could feel the presence of women who came before, and women who will come after me to that ford and every place where water brings life.

*Submitted by Kaki*

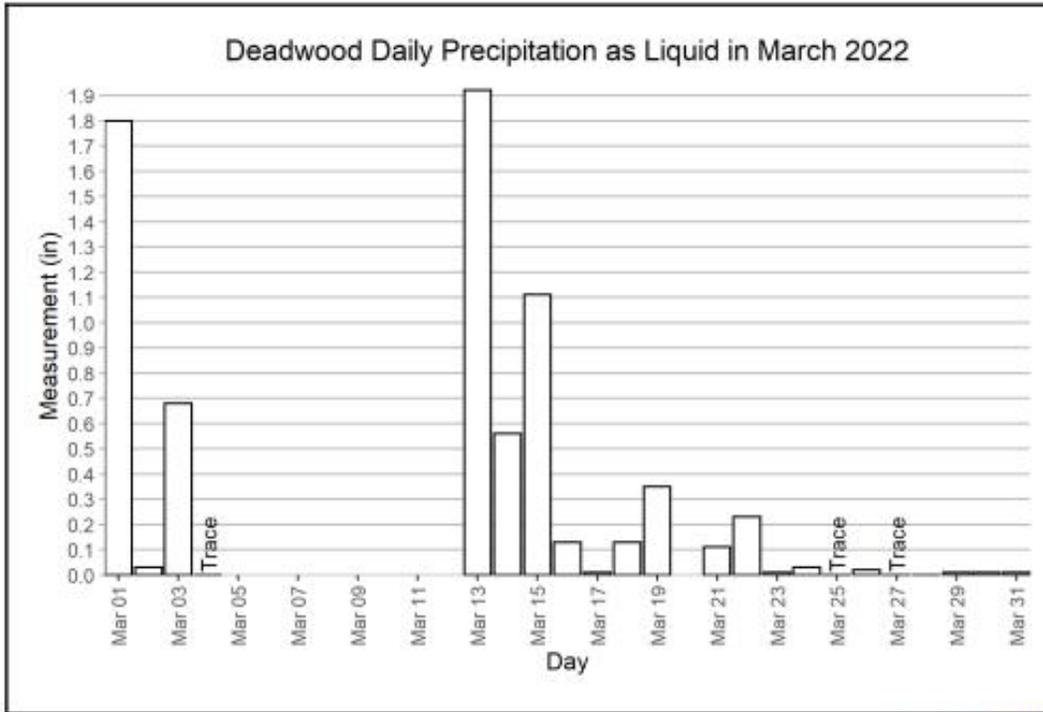


### **The new curmudgeon**

Art is a coping mechanism for this incomprehensible life...the incremental loss that is life itself. There is nothing original because everything is an influence and yet everything is original because nothing escapes our imagination. The complexity of our being, everything we have lived and loved is reflected in our art. Our imagination is a collection of experience, memories, influences and is something of a construction awaiting an igniting spark of spirit, or pneuma. This vital spirit is made stronger by constant use. Our very lives are the ultimate creative work. The otherness between people is a relative position oriented by hope. To expect is, in some way, to give. Your impression of yourself is mediated by the presence of another, this unique interaction between giving and expecting, beyond demand and neediness. Hope becomes a compassionate exchange between all people beneath an entropic universe...the preciousness of life, the precariousness of a world crying out for help. Hopefulness is not a neutral position but an adversarial, warrior emotion. Hope and entropy are like two opponents...we're alive because our sun is burning out. Without entropy, we wouldn't exist. "We must love one another and die" w.h. Auden. Hope has nothing to do with our investment in the euphoric dream of a final and permanent triumph over evil. "Good " and "evil"are interdependent. It has more to do with the bonding relationship among humans and is part of the finitude we must accept. We endure politicians puffing out vituperous criticism,all the while engaging in that rhetorical strategy known as narrative laundering...at least as old as mark anthony and julius caesar, that is to use the language of one ideology while espousing the values of another. The news media will engage in collective shock and surprise, expressing wide eyed disbelief at some perceived interregnum. Do they truly believe they have the luxury to ignore reality? This is ,at best, a disingenuous psychodynamic. We have just been a world of hostages to a submicroscopic assailant. We snatch our freeze frame of life from the simultaneity of existence by sustaining illusions of permanence, congruence and linearity. Life is a byproduct of reality. *Submitted by James Webb*



## Rainfall Record



**Where:** Lower Deadwood Creek

**When:** morning

**Questions?** [abfarmer232@gmail.com](mailto:abfarmer232@gmail.com)

Month	Total Precip	Notes
Jan	9.27"	Gusty first half of month
Feb	2.14"	Dry for February. Frosty second half of month, maybe last hard frost?
Mar	7.15"	Turkey vultures and swallows are back

*Submitted by Aradia & Brandon Farmer*



# SIUSLAW

## WATERSHED COUNCIL

### Community Events & Activities

Spring 2022



#### **Siuslaw Saunter at PAWN Old Growth Trail**

May 7th 2pm - 4pm

Join the Siuslaw Saunterers for a leisurely walk and talk on Siuslaw National Forest's PAWN Old Growth Trail in Minerva. Jim Grano and Tim Moffett from the Siuslaw Watershed Council and interpretive rangers from the US Forest Service will lead an informative stroll and highlight recent trail improvements, including the new "log walk." This short trail makes a 4000-foot loop through old-growth forest along Taylor Creek and the North Fork Siuslaw River.



#### **Jig Tying Workshop**

May 21st 11am - 1pm

In recognition of World Fish Migration Day, May 21st, we are hosting a free jig tying workshop with project manager Caleb Mentzer and Council friend Evan Moso, proprietor of Spin-X Designs Tackle! This will be an outdoor lunchtime event at a private residence on the Siuslaw River in Mapleton. A light lunch of grill foods will be provided. Space is limited to the first 15 participants who register.



#### **May 2022 Watershed Gathering**

May 25th 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Aquatic Ecologist Holden Reinert will present "Aquatic Macroinvertebrate Ecology and Identification," followed by fisheries biologist Chris Mayes who will present "Macroinvertebrate Identification in the Siuslaw Watershed." The meeting will be hosted via Zoom.

Find out more information about these events and the Siuslaw Watershed Council by visiting our website ([www.siuslaw.org](http://www.siuslaw.org)) or our Facebook page ([www.facebook.com/siuslawwatershedcouncil](https://www.facebook.com/siuslawwatershedcouncil)). Our office is located in Mapleton, and you can reach us by phone at 541-268-3044 or by emailing [outreach@siuslaw.org](mailto:outreach@siuslaw.org).

## **Community Forum Invitation**

I am reaching out to invite you to join [Live Healthy Lane](#) and [Siuslaw Vision](#) for a community conversation about health and well-being in the Siuslaw Upriver region!

**Date and Time:** Wednesday, May 11<sup>th</sup> from 5:30 – 7:00 pm - optional dinner catered by Alphabit from 5:00 – 5:30

**Location:** Mapleton Grange (10880 E. Mapleton Rd.)

This event will be an opportunity for you to reconnect with your neighbors and provide feedback around how Live Healthy Lane and Siuslaw Vision can best support the community through funding, resources, and collaboration opportunities in the future.

In addition to dinner and refreshments, you will also receive a VISA gift card to thank you for your time.

This event is part of Live Healthy Lane's [Rural Outreach Project](#) which is working to gather input from rural community members about their community's experience with health disparities related to race, geography, and income and increase collaboration with rural communities in Lane County. We are also hosting one-to-one conversations with community members to learn more about health in the Upriver Region. If you are interested in learning more about the project or getting involved, please reach out. My contact information is below.

Please let us know if you can make it and if you will be joining us for dinner. Feel free to invite your friends and neighbors to join, too! Please share the attached flyer and this email widely.

Reach out with any questions. I hope to see you soon!

Best,

[Dorothy Goodwin \(she/her\) Live Healthy Lane Community Engagement VISTA United Way of Lane County 3171 Gateway Loop, Springfield, OR 97477 541.357.5810 | \[dgoodwin@unitedwaylane.org\]\(mailto:dgoodwin@unitedwaylane.org\)](#)



### **\$200 Finder's Fee.**

Family of three, who have been living in Deadwood for 9 years, is seeking to lease a house/property in Deadwood or the surrounding area. We are a member of the Co-Op, have friends here in the neighborhood and very much wish to stay in this area. We are highly dependable, responsible people and have excellent references. Please email [aldertrees@yahoo.com](mailto:aldertrees@yahoo.com) Or phone 541-964-3149 and leave a message. *Submitted by Deborah Felsenfeld*

## WLCF to Award up to 14 Continuing Education Scholarships

### **APPLICATION DEADLINE IS MAY 31, 2022**

WLCF is pleased to announce its 8<sup>TH</sup> annual Continuing Education Scholarships program for 2022 offering scholarships totaling \$18,100. These scholarships are awarded annually and are designed for students who use permanent home addresses within the Florence or Mapleton school district geographical areas and have already graduated from High School (**2021 or earlier**), have their diploma, GED, or were homeschooled and are eligible to enter higher education or a trade school or a graduate program. This includes non-traditional students starting or returning to a program after a career or family change or job loss. Criteria includes academic achievement, financial need, outside activities, work history, and volunteerism to name a few. Scholarships are available as outlined below.

**\$3,000 Arlis Ulman Health Careers Scholarship** to a Lane Community College student. The Ulman Scholarship is designed to assist students enrolled at LCC in their nursing or pre-nursing curriculum either in Florence or the Eugene campus. Students must have a permanent residence in the Florence/Mapleton school district area, have graduated in 2021 or earlier, major in the Nursing Program, including students completing prerequisites prior to admission to the nursing program, and who have demonstrated a commitment to academic achievement and have financial need.

**\$1,600 Don Tiegen Scholarship** to a student who is re-entering upper education after a significant interruption such as military service, injury, or a career change. Student may be working on obtaining GED.

**\$1,000 Peace Health Medical Staff Scholarship** to an entry level medical student, tech, paramedic/EMT, nurse practitioner or graduate student. May be renewed until program is finished.

**The following scholarships** are awarded to students who are in their sophomore or higher year, re-entry students and other career changing adults attending graduate programs, traditional four-year colleges as well as community colleges and accredited trade schools and special arts programs. Home schooled students are eligible if they are attending a qualified school in the fall and have earned their GED.

- \$8,000 for up to (8) Western Lane Community Foundation Scholarships
- \$2,000 Leon Krzycki Scholarship
- \$1,500 John Seaver Scholarship
- \$1,000 Glenn Butler Scholarship

**Applications are available online at [www.wlcfonline.org](http://www.wlcfonline.org)**

**Deadline for post-mark or receipt is May 31, 2022**

*submitted by Tim Moffitt*

## JUSTICE DENIED ... again

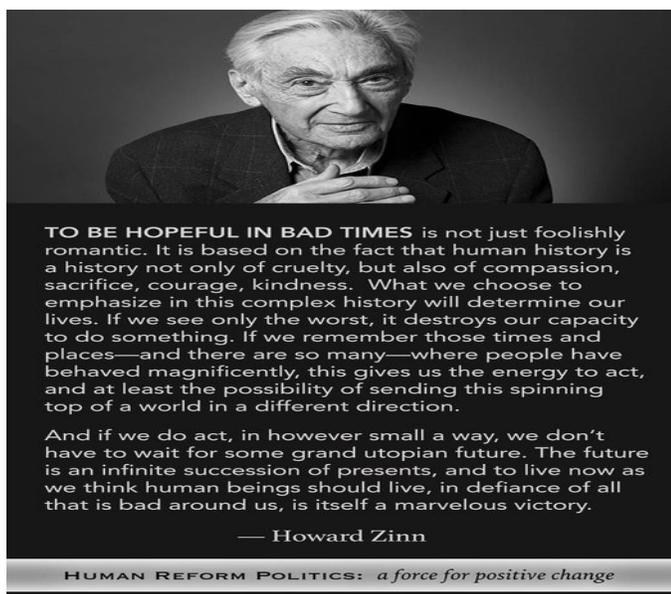
Last month, the Oregon Supreme Court refused to hear two ballot access cases brought by Community Rights Lane County advocates appealing a circuit county judge's denial of two initiatives. One proposes a ban on aerial herbicide spraying in our forests, and the other asserts Lane County residents' authority to write and pass laws (aka "the right of community self-government"). Guided by the wise counsel of a trusted attorney, the petitioners complied with all rules of the initiative process.

For the last 10 years, Community Rights Lane County has been trying to exercise our rights to make decisions on the issues that impact us most – in these 2 cases, to stop the decades-long aerial spraying of toxic herbicides by the corporate-driven timber industry.

If we believe in the legislative powers of the people, as laid out in the Oregon Constitution: "that all power is inherent in the people, and all free governments are founded on their authority", then we must see the governmental/corporate alliance for what it is, and be willing to take bold action. The court's inaction demonstrates callous disrespect of the people's right to the initiative process.

We need to institute real systems of governance that support and advocate for people, communities, and the environment. We must be willing to create, real democracy, where the will of the people is considered, protected, respected and upheld.

Dedicated citizens will continue working to overturn government-enforced, unjust laws that reward corporate greed over the needs of the environment and all inhabitants. We have a moral responsibility to protect the places in which we live, especially when our government officials will not. *Submitted by Michelle Holman*



*Submitted by Richie Gross*

## Deadwood Cemetery News

Work Day on Sat, May 14: In honor of Memorial Day we will have our Spring work day on 5/14 beginning around 9 or 10, rain or shine. We'll mow, edge, burn branches, pull ivy and do general cleanup. Weedeaters, pruners, loppers and chainsaws are always welcome, as well as native plant and shade gardeners! Sorry there will be no Pioneer Heritage Day celebration or potluck this year; maybe we'll try again next year.



Garden Watch: If you have visited DPC lately, you may have seen flowers blooming, even in the cold and stormy weather -

Sweet-smelling Oregon grapes and sweetbox finished blooming early; Hellebores have been going strong since February; current blooms include bleeding hearts, Oregon iris, lilies of the valley, pulmonaria, spirea and dogwood on the drive in. Soon to come: lilacs, chocolate lilies, azaleas, rhododendrons, and columbine...

if you have an interest and want to help, swap plants or seeds, text or call Megan at

541-999-2209.

Veterans Memorial Rock: By this Memorial Day, May 30, over 24 military veterans will be honored at DPC with plaques on the Veterans Memorial Rock at DPC. One generous sponsor has already paid for 10 of our WWII veterans, to honor the contributions of our military veterans towards freedom and liberty worldwide! You may have known Jim Haldiman, but did you know he was a Hospital Corpsman on a nuclear submarine along the Pacific for 10 years during the Cold War? Cheryl, Marty, his daughters and friends held a formal Flag Ceremony at the new Veterans' Memorial Rock at DPC. What an honor!

Gentle Reminder: Rain can make it easier to gently scrub moss, grime and dirt from the headstones. We have purchased D2 cleaner specifically for use on historic stones. Use only soft bristle brushes and/or wooden stir sticks - no harsh scrubbers, knives, bleach, dish soap, etc. To use D2, email us or talk to Pat at 541-603-5730, Gerry or Megan (numbers above).

*Submitted by Megan Gerber*

## **2022 May Day Run, Pancake Breakfast, and Garden Plant Exchange!**

So many things to celebrate: Community, Spring, Mother's Day

**When:** Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>, 9:30 AM (run/walk/ride starts at 10 AM)

**Where:** Deadwood Community Center (4.3 miles up Deadwood Creek Road)

**What:**

- The Run: Come take a run, a walk, or a ride around the Deadwood Creek Loop and through the Deadwood covered bridge.
- The Breakfast: Pancakes for all, cooked by community members.
- The (free) Raffle: Enter your name to win raffle prizes that are donated by local artists and craftspeople. (...and donate something for the raffle, too!)
- The Plant Exchange: Bring your surplus garden starts to exchange with others. This is a great way to bring more diversity to your garden this summer and to hobnob with other great gardeners!
- What to bring: Just yourselves! This is a very family-friendly event—the more the merrier!

If you feel like it, bring your favorite pancake topping to share, a raffle prize to donate, or plant starts to share. Cleaning out your freezer in preparation for the summer harvest can be a good opportunity to cook up those frozen berries into a delicious pancake topping! Honey, maple syrup, yogurt, and butter are also great toppings to bring.

We understand that everyone has a different level of comfort with/without COVID-19 precautions such as distancing and masking. Please plan your attendance with your own concerns in mind, and be mindful and respectful of others' concerns. Masks will be optional (unless the COVID-19 situation has changed at the time of the event). The intent is for the event to be held largely outdoors, but if it is raining we will spend more time inside, with the garage doors wide open.

We are looking for volunteers to help out with making coffee and tea, cooking pancakes (particularly those of the non-dairy or gluten free variety), and set-up and clean-up. Please reach out if you're interested in volunteering for any of the listed fun tasks!

If you have questions or would like to help before or during the event, give Mizu Burruss (541) 999-9991 or Rosemary Pazdral (541) 556-4039 a call. *Submitted by Rosemary Pazdral*