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May Day Run	May 7th, Sunday	Begins @ 10:00 am
Deadwood Food Coop Order and Pick Up	May 7th, Sunday due, May 16th, Tuesday P/U	Before 5. To be determined
Swisshome/Deadwood Fire Dept Board mtg	May 11th, Thursday at 7 pm, Swisshome station	Contact Mona Arbuckle @sd.rfpd.@gmail.com
Mapleton Food Share- contact 541-268-2715 or 541-268-2919	May 11th, Thursday and May 27th, Saturday	10am-2pm
Deadwood Creek Services Board and Special Meeting	May 18th, Thursday. 6:00 pm	Deadwood Community Center
Triangle Lake Food Box- contact Cyndie Blake 541-925-3254	May 19th, Friday	10am-2pm
Third Saturday Potluck and dance, Deadwood Community Center	May 20th Saturday of month	Potluck Dinner 6:30, Music 7:30
Deadwood Ditto deadwoodditto@yahoo.com	Submissions due the 26th of the month, distribution close to the first of the next month	Editor Jan Kinney kinneyjan1@gmail.com
Deadwood Food Coop	Every other month	Yvonne Pappagallo contact yvonnpappy@gmail.com
Community Center Workday	June 3rd, Saturday, 10:00 am	Bring your gloves, tools and contributions for a potluck lunch

May Deadwood Food Coop

Hi all!

It's definitely April showers/hail,snow, hoping it brings May flowers!

Heads up, please return your glass jars/jugs from Hummingbird at the Community Center and make sure you write how many you are returning on your order. Thanks so much!

For those of you who would like to drop your orders off at the Community Center you can, otherwise there is still the drop off at Kaki & Billy's if you are closer to their place 91538 Deadwood Creek Road. The red cooler in their carport is the spot to drop off your order before 5:00 pm on Sunday, May 7, 2023. If you live further up Deadwood Creek you can drop your order off in my mailbox 93519 Deadwood Creek Rd before 5:00 pm on Sunday, May 7, 2023. Make sure there is the original order and 1 copy of your order. You can download the Food Coop Order Form on the Deadwood Trading Post website or use the online order form.

Also, the login for Hummingbird has been changed to yvonpappy@gmail.com the password remains the same. We will be doing produce this month, I will be sending out the information from Organically Grown as soon as I receive it.. If you see something you would like to order from Organically Grown, and you really want it, you'll need to order the item, (the last pages 8, and 9 are for small buying clubs) find interested people to split it with, pay for it, and split it among yourselves. If you are interested or have questions about Organically Grown produce, I'll be happy to find out before the May 7, 2023 deadline.

Food distribution will still be at Denise and Chuck's house, since we don't know if the Azure order will be delivered the same day as the Eugene orders.

Check with me to see if you owe money or have a credit.

If you have any questions, I can be reached at **541-964-5581** or **541-999-0729**.

Please put the above dates on your calendars.

Planting/dancing in the rain! *Submitted by Yvonne Pappagallo*

Our little pasture
Has turned into an ocean
Of ribbiting frogs
Kaki



Thank You

Thank you so much for your remembrances in last month's Ditto.
Thank you to those of you who sent cards and food.
Thank for all of your phone calls and messages.
I have heard that when the heart breaks open, those cracks let in the light.
I want that to be true. Deadwood is such a thoughtful and caring community of very fine people.
I am lucky to be a part.

Thank you all,
Greg Kennedy

Birthday Wishes

Greg Kennedy's birthday , May 15, was inadvertently left off of the Deadwood calendar.
HAPPY, HAPPY BIRTHDAY

dear Greg! Wishing you a special day and a year filled with everything good. With much love, Cathy and Linda

Realities/Unrealities

'Umwelt' is a term used in a new context by Ed Yong, (he credits those before him with this word-concept) describing the realities of perceptual/sensory modes for the world's many animals from insects to huge mammals to humans, in his wonderful book *"An Immense world: How animal senses reveal the hidden realms around us"*.

The word itself belongs to everyone, of course, (German; original use) but the concept and term of "Umwelt" in Yong's book, stretches the mind to previously unidentified regions of sensory experiences and reality, sometimes in relation to the human animal, as well.

I am a great fan of "The New Curmudgeon" which brings a special, creative dimension to our Ditto, along with its important news and information by others. Dr. Webb has an original insight into what is, what isn't, what could be, what was, as this relates to any number of subjects. His writing is engrossing, and colorful - and somehow joyful whatever the content. I love it! Some of what I write here is a partial paraphrase in agreement with what Dr. Webb has already written on the intriguing concept of umwelt, but with a different slant.

In the prior Ditto submission, JW makes a reference to AI and the understanding of "umwelt" and asks: (I quote here): "What about AI? What's umwelt for that model?" Perhaps this was 'tongue in cheek' as his words sometimes are. The term Umwelt expresses something almost indefinable...that unique condition of an individual's sensory, internal experience of the world, some of it constantly shifting, some of it stable. It is original to each of us, even if aspects of umwelt are experienced in similar ways and shared by specific cultures or species. AI on the other hand, is made up of a determined set of responses via some complex algorithms, and no matter how sophisticated and labyrinthine AI becomes, even spinning beyond human input, and inventing its own outcome, our human experiences are sensory, allowing flesh and bone, cells and organs, to translate all information to the brain in defining what our reality is. The word 'sensory' defines itself in this case. AI is the antithesis of the sensory realm. It would be a false equivalency, for they cannot be conflated in my opinion.

Groups of animals of all kinds including humans can share sensory experiences. And do. Still each human (and probably other animals) has original, untranslatable and unquantifiable experiences of reality, of their world, of their responses. A verbal translation of these interior feelings is often the territory of good poets who struggle

beautifully in descriptions of their own sensibilities, and do not ever know if they succeed in fully relating their specific reality to the reader (any more than any of us can surmise with certainty, in sharing conversations with each other, that the listener/reader can understand the inherent content of the speaker/writer with full resonance. One reality trying to reach another is not guaranteed to be fully successful. And I am certain many nuances are missed.)

A temporary, generalized *umwelt* can be expressed in many human situations. I am *suddenly* thinking here, about something remote and abstract; the old film "Casablanca", where at a critical, shared point, all the French guests at Rick's Café Americain' spontaneously and defiantly stand up and sing 'La Marseillaise'. (Goose bumps). I immediately stood up and sang along as if I were in Morocco, drowning out the boisterous and dangerous Nazi patrons at their tables, with this anthem. I physically shared that feeling just watching the film. It became my world of perception and memory. My eyes fill with tears even thinking about it as I write, and it reminds me (that is, it becomes even more indelible in my personal *umwelt*) of what ultimately happened to my beloved grandparents in WWII when Holland was invaded, while we, the children and grandchildren had escaped - and they did not; and now I think of Ukrainians looking together at their devastated hospitals and apartments; at the death and destruction becoming an infinite imprint on their *umwelt*. There is no limit to the amount of human terror and devastation and personal tragedy in our shared realities here. (Will AI weep?) (could it become a sociopathic narcissist?)

Still, we could not have known all about *those individual* human systems in the film to which I refer, and as ultimately interpreted by the mind/brain, and portrayed by actors, had we been present at such an event. There are many group events in our lives where experiences/ emotions are shared, bringing people together far more closely into their shared sensory world than before. But there is no specificity to speak of, regarding the individuals. There is no arithmetic for that. It cannot be computed. We each bring our own perceptions to the world in which we live. Even as our personal energies can merge.

I can't speak for other animals, but I do know that in addressing 'umwelt' for humans - that reality which encompasses us via sensory experiences - one must consider an ongoing and often changing interior life, as it pertains to the ever-moving present. Our 'umwelt' accumulates and varies, in that every new experience is either informed by the past, or in addition, can become altered when new stimuli create sensory-to-brain experiences.

So human trauma, of whatever nature, or sudden shifts in environment (less likely for most other animals) plus other variables, will add to the total color palate of

one's 'umwelt' as we move through our lives. The very character of our 'umwelt' can be dramatically altered, as we perceive new and affecting realities in our lives, while simultaneously carrying our realities of the past which colored our perceptions. It is an intricate and impressive network of experiences, as our brains continue to process what is happening in a multi-shifting world of experiences from the outside. Some internal realities will hold fast, and others will alter. Certainly self-perception, as we age, affects our internal reality. We do not know if self-perception and examination exist for other species, but this is certainly part of most human experience. I am differentiating here between some complex communication between and among all non-human animal species and the interior language of humans. Not in terms of value, on a qualitative scale, but as a concern with existing concepts for all life forms, which tend to be anthropomorphized, at best.

(Shifting gears here:)

The field of Quantum research and all its particulars demonstrates that there is no Time, no Space, (ergo no Locality) no Physicality, and all that this implies. ("Stick that in your pipe" I say to myself"). Can we personally integrate those concepts into our lived reality to become part of our Umwelt? That is deeply doubtful. Our human configuration prohibits the senses from interpreting this world in any other ways than it already does, regardless of how wide that range of interpretations may be, as JW has noted. There is now a changing 'world reality', if not an ultimate one. Physicists are having trouble integrating such relatively new understanding with the physics which preceded it; that of Einstein's Relativity and his annoyance with Quantum theories (not that his enormous contribution isn't important, but new concepts contradict much of it).

It is likely this newer information will never be integrated with such past knowledge, for as we now can know, our reality, our planet, our cosmos our life is a "Hologram", (the word is an approximation at best – to some unknown - because that description is still a *human* conceptualization, and only within our sphere of existing knowledge) The nature of all reality is an "Entanglement" or a simultaneous state of co-existence. And so, it is not linear, even though experienced as such. And the mountain is not 'far away' even though we bravely trudge miles and miles towards it, and 'upwards' to the top. (Heaven forbid - could we think ourselves out of being?)

Yet there is also another kind of inexplicable earth reality, which is, as far as we know, totally ours in its nature, and it adds unexpected abundance to the Umwelt which one experiences; that of original, transcendent/metaphysical, interior events, and we should probably not insist on understanding this gift....no matter how we

yearn to know “everything”. The bottom line, as James Webb writes in his own way, is to “surrender” to what can be known or mysteriously experienced.

I would add, to love it for what it is. Even as it changes. Even as we, ourselves, change. Even if it contradicts everything we have learned, and yes, even in our ‘arrogant’ self-importance.

Yvonne R. de Miranda 4.8.2



Deadwood Creek Services News

May Events

5/7, 10am: May Day Fun Run; Starts at the Community Center

5/18, 6pm: Deadwood Creek Services Board and Special Meeting - Bylaw Amendment Approval

6/3, 10am: Community Center Work Day - Bring your gloves, tools and contributions for a potluck lunch.

The Deadwood Creek Services Board has several updates for you - amended bylaws, internet access and a playground coming soon! Full meeting minutes can be found at www.deadwoodcreekservices.org/board-meeting-documents

Highlights of Board Meeting 4.13

- Danell will be stepping back as Convener but is still serving as a board member; according to the bylaws, Courtney (as Secretary) will serve as the Convener for the time being. Will address filling Secretary role in future meetings.
- Identified initial short and long-term goals to include in grant applications and guide decisions
- 2023 Proposed Amended Bylaws are now on the DCS website, will be distributed via email and can be printed by request to courtneyreneestone@gmail.com. **Bylaw Approval Special Meeting - 5.18.2023 at 6pm at the Community Center**
- Approved installation of wireless internet at the Community Center; piloting through 2023 and will discuss positive/negative impacts at next Annual Meeting:
 - Wifi will be available to the public from 8am-6pm, 7 days a week and will be available by request or rental agreement after those hours; it will not be on for 3rd Saturdays, except for individual emergencies by request to a board member (“We lost our drummer!”)
 - Explicit content will be blocked and users must agree to an Internet Usage Agreement: Leave the Center cleaner than you found it, bring your own firewood

and consider donating time or resources (full Internet Usage Agreement is on the website for review)

- Thanks to Pioneer for their generous donation of a wifi router, 2 free months of Internet service and free ongoing Premium Wifi (higher capacity and allows the board to control internet access and availability) - Total cost for 2023 Internet service: \$300 (\$.05/hour).
- The Board is continuing to apply for grants for grounds improvements and Center maintenance needs
- Playground Update: Playground Design poll is active, final decision will be made at 5.18 Board meeting
- Community Center Work Day - 6/3, 10am - Please bring a potluck lunch item and any tools that would be helpful for: Branch cleanup, Spring cleaning/Organizing, Lighting, Outhouse repair, Planting
- Next Meeting: 5.18.2023, 6pm - **Board & Special Meeting for Bylaw Approval** - For the time being, DCS Board meetings will be held on the third Thursday of the month at 6pm.

A Personal Note on Internet from the Board:

The DCS Board recognizes that adding internet access at the Community Center is a shift for our community and we would like to tell you what impacts we hope to see, and those we hope to avoid. Please know that this decision was made after much thought and discussion and with sincere interest in hearing your ongoing feedback. We plan to pilot internet access through 2023 and collectively discuss all impacts at our next Annual Meeting.

We hope for:

- Increased use of the Center during daytime hours, when it is often unoccupied: a coworking space for adults working remotely, a gathering place for families who homeschool, a meeting place for trainings and community events
- Increased rental income from events that require internet access
- Improved access for residents who may not pay for personal internet service but require it occasionally; better download/upload speeds than many residents further up the road

We hope to avoid:

- Any sense of disconnection on Third Saturdays - we respect this as a special place where we are able to be present with each other and not with our devices - leave them at home!
- Negative impacts to the Center or grounds - please leave the Center in better condition than you found it and bring your own firewood, as needed.
- Unsupervised children at the Center, at any time

Please email deadwoodcreekservices@gmail.com or attend our next meeting on 5.18 at 6pm at the Center with any comments or concerns. *DCS Board Ami Levy, Courtney, Danell Sundstrom, Kate Harnedy, Maggie Muir and Mary Gibney*



Deadwood Community Center
MAY DAY FUN RUN

WALK - RUN - BIKE
PLANT SWAP & SALE
RAFFLE
PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Fun run and plant sale starts at 10am

Pancaks & raffle following

SUNDAY MAY 7

4.3 Miles Up Deadwood Creek Road



Mapleton Annual Cleanup Day

May 6th 2023

10am-1pm

Starting at Mapleton Food Share

Prizes and Food

Register to volunteer @<https://rb.gy/ywwqk>



Notice of Budget Committee Meeting and Regular Board Meeting

The Swisshome Deadwood Rural Fire Protection District Board of Directors will hold a Budget Committee meeting at **6:00 PM on May 11th, 2023**, at the Swisshome fire station (12) - 13283 OR-36, Swisshome, OR 97480. The Budget meeting will be followed by the regular meeting at **7:00 PM**.

The regular Board meeting agenda will include:

OLD BUSINESS:

Policy Review 1.30-1.33, 3.6-3.8, 3.10

Chain of Command

Station 13

No new business

Submitted by Mona Arbuckle



Third Saturday

3rd Saturdays presents...

ALDER STREET



May 20, 2023
Thug Grass, Punky-Tonk
& Folk Rock

COMMUNITY POTLUCK at 6:30
MUSIC following at 7:30

Please bring labeled potluck dishes, \$\$\$ for band and donations
for Deadwood Creek Services

DEADWOOD COMMUNITY CENTER
4.3 MILES UP DEADWOOD CREEK ROAD

It's been a full year since Third Saturdays have returned! We welcome back ALDER STREET May 20th! Back by popular demand and joining us from Eugene & Portland... Alder Street always facilitates a boot stompin' good time!
COMMUNITY POTLUCK Dinner 6:30-7:30, music following at 7:30ish.

Please bring potluck dishes (please clearly label w/ingredients) , contribute to the DCS donations and \$\$\$ for the band at the door! We count on your generous financial support and volunteer contributions to make these events happen.

Regards, Kate Harnedy, Photographer, DCS Board Member

Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

May 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1 <i>Elementary May Day Baskets TBD</i>	2 <i>Elementary Talent Show @ 6:00</i>	3 <i>HS Track @ Waldport</i>	4 <i>MS Track @ Crow</i>	5 <i>HS Track @ Crow Optional Friday School for 7th-12th Grade 9:00-1:00</i>	6 <i>Mapleton Clean-Up Day @ Foodshare 10:00 Booster Club/PTA Dodgeball Tournament @ 12:00</i>
7	8 <i>Spring Sports Pictures</i>	9	10	11 <i>Foodshare Free Dental Van @ 9:00</i>	12 <i>HS Track @ McKenzie Optional Friday School for 7th-12th Grade 9:00-1:00</i>	13 <i>MS Track @ McKenzie (District)</i>
14 <i>Mother's Day Lions Club Breakfast 7:30-10:30</i>	15	16	17 <i>Kindergarten Field Trip Board Meeting 6:00</i>	18	19 <i>Professional Development Day</i>	20 <i>HS Track @ Summit (District)</i>
21	22	23	24 <i>Class Awards & Sforza Faire</i>	25 <i>3rd & 4th Grade Field Trip</i>	26 <i>Optional Friday School for 7th-12th Grade 9:00-1:00</i>	27 <i>HS Track @ Hayward Field (State Champ.)</i>
28	29 No School <i>Memorial Day</i>	30 <i>1st & 2nd Grade Field Trip</i>	31 <i>Elementary Student of the Month Assembly</i>			

Siuslaw Watershed Council Camp and Wilderness Weekend



Watershed Camp 2023 will be the week of June 26-30th. It is open to anyone entering 4th-12th grade. We will be exploring the lakes, forests, streams, and beaches of the Siuslaw and Coastal Lakes watersheds through activities such as kayaking, hiking, fishing, and experiential ecology!

Wilderness Weekend 2023 is geared towards older children and will be over the July 7-9th weekend. It is open to anyone entering 9th-12th grade. Our camp leaders will guide campers on an overnight backpacking excursion, and other adventures along the coast.

Registration for both Watershed Camp and Wilderness Weekend will open next week on May 3rd at 6pm. Registration will be accessible by following this link. Please be ready to sign your camper up as spaces fill up quickly!

Please reach out to Camp Director, Tim Moffett, at outreach@siuslaw.org or 541-268-3044 with any questions.

