

Bandon's 71st Annual Cranberry Festival



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Tuesday, Feb. 6, 2018

Described as the "hottest guitar ensemble in Canada," Montréal Guitare Trio will present an explosive night of music, from classics to modern to rock, blues and jazz.



Martha Redbone Roots Project

Sunday, March 4, 2018*

A versatile artist, Martha Redbone's story is told through songs that span a swathe of American music from traditional Cherokee chants and lullabies to bluegrass, blues, country, gospel, jazz, rock & roll, R&B and funk.



On The Rocks, University of Oregon,

Saturday, May 5, 2018*

The University of Oregon's premier all-male a cappella group is On The Rocks "all vocals, no instrumentals, no help by instruments at all." Bandon High School graduate and 2015 Bay Area Teen Idol winner Seven Converse is the group's musical director.



All shows are at 7:30 p.m. at the Sprague Theater, 1202 11th St. SW. Season tickets cost \$125; individual shows are \$25 each, reserved seating. Tickets available now at Bandon Mercantile, 541-347-4341, or visit Bandon Showcase's new website at www.bandonshowcase.org for tickets and information

Complimentary beverages and treats at intermission from Edgewaters and Coastal Mist.

Bandon Showcase is a nonprofit, 501(c)(3) organization. *with Youth Outreach Event

Welcome to the Cranberry Festival!

Welcome to the 2017 Bandon Cranberry Festival! We hope you enjoy a fun-filled weekend of activities and events. The Chamber of Commerce puts on the annual event celebrating everything cranberry, and the festival is in its 71st year.

There will be a few changes in the festival events this year. The Coronation will be held at 6 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, on the Main Stage prior to the Street Dance. Princess Sarah Skeie and her Junior Princess Court will put on a show, the Sarah will be crowned as this year's queen.

In addition, the BHS Cranberry Football Bowl game will be held at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, instead of during the day Saturday, allowing people to attend the game and spend more time enjoying the Festival activities.

The festival promises entertainment for the whole family at the parade, festival market and Street Dance. Cranberry cooks compete for a culinary crown in the Queen of the Kitchen Food Fair and hungry festival-goers dive into the cranberry eating contest to win prizes.

Farmers and artisans strut their stuff at Cranberry City and the Festival Market. Live music, from rock 'n' roll to classic country, will keep you hummin' all weekend.

What are cranberries?

Cranberries are a perennial crop grown commercially in man-made wetlands or bogs in primarily five states in the U.S. Americans consume nearly 400 million pounds of cranberries per year, 20 percent of them during Thanksgiving week. Cranberries are at the top of the list of healthy

foods. Besides being high in vitamin C, manganese and fiber, cranberries are rich in phyto-nutrients (naturally derived plant compounds), particularly proanthocyanidin antioxidants, which are essential for all-round wellness.

Native Americans on Oregon's northern coast gathered wild cranberries. But it wasn't until 1885 that Massachusetts native Charles McFarlin realized that cranberries would thrive on Oregon's sandy South Coast and planted the first vines.

Commercial bogs were few until 1946, when the Ocean Spray cooperative extended its operations to Oregon. There are now approximately 150 cranberry farms in Coos and Curry counties. Sixty-four percent of Oregon growers are independent and not affiliated with Ocean Spray.

Cranberries are an important source of farm income in the Coos and Curry county area. Beds along the South Coast produce 99 percent of Oregon's cranberry crop. Sandy, elevated, marine terraces provide a good foundation for cranberries. Oregon-grown cranberries have consistently excellent red color content valued by processors for blending. Cranberry farms are also a market for beekeepers who offer pollination services. About 3,500 Oregon hives are placed on cranberry farms during bloom. Cranberry farms also utilize the services of several custom operators who build, prune and resand beds. Local fabricators and machinists help to build specialized equipment for cranberry farming.

The city of Bandon has celebrated a Cranberry Festival in the fall each year since 1947.



Cranberry Eating Contest.

AMY MOSS STRONG, BANDON WESTERN WORLD

CRANBERRY FESTIVAL 2017 SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY, SEPT. 9

9 a.m.-3 p.m., VFW Auxiliary Craft Bazaar & Bake Sale: VFW Post 3440 Hall, Hwy 42S & Bates Road
10 a.m.-4 p.m., Bandon Quilt Guild show, Odd Fellows Hall, Highway 42S and Ohio Ave. SE. Admission \$2 (\$1 goes for quilt raffle ticket)

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Old Town Marketplace, local farmers and artisans, live music, 250 First St. SW, Old Town
10 a.m.-4 p.m., Ladies Dew Valley Quilt Club annual festival sale, Old Town Marketplace

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Cranberry Food Fair/Queen of the Kitchen Contest, Old Town Marketplace. Details & contest info at bandon.com/cranberry-festival

11 a.m., Blessing of the Harvest, 2nd St. & Ohio Ave. NE. Interdenominational event

1-6 p.m., Washed Ashore, Art to Save the Sea, walk-in art workshop and exhibit, Harbortown Events Center, 325 2nd St. SE, Old Town

3:30 p.m. Cranberry Volleyball Game vs. Riddle HS - JV, 3:30 p.m., varsity 5 p.m., BHS gym

7 p.m., Cranberry Bowl football game vs. Riddle HS, Tiger Field

7-9 p.m., BHS Class of 1967 50-year reunion opening event, all classes welcome, Historical Society Museum

SATURDAY, SEPT. 10

8 a.m.-5 p.m., Cranberry Cruise-In Car Show, 2nd St., Old Town. Cars & trucks, all years, makes, models. Contact Dan Barnett, 541-217-0660

8 a.m., Cranberry Ride, open group cycling event, Park at 3rd St. SE & Grand Ave., 12-mile ride past cranberry farms, river and ocean views, back in time for parade, contact Sarah, 360-471-0339

9 a.m.-3 p.m., Craft Bazaar & Bake Sale, VFW Post 3440 Hall, Highway 42S & Bates Road

10 a.m., formation flyover by Bandon Aero Club
10 a.m., Cranberry Festival Parade along U.S. Highway 101 and 1st St. Entry forms at bandon.com/cranberry-festival

10 a.m.-5 p.m., Old Town Festival Market: Live music on Main Stage, Kids Corner, food, shopping in Old Town

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Old Town Marketplace, local farmers and artisans, live music: 250 1st St. SW, Old Town

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Cranberry Food Fair, Old Town Marketplace

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Ladies Dew Valley Quilt Club annual festival sale: Old Town Marketplace

10 a.m.-4 p.m., Bandon Quilt Guild show, Odd Fellows Hall, Highway 42S and Ohio Ave. SE. Admission



AMY MOSS STRONG, BANDON WESTERN WORLD

Darby Underdown, 2015 Cranberry Queen, leads Royalty in Training members in a dance during the 2016 Cranberry Festival coronation.

\$2 (\$1 goes for quilt raffle ticket)

10 a.m.-5 p.m. Cornhole free play, open to all ages. Sign up for Sunday's tournament, 2nd St., Old Town

11 a.m.-6 p.m., Washed Ashore, Art to Save the Sea, walk-in art workshop and exhibit, Harbortown Events Center, 325 2nd St. SE, Old Town.

2 p.m., Cranberry Eating Contest, Main Stage, Old Town

6 p.m., Cranberry Festival Coronation, Main Stage, 2nd St. and Delaware, Old Town

6 p.m. Cranberry Street Dance, Main Stage, 2nd St. & Delaware, Old Town, live music by Done Deal; family friendly event

SUNDAY, SEPT. 11

8-11:30 a.m., all-you-can-eat breakfast, VFW Hall, Post 3440, Hwy 42S & Bates Road, \$6 ages 7 and older, age 6 and under eat free

10 a.m., Disc Golf, Bandon City Park, 11th Street SW, \$3 fee includes marker. Beginner, pro & advanced divisions; bring your own disc

10 a.m.-3 p.m., Bandon Quilt Guild show, Odd Fellows Hall, Highway 42S and Ohio Ave. SE. Admission \$2 (\$1 goes for quilt raffle ticket)

10 a.m.-4 p.m. Old Town Festival Market, Live music, Kids Corner, food, shopping in Old Town

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10 a.m.-4 p.m., Ladies Dew Valley Quilt Club annual festival sale, Old Town Marketplace

Noon, Bandon Crab Derby grand prize awards, Tony's Crab Shack, 1st St., Old Town

Noon-5 p.m., Cornhole Tournament, 12 and up. Team play starts at noon, be there by 11:45 a.m., individual players be there by 12:45 p.m., 2nd St. and Chicago

1 p.m., Cranberry Eating Contest, Main Stage, Old Town

1 p.m., Port of Bandon Boardwalk Art Show awards, 1 p.m., port amphitheater, Boardwalk

1 p.m. registration, run at 2 p.m., Bandon Lions Club Cranberry Run, Bandon City Park, 11th St SW

Run/walk 1 mile, 5K, 10K. Info: Sandy at 541-329-0120

2 p.m., Cranberry Eating Contest Eat-Off, Main Stage

AND MORE ...

Port of Bandon Boardwalk Art Show, "Blossoms, Butterflies and Bees." Vote for your favorites at Bandon Bait & Tackle, 110 First St. SE, through Sept. 9. Art Show awards, 1 p.m., Sept. 10, Port amphitheater on Boardwalk

Through Sept. 10, Bandon Crab Derby. Catch a tagged crab and win a prize. Grand Prize Derby winner drawing at noon, Sept. 10, Tony's Crab Shack, 155 1st St. SE; Info: 541-347-2875

Through Sept. 10, Bandon Historical Museum: 270 Fillmore Ave. SE, Cranberry Festival display features Cranberry Court Coronation dresses and festival memorabilia. 10 a.m.-4 p.m. daily; admission \$3 adults, children free

Monday, Sept. 11: Support Our Veterans Golf Tournament. Play golf and benefit Coos County veterans, shot-gun start at 10 a.m., Bandon Crossings Golf Course. Info: 541-347-3232.

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Cranberry Zucchini Bread



- 2 eggs
- 3/4 cup granulated sugar
- 1/3 cup vegetable oil
- 1/3 cup lemon juice
- 1/4 cup water
- 2 cups all purpose flour
- 2 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon baking soda
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 2/3 cup shredded unpeeled zucchini
- 2/3 cup dried cranberries
- 1 Tablespoon grated lemon peel

Directions:

Preheat oven to 350 degrees F.

- Beat eggs in large mixing bowl until eggs are thick and lemon colored. Add sugar, oil, lemon juice and water; stir until all ingredients are blended.
- Combine flour, baking powder, cinnamon, soda and salt. Add flour mixture to egg mixture; mix well. Stir in zucchini, cranberries and lemon peel.
- Line a 8 1/2 x 4 1/4- inch loaf pan with parchment paper and spray with nonstick spray. Pour batter into prepared pan.
- Bake 55 to 65 minutes, or until wooden pick inserted in center comes out clean. Let pan cool on wire rack for 10 minutes. Loosen edges with a spatula. Remove from pan and let cool completely.

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Pirate theme for this year's festival parade

Avast ye! All hands hoay! Parade attendees and entrants are sure to be walking and talking like pirates with this year's Cranberry Festival theme, "Shiver Me Cranberry!"

Entrants are encouraged to have a yo-ho-ho fun time as they heave-ho into sailor and pirate costumes or decorate their floats with crow's nests and pirate booty, then batten down the hatches for the festival parade. Add a few cranberries and have a blast – the possibilities are endless. Aargh!

A formation flyover by members of the Bandon Aero Club will kick off the parade at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, followed on the ground by the VFW Honor Guard. Floats, cranberry harvesting equipment, sporty classic cars and hot rods, the Shriners and their tiny cars, a variety of tractors, the Coos County Mounted Sheriff's Posse, Miss Coos County, the BHS marching band and many more will be among those participating in the parade and celebrating Bandon's lengthy cranberry heritage.

The 2017 Mystery Person, parade marshal, this year's Cranberry Queen and her court and the 2017 King or Queen of the Kitchen also join in the parade.

The parade follows the standard route, starting at Ninth Street SW by the schools, down U.S. Highway 101, then through Old Town along First Street.

At the parade staging area on Ninth Street SW, entrants can check in and re-



Young drummer.

ceive their order number. Last minute parade entries will be accepted the day of the parade, but they will not be eligible for an award. Registration starts at 7 a.m. and judging will be held from 8-10 a.m. Judges will award ribbons for first and second place in each of five divisions, along with special ribbons for best entry.

For a parade registration form or more information, visit www.bandon.com/cranberry-festival or call the Chamber of Commerce at 541-347-9616.



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Chloe the Clown rides her special car in the 2016 parade.



Southern Coos Hospital & Health Center float, 2016.

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Bandon Rain storms the Oregon cider scene

Gant family's Cranberry Apple Squall available at 2017 festival

GENEVA MILLER
For Bandon Western World

The skies were clear for the 2016 Cranberry Festival, but a squall was brewing. The Gant family Bandon Rain Cider Company made its debut at the festival and unveiled the company's Cranberry Apple Squall hard cider. Just one year later, thirsty cider enthusiasts are enjoying Bandon Rain at restaurants, pubs and tap rooms throughout western Oregon.

Cranberry Apple Squall is a semi-sweet hard cider infused with cranberry. An unfiltered blend of five Pacific Northwest apple varieties, the flagship cider is available year-round.

Additional blends are available seasonally. Sweet and semi-sweet blends feature raspberry, cherry, blackberry or peach. Bandon Gravenstein is a classic, single-variety apple cider with a semi-dry profile.

"Generally, the fruit forward blends are



GENEVA MILLER PHOTOS
LEFT: The Gants outside their cider production area. Clockwise from left: Gary, Trevor, Mary and Karen. **ABOVE:** Cranberry Apple Squall has a rosy hue and sweet-tart flavor.

what people like and what sells well," said Mary Gant.

Don't Burn Gorse, a unique 2017 seasonal cider blend with hand-picked Ban-

don gorse blossoms, got positive attention as well. The herbal and citrus gorse flavor was a hit in the Eugene and Portland metro markets.

What does it take to flip a hobby into a growing business? How about third-generation farming expertise, some practical training, and a sprinkling of creativity.

Gary and Karen Gant, along with son Trevor and daughter-in-law Mary, established Bandon Rain in 2016. The enterprise started some three years earlier when Gary made his first batch of Bandon apple cider. The result was unimpressive, Gary admits. But Trevor and Mary were inspired to start experimenting with at-home cider making.

As their product improved, their excitement grew. Trevor and Mary were living in southern California, working in TV production. They agreed it was time for a change.

"We kept refining our recipe. Friends tried it and liked it," said Trevor. "Mary and I decided we were tired of the TV industry. We jumped ship, sold everything and moved back to Bandon."

The family renovated a circa 1960 shed on Gary and Karen's farm to accommodate their equipment. The lower level now features a temperature-controlled fermentation room.

Apples are pressed in a stainless steel bladder press. The apple cider base is fermented in batches of approximately 250 gallons, then mixed in a 300-gallon blending tank.

Just for fun, the Gants installed a small tasting room upstairs, complete with a

custom bar from locally milled timber and hand-made Port Orford cedar tap handles.

Gary is a third-generation cranberry grower. His grandfather, Elmer Gant, grew up in Coquille and Myrtle Point. Elmer and his wife Grace established clothing stores in Myrtle Point, then Bandon. But, their retail business came to an abrupt halt following the 1936 Bandon fire, which destroyed their home and storefront.

According to Gant family history, Elmer decided not to rebuild the clothing store. Instead, he invested \$320 in 136 acres of undeveloped land on Rosa Road. He started clearing the property in 1938 and began cultivating cranberries in 1940. Tom and Marian Gant took over farm management in the 1970s, succeeded by Gary. Today, Gary grows roughly 51 acres of cranberries on the Rosa farm. He sells about 10 percent of the crop independently and the rest to Ocean Spray. Gary is a past West Coast advisory chairman for Ocean Spray and has worked to promote Ocean Spray products.

So, it's no surprise that Bandon Rain's signature product features cranberry. When Gary and Mary attended a Cider and Perry Academy workshop, they brought a sample of Cranberry Apple Squall. Course instructor and English cider expert Peter Mitchell tasted the cider. Gary recalls how Mitchell remarked on the profile, exclaimed over the color, ("It's pink!"), and encouraged the family to launch their business.

The Gants have taken tasting notes from other professionals as well, but the public response is what keeps the family working hard to keep production up to growing demand.

"A professional can love it, but I'd rather have somebody who just likes drinking cider love it," said Mary.

When they're not pressing apples and blending ciders, the Gants are attending festivals and distributing kegs to a growing number of sellers.

Fortunately, they've found a welcoming community of Oregon brewers and winemakers – people who are passionate about their craft, eager to try new products and share what they know.

"We haven't met anyone who isn't overly nice," said Trevor.

Stop by the Bandon Rain booth at the Cranberry Festival Beer Garden, near the festival stage, on Second St. in Old Town Bandon. Bandon Rain cider is available by the glass at restaurants and pubs; and by bomber, growler or keg at beer and wine shops. Visit bandonrain.com for locations.

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Parade grand marshal Terrie Loomis

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This year's Cranberry Festival Parade grand marshal is longtime Chamber of Commerce Visitor Center volunteer Terrie Loomis.

Loomis has volunteered with the Chamber since 2003. Not only has she been up front and center with a smile, greeting visitors that come through the door or call, she also helps in the office with needed tasks, such as printing, organizing mailings, ordering or creating brochures, correspondence and running errands.

Loomis has also been involved with ribbon cuttings, After Hours events and the Bandon Business Fair.

"Terrie has been an invaluable volunteer to the Chamber of Commerce," said Executive Director Julie Miller. "Her friendly, helpful attitude makes everyone's job easier. She's always there for anything that's needed."

Prior to retirement, Loomis worked as a first-grade teacher. She taught for a total of 33 years, 15 of those at Ocean Crest Elementary School in Bandon. While at first the weather change and small town atmosphere put her off, she now is accustomed to Bandon's cool temperatures and close-knit community.

"I wouldn't leave Bandon now for all the tea in China," Loomis said. "I got used to the slower pace of life."

Loomis retired in 2003 and immediately began volunteering for the Chamber.

"I had to do something to stay busy," she said. "I loved every minute of teaching but it just got to a point where I was ready to talk to people other than first-graders," she joked.

She loves meeting new people and hearing their stories. As a traveler herself, she especially enjoys meeting visitors from out of the country.

Working at the Visitor



AMY MOSS STRONG, BANDON WESTERN WORLD

The Bandon High School Band marched in the parade.

Center has been interesting and sometimes comical. The question she is most often asked is, "What's the weather going to be like?" She usually advises people to dress in layers.

"It's fun, I enjoy meeting people and I've learned my way around Bandon," Loomis said. "I had lived here 15

years and didn't know some of the street names."

Loomis also loves gardening and working outside in her yard when she is able.

Working at the Chamber has been a passion for 14 years, though Loomis is not putting in as much time as she used to. In fact, the Chamber needs more vol-

unteers like Loomis to help run the Visitor Center. It's only three hours once a week and lots of fun, she said.

"I encourage people to volunteer there," she said. "It's not rocket science and it's a small town. And if you can tell them what the weather is going to be like, you're a genius."



Grand marshal Terrie Loomis

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This year's Cranberry Festival Queen: Sarah Skeie

Sarah Skeie is 17 and will enter her senior year at Bandon High School in the fall of 2017. Sarah was born in Singapore and, as the youngest child, moved to Bandon with her parents and four sisters in the summer of 2004.

Having lost her mother a little over a year ago, Sarah now lives with her father, Owen, her sister, Liza-May, and two cats, Lima and Tyrion.

As an active and high-achieving student, Sarah enjoys the time she spends in her classes and activities and with her friends.

She particularly enjoys her honors English classes and has earned a place on the honor roll for the past three years. Sarah is a member of BHS's Key Club and knitting group.

She also has been and will be again involved in upcoming fundraisers to support her class and school.

Athletics play a large part in Sarah's life because over the years, everyone in her family has been involved in sports. Sarah has played volleyball since junior high and basketball since she could walk and plans to continue with both sports in her senior year.

She believes by participating in sports she has learned the importance of commitment, goal setting and the far-reaching benefits that come from working as a team.

Sarah has been employed since the summer of her junior year, and she has been babysitting for many families in the community since she was 12. Working part-time while attending school and multiple extra-curricular activities has taught Sarah how to balance her responsibilities and work efficiently and effectively.

In her free time, Sarah likes to hang out with her close friends, hike, paddle board, surf and watch sunsets. Sarah most definitely has a desire to travel and experience as much of the world as she can.

After graduation Sarah will attend college to earn a degree in early childhood education and special education. Her



ANGELA CARDAS

Queen Sarah Skeie

platform for her reign as queen is autism spectrum disorder awareness.

She hopes to raise awareness and dispel myths.

"I have been interested in autistic children since elementary school," Sarah said. "I spent much of my recess time helping in the school's special education classes playing with two young autistic pupils who remain my friends today. During the second semester of my junior year, my sched-

ule allowed an aiding period during which I again worked with the school district's special education program assisting students with a variety of conditions including autistic children. I spent half a semester in the life-skills class and the other half in the resource room. These experiences became building blocks to my lifetime commitment to autism awareness."

"During the privileged time I reign as Cranberry Queen, my personal advocacy is

to bring more awareness of autism to the Bandon community," Sarah added.

Becoming Cranberry Queen is a dream come true for Sarah. She understands and feels proud to be an ambassador for the City of Bandon—her home town. Sarah is eager to learn from her interaction and outreach with the Bandon community and believes this experience will be fundamental to her character as she moves forward through her life.

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Bandon Cranberry Festival 2017 Queen Sarah Skeie is surrounded by her junior princess court. They include, back row from left: Stella Medina, Addysen Burnett, Queen Sarah Skeie, Aliyah Zunino and Alia Ornelas; front row from left: Kylee Edwards, Aubree Pease, Harper Quattrocchi, Annabelle Brant, Audry Smith and Saige Stuberg.



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At Rogue Credit Union we love Southern Oregon and the people who live here. You can see our commitment to Southern Oregon by the service we give each of our members, the products we offer and the way we support local businesses and put money back into our local community through education, scholarships and donations. It's simply who we are. Living local ... it's a Rogue thing!

Gene Pelham

Gene Pelham, currently serves as President and CEO of Rogue Credit Union in Medford. Pelham has over 30 years of experience in credit unions and has served in a variety of credit union movement roles. He



Pelham

currently serves as a member of the Federal Reserve Bank of San Francisco's 12th District Community Depository Institutions Advisory Council and is a current member of the board of trustees for Western CUNA Management School and the Medford/Jackson County Chamber of Commerce, as well as the Northwest Credit Union Association Governmental Affairs Committee. Under Pelham's Leadership, Rogue Credit Union has been recognized locally, regionally and nationally for their community outreach programs and youth financial literacy initiatives.

"We are excited to be the Title Sponsor of the Bandon Cranberry Festival because we know a great community means a great credit union," Pelham said. "Our staff is dedicated to the community in which we live. Because of this great festival we pull staff from all over Southern Oregon to come and support this great event."

"Community service is a guiding value that has been part of Rogue since 1956 when members of our community came together to create this great organization."



Dancing in front of the main stage.

Cranberry Food Fair offers challenges

GENEVA MILLER
For Bandon Western World

Satisfy your craving for sweet and savory cranberry goods at the Old Town Marketplace. The local farmers market is host to the festival's annual Food Fair, with vendors serving a variety of ready-to-eat cranberry goodies.

Cranberry Festival Food Fair

The Food Fair features desserts and baked goods, relishes and preserves, side dishes, entrees and beverages. And they all have one key ingredient: cranberries.

Since 1948, contestants have filled display tables with cranberry foods. Some rely on time-tested family recipes while others experiment with new flavor combos. Through the years, countless cooks have vied for the top honor in the contest, Queen of the Kitchen. The overall winner is most often a female cook, but there's at least one gentleman on record as King of the Kitchen.

Savory submissions in appetizer, side dish or entree categories have earned the highest judges' reviews in recent years. Classic preserves and relishes are still staples.

Decorative baked goods and desserts are also popular.

Food Fair entries are on display at the Old Town Marketplace Friday and Saturday, Sept. 8 and 9. Contest judging takes place Friday afternoon, with ribbons awarded to cooks for each food category.

The cook with the best overall entry is named Queen of the Kitchen. Young contestants are eligible for crowns in youth categories: Aspiring Chef, youth age 11 to 18 years; and Jr. Queen of the Kitchen, youth age 10 and younger.

Watch for the Queen in the parade Saturday morning.

Food Fair awards will be presented on the festival main stage in Old Town during the street dance Saturday evening.

Old Town Marketplace

Farmers market vendors join the festivities with themed attire and enticing cranberry foods for sale. The festival is a great time for food and beverage vendors to add a little cranberry kick to their usual recipes. And, the 2017 pirate theme is a perfect costume invitation, according to market co-manager Peggi Towne.

Old Town Marketplace

Farmers Market
Festival Weekend
Schedule:

10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
Friday, Saturday and
Sunday

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For hot, savory bites, visit the Towne's booth or Sprengelmeier's Handmade Tacos on festival weekend. Brian and Evelyn Sprengelmeier serve surf, turf or vegetarian tacos on hand-pressed, organic

cranberry infused tortillas. Their cranberry limeade is refreshing and not-too-sweet.

Check out Cherece's Bread and Chubby Girl Cheesecakes for sweet or savory baked goods. Cherece Marsh adds cranberries to her fresh baked bread. For a quick bite, try her cookies or muffins.

At Chubby Girl Cheesecakes, Susan Christiansen serves cheesecakes in a variety of creative flavors along with gluten free and ketogenic-friendly baked goods.

The Beverage Barn will host an open-air beer garden with live music. Sample Oregon wines and brews, including locally pressed Cranberry Apple Squall hard cider by Bandon Rain.



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Judges, from left, Larry Langenberg, owner of Edgewaters, local attorney Robin Miller and bank manager Sara Kimball rate the entries at the 2016 Cranberry Festival Food Fair.



One of Shawna Sebree's winning entries, 2016

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For the 71st annual Cranberry Festival, “Shiver Me Cranberry!” the Chamber of Commerce has once again brought back the Treasure Chest that used to be a regular festival event. The chest holds more than 60 items donated by local businesses that people can win through the purchase of a raffle ticket. Proceeds support the festival. Raffle tickets are \$5 each or three for \$10. Need not be present to win. Tickets can be purchased at Bandon Coffee Cafe, the Arcade Tavern and the Bandon Chamber Visitor Center, where the chest will be on display. For more information, visit <http://bandon.com/cranberry-festival/>.



Farm and festival exhibits at the Bandon Historical Society Museum

GENEVA MILLER
Bandon Western World

Improve your Bandon history and cranberry IQ at the Bandon Historical Society Museum. Agricultural and festival exhibits illustrate generations worth of farmers’ ingenuity and community enthusiasm for the bright red berry.

The Bandon museum agricultural history exhibits highlight timber, fishing, dairy and cranberry production. Cranberry farm displays include photographs and illustrations with interpretive signs detailing farm and harvest methods through the 20th century. Get a close look at harvest baskets and combs used for dry picking. Vintage handmade tools such as bog shoes demonstrate farmers’ creative problem-solving.

Charles McFarlin is credited as the first commercial farmer to cultivate cranberries in the south coast region. He planted his first cranberry fields in the late 1800s with vine cuttings from Cape Cod, Massachusetts. Today, Oregon is the largest cranberry producer on the West Coast, with most cranberry pro-

Bandon Historical Society Museum

- 270 Fillmore Ave. SE, Bandon
- Summer Hours through Sept. 10: 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. daily
- Admission \$3 adults, members and children under 12 free
- Special Exhibits and Events:
- The annual Cranberry Festival exhibit features court dresses, festival ephemera and memorabilia, on display through Sept. 10.
- Bandon High School class of 1967 gathering 5-7 p.m., Friday, Sept. 8. Community members welcome to greet 1967 BHS graduates. Admission is free.



GENEVA MILLER PHOTOS

duction in Coos and Curry counties. Oregon growers produced an average of 530,000 100-pound barrels of cranberries each year between 2014 and 2016, according to US Department of Agriculture reports.

The Cranberry Festival takes front and center at the museum in August and September. Back by popular demand, the annual festival display features retro and vintage dresses worn by Cranberry Court members. The permanent “Princess Wall” has a fresh look. The display, adjacent to the old-time fashions display case, was updated as part of the museum’s 2017 renovation projects.

Since the 1940s, court members have donned elegant formal attire for community events and coronation ceremonies. The museum collection includes more than 30 gowns. And, the closet has room for more, according to historical society member Donna Mason. Former court members are welcome to contact museum staff about donations of apparel and accessories, court photographs and ephemera such as coronation programs.

The Cranberry Festival “Princess Wall” display was refreshed as part of 2017 museum renovation projects.

Bandon High School alumni are invited to greet friends and take a walk down memory lane at the museum. The class of 1967 will gather for an after-hours event on Friday, Sept. 8. In addition to the permanent Bandon schools displays, visitors can enjoy photo boards prepared by museum volunteers for the class of ‘67.

The Historical Society welcomes gatherings such as class reunions, said society president Jim Proehl. Groups with interest in local history provide opportunities for staff and volunteers to learn new information and gather additional photographs for the museum archives.



Bandon Historical Society members Kathy Phillips and Nancy Murphy comb the museum archives for images of the Bandon High School graduating class of 1967.


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Quilters showcase their creations

The 17th annual "Quilts By The Sea" quilt show will be presented during the Bandon Cranberry Festival, Sept. 8, 9, and 10. The show will be held at the Odd Fellows Hall, on Highway 42 South, two blocks east of U.S. Highway 101. Hours are 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. each day.

Bandon Quilt Guild members will have many quilted objects on display including clothing, purses or totes, bed quilts and wall hangings. Since the show last year, almost 100 donation quilts have been presented to various organizations in need such as CASA (a foster children's care program), Women's Pregnancy Resource Center and veterans programs.

Each year many baby quilts are made by participating members who are given a challenge fabric which must be used. Attendees of the quilt show are asked to vote for their favorite quilt. The baby quilts are then given to the MOMS Program. Last year more than a dozen quilts were presented for babies who might not otherwise have had warm blankets.

The \$2 admission fee also includes a chance to win a beautiful raffle quilt made by guild members. Additional chances are available at \$1 for one ticket or six tickets



AMY MOSS STRONG, BANDON WESTERN WORLD
Bandon Quilt Guild's annual show at the Odd Fellows Hall.

for \$5. A boutique featuring items made by guild members and items used for quilting will also be available. For more information, call Caroline Halfwassen at 541-347-2098.

Dew Valley

From 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Sept. 8, 9 and 10, the Ladies Dew Valley Club will hold its annual quilt display at the Old Town Marketplace farmers and artisans market, 250 First

St. SW. In addition to displaying a range of quilts, members will be demonstrating quilting and showing tying techniques. Tickets will be sold to win the Scholarship Quilt, which will be on view during the day. Quilts, dish towels, pillow cases and other items will be available for purchase. All proceeds go to the upkeep of the clubhouse and to charity. For more information, call Ellen at 541-347-2398.

Cranberry Festival street closures

The following streets will be closed during the 2017 Cranberry Festival:

Bandon Coffee Café parking lot

Closed noon Thursday, Sept. 7, to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10.

Bandon Chamber parking lot

Closed 6 p.m. Thursday, Sept. 7, to 7 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10.

Alabama parking lot

Closed noon Thursday, Sept. 7, to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10.

Second Street, Old Town

Closed 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10.

Baltimore Street, Old Town

Closed 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10.

Alabama Avenue, Old Town

Closed 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10.

Chicago Street, Old Town

Closed 4 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, to 5 p.m. Sunday, Sept. 10.

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Blessing of the Harvest is tradition

The annual Blessing of the Harvest will be held at 11 a.m. Friday, Sept. 8.

Sponsored by the Bandon Ministerial Association, the blessing is an age-old custom dating back to antiquity, the blessing will take place at the Freitag cranberry farm at Ohio Avenue and Second Street Northeast. Local clergy will offer blessings for the upcoming harvest of cranberries and for the farmers who depend on the cranberry harvest for their livelihoods.

One of the blessings will include the pouring of cranberry juice onto the ground near the bogs as a symbolic way of returning to the earth a portion of its produce, much as wine is returned to the ground at the opening of the grape harvest in California's Napa Valley. The public is encouraged to attend as an act of solidarity.



AMY MOSS STRONG, BANDON WESTERN WORLD
Annual Blessing of the Harvest.

VFW craft bazaar, bake sale and breakfast

The annual VFW Ladies Auxiliary Craft Bazaar and Bake Sale will be held from 9 a.m.-3 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8 and Saturday, Sept. 9, at the VFW Hall on Bates Road off Highway 42S.

An all-you-can-eat breakfast will be held from 8:30 a.m.-noon Sunday, Sept. 10, at the VFW Hall, hosted by the Ladies Auxiliary. The breakfast includes sausage, scrambled eggs, biscuits and gravy and pancakes. Cost is \$6 for adults and \$4 for children ages 7-12. Children under 6 eat free.

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Blossoms, Butterflies and Bees on the Boardwalk

Winners in the Port of Bandon Boardwalk Art Show “Blossoms, Butterflies and Bees” will be announced Sunday, Sept. 10.

The public is invited to stop by to congratulate the artists and discover the theme for the 15th annual boardwalk show in 2017.

The presentation will be held at 1 p.m. at the boardwalk amphitheater, located on First St. in Old Town Bandon.

Artists are eligible for awards in youth and adult categories selected by a panel of judges, plus people’s choice awards. All “Blossoms, Butterflies and Bees” winners, along with additional honorees, will be featured in an encore exhibit December 2017 through January 2018 at the Bandon Professional Center.

The boardwalk art show is produced by the Port of Bandon each year, May through September, and is open to artists of all ages.

The 2017 show was sponsored by the Bandon Professional Center and curated by Ava Richey and Shawn Tempesta. For



Boardwalk Art Show awards 2016

more information about the show or the awards, contact Port of Bandon staff, 541-347-3206.



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Cranberry Street Dance 2016

Music on the Main Stage

Enjoy live music all day Saturday and Sunday during the Cranberry Festival on the Main Stage, located on Second Street and Delaware Avenue. Don't miss the Cranberry Coronation followed by the Street Dance featuring classic rock by Done Deal. Main Stage schedule for Cranberry Festival:

Saturday, Sept. 9

- 9-11 a.m.—Today’s Hits/Sponsor Recognition
- 11 a.m.-1 p.m.—Bone Mountain Brothers (strings folk/rock/country)
- 1:15-2 p.m.—Buzz Krill (youth band—rock)
- 2-2:30 p.m.—Cranberry Eating Contest
- 2:30-4 p.m.—Run Forest Run (classic rock)
- 4:15-5 p.m.—Metro Gnomes (youth band—today’s hits)
- 6-9 p.m.—Cranberry Coronation followed by Street Dance with Done Deal (classic rock)

Sunday, Sept. 10

- 10-11:30 a.m.—Today’s Hits/Sponsor Recognition
- 11:30-1 p.m.—Clamdiggers (classic rock/country)
- 1-1:30 p.m.—Cranberry Eating Contest
- 1:30-2 p.m.—Clamdiggers (cont.)
- 2-2:30 p.m.—Cranberry Eating Contest Finalists
- 2:30-4:30 p.m.—Allison Scull & Victor Martin (acoustic jazz/soul)



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Golf tournament to benefit veterans

The Bandon by the Sea Rotary Club and Coos Bay Toyota are teaming up to play golf and benefit Coos County veterans. The fundraising golf tournament will be held on Monday, Sept. 11, at Bandon Crossings Golf Course. Tee time is 10 a.m. for the shotgun start. Cost is \$70 and includes green fees, golf cart and lunch at 3:30 p.m., and a cash bar. A hole in one nets a \$10,000 cash award.

All proceeds will go to the Southern Oregon Veterans Association.

“No handicap required, just a fun day to support our veterans,” said Mary Carol Roberson, one of the event’s organizers.

Registration can be made through the Bandon Crossings pro shop, 541-347-3232.

For more information, contact Roberson at 541-366-1371.

Cranberry Cruise-in features all makes

The fourth annual Cranberry Cruise-In will be held in Old Town on Saturday, Sept. 9.

Advance registration is not necessary and all years, makes and models of cars and trucks are welcome to enter. Registration starts at 8 a.m. on Second Street in Old

Town. Parade line-up is at 9 a.m. and the parade starts at 10. Following the parade, cars will be on display in Old Town.

There will be merchant awards, raffles and 50/50 drawings. All proceeds benefit the Kiwanis. For more information, contact Donna, 541-347-2278.

Tigers take on Riddle in Cranberry Bowl

The Bandon Tigers will host the Riddle Irish for the 2017 Cranberry Bowl. The game begins at 7 p.m. Friday, Sept. 8, at Tiger Field on 11th Street SW.

This year, in addition to the football game, there will be JV and varsity volleyball matches against Riddle, at 3:30 and 5 p.m., Friday, Sept. 8, in the BHS gym.

Football coach Aaron Freitag is in his first year as the Tigers' varsity coach, replacing Tobias Robinson.

The Tigers were hoping to have 25 to 30 players by the time the season started, an significant increase over last year.

What the Tigers do have is a lot of enthusiastic freshmen who were regulars in the weight room during the summer.

The freshmen and sophomores back from last year could provide a good base for the program to build around, Freitag said.

The Tigers do have a number of starters back from last year's team, including Freitag's son Braydon, who was thrust into the quarterback role last year and is excited to have a year under his belt.

"The experience helps a lot," he said.

Bandon won 28-6 win over Rogue River in last year's Cranberry Bowl. The team toppled the Pemberton, B.C. Canada Griz-

zlies 60-12 in the 2015 Cranberry Bowl. In the 2014 Cranberry Bowl, the Tigers overwhelmed the Pemberton Grizzlies 48-0. In 2013, the Tigers fell to Oakland, in 2012, they lost to Riddle, and in 2011, they lost to Brookings-Harbor.

Mystery King

The Cranberry Festival's 2017 Mystery King will be unveiled during the Cranberry Coronation beginning Saturday at 6 p.m. on the Main Stage in Old Town, rather than at the football game, which has traditionally been held on Saturday afternoon

A \$50 cash prize awaits the first person to correctly guess the identity of the 2017 Mystery King. Last year's Mystery King was Brad Sinko, head cheesemaker for Face Rock Creamery. The year prior, it was Greg Drobot, president and owner of Face Rock Creamery. In the four years prior it was Anthony Zunino, Bill Reager, Dan Barnett and Harv Schubothe.

This year's Mystery King will be seen for the first time during the parade on Saturday morning, Sept. 10.

Forms and a box for contest guesses will be available in Old Town all day until the coronation.



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Queen Cheyanne Ornelas unveils the 2016 Mystery King: Brad Sinko.

Cranberry Run benefits Lions

The Bandon Lions Cranberry Run will be held on Sunday, Sept. 10. The event, which helps fund charitable causes of the Bandon Lions Club, begins at 2 p.m. at the Bandon City Park. Registration starts at 1 p.m.

Events include a 10K run, a 5K run/walk

and a 1-mile run/walk. Cost is \$20 for individuals and \$40 for a family (includes T-shirt). Registration forms are available at the Visitor Center or Bandon Baking Co.

For more information, call Sandy at 541-329-0120 or email bandonlions@gmail.com.



Cranberry Run 2014

Disc golf tournament

The Bandon Parks and Recreation Commission will hold a Cranberry Festival Disc Golf Tournament beginning at 2 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 9, at Bandon City Park.

Sign-ups and practice begins at noon at the middle baseball diamond. The entrance fee is \$3 and includes a logo disc marker. There will be 18 holes and three divisions, including beginning, advanced and professional; bring your own disc. Prizes will be awarded in all the divisions. For more information, contact Donny Goddard at 541-290-4713 or 541-347-2808.

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