

Cache in

Dressing like a pirate is a personal choice, but it just might help you find treasure. More guaranteed is taking advantage of your smartphone by downloading a device to get you on your way in the world of geocaching, a treasure hunting game using GPS-enabled devices.

Alex and Amanda Smith, owners of Southern Oregon Geocaching, will guide you through the process on Saturday, Aug. 31. Participants will learn about the amazing world of geocaching, how to navigate to a specific set of GPS coordinates and then attempt to find the hidden treasures in the geocache (container) hidden at that location.

Southern Oregon Geocaching provides outdoor educational services and recreational activities to promote environmental stewardship and strong community ties through geocaching and fun.

The free educational presentation and cache hunt will run from 2 to 3:30 pm, beginning in the McEntee Meeting Room of the Newport Public Library.

Southern Oregon Geocaching will also be helping the library celebrate their 100 year anniversary celebrations by hosting a library geocache hunt at 10 am on Saturday, Sept. 14. The hunt will help kick off a huge party that will continue until 6 pm.

The Newport Library is located at 35 NW Nye Street. For more information, go to www.newportlibrary.org or call 541-265-2153.

Get in the fold

Art Accelerated, a local, artist-based non-profit, will be offering a Shibori workshop on Saturday, Sept. 7, at the Art Annex in Tillamook.

Shibori is a Japanese fabric-dyeing process that dates back to the 8th Century. Natural fiber fabrics are folded prior to dyeing with indigo dye. Patterns are created by folding the fabric in a variety of ways and compressing areas with rubber bands, string, blocks of wood, etc. to keep the dye from penetrating in those places.

The workshop is scheduled from 10 am to 1 pm and is limited to 12 participants. The Shibori workshops held last year and in June of this year filled quickly.

The Art Annex is located at 1906A 3rd Street. For more information, go to artaccelerated.org.



The future is in your handbags

Help support budding artists during Toledo's annual Art Walk by shopping at the 25th annual Big Charity Sale, Friday and Saturday, Aug. 30 to 31.

The sale, produced by the Oregon Coast Children's Theatre and Oregon Coast Children's Center for the Arts, will benefit arts in education programs around the Oregon Coast.

Shoppers will find art supplies, fine art, costumes, props, art books, garden and home décor and more; featured items include two kilns, a

15-foot canoe and a valuable comic book collection.

Donations of saleable items will still be accepted on Thursday from 3 to 8 pm.

The sale will be held from 10 am to 4 pm both days at the Olalla Center & Flowerree Community Center, 321 SE 3rd Street in the Olalla/Flowerree Center. (formerly the Mary Harrison Elementary School) Art teachers and educators receive 25 percent off purchases with a school ID. For more information, call 503-790-0952.

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The art of therapy

Explore the nature of art therapy with Dr. Dian Svendsen, the speaker for the September Coastal Arts Guild luncheon on Thursday, Sept. 5.

Svendsen's presentation will include examples of art created in therapeutic settings. She will also explore the relevance of recent findings of neuroscience to our daily lives and art-making processes.

Born in rural Ohio, Svendsen went to Afghanistan in 1971 as a US Peace Corps volunteer. She has worked in management development in 35 countries and lived and worked on the Navajo Reservation.

Turning to art to help her better comprehend herself, others, and the world, she initially used line drawings to illustrate her poetry, then conte crayon and charcoal to make large images of small sections of nature. At the age of 59, she earned a fourth graduate degree and become an art therapy counselor at Good Samaritan Regional Medical Center in Corvallis, as well as in private practice. Now retired, she focuses on her own art, which is heavily influenced by her cross-cultural experiences, love of animals and spirit of discovery.

The lunch will be held in the second-floor classroom of the Visual Arts Center located in Nye Beach. The event begins at 11 am and the speaking program starts at 11:30 am followed by lunch. There is a suggested donation of \$10 for non-members.

For more information and an invitation to attend, call Mary Holt at 541-765-4599.