

Get details on the Devils

There will be devilish goings on at Lincoln City's North Lincoln County Historical Museum starting this Saturday, Feb. 8, with the opening of the latest exhibit "Devils of North Lincoln County."

The Red Devils group formed in Taft and DeLake in 1933 to promote events like "The Redhead Roundup" and the "Devils Lake Regatta." The group promoted events and entertained visitors with different shenanigans, including kidnapping redheads and throwing them in the ocean or lake, holding mock weddings and other general tomfoolery.

These local businessmen played a large part in the success of tourism in North Lincoln County and were instrumental in the campaign to brand the area as the "20 Miracle Miles." This exhibit will showcase Red Devils photos; artifacts from the era, including a four-foot-tall parade float devil head; several Red Devil costumes; and more.

The exhibit will run throughout 2020 at the museum, located at 4907 SW Hwy. 101. The museum is open from 11 am to 4 pm Wednesday through Saturday and admission is free.

For more information, call 541-996-6614.



The Red Devils pose with participants of the Redhead Roundup in the 1930s

Become a roads scholar

At almost every bay and river crossing along Highway 101, locals and visitors alike are treated to the graceful lines of bridges designed by Conde McCullough.

This Saturday, Feb. 8, North Lincoln County Historical Museum will host a presentation by Joyce Sherman on the history of the highway and how these celebrated structures came to be.

The presentation will include photos of the first bridge across Rocky Creek as well as McCullough's Ben Jones Bridge that currently spans the creek. Sherman will cover how McCullough, Ben Jones, Oswald West and Sam Reed were important figures in the building of Highway 101.

Sherman first photographed the Yaquina Bay Bridge when she was 12, using her father's Speed Graphic 4x5 press camera. They both entered photos in the state fair later that summer; and her photo of the bridge won second place. In 1962, she and her parents pooled their money to buy a



Highway 101 at Nelscott in the 1930s

cabin and a couple of acres of Logan Creek in Roads End. After 52 years of splitting her time between Roads End and Portland, she and her husband, Marty, became full-time Roads Enders in 2014.

Saturday's presentation, which is free and open to all, will run from 2 to 3 pm at the museum, located at 4907 SW Hwy. 101

For more information, call 541-996-6614.

learn a little

Less maybe — more baby

Registered nurses Stephanie Marshall and Trista Selfridge will take a little bit of the unexpected out of expecting a baby, with a one-day intensive childbirth class scheduled for Sunday, Feb. 16, in Lincoln City.

Presented by Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital the class will offer guidance on preparing for the challenges of labor and delivery.

Participants will learn about breastfeeding, relaxation techniques, what to expect when they arrive at the hospital, postpartum care, newborn care and more.

Marshall and Selfridge will also discuss options for handling pain and will cover the basics of medical interventions and possible complications.

The class will run from noon to 6 pm and is free for those who plan to deliver at Samaritan North Lincoln Hospital's Family Birthing Center. Refreshments and snacks will be provided, along with the opportunity to tour the Family Birthing Center.

Registration is required; call 541-996-7179.

Series covers black pioneers

The Nehalem Valley Historical Society will kick off its new Speaker Series this Saturday, Feb. 8, with "Black in Oregon 1840-1870," a presentation from Layne Sawyer, reference manager for the Oregon State Archives.

Sawyer will showcase an award-winning exhibit produced by Oregon State Archives staff, interns and volunteers, which illuminates the courage and resilience of black pioneers who immigrated to Oregon between 1840 and 1870 in the face of many barriers.

Saturday's session will start at 3 pm at The Historic Pine Grove Community House, 225 Laneda Avenue, Manzanita. Admission is \$5 at the door.

The Speaker Series will continue every second Saturday through May.

For more information on the Nehalem Valley Historical Society, email info@nehalemvalleyhistory.org.