



BRICE CREEK

Photo by Mike Sheahan

Since the events and happenings calendar is pretty sparse in light of the COVID-19 restrictions, here are some things you can do outside this early spring while maintaining appropriate health precautions. Check for more directions to these areas and possible restrictions online.

MOUNT PISGAH ARBORETUM — Check out the spring wildflowers as you meander by the river, in the water garden, or through the forest and savannahs in this section of the Howard Buford Recreation Area.

RUTH BASCOM RIVERBANK PATH SYSTEM — Walk, jog or bike along the Willamette River for miles! A favorite spot for wildlife viewing is at Delta Ponds north of Valley River Center, and the Owen Rose Garden starts budding soon.

THURSTON HILLS NATURAL AREA — Check out the trails at one of the area's newest parks on the east end of Springfield.

DORRIS RANCH AND MIDDLE FORK PATH — From the wildflower-lined trails in this historic homestead near downtown Springfield you can bike, jog, or walk four miles to Clearwater Park.

WILLIAM L. FINLEY NATIONAL WILDLIFE REFUGE — Several trails wind through the refuge's diverse habitats off of Hwy 99 south of Corvallis. Great for bird-lovers!

BRICE CREEK — The trail along Brice Creek, 25 miles southeast of Cottage Grove, is a crowd pleaser for forest lovers, and accessible year-round.

SWEET CREEK FALLS — Spring flowers, budding trees and plenty of waterfalls can be found here, south of Mapleton off of Hwy 126.

HOBBIT TRAIL & BEACH — From just north of the Heceta Head Lighthouse on Hwy 101, hike a mile through a magical forest to one of the central coast's nicest beaches.

OREGON DUNES NATIONAL RECREATION AREA — Explore rolling sand dunes and coastal forests along the ocean, with several access points from Florence to North Bend.

BLUE POOL — You might find a little snow at Blue Pool, aka Tamolitch Pool but this time of year is perfect for checking out the two-mile trail to this upper McKenzie River attraction without the crowds of summer. — *Chandra LeGue*

THURSDAY

MARCH 19

SUNRISE 7:16AM; SUNSET 7:24PM
AVG. HIGH 57; AVG. LOW 38

ON THE AIR "The Point," 9am, KOPV, 88.0 FM
"Arts Journal," 9pm, Comcast channel 29.

Thursday Night Jazz, 10pm, KLCC, 89.7 FM

SPIRITUAL Refuge Recovery online via Zoom, 6:30pm. ID: 974-466-634.

FRIDAY

MARCH 20

SUNRISE 7:14AM; SUNSET 7:25PM
AVG. HIGH 57; AVG. LOW 38

GATHERINGS Overeaters Anonymous, 11am, First Christian Church, 1166 Oak St. FREE

Food Not Bombs, 4-4:45pm, Park Blocks, E. 8th Ave. & Oak St. FREE

SPIRITUAL Refuge Recovery (newcomers meeting) online via Zoom, 4pm. ID: 253-807-435.

SATURDAY

MARCH 21

SUNRISE 7:12AM; SUNSET 7:28PM
AVG. HIGH 57; AVG. LOW 38

FARMERS MARKETS Winter Farmers Market, 10am-2pm, Park Blocks, E. 8th Ave. & Oak St. FREE

Elmira Grange Winter Marketplace, 11am-4pm, Elmira Grange, 88764 Sprague Rd, Elmira. FREE

GATHERINGS Al-Anon Anonymous, friends & family of alcoholics, 9am, Bethesda Lutheran Church, 4445 Royal Ave. FREE

Eugene Emotions Anonymous weekly meeting (peer led 12-step meet focusing on mental health), 10:30am, First United Methodist Church, 1376 Olive St. FREE

Co-Dependents Anonymous, noon, White Bird Clinic, 341 E. 12th Ave. FREE

ON THE AIR The Dr. Yeti Show, 10pm-midnight, KOCF, FM 92.7 or stream at KOCF.org.

OUTDOORS/RECREATION Lane County Audubon's Third Saturday Bird Walk, 8am-noon, S. Eugene High School parking lot for car-pooling, E. 19th & Patterson St. \$3 donation.

SPIRITUAL Refuge Recovery online via Zoom, 4pm. ID: 278-994-069.

SUNDAY

MARCH 22

SUNRISE 7:10AM; SUNSET 7:28PM
AVG. HIGH 57; AVG. LOW 38

GATHERINGS Feed the Hungry w/ Burrito Brigade, 11am, First Christian Church, 1166 Oak St. FREE

Postcarders for Democracy, 2pm, Market of Choice, 67 W. 29th Ave. FREE

Overeaters Anonymous, 7pm, Open Bible Fellowship Church, 1295 Toney St. FREE

HEALTH Occupy Medical, noon-4pm, 1717 Centennial Blvd. FREE

SPIRITUAL Eugene Insight Meditation Community, 6:30pm, online via Zoom, 1645 Oak St. FREE

Refuge Recovery Weekly Meeting online via Zoom, 6:30pm. ID: 865-1350-007.

Gnostic Mass, 8pm, Coph Nia Lodge OTO, 4065 W. 11th Ave. #43. FREE

MONDAY

MARCH 23

SUNRISE 7:08AM; SUNSET 7:29PM
AVG. HIGH 58; AVG. LOW 38

GATHERINGS Postcarders for Democracy, 1pm, The Washburne Cafe (back room), 326 Main St, Spfd. FREE

Women in Black (come stand at a weekly peace vigil for peace & justice w/ Women in Black), 5pm, SE corner of 7th & Pearl. FREE

Overeaters Anonymous, 5:30pm, Central Presbyterian Church, 555 E. 15th Ave. FREE

Co-Dependents Anonymous, 6pm, Wellsprings Friends School, 3590 W. 18th Ave. FREE

Marijuana Anonymous, 7pm, St. Mary's Church, 1300 Pearl St. FREE

SPIRITUAL Refuge Recovery meeting online via Zoom, 7pm. ID: 267-669-519.

TUESDAY

MARCH 24

SUNRISE 7:07AM; SUNSET 7:30PM
AVG. HIGH 58; AVG. LOW 38

GATHERINGS Resist Trump Tuesday, noon, Federal Courthouse, 405 E 8th Ave. FREE

Debtors Anonymous, 5:30pm, Central Presbyterian Church, 555 E. 15th Ave. FREE

Co-Dependents Anonymous, men only 12-step meeting, 6:30pm, First Christian Church, 1166 Oak St. FREE