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Chefs Chris Holen from Baked Alaska, Loren Cross from Blue Scorcher Bakery, and Drake Radditz with Drake Radditz Guide Service, will be creating good eats for attendees of Assistance League of the Columbia Pacific's Home & Chef Tour in Astoria on Saturday, Oct. 10.

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Let's go birding in Oregon State Parks this October

Ranger-led birding program continues

ASTORIA and HAMMOND — Do you have an appreciation for birds and want some experience on how best to see them? Or are you an experienced birder wanting to help with bird surveys? Here's your chance to join Let's Go Birding, a program of Oregon State Parks.

Birding activities are free, and birders 8 years old and older are welcome (children 8 to 14 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian).

Loaner binoculars are available for up to 10 birders. Bring your own binoculars if available.

In 2015, Sunset Beach State Recreation Site and the Fort to Sea Trail is the site of weekly bird surveys. The surveys monitor the bird species that use the park from season to season. The survey will take around two hours and will cover several diverse habitats along the trail.

For questions, contact Park Ranger Dane Osis 503-861-3170, ext. 41, or email to dane.osis@oregon.gov

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- 9 to 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 12;
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Fort to Sea Trailhead

Sunset Beach State Recreation Area

503-861-3170

All ages

Free

- 9 to 11 a.m. Monday, Oct. 26.

There will also be a Fort Stevens monthly bird survey from 9 to 11 a.m. Wednesday, Oct. 28. Meet at Battery Russell in Fort Stevens State Park.



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