

# Learn how to go razor clamming

## ODFW to hold family clamming workshops in Fort Stevens State Park

HAMMOND — Bring the whole family to learn how to razor clam. Spots are still available in Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife's razor clamming workshops happening Saturday, May 7 and Sunday, May 8 at Fort Stevens State Park.

At the workshops you'll learn how to spot clams, how to dig with proper techniques, and how to prepare and cook clams. All necessary equipment is provided, along with lunch.

The workshop runs from 7 a.m. to 3 p.m. Cost is \$52

for adults and \$12 for kids.

Pre-registration is required. Everyone age 12 and over must purchase a shellfish license in advance. (Shellfish licenses are \$9 annually for adult residents; kids 12 to 17 can get a \$10 combination license that includes shellfish, angling and hunting plus Columbia River Basin Endorsement.) Children under 12 are free and do not need to register.

Register for the workshop and buy your shellfish license online, at a license sales agent, or an ODFW office that sells licenses.

For more information or for help registering, contact Darlene Sprecher by emailing [Darlene.M.Sprecher@state.or.us](mailto:Darlene.M.Sprecher@state.or.us) or by calling 503-947-6025.



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Learn how to dig for razor clams with ODFW in Fort Stevens State Park on May 7 and 8.

## Hoffman center to host free marketing classes

MANZANITA — Albert Kaufman, a Portland-based consultant, will conduct four free marketing classes for local small businesses and nonprofits May 12 and May 18 at the Hoffman Center for the Arts, located at 594 Laneda Ave.

Kaufman specializes in using social networking and email campaigns.

The classes offered are:

• May 12, at 10 a.m.:

“Power of the Inbox: Featuring Social Media Engagement.” Register at <http://tinyurl.com/PowerofTheInbox51216Manzanita>

• May 12, at 1 p.m.:

“Live In Manzanita – 60 Ways to Grow Your List + Getting Started with Email Marketing.” Register at <http://tinyurl.com/60WaysToGrowYourList51216Manz>

• May 18, at 10 a.m.:

“Stand Out Subject Lines: Get Open, Get Read and Get



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Albert Kaufman will teach four free marketing classes in Manzanita.

Results!” Register at <http://tinyurl.com/StandOutSubjectLines51816Manza>

• May 18, at 1 p.m.:

“Automate Your Marketing! Planning Ahead to Convert & Keep.” Register at <http://tinyurl.com/AutomateYourMarketing51816Manz>

For more information, email [albert@albertideation.com](mailto:albert@albertideation.com) or visit [albertideation.com](http://albertideation.com)

## Create artwork with whatever in May collage class

### Lynne Johnson to teach two classes at Astoria Art Loft

ASTORIA — Wondering what to do with all those old greeting cards, photos, recipes and articles you clipped, old keys and bits of screen?

Wonder no more. Bring your old stuff and other “treasures” to Lynne Johnson's class, “Create with Whatever,” at the Astoria Art Loft, and create a collage.

Collage is a timeless art form and a wonderful way to re-cycle, re-create and transform old items into new artwork.

“Create with Whatever” will meet on two Saturdays, May 14 and May 21, from

10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

Other materials participants will need include a glue stick, an old phone book or thick pad of paper, scissors, an Exacto knife, a cutting mat or piece of cardboard.

Bring a sack lunch; coffee, tea, and water will be provided. The class fee is \$70.

Johnson is a teacher and artist who works in many media. In addition to collage, she works in watercolor, colored pencil, ink, stained glass and ceramics. She holds degrees in biology and art.

For more information or to reserve a place in the class, call 503-325-4442 or e-mail [astoriaartloft@gmail.com](mailto:astoriaartloft@gmail.com)

## Dancers to tap across Liberty Theater stage

### Little Ballet Theatre puts on tap dance show with guests

ASTORIA — Local dancers will celebrate National Dance Week when dancers at the Little Ballet Theatre put on their tap shoes to bring an all-tap dance show to the Liberty Theater stage. The performance will take place at 7 p.m. Saturday, May 7.

Guest tappers will include the Hollywood Dance Center tap dancers from Portland. Hollywood Dance Center is owned and operated by former Astoria dancer Marilynne Ward Belden. The dance center holds annual tap dance seminars with some of the nation's top tap dancers. Her groups perform annually at Disneyland and on cruise ships.

Debbie Lake's Tapped Out Tappers will return this year with their entertaining style of tap, as they perform “Uptown Funk.”

Also appearing will be the Main Street Tappers, a group of local women who have danced together for nine years. The group comprises retired teachers, business women, a nurse and an artist.

The audience will be invited on stage to take a quick tap lesson, with or without tap shoes — a fun event for participants and observers.

Tickets will be available at the door. Admission is \$10 for adults, \$5 for seniors and students, and free for children under 6. Proceeds go to the Little Ballet Theatre grant foundation. For further information, call 503-861-1971.

## Big Monti brings blues to Merry Time

ASTORIA — His name is Monti Amundson, but most people call him Big Monti. A blues guitarist, Amundson is mighty not just in size but with talent and energy on stage: He sings and plays larger than life.

Frequently compared to Stevie Ray Vaughan or Johnny Winter, Amundson has his own style. “I'm a blues guitar player in a band that plays rock 'n' roll,” he says.

Amundson doesn't so much as straddle the line between the genres as bend it, ignore it, or race back and forth across it until both sides go up in flames. The blues of come straight from the heart and cut through your soul.

Catch him play at 9:30 p.m. Saturday, May 7 at the



SUBMITTED PHOTO

Monti Amundson performs May 7 at Merry Time.

Merry Time Bar & Grill, located at 995 Marine Drive. The show is ages 21 and older.

Admission is \$5 per person. Or, for two people, pay \$5 and a can of food for donation to the Clatsop