

OREGON GEOLOGIC MAPS, REPORTS NOW FREE ONLINE

PORTLAND — The Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries (DOGAMI) has launched Publications Center, a web hub for free download of maps, reports, data, articles and more.

Everything DOGAMI has published since 1937 is now available, from early mining

reports to spectacular imagery created with cutting-edge lidar technology to geodatabases.

Making the agency’s science freely available to all helps Oregon communities learn more about the natural hazards, mineral resources and geology around the state.

“Accessing this wealth of

information is easier than ever,” said Ali Ryan Hansen, DOGAMI earth science information officer. “Whether you want a field trip guide, a historic map, or the latest landslide inventory geodatabase, you can download it immediately from Publications Center.”

Oregonians also get a look at the state’s history through the lens of mining and geology.

A 1965 lunar geological field conference guidebook, published as Bulletin 57, includes a welcome from Governor Mark O. Hatfield, as well as guides to Oregon’s well-exposed and accessible lunar-like geology.

Gold, discovered in the Oregon Territory in 1851, is a popular topic, from a 1961 Ore Bin article on skin diving for placer gold to 1984 maps of Grant County geology and gold deposits.

Among the best sellers at Nature of the Northwest Information Center, which

closed in July, were the “Oregon: A Geologic History” map, recreation maps of Oregon peaks and stunning lidar images of Oregon scenes. They all now free for download at Publications Center online at www.oregongeology.org/pubs.

Heceta Lightstation 20th annual holiday open house begins

Heceta Head Lightstation is celebrating 20 years of hosting the annual Victorian Christmas Open House on Dec. 12, 13, 19 and 20, from 4 to 7 p.m.

Volunteers have decorated the Queen Anne style Keeper’s House inside and out with festive Victorian holiday decorations.

Open house sponsors Florence Area Rotary Club,

Lane Community College, Yachats Chambers of Commerce and Yachats Presbyterian Church will be providing warm drinks and treats.

Each evening local performers will share your holiday favorites. Ron Stanley, Richard Sharpless and Marty Adams are some of the talented musicians who will be performing at the

historic Keeper’s House.

Santa will be stopping by to hand out candy canes and receive Christmas Lists from children of all ages.

Visitors will be encouraged to take a night time walk to the lighthouse, so bring a flashlight.

This is a great opportunity to watch the lighthouse beams rotate overhead, truly a magical

experience.

Entry to the Keeper’s House is free but donations are gladly accepted. Parking is available at the Heceta Head Lighthouse State Scenic View Point, just below the Keeper’s House, and a shuttle bus will take visitors from the park right to the front door.

Or bring warm, rainproof clothing and a flashlight so you

can enjoy the beautiful walk up from the beach to the festivities.

Parking at the viewpoint is \$5 per vehicle.

You can support the open house and have a chance to stay at the bed and breakfast.

Enter our holiday raffle and win a free night’s stay at the bed and breakfast, as well as great prizes from local artists

and businesses.

The Lighthouse Gift Shop will be open and filled with special lighthouse gifts for your Christmas shopping.

Help celebrate 20 years of community tradition at the Keeper’s House.

For more information, contact the Heceta Lighthouse Bed and Breakfast at 541-547-3696.

Latest Cape Perpetua Series to explore coastal geology today

YACHATS — The picturesque Oregon Coast attracts many with its breath-taking beauty. But it also elicits cautionary fear with its warnings of earthquakes and tsunamis. Ironically, the very geologic

forces that threaten lives also are responsible for the spectacular mountains, valleys and coastlines cherished by Oregonians.

Oregon State University Emeritus Professor of

Geosciences Bob Lillie, Ph.D., shares the connection between hazards and scenery in “Beauty from the Beast” at 2 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, during the Cape Perpetua Winter Discovery Series at the Visitor Center, three miles south of Yachats.

Dr. Lillie draws on his experience as a geology professor, park ranger and graphic illustrator to reveal plate tectonics in action and explain the basics of Earth science in easy-to-understand ways.

“Beauty from the Beast reminds Northwest residents and visitors that their home-

towns and iconic parklands are subject to geologic processes that affect their lives and livelihoods,” Dr. Lillie said. “By learning to live with the beast of earthquakes, tsunamis and volcanic eruptions, people can more fully appreciate the beauty that surrounds them.”

Dr. Lillie will also be available to sign his new book “Beauty from the Beast: Plate Tectonics and the Landscapes of the Pacific Northwest.” The book can be purchased at the Cape Perpetua Visitor Center.

The Cape Perpetua Winter Discovery Series is an opportunity to explore topics and

resources relevant to the Oregon Coast during the off-season months between November and March.

All presentations and guided walks are free, but a Northwest Forest Pass, Oregon Coast Passport or \$5 day-use fee is required within the Cape Perpetua Scenic Area.

For more information, contact the Cape Perpetua Visitor Center at 541-547-3289.

Upcoming Winter Discover Series events include:

- Dec. 19 (2 p.m.) – Old-Growth Forest Hikes: Learn about the characteristics and ecology of coastal old-growth

forests during ranger-led hikes. All ages and hiking abilities welcome.

- Dec. 27-31 (11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.) – Whale Watch Week: Volunteers trained through Oregon State Parks’ “Whale Watch Spoken Here” program will be at the Cape Perpetua Visitor Center and viewpoints throughout the Cape Perpetua Scenic Area to help visitors spot and learn about grey whales during the mammals’ winter migration to their breeding grounds off Baja, Mexico.

No RSVPs necessary.



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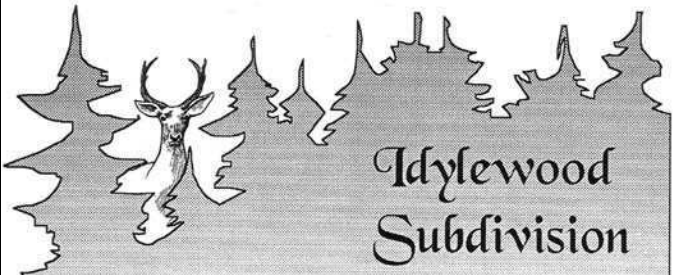
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Fishing

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The fall Chinook fishery is producing fair to good results for both bank and boat anglers. Recent rains have helped to move a lot of chinook into the good river bank access sections. Casting lures or bobber fishing is producing depending on the section and conditions.

The wild coho fishery is closed for the season.

SALMON RIVER: *Chinook, cutthroat trout*

The fall Chinook fishery is producing fair to good for both boat and bank anglers. Recent rains have moved a lot of fish

out of tide water. Casting lures or bobber fishing tends to be the most productive this time of year.

SILETZ RIVER: *Chinook, coho, steelhead, cutthroat trout*

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The wild coho fishery has closed.

Summer steelhead fishing is fair to good in the upper river above Moonshine Park.

WILSON RIVER: *Steelhead, Chinook*

Fall Chinook fishing should be fair to good. Fish will be spread out from tidewater

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points and 15 rebounds.

Siuslaw had one of its most even-scoring games of the pre-season, with Dotson, Tupua and Potter all scoring five points or more.

In addition, Watkins and sophomore Marika White each had baskets.

Defensively, junior Claire Waggoner scooped up 10 rebounds, along with 10 more from Dotson.

Though it sounds like a winning combination, it still wasn't

enough to hold the Tigers, who took advantage of the Viks' 45-percent in shooting that night — including going 1-for-9 from beyond the 3-point arc — to secure a 62-39 nonleague win.

The loss put Siuslaw at 1-3 heading into last night's game at Elmira (after press deadlines).

The Vikings will get a short break, then return to the court Friday, Dec. 18, to host Cottage Grove in nonleague play.

Tipoff is 6 p.m.

The Vikings will open the league season Jan. 15, on the road at South Umpqua.



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