

Yachats to hold 6th annual New Year's Day Peace Hike

YACHATS—Start the New Year off on the right foot — join the Yachats Trails Committee and fellow trekkers for the Sixth Annual Yachats New Year's Day Peace Hike to the Amanda statue south of town.

Participants should meet at the Yachats Commons, 441 N. Highway 101, at 9:45 a.m. on Friday, Jan. 1.

In preparation for the hike, Yachats Mayor Ron Brean will introduce Doc Slyter, Elder, Tribal Flutist and Tribal Council member for the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw

Indians.

Slyter will tell the story of Amanda, a blind woman forced to leave her young daughter and march barefoot through rocky terrain to the Alsea Sub-agency internment camp in Yachats in 1864.

Participants will then depart on an invigorating 6-mile round-trip hike that will take them along the south 804 Trail, across the Yachats River Bridge, along Yachats Ocean Road, to the Amanda Trail and the final destination — the Amanda Grotto and statue.

At the grotto the group will have the opportunity to con-

template and offer blessings for peace in the New Year.

Native American flute playing will be provided by Slyter and Mary Beth Nickel.

Hikers may then walk or shuttle back to the Commons for more camaraderie, refreshments and to collect their commemorative Peace Hike pin.

The image for the 2016 pin was created by the Siuslaw National Forest 2014 Artist-in-Residence, Margie Lopez Reid.

Participants should dress for changeable weather, wear sturdy shoes and bring walking sticks if they have them.

The walk from the Commons

to the Amanda Statue is approximately 6 miles round trip, and is on both paved road and narrow dirt trail surfaces with some stairs and moderate inclines.

In the event of heavy rain or wind, the hiking portion of this event will be cancelled, and the peace ceremony will take place in the covered shelter behind the Yachats Commons.

The Yachats New Year's Day Peace Hike will be an inspiring way to start the New Year, enjoy a lively walk, share good company and experience how the power of community can help create peace on earth.

For more information contact Lauralee Svendsgaard at lsven@peak.org or 541-547-3640.

The Amanda Trail was completed and dedicated in July 2009. A 25-year endeavor, the trail has helped reveal the truth about the treatment suffered by the Alsea, Siuslaw, Coos and Lower Umpqua People during their incarceration at the Alsea Sub-agency prison camp from 1859 to 1875.

It is through the Tribes' and community's endeavors with the Amanda Trail that many have become more aware of the great need to acknowledge the

wrongs of the past; and to be more conscious of the need to treat people of all cultures throughout the world with honor, dignity and respect

Since the Trail's dedication, the Confederated Tribes of the Coos, Lower Umpqua and Siuslaw Indians (CTCLUSI) and members of other Tribes have become an important part of the Yachats community.

CTCLUSI also provided financial aid and skilled labor toward the replacement of the pedestrian bridge along the Amanda Trail.



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Siuslaw senior guard Scott Gordon works the perimeter against Cottage Grove on Friday. Gordon had 6 points against the Lions.

Vikings from 1B

shooting from Potter, Watkins, Tatum and 5-foot-7 freshman post Madison Reynolds, to remain ahead 34-24 entering the fourth quarter.

Once again, the Lions were the first to score in the period, this time on a 3-pointer that cut the Viks' lead to seven. Cottage Grove went on to score the next eight points unanswered, including a 3-pointer to tie the game at 34-34 with 5:26 on the clock.

Potter drained her own 3-pointer, with the Lions matching the shot to keep things tied at 37.

An offensive rebound from Tatum edged the Viks ahead by two points, but the Lions made the most of free-throw opportunities to move ahead 42-39.

Freshman wing Annabel Tupua sparked the Viking offense with a long 3-point shot from the corner, tying the game at 42-42 with just over three minutes left.

The Lions made their next two free throws to go ahead 44-42, then began a delay offense to eat up the clock.

Tatum made the most of two charity shots to tie the game again, 44-44.

With 25 seconds left, the Lions swung the ball to the back door, where their post was able to sneak in for an easy bucket — and a 46-44 lead.

With time running out, Siuslaw fouled the Lions in hopes of getting the ball back,

with Cottage Grove adding one more point from the foul line and leaving just five seconds on the clock — which ran out of time on the Vikings, 47-44.

Tatum led scoring for Siuslaw with a double-double 17 points and 20 rebounds.

Monday, Siuslaw struggled from the field, going 7-of-45 and 1-of-13 in 3-point attempts en route to a 39-21 loss to the Warriors.

Senior Taylor Dotson lead scoring with six points and six rebounds. Tatum had five points and eight rebounds.

Siuslaw will be back on the hardwood today at Hidden Valley, beginning at 1:30 p.m.

For the boys, Friday's game

against the Lions started out with the Vikings trailing 11-0 before battling back with scoring from seniors Scott Gordon, Preston Mitchell and Kenneth Thrall, and junior Brogan Cornish, who sank a basket and three free throws in the last 11 seconds of the period to keep the Viks within three points, 14-11.

But in the second quarter, the Lions' offense roared to life, outscoring the Vikings 23-3 in the period, with Mitchell providing Siuslaw's only scoring in the quarter with a basket and a charity shot.

In the third period, the Vikings' offensive production improved with scoring from sophomores Jake Hickson and


Jared Brandt, along with buckets from Mitchell and Thrall, for 10 points.

Although Thrall, Hickson, Cornish and freshman guard Jakob O'Connor each scored, the Vikings were well short of erasing their earlier deficit as the


Lions went on to win it, 59-30.

Both Viking teams will return to the hardwood Jan. 5 at Elmira, with the girls tipping off at 5:45 p.m., followed by the boys at 7:15 p.m.

League play begins Jan. 15.



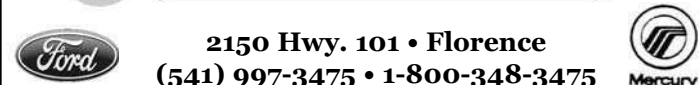
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ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Destinie Tatum



The junior guard scored 19 points and pulled down 20 rebounds in the Lady Vikings' loss last week to Cottage Grove.

Honorable Mention Taylor Dotson

Honorable Mention goes to Taylor Dotson. She led scoring for the Vikings with six points and six rebounds in a loss to Philomath.

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