LINCOLN CITY - The Oregon Coast is teeming with life all year-round. And during the summer, you can learn how to harvest the coastal bounty with crabbing and clamming clinics in Lincoln City.

Led by local expert Bill Lackner, these clinics are a great way to learn how to catch fresh Dungeness crab and purple varnish clams.

This will be Lackner's fourth season hosting the crabbing and clamming clinics, and he is prepared for another fun and educational program.

"This is my passion. I love teaching visitors of all ages how to do this, especially the kids," says Lackner. "At first, they are a little intimidated by it. But after I show them how fun and easy it is, then their faces light up.

"There is nothing more rewarding than watching a kid feel a sense of accomplishment. These clinics are great character building exercises for kids and kids at heart."

The first crabbing clinic will be Wednesday, June 8, at 9 a.m., at the SW 51st Street beach access (near Mo's Restaurant) in the Historic Taft District of Lincoln City.

of 12 will need a five-gallon bucket, a large package of chicken legs for bait, a pair of



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Crab traps and gauges can be clinic. Prior to crabbing, participants will meet for a brief ori-

entation on crabbing regulations, harvest methods, identification, and cleaning and cooking techniques.

The first clamming clinic is Thursday, June 9, at 10:30 a.m., beginning with a presentation at Driftwood Public Library, 801 SW Highway 101, on the second floor of City Hall.

Talks last approximately 45 minutes, followed by clam digging on Siletz Bay. Participants will need a five-gallon bucket, a pair of gloves and a shellfish license.

Clam bags and shovels will be available for purchase on

Looking back on four years of hosting the crabbing and clamming clinics, Lackner thanked the city for its suppor of the clinics.

"Lincoln City is a leader in supporting recreational opportunities like crabbing and clamming," says Lackner. "When we started these clinics, we wanted to show off the wonderful bay-front here in town and all of the great things you can do on it. Now it has taken on a life of its own, and I am thankful that the city continues to support it."

For the full clinic schedule and more information on the crabbing and clamming clinics, call 800-452- 2151 or visit www.oregoncoast.org.



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as Siuslaw returned to the plate

In the bottom of the inning,

Siuslaw brought home six runs

on 12 plate appearances, lead

by another 2-run single from

Thrall, who was 2-for-4 on the

night with 4 RBIs and a run

and went to work.

Senior short stop Kenny Thrall had 4 RBIs in Tuesday's 14-8 win over Douglas.

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taking advantage of weak pitching from four different Douglas hurlers, who combined for 13 walks — eight of which resulted in runs for the

Vikings. The Viks also scored on three errors and a pair of hits, including a 2-run single from Thrall in the second inning.

The Trojans threatened in the fifth, stringing together six runs in the inning, then tacking on two more in the sixth to tie the game at 8-8.

Douglas was in a position to take the lead with two outs and runners poised to score from second and third base.

Sophomore rightfielder

Evan Teter stopped the threat with an impressive catch to end the inning and preserve the tie



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scored. Gordon went 3-for-3 and scored three times for the Viks. Last night, Siuslaw was on the road at North Bend (after press deadlines) and will wrap

The the Vikings, currently in fourth place in the Far West League, still have a shot at the play-offs. However, they would need to win last night's doubleheader and next week's game against the Lancers. In addition, third-place

up the regular season Tuesday

at South Umpqua.

Brookings-Harbor would need to lose all three of its last games — including a matchup with the 1-11 Pirates of Marshfield next week.

A tall order to be sure.

But not out of the realm of possibilities for a Vikings team that has so far managed to keep its post-season hopes alive.

First pitch for Tuesday's game is set for 5 p.m. at South Umpqua High School.