

LANE COUNTY PARKS EXTENDS TASK FORCE APPLICATION DEADLINE

With more than 70 parks, Lane County is seeking help from the community to create a comprehensive park and open space system plan that includes creating a long-term vision for County parks and recreation.

The planning process has been ongoing. In September 2015 a draft Master Plan was released and many residents provided valuable comments and insights.

The next phase is to more formally involve the community and to create a task force to

guide the refinement of the draft plan. The task force will meet at least five times between October 2016 and July 2017.

Members will be asked to read meeting briefs, review planning documents, address questions, help with community outreach and assist County staff in making decisions on plan development.

"We are excited to start this phase of the planning," said Parks Advisory Committee member Kevin Shanley. "Our county parks are an incredible

resource for everyone in Lane County and we want a plan that reflects the values and the vision of the community.

"We hope people feel the same and choose to get involved – either by applying for the task force or providing feedback as we move along."

The task force will include 15 to 22 members. To ensure diverse, countywide representation, 5 to 7 members will be selected based on their experience and ability to represent different county-wide park and

recreation interests, such as tourism, natural resource protection, significant agency and community partners, etc.

Two representatives will be selected from each of the following geographic areas: Coast; Siuslaw (Mapleton); North Valley (Eugene, Springfield, Fern Ridge, Veneta); McKenzie River/East Lane (Vida); Middle Fork Willamette (Oakridge); and South Valley (Cottage Grove).

The remaining members will be selected from the Parks

Advisory Committee.

Applications for the task force are due by Monday, Oct. 17. Applications are available at www.lanecounty.org/parks-plan.

In addition to the task force, there will be several opportunities during the next year to provide feedback, including: an online questionnaire and comment forum, public meetings and open houses, and formal review forms.

To receive updates on the progress of the planning

process and alerts for involvement opportunities, visit www.lanecounty.org/parksplan.

The current Lane County Parks Master Plan was adopted in 1980. Lane County has pursued efforts to update the plan since 2005. The Lane County Parks Advisory Committee released a draft Parks Master Plan update on July 13, 2015.

Since that time, the County has sought extensive review and public comment on the draft document.

Sailors from 1B

seasons in recent years thanks to their versatility and hard work over the last four years — contributions that were evident in last week's road win at Siletz Valley

High School.

The Sailors racked up 628 yards of total offense against the Warriors, with Simington claiming nearly half of those yards while scrambling from the pocket for 301 yards, scoring 5 touchdowns on 18 carries.

He also threw for 122 yards, including a 50-yard bomb to junior receiver Dominic Wells.

Defensively, the Sailors were able to contain the normally high-scoring Warriors thanks in part to the efforts of Foster at defensive back, linebacker coverage from

Packebush, Simington and Smith, and Doran helping close the curtain on the defensive line.

Simington alone had 23 tackles on the night.

Mapleton narrowly defeated the Warriors, 50-46, with this Friday's final home stand against

the Lakers likely to be a barn-burner between Mountain West League rivals with a long history of hard-fought matchups.

Factor in a fourth-place tie at 2-1 in league between the Sailors and Lakers, and all the elements are there for a dramatic finish to

the high school careers of these five Mapleton seniors.

Kickoff for Friday's final game of the season against Triangle Lake is set for 7 p.m. at Mapleton High School.

Brownies from 1B

For the last three seasons, senior and defending 4A state champion Celie Mans has been the first varsity girl to taste the brownies. Last year, she was sev-

enth overall, beating out 23 girls and 26 boys in a mixed field of 56 runners from Coquille, Glide, Mapleton, Myrtle Point, Pacific and Reedsport.

The course winds through Sandpines Golf Links, starting on the third hole at 4:30 p.m. for

middle schoolers and 5 p.m. for high school runners.

Next week, the Vikings will be at Tugman State Park on Thursday, Oct. 27, for the Far West District meet, beginning with the varsity girls race at noon.

Fishing from 1B

that from Knight Park boat ramp to Sulphur Creek, until Dec. 31, angling is restricted to single point hook metal lures, fly angling, or salmon bobber angling.

SILETZ RIVER: *Steelhead, cutthroat, Chinook*

The Siletz River and bay is open for Chinook salmon. Fishing is fair. Trolling herring in the lower bay is an effective technique. Eggs and bobber or drifting eggs can be productive in the upper bay and river as the season progresses.

Consult the regulations for changes in deadline locations through the season. Steelhead fishing is slow. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective. Cover water and fish small and simple as the river conditions are low and clear. For cutthroat trout, casting small spinners, spoons or fly fishing streamers or dry flies can be very effective.

YAQUINA RIVER: *Cutthroat, Chinook*

The Yaquina River and bay is open for Chinook salmon. Fishing is fair. Trolling herring in the lower bay is an effective

technique. Eggs and bobber can be productive in the upper bay and river as the season progresses.

For cutthroat trout casting small spinners, spoons or fly fishing streamers or dry flies can be very effective. Angling for all species in streams above tidewater is open.

COOS COUNTY LAKES AND PONDS: *Warmwater fish, trout*

As water temperatures drop this fall warmwater fish will become more active all day long. Bass will be found in deeper water associated with cover, like weed lines or other structure. Plastic worms, shallow crankbaits, top water lures, and spinner baits are good to use for bass. The fall is typically a good time of the year to catch yellow perch using worms or small jigs fished near the bottom.

Rainbow trout are scheduled to be stocked in several Coos County lakes in early to mid-October. Due to extremely low water levels, Lower Empire Lake will not be stocked. Trout that were destined for Lower Empire Lake will be reallocated to Upper Empire and Butterfield lakes. Currently fishing for trout has

been decent in the deeper lakes like Eel Lake. Anglers are having success slowly trolling wedding rings.

UMPQUA RIVER, SOUTH: *Closed*

The South Umpqua is closed through Nov. 30 to protect spawning fall Chinook salmon

TENMILE BASIN: *Trout, bass, yellow perch*

Trout fishing has been slow in Tenmile Lakes due to warm water. Trout anglers should fish in the deep water and fishing is usually best in the mornings.

Largemouth bass fishing has been good over the past month. Anglers are catching bass near structure or on the deep end of the weed lines using spinner baits, jigs, or rubber worms.

Top water lures have been effective in the early mornings or evenings.

Fishing for yellow perch has been slow in Tenmile Lakes. Anglers fishing along the edge of the weedlines are having the best success. Worms fished near the lake bottom work very well for catching yellow perch.

The water level in the lakes is very low so boat anglers should use caution.

WINCHESTER BAY: *Bottomfish, perch*

Fishing for bottom fish in the Triangle and South jetty has been successful.

PACIFIC OCEAN AND BEACHES: *bottomfish, Dungeness crab, surf perch, salmon, halibut*

Recreational harvest of crab is open along the entire Oregon Coast.

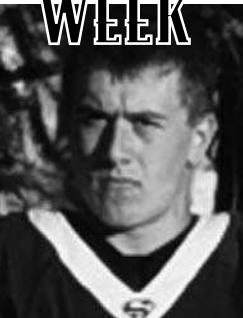
Razor clamming is closed south of the north jetty of the Siuslaw River.

Recreational ocean salmon fishing from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. is open for Chinook salmon.

Anglers are allowed two salmon per day with a minimum size for Chinook at 24 inches or larger.

The Nearshore Halibut season is open seven days a week from Cape Falcon to Humbug Mountain.

ATHLETE OF THE WEEK



Hunter Simington

Mapleton H.S.

Football

The senior quarterback ran for six touchdowns and threw for one more in the Sailors' 50-46 victory over Siletz Valley. Simington had 18 carries for 301 yards on offense, plus accounted for 23 tackles on defense.

Honorable Mention Josi Hays

The Mapleton senior accounted for six kills on 20 attacks, eight digs, three blocks and a pair of aces in the Sailor's final volleyball match of the season.

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Viks from 1B

into the end zone. The Viks went for the conversion but weren't able to make a return trip across the goal line.

At 0-4 in the Far West, Siuslaw is tied with Brookings-Harbor for fifth place. The Bruins will come to Florence this Friday for the final game of the regular season.

The game will also be Siuslaw's Homecoming and Senior Night, with seniors Scott Simmons, Nick Steinman, Robert Fleming, Kainan Lane, Brogan Cornish, Michael Larson, Marcos Reyna and David Fleming being recognized.

Kick-off for Friday's game will be at 7 p.m.