

ANNUAL SIUSLAW ATHLETIC BOOSTERS DINNER TO BE 'VINTAGE' BASH

"Shake, Rattle and Roll" your way to the 14th annual Siuslaw Athletic Booster Club, when it hosts a Vintage Viking Booster Bash Auction and Dinner on Saturday, Aug. 11 at the Florence Events Center.
The party starts at 5 p.m.

The event is held to support Siuslaw Viking athletes scholarships and project funding. Tickets are \$40 (or \$320 for a table of eight) and include dinner, beer, wine and other beverages, as well as a specialty cocktail available for purchase benefiting the Dan Barnum Scholarship.

Play Heads or Tails for a \$500 REI gift certificate and support the Ian Foster Scholarship Fund.
The evening includes the Heads or Tails game supporting the Ian Foster Scholarship Fund, Coaches' Corner, Mystery Wines, Silent Auction,

a Dessert Dash featuring three local bakers, and a live auction.
Contact Karen Perry at 541-991-6354 or email her at kaperry1@gmail.com to reserve tickets.
Suggested attire is 50's style, vintage Viking (any era), vintage athletic or casual.

FIRE RESTRICTIONS INCREASE IN AREA PARKS

Due to the high risk of fire in our area, as well as recently issued emergency orders from several fire districts, Lane County Parks will be enforcing these restrictions at several parks:

- No open flames are allowed in Lane County parks, including no campfires, warming fires, cooking fires or ceremonial fires.

- Gas-powered barbecues and cooking stoves using liquid or bottled fuels are allowed, but are restricted to use for cooking purposes only.
- Open flames are prohibited at day use areas in Lane County parks.
- Tobacco use and vaping are already prohibited in Lane County parks.
- Any other spark-emitting

operation not specifically mentioned is prohibited.
Not included in these restrictions are coastal Lane County parks located west of milepost 18 on Highway 126, including Archie Knowles Campground and Harbor Vista Campground.
Lane County will continue to monitor weather conditions, especially humidity and wind,

to determine if further restrictions become necessary, including potential park and trail closures.
While these restrictions may cause some inconvenience to park visitors, Lane County appreciates the understanding of the community as we work together to protect our highly valued public parks and the safety of park users.

REPAIRS TO EXTEND LIGHTHOUSE CLOSURE

The temporary closure of visitor access to the interior of Heceta Head Lighthouse has been extended to Sept. 30. Several unexpected issues have hindered the repair work, pushing the closure beyond its original July 31 end date.
Crews will continue to repair several cracked interior metal columns on the upper floor of the lighthouse. The lighthouse lens will be covered and out of service during the repair work.

The grounds surrounding the lighthouse will remain open to visitors. Interpretive programs will continue as regularly scheduled, but no visitors will be allowed to enter the lighthouse.
The historic assistant lighthouse keeper's house, which the U.S. Forest Service operates through a concessionaire as a bed-and-breakfast, will remain open.
More information about the lighthouse is on oregon-stateparks.org.

REGISTRATION OPEN FOR ANNUAL PREFONTAINE RUN

Applications are now being accepted for the 2018 Prefontaine Memorial Run. The 10,000-meter road run is slated for 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 15, in downtown Coos Bay and is held in conjunction with the Bay Area Fun Festival, Coos Bay's largest annual community celebration.
A stand-alone 5K high school cross country team competition will start at 9:45 a.m. Participating teams last year included Bandon, Brookings-Harbor, Cleveland, Douglas, Grants Pass, Henley, Lakeview, Marshfield, North Bend, Oakland, Reedsport,

Roseburg, St. Mary's, Siuslaw, Taft, Toledo and Waldport.
Awards for the open 10K Pre Run will be given in five-year age groups. First through third place finishers in each division will receive awards. The awards ceremony for both races will be held adjacent to the finish line on the Prefontaine Track at Pirate Stadium.
The entry fee is \$30.00 if

made prior to Sept. 12, and \$40 thereafter. High School team competitors must register on athletic.net and receive a discounted registration fee.
All race entrants will receive a T-shirt especially designed to commemorate the Pre Run. Online registration is encouraged by logging on to the Pre Run website at www.prefontaine.com.
Registration forms are avail-

able at the Coos Bay and North Bend Visitor Information Centers, Coos Bay and North Bend Libraries, Coos Art Museum, Coos History Museum, Farr's True Value Hardware and Nasburg Huggins Insurance in Coos Bay.
Applicants may also call for applications or further information at 541-267-3165.

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MID COAST LAKES:

Mid coast lakes stocking schedule for this year is posted online. Stocking of mid coast lakes began in February. **Siltcoos Lagoon** will not be stocked this year due to continued low dissolved oxygen. Trout scheduled to be released in Siltcoos Lagoon will be diverted to **Cleawox Lake**. In addition, fishing for warmwater species such as bass and other panfish should improve through June as water temperatures warm and these fish get more active. **Ollala Reservoir, Mercer Lake, Siltcoos Lake** and **Tahkenitch Lake** have warm water species available.

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ALSEA RIVER:

Cutthroat trout
Trout fishing in streams and river opened May 22. Fishing is restricted to artificial flies and lures through Aug. 31.

SALMON RIVER:

Cutthroat trout
Trout fishing in streams and river opened May 22. Fishing is restricted to artificial flies and lures through Aug. 31.

SILETZ RIVER:

Steelhead, spring Chinook, cutthroat trout
Summer steelhead are in the river. Fishing is good in the lower gorge. Casting spinners, drifting bait or using a bobber and jig can be effective.

Spring Chinook are available in the Siletz. Be aware of the regulations for the Siletz, 1 wild Chinook per day and two for the season through July 31.

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