

Calendar

Aug. 7

• Florence Softball

5:30 p.m.

Lofy vs ACC (North)

Beachcomber vs Welton (South)

7 p.m.

Welton vs Lofy (North)

ACC vs Beachcomber (South)

Aug. 9

• SHS Hall of Fame Induction & Dinner at the FEC

5:30 p.m.

Aug. 10

• SHS Booster Auction “Havana Night” at the FEC

5 p.m.

Tide Tables	
Entrance Siuslaw River	
High Tide	Low Tide
Aug. 7	
5:51pm / 5.5	11:46am/ 1.2
6:14pm/ 7.2	
Aug. 8	
7:11am / 5.0	1:06am / 0.6
7:09pm / 7.1	12:45pm / 2.0
Aug. 9	
8:36am / 4.9	2:17am/ 0.3
8:07pm / 7.1	1:51pm/ 2.6
Aug. 10	
9:56am / 5.1	3:23am / 0.0
9:05pm / 7.1	3:01pm / 2.9
Aug. 11	
10:58am / 5.4	4:21am / -0.3
10:00pm / 7.1	4:04pm / 2.9
Aug. 12	
11:47am / 5.6	5:11am / -0.5
10:49pm / 7.2	4:59pm / 2.8
Aug. 13	
12:27am / 5.9	5:53am / -0.7
11:33pm / 7.2	5:45pm / 2.6

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Perpetually amazing place

Cape Perpetua’s visitor center offers unique programs as the summer continues

STORY AND PHOTOS BY NED HICKSON
Siuslaw News

A family enjoys the view from the historic Cape Perpetua Overlook north of Florence.

Early explorer Capt. James Cook first saw the stunning Cape Perpetua Headlands towering some 800 feet above the Marine Garden shoreline just two years after our nation's independence in 1778. Since then, the cape, named after St. Perpetua, has become one of the most popular destination points along the coast. On a clear day, visitors can see as far as 37 miles out to sea and some 70 miles of coastline. It is the highest viewpoint accessible by car on the Oregon Coast.

All told, the Cape Perpetua Scenic Area includes a total of 2,700 acres of natural habitat that offers a truly unique ecological environment that is home to a constantly transitioning spruce rainforest as it stretches to the sea.

In 1933, President Franklin D. Roosevelt incorporated the area as part of the president’s “New Deal” through the Civilian Conservation Corps (CCC) program, which was directed to create campgrounds, trails and structures such as the stone overlook that still remain for visitors to enjoy.

But in addition to the cape’s scenic offerings, the Cape Perpetua Visitors Center hosts a series of

See **CAPE 2B**

Along with activities hosted at the Cape Perpetua Visitors Center are spectacular views like this from the cape’s overlook.



STEP TO DISCUSS WATERSHED PLAN, COHO RUNS TONIGHT

Eli Tone Siuslaw watershed director will discuss the Watershed Council’s 10 Year Strategic Action Plan for Coho Salmon Recovery. The Siuslaw Coho Partnership is a group of public and private partners dedicated to the broad sense recovery of Siuslaw coho salmon. This Strategic Action Plan (SAP) was developed by a “core planning team” of these partners.

The Siuslaw River once supported one of the largest runs of wild Coho salmon along the Oregon coast. However, over 150 years of resource use and development in the Siuslaw River watershed have contributed to a long and steady decline in the population.

By merging the best available science with local knowledge of the watershed, the strategic plan seeks to pinpoint the specific projects that can enhance watershed function and ensure the long-term health of the Siuslaw River Coho population.

Eli Tone will be the featured speaker at the Wednesday, Aug. 7 meeting of the Florence STEP group. The meeting begins at 7 p.m. at the Elks’Lodge in Florence.

SHS BOOSTERS DINNER, AUCTION SATURDAY

Join the Siuslaw Athletic Booster Club for one hot “Havana Night” on Saturday, Aug. 10, for this year’s Booster Club Auction. Tickets are \$45 each or \$360 for a table. Tickets and tables can be reserved through Tracy at www.siuslaw.booster.auction@gmail.com or by text at 541-999-2341.

To make a donation of any item, contact Tracy. Doors for the event open at 5 p.m. It will be a sit-down dinner with salads being served at 6:30 p.m. In addition, a silent auction will be available before and during dinner with the live auction beginning at 8 p.m.

Come join the fun and help the Siuslaw Booster Club raise money for local middle and high school athletes and athletics.

ODFW REGIONAL FISHING REPORT

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NOTE: Temporary regs for wild Chinook in coastal rivers — Due to low forecasted returns this year, wild Chinook fishing will be restricted in most coastal rivers. Most of these temporary regulations will be in effect from Aug. 1-Dec. 31, though a few don’t start until Sept. 16 or Oct. 1.

Before planning your fishing trip, be sure the check the regulation updates.

MID COAST LAKES: Stocking of the mid-coast lakes ended in June. Warmwater fisheries are improving in several lakes around the Florence area including Siltcoos, Tahkenitch, Mercer and Munsel lakes.

ALSEA RIVER: Cutthroat trout

See **FISHING 2B**

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40 YEARS AND COUNTING!

This year marks my 40th year in the greater Florence area. I moved here July 1st 1979! I remember my first home purchase in the 80's. I bought a condo at Bay Bridge for \$69,000!!!! right on the Riverfront, west end. What a great spot, wish I had never sold it. We have those times, don't we. At the time I was married to a great builder, Tom Smith Construction, so we built in Sandpines, then Shelter Cove moving then selling as we went. We finally purchased a lot at Mercer Lake and built a super cute cabin on the lake. After living there for 4 years, we finished our last home on the river. It was a beautiful spot with great views. During all the those years, the economy fluctuated. Some years it was easy to sell, other times it was a struggle. I learned a lot during those times, so it was an easy transition to go into real estate after selling my restaurant after 25 years in business.

If you're thinking of buying or selling, give me a call, I'd love to help you.

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