

Watershed presents on salmon

Join the Siuslaw Watershed Council on Wednesday, Aug. 28, at the Siuslaw Public Library from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., for a presentation about ocean and river ecosystem indicators of salmon returns, and how folks use those indicators to determine salmon fishing limits on the coast, which are set by the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife.

John Spangler, District Fish Biologist with the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, will bring his 26 years of experience in the Northwest Oregon District to inform attendees about salmon spawning survey data collection, population estimates, forecasts and regulation development for Coho and Chinook salmon on the coast.

Laurie Weitkamp, Research Fisheries Biologist with the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, will talk about ocean conditions and survival of salmon while they're in the ocean.

Since 2014, ocean temperatures across the much of Northeast Pacific have been above average. Warm temperatures that started with the "Blob" and the strong 2015-16 El Niño have persisted across much of the region despite two weak La Niñas.

While the distributions and abundances of many species have returned to normal, other changes continue due to biological lags and the persistence of warm water species in our area.

This talk provides an update on how the "Blob," El Niño, and La Niñas changed the ocean and the biological response to those changes, including many observations from our local area.

Weitkamp's research focuses on the ecology of salmon in estuarine and marine environments, including how physical conditions influence biological processes that are important for survival. This topic includes documenting the impacts of recent anomalous conditions on marine ecosystems across the North Pacific Ocean.

Learn more about the work of the Siuslaw Watershed Council at siuslaw.org or follow the council on social media. People can also attend the event to find out how to get involved.

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Come and enjoy this evening and learn more about the first members of our community.

For more information, call 541-997-7884.

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Visit the museum or watch the newspaper for future speakers.

StoryTime at museum to feature Jesse Beers

Jesse Beers, Cultural Stewardship Manager for the Confederated Tribes of Coos, Lower Umpqua, and Siuslaw Indians, will begin the fall season of StoryTime on Friday, Aug. 30, at 7 p.m. at the Siuslaw Pioneer Museum, 278 Maple St. in Old Town Florence.

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Friends of Library hold Labor Day Weekend sale

The Friends of the Siuslaw Public Library will hold its annual Labor Day weekend book sale Saturday, Aug. 31, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., and Sunday, Sept. 1, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m., in the Bromley Room at the library, 1460 Ninth St.

Friends of the Library members can come to a special preview sale Saturday morning, Aug. 31,

from 9 to 10 a.m. Memberships are available at the door.

"If you want to stock up on some great fall reading at great prices, this is your chance," said Friends of the Library president Linda Weight, who added that there will also be audiobooks, DVDs and tote bags with custom art by a local artist available.

The Friends of the Siuslaw Public Library is a nonprofit organization, with proceeds from book sales benefitting the library district in many ways, including equipment, support of the summer reading program and the Library Endowment Fund.

Contact siuslawlibraryfriends@gmail.com for more information.

Families Connected, OFSN to host family BBQ at Woahink Sunday

Families Connected and the Oregon Family Support Network (OFSN) will be hosting a family-style barbecue at Woahink Lake this Sunday, Aug. 25, from 1 to 4 p.m.

Come enjoy complimentary hot dogs, burgers, games and lemonade for

families who have members with autism.

Bring chairs, swimsuits and a side dish to share with others during this community picnic.

RSVP by calling Nancy Berge at 541-606-9061 or email her at nancy.berge@arclane.org.

Unitarians to hear about early Christian beliefs

On Sunday, Aug. 25, from 10 to 11 a.m. at the Florence Unitarian Universalist Fellowship, the Rev. Sarah Skochko will share a message titled, "A Radical Jesus."

According to Skochko, many Unitarian Universalists shy away from studying or discussing Christianity, as it is so often associated with oppressive right-wing fundamentalism in this country. But early Christians had much more in common with Unitarian Universalists — including a desire for justice, an emphasis on working together for a better world and a distinctly left-wing politics perspective.

Skochko will consider how Jesus' teachings can inspire and guide non-Christians today.

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New Testament study class to run September to November

The study of the New Testament will begin again on Thursday, Sept. 12, from 6:30 to 8 p.m., and continue every Thursday through Nov. 21. The class will be taught by Joel Marks and will be held at The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, at the corner of Mercer Lake Road and North Fork Road.

The class will begin with an in-depth study of the books of Mark and Luke and will continue until the entire New Testament has been covered. Anyone 12

years of age and up is welcome to attend and participate, including those from any faith or non-faith.

Scriptures and cookies will be provided.

This New Testament class is completely interactive. Inquiries, informative statements, and discussions are welcome. The premise of the class is that the life of Jesus Christ is worth studying, understanding, and emulating for every person.

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