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Distance learning

COURTESY PHOTOS

Kayakers (above) paddle along an arm of the South Slough near Charleston; a trail winds through the South Slough Estuary (below), a favorite spot for birdwatchers. The reserve is offering winter hikes and other social distanced activities this winter.

Learn about birds, crab at South Slough trail hikes

Visitors to the South Slough Estuarine and Research Reserve can bring in the New Year while enjoying nature when they plan a fun, safe trip to the Reserve this January and February.

Guided Nature Hikes are being offered at the South Slough Reserve from 1 to 2:30 p.m. Jan. 14 and 26.

Come for a walk in the woods and explore the flora and fauna on some of South Slough Reserve's most popular trails.

The two-mile loop is well maintained and relatively level. Attendees will meet at the South Slough Reserve Visitor Center. Dress for the weather; wear sturdy shoes and bring plenty of water and snacks. Registration is required, and the event is limited to six participants.

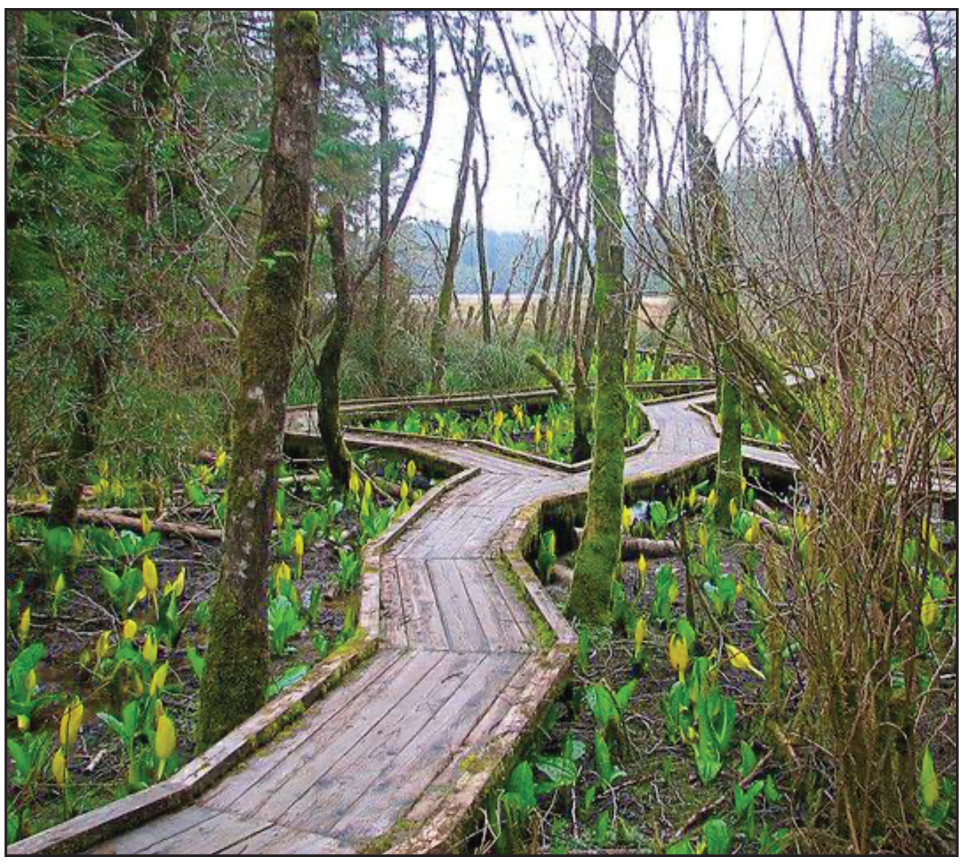
Register at www.southsloughestuary.org

• Birds on the Estuary will take place this Friday, Jan. 15, from 10 to 11:30 a.m.

Explore the shores of Charleston in search of winged wildlife. Interpreter and binoculars provided. Dress for the weather.

Meet at the Charleston Visitors Center.

Registration is required, and the event is limited to six participants.



Register at www.southsloughestuary.org

• Millicoma Marsh Bird Walk (10 to 11:30 a.m., Jan. 20 and Feb. 5:

Come enjoy great views of the bay and one of the best birding spots in Coos County. Interpreter and binoculars provided. Dress for the weather.

Meet in the parking lot directly behind Millicoma Middle School on Fourth Avenue.

Registration is required, and the event is limited to six participants. Register at www.southsloughestuary.org.

• All About Crab! will be held 1 to

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ODFW REGIONAL FISHING REPORT

www.dfw.state.or.us/RR

Local Lakes and Ponds:

North Coast lakes are done with trout stocking until next spring, but many lakes have hold-over trout from earlier season's stockings. Warmwater fishing should be over for the year as water temperatures are too cold to keep those species active.

Mid-coast lakes will receive trout stockings the first couple weeks of February. These lakes include: Cleawox, Munsel, Alder and Dune lakes. Wild coho fisheries in Siltcoos and Tahkenitch lakes are open and provide a unique opportunity to catch a coho in a coastal lake.

SIUSLAW RIVER: Winter steelhead

Winter steehead fishing on the Siuslaw has been blown out with the recent high water. Expect the first good push of fish to be around when the river drops back into shape this weekend and next week. The Whitaker Creek area is the best place to target returning hatchery fish. Hatchery fish are also planted in Lake Creek and are released into hatchery fish will start to show

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Tide Tables

Entrance Siuslaw River

High Tide	Low Tide
Jan. 13 12:30am / 6.8 11:29pm / 8.7	5:40am / 3.2 6:36pm / -1.4
Jan. 14 1:13am / 6.9 12:16pm / 8.5	6:30am / 3.1 7:18pm / -1.2
Jan. 15 1:54am / 7.0 1:02pm / 8.1	7:18am / 2.9 7:59pm / -0.8
Jan. 16 2:34am / 7.0 1:47pm / 7.5	8:07am / 2.9 8:38pm / -0.2
Jan. 17 3:13am / 6.9 2:33pm / 6.9	8:57am / 2.8 9:16pm / 0.5
Jan. 18 3:52am / 698 3:23pm / 6.2	9:51am / 2.7 9:53pm / 1.2
Jan. 19 4:31am / 6.8 4:21pm / 5.6	10:50am / 2.6 10:33pm / 1.9

Yachats Lions Club to host anual crab feed fundraiser

For more than 20 years, the Yachats Lions Club has held an "all the Crab you can eat" event in Yachats, Ore.

The annual trek to Yachats to eat Dungeness Crab is a tradition for families and groups from across Oregon and Washington.

This years' crab feed will be a little different due to covid-19, we will be selling crab meals available for take-out only. It will consist of one whole local crab, cole slaw, and homemade bread.

Meals will be available for pick-up (scheduled times) at the Lions Hall, 344 Fourth St. in Yachats.

The $25 per person tickets are available for sale online at www.yachatslionsclub.org.

You can select your pick-up time and order as many meals as you like.

Email for more information at Lionscrabfeed2021@gmail.com.

Kevin Yorks, coordinator of the popular crab feed

this year says, "We get great support from the community and local businesses in Yachats, Waldport and Newport. South Beach Fish Market cooks and cleans the best tasting local crab you ever ate."

All proceeds from the annual crab feed fundraiser supports Lions Community service projects with scholarships to graduating seniors, food pantries, the preschool and after school programs of the Yachats Youth and Family program, South Lincoln Resources programs, eyeglasses for children and adults.

With the motto "We Serve," Yachats Lions Club is celebrating 71 years of service to Yachats and South Lincoln County. The Yachats Lions Thrift Store has served our community for more than 40 years.

ODFW invites artists to compete in annual wildlife art contest

Artists in Oregon and throughout the world are invited to compete in one or all three of ODFW's 2022 stamp art competitions.

The winning artist in each contest receives a $2,000 award and winning artwork is used to produce collector stamps and other promotional items with sale proceeds benefitting Oregon's fish, wildlife and their habitats.

For more information on contest rules and to order art prints, visit www.dfw.state.or.us/stamp_contest/index.asp

Stamp art contests:

Habitat Conservation Stamp

Art entries must feature an eligible species from the Oregon Conservation Strategy in its natural habitat. Species include birds, mammals, reptiles, amphibians, fish, invertebrates, plants and algae.

See contest rules and entry form with a list of eligible species.

Waterfowl Stamp Contest:

Art entries must feature the

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Hello Florence! I hope you're all doing well and recovering from last week's horrific display at our nation's capital. Let's hope we can move on peacefully into this new year. Last week I gave an update on listings, so this week I will update that information. As of Monday morning, there are currently 54 active residential listings, that includes the 6 new ones during the week. There were 9 pending and 12 sold in the last week also. We're still very actively selling homes, but it's outnumbering our new listings coming available. If you have any interest in selling your home, now is the time. Give me a call, I'll be glad to help.

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