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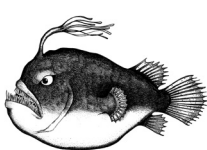


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The organization has garnered a worldwide following due to the wide variety of mushrooms in both the county as a whole and coastal Oregon.

The group is preparing to restart their annual Mushroom Festival on Sunday, Oct. 31, although in a COVID conscious way after last year's festival was held virtually.

August Jackson is a volunteer at Mount Pisgah and has participated in a number of previous festivals.

"Lane County is a great spot for foraging mushrooms and there are a mix of habitats from the Cascades to the Coast, with many edible and interesting species easily identifiable," Jackson said. "At our last in-person show, we had about 400 species identified with many on display, and that is just scratching the surface, as those were from the days we were doing the survey, not the rest of the time when mushrooms are also abundant."

One of the main reasons that nine of the 25 best counties for foraging were located in the Northwest is the abundance of forests, heavy rainfall and



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good soil conditions, all of which are present in and around Florence.

The Siuslaw National Forest and most state parks are good spots for foraging and there is no permit necessary for personal use quantities of less than one gallon of mushrooms.

There are a number of reasons for the increase in both the profile of the food, which includes its nutritional benefits, and the replacement of meat with other "meaty" tasting options in a growing number of American diets.

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mushrooms found in Oregon are morels, golden chanterelles, king boletes and American matsutakes. Other edible species include the horn of plenty, the spreading-hedgehog, the shaggy parasol, the coral tooth, the black picoa and the Oregon white truffle.

The protein in mushrooms contain all nine essential amino acids and the fungi have high amounts of fiber and antioxidants. There are also important minerals in mushrooms, specifically copper, which is essential in the develop-

ment of red blood cells.

This year's festival at Mt. Pisgah is being called a show due to the slimmed down nature of both presentations and the number of attendees. Tickets will be capped at 1,200 and there will be a three-hour viewing window for ticket holders. Proof of vaccination or a negative COVID administered within 72 hours will be required and masking will be enforced.

For more information, go to mountpisgaharboretum.org/festivals-events/mushroom-festival/.

HUNGER from page 1A

which require delivery to the student's home. There are often more families in a situation where they are food challenged.

"Food Backpack for Kids provides nutritious, ready-to-eat prepackaged

and shelf stable meals to children at risk for hunger on weekends during the school year. Every food bag contains three meals plus snacks for Saturday and three more for Sunday," said Jane Alsop, who is currently coordinating the program.

Students that are in a living situation where they are unsure of when or what their next meal might be have been shown to have performance, comprehension and attention issues in the classroom. Many of these problems can be mitigated if there are dependable and reliable meals available. According to Feeding America, one in six students are attending school while hungry.

"Children need nutrients so that they can grow, develop and focus on learning instead of thinking about the food they need,"

says Christina Martinez, Program Manager of Children and Families at Feeding America. "Ultimately, they need to be able to concentrate in the classroom, so they can succeed and reach their full potential."

According to the non-profit "No Kid Hungry," the COVID era has increased the number of youth facing hunger with as many as 12 million children going hungry every day.

There is also the issue of hungry children being afraid or uncomfortable speaking about their family dynamics and the simple fact that they are hungry.

Locally, respect for the privacy of the students receiving support is part of the discussion when determining the best or most discreet way to ensure students have food when school is not in session.

These decisions are taken seriously by the group as they can have a dramatic impact in either a positive or negative way, depending on how the situation is handled.

"The staff privately distributes food bags to at-risk students, who put them into their backpacks," Alsop said. "Our volunteers do not know the identity of the children."

The program delivers 50 food bags to Siuslaw, 20 to Mapleton and 10 to Swiss Home Church each Thursday. During the summer, a volunteer delivers additional bags each week to Mapleton/Deadwood.

A dozen organizations pledge annual support to the food program, but additional help is always needed. For more information, visit foodbackpackforkids.com or call 541-997-3533.

Faith – Friendship - Fellowship – Fun CHURCH DIRECTORY

To include your organization in this directory, please call us @ 541-997-3441

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Bishop Larry Farnsworth 541-999-1979

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4590 Hwy. 101, Across from Fred Meyer -- 997-7418
Sunday School, 9:30a.m. – Worship, 10:45
Wed. Prayer - 6:00 p.m. –
Wed. Ministries 1-8 Grade 7 p.m.

CROSS ROAD ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Corner of 10th & Maple- 541-997-3533
Sunday 9:00
1st Service in person
Sunday 11:00
2nd Service in person & Online
Children's Church (0yrs-12yrs) in person & Online
Wednesdays at 7pm
<https://www.florencecrossroadag.org/church-online>
Other platforms update after the service.
florencecrossroadag.org
office@florencecrossroadag.org

FLORENCE CHRISTIAN CHURCH

2nd & Ivy - 541-997-2961 - Non-Denominational
Service is on Sunday at 10:00 a.m.
Sunday Service also streaming live at 10:00 am
at florencechurch.com

FLORENCE CHURCH OF CHRIST

Pre-Denominational (Romans 16:16)
1833 Tamarack Street
(2 blocks east of Hwy. 101 on 18th St.)
Bible Study: Sunday 10 a.m.; Worship: Sunday 11 a.m.
www.churchofchristflorence.org

FLORENCE EVANGELICAL CHURCH

1318 Rhododendron Dr. • 541-997-2523
Sunday Service 11am (Children Sunday School)
Mid-Week Activities, all ages.

FLORENCE SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST

4445 Hwy 101 (South of Fred Meyer) – 997-3951
Worship on Saturday 11:00 A.M.
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87738 Hwy 101 at Heceta Beach Road
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Link to Sunday services at
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www.florencenewlifelutheran.org.

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Habitat for Humanity

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541-997-5834 | 2016 Hwy 101, Florence • www.florencehabitat.org

Helping Hands Coalition

We are in need of volunteers on Monday, Wednesday and Fridays. We need volunteers to serve food, set up for meals and also prepare meals beginning at 11:00 am and finishing at 2:00pm.
New Location: Community Baptist Church, 4590 Hwy. 101, Florence (Across from Fred Meyer)

Oregon Coast Humane Society

relies heavily on volunteers. There are many opportunities to volunteer and a variety of skills and talents are always in need. Volunteer interest forms may be found online, at the shelter and at our Thrift Shop on Bay Street.
www.oregoncoasthumane.org/volunteer/

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