

Events

Conservancy schedules summer work parties

North Coast Land Conservancy launched its 2022 field season with a variety of activities and programs that are open to the public.

The group's On the Land and By the Sea program presents opportunities for people to get outdoors for stewardship days, volunteer work parties, monitoring, walks and more at the organization's habitat reserves.

"Joining us for one of these stewardship events is a fun and meaningful way to make a difference in your community, spend time outdoors with others, and visit beautiful spaces and unique habitats that aren't otherwise



Volunteers remove purple loosestrife, English ivy and other invasive plants, from Blind Slough Swamp Habitat Reserve in 2019.

accessible to the public," said Melissa Reich, stewardship director.

The first event is from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, June 15. The "Release the Trees" party will work to remove invasive blackberries at

the group's Thompson Creek Habitat Reserve in north Seaside.

Some tools will be available, but volunteers are urged to bring their own and to wear long-sleeve shirts, pants, closed-toe shoes or boots and leather gloves. Bring water and lunch. Sign up via the group's website, nclctrust.org/on-the-land.

Future events:

- Pull, Pile and Stomp Policeman's Helmet at Circle Creek, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Saturday, July 16 (family friendly).
 - Swampathon, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Saturday, Aug. 6.
 - Removing invasives at Clear Lake, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Sept. 14.
- The conservancy also will host a "Land-to-Sea Community Science BioBlitz" from June 17 to July 17 in partnership with Oregon Coast Aquarium and Oregon Marine Reserves.

The program records the biodiversity within a location during a known timeframe, which creates consistent datasets for researchers.



Clatsop Community College President Chris Breitmeyer addresses graduates at a previous graduation in Patriot Hall.

CCC's graduation is June 17

Clatsop Community College will hold its commencement festivities at 4 p.m. Friday, June 17, in Patriot Hall at the Astoria campus.

Sheila Roley, former superintendent of Seaside School District, will address the 73 graduates, who will receive 64 associate's degrees and 13 certificates.

Acknowledgement will also be given to individuals who have completed the college's General Education Development (GED) program.

Spanish Instructor Fernando Rojas-Galvan was selected as this year's faculty marshal and student marshal is Marissa Chapman. Both faculty and student marshals will ad-

dress the graduates.

"Commencement is the culmination of all the hard work and dedication our students have put in throughout their college career, especially acknowledging their perseverance in these past years through COVID," CCC President Chris Breitmeyer said. "It's a time dedicated to really applaud their accomplishments. We are excited to celebrate this milestone with our graduates."

The commencement ceremony will be a live, in-person event. Masks are optional.

A live-stream option will be available on the Clatsop Community College YouTube channel.

Men, it's time to check your health!

It's Men's Health Month, a good time to think about any preventative screenings or tests needed at different stages of life. These can include:

- Blood pressure, diabetes and cholesterol checks
- Colorectal and prostate cancer screening options
- Routine checkups to get advice on diet, exercise and safety

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Black history talk covers 450 years in 45 minutes



A KKK rally below Astor School in the 1920s.

Zachary Stocks, executive director of Oregon Black Pioneers, will present "Oregon's Black History: 450 Years in 45 Minutes," at 2 p.m. Saturday, June 11.

The free talk is spon-

sored by the Friends of Seaside Public Library through a grant from Oregon Humanities. It will be in the community room of the library, 1131 Broadway St.

Attendees will get a chance to ask questions afterward.



Stocks

Encore performs spring showcase

Encore Dance Studio's Spring Showcase is at 3 p.m. Saturday, June 11, at the Seaside Convention Center.

The annual event features dancers ages 2 to 18 per-

forming tap, jazz, ballet, acrobatics), and lyrical.

Tickets are \$15 and available through the studio's Facebook page.

