



# CITY OF YACHATS NEWSLETTER



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THE YACHATS CITY COUNCIL VISION

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Our village is a place where natural resources are valued and protected, where diversity is celebrated, and where a vibrant economy and sense of community pride create and recreate a living spirit. Yachats cares not just for its citizens' basic needs but also supports them in their efforts to excel mentally, physically, artistically, and spiritually. It is a community with an enduring sense of itself.



## Mayor's Message

By Ron Brean, Mayor

Yesterday in the mid-afternoon I measured my shadow. It was twenty-two feet long and leaning heavily to the north. This morning the sun had not yet shown itself in the sky as the morning coffee was poured and the discussion began about the things that need to be done today. This evening the sun will settle below the horizon before it even seems to be time to think about dinner. The day will fly by with amazing speed. These are the dark days of the year. More darkness, more time indoors, less activity, less vitamin D, and shadows that sometimes seem to reach from dawn to dusk. The distance between us and the sun is greater. The angle of the sun's rays is less. There are fewer strangers in town and there is perceptively less clamor.

I must admit that the cold and dark days of late Autumn and early Winter are not my favorites. I am an outdoor guy and have been since before I was old enough to open the door by myself. I've often joked that my favorite holiday is the first day of daylight savings time, and I find the day

that it ends is mildly depressing. Those two days divide the light from the dark, the warmer from the colder, and the active from the sedentary.

That mild depression passes quickly for me, though. I've ridden the ball of the temporal pendulum back and forth to both ends of its swing enough times to have a little perspective. When you think about this time of year there is a lot for which to be grateful. There is the tradition of the fall harvest to be celebrated. There is the holiday season that holds joy and promise for all traditions. There is the solstice that heralds the change in direction of that pendulum and the inexorable ride back to light and warmth and activity.

In the meanwhile, in the present, the pace of life has slowed down enough to more easily take a moment to appreciate what surrounds us. The endless lapping or crashing of the waves reflects the mood of the sea. The low angled light that dances with such excitement on the nervous waters of the Pacific that its energy recharges depleted spirits. And the hushed winter quiet or the raucous winter gale that takes the place of the hubbub brought by summer tourist crowds. And most of all we now have a greater chance of having a moment to greet our neighbors on the street or in the shops or in the post office or over a cup of warming coffee. It is the best time to appreciate the best thing about Yachats....Yachatians.

May you all have a wonderful holiday season and rich blessings of peace in the year to come!



## Happy Holidays from City Hall!

By Nancy Batchelder,  
City Recorder



## Yachats Trails Update

By Jan Brown, Trails  
Committee Communications  
Leader

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Happy Holidays to all! It has been an eventful year for the Trails and YIPS! Crews and many thanks go out to all the wonderful, dedicated and hardworking volunteers who have accomplished so much. Special thanks too to all the new crew members who have joined in this year.



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Our most recent event was to host a two-day meeting of the [Oregon Recreation Trails Advisory Council](#) (ORTAC). ORTAC council members advise the Oregon

State Parks & Recreation Commission and the Oregon Parks & Recreation Department on the development of trails and the Statewide Trails Plan. One of their goals is to ensure that trails are established near urban areas as well as in highly scenic and more remote areas. A year ago Yachats Trails Committee chairperson Lauralee Svendsgaard was appointed to a term on the Council. She succeeded in scheduling their quarterly (November) meeting in Yachats, and was able to show them the work we've accomplished. And yes, they were quite impressed, especially given the size of the community.



And coming up next...  
**Plan now to attend the 4<sup>th</sup> annual Yachats New Year's Day Peace Hike!**

As an individual you can use this opportunity to experience the peace ever present in our beautiful environment. As John Muir advised: "Climb mountains and get their good tidings, nature's peace will flow into you as sunshine into trees. The winds will blow their freshness into you and the storms their energy, while cares will drop away from you like leaves of autumn."

And, as part of the community that takes this journey, you can join with others to acknowledge the need to treat people of all backgrounds and cultures throughout the world with honor, dignity and respect -- knowing that the power of community can build pathways to peace amongst us all.

During this inclusive *and* energizing community experience, we'll wind our way from the Commons to the site of the Amanda statue along the Amanda Trail. There we will gather to welcome the New Year and offer our individual and collective blessings for peace on earth. You are then invited to return to the Commons for a community celebration with snacks (including potluck contributions if you like) and beverages - and the highly coveted, and now collectable, commemorative pin that all participants receive following the hike. This year's design is by renowned wildlife artist and Lower Umpqua Tribal member [Pam Stoehsler](#).

The hike will take place on **Wednesday, January 1, from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm**. Plan to gather in the Commons where we will briefly review the plan for the day before setting out.

The entire round trip is 6 miles so be prepared for a moderately strenuous walk. If, along the way, you experience difficulty, a few private vehicles will be stationed along the route (starting at the south end of the Yachats Bridge) to shuttle participants unable to negotiate the entire distance. Shuttles back to



the Commons will also be available for those who prefer not to walk back.

Dress in layers for changeable weather, wear sturdy shoes and bring your walking sticks. The hike will be on both paved and narrow dirt trail surfaces with some stairs and moderate inclines. In the event of heavy rain or wind that would make the trail unsafe, we will walk on a shorter alternate route.

We've had perfect weather and a rapidly growing turnout for the previous hikes so we hope you will start your new year on the right foot (so to speak) by joining this always inspiring event. For additional information or questions, contact Lauralee Svendsgaard at 541-547-3640 or [lsven@peak.org](mailto:lsven@peak.org).



### **YIPS! News (Yachats**

#### **Invasive Plants Subcommittee)**

The holiday season may be upon us, but unfortunately weeds don't take holidays nor does YIPS! With the help of the enthusiastic young folks

in the [CSC](#) Natural Resource Crews who have been working in Yachats, we have renewed our attacks on invasive weeds at the Prospect Garden and also in the Commons Wetland Park. And thanks are also due to Aaron Duzik of the Lincoln Soil & Water Conservation District, who has done sterling work in controlling the clematis that was smothering tall trees along Hwy 101 just north of the Yachats River Bridge. Take a look and you will see the clematis corpses now withering in the trees.



Now, we don't wish to be the Grinch who stole Christmas, but...

December's weed-of-the-month is holly. This is a sneaky one with tough roots, making it difficult to pull unless the plant is just a few inches tall. And cutting the stem doesn't help either - the plant simply sends up multiple new growths! Holly spreads through seed carried and dispersed by our feathered friends and its prickly demeanor means it has few predators.

Left to run wild it competes enthusiastically with native trees.

You can learn more about identifying and managing local invasive plants from <http://www.ci.yachats.or.us/weeds/Brochure-weeds.pdf>, and if you have questions about weeds, you can call Don (541-961-6695) or Wally (541-547-5474).

### **Upcoming Trails, YIPS! & Related Events**

The Yachats Trails Crew meets on the first Saturday of each month and the YIPS! Crew on the third Saturday, both from 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. There are always a wide variety of tasks for all levels of interest and ability so come out and join one or both of these über-friendly crews!

### **Upcoming events to add to your calendar**

**include: December 7th (Saturday) 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.:** Trails work event (Location to be announced via email to the Trails Committee's contact list.)

**December 21st (Saturday) 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** YIPS! work event (Location to be announced via email to the Trails Committee's contact list.)

**January 1 (Wednesday) - 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.** 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Yachats New Year's Day Peace Hike. Meet in the kitchen at the Yachats Commons at 10:00 a.m.

For more information, and to sign up for the mail list, contact any one of us via phone or email:

- Lauralee Svendsgaard, Chair, Yachats Trails Committee at 541.547.3640 or [lsven@peak.org](mailto:lsven@peak.org)
- Joanne Kittel, Leader, Development Committee & Amanda Trail at 541.547.3144 or [jnkittel@peak.org](mailto:jnkittel@peak.org)
- Wally Orchard, Leader, YIPS! at 541.547.5474 or [worchard@peak.org](mailto:worchard@peak.org)
- Jan Brown, Leader, Communications at 541.547.4927 or [espressobrown@gmail.com](mailto:espressobrown@gmail.com)



### **Playground Renovation Begins**

Thanks to a grant from Oregon State Parks and assistance from the Yachats Public Works crew, the children's play area behind the Commons will soon begin renovations.

By early December, 5-foot deep, 3-foot wide soil

test pits will be dug in the four corners of the play area, and then covered during the analysis period. In January we'll begin gathering suggestions from YYFAP kids and the community on the types of equipment we'd like to see in the new playground. We anticipate that by mid-April the playground will be temporarily closed, the existing equipment will be removed, and Public Works will begin making drainage improvements to the site. The play area will then be leveled, play appropriate surface materials will be installed, and hopefully by August we'll have a new, greatly improved playground. Special thanks to Dean Shrock, Chair of the Playground Task Force (dean@deanshrock.com), and Alice Beck (YAPKids@peak.org) of YYFAP who is coordinating the equipment selection effort.

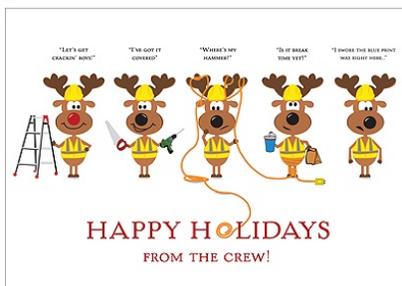


### Planning News

By Larry Lewis, City Planner  
**Happy Holidays everyone!**

### Yachats Public Works Department

By Larry  
Blanchard, Public  
Works Director



### Code Enforcement Report

Donald Niskanen, Code  
Enforcement Officer



2013 has been a busy year and it seemed to fly by. I wish all of you a Happy Holiday season, filled with family, good friends and good times.

Vacation rentals took up a lot of my time this

summer. The majority of our vacation rental homes and rental agencies go out of their way to comply with the City's ordinances. If or when there is a problem, it is resolved immediately.

Unlicensed Contractors is a constant problem. Many contractors did not renew their business license because of the recession. There was no work down here. Now that some building activity has started up, the Contractors are returning. It is time to renew business licenses and our new data system gives me an up to date list of business licenses.

We continue to make progress on the City's effort to control invasive plant species. Thanks to Wally Orchard and the YIPS crew, several different species of invasive plants are under control.

The letters I send out regarding invasive plants or overgrown lots are getting about 75% compliance. Japanese Knotweed is still out of control. New outbreaks are appearing every spring. Hopefully, we can address this invasive in 2014.

We have had some transient activity, but not as bad as it was a couple of years ago. I have no explanation for this. The signs on the County buses may have helped. It seems most are heading south for warmer climates.

I have started doing regular grease trap inspections at all of our eating establishments, spring and fall. I have received full cooperation from all of our restaurants.

I think the City's effort to gain compliance with its codes and ordinances has been very successful. We are not 100% there yet, but we are making steady progress.

My best to all! Have a safe and Happy Holiday season.



## Little Log Church and Museum

By Mary Crook, Events Coordinator

They say that as one gets older time passes more quickly. If that the case I must be as old as the Little Log Church. Although not quite, must say the year end seems to have arrived before I put my *Fourth of July stuff* away. Here we are In December already- Ylkes!

It's time to invite all of you to the annual "Opening Ceremonies" at the little Log Church and Museum. Continuing a tradition of over 25 years, the little log Church and Museum will host its annual "Opening Ceremonies" on Friday, December 13th at 7:00 p.m. This event formally announces the Yachats Winter Celebration and will include carols, a brief holiday message, and the official declaration by Yachats Mayor Ron Brean that the season is underway. The log Church's antique pump organ will be played by Marcia Wilcox.

Following the Opening Ceremonies attendees are invited to the Yachats Ladies Club for refreshments and entertainment by the Sweet Adeline's- another tradition of many years. The Sweet Adeline's will begin their program of holiday music at 7:30 p.m.

This is a great event, and a good opportunity to see the Little Log Church all dressed up for the holidays.

The volunteers at your Little Log Church and Museum wish you a wonderful holiday season, and look forward to seeing you and your guests throughout December and in the coming year.

Here's a teaser for next month: *THE AGATES ARE COMING, THE AGATES ARE COMING!*



## Yachats Public Library

By Sandra Calkins

### "A Spirit of Giving"

In this month of December, many people are concentrating on choosing the perfect gift for every person on their list. This process not only is exhausting and expensive, but it causes great stress for the person charged with choosing. It takes away from the purpose of sharing the holidays, whatever holiday you share, and becomes an exercise in supporting the big stores.

Now, I'm certainly not going to try to take away the joy of giving, especially giving that special item to a child. My purpose in this article is to help with ideas which may actually give more pleasure to the recipient as well as the giver. I am one of many who doesn't need more "stuff." A gift that helps others is much more satisfactory.

If you decide to change your giving patterns this year, first consider the need locally. South County Resources and our local food share can always use help as can our schools. Our library needs funds for new books and donations of books for our annual book sale. Perhaps you care about animals. The humane society can use your help. The Yachats Youth and Family Activities Program provide interesting wholesome activities for kids.

Help with the Christmas baskets that bring needed cooking supplies to households on the edge. Local clubs such as Lions support many area groups every year. Area church giving programs also help many individuals locally. Yachats is a giving area so I know that I've forgotten some major contributors.



One thing I've always wanted to do is divide up a \$100.00 bill into tens and fives and just hand it out to people at a grocery store, the Dollar Store, or Wal-Mart. Maybe you can just

pay toward it forward next time you go to the coffee shop.

There is a great deal of need this year nationally and internationally—especially in the Philippines so devastated by the recent typhoon. You can also send a donation in someone's name to one of the major organizations that help with finding cures for serious diseases or help with disasters.

Last Christmas one of our sons gave us a \$50.00 gift to Kiva. Kiva takes contributed funds and doles them out as small grants to people all over the world. What was most wonderful about his gift was that we got to choose where each \$25.00 segment would go. One that we choose went to a grocer in Paraguay to assist in purchasing a cooler to keep foods that he sold safe. The second recipient that we chose needed to buy a heifer for a milk cow for his family. He is in Tajikistan. Together the awards were made and are being paid back. We receive a report every time there is a payment and as soon as there is \$25.00 in our account, we can choose another recipient.

Finally, consider giving of yourself. Spend some time with a shut-in. Create items for children or nursing home patients. Volunteer to help out at our all-volunteer library or one of the many other places in our area. Give everyone one of your smiles. Let's go back to easier times and bring more joy to our holidays. Happy Holidays, everyone, from the Yachats Library.



## Commons Events

By Leon Sterner, Coordinator

### **Friends Tree of Giving Returns for the Holiday Season**

Tree of Giving is an appropriate metaphor for the *Friends of the Yachats Commons*. Friends give of themselves to support local groups like the Farmer's Market, One of Us Productions, Big

Band, Yachats Academy of Arts and Sciences and Lunch Bunch, to name a few.

There are also many ways that community members volunteer to support the Friends throughout the year. For example, a great crew of volunteers worked November 8<sup>th</sup> thru the 10<sup>th</sup> to greet and steward crowds at the Celtic Music Festival. They came early to help with set up and stayed late to put chairs and tables away and to sweep and vacuum floors. Volunteers work like this throughout a typical month to support events like Lunch Bunch, Big Band and the many one-time events that come to town and set up/take down within the Commons.

Once again this year, a Grand Fir tree will grace the front hall of the Commons and will welcome community members to financially support the Friends through our **Tree of Giving**. The tree will be decorated with traditional lights and ornaments along with special donation cards.

These donation cards invite financial contributions of \$25, \$50, \$75 and up to \$500.

In addition to supporting the ongoing programs at the Commons, the Friends use their financial resources to leverage maintenance and improvement projects at the Commons like the storage room and new chair project, the new room dividers and kitchen upgrades. Our list of "to-do's" for 2014 include new blinds for rooms three and eight, a possibility of new flooring in room eight (to replace the current carpeting), and more storage space in the kitchen and the preschool rooms.

We also invite community members to give of their own ideas for new programs, new improvement projects and new ways that we can positively support and be members of the larger community. Give me a call and let's talk: 541-961-6597.

If you aren't able to come in and visit the Tree of Giving, please feel free to address a gift to the Friends' PO Box. Friends of the Yachats Commons, PO Box 435, Yachats, OR 97498.



## Yachats Youth and Family Activities Program

By Alice Beck,

Executive Director

### **Breakfast with Santa on Sunday, December 7<sup>th</sup>**

Have you been naughty or nice? Well Santa is coming and he wants to have breakfast with you! Join Santa and his elves from YYFAP on Sunday Dec. 9th from 9:00-11:00am at the Lion's Hall. Our friendly Yachats Lions will be making a pancake breakfast and there will be lots of fun crafts and activities for the whole family to enjoy. Santa will be there for pictures and a whisper of what you really want for Christmas. There will be photos with Santa available too. All ages are welcome to attend.



### **Families Together Ornament Night Dec. 13th**

Join us for a free spaghetti dinner, arts & crafts ornament making, story time

and lots of cheer as we ring in the season and decorate the tree at the Yachats Community Presbyterian Church 6-8 pm. You don't want to miss this wonderful annual event. Santa is sure to attend.

## Yachats Lunch Bunch Annual Holiday Luncheon

By Will Williams, Coordinator

The 2013 Holiday Luncheon is scheduled for Thursday, December 12, 2013 at 11:30 a.m. in the multipurpose room at the Yachats Commons.

The Christmas fare is as traditional as we can get it: oven roasted turkey and dressing; whipped potatoes with gravy; buttered peas, ambrosia salad, rolls with butter, with Pumpkin Roll for desert.

The event is open to everyone over 55 years with a suggested donation of \$5 per person. In the spirit of the season, we ask that everyone bring a donation for the food bank. Don't forget there are many hungry pets too, who will appreciate your thoughtfulness.

## GoYachats.com

By Andrea Scharf, Marketing Director



### **Happy Holidays and Bright New Year!**

It's that season again, and Yachats is all lit up, with lots of events scheduled to bring cheer during this dark time of the year. For me, this is an especially challenging newsletter article to write, because it is my last as the GoYachats marketing director.

After three years, I'm ready to change jobs, although—is it a job if it doesn't pay? Not sure how to answer that one, but I'm looking forward to returning to working on my own writing assignments and hoping that maybe my books will end up in the window of Mari's some day!



A lot has happened during the past three years. The city decided to invest in efforts to bring visitors to Yachats during the economic downturn which had reduced city revenues from the transient room tax. People weren't traveling as much and it was a serious challenge to figure out how to change that. Now that at least some economic indicators are up and people are more able to travel, it's still important to make sure they come HERE—to the central Oregon coast. It's also important to coax them into staying here a little longer.

During the past year and a half, that strategy has revolved around the training provided to South Lincoln County (Yachats as well as Seal Rock and Waldport) by Travel Oregon, the state's tourism marketing program. A series of workshops provided training in identifying what makes our area attractive and working together to enhance the best that each of these communities has to offer. As a result, several projects were developed, including the very successful Oregon Coast Gravel Epic and a map of all the non-motorized trails in the area.

On October 5, the Gravel Epic sent cyclists pedaling through the Siuslaw National Forest on mostly gravel roads. It was a tough ride, but a survey of the 100 participants indicated that a whopping 97% would come back and do it again. They will have a chance to do just that in 2014. For many, this was a first-time introduction to the beauties of South Lincoln County; hopefully they will return frequently.

The trails map should go to print in the next month and will be available at the visitor center and other locations. Residents and visitors will find it useful as an attractive guide to places to walk, hike, bike, and paddle, with lots of information about geology, flora and fauna, and history. It will also become available digitally and as an app sometime in the future.

Much positive energy has resulted from our ongoing city marketing advisory committee, which includes council member Sandy Dunn; David Locke, the president of the Chamber of Commerce; Bev Wilson, the director of the visitor center; Mari Irvin representing city

businesses; City Recorder Nancy Batchelder; and myself as the city marketing director. Mutual support has led to a series of training programs for visitor center volunteers and others who interact with the visiting public to help them be more informed about the attractions of this area. The program, directed by Bev Wilson, is called "We Speak." Bev organizes sessions on such diverse topics as clamming in Alsea Bay, whale watching, tide-pooling, local arts, and history in all three South Lincoln County communities. These are fun and informative and you are invited! Look for announcements of future programs.

And as we wind up the year, please remember to SHOP LOCAL! Yachats businesses are unique with a wide and surprising variety of items and services. You will often find the shop owner behind the counter offering personal contact and assistance. They learn your name and remember it—and you don't get that in big box stores or online! Once again, GoYachats is sponsoring the Holiday Shoppers Raffle. The prizes are on display at Bank of the West and raffle tickets are given out by participating merchants for every \$10 you spend. The drawing takes place on December 27 at the bank.

Thank you for the opportunity of helping to support a sustainable and vibrant economy in Yachats—have a happy and healthy new year!



### **Winter Solstice Celebration and Bonfire**

Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> at  
4:30 PM by the Picnic  
Shelter (behind Yachats  
Commons)

Please join us for this ancient celebration of the longest night of the season and the beginning of the new light. There will be light refreshments and music. Bring a log, which you can add to the bonfire.

There is no charge for this Community Celebration. The Academy is supported by the Friends of the Yachats Commons Foundation. For more information, go to [GoYachats.com](http://GoYachats.com) or call 541-961-6695.



## Solstice Party continues after the Bonfire

Come into the Commons December 21, 2013 at 6pm to warm up with Chili and

Cornbread, put on your dancin' shoes for a cruise back in time to some swinging' tunes. Celebrate the Solstice with new and old friends. Open Mic and piano available for the adventuresome. \$5 at the door. Rides available. Call [541-547-4428](tel:541-547-4428). Sponsored by Friends of the Yachats Commons Foundation.



[www.geocities.com/yhtsbgbnd/](http://www.geocities.com/yhtsbgbnd/) where a calendar of coming performances will soon be available.

Any questions can be answered by calling Gary Cleasby at (541) 547-3626



**4:00 - 7:00 pm**  
**18<sup>th</sup> Annual Victorian Christmas Open House at the Heceta Lightkeepers House.**



## YACHATS BIG BAND NEWS

The 17 piece "Yachats Big

Band" was formed in 1992 by a group of Yachats area residents who wanted to preserve and promote the big band sounds and dance music from the "Big Band Era"

The band performs a dance at the Yachats Commons on the First Thursday of each month, and has also plays for benefit dances and private parties, weddings and concerts. Our next performances will be Dec. 5th and Jan. 2nd at the Yachats Commons from 7:00 to 9:00 PM.

The band will be expanding its offerings to the public to include concert performances around various themes of the history of the big band era. Also smaller groups of musicians are preparing performances to add to our offerings. Look for additional information about a Fat Tuesday performance.

You can learn more about the Yachats Big Band by visiting our Web-site

The Queen Ann style Keeper's House will be decorated with Victorian flourishes inside and out. Enjoy warm drinks and treats and performances by local musicians. Santa Claus will be there, and Oregon State Parks volunteers will offer historic tours of the lighthouse. There will be a holiday raffle with great prizes from local businesses. Shuttle service will be offered from Heceta Head Lightstation State Scenic Area parking lot to the front door. Or bring warm, rainproof clothing and a flashlight and enjoy a beautiful walk up from the parking lot/beach. The parking fee is \$3 or present your Oregon Coast Passport. The Lightstation is located just 14 miles south of Yachats. Click or call (541) 547-3696.





SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>1</b> <b>Yachats Winter Celebration begins...</b>	<b>2</b> Tai Chi 8 am (Rm 3) 9am Yoga w/ Dennis (Rm 3) 10am Exercise Class (MP)  7pm Amrit Style Yoga (Rm3) 6pm Zumba 7pm Basketball (MP)	<b>3</b> <b>2pm Emergency Planning Comte (Civic Rom)</b> <b>3pm Public Works &amp; Streets Cmte (Civic Mtg Rm)</b>  <b>5:30pm Cosmic Lotus Yoga (Rm8)</b> 6:30pm Salsa Dance Class	<b>4</b> Tai Chi 8 am (Rm 3) 9am Yoga w/ Dennis (Rm 3) 10am Exercise Class (MP) <b>City Wide Tsunami Siren Test 11am</b>  6pm Zumba (MP) 7pm Rhythm Weavers (Rm3) 7pm Amrit Style Yoga (Rm8)	<b>5</b>  11am Gentle Healing Yoga (Rm3)  7pm Big Band Dance (MP)	<b>6</b> 9am Yoga w/ Dennis (Rm 3) 10am Exercise Class (MP)	<b>7</b> <b>Lions Breakfast with Santa (LionsClub)</b> 88 <sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Bazaar (Ladies Club) <b>Heceta Lighthouse Open House 4-7pm</b> <b>6pm Village Mixer (MP)</b> <b>Pearl Harbor Day!</b>
<b>8</b> <b>88<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas Bazaar (Ladies Club)</b> <b>3pm Yachats Song Circle (Rm3)</b> <b>Heceta Lighthouse Open House 4-7pm</b>	<b>9</b> Tai Chi 8 am (Rm 3) 9am Yoga w/ Dennis (Rm 3) 10am Exercise Class (MP)  6pm Zumba (MP) 7pm Basketball (MP) 7pm Amrit Style Yoga (Rm3)	<b>10</b> <b>9:30am City Council Work Session (Civic Mtg Rm)</b>  <b>5:30pm Cosmic Lotus Yoga (Rm8)</b> 6:30pm Salsa Dance Class (MP)	<b>11</b> Tai Chi 8 am (Rm 3) 9am Yoga w/ Dennis (Rm 3) 10am Exercise Class (MP) <b>10am Finance Cmte Civic RM</b>  6pm Zumba (MP) 7pm Rhythm Weavers (Rm3) 7pm Amrit Style Yoga (Rm8)	<b>12</b> 11am Gentle Healing Yoga (Rm3)  <b>11:30am Yachats Lunch Bunch 55+ (MP)</b>  <b>2pm City Council Mtg (Civic Mtg Rm)</b>	<b>13</b> 9am Yoga w/ Dennis (Rm 3) 10am Exercise Class (MP) YYFAP: Families Together Dinner Ornament Night <b>7p Opening Ceremony- Little Log Church Sweet Adeline's @ Ladies Club 7:30pm</b>	<b>14</b> <b>Heceta Lighthouse Open House 4-7pm</b>  Pacific Wind Ensemble (MP)
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<b>22</b> 	<b>23</b> 8 am Tai Chi (Rm 3) 9am Yoga w/ Dennis (Rm 3) 10am Exercise Class (MP)  6pm Zumba (MP) 7pm Basketball (MP) 7pm Amrit Style Yoga (Rm3)	<b>24</b> City Hall Closed at noon  Events: TBA 	<b>25</b> City Hall Closed <b>Merry Christmas!!</b> 	<b>26</b> 11am Gentle Healing Yoga (Rm3)  <b>Whale Watching Week starts</b>	<b>27</b> 9am Yoga w/ Dennis (Rm 3) 10am Exercise Class (MP)	<b>28</b> 
<b>29</b> 	<b>30</b> Tai Chi 8 am (Rm3) 9am Yoga w/ Dennis (Rm 3) 10am Exercise Class (MP)  6pm Zumba (MP) 7pm Basketball (MP) 7pm Amrit Style Yoga (Rm3)	<b>31</b> <b>5:30pm Cosmic Lotus Yoga (Rm8)</b> 6:30pm Salsa Dance Class (MP)  6:30pm – 2:20am Community & Family New Year's Eve Party (MP)	<b>4<sup>th</sup> Annual Peace Hike</b>  Regular events TBA			

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