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Mount Bachelor Summer Interpretive Programs Available

BEND – The Deschutes National Forest, in partnership with Mt. Bachelor, is now offering its annual summer interpretive program. Join a U.S. Forest Service ranger at Pine Marten Lodge to learn more about the origins of the Cascade Mountain Range and its unique plants and animals. The thirty-minute program will take advantage of the spectacular views at 7,800 feet elevation. Programs occur daily at 11:30 a.m., 1:30 p.m. and 3:00 p.m. Topics cover volcanoes, geology, ecology, and cultural history of the region.

Your alpine adventure begins with a leisurely ride on the new Pine Marten Express to the Pine Marten Lodge. From mid-mountain, take in the majestic sights of the Three Sisters, Broken Top and the High Cascade Lakes. Please remember to bring a sweatshirt or jacket and to wear sturdy shoes or hiking boots.

Tickets for the chairlift can be purchased at the ski shop at West Village at Mount Bachelor. Cost for lift tickets is:

- **Adults (13 - 64 years) - \$15**
- **Seniors (65 years +) - \$12**
- **Youth (6 - 12 years) - \$9**
- **Children age five and under - Free**
- **Full Mt. Bachelor Season Pass - Free**
- **Mid-Week Mt. Bachelor Season Pass - Free on weekdays**

The summer program at Mount Bachelor will be offered through Labor Day.

For more information call Lava Lands Visitor Center at (541) 593-2421.