

CORPS VALUES



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Located on the north end of Cannon Beach, the beautiful Ecola State Park offers breathtaking views, great hiking, and perfect waves. But the state park isn't just a great surf spot, it is a location with some pretty cool history.

This popular state park benefited from the work of a Civilian Conservation Corps group. The Civilian Conservation Corps, a make-work program of President Franklin Roosevelt's New Deal, established Camp 1636 at Ecola State Park, and worked to improve roads, build water systems, construct picnic areas, and lay stonework that is still evident in the park today.

The CCC boys worked to improve the park until 1936, and over 3 million CCC workers across the nation received room and board, as well as a living wage that helped them contribute to their poor families back at home.

One of the most important improvements made by the CCC was the creation of a new approach to the park. The U.S. Army had previously established a route to the area, but the old road had extremely steep grades, and in places it directly bordered the ocean. After every storm, the road would be blockaded with 2 or 3 feet of sand.

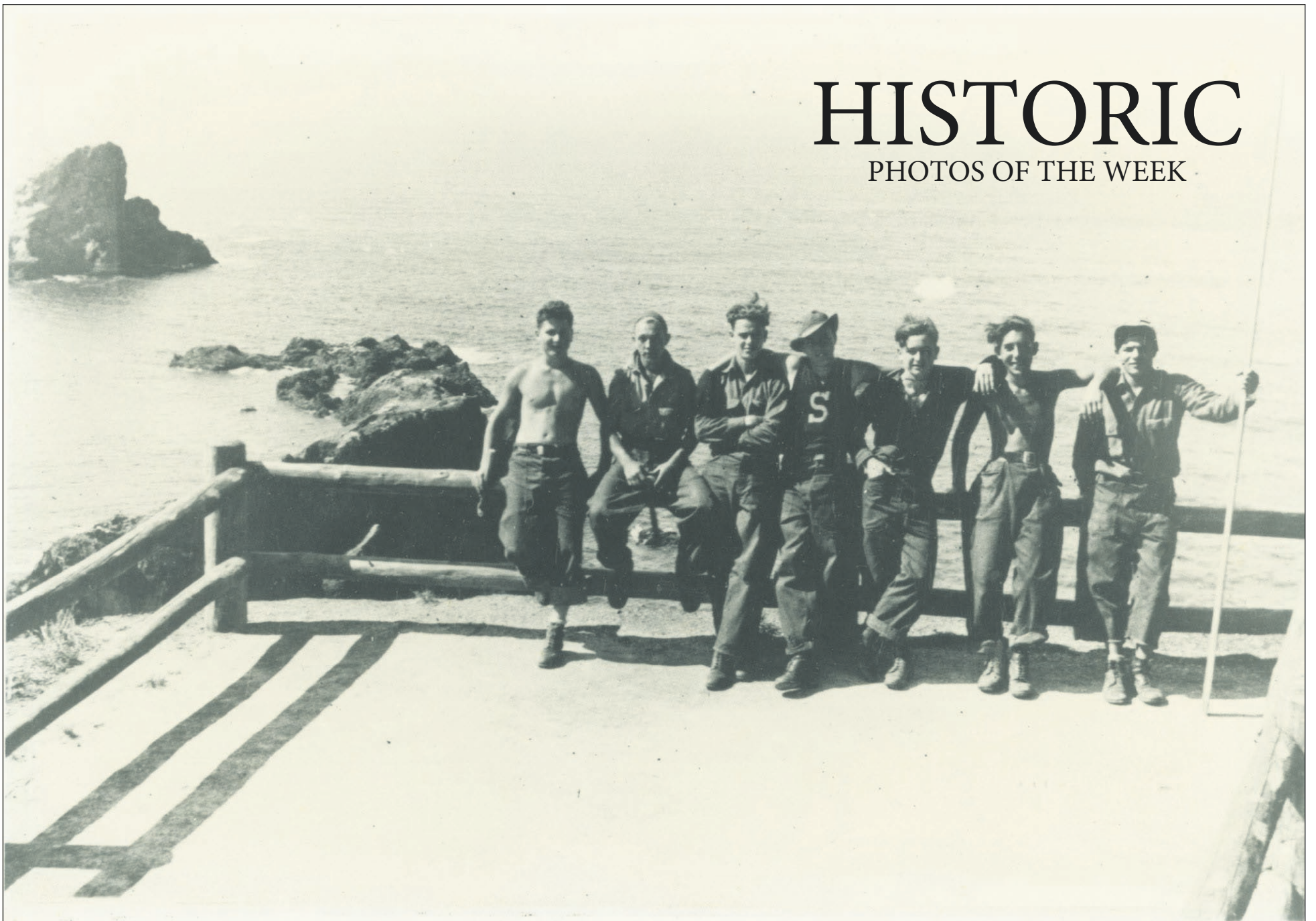
Work on the park did not end with the CCC camp's closure in 1936. In 1948, Samuel Boardman was instrumental in purchasing an additional 308 acres to the park, formerly owned by Crown Zellerbach, and the park is now comprised of more than 1,300 acres of forest, beaches, and off-shore rocks.

Samuel Boardman was the superintendent of Oregon State Parks and was instrumental in ensuring that the Ecola State Park area was accepted as one of Oregon's state parks.

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Photo courtesy of Cannon Beach History Center and Museum

The New Deal-era Civilian Conservation Corps made improvements to Ecola State Park near Cannon Beach.



HISTORIC PHOTOS OF THE WEEK

Photo courtesy of Cannon Beach History Center and Museum

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9-1-WHAT?
THE BEST OF THE WORST CALLS TO ASTORIA 911 DISPATCH

A spear-waving, hatchet-throwing Fourth of July

It was a good old fashioned spear-waving, hatchet-throwing Fourth of July holiday week. Someone also snatched an American flag from a porch, while children shot fireworks into trees.

Follow reporter Kyle Spurr on his 9-1-What? Twitter watch, where a few of the sometimes head-scratching calls to area dispatch take centerstage. The full feed is at www.twitter.com/9_1_WHAT.

9-1-WHAT? 9-1-WHAT? Following

{6/30 @ 3:20 p.m.} Man with mask, no shirt and headphones is waving a spear over his head, running in circles around a flagpole. #Astoria

9-1-WHAT? 9-1-WHAT? Following

{7/4 @ 9:21 a.m.} Theft of an American flag reported from a porch in #Astoria.

7:01 AM - 6 Jul 2015

9-1-WHAT? 9-1-WHAT? Following

{7/5 @ 8:54 a.m.} Caller reported his vehicle missing. Officers found it two blocks away on the same street. #Seaside

8:47 AM - 7 Jul 2015

9-1-WHAT? 9-1-WHAT? Following

{7/4 @ 8:33 p.m.} Children lighting off fireworks. Caller is concerned because the children are shooting them off into the trees. #Astoria

9-1-WHAT? 9-1-WHAT? Following

{7/6 @ 5:46 p.m.} A small silver car stopped on the #Astoria Bridge and the driver threw a hatchet out of the vehicle.

8:28 AM - 7 Jul 2015

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