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## Help clean up the Nehalem estuary

The 10th biennial community event is set for March 11

WHEELER — Pull up your boots, don your rain gear, and prepare to take out the trash — from the estuary that is. The biennial Nehalem Estuary Cleanup returns for its 10th year on Saturday, March 11.

In 2015, over 150 volunteers dedicated their time, collecting 2.37 tons of trash and 915 pounds of recyclable and reusable material from the estuary, including metal, glass, plastic and paper. Interesting finds included a mattress, a port-a-potty door, 14 railroad spikes, 105 flip flops, 350 shotgun shells and one message in a bottle.

Orientation begins at 7:30 a.m. at the Wheeler Masonic Hall at Handy Creek Bakery, located at 63 N. Highway 101, in downtown Wheeler.

Volunteers of all ages and abilities are welcome. Opportunities range from collecting debris, sorting materials, helping with set-up and take-down, and helping with food service.

Nehalem Bay State Park will have activities for children. Science educator Peter Walczak will also lead a youth



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Gwendolyn Endicott sorts through trash at Wheeler Waterfront park with CARTM during the ninth biennial cleanup.

crew, cleaning up debris along the state park jetty. Youth and family volunteers can join the 7:30 a.m. orientation in Wheeler or go directly to the boat ramp in Nehalem Bay State Park at 8:30 a.m., where there will be an orientation and educational activities.

Bring drinking water and a snack or bag lunch. This is a rain or shine event. Wear waterproof boots, work gloves and layers as needed. You can register in advance online; visit [eventbrite.com](http://eventbrite.com) and search for 10th biennial Nehalem Estuary Cleanup.

After the cleanup at 5 p.m., volunteers are invited to the White Clover Grange at 36585

Highway 53 in Nehalem for live music, a chili and cornbread feast, root beer floats, and socializing. Bring a dry change of clothes.

In addition, the Nehalem Estuary Cleanup Photo Contest invites submissions. Cleanup attendees are invited to submit photos from the day of the event to [photocontest@nehalemtrust.org](mailto:photocontest@nehalemtrust.org) by March 15. The winning photographer will receive a gift certificate to a local business and be featured in press about the event.

For more information, visit [www.nehalemtrust.org](http://www.nehalemtrust.org) or contact Alix Lee at [lnwc@nehalem.net](mailto:lnwc@nehalem.net)

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## Watch Pittock family history come to life

Seaside library hosts historical presentation

SEASIDE — The Friends of the Seaside Library will host a dramatic presentation of “Georgiana Pittock Her Last 10 Years” with historical actress Mary Hutchins. The event will take place in the Community Room at 7 p.m. Thursday, March 16.

Hutchins (portraying Mrs. Pittock) and Mike Hutchins (portraying her chauffeur), will tell the account of Georgiana and Hen-

ry Pittock as they came west on the Oregon Trail, and their settlement in Portland. The Pittock family played a major role in the history of Portland and the growth of Oregon’s largest city.

They will also tell the story of the Pittocks’ last 10 years between 1908-1918, with the building of the Pittock Mansion, the evolution of women’s voting rights in Oregon, World War I, and dealing with the effects of a stroke.

The Pittock family visited Seaside on many occasions, and the presentation will

touch on their experiences on the Oregon Coast too.

Historical actress Hutchins has been portraying Georgiana Pittock since 2007 and has told her story to school children, residents of elder living facilities, museums, libraries and philanthropic organizations. She will be in full period costume for the presentation.

The Seaside Public Library is located at 1131 Broadway. For more information call 503-738-6742, or visit [www.seasidelibrary.org](http://www.seasidelibrary.org)