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A car drives along Oregon Highway 202 South of Astoria during a King Tide in 2016. Some of this section of the highway can be covered in water during King Tides.

## Capture the king tides' land Dec. 3

CANNON BEACH — Join the Haystack Rock Awareness Program — in partnership with Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition, the Oregon Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation and the Department of Land Conservation and Development — as they take part in the Oregon King Tide Photo Project by shooting photographs of areas that will be impacted by this season's king tides.

Participants will meet at the Bald Eagle Coffee House (1064 S. Hemlock St.) 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 3. Bring a camera, grab a coffee and be prepared to take some great pictures!

The King Tide Photo Initiative is an international grassroots effort to document areas flooded by the most extreme winter high tides. We will observe and photograph Cannon Beach when the water level is at the peak of the tide. The images will be compared with those taken at the same location during a "typical" high tide. Archiving these high-water events allows us to visual-

### IF YOU GO

**Where:** Bald Eagle Coffee House, 1064 S. Hemlock St.

**When:** 10 a.m. Sunday, Dec. 3

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ize how sea level rise will affect our communities in the future.

Everyone is invited to attend and learn more about the annual project. If you are not in Cannon Beach but would still like to participate, visit [oregonkingtides.net](http://oregonkingtides.net) and check out the King Tide Table Map to find the time of peak tide where you are.

For questions or comments, contact Melissa Keyser, the HRAP coordinator, at 503-436-8060 or email [hrap@ci.cannon-beach.or.us](mailto:hrap@ci.cannon-beach.or.us).

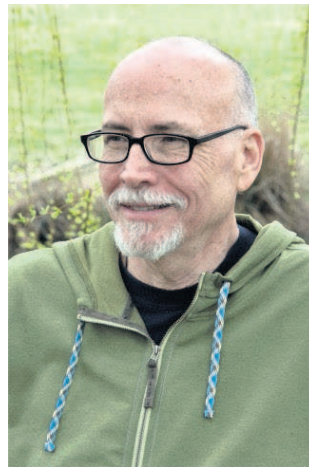
# What makes life meaningful? Discuss at Astoria Library!

ASTORIA — The question of what makes life meaningful has occupied human thinking for thousands of years. Religious leaders, philosophers and scientists have offered an array of answers as profound, enigmatic and rich as the question itself. Are we sparks of divine creation, or simply meaning-making creatures, or genes replicating themselves for no other purpose than adapting to our natural environment?

This is the focus of "What Makes Life Meaningful?," a free conversation with Prakash Chenjeri and Fred Grewe 3 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 2, at the Astoria Library (450 10th St.). This program is sponsored by Oregon Humanities.

Chenjeri is a professor of philosophy, chair of the Philosophy Program, and co-director of the Democracy Project at Southern Oregon University. His primary research interests are political philosophy, scientific literacy and democracy, topics in philosophy of science and issues in science and religion.

Grewe is a board-certified chaplain of the Association



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Fred Grewe, author of "What the Dying Have Taught Me about Living: The Awful Amazing Grace of God"

of Professional Chaplains with a Doctor of Ministry degree from the Pacific School of Religion in Berkeley. He is an ordained United Church of Christ minister working for Providence Hospice in Medford. His book, "What the Dying Have Taught Me about Living: The Awful Amazing Grace of God," was recently published by Pilgrim Press.

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Prakash Chenjeri, chair of the philosophy program at Southern Oregon University

that engage community members in thoughtful, challenging conversations about ideas critical to our daily lives and our state's future.

For more information about this free event, contact Ami Kreider at 503-325-7323 or [akreider@astoria.or.us](mailto:akreider@astoria.or.us).

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ideas that change lives and transform communities.

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A Barrow's goldeneye

## Eyes on the birdie

FORT STEVENS — Fort Stevens State Park is offering two opportunities in early December to go birding with a state park ranger.

The first event, a Fort to Sea Trail bird hike, will run 9 to 10:30 a.m. Saturday, Dec. 2. Participants will meet at Sunset Beach State Park.

The second, a Fort Stevens monthly bird survey, will be held 9 to 11 a.m.

Saturday, Dec. 9. Meet at Battery Russell.

No birding experience is required, and experts are welcome to share their knowledge.

Binoculars are recommended; organizers will have a few extra on hand.

For more information, contact Dane Osis 503-861-3170 extension 41 or [dane.osis@oregon.gov](mailto:dane.osis@oregon.gov).