

# Rock on! HRAP reopens for 2018 beach season

CANNON BEACH — The Haystack Rock Awareness Program invites you to join them daily on the beach during low tide Friday, Feb. 9, through the end of October. The program is entering its 33rd season on the beach!

Having educated more than a million visitors and thousands of students over the years, the program's mission is to "protect, through education, the intertidal and bird ecology of the Marine Garden and National Wildlife Refuge at Haystack Rock."

HRAP Rocky Shore Environmental Interpreters will be on the beach during low tides to educate visitors at Haystack Rock about biodiversity found on and around the rock. Our free public education program will change as the seasons change, with the arrival and departure of various animals to the area.

We offer bird scopes, aquaria stations, an interactive visitor table with a microscope and many other exciting educational opportunities.

HRAP welcomes vol-



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Observers with the Haystack Rock Awareness Program keep a sharp eye on the puffin population as numbers in recent years have continued to dwindle despite research and educational efforts to revive the colony.

unteers of all ages, including families. Program volunteers participate in a variety of activities on the beach and behind the scenes, plus a chance to make jewelry for our new Trash Talk Project.

There is no minimum time commitment required, and we have wonderful volunteers come from all around Oregon and Washington. Those interested in volunteering should contact

Lisa Habecker, our education and volunteer coordinator and 15-year HRAP veteran, by email (habecker@ci.cannon-beach.or.us) or phone (503-436-8064). Teachers, instructors or groups interested in a field trip and/or tour of the rock should contact Habecker as well.

This season we will be offering returning favorite and all new special events, educational classes and

workshops for kids and adults.

The complete beach schedule can be found on the City of Cannon Beach website, under the Haystack Rock Awareness Program.

For questions or comments, contact Haystack Rock Awareness Program Coordinator Melissa Keyser at 503-436-8060 or hrap@ci.cannon-beach.or.us.

## A whale of a good talk in Cannon Beach

CANNON BEACH — The next talk in "The World of Haystack Rock" lecture series takes place 7 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 14, and features Leigh Torres, assistant professor at Oregon State University.

Torres' talk is titled "Through the Looking Glass: New Perspectives on Whale Ecology to Inform

Conservation."

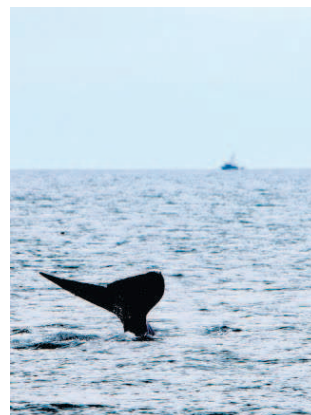
The series is held the second Wednesday of each month through April, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., at the Cannon Beach Library (131 N. Hemlock St.).

The next talks will be held:

- Wednesday, March 14: Bill Chadwick, research professor at Oregon

State University's Hatfield Marine Science Center. His talk is titled "Axial Seamount: The most Active Volcano in the Pacific Northwest"

- Wednesday, April 11: Katie Volke, Director of the North Coast Land Conservancy. Her talk is titled "Life in the Coastal Edge"



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### Crossword Answers

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