## Learn about Oregon's shores and conservation next weekend

OREGON — The Oregon Shores Conservation Coalition will host a 50th anniversary celebration on July 29. A combination of in-person and online events will be included.

Geologist Orrin Pilkey and author Mary Ellen Hannibal will be featured. Pilkey is one of the world's leading experts on the conservation of beaches and management of shorelines. Hannibal is the author of "Citizen Scientist: Searching for Heroes and Hope in an Age of Extinction."

In-person events include two guided beach walks. At 10:30 a.m., citizen science trainer Fawn Custer will lead a tidepool-oriented walk at Sunset Bay State Park will be held. Marine ecologist Stewart Schultz will lead a separate beach walk, starting at 10:30 a.m. at Manhattan Beach. More details on the events are available at oregonshores.org/coastwatch

Other events will be held online. At 3 p.m., executive director Phillip Johnson will discuss Oregon Shores' history. He will be followed by Pilkey at 4 p.m. for a lecture titled "The Future of Our Beaches." At 7 p.m., Hannibal will present "The



Jim Wallace

Future Role of Citizen Science in Coastal Conservation."

**Orrin Pilkey** 

To register for the virtual events, visit bit.ly/36Bate2

## Concert to be held in Naselle

NASELLE — Carl Wirkkala's new band, The Whistle Punks, will perform at 6:30 p.m. on Saturday in the Naselle Community Center, 14 Parpala Road.

Travis Boggs, a local caterer, will sell hot dog and cheeseburger combos for purchase starting at 5:30 p.m. Tickets for the concert will be available at the door. All are welcome to attend and masks are optional.

Wirkkala is from Castle Rock, Washington. He enjoys writing songs based on the stylings of Johnny Cash, Waylon Jennings and Bob Dylan. Several of his songs detail scenes from the different regions in southwest Washington. He has been writing and performing for the past 20 years. He has released eight studio albums, and has another album on the way.



**Carl Wirkkala** 

