



All is calm and serene in this scene at Cannon Beach, but the bent and gnarled trees give evidence of the force of winter winds that whip off the Pacific Ocean at times. In the background is Haystack Rock,

one of the largest monoliths in the world. At low tide, visitors can walk out to the 300-foot high rock.

To the Delegates to the 69th NAACP Annual Convention;

Pat and I welcome you to Oregon. We hope you enjoy our Oregon hospitality — the matchless beauty of our state and the warmth and friendliness of our people.

We appreciate having your convention here. Throughout our history, Oregon has been a land of opportunity. And, throughout the history of your organization, the NAACP has blazed trails of opportunity for all people. Pat and I feel close to the ideals of the NAACP — we share your respect for the dignity of each individual and your deep commitment to the continuing struggle for equal opportunity.

In working to bring about the true meaning of brotherhood, the NAACP has added much to the quality of life in America . . . you are most welcome in Oregon.

Sincerely,
Bob Straub
Governor

