



COURTESY GEORGE VETTER

The annual tree-lighting is coming to Cannon Beach.

Lamp-lighting and holiday tea

Cannon Beach's long-running lamp-lighting and holiday tea at the library are just the start of several festive events that will get visitors in the holiday spirit over the weekend of Dec. 1-3.

The traditional holiday tea at the library, followed by the lamp-lighting ceremony in Sandpiper Square happen on Saturday afternoon, but several other events will round out a full weekend of holiday activities.

Coaster Theatre Playhouse has two performances of Dickens' classic "A Christmas Carol" over the weekend and the Cannon Beach Chorus will be giving their annual holiday concert on Saturday night. Additionally, the chamber of commerce will offer a wreath-making class on Saturday. For more on Haystack Holidays events, visit the Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce online at CannonBeach.org or call 503-436-2623.

Arts council seeks two members

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The Arts Council of Clatsop County is seeking applications for two vacancies.

Members must be county residents or own a property, business or rent studio space. One seat is currently vacant and expires at the end of 2019 while the other runs from the beginning of 2018 through the end of 2021.

The committee, formed in 2014, conducts arts advocacy

in the county. Its biggest project so far was a recent participation in a national study on arts' impact on the economy. The study concluded that arts haul in more than \$13 million to the county.

Applications can be found online at www.co.clatsop.or.us, at the Clatsop County Manager's office at 800 Exchange St., Suite 410, or 503-325-1000. The Board of Commissioners will make the final appointment.

Recreation District hosts Xmas fair

North County Recreation District is hosting the Artists and Artisans Christmas Faire Friday, Nov. 24, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Saturday, Nov. 25, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Many items for sale, including artwork,

jewelry, cards and baked goods. The event takes place at North County Recreation District, 36155 Ninth St., Nehalem. For more information, contact NCRD Welcome Center at 855-444-6273.

Cannon Beach's David Frei stars as National Dog Show expert analyst

NBC will present the 16th anniversary edition of the beloved holiday special "The National Dog Show Presented by Purina" on Thanksgiving Day from noon to 2 p.m. following the telecast of NBC's "Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade." The show features Cannon Beach resident David Frei as expert analyst. Frei, an American Kennel Club-licensed judge and, along with John O'Hurley, co-host of USA Network's "Beverly Hills Dog Show Presented by Purina." NBC's Mary Carillo will report from the benching area and inside the show ring, while Tara Lipinski and Johnny Weir offer a behind-the-scenes look at the show as reporters and digital contributors.

As the co-host of NBC's National Dog Show Presented by Purina since its inception in 2002, Frei is seen every Thanksgiving Day by the largest TV audience for any dog show — most recently more than 25 million viewers in 2016. It is the same role that he perfected in 27 years as the longtime co-host of USA Network's Westminster Kennel Club Dog Show.

He has now added to his duties with NBC/USA as co-host of the Beverly Hills Dog Show, which debuted on Easter in 2017. Being America's "dog guy" has brought him many appearances on network television, including "Today," "NBC Nightly News," "Good Morning America," "Fox & Friends," "The View," "Martha Stewart," and more.

The dogs have taken him to the White House for a visit with the President, for a ride on a float in the Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade, to ring the opening bell at the New York Stock Exchange, to throw out the first pitch at two Major League Baseball games, to a role on HBO's "Sex And The City" and even to an ap-



Tara Lipinski, David Frei and Johnny Weir.



Hosts David Frei and

THE NATIONAL DOG SHOW

pearance as a pastry judge on the Food Network's "Best In Show" competition.

A breeder-owner-handler and judge in the world of purebred dogs for more than 40 years, he has enjoyed much competitive success with his Afghan hounds, Brittanys and Cavalier King Charles span-

iel. His dog, Ch. Stormhill's Who's Zoomin' Who, was the top Afghan Hound in the country in 1989 and retired as the top-winning female in the history of the breed. As a judge, he has officiated at shows in the U.S., Canada, Australia, Denmark and China.

He has been honored for

his work with the therapy program, Angel On A Leash by the American Cavalier King Charles Spaniel Club, the ASPCA, the Pet Philanthropy Circle and a number of other organizations.

NBC will present an encore of the event on Saturday, Nov. 25, from 8 to 10 p.m.

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