# Whale talks, safety suggestions and more at the library



The Cannon Beach Library was founded in 1927.

Open house for Seaside Elks

Cannon Beach Gazette

In celebration of the 150th birthday of the Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks, Seaside Lodge will host an open house on Saturday, Feb. 10. All community members and families are invited to visit the lodge, take a tour, watch the Cub Scout Pinewood Derby, enjoy a snack, play a game and meet Elks members. The lodge and lounge will open at 11:30 a.m. Snacks will be offered. Karaoke begins at 6 p.m. A crab feed will be offered at 6 p.m. for \$25. Tickets must be paid in advance.

The Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks was the idea of a theatrical company located in

New York in 1868 and evolved into a fraternal organization dedicated to the service of others. During the 2017 year, Seaside members and helpers volunteered over 5,000 hours, drove more than 11,000 miles and donated \$9,000 to assist with local projects. The lodge used Elks National Foundation grants of \$1,500 to help the county's local Head Start Center and \$3,000 to help feed the hungry at Thanksgiving. The lodge motto is "Elks Care — Elks Share.'

Learn more at www.elks.org/ history

Visit Seaside Lodge at 324 Avenue A. Call 503-738-6651 or email seasideelks@yahoo. com.

## **Coast Community Radio gets grant**

#### Cannon Beach Gazette

Coast Community Radio, the nonprofit radio station in the Columbia-Pacific region, has received a \$10,000 grant from The Templin Foundation of Pacific County. News director Joanne Rideout wrote the grant for money to replace an important piece of equipment at the CCR tower on Megler Mountain in Chinook, Washington.

Station manager Graham Nystrom will administer the funds by purchasing a new Davicom, a critical device that closely monitors and communicates information about the overall health of multiple functions at the tower's very large and expensive 5,000-watt Harris transmitter. It also allows remote control of certain aspects of the transmitter from the station's studios.

appy February, everybody!! Even though it's still winter here in Cannon Beach, our library is still a "happening place," with lots going on!

But before we begin, we at the library would like to thank the many library supporters who responded to our annual appeal letter! We are happy to report we received at least 355 pledges — enough to cover 30 percent of our annual operating expenses! Without our many supporters, it would be much more difficult to keep our library such a significant part of what makes Cannon Beach a special place to be. Many thanks from all of us!

On Wednesday, Feb. 14, at 7 p.m., the HRAP Lecture Series will continue with a presentation by Leigh Torres, assistant professor at

**AT THE LIBRARY** CARLA O'REILLY



Oregon State University. The talk is entitled "Through the Looking Glass: New Perspectives on Whale Ecology to Inform Conservation." The HRAP talks are held at the library.

Cannon Beach Police Chief Jason Schermerhorn will be on hand at the library at 10 a.m. Thursday, February 15. He will be speaking to us about safety issues- both while working at the library desk and while around town or in our homes. While Cannon Beach is a relatively safe place in which to live, work,

or to visit, vigilance is always to be encouraged. Please arrive on time, so the Chief can get back to work in a timely manner! Light refreshments will be provided.

Finally, Cannon Beach Reads, our library reading and discussion group, will meet at the library at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 21. This month the group has been reading "It Can't Happen Here," by Sinclair Lewis. The book is a cautionary tale about the fragility of democracy and how an encroachment by fascism could happen in the United States. Phyllis Bernt will be the discussion leader. For additional information, please contact Joe Bernt at 503-436-4186.

Come join us for the last few weeks of winter. We promise you a cozy fire and a friendly atmosphere.

# The Great Backyard Bird Count set to begin

#### Cannon Beach Gazette

The 21st annual Great Backyard Bird Count takes place from Feb. 16 through Feb. 19 at Lewis and Clark National Historical Park, Fort Clatsop.

Visitors can join in the count by recording bird observations in the park or in their own backyards. Binoculars will be available for loan within the park.

The park also plans four days of bird-related opportunities. A "great pink heron scav-enger hunt" will be ongoing, using the Netul Trail along the Lewis and Clark River.

On Saturday, Feb. 17, Mike Patterson will lead a bird walk starting at 8:30 a.m., meeting in the Fort Clatsop Visitor Center lobby

On Sunday, Feb. 18, Travis Koons, a curator at the Oregon Zoo, speaks about California condors at 1 p.m. in the Netul River Room of the Fort Clatsop Visitor Center.

On Monday, Feb. 19, Presidents' Day, the park will offer a birding walk in Spanish at 10 a.m. starting in the Fort Clatsop Visitor Center lobby.

Although leashed dogs are welcome at most of the park's outdoor programs, dogs are not allowed on birding walks.



#### Mallards at Fort Clatsop.

The walks are wheelchair accessible but non-motorized users might need assistance for about 200 yards.

Park hours are 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. each day. Admission is \$5 per adult and free for youth 15 years old and under. Passes to National Park Service sites are accepted.

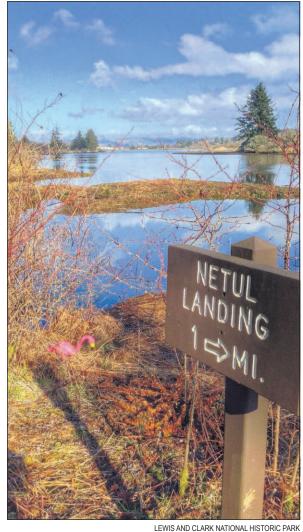
Bird field guides are available for purchase at the bookstore in the Fort Clatsop Visitor Center.

For more information on the worldwide bird count event or to submit bird counts from your home go to gbbc.birdcount.org.

The weekend's birding events at Fort Clatsop are sponsored by the Lewis & Clark National Park Association and the National Park Service.

For more information, call 503-861-2471.

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The Great Bird Count comes to Clatsop County.

### PUBLIC MEETINGS

Seaside School District Board of Directors, 6 p.m., 1801 S. Franklin, **Cannon Beach Rural Fire Protec-**Seaside

**TUESDAY, March 13** 

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#### **TUESDAY**, Feb. 13

MONDAY, Feb. 12

Cannon Beach City Council, 5:30 p.m., work session, City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.

#### THURSDAY, Feb. 15

Cannon Beach Parks and Community Services Committee, 9 a.m., City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.

**Cannon Beach Design Review** Board Meeting, 6 p.m., City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.

#### TUESDAY, Feb. 20

Cannon Beach Public Works Committee, 9 a.m., City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.

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**THURSDAY, Feb. 22** 

**Cannon Beach Planning Commis**sion, 6 p.m., City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.

WEDNESDAY, Feb. 28

Cannon Beach Business Continuity and Emergency Preparedness, 1:30-4 p.m., 163 E. Gower St.

**TUESDAY, March 6** Cannon Beach City Council, 7 p.m.,

City Hall, 163 E. Gower St.

#### **THURSDAY, March 8**

Cannon Beach Academy, 5:30 p.m. 3718 S. Hemlock St.

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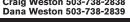
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