

Spring break offers family movie time at the library

Happy almost-spring, library friends and visitors! We have events planned at the Cannon Beach Library which should keep us busy enough to not get too impatient for milder weather!

First of all, our HRAP Lecture Series continues at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, March 14. Dr. Bill Chadwick will be with us from Oregon State University. The title of his talk will be "Axial Seamount: The Most Active Volcano in the Pacific Northwest. Dr. Chadwick is research professor at the Hatfield Marine Science Center of Oregon State. The center, also called HMSC, is a resource for

AT THE LIBRARY
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visiting scientists and marine science students; it was founded 50 years ago.

Our reading/discussion group, Cannon Beach Reads, will meet the following Wednesday, 7 p.m. on March 21. This month the group has been reading "The Lone Ranger and Tonto Fistfight in Heaven," by author Sherman Alexie. The book

consists of 22 interconnected stories with recurring characters. Alexie is the winner of a number of awards, including the PEN/Faulkner Award for Fiction, the PEN/Hemingway Citation for Best First Fiction, and others. This month the discussion leader will be Sandi Lundy. New members are always welcome!

We will be starting a brand new program for spring break this year in the form of family movie time. Two movies will be shown on Monday, March 26, Wednesday, March 28 and Friday, March 30. All movies will be shown at the library at 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. on those days. Movies will be

family appropriate and will consist of newer G and PG films. The movies will be absolutely free of charge for children of all ages. Come join us, families!

Looking ahead, on April 4, from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., we will hold our annual volunteer and member appreciation luncheon at the Cannon Beach Chamber Community Hall located at 207 North Spruce St. We are so grateful for all you do for the library, this is our way of showing our appreciation.

The Clatsop Community College ESL (English as a Second Language) program meets from 6 to 8 p.m.

Tuesday evenings here at the library. Call Judith Pearson at 971-201-6605 for more information.

If you have an infant and you are a resident of Cannon Beach or Arch Cape, please call us or drop in and sign up for our Books for Babies program. Your little one will receive three free books to introduce him or her to the great pleasures of reading!

As always, please drop into the library, or call us at 503-436-1391 if you have any questions about any of our programs or would like to volunteer at the library.

Have a wonderful last few days of winter, we hope!



Jason Husa from the Marine Mammal Stranding Network works with Dalin D'Alessandro from Portland State University to dissect the sea lion.

Researchers perform necropsy on sea lion

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biology professor at Portland State University who regularly conducts necropsies on stranded marine mammals, was going to be in town for the conference, as well.

Duffield and volunteers from the Marine Mammal Stranding Network dissected the 8-foot long creature for tissue samples that will later be tested for research purposes and a cause of death.

"We usually get this size of sea lion wash up around here every 18 months or so," Chandler said. "If

you're into this kind of stuff, it's fascinating to see the anatomy of these guys."

As of Sunday, what was left of the sea lion was buried in sand by the city. But for those who were around for his short tenure on the beach, Haystack Rock Awareness Program director Melissa Keyser said she hoped they learned something valuable.

"I think there's a great educational opportunity here, especially as a coastal resident," Keyser said. "We're all educators about marine life, and this is vital knowledge to have as an educator."

Paino takes helm as chamber director

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Paino addressed goals of expanding tourism in off-season months, developing new event leadership and expanding the chamber's volunteer base.

"It will be fun working with the board and members, taking it where everybody wants it to go," Paino said.

Leader remembered

A special remembrance recalled Tom Drumheller, chief executive officer of Escape Lodging and co-owner of Tom's Fish & Chips, who died in September.

Drumheller's wife Christy, oldest daughter Brook and son-in-law Corey Burnett accepted the first Tom Drumheller Excellence in Leadership Award on his behalf.

Chamber member Patrick Nofield of Escape Lodging recalled Drumheller and his motto, "It'll be fun."

"Tom was a leader of people, but he wasn't Type-A, aggressive," Nofield said. "He was extremely humble, gracious, kind and funny. There are three people who gave me belly laughs and just made me lose it — he was



Jim Paino addresses the audience at the Cannon Beach Chamber of Commerce awards banquet.

one of them."

Nofield, who knew Drumheller for 31 years and worked with him for 20, said Drumheller would do almost anything for anybody — including chase a bum down the street trying to give him \$20.

"He would do acts of kindness, but he never talked about it," Nofield said.

Drumheller's service inspired many of those who received honors for their service on the chamber's volunteer boards and committees.

Appropriately, for dessert, guests enjoyed Drumheller's favorite dessert: a root-beer float, courtesy Public Coast Brewing Co.

President's remarks shed Americans in poor light

I'm getting ready to travel outside the United States again. I used to be able to be proud of my country. Now, we seem to be the laughing stock of the world with the Donald Trump in the White House. I'm not proud of the behavior of our president and federal government.

I'm going to Mexico for a couple of weeks. Fortunately, I'll be nowhere near the U.S. border. I'm going back to the Yucatan peninsula, south of Cancun, deep in Mayan country. The people there are very warm and friendly and always make me feel welcome.

I can't help but be embarrassed by the way our president has treated Mexico. I don't believe that their government is responsible for the massive influx of immigrants. It is simply people seeking a better life. My own grandfather left Germany after World War I in order to try to build a better life for himself here. Have some criminals come too? Sure, but how many compared to the others?

What most folks don't seem to realize is that an immigrant to this country is literally giving up everything for a chance, not a guarantee,

of a better life. The immigrant must leave friends, family and familiar situations behind. Most also have a new language to learn when they get here too. My own grandfather arrived in this country not speaking a word of English.

Think for a minute of the motivation and determination it would take to make the choice to come here. It can't be easy to leave everything that you know in order to take a chance on making it in the United States. My own experience tells me that these are folks that expect and are willing to work very hard to make it here. Would you be willing to put forth that kind of effort? Most of us would not.

It's hard to be a traveler when you feel called upon to defend the actions of your country, especially when you find those actions indefensible. If I don't have to show my passport, perhaps I'll just say that I'm Canadian.

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Artists wanted for arts association in 2018

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The Cannon Beach Arts Association is expanding programming to include more workshops, adding music to summer art camp, increasing grant opportunities for visual and performing artists and doubling exhibit opportunities.

Gallery exhibitions will feature North Coast artists and highlight themes such as landscapes, emotion and light. The association is also piloting a new project to increase artistic opportunities and representation in the gallery with three-day pop-up shows that will focus on themes of identity, heritage, environmental awareness and culture. Each show will feature works from select artists and will be shown on movable panels in



Cannon Beach Gallery

the gallery. The goal of this program is to increase awareness of locally relevant social issues and increase access to community spaces.



Cara Mico, program director of the Cannon Beach Arts Association.

The second exhibit for the new year is a community show titled "Heritage: Stories," open to all artists with a connection to Cannon Beach. The show runs through

Sunday, March 25. For more information about this or other opportunities, or to provide feedback, contact director@cannonbeacharts.org.

Coaster Theatre holding auditions for summer plays

The Coaster Theatre Playhouse will hold auditions for its summer repertory productions of Ken Ludwig's "Baskerville: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery" and "Musical of Musicals: The Musical," March 19 and March 20.

Ken Ludwig's "Baskerville: A Sherlock Holmes Mystery" is a murderously funny adventure written by the award-winning come-

dic playwright Ken Ludwig based on Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's classic "The Hounds of Baskerville." Auditions will be held on Tuesday, March 20, at 7:30 p.m. and Wednesday, March 21, at 6:30 p.m. The show will open on June 22 and run through Sept. 2, playing two or three nights per week through the summer months.

"Musical of Musical: The Musical" is a musical about

musicals. In this entertaining parody of musical theatre, one story becomes five distinct musicals written in the style of a different master of the form from Rodgers and Hammerstein to Stephen Sondheim. Auditions will be held on Monday, March 19, at 6:30 p.m. and Tuesday, March 20, from 6 to 7:30 p.m.

Anyone interested in auditioning for one or both of the

summer shows but unable to make auditions is encouraged to contact the Coaster Theatre at 503-436-0609 to make alternate arrangements. More information can be found at coastertheatre.com/calendar/auditions.

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