

‘Beach Hunters’ comes to Gearhart

Homebuyers featured on national series

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For Seaside Signal

“Beach Hunters” showcases a Portland couple’s hunt in and around Gearhart for the perfect beach home.

Rinda Shea, a broker with Windermere Stellar in Gearhart, said HGTV reached out to her colleague Lynn Brigham, a principal broker with the agency, about Shea’s oceanfront listings. Their quest debuted on New Year’s Day.

Nathan Charlan, executive producer with Warm Springs Productions, an independent company working with HGTV, said the producers were drawn to the Oregon Coast and Gearhart specifically.

“We were planning two special episodes for the ‘Beach Hunters’ series because we wanted to feature one episode on the West Coast and one on the East,” Charlan said. “We were drawn to the Oregon Coast because the coastline itself provides a great contrast to coastlines in the East. The huge rocks that jut out from the waters and



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Alisa and Jamie Gaylord, of Portland, went searching for a home in Gearhart.

the dramatic cliffs, how the mountains meet the ocean — these are just some of the reasons we found Oregon to be such a special place.”

The show travels to some of the most exquisite beach destinations around the world. The series was launched this year as buyers search for their dream homes on the sand. Each episode follows a prospective buyer, usually a couple, as they work with an agent who shows them their choices before choosing a beach home in their budget where they can

live their dream. Each episode is a journey as the buyers weigh their options.

Unsurprisingly, their choice often boils down to just one thing: location, location, location.

Quality time

The episode features Portland couple Alisa and Jamie Gaylord, searching for a beachfront home to enjoy quality time with their two young kids. The Gaylords discover it in Gearhart, with its shingled cottages and castles



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Realtor Rinda Shea and Alisa and Jamie Gaylord on the HGTV show “Beach Hunters.”

uncannily resembling New England’s Cape Cod. Gearhart, the Gaylords learn, is the place to indulge and enjoy the family’s favorite beach activities: surfing, whale watching, and, yes, watching storms.

Charlan said his production company’s casting director discovered the couple through Windermere’s Shea. “She replied to our casting call and recommended Alisa and Jamie,” Charlan said. “She knew they were working on finding and purchasing a beachfront home in or around

Gearhart.”

Shea said it was her first time being part of any HGTV program. “The director and crew were fantastic to work with,” Shea said. “From Day One of filming, they made me feel very comfortable and at ease.”

Charlan described the production experience in Gearhart, Seaside and Arch Cape as “very fun. The weather was moody and the production crew battled with rainstorms, but overall they were able to work well inside and out.”

A typical shooting schedule to create each half hour episode of the show is a four-day affair where each day cameras are rolling 12 to 14 hours. “The weather never got too bad,” Charlan said. “The crew loved the community feel of the area. It’s very small-town Americana with a nice West Coast style. There’s a laid-back atmosphere. It’s a welcoming beach community.”

Scenery, dining

Charlan praised not only the beautiful scenery but the delicious dining options during the shooting and the friendly local businesses.

Shea said she does appear on camera. “I’m the real estate broker who shows the buyers a selection of homes I think meet their family needs and wants,” she said. “It was a great experience and a whole lot of fun. I felt extremely honored to have the opportunity to represent my clients, Windermere Stellar, and our wonderful north Oregon Coast community to the viewers of HGTV.”

Tune in to see what property the couple chose.

“I am very hopeful that the community will be pleased with the show,” Shea said.

Autoharpist Miller celebrates the life and times of Woody Guthrie



Adam Miller

The Friends of the Seaside Library welcomes folksinger, storyteller, and autoharp virtuoso Adam Miller, on Thursday, January 26, at 7 p.m. The musical program tells the story of the life and times of Woody Guthrie.

Guthrie wrote more than 1,000 songs in his lifetime and his musical legacy includes political, traditional,

and children’s songs, along with ballads and improvised works. Miller will tell Guthrie’s story through song and the spoken word and the audience is encouraged to sing-along to some American classics.

One of the premier autoharpists in the world, Adam Miller is a renowned American folksinger and storyteller. An accomplished folk-

lorist, historian, musicologist, and song collector, he has amassed a repertoire of over 5,000 songs. Miller accompanies his baritone voice with lively finger-picking acoustic guitar and autoharp melodies. His time-honored traditional folk songs and ballads interweave stories that evoke a by-gone time when entertainment was homemade.

Miller has performed at the Walnut Valley Bluegrass Festival, the Tumbleweed Music Festival, and the Kentucky Music Weekend.

The Seaside Public Library is located at 1131 Broadway. The concert takes place in the Community Room. For more information call 503-738-6742 or visit www.seasidepubliclibrary.org.

CommunityCalendar

Friday, Jan. 6

Chamber Breakfast

8:15 a.m., Finn’s Fish House, 227 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-6391, www.seasidechamber.com. Open to the public, weekly speakers, discussions and a no-host breakfast.

Low Impact Walk

9:30 a.m., 503-738-7751. This low-impact walking group meets weekly at different locations. Sponsored by the Seaside Branch of American Association of University Women (AAUW).

Open Mic & Jam

7 p.m., Pacific Pearl Bistro, 111 Broadway, Seaside. All styles welcome at this jam session hosted by the Tim Kelly Blues Band.

RJ Marx Trio

7 p.m., WineKraft, 80 10th St., Astoria, 503-468-0206, no cover, 21+. Saxophonist RJ Marx leads the trio in a repertoire of jazz music with John Orr (guitar) and Dave Gager (drums).

The Columbians

7 p.m., McMenamins Sand Trap, 1157 Marion Ave., Gearhart, 503-717-8150, www.mcmcnamins.com, no cover. The Columbians play a mix of acoustic bluegrass and Americana eclectic.

Evening Readings

7:30 p.m., Best Western Ocean View Resort, 414 Promenade, Seaside, 503-352-1532, www.pacificu.edu. In conjunction with the Pacific University Master of Fine Arts in Writing residency program, the public is invited to free evening readings by some of the country’s top contemporary writers.

Saturday, Jan. 7

Beach Clean Up

9 a.m., Seaside Beach, meet at Seashore Inn on the Beach, 60 Promenade, Seaside, all ages. Join local volunteers for the monthly “Treasure the Beach” community beach clean up.

Tillamook Head Gathering

7 p.m., Seaside Convention Center, 415 First Ave., Seaside, www.facebook.com/tillamookhead, \$10 to \$15. The annual Tillamook Head Gathering, a benefit for arts enrichment programs at Seaside High School, features live music by The Kelsey Mousley Band, a silent auction and refreshments.

Evening Readings

7:30 p.m., Best Western Ocean View Resort, 414 Promenade, Seaside, 503-

352-1532, www.pacificu.edu, free.

Sunday, Jan. 8

NAMI Meeting

2 p.m., Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-6165, www.nami.org. The National Alliance on Mental Illness welcomes individuals and caregivers of anyone who suffers from mental illness.

Evening Readings

7:30 p.m., Best Western Ocean View Resort, 414 Promenade, Seaside, 503-352-1532, www.pacificu.edu, free.

Monday, Jan. 9

Knockers Pinochle

1 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside, 503-738-7393, www.sunsetempire.com, all ages, \$1 per session per person. This is a weekly, regular play card game.

City Council Meeting

7 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-5511, www.cityofseaside.us. The Seaside City Council meets on the second and fourth Mondays of the month.

Evening Readings

7:30 p.m., Best Western Ocean View Resort, 414 Promenade, Seaside, 503-352-1532, www.pacificu.edu, free.

Tuesday, Jan. 10

TOPS Meeting

9:15 a.m., North Coast Family Fellowship, 2245 Wahanna Road, Seaside, 509-910-0354. Take Pounds Off Sensibly (TOPS) focuses on healthy lifestyle changes for weight loss.

Evening Readings

7:30 p.m., Best Western Ocean View Resort, 414 Promenade, Seaside, 503-352-1532, www.pacificu.edu, free.

Wednesday, Jan. 11

Bingo!

12:30 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside, 503-738-3311, www.sunsetempire.com, 10 cents per card, \$2.40 all games. For an afternoon of Bingo fun, bring some friends, add a few lucky charms, grab a stamper and play Bingo!

Overeaters Meeting

3:30 p.m., Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, 503-440-4390. Overeaters Anonymous groups seek recovery and support through the Twelve Steps program.

Start Smart Basketball

5:30 p.m., Broadway Middle School, 1120 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-3311, \$45 to \$65. This six-week program is a developmentally appropriate introductory basketball program for kids 3 to 5 years old.

Night of Trivia

6 p.m., Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-6742, www.seasidepubliclibrary.org, free. Trivia tournament nights are informal, fun competitions. Prizes awarded.

HRAP Lecture Series

7 p.m., Cannon Beach Library, 131 Hemlock St., Cannon Beach, 503-436-1391, www.friendsofhaystackrock.org, free. The next presentation of the Haystack Rock lecture series will be “The Precipitous Loss of China’s Coastal Wetlands” with Roy Lowe.

Evening Readings

7:30 p.m., Best Western Ocean View Resort, 414 Promenade, Seaside, 503-352-1532, www.pacificu.edu, free.

Thursday, Jan. 12

Ham Radio Breakfast

8 a.m., Finn’s Fish House, 227 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-9692. Ham radio operators meet every Thursday, venues change the first Thursday of the month.

SDDA Breakfast

8:30 a.m., Pig ‘N’ Pancake, 323 Broadway, Seaside, 503-717-1914, www.seaside-downtown.com. Weekly speakers, discussions and a no-host breakfast.

Kiwanis Club Meeting

Noon, Pig ‘N’ Pancake, 323 Broadway, Seaside, open to the public, www.facebook.com/pages/Kiwanis-Club-of-Seaside-Ore. Features weekly speakers, discussions and a no-host lunch.

Matinee Thursdays

1 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside, 503-738-7393, www.sunsetempire.com, free. Enjoy popcorn and a movie on senior matinee Thursdays.

Community Detox

6:30 p.m., Seaside Coffee House, 5 Holladay Drive, Seaside, 503-717-3645, www.healthylifeandwellness.com. Get healthy for the new year with the support you need and sign up for the third annual Community Sugar Detox event, an all free 10-day detox program; sign up online or at the meeting.

McDougall

7 p.m., McMenamins Sand Trap, 1157

Marion Ave., Gearhart, 503-717-8150, www.mcmcnamins.com, no cover. Fact, fiction and a little in between, McDougall carries on the relevant tradition of oral history and folklore.

Evening Readings

7:30 p.m., Best Western Ocean View Resort, 414 Promenade, Seaside, 503-352-1532, www.pacificu.edu, free.

Friday, Jan. 13

Low Impact Walking

9:30 a.m., 503-738-7751, locations vary.

Lunch in the Loft

Noon, Beach Books, 616 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-3500, www.beachbooks37.com, \$25. Beach Books will host author Lori Tobias who will share her book “Wander.” Cost includes lunch and a signed copy of the book. Reservations required.

Open Mic & Jam

7 p.m., Pacific Pearl Bistro, 111 Broadway, Seaside.

Evening Readings

7:30 p.m., Best Western Ocean View Resort, 414 Promenade, Seaside, 503-352-1532, www.pacificu.edu, free.

Saturday, Jan. 14

PBL Tournaments

8 a.m., Seaside, Warrenton, Astoria, 503-717-4308, www.seasidebasketball-tournaments.com. Enjoy the excitement of the annual Pacific Basketball League tournaments, venues will be held at schools in Seaside, Warrenton and Astoria.

Writing Workshop

1 p.m., Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-6742, www.seasidepubliclibrary.org. Start the new year off with a creative spark and join author Deb Vanasse for a “Jumpstart Your Writing” workshop at no charge, space limited and sign up required.

Northwest Author Series

2 p.m., Cannon Beach Library, 131 Hemlock St., Cannon Beach, 503-436-1391, www.cannonbeachlibrary.org, free. Terry Brooks, author of “The Shannara Chronicles” will be featured.

Triple Edge

7 p.m., American Legion, 1315 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-5111, www.seasidepost99.org, no cover, 21+. A classic rock cover band, Triple Edge plays rock-n-roll at its finest.

Sunday, Jan. 15

Author Reading

1 p.m., Beach Books, 616 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-3500, www.beachbooks37.com, free. Pete Fromm, author of “The Name of the Stars” will be featured, followed by book sales and signings.

PBL Tournaments

7 p.m., Seaside, Warrenton, Astoria, 503-717-4308, www.seasidebasketball-tournaments.com.

Monday, Jan. 16

Knockers Pinochle

1 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside, 503-738-7393, all ages, \$1 per session per person.

Tuesday, Jan. 17

TOPS Meeting

9:15 a.m., North Coast Family Fellowship, 2245 Wahanna Road, Seaside, 509-910-0354.

Wednesday, Jan. 18

Bingo!

12:30 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside, 503-738-7393.

Overeaters Meeting

3:30 p.m., Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, 503-440-4390.

Listen to the Land

6 p.m., Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-9126, www.nclctrust.org, free. Florence Sullivan will discuss “Inside Gray Whales” as part of NCLC’s Listening to the Land series.

Thursday, Jan. 19

Ham Radio Breakfast

8 a.m., Finn’s Fish House, 227 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-9692.

SDDA Breakfast

8:30 a.m., Pig ‘N’ Pancake, 323 Broadway, Seaside, 503-717-1914.

Senior Craft Fair

10:30 a.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside, 503-738-9323, www.sunsetempire.com, \$3 to \$6.75, all ages. Local artists highlight their creative talents during the third Thursday Craft Fair, includes handmade crafts, jewelry and more.

Kiwanis Club Meeting

Noon, Pig ‘N’ Pancake, 323 Broadway,

Seaside, open to the public.

Matinee Thursdays

1 p.m., Bob Chisholm Community Center, 1225 Avenue A, Seaside, 503-738-7393, free.

Writers at Work

6 p.m., Seaside Public Library, 1131 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-6742, www.seasidepubliclibrary.org. This group is designed for writers to meet and share ideas with local authors.

Friday, Jan. 20

Chamber Breakfast

8:15 a.m., Finn’s Fish House, 227 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-6391, www.seasidechamber.com.

Low Impact Walking

9:30 a.m., 503-738-7751, locations vary.

Oregon Spirits Tour

Noon, Gearhart Golf Links, 1157 Marion Ave., Gearhart, 503-738-3538, www.gearhartgolfinks.com, 21+. Unique and local whiskey, gin and aquavit from distilleries will be stationed on the course for tasting. Find a partner and start the year with a two-player scramble.

ARC Lifeguarding

4 p.m., Sunset Pool, 1140 Broadway, Seaside, 503-738-3311, www.sunsetempire.com, \$150. Those completing this three-day course by the American Red Cross will be certified to work at many aquatic facilities as an entry-level guard.

A Cappella Festival

5 p.m., Seaside Convention Center, 415 First Ave., Seaside, 503-836-3489, www.seasidecappellaFestival.com, \$20 to \$75, all ages. The Seaside A Cappella Festival is a singing competition with groups performing a variety of genres and styles. Winners will perform in Saturday’s showcase.

Open Mic & Jam

7 p.m., Pacific Pearl Bistro, 111 Broadway, Seaside.

John Stowell

7 p.m., Cannon Beach History Center, 1387 Spruce St., Cannon Beach, 503-436-9301, www.cbhistory.org, \$15. Stowell-renowned jazz guitarist John Stowell plays introspective acoustic jazz music; seating is limited and refreshments provided.

Three For Silver

7 p.m., McMenamins Sand Trap, 1157 Marion Ave., Gearhart, 503-717-8150, www.mcmcnamins.com, no cover. Three For Silver plays Top 40 and gritty aesthetic, traditional world folk music.