



# The HMSC Newsletter



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## **Janet Webster Chosen Oregon Librarian of the Year**

Janet Webster was selected as this year's Oregon Library Association's Librarian of the Year. Those who nominated Janet talked about her commitment to the profession of librarianship; her work with the Oregon legislature to improve funding for libraries; her involvement in her local community; her willing support of her colleagues throughout Oregon and many roles in the Oregon Library Association. It is unusual for an academic librarian to receive this award, since most of the members of the Association are public librarians.

Karyle Butcher, OSU University Librarian, said, "OSU Libraries is very proud that one of our own has received the highest award our state association can present. Congratulations and thank you Janet."

"Janet's leadership has built the Guin Library into the envy of most marine laboratories. She is widely acknowledged at the HMSC and on campus as a top-notch librarian and colleague, and this honor confirms the high professional regard of her peers in the library community," said Center Director George Boehlert.



### SeaFest Plans in Full Swing

Plans for this year's SeaFest are well underway. All agencies on the HMSC campus are participating and lots of interesting hands-on activities are planned for the June 21 event.

Dr. Jane Lubchenco, OSU Distinguished Professor of Zoology, will be the keynote speaker, with other talks by Bob Embley, Walt Nelson and Roy Lowe. Participating in a panel discussion about sea otter research will be David Hatch, Elakha Alliance, Roberta Hall, OSU Anthropology and Judy Tuttle, Oregon Coast Aquarium.

Staff from the Molluscan Brookstock Program and the Pacific Marine Environmental Laboratory will offer tours. "Facility tours" led by trained tour guides, will highlight the various research labs throughout the campus. Tours of the seawater system and husbandry areas were a big hit at last year's event and will be repeated this year.

The NOAA Barry Fisher Building and the US Fish and Wildlife Service building will hold open houses, with staffed labs, displays and talks. ODFW will staff ROV demonstrations on the dock and EPA will have demonstrations of its Hovercraft.

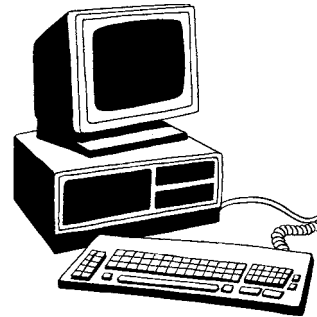
The *Trinity*, a 208' oil spill response vessel out of Astoria, will be open for tours. A Coast Guard search-and-rescue demonstration will be held in the bay. Most of the outside agencies that participated last year will be here this year, and lots of family activities will be available. A marine-themed art show is also planned to add a new dimension to the event.

Space is still available for additional researchers, so if you are interested in showing off your research to the public, contact Terri Nogler at [terri.nogler@oregonstate.edu](mailto:terri.nogler@oregonstate.edu) or 7-0271.

### Student Computing at HMSC Gets a Boost

The computing resources available to undergraduate and graduate students at HMSC got a big boost in the last few months, as two TRF funding proposals were selected by a committee on main campus. The two proposals, one to replace the aging library computers, the other to fund a graduate student GIS and video workstation, total \$34,000. These are among the first TRF dollars received by the HMSC.

TRF, or technology resource fee, is a fee paid by all students towards enhancing student computing at the university. Funding cycles for TRF are every year, with different departments and programs submitting proposals to use these limited funds. Many of these dollars fund computer labs and other projects on main campus.



The larger of the awards will go to replacing the computers in the library with high-end Pentium 4 PC's with 17" flat panel displays. It will also help pay for the software needed to run these machines. Other contributions from Information Services will cover the cost of the fees and charges for these machines to be on the network and supported at HMSC. In addition, this replacement will allow us to create a PC teaching lab in the old library which should be available for use in midsummer.

The second award will purchase much-sought-after equipment by the graduate student organization here at HMSC. They have requested two workstation-level computers to do Arc-GIS, advanced video and graphics editing as well as some additional presentation support tools. Space has been set aside to combine this equipment with a generous addition of scanners and

printers from COMES to make a student/staff work area for high-end computing.

Both projects are scheduled to be installed in the coming months. Future TRF funding requests are being considered for this next round, and suggestions and ideas will be solicited as the time approaches. Top on the agenda is a possible network wiring for housing, as well as some possible wireless projects, and video teaching and teleconferencing upgrades.



Peter in the aquarium quarantine facility

### **Peter Noah Fills New Curator Position**

Peter Noah is the first Curator of Animal Husbandry at the HMSC. He brings many years of experience in caring for marine life and comes to us most recently from the Oregon Coast Aquarium. He will be supervising the two graduate student aquarists who have traditionally handled all the Visitor Center aquaria and their occupants, and working with the new Aquarium Science program in collaboration with the Oregon Coast Community College. He will be overseeing the OCCC practicum students.

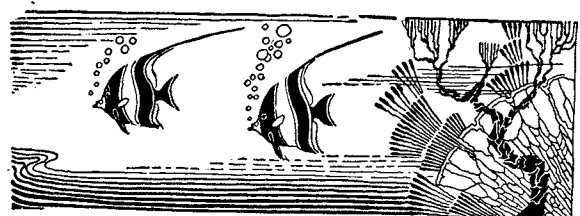
He is revamping the west wing bay in the main building and reconfiguring it into discrete areas to make teaching, quarantine and holding activities work best. For one thing, he wants to make it possible for a larger number of students

to be able to see demonstrations. Some of his other goals are doing general clean-up, creating a collection plan, and setting up a regular schedule of exhibit maintenance so there are no surprises.

Peter got hooked by marine life early, beginning when he was a lifeguard in Southern California, responsible for the Junior Lifeguard Program. Since he enjoyed working with the kids so much, he decided to go to Southern Oregon State University for his teaching degree. It was there he met his wife, Lisa Noah, the Economic Development Director for the Newport Chamber of Commerce. The week before he was to be married, he took a gamble and walked into Sea World in San Diego and said he would take any job they had. He was hired as a customer service representative and gradually worked his way into the bottom rung of the animal husbandry department and straight up from there.

In 1988 he moved away from the ocean to work for the Indianapolis Zoo, which has a 40,000 square foot water complex with creatures in habitats ranging from reefs to the Amazon. He dealt with everything from cyclids to polar bears and dolphins. However, neither he nor Lisa could stand being away from the ocean, so when he was offered the job at the Oregon Coast Aquarium in 1991, he took it. He was the second aquarist hired there and collected all the birds, fish and invertebrates for the exhibits with a team of three others.

Peter and Lisa have a daughter, Shauna, who is a junior at Oregon State University. An admitted workaholic, Pete enjoys walking with his wife and could bodysurf all day long.



## HMSC Hosts Marine Conservation Science and Policy Course

During winter term, HMSC hosted a unique graduate course, "Marine Conservation Science and Policy," offered by the OSU's Zoology Department. The course introduced students to the science-policy interface as it informs ocean policy at the national and state levels. Dr. Jane Lubchenco, Wayne and Gladys Valley Professor of Marine Biology and a Distinguished Professor of Zoology at OSU, and David Festa, Policy and Strategic Planning Director at the Department of Commerce during the Clinton Administration, were lead instructors, bringing scientific knowledge and insights from "inside the beltway" to the students. Hatfield Marine Science Center was home to two, intensive weekend sessions of the course.

Twenty-five students from four OSU departments (Agricultural and Resource Economics, Fisheries and Wildlife, Marine Resource Management, and Zoology) and the UO School of Law enrolled. Course activities ranged from lectures and discussion to student projects. Students learned how policy is made and what the roles of science are in the decision-making process, and put that knowledge into action through participation in mock briefings to members of Congress, Governors, Secretaries of key Federal agencies, and senior agency staff. Student groups worked together to develop science and policy briefing papers about six topics under consideration by two landmark commissions—the Pew Oceans Commission and the National Commission on Ocean Policy—that conducting the first broad-scale examination of ocean policy in 30 years. Topics included Coastal Development, Invasive Species, Ecological Effects of Fishing, Marine Reserves, Aquaculture, and Fisheries Science and Management.

In addition to Dr. Lubchenco and Mr. Festa, students benefited from having a number of guest lecturers involved in the course. Staff from the Communication Partnership for Science and the Sea (COMPASS), the Partnership for Interdisciplinary Studies of Coastal Oceans (PISCO), the Natural Resources Defense Council, the Oregon

Ocean Management Program, the David and Lucile Packard Foundation, and Audubon Society of Portland all contributed their knowledge and experience as the students contemplated how science can inform ocean policy and honed their communication skills.

Along with these guests, a distinguished OSU alumnus joined the lead instructors during the first weekend session at HMSC. Dr. Andrew Rosenberg, Dean of the Life Sciences College at the University of New Hampshire, shared his expertise about ocean policy and governance, fisheries politics and law, and activities of the National Commission on Ocean Policy. In particular, the students learned from (and were entertained by) Andy's candid war stories from his long career as a fisheries scientist and agency administrator.



Instructors Jane Lubchenco and David Festa (both standing) talk with graduate students during the Marine Conservation Science and Policy course at HMSC.



Instructors David Festa (far left) and Jane Lubchenco (second from left) and guest lecturer Andy Rosenberg (third from left) talk with graduate students during the Marine Conservation Science and Policy course at HMSC.

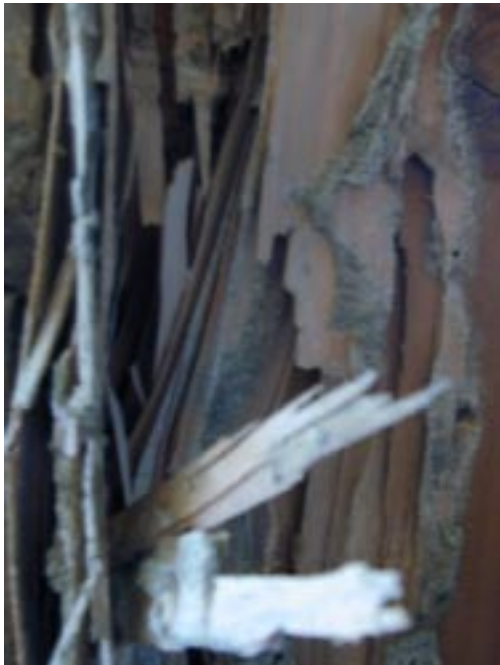


Ron West and Tim Terris start the hunt

### Team Tackles Termites

Meeting Room 9 and the mailroom are temporarily under re-construction due to an infestation of termites. Noting the rotting door frames, a decision was made to open up the hall wall of Room 9 so that the damage could be repaired. As it turned out, the damage extended into the mail room. Because that is a bearing wall, the physical plant staff are replacing the affected studs, cross pieces and door headers. It is estimated that the wall will be closed back up in a couple of weeks.

In the meantime, the kitchen unit is out of commission in the mail room, although the microwave is still available. The other regular mailroom activities are continuing. We appreciate your patience!



Delicate lacework of the 2x4 after "dinner"

### New and Improved Interlibrary Loan Service Coming to HMSC

An improved interlibrary loan service (ILL) will soon be available to library users at HMSC. Interlibrary loan is the service used to acquire materials not owned by either of OSU's libraries. This new service will allow you to see all your ILL information in one place through the web, and allow you to check the status of your ILL requests, access web posted articles, renew ILL's online and resubmit previously unfilled or cancelled requests. Plus, re-entering personal information for each request will not be necessary each time.

If you are an OSU faculty member, courtesy faculty member, staff or student, you can sign up for the service right now. Signing up is a two-step process. First, make sure you are signed up for an ONID account. You can get an ONID account at: [https://onid.orst.edu/cgi-bin/newacct?type=want\\_auth](https://onid.orst.edu/cgi-bin/newacct?type=want_auth) If you have trouble, contact the ONID helpline at (541) 737-3474. If you cannot remember your GAP, call 541-737-8300. Once you are registered for ONID, make sure you remember your ONID username and password !

Once you have an ONID account, you can take the second step needed to sign up for the new ILL service. That is, you can go ahead and register for ILLIAD at: <https://andorra.library.oregonstate.edu/illiad/> by logging on with your Onid username and password. You will be asked to fill out a registration form only once. If you have any trouble, call computer consulting at (541) 737-3474 or send email questions to: [consulting@oregonstate.edu](mailto:consulting@oregonstate.edu).

Library patrons at HMSC who are not affiliated with OSU, such as EPA, ODFW, and USFW employees, will eventually be able to sign up for this service too. Those enhancements are being made to the new ILL system now. If you are in this category and would like to make sure you get signed up when it becomes available for you, please give us a call at Guin Library (541-867- 0249) and we'll place your name on our list.



### What's New @ Your Library?

Often we are asked for a book to occupy a child accompanying their parents to the Guin Library. Or, we want to pull one off the shelf to share after we've exhausted the pens and paper! I selectively collect children's books on marine science trying to find ones that are well reviewed or authored by reliable people. I welcome suggestions. Here are some of the titles of children's books that are in the library.

*Chelonia : el retorno de la tortuga marina : basado en una historia real.* Wallace J. Nichols, Dawn E. Navarro, Robert E.

Snodgrass. [Monterey, CA] : Sea Challengers, 2002.

CALL # QL666.C536 N2818 2002.

A delightful story about rescuing a green turtle.

*Sea soup : zooplankton.* Mary M. Cerullo ; photography by Bill Curtsinger. Gardiner, ME: Tilbury House, 2001.

CALL # QL123 .C42 2001.

*Sea soup : phytoplankton.* Mary M. Cerullo ; photography by Bill Curtsinger. Gardiner, Me. : Tilbury House, 1999.

CALL # QK933 .C47 1999.

*Birds every child should know.* Neltje Blanchan ; illustrations by Christine Stetter. Iowa City : University of Iowa Press, c2000.

CALL # QL676.2 .B62 2000.

*Ocean detectives : solving the mysteries of the sea.* Mary Cerullo. Austin, Tex. : Raintree Steck-Vaughn, 1999.

CALL # QH541.5.S3 C435 1999.

*The octopus : phantom of the sea.* Mary M. Cerullo ; photographs by Jeffrey L. Rotman. New York : Cobblehill Books, c1997.

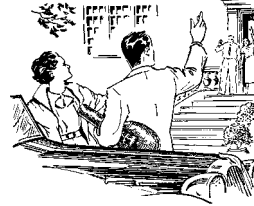
CALL # QL430.3.O2 C47 1997.

*In the swim : poems and paintings.* Douglas Florian. San Diego : Harcourt Brace, c1997.

CALL # PS3556.L589 I5 1997.

*Gulls—gulls—gulls.* Gail Gibbons. New York : Holiday House, c1997.

CALL # QL696.C46 G53 1997.



### Personnel Notes

**Charlene Lockman** celebrated the completion of 18 years at the HMSC switchboard at her retirement party on April 30. When she began, all calls came through the switchboard and as she leaves, we are going to an automated attendant. She is looking forward to spending lots of time with her two grandchildren and spending more time in Central Oregon at their vacation home.

**Christi Sheridan** had her going away party earlier in April, but she stayed around long enough to attend Charlene's party. Christi is moving to New Mexico. **Cindy Perez** will be holding the Sea Grant office down until a permanent replacement is found.

**David Sampson** has returned from his long visit to Wellington, New Zealand, where he was consulting with the government during the week and getting in some outstanding trout fishing on the weekends. He has two more months before he leaves for his new position in the United Kingdom.

**John Brake**, research assistant for the Molluscan Broodstock Program, has returned to Canada, where he will be getting married. He takes back with him experience in West Coast aquaculture to supplement his East Coast experience.

Welcome to **Cyndee Pekar**, who is the new administrative assistant for Bruce Mate and the Marine Mammal Program. Cyndee comes to us from the Newport sewage treatment construction project, which has been completed.