



Netarts Bay TODAY

Fall 2022
Newsletter of the Friends of Netarts Bay WEBS

President's Corner View from the Shoreline



By Paul Norman

It has been a big year for WEBS. The biggest news is that, along with the rest of the world, WEBS finally emerged

from the long Covid tunnel and returned to more normal public and school-age programs. See elsewhere in this newsletter for more on this year's many programs.

A close runner-up for the biggest news is that WEBS benefited from two large gifts. First was a matching gift of \$20,000 from the Charles A Becker Foundation which, combined with public donations, gave WEBS a \$40,000 boost. Many thanks to the

Becker Foundation and the numerous public donors whose giving was matched! Second was a \$25,000 bequest from the estate of Ben Nunez Sr. Ben was the former Treasurer of WEBS and a longtime friend of WEBS and the Netarts community. We miss him a lot.

These gifts will allow for further growth and improvement as we look forward to the next year. We are actively planning now for next year and welcome ideas about how we can do more and better.

Another major boost for WEBS this year has been the addition of staff – one position shared with Tillamook Estuaries Partnership (TEP) focused mainly on our growing school-age

Local Scholarships Awarded

Friends of Netarts Bay WEBS launched a new scholarship program in 2022. We are proud to announce the three local students each awarded \$500 toward advancing their education:

- Anna Victoria Driscoll - Neah-Kah-Nie High School
- Rachel Mikayla Strober - Nestucca High School
- Spider Hendrix Hyde - Neah-Kah-Nie School

Congratulations to all three winners! We wish you all the best on your education journey.

WEBS looks forward to awarding another set of scholarships during the 2022-23 school year; keep a watchful eye out for more details coming in January.

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education programs, and a part-time assistant to our Executive Director, Chrissy. We also have been very fortunate to add two new Board members – Gwen Starrett and Beth McBride.

Finally, WEBS was very proud to be presented with the Jim Mundell Environmental Stewardship Award by TEP. Jim was the founder of WEBS and a longtime Netarts resident. Being recognized with an award in Jim's name is a full-circle honor that we treasure.

2023 will be another big year for WEBS and we deeply appreciate the public support that makes what we do possible. Your donations keep us going, and as always, we have a variety of fun volunteering opportunities.

See you on the Bay!



Honorable Mention Photo Credit: Dennis Reynolds



Grand Prize Photo Credit: Tedi Roach

PHOTO CONTEST WINNERS



Honorable Mention: Eli Banks



Honorable Mention: Brian Bennett



Honorable Mention: Peggy Berwick

Celebrating the 2022 WEBS School and Community Science Programs

WEBS works to build a community of environmental stewards around the Netarts Bay watershed and the areas between Cape Meares and Cape Lookout. Each year, our volunteers contribute to community education programs and Tillamook County school field trips. The year, 2022, was no different and we are proud to share what we accomplished:

Our school age and public programs are the core of what we do to promote appreciation and stewardship of the Netarts Bay area. After two years of covid-induced limitations, we were able to return to a “close to normal” set of programs in 2022 thanks to strong financial and volunteer support from the community.

School Programs:

Hermit Crabs and Habitats -

Kindergarten

Kindergarten Scientists -

Kindergarten

Cape to Cape Field Trip -

First Grade

Fish and Habitats Program -

First Grade

Day at the Bay - *Second Grade*

BIOMES - *Third Grade*

Energy and Geology - *Fourth Grade*

Cells to Ecosystems - *Fifth Grade*

Clamming Day - *Fifth Grade*

Community Programs:

- Photography on the Bay
- Solve Beach Cleanups (2)
- Marine Mammals Ashore -
Responding to strandings in
OR training
- Clamming on the Bay (2)
- Tidepool Days (7)
- Kayak tours (4)
- Hike Netarts (3)
- River Canoe Workshop and Paddle
- Painting on the Bay
- Salt Marsh Tour
- Birding on the Bay (2)
- Winter Birding:
A birding and journaling
excursion
- Art of Growing Oysters Tour (2)

- Crabbing on the Bay
- Mean, Green, Digging Machines:
Green Crabs in Oregon
- Crabs on the Move!
Dungeness Crab Migration
Patterns
- Deeper Dive: Crabs of Netarts Bay
- Deeper Dive: Dungeness Crab
- Stories of Netarts Past

Thank you to our staff and all of the volunteers who gave their time and efforts as good stewards of this vital and beautiful area. For detailed information, check our website.



Cape Meares Summer School.

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Fostering stewardship,
awareness and appreciation
of the unique
Netarts Bay Experience

Friends of Netarts Bay WEBS (Watershed, Estuary, Beach and Sea)

Thank you for reading this newsletter and supporting the effort to provide educational opportunities for children and adults, to promote stewardship of the unique environment of Netarts Bay, and to preserve this special place for future generations.

Your donations are greatly appreciated.

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