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Connecting Land and Sea



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What's new at the Coastal Discovery Center?



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New Docent Coordinator!





New Supervising Ranger!





New advertising!



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Wall

Coastal Discovery Center
Oct 1 - King Neptune sits atop a throne of kelp while staff and visitors alike marvel at His Majesty and even pose for photos. This is the presentation the Center will be judged upon as part of the Cambria Scarecrow Contest this weekend. Thank you to Discovery Center docents Marj Sewell, Sherry Eiselein and John Menke for the hours they put into this wonderful creation!

Wall Photos

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COASTAL DISCOVERY CENTER
AT SIMEON BAY

FREE ADMISSION
Open Fri-Sun, 11-5 (summer), 11-4 (winter). Closed Dec & Jan — more info, call: 805-927-6575
WWW.MONTEREYBAY.NOAA.GOV

The Coastal Discovery Center is a joint venture between the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary and California State Parks.

Located on beautiful San Simeon Bay, the Coastal Discovery Center celebrates the connection between land and sea. The Center offers interactive exhibits and education programs which highlight the cultural and natural history of Old San Simeon, California State Parks, and the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary.

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National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary



New Uses for Mural!





New Spring Lecture Series!



2011 Lecture Series presented by
Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary



YOU'RE INVITED

Friday, May 27th

6:00-7pm

Marine Research

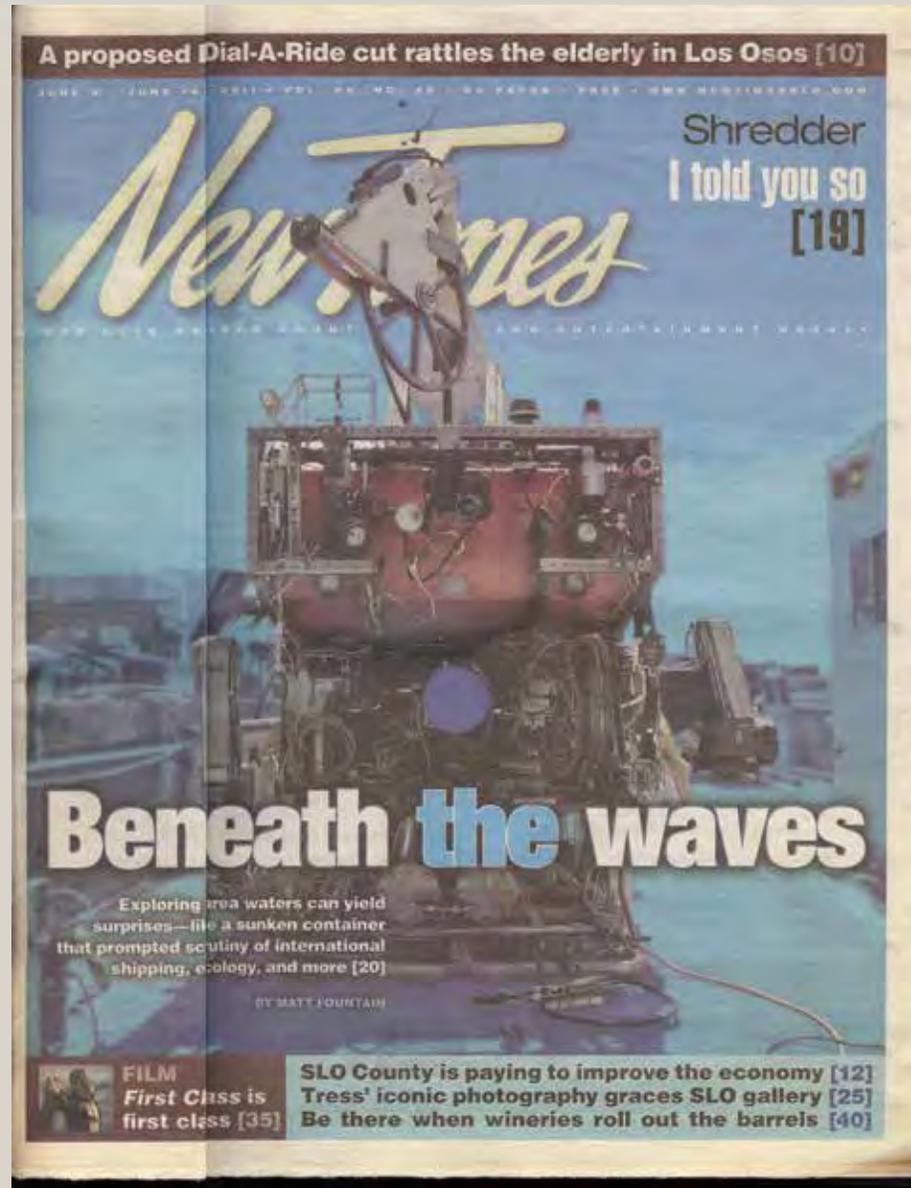
at the University of California's
Ken Norris Rancho Marino Reserve
with director Don Canestro

Join us
in the
Rabobank
Community
Room

photo by James Harr



New Times!





MPA Signage



Conserving California's Coastal Treasures

Marine Protected Areas Safeguard Our Ocean's Bounty

A statewide network of Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) safeguards California's rich coastal resources. They stretch from the rocky intertidal shoreline, over vast kelp forests, out to deep, underwater canyons. Inside MPAs, marine life thrives.

MPA Regulations

- 14th Marine Reserve (14MR)**
No-take, no-anchor, no-dredging, no-discharge
- Pacific Electric Valley Marine Conservation Area (PEVCA)**
No-take, no-anchor, no-dredging, no-discharge
- Point Reyes Marine Reserve (PRMR)**
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- Point Reyes State Marine Conservation Area (SOMCA)**
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Tips for Tidepooling

- Stay safe - be aware of the waves and tides.
- Step carefully, avoid creating ruts.
- Take pictures but don't touch.
- Please look but don't touch.

California leads the nation and the world with its network of MPAs.

These MPAs:

- Have varying levels of protection.
- Conserve marine habitats and diversity.
- Allow marine life to thrive.
- Make great places for education, research, and fun.

MPAs - Good for the Ocean, Good for You!

To report violations call 1-800-DFW-CATF
For detailed regulations go to www.mpa.gov



Education and Outreach



To date, we have hosted 78,675 visitors



and 2,184 students!



Education and Outreach



Coastal Cleanup Day



CEF Fundraiser @ NGT



FES Fundraiser





Education and Outreach



- Avila Sea Life Center Summer Camp
- Cambria Grammar (K, 4, 5)
- Flamson Middle School
- Lillian Larsen
- Madera Middle School
- Pacheco
- Seal Smith
- SLO Day School
- SLO Elementary
- SLO Girl Scouts
- Templeton Home school





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Secondary schools...



- Cal Poly OLLI
- Camp Ocean Pines
- Cuesta College
- Leffingwell H.S. –yr 3!





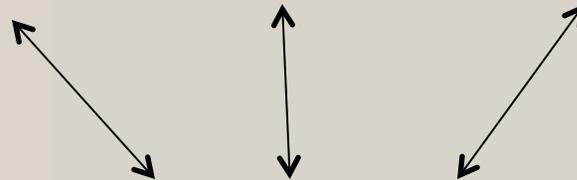
Resource Protection Collaboration



Sea otter pups on S.S. Beach
Aug 6, 2011



SORAC ↔ DFG ↔ TMMC



MBNMS



Seaforyourself Kayaks/public



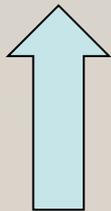


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Cayucos waters (9/22/11)

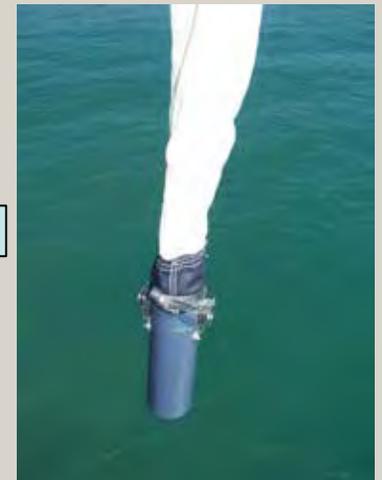
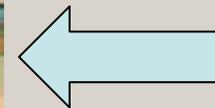
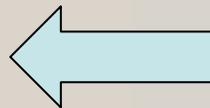
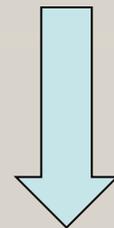
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Resource Protection Collaboration



Elephant Seals on San Simeon Beach





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E-seal deterrence plan set in motion!





Coastal Discovery Center Fair



PARTICIPANTS...

Airstrike Bird Control

CA State Parks and Recreation

CA Coastal National Monument

CA Highway Patrol

U.S. Geological Survey

Piedras Blancas Light Station (BLM)

Morro Bay National Estuary Program

Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary

Monterey Bay Sanctuary Foundation

Marine Mammal Center

Pacific Wildlife Care

SLO County Partners for Water Quality

Coastal Salmon Enhancement

Friends of the Elephant Seal

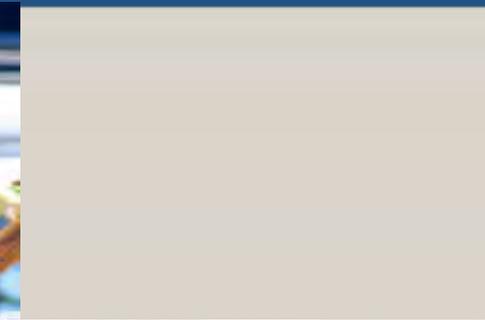
TOO SLO CA Turtle and Tortoise Club

Marine Advanced Technology and
Education Center





Coastal Discovery Center Fair





Sammy the Steelhead, starring...





Program Needs...



- ❖ Maintain docent program
full-time docent coordinator
- ❖ Exhibit upgrades
planning, materials, implementation
- ❖ Continued in-house support for Lecture Series