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# SPRING 2008 NEWS

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### NEW OSO CURRICULUM EMPHASIZES OCEAN LITERACY

*By Dan Haifley, OSO Executive Director*

After two years of promoting the inclusion of ocean concepts and principles in educational standards and curriculum nationwide, O'Neill Sea Odyssey has just completed a revision of its own core curriculum based on those principles and concepts.

This winter's revisions were undertaken by OSO Education Coordinator Laura Barnes and volunteers Mike Koslosky, a retired environmental educator and writer who bring years of experience to the task. The project is formally known as California Science Through Oceanographic Resources, or Cal-SOAR. Cal-SOAR is funded by the Frieda C. Fox Foundation and is poised for funding by the California Ocean Protection Council. The last time OSO's curriculum was revised was in 2003, thanks to support from the Toyota USA Foundation. The newly revised curriculum retains its alignment with federal and California education standards for 4th – 6th grade and is culturally appropriate. The curriculum will be put into use for OSO's program this Spring.

Copies of the new curriculum and a student survey to measure program results will be distributed in conjunction with the National Marine Sanctuary Program and will be rolled out in a variety of public forums, including the Non-Point Source Conference in San Diego, California, in May.



Mike Koslosky, OSO Volunteer and  
Laura Barnes, OSO Education Coordinator

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## NEW CURRICULUM WILL ENCOURAGE OCEAN LITERACY

By Bridget O'Neill, OSO Chair; and Jack O'Neill, OSO Founder and Co-Chair

Thanks to the efforts of OSO Education Coordinator Laura Barnes and OSO volunteer and outdoor education expert Mike Koslosky, OSO is unveiling its first comprehensive revision of its curriculum since 2003, when the Toyota USA Foundation enabled OSO to demonstrate an alignment with key state and federal education standards. This current revision was supported by the Frieda C. Fox Family Foundation, which has supported key OSO initiatives for the past few years. This revision, known as CalSOAR, has aligned the curriculum, lessons and extra activities with ocean literacy principles which are being promoted by ocean professionals concerned about the lack of ocean education standards.

Laura Barnes was very ably supported and advised by Mr. Koslosky, whose career was dedicated to outdoor environmental education. He was a writer, teacher, and mentor who most recently worked at a natural history museum in California's East Bay. Fortunately for us, he retired to a home just down the street from the Santa Cruz Harbor and the OSO education center. With support from the Fox Foundation Laura worked with a team of professionals to format and present the curriculum for distribution under OSO's trademark and copyright. For a copy of the new curriculum, please contact Dan Haifley at [dhaifley@oneillseaodyssey.org](mailto:dhaifley@oneillseaodyssey.org), and specify whether you would like a hard copy, or an electronic version. Thank you, Laura and Mike! ✧

## DR. KARLEEN LEAVES LEGACY FOR OSO WEBSTER FUND

Dr. Bernard Karleen his family designated began practicing medicine in Soquel, California in 1960 after service in the US Air Force in World War II and work as a surgeon in Michigan, North Dakota and Minnesota. His family includes long-time OSO supporter and community leader Barbara Karleen. After his passing on February 25, 2008, his family designated O'Neill Sea Odyssey's Adam Webster Fund, which accommodates youth with cognitive and physical disabilities, for memorial contributions. OSO extends our heartfelt condolences to Dr. Karleen's family. ✧



David Jochim of Union Bank of California proudly presents O'Neill Sea Odyssey with a \$10,000 check. Union Bank of California offers this donation as a challenge to other donors to support O'Neill Sea Odyssey.

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Terry and Kathleen Eckhardt (far right) host students from the Familia Center at their home.

## LIVES WELL LIVED: HOW ONE COUPLE MAKES A DIFFERENCE

By Dan Haifley

While a science teacher in Santa Cruz City Schools, Terry Eckhardt became known as a pioneer. Many young adults who grew up in mid Santa Cruz County will cite him as a primary influence in their education, especially as it relates to ocean habitats and marine biology.

Cathleen Eckhardt worked less visibly as a volunteer community leader to achieve the same goals. I got to know Cathleen when she became a Board member for Save Our Shores when I was its Executive Director in the early 1990s. Cathleen's family has a strong his-

tory of community leadership. Her late father was Los Angeles Times publisher Otis Chandler and her grandmother was Dorothy Chandler, well known for raising funds to build Los Angeles's premier arts center. Cathleen and Terry are continuing that grand tradition today, in our community.

The work that Cathleen and Terry have done over the past decades has made a huge difference to our communities. Terry Eckhardt recently retired his position with Santa Cruz City Schools and, with the support and strategic advice of his wife Cathleen, is taking a lead role in the Ocean Scholars Program.

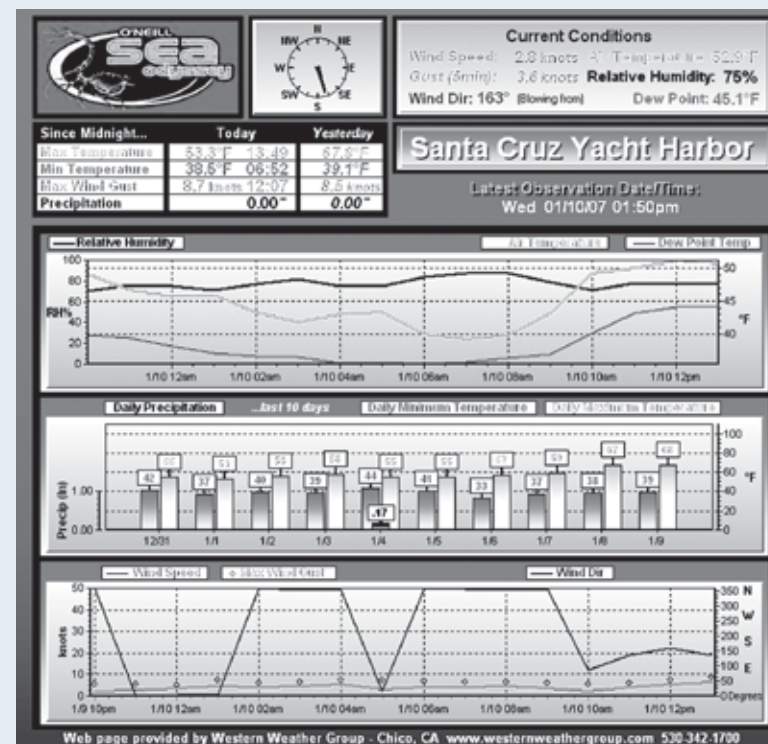
Familia Center, in partnership with O'Neill Sea Odyssey and the Seymour Marine Discovery

Center at Long Marine Lab, has embarked on an exciting new program called Ocean Scholars: a one year program that will introduce youth from Familia Center to the field of marine science education. The project has received initial funding from the David and Lucile Packard Foundation. Terry and Cathleen have played the role of hosts, teachers, and mentors. They recently hosted a Sustainable Seafood meal – complete with lessons in cooking and discerning the right seafood to select. Along with the Ocean Scholars team of Shauna Potocky (Long Marine Lab), Alex Jaimes (Familia Center) and Yolanda Henry (Familia Center) Terry and Cathleen are an invaluable part of some young lives. ✧



## CHECK THE WEATHER AT OSO

Interested in weather conditions at the Santa Cruz Harbor mouth? One of OSO's learning tools is also a practical tool for boaters. Just go to [www.oneillseaodyssey.org](http://www.oneillseaodyssey.org), click on "Weather Conditions".



## ELEANOR WASSON – 100 YEARS OF COMMUNITY

Eleanor Wasson, long time community volunteer and OSO supporter, has passed away. She was 100 years old. Her long life included environmental work, a career at University of California at Los Angeles, and multiple events at her home in Santa Cruz. "I met Eleanor when she first arrived in town, I asked her to host an event celebrating the pending designation of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. She was gracious, witty, and she challenged those around her to do their best," said OSO Executive Director Dan Haifley.

"We will miss her." ✧

## SAVE THE DATE FUNDRAISER FOR ADAM WEBSTER MEMORIAL FUND

Tom & Judy Webster and their friends will host their annual dinner fundraiser for the Adam Webster Memorial Fund on Saturday, June 7, 6 PM, at the Santa Cruz Yacht Club.

Check [www.oneillseaodyssey.org](http://www.oneillseaodyssey.org) for in May for further details! ✧

