



SHARING STORIES OF LOCAL HISTORY

Seaside's Rock 'n Roll Riots

Labor Day 1962: a large crowd of young people gathered at the beach to hear a concert with Paul Revere and the Raiders. Then, two young men got into a fist fight in downtown Seaside. What happened next has not only remained a part of Seaside's history ever since, but caught national attention, including from the FBI. Join NVHS and author RJ Marx for a fascinating look at the infamous Seaside Riots. **Saturday, January 17, 2026, 3:30 pm at NCRD. \$10 at the door.**



Presented by RJ Marx
Author of *Seaside's Rock n' Roll Riots*

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Thirty Years Later: The Devastating Floods of 1996

In January of 1996, there was a prolonged cold spell, with snow piling up in the mountains. Then came warm, monsoon-like rain. Torrents of water rushed down the overloaded river systems, eroding stream banks and blowing out many side canyons. The raging water downed trees and sent old logs surging down from the mountains. Towns throughout the county were severely flooded. Dairy farms lost their herds. Businesses and homes were underwater. Join NVHS to hear the stories of heartbreak and destruction, but also of the community coming together to help those in need.



**Panel presentation hosted
by Mark Beach
and Vivi Tallman**

**Saturday, February 14, 2026
3:30 pm at NCRD.
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**Come share your
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FROM
TOM
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OUR PROGRAMS ARE A SMASH HIT

This last quarter has been an inspiration. Our programs were a smash hit. There are a couple of reasons for that and they both have to do with membership. Our members either found a really good speaker or were the speakers themselves. Our most recent program, featuring Carl Whiting and Tom Mock, was highly entertaining. The topic, latest developments in the search for artifacts from the Beeswax Wreck, was informative but also showed what happens when a couple of people get together, talk about a topic that fascinates them both, and then do something related to it.

Following the program, many people approached me about volunteering. We are going to find ways to give our members ways to have some fun with history. Tom and Carl are starting a discussion group related to Beeswax discoveries. New board member, Dana Beck, is a writer. He and Tom McCallum are working on ways to bring members together to talk about ideas for writing histories. We envision their group, I call it the "Writer's Block", will be working on oral histories too. For that we will need people who want to record interviews and transcribe into written format. We will upload that work onto our website for everyone to enjoy.

We aim to preserve the history of our precious corner of the world and to educate people about its wonders. A membership form is included with this newsletter that offers you opportunity to participate. I hope you will join us.



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