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Ocean Conservation Society Recognized

Los Angeles, CA - Councilmember Mike Bonin recognized local marine biologist and founder of the Ocean Conservation Society, Dr. Meddelena Bearzi this past month for her contribution to the scientific community and in turn, society. Bearzi said Bearzi’s work went beyond the species she studies like dolphin, sea lions and whales and had importance for the health of our own species.

“Knowing more about dolphins and whales is not just important in order to protect those species—it is important to our own health as well,” said Bonin. “Our ecosystem is intricately linked and I am incredibly grateful for the work that Dr. Bearzi and her team at OCS do to study and protect our oceans and marine life.”

Biggest Fish He Ever Caught!

After the disappointment of no bait at the bait dock, local Captain Monte Cook and friends headed out looking for yellowtail. After a few cans of chumming cat food they caught three mackerel on one pull and were in business. A little later Cook caught the biggest fish he’s ever reeled in—a 20-pound yellowtail and then a 26-pounder a little while later.

When he isn’t out reeling in big ol’ yellowtailed, Cook is working on the non-profit organization he founded called Supporting our Servicemen. For years he has been devoted to the cause of helping the men and women who have served the country upon their returning back from their service. To learn more about the organization visit www.osveterans.org.

David Peterson 1938-2015

David Peterson was a longtime resident of the Marina Del Ray area and well-known welder-fabricator among the yachting community. David passed away peacefully on Saturday, 9/05/15, following complications from several diseases. He was a member of Pacific Mariners Yacht Club for over 40 years and led a life of adventure both at sea and on land.

David had a magical way of recounting his stories to all who would listen. As he tells it, he cruised every ocean except the Indian Ocean. He gained a wealth of information over the years and offered advice freely to anyone who asked for information. He leaves behind his devoted partner of 19 years, Barbara Taylor, her family that she shared with him, and his many friends.

Service is scheduled for Saturday, October 24, 2015, at 11:00 a.m. at PMYC. Please RSVP to playababs711@gmail.com.