

“ON EFFORT”

Newsletter

September 2020

OFFICERS

PEACH Hubbard	President
DODIE Koch	Vice President
SANDY Workman	Treasurer
JENNIFER Stanley	Secretary

DIRECTORS

LORI Muskat	TOM Workman
MARY Cirincione	LINDA Degutis
BOYD Stanley	

COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS

Adopt A Dolphin	MARY Cirincione
Data Review-1	PEACH Hubbard
Data Review -2	LORI Muskat
Education	PEACH Hubbard
Elections	KARLA Johnson
Facebook	DODIE Koch
Grants	
Membership	MARY Cirincione
Newsletter	PEACH Hubbard
NOAA liaisons	LORI Muskat & LINDA Degutis
Publicity	DODIE Koch
Media Specialist	TOVE King
Special Events	
Survey logistics	PEACH Hubbard
TDP Database	LINDA Degutis
Training	PEACH Hubbard
Website	

THE DOLPHIN PROJECT

P.O. Box 60753

Savannah, Georgia 31420

thedolphinproject@gmail.com

www.thedolphinproject.org

912-657-3927

The Dolphin Project is an all-volunteer, non-profit research, conservation and education organization, founded in 1989, dedicated to the protection of wild estuarine Bottlenose

FROM THE HELM...

Greetings Crew!

Apologies for not producing a summer 2020 year newsletter. Medical issues for my husband and me have been problematic all year. We both continue to heal in the 'Hubbard Rehab Center' while waiting for additional surgeries. Hub and I have been spared from Covid so far. Unfortunately it affected some of our family members with illnesses and 2 deaths. Hoping and praying all of you have been spared from Covid. Stay safe. Wear masks. Social distance.

Covid has postponed TDP surveys, education outreach and other activities. A couple of surveys were completed by husband-wife teams who are qualified in all the required survey positions and own boats. Special thanks to the Workmans and the Stanleys.

AWESOME NEWS!!!! President Trump has signed a moratorium on offshore drilling for the Gulf, Florida, Georgia and South Carolina. **HALLELUIA!!!** It looks like I'll be editing TDP training programs and Education Outreach PowerPoints. I'm thrilled to do it! However we must continue the fight to oppose offshore drilling on the entire Atlantic Coast.

MORE GREAT NEWS!!!!!! TDP will be including water quality testing on our surveys in 2021 thanks to a very generous grant from the M.K. Pentecost Ecology Fund in Brunswick, Georgia. Equipment will be purchased soon. Training will be required. If any of you have been certified with Adopt-A-Wetland, you may already be qualified to participate with TDP's water quality program. Stay tuned for details.

We have an opening on the TDP Board of Directors. If you are interested in serving, adding your input to continue keeping TDP viable and respected, contact Peach: gadolphin@comcast.net. I'll send you info on serving.

To entertain and inform you while you are sequestered, check out the links within the newsletter.

Gratefully,

Peach

TDP WEBSITE MANAGER NEEDED

TDP is in need of a person to manage our new website. The website is setup in Wild Apricot which is comparatively easy to manage by current chairpersons for calendar input. The Website manager is needed to occasionally add and adjust pages within the site. If you have any talents in website maintenance and service, please contact Peach: thedolphinproject@gmail.com

CALENDAR

All surveys and events are cancelled for 2020 due to Covid-19. stay tuned....

TDP is offering virtual Education Outreach programs via Zoom.

MARINE MAMMAL DATELINE

'Mind-blowing' moment two humpback whales breach

<https://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-8665429/Mind-blowing-moment-two-humpback-whales-breach.html>

Remarkable video shows beluga whale calf birth

<https://fxn.ws/31tc1ol>

Learning from a Stranded Whale's Death to See How it Lived

<https://baynature.org/2020/04/30/a-whales-death-shows-us-the-way-marine-giants-live/>

Wild-Captured Beluga Whales Return to Sea

<https://www.peta.org/blog/beluga-whale-sanctuary-iceland/>

Beluga Whales Move from Aquarium to Sanctuary, Returning to the Ocean After Years in Captivity

<https://people.com/pets/beluga-whales-return-to-ocean-sea-sanctuary-after-captivity/>

Mass Die-Offs of Marine Mammals Are on the Rise

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/science-nature/mass-die-offs-marine-mammals-are-rise-180975559/>

Rare White Killer Whale Spotted

<https://www.juneauempire.com/news/rare-white-killer-whale-spotted-in-southeast/>

Herbicide, Lead, and Other Poisons Found in Bodies of Stranded Dolphins and Whales

<https://earther.gizmodo.com/herbicide-lead-and-other-poisons-found-in-bodies-of-s-1844673582>

Toxic Chemicals From Fossil Fuels Are Poisoning East Coast Dolphins and Whales, Study Finds

<https://www.ecowatch.com/toxic-chemicals-dolphins-whales-us-2646906589.html>

Sea Lion's Wild Ride on Humpback Whale Captured in Photos

<https://ftw.usatoday.com/2020/08/sea-lions-wild-ride-on-humpback-whale-captured-in-photos>

Animal Assassins and Military Mammals: How Superpowers Continue to Train Creatures for Combat

<https://www.foxnews.com/tech/animal-assassins-and-military-mammals-how-superpowers-continue-to-train-creatures-for-combat>

The Weird Human Garbage Found Inside Whales

<https://nypost.com/2020/08/01/the-weird-human-garbage-found-inside-whales-is-damaging-us-all/>

PLEASE SUPPORT TDP and OUR SPONSORS



Memorial
University Medical Center



J THOMAS
KITCHEN

Marine Mammal Dateline....

Orca Presents Gift to Boaters in Rare Event Caught on Video

<https://ftw.usatoday.com/2020/07/orca-presents-gift-to-boaters-in-rare-event-caught-on-video>

World's Oldest Known Killer Whale Granny Dies

<https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-38496164>



Tahlequah: Killer Whale Who Carried Dead Calf for Days is Pregnant

<https://www.bbc.com/news/world-us-canada-53565996>

Orca That Carried Dead Calf for 17 Days Gives Birth Again

<https://www.nytimes.com/2020/09/06/us/orca-calf-j35-j57-whale.html?referringSource=articleShare>

Hundreds of whales slaughtered in Faroe Islands ritual turning ocean blood red

<https://www.news.com.au/technology/science/animals/hundreds-of-whales-slaughtered-in-faroe-islands-ritual-turning-ocean-blood-red/news-story/9e28b0b6250b745d763425e4290b49c5>

Washington state officials slam Navy's changes to military testing program that would harm more orcas

<https://www.seattletimes.com/seattle-news/environment/washington-state-officials-slam-navys-changes-to-military-testing-program-that-would-harm-more-orcas/?amp=1>

Massive extinct dolphin was an apex predator with whale-like features

<https://www.cnet.com/news/massive-extinct-dolphin-was-an-apex-predator-with-whale-like-features/>

With the Help of Trained Dolphins, Our Team of Researchers is Building a Specialized Drone to Help Us Study Dolphins in the Wild

<https://theconversation.com/with-the-help-of-trained-dolphins-our-team-of-researchers-is-building-a-specialized-drone-to-help-us-study-dolphins-in-the-wild-137971>

Dolphins Can Learn New Fishing Tricks From Their Pals

<https://www.npr.org/2020/06/25/881871771/dolphins-learn-foraging-tricks-from-each-other-not-just-from-mom>

A Special Effects Company Built a Robotic Dolphin so Aquariums Won't Have to Keep Real Ones in Captivity

<https://gizmodo.com/a-special-effects-company-built-a-robotic-dolphin-so-aq-1844119597>

Marine Scientist: Video of 'Cute' Dolphin Shows Concerning Behavior

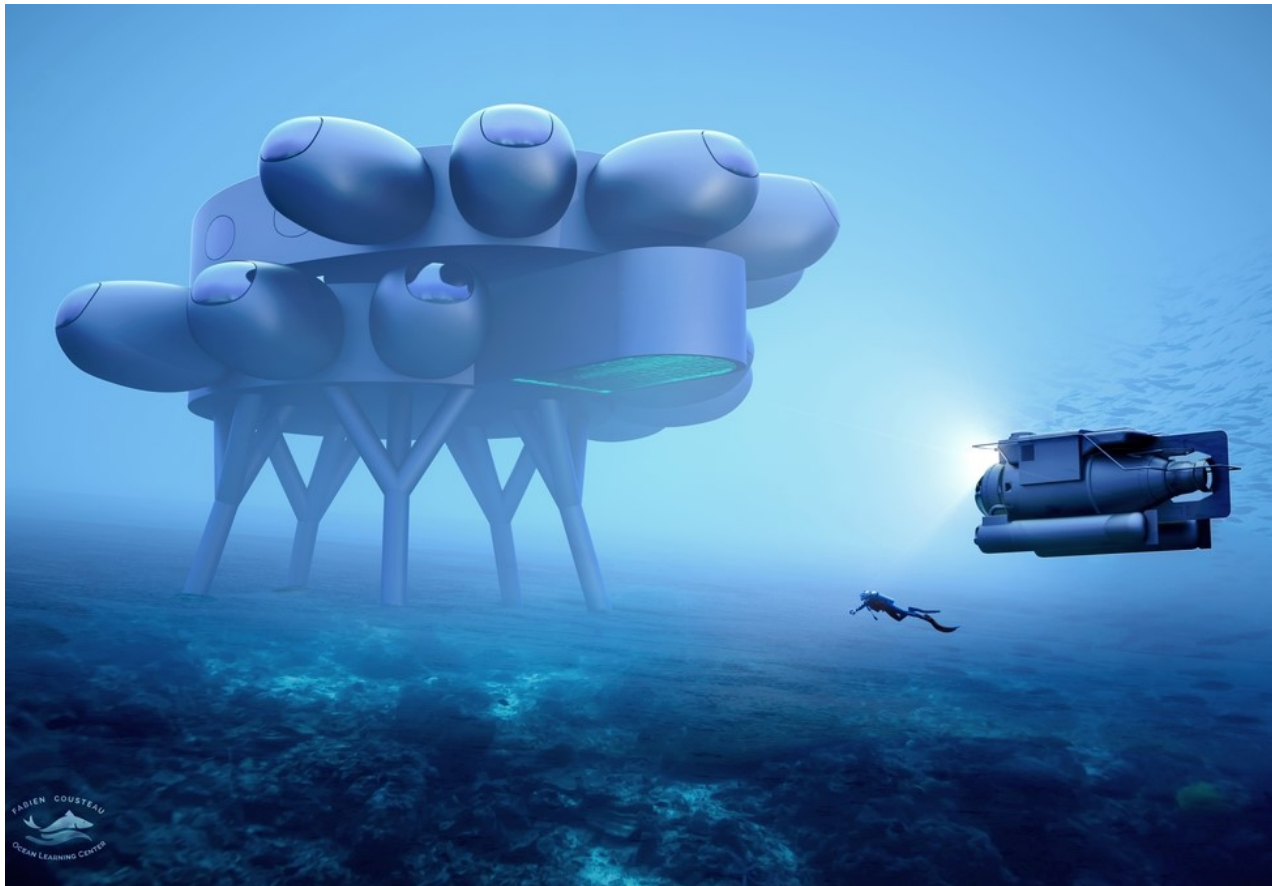
<https://www.wsav.com/news/marine-scientist-video-of-cute-dolphin-shows-concerning-behavior/>

OCEAN DATELINE

Jacques Cousteau's Grandson Wants to Build the International Space Station of the Sea

[Fabien Cousteau was a staunch supporter and benefactor of the "Protect Wild Dolphin" license plate for Georgia. Sadly this plate was undermined by wealthy Atlanta businessmen for their own gain and our coast lost revenue. It was my pleasure and honor to meet and speak with Fabien while he was promoting the movie "The Cove". Peach]

<https://www.smithsonianmag.com/innovation/jacques-cousteaus-grandson-wants-to-build-international-space-station-of-the-sea-180975635/>



Microplastic in Atlantic Ocean 'could weigh 21 million tonnes'

<https://www.bbc.com/news/science-environment-53786555>

More Than 3,000 Gallons of Diesel Fuel Spill into South Carolina Marsh

<https://www.kiro7.com/news/trending/more-than-3000-gallons-diesel-fuel-spill-into-south-carolina-marsh/DMDHWP6BD3XMSFLL5V65AQX4/>

Every Single Seafood Sample Tested in This Microplastics Study Was Polluted

<https://www.sciencealert.com/scientists-don-t-even-have-to-try-that-hard-to-find-plastics-in-our-seafood>

Monaco's 'virtual dive' of Australia's Barrier Reef encourages ocean protection **REALLY COOL!!!**

<https://rfi.my/6GHw.E>

For Sustainable Oyster Harvesting, Look to Native Americans' Historical Practices

<https://www.scientificamerican.com/article/for-sustainable-oyster-harvesting-look-to-native-americans-rsquo-historical-practices/>

Please Support TDP Sponsors



CHATHAM
ORTHOPAEDIC
ASSOCIATES



Jim and Patricia Miller Wann,

Don Dixon, Bland Simpson

David & Libby Patten, Jackie & Harry Moses,

Joe & Kris Powers,

Ron & Gerry Sattelle

Boyd & Jennifer Stanley, Dottie & Jim Kluttz,

Coastal Interior Construction/Jeff Morris,

Charlotte & Rusty Moses,

The Threlkeld Families



BERNARD WILLIAMS
Insurance & Financial Services



**TRADEPORT
LOGISTICS LLC**