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Humboldt Bay Symposium 2008 Program Available

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The Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District (District) is pleased to announce that the Program for the 2008 Humboldt Bay Symposium is available. The 2008 Symposium will be held April 24, 25 and 26, 2008 in the Wharfinger Building at the Eureka Public Marina, 1 Marina Way, Eureka, California.

The Humboldt Bay Symposium has been a recurring happening since 1966 that has highlighted current events occurring in the Humboldt Bay region. In 2007, the Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and Conservation District's Board of Commissioners established the Humboldt Bay Symposium as a District program to be held every even-numbered year to provide information on a variety of topics related to Humboldt Bay, including current scientific research, wetland restoration, maritime commerce developments, marine recreational activities and other current bay-related events. The District's Symposium Steering Committee has developed a program that is sure to inform and educate on a wide variety of bay-related topics. If you are interested in anything Humboldt Bay, this is the Symposium for you!

The presentations on Thursday, April 24 will cover big picture issues such as ocean monitoring efforts, wave energy, marine transportation and ecosystem-based management. Thursday evening, a poster session will be held in the Bayview Room of the Wharfinger Building with refreshments sponsored by Evergreen Pulp, Inc. and the Humboldt Bay Oyster Company. Friday, April 25 will be filled with a variety of speakers presenting updates on local bay-related current events, activities and research. Saturday, April 26 is the Symposium's "Day-on-the-Bay" with a number of tours available.

Registration is \$10.00 per day for the Thursday and Friday portion of the Symposium. To pre-register and to get additional information on Humboldt Bay Symposium 2008 including Poster Session info, please contact the District office at 601 Startare Drive, Woodley Island, Eureka, California 95501 or visit the District's website www.humboldtбай.org.

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