

TOS NEWS — April 25, 2017

1. Message from TOS President Alan Mix

This past weekend, the [March for Science](#) was a big success. In my own smallish town of Corvallis, Oregon (total population ~50,000) over 3,000 people marched. On a per capita basis that is pretty high (although I guess the North Pole march wins the 100% per capita prize). I saw lots of ocean scientists at the march, but more importantly there were many nonscientists marching because they recognize the importance of all kinds of science to the world, the nation, and in their own lives. Lots of TOS members also turned out in Washington DC and in marches all over the world. TOS Council member Dr. Julie Pullen gave a heartfelt speech on the importance of the ocean at a pre-march rally hosted by AAAS where TOS also hosted an information table, and many members attended the “Sea Party” event on Friday (Click [here](#) for links and photos). All of this is great for raising awareness, but it is only a beginning as we face a US federal budget impasse and possibly a government shutdown in the coming week, just as many ocean scientists are waiting to hear about funding and planning essential summer field programs. This is a critical moment for science, and we encourage TOS members to write or call their elected representatives to make their views known. The [March for Science website](#) provides several links for facilitating these types of communications as well as other resources at the bottom of their [home page](#).

Another event worth noting: Admiral David Titley will present a [TED Talk](#) tomorrow, April 26th about the ocean, climate, and national security. Admiral Titley is often called upon for congressional testimony, and served as co-chair of the US NRC “Sea Change” report. The talk should be available on the [TED website](#) sometime in the near future.

2. Revelle Lecture to be given by Dr. Dawn Wright

[Dr. Dawn Wright](#), chief scientist of Environmental Systems Research Institute (Esri), professor of Geography and Oceanography at Oregon State University (AND long-time TOS member) will present the Revelle Lecture this Friday at 5:30 pm at the Smithsonian Institution's Baird auditorium.

The title of her lecture is *Swells, soundings, and sustainability...but “here be monsters” : Mapping oceans of data for a sustainable sea*, will depict the history of ocean mapping as well as major research challenges that remain today. More details available [here](#).

4. *Oceanography* Magazine - March issue distributed

The March issue of *Oceanography* is in the mail to those members who request delivery of paper copies. All members received a message from distribution233@qmags.com on April

12th with instructions on accessing the full PDF of the issue online. Please contact [Jenny Ramarui](#) if you have any questions.

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Please contact Jenny Ramarui (jenny@tos.org), TOS Executive Director, with any questions about items in this message or your membership.