

Upcoming Events

GRAND REOPENINGThe Ocean Discovery Visitor's Center

will reopen to the public on January, 3 2017.

For hours and info, click here.

Wed Jan 11 **Ocean Science Lecture** Series Season Kickoff Climate Change Adaptation, from Marine Microbes to **Coastal Communities** presented by Dr. Anton Post, FAU Harbor Branch. Johnson Education Center Auditiorum, 4 & 7 p.m., admission is free. For the full season lineup, click here.

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Meet New FAU Harbor Branch Executive Director at Lecture Series Kickoff



Anton Post Ph.D., incoming Executive Director, will kick off Harbor Branch's annual Ocean Science Lecture Series winter season on Jan. 11, 2017 at 4 and 7 p.m. with a talk on climate change. Those who attend will have the chance to meet and speak with Post following his lectures.

Post will lead a new strategic effort to develop interdisciplinary research by combining expertise across many FAU centers and colleges, including FAU Harbor Branch. He currently serves as the executive director of the University of Rhode Island's Coastal Resources Center, Graduate School of Oceanography, and will officially begin as executive director at Harbor Branch on Jan. 3, 2017. Talks will be presented by other FAU Harbor Branch researchers weekly thereafter each Wednesday through April 5, at 4 and 7 p.m., at Harbor Branch's Johnson Education Center Auditorium, 5600 U.S. 1 North, in Fort Pierce. Admission is free.

See the full season schedule here.

ODVC to Reopen to Public and Mission: Ocean Discovery Programming to Reconvene in Jan



The FAU Harbor Branch Ocean Discovery Visitor's Center will reopen to the public on Tuesday, Jan. 3 at 10 a.m. The facility, which is the portal for "Mission: Ocean Discovery" public outreach programming, will offer updated displays and live exhibits that reflect current research being conducted at the institute. FAU and Harbor Branch-related gear will be available for purchase, and visitors can also utilize a new FAU Admissions kiosk with information for prospective students.

Other "Mission: Ocean Discovery" programming will reconvene in January, with Immersion Tours offered each Wednesday morning and Marine Science Fridays offered on select Friday afternoons from January through March 2017.

FAU Harbor Branch Research Feature

Several FAU Harbor Branch researchers shared their work recently through publications or presentations.



Seagrass Restoration Efforts in the Indian River Lagoon

FAU Harbor Branch Research Professor, Dr. Dennis Hanisak, presented Development of a Seagrass Nursery for Restoration of Seagrass in the Indian River Lagoon at a summit in New Orleans. Based on two of his research projects, the talk addressed the

feasibility of seagrass restoration following catastrophic loss of seagrass, due to unprecedented phytoplankton "super blooms" in the northern Indian River Lagoon.

Adam Schaefer Co-authors Paper in Veterinary Parasitology

FAU Harbor Branch Principal Investigator Adam Schaefer is the coauthor of a paper published in Veterinary Parasitology regarding the occurrence of blood parasites in seabirds admitted for rehabilitation in South Africa. The paper presents a long term data set showing blood parasites were detected in 59 percent of the species examined and 29 percent of the individuals examined. View the paper here.

Chérubin and Garavelli Co-author Paper in Conservation Letters

FAU Harbor Branch Associate Research Professor Laurent Chérubin

published in Conservation Letters regarding collaborative research focused on designing a network of



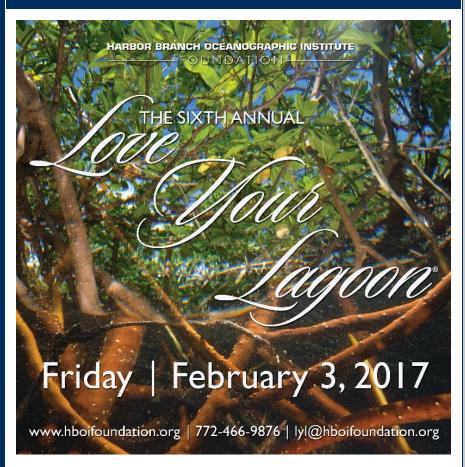
marine reserves that can ensure the conservation of spiny lobster fisheries in Honduras. <u>Click here</u> to view the paper.

Adovasio Featured in Mammoth Trumpet

FAU Harbor Branch Director of Archaeology Dr. Jim Adovasio was the topic of a recent article in Mammoth Trumpet. The piece focuses on his array of work, including the Old Vero Ice Age project, which is headquartered at Harbor Branch. Click here to read the full article.



Preservation Pioneer Diane Dunmire Barile to be Honored at 6th Annual Love Your Lagoon



Tickets are now available for the Harbor Branch Oceanographic Institute Foundation's (HBOIF) 6th annual *Love Your Lagoon* gala on Friday, Feb. 3, 2017 at 6 p.m. at FAU Harbor Branch. Diane Dunmire Barile will be receiving this year's Leadership and Achievement award. Most recognized as the founder of the Marine Resources

Council of East Florida, Barile is lauded as a pioneer for the study and protection of the Indian River Lagoon. Proceeds from the event will support the annual Indian River Lagoon Symposium and scientific research on the lagoon.

The HBOIF also recently published their Annual Report FY16, which can be viewed <u>here</u>.