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We are grateful to work with such a wonderful group of volunteers. Your contributions have made this year a memorable one. You all make a huge impact on everything that we do at Hatfield. Thank you!

It is that time of year to get together and celebrate. We hope that you can join us for the volunteer holiday potluck on December 14<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 p.m. to enjoy some good company and great food!

## Activities and Updates

We recently held the State of the Coast Conference at HMSC. This coastal conference offers informative talks on current marine science and policy issues, hands-on activities, and network opportunities with research, industry, and community leaders.

Thank you to volunteers Paul Banas, Mike Broili, Donna Scurlock, Nancy Edwards, Julie Bourgeois, Rose James, Barbara Hahn, Annie Thorp, Mike Courtney, James Taylor, Evelyn Nagy, Karen Johnson, Phyliss Erisman, Ben Ryan, Bob Davidson and James Taylor for helping with this event!



The RCRV Taani Simulator exhibit is always a favorite activity in the Visitor Center. Here is the latest update on the Regional Class Research Vessel construction currently in progress in Louisiana.

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y9z7z78\\_680](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=y9z7z78_680)

# MEMORIES

We are happy to announce that the new independently owned and operated gift shop Memories is now open! They have a lot of great merchandise to choose from, and you all will receive a 15% discount on purchases Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> through Dec. 16<sup>th</sup>. You will see some friendly familiar faces from volunteers Phyllis and Jenn who are working in the shop along with their manager Rachael.

Visitors are welcomed to come in without paying the \$3.00 Visitor Center fee if they would like to checkout the gift shop and not explore the VC.



## Volunteer Highlight



John Johnson recently joined the volunteer program. He is a retired former tech executive from Seattle, Washington, and is also a husband, father, and grandfather. He enjoys going to the gym, cooking, walking his dog Joe, golf, kayaking and working outside.

He moved to Newport full time in February 2021. He likes his routine walks on the beach and the people in the community. He learned about the opportunity to volunteer at the Hatfield Visitor Center through one of his neighbors who also volunteers here. He looks forward to interacting with visitors in the center and providing information as needed.

We would also like to welcome new volunteers Russell Poppen, Beth Prinz, Lisa Hansell, Madelene Anderson, and Annette Roth!

