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"SAN O" BIRTHPLACE OF CALIFORNIA SURF CULTURE AT THE LIBRARY

Join Milford Wayne Donaldson for a presentation on the history of San Onofre, the birthplace of California surf culture, on Saturday, January 6 at 10:30 a.m. in the Civic Center Library Community Rooms at 330 N. Coast Highway. San Onofre and the history of surfing provides a look into a not-so-far-distant past, including its influence on Camp Pendleton, and helps present-day citizens understand how what may have seemed like a "craze" was really a firmly planted lifestyle, which would span the globe with its influence.

Donaldson was appointed by former President Barack Obama as Chair of the Advisory Council on Historic Preservation in 2010. He was the California State Historic Preservation Officer from 2004-2012. He received his Bachelor of Architecture from California Polytechnic University, Master of Science in Engineering from the University of Strathclyde, Scotland and his Masters in Public History and Teaching from the University of San Diego. Wayne "Budge" Donaldson grew up in Oceanside and surfed San Onofre starting in the 1950s.

The program, sponsored by the Friends of the Oceanside Public Library in partnership with the Oceanside Historical Society, is free to the public. For more information about library programs, please visit www.oceansidepubliclibrary.org or call (760) 435-5600.

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