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Gig Harbor, WA – Saturday, December 7, Harbor WildWatch proudly accepted the award for Non-Profit of the Year from the Gig Harbor Chamber of Commerce. Lindsey Johnson, Executive Director, and several Board Members were present at the Annual Awards dinner to personally thank the business community and the Chamber for this honor.

Each year, the Gig Harbor Chamber of Commerce selects five businesses or individual business leaders who have enriched the lives of the citizens in the greater Gig Harbor community. This year’s Annual Awards Dinner was held at Canterwood Golf and Country Club with over 100 leaders from the business community in attendance. Harbor WildWatch was honored to receive the 2013 award for Non-Profit of the Year in our third year as chamber members.

The current Chamber of Commerce Chairman, Pat Schmidt, presented the award, noting the many environmental education programs Harbor WildWatch provides to the residents and visitors in the greater Gig Harbor community, including:

- 89 Get Your Feet Wet touch tank programs that introduce people to the animals that live on our local beaches
- 17 Pier Into the Night program that showcase animals that are only seen at night in Puget Sound
- 518 classroom science workshops for K-8 students in local schools
- Reaching over 30,000 adults and children in 2013

Executive Director, Lindsey Johnson, accepted the award on behalf of Harbor WildWatch. She expressed her gratitude for “the overwhelming support Harbor WildWatch receives from the local business community and for those who nominated us for this award. We look forward to our continued relationship with the Gig Harbor Chamber of Commerce and thank you all for the honor of Non-Profit of the Year.”

About Harbor WildWatch:
Founded in 2004, Harbor WildWatch is a 501 (c) 3 non-profit environmental education organization based in Gig Harbor, WA. Their mission is to inspire stewardship of the Puget Sound by providing learning opportunities about the environment to the people in their local community. Through fun and interactive workshops, Harbor WildWatch’s goal is to inform area residents about their local environment and elicit involvement in preserving the wealth of our natural resources. For more information, visit: www.harborwildwatch.org.