

Seaside man pleads guilty to Salem murder

Authorities suspect shooting was gang-related

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A Seaside man pleaded guilty to murder in Marion County Circuit Court this week for shooting and killing a man in Salem last May.

Robert Gordon Davis, 32, pleaded guilty to murder, reckless endangerment and unlaw-

ful possession of a firearm. He shot and killed Jose Garcia-Roldan.

Garcia-Roldan was taken to Salem Hospital and pronounced dead. Marion County Sheriff's Office officials investigated the incident as a gang-related shooting, according to the Statesman Journal.

Davis was arrested on a warrant in July in Clatsop County.



Robert Gordon Davis

He was previously convicted in Clatsop County for unlawful use of a weapon, assault, menacing, criminal trespass, resisting arrest, strangulation and theft.

He faces a mandatory minimum sentence of 25 years in prison.

A sentencing hearing is scheduled next week in Marion County Circuit Court.

Inmate who damaged jail window sentenced

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The Clatsop County Jail inmate who damaged a jail window in February has pleaded guilty.

Logan Douglas Holt, 27, of Warrenton, pleaded guilty in Clatsop County Circuit Court earlier this month to second-degree criminal mischief. An attempted escape charge was dismissed.

Holt claims he never intended to escape.

He was sentenced to six months in jail to be served at the same time as a four-year prison sentence for previous

assault and theft convictions.

The jail incident occurred Feb. 22. He placed a bolt in a pillowcase and used it to break out a window in the jail. He damaged the window, but did not break it out. The damage was estimated at more than \$400. He is ordered to pay restitution for the damage.

A passer-by saw it happening from outside the jail and reported it to the Clatsop County Sheriff's Office.

The damage to the jail window is the second incident in less than a year. Two inmates tried to escape in July by breaking off a shower drain grate, tying it to a bed sheet and swinging it against a window until the window shattered.

The only other escape attempt on record occurred more than a decade ago, when an inmate jumped from the roof of a recreation area and was caught a day later.



Logan Douglas Holt

Planned power outage in Cannon Beach

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A planned power outage will take place in Cannon Beach starting at 9 p.m. Wednesday.

Pacific Power estimates the outage will last approx-

imately nine hours. The outage affects about 2,800 Pacific Power customers.

The power interruption is necessary for Bonneville Power Administration to safely replace and upgrade electrical equipment, Alisa

Dunlap, Pacific Power's regional business manager, said in a letter to customers.

The outage will affect all of Cannon Beach as well as nearby communities such as Arch Cape and Falcon Cove.

Bill would return Kennewick Man to tribes

Associated Press

SPOKANE — A bill has been introduced in the U.S. Senate to require the federal government to give the bones

of Kennewick Man back to the Indian tribes from which he descended.

The bipartisan bill was introduced Tuesday by U.S. Sen. Barbara Boxer and U.S.

Sen. James Inhofe.

It calls for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers to repatriate the 9,000-year-old skeleton back to the tribes for reburial.

Warrenton man charged with online sex abuse

Investigation started two years ago

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A 21-year-old Warrenton man is accused of having sexually explicit online communication with a underage girl in an effort to meet her in person.

Colby Ray Cochran pleaded not guilty Monday in Clatsop County Circuit Court to first-degree online sexual corruption, luring a minor and attempting to use a child in display of sexually explicit conduct.

The alleged crimes occurred between June and November 2014, when Cochran was 19 and the girl was 13.

Warrenton Police arrested Cochran Sunday after a lengthy investigation that included collecting information from various social media applications, reviewing text messages and follow-

ing up with the victim. "There are a lot of steps to it," Warrenton Police Chief Mathew Workman said. "All of this takes time and the right equipment."

When the investigation started more than two years ago, Warrenton Police did not have a detective and did not have local access to Cellebrite software that pulls data off cellphones and other mobile devices smaller than a laptop.

Newly appointed detective Cliff Bussert finished the investigation. For future cases, the Warrenton Police will be able to use Cellebrite software recently acquired by Astoria Police, rather than traveling to Portland.

"I didn't have a detective at the time," Workman said. "Once I got a detective, he started doing the follow-up with the victim and victim's mother."

The girl's mother is the one who contacted police after checking her daughter's phone and discover-

ing inappropriate messages from Cochran.

Workman said law enforcement agencies encourage parents and guardians to set boundaries and follow through by checking their child's electronics.

Many times young children do not see the red flags communicating online or on cellphones, and do not realize they are in danger, Workman said.

Cochran did meet with the girl in person, although nothing illegal happened when they met.

According to the indictment, he used online communication to solicit the girl to engage in sexually explicit conduct and took substantial steps toward physically meeting with her.

Cochran remains in custody on \$75,000 bail. He is due back in court for an early resolution conference next month.



Colby Ray Cochran

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