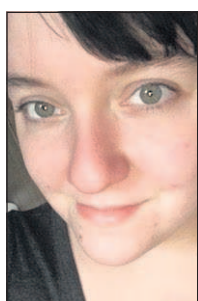


Suspects arrested in murder plot

Granddaughter, partner face criminal charges

By NATALIE ST. JOHN
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KLIPSAN BEACH, Wash. — Two suspects have been arrested in an apparent murder-conspiracy plot, in which a 23-year-old woman allegedly shot her paternal grandmother on Saturday and then called police from a nearby state park and claimed she and her three young children had been kidnapped.



Katherine Chace

The victim was Klipsan Beach resident Paula J. Rice, 64. Rice's granddaughter, Katherine Joanne Chace, 23, of Wasilla, Alaska, was

arrested on Saturday evening on suspicion of first-degree murder. Chace's partner, Paul Dwayne Rankin, 25, of Willow, Alaska, was arrested on Sunday morning on suspicion of felony criminal conspiracy. Rankin is believed to be the father of Chace's 2, 3 and 4 year old children.

Chace's biological father, Michael C. Cooper, 41, lived with Rice in her home in the 1900 block of East 196th Avenue. Pacific County Sheriff's Chief Criminal Deputy Pat Matlock said Cooper was apparently asleep in another part of the home during the incident and did not learn of his mother's death until police arrived and discovered her body. Cooper was not harmed, and is not suspected of any involvement in the incident.

Seaside Public Library to have new name

Mayor Larson's contributions lead to honor

By R.J. MARX
The Daily Astorian

SEASIDE — He was the man holding the scissors at the 2008 ribbon-cutting for the Seaside Public Library.

Monday night, Mayor Don Larson received a place in Seaside's literary history as he was honored with the renaming of the library building at 1131 Broadway. Seaside city councilors made the decision based on the mayor's "numerous and extraordinary contri-



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Library Director Esther Moberg indicates where new signage could be located.

butions to local government leading to positive changes for the future of Oregon."

Councilors extolled the mayor's "extraordinary passion and visionary leadership to the city of Seaside."

The renaming came just before Larson announced his intention to step down as mayor after the second year of his fourth term.

"I did not know he was going to retire," Sea-

side Library Director Esther Moberg said after the meeting. "That was a surprise."

Moberg said Larson and his wife, Lois, were instrumental in finding the right location for the building in 2008 and "have been great supporters of the library."

The resolution, adopted unanimously, recognizes Larson's major contributions to the library project, from the first discussion to construction and completion.

A sign for the Don Larson Building will be placed across the front of the library, Moberg said, "right over the door."

"The mayor said he wants it in lights," Moberg said. "We'll see what we can do."

Warrenton man convicted of assault

By KATIE FRANKOWICZ
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A Warrenton man accused of kidnapping was instead found guilty on a less serious charge of fourth-degree assault.

Eric Nelson Sharpsteen, 42, had faced charges of second-degree kidnapping, coercion, two counts of fourth-degree assault and harassment following a fight with his girlfriend in September on a lonely stretch of beach near Delaura Beach Road. He pled not guilty to these charges and the case went to trial.



Eric Nelson Sharpsteen

Sharpsteen has a lengthy criminal history — a fact prosecutor Beau Peterson told the jury it should take into consideration when deciding which witness, Sharpsteen or his girlfriend, was more reliable. The only witnesses to what occurred where Sharpsteen and his girlfriend,

and the jury that heard the case essentially had to decide who they believed more.

"Whatever he did in the past does not mean he committed these acts," said Sharpsteen's court-appointed lawyer James von Boeckmann, referring to the charges the jury was weighing. Von Boeckmann said Sharpsteen admitted to things on the witness stand that were not in his interest to admit.

"So why would he do that?" von Boeckmann asked, saying that Sharpsteen's narrative was the truthful account of what happened.

The jury ultimately decided the state did not have the evidence to show Sharpsteen was guilty of kidnapping.

Sharpsteen was sentenced to 60 days in the Clatsop County Jail, with credit for time already served. He was acquitted of the other charges against him.

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