

# Fallen cable knocks out radio station's transmitter

## Antenna damaged in windstorm

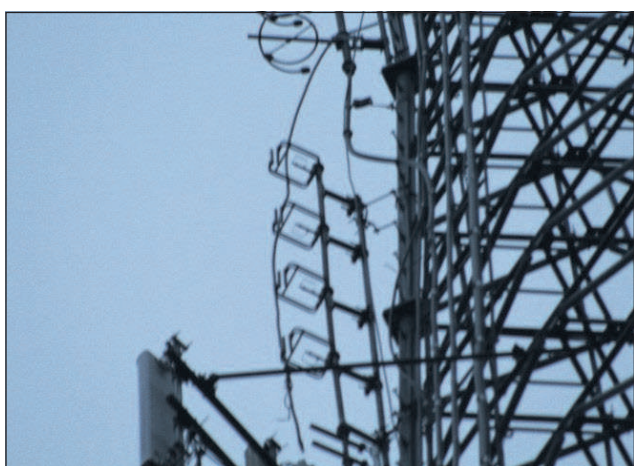
By R.J. MARX  
The Daily Astorian

SEASIDE — Down but not out for Seaside radio station 94.9 after a wind-blown cable blew off and damaged the station's antenna.

"Saturday morning, I'm listening and I hear us go off the air and wondered what the issue was," Mark Evans, SpinLogic Enterprises president, said Monday. "So I go up, and sure enough the transmitter was off, and I tried to turn it on, and it wouldn't come back on again. It took about a day to diagnose what it was, and we realized it was the cable on the tower that slammed against our antenna."

The piece of cable that fell was more than 20 feet long, he said. "Unfortunately, when it made contact with our antenna, a short went into the line, right into our transmitter."

Evans' local FM stations, KBGE 94.9 in Seaside and KEUB 93.3 in Gearhart, are among 18 antennas leasing space on the tower, owned



Submitted Photo

Downed cable at the SBA Communications tower in Seaside.

by SBA Communications and located off Rippet Lane. KEUB, was not affected, nor were any of the others leasing space.

"We're the only ones suffering because we're the only ones who got hit by the cable," Evans said.

Evans was able to find a temporary replacement antenna to keep the station on the air, but the piece of equipment is "not anywhere near the amount of wattage we normally have," he said. "We're at reduced power until we can get this repaired. Thirty-five-hundred watts is our typical broadcast range;

right now we're at about 50 watts, so we're reduced dramatically."

The low-wattage antenna keeps 94.9 FM from web streaming as well as radio broadcasting.

Evans said he hopes to be back on the air in "a couple of days at the most."

"The owner of the tower has people coming to climb up the tower to move that because if I put up another transmitter the way it is now, it would blow the next transmitter," Evans said. "We're in the process of getting the cable removed, and replace or repair the existing transmitter."

## OBITUARIES

### David Russell Brooks Sr.

Astoria

Oct. 5, 1932 — Feb. 15, 2017

David Russell Brooks Sr. passed away peacefully at home on Feb. 15, 2017.

David was born on Oct. 5, 1932, in Hoquiam, Washington, the third son of William and Shirley Dahlgren Brooks. Two weeks after his birth his family moved to Astoria, where he lived most of his 84 years.

As a child he spent summers with his paternal Finnish grandparents in Eden Valley, Washington. David loved bringing his kids there in later years to experience the joy he had known there as a child. His maternal grandfather was a Tillamook Rock lighthouse keeper — a piece of family history of which he was very proud.

David was a 1950 Astoria High School graduate. He met his wife, Carolyn Logsdon, there. After high school he started his professional career in automotive service.

David married Carolyn, his wife of 66 years, on Dec. 2, 1950. They made their home in Astoria, and raised their four children. When Dave wasn't working to provide for his family, he enjoyed painting, gardening, fishing and woodworking. He meticulously built replicas of sev-

eral local fishing boats that have been admired by many for their excellent craftsmanship.

David was extremely proud of his four children, nine grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren. They all knew how important his family was to him.

After retirement Dave and Carolyn journeyed to Yuma, Arizona, where they enjoyed the sun and many wonderful friends.

David is survived by his wife, Carolyn; brother, Bill Brooks of Salem, Oregon; daughter and son-in-law, Nancy and Bill Tynkila; daughter and son-in-law, Judy and Mike Madison; daughter and son-in-law, Cathy and Douglas Holly; and son, David Brooks Jr.

Dave was preceded in death by his parents and brother, Roger Brooks.

A private graveside memorial is planned. The family requests memorial contributions be made to Lower Columbia Hospice.

Hughes-Ransom Mortuary and Crematory in Seaside is in charge of the arrangements. Please visit [www.hughes-ransom.com](http://www.hughes-ransom.com) to share memories and sign the guest book.



David Brooks

## Police searching for witness to crash

The Daily Astorian

Oregon State Police is searching for a witness to a single-vehicle crash on U.S. Highway 26 last Wednesday.

A black Dodge Chal-

lenger went off the roadway just after 1 p.m. near the east side of Nehalem County Park and came to a rest on a steep embankment, OSP said. A possible witness spoke to medical personnel

but left before police arrived.

Anyone with information about the crash can call OSP North Plains Sgt. Darin LaDick at (503) 647-7631 or NCC Dispatch at (503) 375-3555.

## Police seek new leads in 'Duckbill' toppling

Associated Press

SALEM — Nearly six months after video captured a group of people toppling a popular sandstone rock formation at Cape Kiwanda, state police say they've been unable to track down the perpetrators.

The Statesman Journal re-

ported that Lt. Mark Duncan says the investigation into the vandalism remains open but is inactive until police receive new information.

The sandstone pedestal, known as the "Duckbill," was knocked over at Cape Kiwanda State Natural Area.

Cellphone video captured by

a Hillsboro resident shows a group pushing the structure to the ground on Aug. 29.

Duncan says the leads investigators followed in the case didn't pan out.

Anyone with information about the incident is asked to contact the Tillamook County Sheriff's Office.

### FIVE-DAY FORECAST FOR ASTORIA

| Tonight                                  | Wednesday                            | Thursday                               | Friday                                 | Saturday     |
|--|--------------------------------------|--|--|--------------|
| Partly cloudy with a brief shower or two | Rather cloudy, a little rain; chilly | Mostly cloudy and chilly with a shower | Cloudy and chilly with occasional rain | Partly sunny |
| 36                                       | 46 / 32                              | 46 / 32                                | 45 / 33                                | 50 / 33      |

AccuWeather.com

### ALMANAC

Astoria through Monday.

**Temperatures**

High/low ..... 48°/42°

Normal high/low ..... 52°/37°

Record high ..... 65° in 1916

Record low ..... 25° in 2011

**Precipitation**

Monday ..... 0.55"

Month to date ..... 10.87"

Normal month to date ..... 5.19"

Year to date ..... 16.68"

Normal year to date ..... 15.39"

### REGIONAL WEATHER

Shown is tomorrow's weather. Temperatures are tonight's lows and tomorrow's highs.

### SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight ..... 5:50 p.m.

Sunrise Wednesday ..... 7:07 a.m.

Moonrise today ..... 3:43 a.m.

Moonset today ..... 1:14 p.m.

### REGIONAL CITIES

| City          | Today             | Wed.        | City             | Today | Wed. |
|---------------|-------------------|-------------|------------------|-------|------|
| Baker City    | 46 23 c 38 19 c   | Olympia     | 48 31 c 47 27 sh |       |      |
| Bend          | 40 18 r 36 17 c   | Pendleton   | 45 27 r 41 26 c  |       |      |
| Brookings     | 49 39 r 46 34 r   | Portland    | 47 32 r 45 31 r  |       |      |
| Eugene        | 47 33 r 46 31 r   | Roseburg    | 49 38 r 47 33 r  |       |      |
| Ilwaco        | 49 37 c 45 34 r   | Salem       | 49 33 c 47 30 r  |       |      |
| Klamath Falls | 43 26 sn 37 21 sf | Seaside     | 49 37 c 44 35 r  |       |      |
| Medford       | 51 36 r 46 31 r   | Spokane     | 39 25 sn 37 17 c |       |      |
| Newberg       | 48 33 r 45 29 r   | Springfield | 47 32 r 46 32 r  |       |      |
| Newport       | 48 37 r 45 33 r   | Vancouver   | 48 33 r 45 30 r  |       |      |
| North Bend    | 49 39 r 47 35 r   | Yakima      | 43 25 r 41 21 c  |       |      |

### NATIONAL CITIES

| City           | Today             | Wed. |
|----------------|-------------------|------|
| Atlanta        | 71 59 r 70 58 c   |      |
| Boston         | 42 34 s 51 40 pc  |      |
| Chicago        | 66 45 sh 70 45 s  |      |
| Denver         | 73 44 s 63 29 s   |      |
| Des Moines     | 66 47 s 72 42 s   |      |
| Detroit        | 60 46 sh 67 52 pc |      |
| El Paso        | 74 46 s 79 51 s   |      |
| Fairbanks      | -4 -16 s 8 -10 sf |      |
| Honolulu       | 79 70 pc 80 69 pc |      |
| Indianapolis   | 68 50 c 71 55 pc  |      |
| Kansas City    | 71 44 s 76 45 s   |      |
| Las Vegas      | 71 50 pc 64 42 pc |      |
| Los Angeles    | 68 52 c 65 46 pc  |      |
| Memphis        | 72 57 sh 74 57 pc |      |
| Miami          | 80 68 pc 77 63 r  |      |
| Nashville      | 68 56 r 73 56 pc  |      |
| New Orleans    | 69 57 r 72 57 pc  |      |
| New York       | 48 40 pc 57 48 pc |      |
| Oklahoma City  | 72 43 s 79 49 s   |      |
| Philadelphia   | 53 42 pc 65 48 pc |      |
| St. Louis      | 70 52 sh 78 53 s  |      |
| Salt Lake City | 64 35 sh 44 29 r  |      |
| San Francisco  | 59 47 sh 55 44 c  |      |
| Seattle        | 46 36 c 46 32 sh  |      |
| Washington, DC | 58 46 pc 69 53 pc |      |

### TOMORROW'S NATIONAL WEATHER

Shown are noon positions of weather systems and precipitation. Temperature bands are highs for the day.

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### ON THE RECORD

#### Assault

- At 8:55 p.m. Friday, Joshua R. McBride, 19, of Hammond, was arrested by the Warrenton Police Department at 329 Seventh Avenue for assault. McBride's 54-year-old stepfather alleged that he struck him four times.

#### DUII

- At 1:16 a.m. Saturday, Stephanie Anne Rodriguez, 32, of Hammond, was arrested by the Warrenton Police Department on the 500 block of Ridge Road for driving under the influence of intoxicants. Her blood alcohol content was .203.
- At 3:30 p.m. Sunday, Crystal Lee Hilton, 38, of Portland, was arrested by the Warrenton Police Department in the Youngs Bay Plaza parking lot

#### Assault

- A Hillsboro resident shows a group pushing the structure to the ground on Aug. 29.

### DEATHS

#### Feb. 20, 2017

**DONEY, Allan L.**, 69, of Warrenton, died in Portland. Ocean View Funeral & Cremation Service of Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

#### Feb. 16, 2017

**NADON, Dorothy Irene**, 93, of Astoria, died in Astoria. Hughes-Ransom Mortuary & Crematory in Astoria is in charge of the arrangements.

### BIRTH

**Feb. 15, 2017**

**TOMEK, Lucia**, and **KOCH, Stefan**, of Ocean Park, Washington, a boy, **Oscar Valentino Tomek-Koch**, born at Columbia Memorial Hospital in Astoria. Grandparents are Ona and Vaclav Tomek of Ocean Park and Hildegard and Peter Wickerath of Cologne, Germany.

### PUBLIC MEETINGS

**TUESDAY**

- Sunset Empire Park and Rec District**, 4 p.m., 1225 Ave. A, Seaside.
- Clatsop County Human Services Advisory Council**, 4 to 5:30 p.m., 800 Exchange St., Room 430.
- Port of Astoria Commission**, 5 p.m., executive session (closed to public), 6 p.m., regular meeting, Port offices, 10 Pier 1, Suite 209.
- Astoria Historic Landmarks Commission**, 5:15 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.
- Seaside School District**, 6 p.m., 1810 S. Franklin, Seaside.
- Seaside Planning Commission**, 6 p.m., City Hall, 989

**WEDNESDAY**

- Astoria Parks Board**, 6:30 a.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.
- Clatsop County Housing Authority Board**, 5 p.m., Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St.
- Clatsop County Board of Commissioners**, 6 p.m., Judge Guy Boyington Building, 857 Commercial St.

### LOTTERIES

**OREGON**

**Monday's Pick 4:**

- 1 p.m.: 5-7-2-3
- 4 p.m.: 5-8-8-5
- 7 p.m.: 3-2-4-0
- 10 p.m.: 8-6-9-2

**Monday's Megabucks:** 9-12-21-34-42-46

Estimated jackpot: \$5 million

**WASHINGTON**

**Monday's Daily Game:** 0-5-3

**Monday's Hit 5:** 02-04-10-23-25

Estimated jackpot: \$220,000

**Monday's Keno:** 05-09-12-18-19-22-23-25-39-41-46-48-54-55-56-59-61-67-71-72

**Monday's Lotto:** 12-26-37-41-42-44

Estimated jackpot: \$1.8 million

**Monday's Match 4:** 02-04-08-19

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