

Surfer survives shark attack in Pacific City

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The Oregonian

Nathan Holstedt was waiting for a wave, looking out toward the horizon, when something hit his leg and surfboard from behind.

He was pulled underwater — “directly down like a plunger.”

And when he resurfaced, he saw a shark only feet away.

It was coming back toward him.

So he “tomahawked” his board between himself and the shark — possibly hitting the animal — and turned toward the beach. He started paddling as hard as he could.

Holstedt made it to shore unscathed, though when the shark bit his board, it missed his right leg by about 6 inches.

Holstedt described the harrowing ordeal that unfolded about 8:30 a.m. Tuesday off the Oregon Coast in Pacific City. Shark warning signs were posted on the beach as a result.

Holstedt, a 33-year-old Pacific City resident, told The Oregonian on Wednesday he’s thankful he wasn’t hurt and that his friends got out of the water safely.

The only carnage? The shark bit the right side of his board and knocked off the board’s left fin. Holstedt also noticed a crack on the nose of his board, though that likely happened when he used his board to defend himself.

Holstedt headed home shortly after the attack, decompressed for a couple of hours, then took care of some work. He also texted the Tillamook County

sheriff, a fellow surfer, when he got out of the water.

Oregon State Parks spokesman Chris Havel said parks staff put up shark warning signs on the beach that day. A ranger was also posted on the beach to ensure people onshore understood what had happened.

Holstedt said he’s been surfing the Oregon Coast since he was a teenager but has only had one other run-in with a shark: one swam behind him while he was on a wave two years ago, prompting his party to make haste for the shore.

Tuesday’s attack, Holstedt said, won’t keep him out of the water.

“Hopefully my card was punched and I’m good now,” he said. “Fingers crossed.”

Mary Louise Wooldridge Davis

Portland

June 5, 1950 — Dec. 21, 2018

Mary Louise Wooldridge Davis was born on June 5, 1950, in Ilwaco, Washington, the third child of Carol and Robert Wooldridge. She attended grade school, junior high, and her freshman year in Astoria, Oregon, while spending summers at the family home across the Columbia River in Long Beach, Washington.

After her father died in 1964, she moved with her mother to Pueblo, Colorado, and went on to attend the University of Colorado. Mary Lou eventually moved to the Los Angeles area to be closer to one of her many loves, the movie industry. She supplemented her day job by typing screenplays and by writing some of her own, as well.

When mental illness issues surfaced for Mary Lou, she moved back to the Pacific Northwest, in the Portland area. During this time, she met and married her husband, Robert Neil Davis, on Sept. 13, 1998. Although they were separated at the time of her passing, they remained good friends.

In the last five years of her life, Mary Lou (often called by her childhood nickname, “Weeje”) became healthier and more gregarious. As a result, she formed warm friendships with a number of neighbors in her housing complex, including Toni Simpson, Jay Andersen and Wes McNatt. As a group, they often enjoyed shared dinners, game nights, field trips and musical evenings.

Always keen to learn new things, Mary Lou took lessons on the drums and was learning to play keyboards. She was also active at St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church. With her friend, Sandy Chown, she sang in the choir and participated in the Feeding of

the Hungry program. In addition, she tended gardens for several summers with her friend, Kay Rice, donating what they could not use to others in her community.

Mary Lou was also a favorite with youngsters in her neighborhood, traditionally giving them toys and candy for Christmas. Sadly, due to her hospitalization, her friend Toni had to complete the task for her this year.

Mary Lou passed away on the evening of Dec. 21, 2018, with her sister Vicki and friends Marlys and Jan at her side. In accordance with her wishes, her ashes have been placed in the columbarium at St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church in Milwaukie, Oregon.

She was preceded in death by her father; her mother; her brother, Bobby; her uncle, Phillip Lyons; and her grandmother, Gertrude Lyons. Mary Lou is survived by her sister, Vicki Leon, and her niece, Valerie Conroy. She is also survived by childhood lifelong friends Marlys Lovvold Freeman, Janis Lovvold Sullivan and Mary McKeon Mitchell.

On June 22 at 1 p.m., there will be a memorial at St. John the Evangelist Episcopal Church in Milwaukie, Oregon, to celebrate her life of 68 years.

Vicki, Marlys and Jan would like to thank Mary Lou’s longtime counselor, Amber Asaro, and the Senior Council, for all their help and guidance.

In lieu of flowers, contributions can be made to a charity of your choice or to one of Mary Lou’s favorite charities, the River Song Foundation, P.O. Box 44, Hammond, OR., 97121.



Mary Davis

ON THE RECORD

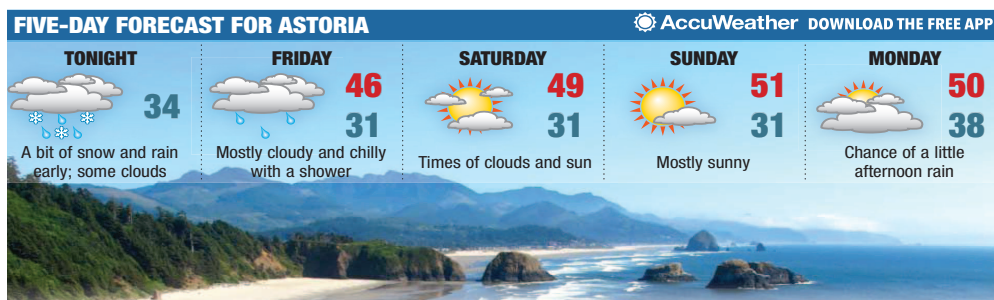
DUII

- At 11:55 p.m. on Wednesday, Tammie Mayfield, 48, of Warrenton was arrested by Warrenton police near Chinook Street and Seventh Street for driving under the influence of intoxicants. Her blood alcohol content was 0.14 percent.
- At around 10:30 p.m.

on Wednesday, Benjamin Robert Gildow, 23, of Astoria was arrested by Astoria police on the New Youngs Bay Bridge for DUII. His blood alcohol content was 0.14 percent.

- At about 12:30 p.m. on Wednesday, Steven Gastelum, 41, of Seaside, was arrested by Warrenton

police on E. Harbor Drive near the Shilo Inn after he allegedly hit a car attempting to turn onto the New Youngs Bay Bridge and failed to stop. The driver of the other vehicle pursued Gastelum until he eventually stopped near the Shilo Inn, where he was arrested for hit-and-run and DUII.



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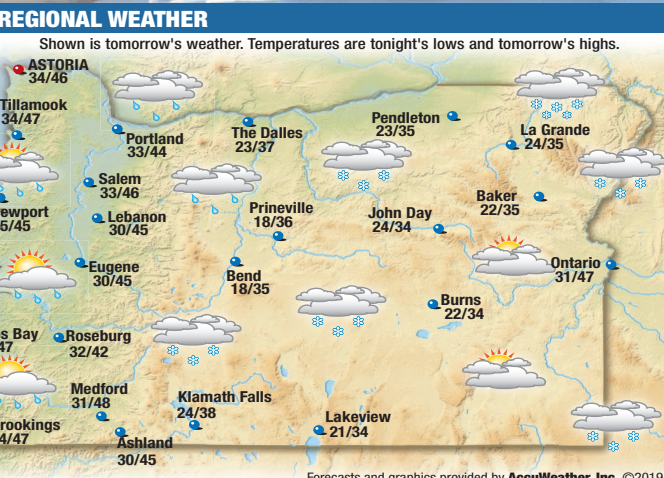
Astoria through Wednesday.

Temperatures

High/low 45°/31°
Normal high/low 53°/38°
Record high 74° in 1905
Record low 26° in 1943

Precipitation

Wednesday 0.01"
Month to date 0.01"
Normal month to date 1.55"
Year to date 12.60"
Normal year to date 18.94"



SUN AND MOON

Sunset tonight 6:10 p.m.
Sunrise Friday 6:42 a.m.
Moonrise today 7:35 a.m.
Moonset today 7:21 p.m.

First Full Last New
Mar 14 Mar 20 Mar 27 Apr 5

UNDER THE SKY

Tonight's Sky: John Herschel's Birthday (1792).

Source: Jim Todd, OMS

TOMORROW'S TIDES

Astoria / Port Docks

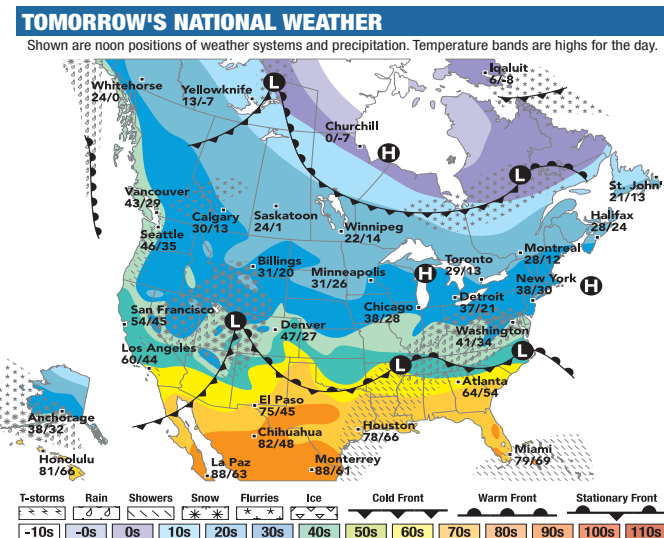
Time	High	Low
2:27 a.m.	8.3 ft.	8:34 a.m.
2:24 p.m.	8.2 ft.	8:40 p.m.

NATIONAL CITIES

City	Today	Hi	Lo	W	Fri.	W
Atlanta	58	45	pc	64	54	c
Boston	29	18	pc	37	26	s
Chicago	29	22	c	38	28	pc
Denver	46	22	pc	47	27	pc
Des Moines	27	23	sn	35	28	c
Detroit	29	18	pc	37	21	c
El Paso	82	59	c	75	45	pc
Fairbanks	32	16	c	34	18	pc
Honolulu	80	65	pc	81	66	pc
Indianapolis	33	27	sn	40	30	sn
Kansas City	39	27	c	45	34	c
Las Vegas	67	47	s	69	43	pc
Los Angeles	61	47	c	60	44	pc
Memphis	50	45	c	60	54	r
Miami	75	66	pc	79	69	pc
Nashville	50	42	pc	56	48	r
New Orleans	65	59	c	75	64	c
New York	33	23	pc	38	30	pc
Oklahoma City	65	29	pc	50	43	pc
Philadelphia	36	24	pc	38	30	sn
St. Louis	40	32	c	45	36	c
Salt Lake City	52	38	r	44	26	r
San Francisco	55	45	c	54	45	pc
Seattle	45	35	r	46	35	c
Washington, DC	45	31	pc	41	34	sn

REGIONAL CITIES

City	Hi	Lo	W	Fri.	W	
Baker City	40	22	c	35	17	c
Bend	37	18	pc	35	17	c
Brookings	48	34	c	47	38	sh
Eugene	44	30	r	45	31	sh
Ilwaco	46	35	r	46	34	c
Klamath Falls	41	24	c	38	24	sf
Medford	48	31	c	48	32	pc
Newberg	46	30	r	45	29	c
Newport	45	35	r	45	34	sh
North Bend	48	35	r	48	35	sh
Olympia	45	28	r	44	25	c
Pendleton	39	23	pc	35	22	c
Portland	45	33	r	44	31	sh
Roseburg	47	32	c	42	33	sh
Salem	46	33	r	46	32	sh
Seaside	46	34	r	47	32	c
Spokane	35	21	c	32	21	pc
Springfield	44	30	c	45	28	sh
Vancouver	45	31	r	44	31	c
Yakima	38	18	pc	39	15	sf



Kenneth R. 'Ken' Greenfield Sr.

Chinook, Washington

July 30, 1932 — Feb. 22, 2019

Kenneth R. “Ken” Greenfield Sr., 86, passed peacefully with his family at his side in Portland on Feb. 22, 2019. Born in Lynwood, California, on July 30, 1932, he was the only son, and youngest of four children, born to Richard and Lucile (Rearick) Greenfield.

His father was a metallurgist and steel melter, employed at several West Coast factories, and when Ken was 13 the family moved to Salmon Creek, Washington, just north of Vancouver. There the family bought Paus Pickle Co., and Ken began his lifelong love of fishing in Salmon Creek and the Lewis River.

Ken attended Vancouver High School with the Class of 1950, and was honorably discharged four years later. He served during the Korean conflict aboard the USS Hollister (DD-788), and had many memories of his wartime experiences.

Returning to Vancouver, Ken attended Clark College. He was employed as foreman at a state fish hatchery from 1957 until 1965, when he moved to Chinook, Washington and began his career as a commercial fisherman, locally and in Alaska. Ken loved building boats: Miss Cindy, Julie Lynn, IC Straight, Ptarmigan and Jami Lynn.

He was a member of Alaska Independent Fishermen’s Association, Columbia River Fisherman’s Protective Union, Salmon For All, National Rifle Association and the Columbia River Crab Fishery Association. In addition, he had great interest in the Friends of Chinook School, was a member of Veterans of Foreign Wars, served as Port of Chinook commissioner for 20 years,

and was a member of Ocean Beach Presbyterian Church, where he served as elder and rose garden assistant.

Ken was an avid hunter and fisherman, especially with his sons, Robbie and Dick, and their hunting excursions to Montana and Pullman, Washington, are cherished memories. When fishing in Bristol Bay, Alaska, he enjoyed “mug ups” coffee for many years, and morning coffee with “the guys” at the Port of Chinook office. He also enjoyed watching sports, and was a loving and dedicated family man.

Ken is survived by his wife of 63 years, Inez, of the family home in Chinook; children, Anna (Bill) Lyles, Dick (Ofelia) Greenfield, Julie (Mick) George, Cindy (Don) Olson and Robert (Donna) Greenfield; grandchildren, Nicholas Kirkwood, Ashley Ball and Megan Lyles, Jami Greenfield, Daniel Greenfield and Lucy Greenfield, Jacob and Hailey George, Sean Stuckart and Lacey Andrist, Brittany Owings, Brenden Greenfield and Hudson Greenfield; and 11 great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by sisters, Martha Fox, Lucile Greenfield and Mary Ellen Barnett.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, March 9, at 1 p.m. at Ocean Beach Presbyterian Church in Seaview, Washington, with a reception following.

Memorials may be made to either Friends of Chinook School or Ocean Beach Presbyterian Church, in care of Penttila’s Chapel, P.O. Box 417, Long Beach, WA., 98631.

His guest book is available at penttilaschapel.com



Kenneth Greenfield Sr.

BIRTH

Feb. 27, 2019

MAYES, Marian and Toby, of Knappa, a boy, Alaric Josiah Mayes, born at Columbia Memorial Hospital in Astoria. Grandparents are Toby Mayes Sr. and Erika Peterson, of Knappa, and Kimberly Weir, of Seaview, Washington.

PUBLIC MEETINGS

THURSDAY

Astoria Design Review Committee, 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 1095 Duane St.
Seaside Parks Advisory Committee, 7 p.m., City Hall, 989 Broadway.

LOTTERIES

OREGON	WASHINGTON
2-9-12-15-34-39	21-28
Estimated jackpot: \$9.1 million	Estimated jackpot: \$120,000
Wednesday's Pick 4:	Wednesday's Powerball:
1 p.m.: 4-5-3-2	6-10-21-35-46, Powerball: 23
4 p.m.: 7-7-4-7	Estimated jackpot: \$414 million
7 p.m.: 3-2-4-7	WASHINGTON
10 p.m.: 4-9-9-0	Wednesday's Daily Game:
Wednesday's Lucky Lines:	Estimated jackpot: \$5.2 million
4-6-11-15-19-24-28-29	Wednesday's Match 4: 01-05-07-19
Estimated jackpot: \$15,000	
Wednesday's Megabucks:	Wednesday's Hit 5: 03-04-12-

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