

Sheriff: Wolfe ready to pursue other 'adventures'

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From reserve to sheriff

Wolfe worked for Independence from 1973 to 1977, when he was hired as a Polk County deputy. He moved up to sergeant before deciding to change careers in 1984.

"I thought that I was burnt out in law enforcement. I kind of thought that things weren't going anywhere for me," he recalled.

He took a job as a route deliveryman for Pepsi, working there for four years. But before long, he missed his first calling. Wolfe returned to the sheriff's office in 1988 working in the jail.

He was moved back to patrol before briefly leaving PCSO for Independence PD from 1997 to 1998. Wolfe would return to the sheriff's office on Dec. 31, 1998, this time as sheriff after winning a three-candidate primary.

In his 16 years, Wolfe oversaw the opening of a new jail, had his organization become the first sheriff's office in the state to receive national accreditation, was recognized as Oregon sheriff of the year three times and held a number of offices in statewide public safety organizations.

He will leave office as the state's longest serving sheriff and the county's senior elected official.

He's also seen the office through what he describes as one of the biggest challenges of his time as sheriff, the recent funding shortages that cut patrols to 10 hours.

"It took a toll because I felt like the office was being dismantled, and I had no control of it, and that we weren't living up to our mis-



Photo courtesy of Bob Wolfe

Bob Wolfe, while he worked with the Polk County Sheriff's Office in the patrol division. He also worked in the Polk County Jail for a time as a deputy and commander.

sion of making Polk County a better place to live, work and play," Wolfe said.

He said he has the dubious distinction of having been the sheriff that laid off

the most employees. "Not only was it a huge administrative challenge,

but a tremendous personal challenge for me, too," he said. "I cannot express to you how difficult it was to call employees in and tell them they no longer have a job."

Watching the election results roll out on May 19, 2014, Wolfe said he was overcome with the knowledge that voters supported restoring the county law enforcement system.

"It actually was very emotional," he said. "It brought me to tears."

Wolfe said he has no regrets and has always been grateful to the people of Polk County for supporting him for 16 years.

"I have always been very indebted to the trust invested in me by the people of this county who have voted me in for five terms," he said. "That's what makes me get up and come to work every day."

Well, perhaps he has one regret — not solving the mysterious disappearance of Glenn Pennie, who has been missing since October 2004. Pennie went missing two days before he was to attend a probate hearing in California regarding his father's estate.

"That is the strangest thing in my entire career," he said. "I don't know how a person can be plucked off the face of the earth and there not be a trace."

That case is one he will follow in retirement.

Other adventures

Soon after the levy election, Wolfe and his wife, Gail, decided it was time for both of them to retire. They will ride off into the sunset on the same day, Gail after

27 years of working at Western Oregon University.

PCSO had begun the slow process restoring itself to full strength, and Wolfe knew the organization had someone in Garton who was willing to take the reins when he left.

"This office has got good employees," he said. "They will work with Mark to continue to make the office successful. I feel that it's going to be in good hands."

For Wolfe, after Monday, he will spend his time with his family and on "adventures" as he calls vacations in retirement.

"I'm really looking forward to spending more time with the kids and the grandkids," he said. "And, you know, kicking back and not having to worry about when the phone rings, is this bringing me bad news. It's going to be nice not to have that."

What he will miss are the men and women that he's served with for so long.

"I'm not going to miss the circus, but I am going to miss the clowns," he said. "I'm going to miss... the camaraderie. It's the men and women I've been on the line with, the people that we put our lives on the line with every day."

Wells said Wolfe's absence will be felt as well.

"He's one of those guys that brings wisdom and calm to situations," Wells said. "I'm going to miss having him be our sheriff."

He said the job is a huge responsibility overseeing patrol, the county jail, and all the civil duties while collaborating with all the cities.

"It's quite an accomplishment, and he's done a good job with it," Wells said.

Serve: Weinbender thinks every one has something to offer others

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They joined volunteers who help "shop" and deliver boxes to homes starting at 6 a.m. on Christmas Eve.

"It was in the community and we thought that was a good way to get involved," Weinbender explained. "We did that for several years."

Christmas Eve volunteering turned into coordinating volunteers. Weinbender began organizing the collection of toys that were given to children in Dallas and Falls City.

Now, gifts are provided to Dallas families through a different organization, but Falls City's program is still Weinbender's baby. This time of year, you can find bag after bag full of toys in her house. She will wrap those gifts and take them to Falls City, where the fire department helps Santa deliver them to children's homes.

That program has a place in Weinbender's heart.

"The toy portion — it is fun to be a part of a program that gives kids a Christmas that they wouldn't have," she said.

Sue Lamb, the secretary and treasurer of Christmas



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Mary Weinbender, surrounded by toys in her Dallas home, is a Community Champion.

Cheer said Weinbender has been committed to the organization since before it was an official nonprofit. She has photos from many years ago of Weinbender wrapping toys for children. She said Weinbender would spend hour after hour getting the presents ready.

"She is just faithful," Lamb said. "She just quietly serves."

Weinbender gives credit to the causes she works on for reminding her to think of and serve others, noting that everyone has something to offer.

"I love people," she said. "I

love our community. Everybody has value. I think it's important that people feel loved and valued."

Others say her willingness to help other comes from a different source: her faith, and her heart.

"She just does it without being told," Dougherty said.

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ESTATE OF ROSEMARY C. MALO ALSO KNOWN AS ROSEMARY CAROLINE MALO DAVIS NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS

Case Number 15PB04673
NOTICE: The Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Polk, has appointed the undersigned as Personal Representative of the Estate of ROSEMARY CAROLINE MALO, aka ROSEMARY CAROLINE MALO DAVIS, deceased. All persons having claims against said estate are required to present the same, with proper vouchers to the Personal Representative at 4890 Liberty Road, Dallas, Oregon, 97338 within four months from the date of first publication of this Notice, as stated below, or they may be barred. All persons whose rights may be affected by this proceeding may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the Attorney for the Personal Representative.
DATED AND FIRST PUBLISHED: November 11, 2015.
PERSONAL

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(Nov. 11, 18, 25; Dec. 2, 2015)

IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE STATE OF OREGON FOR THE COUNTY OF POLK

In the Matter of the Estate of CHARLES MONROE GALLOWAY, Deceased.

No. 15PB04535
NOTICE TO INTERESTED PERSONS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Randi VanSuchtelen has been appointed Personal Representative of the above-captioned estate. All persons having claims against the estate are required to present them, with voucher attached, to the undersigned Attorney for Personal Representative, Allan F. Griffith, P.C., Attorney

at Law, PO Box 12982, Salem, Oregon 97309-0982, within four (4) months after the date of first publication of this Notice, or the claims may be barred.

All persons whose rights may be affected by the proceedings may obtain additional information from the records of the Court, the Personal Representative, or the Attorney for the Personal Representative, Allan F. Griffith, P.C., Attorney at Law, P.O. Box 12982, Salem, Oregon 97309-0982, 503-399-0170.

Dated and first published this 11th day of November, 2015.

/s/ Allan F. Griffith
Allan F. Griffith
Attorney for Personal Representative

(Nov. 11, 18, 25, 2015)

CITY OF DALLAS NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Dallas Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on Tuesday, December 8, 2015, at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 187 SE Court Street, Dallas, Oregon, on application SDR15-01, a request to modify

a previously approved site design review to construct approximately 75,300 square feet of self-storage building space and a 2,046 square foot, 2-story Office/Manager's Quarters, located at 902 SE Uglow Avenue, Dallas. The modification is to change one of the buildings from a one-story building to a three-story building.

The Planning Commission will consider testimony which addresses the criteria as prescribed by the City of Dallas Development Code. Testimony may be submitted in writing to the Dallas Community Development Department, City Hall, Dallas, Oregon 97338, or in writing or orally at the public hearing. The public hearing will be conducted in a manner that permits testimony from all interested parties. All persons wishing to testify must sign in and be recognized by the Chair.

Written comments submitted to the Community Development Department by November 30, 2015 will be included with the staff report. Written comments submitted after that date will be forwarded to the Planning Commission

at the public hearing. The staff report will be available for inspection at the Community Development Department at least seven days prior to the hearing. Copies of the staff report, the application, and all documents and evidence submitted by or on behalf of the applicant, and copies of the applicable criteria are available for inspection at the Community Development Department at no cost and copies will be provided at a reasonable cost.

Failure of an issue to be raised in a hearing, in person or by letter, or failure to provide statements or evidence sufficient to afford the decision maker an opportunity to respond to the issue precludes appeal to the Land Use Board of Appeals (LUBA) based on that issue.

Dallas City Hall is handicapped-accessible. Any requests for accommodation should be made at least 48 hours before the meeting to the Community Development Department, 503-831-3565 or TDD 503-623-7355.

PROPERTY LOCATION: 902 SE Uglow Avenue
APPLICATION #: SDR 15-01 - Modification

NATURE OF REQUEST: A modification to a previously approved site design review to construct approximately 75,300 square feet of self-storage building space and a 2,046 square foot, 2-story Office/Manager's Quarters.

APPLICABLE CRITERIA: DDC Section 4.2.060 and 4.6.030

STAFF CONTACT FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Suzanne Dufner, Planner, (503) 831-3572, Suzanne.dufner@dallasor.gov or TDD phone (503) 623-7355.

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Dated: November 18, 2015
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Jason Locke, Community Development Director
City of Dallas, Oregon
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