# Let's PLAY DARREN GOOCH Let's PLAY! (Positive Life Activities for You)

When the city lost its only swimming pool, the Seaside Natatorium, at the turnaround in the 1960s, a grass roots group of community members came together to build a public swimming pool. On February 14, 1969, the entire community unanimously voted to form the Sunset Empire Park & Recreation District (SEPRD), a special municipal district, to address their recreational needs. Eight years later in 1977, the Sunset Pool opened its doors and began providing programs that addressed instruction, health, wellness and fitness, recreation and competition, as well as special events. It all started with a single pool and a great deal of vision on the part of those folks who voted to tax themselves, so that they might leave a lasting legacy of stewardship in our community.

As the years progressed, the mission was beautifully simple: "Invite people to PLAY!" The vision later expanded to include the concepts of safety, quality and accessibility to recreational services and special events for our community members, as well as guests to the area.

As recreational programming continued to grow, the district expanded in 1989 to include the Bob Chisholm Community Center, the Seaside Youth Center in 1992 and the skate



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park. In another pivotal election, the voters of Seaside on May 21, 1996 voted to support the continued growth of the district and its programs. Ballot Measure 4-35 passed by a large margin, allowing SEPRD to add a warm-water therapy pool and continue offering its quality recreational services.

It's important to recognize that the district is not a static organization, but rather a dynamic and ever changing one, able to continually meet the needs of an evolving population of participants. Just last fall, SEPRD refined its vision/ mission to read:

"We lead our community toward a healthy, active lifestyle and foster a sense of community through inclusive, sustainable, educational and recreational programs. Sunset Empire Park & Recreation District invites and inspires our entire community to engage in P.L.A.Y! (Positive Life Activities for You!)"

In June 2008, the district conducted a thorough needs assessment survey in an effort to ensure that it is on target with what the community wants and the feedback was overwhelmingly positive. The Sunset Empire Park & Recreation District strives to continue meeting the changing needs of the community and remain the good steward that it has over the past 40+ years. It is with your support and valuable input that we will navigate the next 40 years together!

So, as you are lazily paddling along the Neawanna River in a canoe with one of our outdoor recreation leaders this summer and your mind wanders off to ponder the origins of those muddy banks, let it drift back to consider those whose vision made the experience possible for you and thank them for effort they put forth to make your daydream a reality.

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## Seaside Police Log

#### March 27

12:37 p.m., 1600 block of North Holladay Drive: Person came into police department to report disturbance ongoing from last night with loud verbal arguing. He requested that officer go by and warn them regarding noise. Officer responded and advised no noise upon arrival. Advised occupants of complaint.

8:23 p.m., 1200 South Holladay Drive: Caller reporting juveniles attempting to purchase alcohol and left in vehicle. Officer searched to no avail.

#### March 28

5:06 p.m., 1200 block of South Jackson Street: Officer responded to report of person trespassing on property. He was advised to stay off of property.

10:25 p.m., North Columbia Street: Report of an intoxicated male that urinated in front of a 14 year old. Officers searched the area, unable to locate.

10:29 p.m., 700 South Wahanna Road: 911 report of an unwanted male causing disturbance. Officers made contact at hospital, suspect was gone on arrival. Unable to locate.

11:31 p.m., 400 block of Broadway: Report of an assault on a traffic stop, reporting party did not wish to pursue charges.

#### March 29

12:24 p.m., North Holladay Drive:

#### March 30

3:01 p.m., 2400 block of South Roosevelt Drive: Officer responded to report of erratic driving and unsafe passing. Officer conducted traffic stop on vehicle and advised subject impatient regarding construction and advised of driving complaint.

4:04 p.m., Broadway and Columbia Street: Caller reporting loud music from group and machete on top of power box. Officer responded and reported machete was a toy and no threat and music was turned down.

8:18 p.m., 2400 block of Edgewood: Intoxicated 911 caller with concerns of living situation. Upon officer arrival, subject was advised of detox and told to stay in residence.

#### March 31

7:47 a.m., 300 block of Beach Drive: Officer located 3-yearold in the street. Officer made contact with mom, who did not know child was outside.

8:56 p.m., 300 block of South Roosevelt Drive: Subject trespassed for theft.

7:43 p.m., 12th Avenue and Wahanna Drive: Subjects warned for criminal mischief.

#### April 1

12:38 p.m., 2300 block of South Roosevelt Drive: Motel reported a guest that would not leave. Officers responded and assisted 5:28 p.m., 500 block of Beach Drive: Caller reported disturbance with neighbor. Officers responded and all parties were warned about disorderly conduct. They have agreed to keep their distance.

#### April 3

7:31 a.m., Southbound on U.S. Highway 101: 911 caller reported a driving complaint. Officers advised both subject of their options. The driving issue occurred in the Warrenton area.

11:58 a.m., 300 block of South Holladay Drive: Bank security reported suspicious package. Officer responded.

1:40 p.m., 100 block of Broadway: Caller reported customers left without paying.

3:45 p.m., 1900 block of North Holladay Drive: Caller reported elderly person confused and lost. Officer assisted him in returning to his family.

#### **April 4**

8:29 a.m., 1000 block of South Holladay Drive: 911 caller reporting subject exposing himself as he walked down the street. Officer contacted subject and advised person had three pairs of pants on and did have his hands inside his pants to keep warm, not exposing himself.

11:35 a.m., 1200 block of South Roosevelt Drive: Caller reporting suspicious persons in the area,

#### April 5

11:20 a.m., U.S. Highway 101: 911 report of horses in the road. Officer got assistance from a citizen who corralled the horses in a barn for the time being. Unknown who owns the horses.

1:07 p.m., Northbound on U.S. Highway 101: 911 caller reported vehicle swerving and passing unsafely. Officer conducted traffic stop. No impairment noted. Subject advised of traffic complaint.

4:16 p.m., Seventh Avenue and Roosevelt Drive: Subject warned for open container of alcohol.

#### **April 6**

1:41 a.m., 1800 block of Spruce Drive: Reporting party heard a female screaming, officers made contact, subject contact and was involved in a verbal disturbance with her husband. Subjects advised.

11:36, Wireless call: Called 911 for woman fallen. Decided to drive to Providence Seaside Hospital.

7:49 p.m., 800 block of South Holladay Drive: Officer checked welfare of female who stated she was in a verbal disturbance with boyfriend, nothing physical. 11:45 a.m., U.S. Highway 101: Caller reported elderly male driving recklessly. Officer conducted traffic stop and discussed driving concerns. Officer advised mutual road rage incident.

7:53 p.m., 900 block of Ocean Way: Man lying in the street. Officer responded. Seizure patient returned to home.

11:21 p.m., 3200 block of U.S. Highway 101: Officer assisted Gearhart Police Department with a domestic disturbance.

#### **April 8**

**April 7** 

12:14 a.m., 2100 block of South Franklin Street: Report of a loud TV; reporting party asked them to quiet down after she could hear the TV from the road. Suspect advised it was not loud and he was going to turn it up. Suspect cited.

11:10 a.m., U.S. Highway 101: Anonymous 911 caller reported male on bus from Portland acting suspiciously by being turned around in bus seat staring at woman the entire trip. Officer responded to bus stop as bus was arriving. Male described departed bus. Nothing suspicious seen or reported. Call unfounded. 11:35 a.m., Elk Creek near Cannon Beach RV Park: Officer attempted to locate suspect vehicle in theft of gasoline from Cannon Beach RV Resort. Time delay of 10 to 15 minutes at time of call. Officer was did not locate vehicle.

2:10 p.m., 1500 block of Lewis and Clark Drive: Caller requested unwanted person removed from property. Officers responded. Person agreed to move on.

6:55 p.m., 1200 block of South Wahanna Drive: Caller reported people riding motor bikes where they are not allowed. Officers responded. No trespassing is clearly posted. They will be moving on.

#### **April 9**

9:04 a.m., 800 block of 14th Avenue: Caller reported suspicious activity. Officers checked the area and both subjects had permission to be there.

2:42 p.m., 400 block of South Franklin Street: Neighbor called 911 about a physical disturbance. Officer responded. Call was unfounded; there was no disturbance.

11:04 p.m., Beach: Caller reported a drone flying south on the Prom, looking in hotel rooms. Officer located operator.



Caller reporting road rage incident. Upon officer arrival, vehicle was parked and unoccupied.

1:07 p.m., South end of Seaside: Person reporting road rage incident. Officer contacted subject. Stories of incident differed.

4:15 p.m., 400 block of Necanicum Drive: Officers responded to 911 report of possible domestic violence. Upon officer arrival, subject became angry after accidentally breaking television. subject in vacating the premises.

7:19 p.m., 1100 block Avenue E: Caller requested officer assistance with man who fell off his bicycle. Medix responded and officer assisted Medix.

#### April 2

12:22 p.m., 1300 block of Halbig Drive: Multiple calls regarding person driving very fast near elementary school. Officer responded. Driver cited for reckless driving. possibly smoking drugs. Officer located subjects and advised smoking cigarettes.

5:10 p.m., 12th Avenue Bridge: Caller reported someone trying to give child a knife. Upon officer arrival subject was unable to be located.

6:40 p.m., Turnaround: Officers responded to check welfare of local high school student that reportedly went off with unknown males. Officers were unable to locate at this time. Mother was advised. We invite you to join us at our open house located at *Gibbs Natural Healing Centre, PC 45 N. Holladay Dr., Seaside, OR 97138* Saturday, April 18th from 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.



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