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Earl Richardet and Al Nightingale, both from Vancouver, B.C., take a look at a power meter used to measure Ham radios on Saturday, during the SEA-PAC Ham Radio Convention flea market at the Seaside Convention Center.



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In case of emergency, ham radio operators dial in

Cascadia threat raises urgency for amateur radio devotees

By R.J. Marx
Seaside Signal

It was hot this weekend at the convention center, but sales were hotter on the floor of the SEA-PAC convention, the Northwest's largest amateur ham radio show.

Before midday Saturday, Bill Eaton of Ham Radio Outlet in Tigard had sold out of the season's most coveted item, the ICOM IC-7300. They go for \$1,499, "but they're gone."

What makes this device so special? "It's the new, great DSP (digital signal processing) filtering receiver, transmit-

ter with SDR (software defined radio) built into it — it's got a nice color touch screen," Eaton said. "We had 16, they were gone in the first hour."

Radio communications are expected to play an important role in the event of

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CHANGING COURSE



Seaside Heights Elementary School Principal Sande Brown greets students as they arrive for school. Brown is retiring after the 2015-16 school year.

KATHERINE LACAZE/FOR SEASIDE SIGNAL

Sande Brown, leader and student advocate, to retire

By Katherine Lacaze
For the Seaside Signal

It is a typical midweek morning, and Seaside Heights Elementary School Principal Sande Brown is stationed at her habitual post outside the main entrance to smile, wave and converse with students as they disembark from buses and cars and trek into the building.

"The best part of the day is greeting kids as they come to school," she says.

During the past two and half decades, her place — the place she worked, loved, invested her time and developed professionally and personally — has been in the halls of Seaside School District schools. After the 2015-16 school year, the curtains

will close on that stage of her life when she retires.

Reflecting back on her career, Brown said, "I think the thing I've enjoyed the most is working with children and families to make their lives better, and that could be in a variety of ways."

With emotion, she explained her role of guiding students and working alongside families as they wrestle with various issues and challenges and successfully come out the other side.

It is evident the time has come for retirement, she laughed, "When you get sentimental about things like that."

According to Superintendent Doug Dougherty, "Through her inspiring leadership and advocacy for students, a culture of

learning and growth has been established throughout Sande's career."

"She works with her teachers, parents and support staff to make sure students' needs are met and each student has a safe, caring and effective learning environment," he added.

In March, Brown officially gave her notice of retirement, effective June 30, and the Seaside School District Board of Directors accepted the notice. Broadway Middle School Principal John McAndrews will be the new principal at the Heights, while Broadway Middle School Assistant Principal Robert Rusk will fill in for McAndrews.

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The Seaside Carousel Mall.

Seaside's Carousel Mall is up for sale

By Nancy McCarthy
For the Seaside Signal

The Seaside Carousel Mall is for sale with an asking price of \$4.1 million.

An entire city block, bordered by Broadway, and Edgewood, Oceanway and Downing streets, is included in the sale, said Thomas McDowell, senior commercial real estate broker at Norris & Stevens in Portland. His listing partner is Raymond Duchek.

The total 33,106-square-foot area contains 21 shops, as well as the full-size carousel for which the mall is named. Current store leases will be maintained and assigned to the new owner, McDowell said.

Zoned as commercial resort, the one-story building could go to four stories if the next owner wants to enlarge it, he added.

Several persons have expressed interest in the property, but it still remains for sale, according to McDowell. Although he declined to reveal the amount of income the mall produces annually, he said it was "very good"; the mall has no debt, McDowell said. Economic details will be released to a serious buyer after a confidentiality agreement is signed.

The mall will be marketed to investors on the west coast, as well as nationally and internationally.

Developed by Portland business man Raymond Arthur Dodge in 1985, the mall stayed in the family, even after Dodge's death last year. The mall was built on the site of the old Bungalow Dance Hall, which began operating in the 1920s and was a draw for big dance bands in the 1940s.

When the mall first was built, a small, "portable" carousel, which traveled occasionally to other destinations, was installed.

Later, however, a Dodge family member, who especially loved carousels, hired a San Francisco company to build a larger, permanent carousel for the mall. It was installed in 1990.

Instead of only horses, the carousel also includes rabbits, cats, reindeer, ostriches, a pig, bear and sea horse.

For more information on the listing, contact McDowell at tom.mcdowell@norris-stevens.com or call 503-225-8473.

★ MEMORIAL DAY IN SEASIDE ★

RIGHT: Seaside's Greg McCollum (left) performed the traditional wreath laying ceremony in memory of his father, Korean War veteran Jack McCollum. He was accompanied by First Vice Commander Brad Moore.

FAR RIGHT: Col. Michael Becker gave history of Memorial Day.



American Legion Post 99 observes our country's 'most solemn holiday'

By Katherine Lacaze
For Seaside Signal

Seaside paused Monday to remember the country's fallen servicemen and servicewomen during a ceremony in observance of what was described as "America's most solemn holiday."

The Seaside American Legion Post 99 held its annual Memorial Day Celebration in honor of America's military war dead.

"Yesterday, I walked out on the beach and I looked at the ocean and the sand and I realized I owe a debt to 1,355,000 million Americans who

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