

# Gearhart fire claims family dog

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A kitchen fire Sunday at 2:10 p.m. led to the death of a family dog, a Rhodesian ridgeback, most likely from smoke inhalation, Gearhart Fire Chief Bill Eddy said Monday morning.

Fire officials received a call at a single-story residential home at 1368 Garden Terrace Road Sunday.

Upon arrival, flames were showing from the front window. After a quick knockdown of the main fire by the first crew, teams fought the blaze until 3:20 p.m. after a wooden cutting board caught fire atop a gas stove, starting the blaze, Eddy said.

Seaside Fire assisted with coverage at Gearhart station. No firefighters were injured and no one was home at the time of the fire. However, the family dog perished in the fire, most likely from smoke inhalation, Eddy said. Attempts to resuscitate the dog by firefighters were unsuccessful.

The home, a full-time family residence, is unlivable as a result of smoke and heat damage.

Structural damage and comments could reach \$50,000 to \$80,000, Eddy said.



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Gearhart and Seaside firefighters responded to a blaze Sunday in Gearhart.

# Man in standoff accepts plea deal

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The Seaside man involved in a standoff with police in January reached a plea deal in April with the Clatsop County District Attorney's Office, agreeing to supervised probation.

Brian Wallin, 49, locked himself inside his home on Whispering Pines Drive for nearly 64 hours. He fired a number of shots before surrendering to police.

Wallin's mother exited the home uninjured shortly after the standoff began. He shot and killed the family dog during the standoff.

Wallin was later indicted on six counts of unlawful use of a weapon, seven counts of recklessly endangering another person and one count of first degree aggravated animal abuse. He pleaded no contest to one count of unlawful use of a weapon, one count of aggravated animal abuse in the first degree and two counts of recklessly endangering another person.

In addition to three years of supervised probation, Wallin agreed to serve 90 days in jail with credit for time served and treatment court with a mental health evaluation. He also agreed to forfeit all weapons and not care for animals for 15 years.

## POLICE LOG

**April 21**  
**12:37 a.m.**, Oceanway: Officer checked on water leaking at a foot-washing station at the Ocean Way restrooms. The water was unable to be stopped without shutting off the main breaker. The officer shut off the water; public works was notified.  
**7:15 a.m.**, Highway 101: A missing 8 month old was reported and subsequently found sleeping under a blanket. Officers warned the parents of the dangers of the child's sleeping conditions.  
**10:13 p.m.**, 2500 block Mill Creek Lane: Officers respond to a report of someone throwing objects at windows, which turned out to be frozen eggs. Another resident reported someone throwing fireworks. The perpetrators were unable to be located.  
**April 22**  
**12:22 a.m.**, 1st Avenue and Edgewood: Police respond to a report of a physical disturbance where two parties were said to be shoving each other. Each agreed to go their separate

ways.  
**12:54 a.m.**, 12th Avenue Bridge: A minor found to be in possession of alcohol had their driving privileges suspended and revoked.  
**2:14 a.m.**, Holladay and Avenue C: A person was arrested and charged with driving under the influence of intoxicants.  
**8:14 a.m.**, N. Wahanna: A deceased person was reported. Cause of death investigation is underway.  
**6:01 p.m.**, Seaside police station: A person came in to register as a sex offender.  
**6:18 p.m.**, 800 block Country Avenue: A missing person is reported.  
**April 23**  
**5:58 p.m.**, Avenue L: Caller reports someone sleeping in dune grass. Police contact subject and advise them of the location of the homeless shelter.  
**April 24**  
**8:26 p.m.**, Holladay and Broadway: Police respond to a report of a verbal altercation between a man and a woman with children present. The male

is intoxicated. The parties separated for the evening and the man was warned of disorderly contact and told if police are called again, he will be lodged for detox.  
**April 25**  
**7:55 a.m.**, Avenue U: Caller reports suspicious vehicle parked in front of her residence overnight. Police determine the vehicle is unoccupied and not illegally parked.  
**21:21 p.m.**, Avenue T: Caller reports a disturbance which is determined by police to be verbal in nature only. Conflicted parties agree to separate for the evening.  
**April 26**  
**12:24 p.m.**, 1300 block N. Holladay: Officer responding to a welfare check call regarding a subject who had made suicidal comments to staff at Providence Seaside Hospital; officer reported subject was adamant they did not intend to hurt themselves. Subject called 911 twice after officer's contact, saying she would not open the door if police returned. In order to de-escalate the situation, police do not return at this time.

**5:39 p.m.**, N. Wahanna: Police respond to a report of a man in the street described as dancing and waving his arms. Police were unable to locate.  
**11:51 p.m.**, 300 block S. Edgewood: An assault in the fourth degree is reported.  
**April 27**  
**7:59 a.m.**, 800 block 1st Avenue: Caller reports her ex-husband is phone harassing her. The ex-husband was warned but said he wanted his ex-wife warned as well. She was advised.  
**9:42 a.m.**, 1st and Roosevelt: A person driving at an excessive speed was pulled over and discovered to not have or not be carrying their driver's license. They were arrested on a warrant.  
**11:31 a.m.**, 8th and Necanicum: Caller reports an abandoned couch on their property near the roadway. The responsible party is told to either remove it or have it removed by the end of the day.  
**2:07 p.m.**, 1900 block N. Holladay: A liquor violation is reported.

**April 28**  
**2:43 p.m.**, Promenade: Caller reports a man not allowing his wife and children to leave the area. Police determine the family is fine.  
**3:53 p.m.**, 8th and Necanicum: The abandoned couch reported as refuse the day before is still present. Officer tells reporting party the couch is on private property and no action is taken.  
**7:26 p.m.**, Highway 101 and 24th Avenue: A person is arrested and charged with driving while intoxicated.  
**8:07 p.m.**, 600 block S. Downing: An attempted burglary is reported.  
**9:44 p.m.**, 300 block S. Roosevelt: A burglary in the third degree is reported.  
**April 29**  
**3:23 a.m.**, 500 block Beach Drive: An intoxicated person who turned up at the wrong hotel was given a courtesy ride back to the correct residence.  
**7:58 a.m.**, 800 block N. Wahanna: Caller reports a dog living in a car for two days. Upon

investigating, police say it is not a dog, but a person.  
**9:57 p.m.**, 2nd Street: A verbal dispute between a couple regarding the husband's drinking resulted in a police call; police say both parties were intoxicated and agreed to separate for the evening.  
**April 30**  
**1:45 p.m.**, 600 block S. Edgewood: Police respond to a report of a neighbor dispute.  
**4:57 p.m.**, Saddle Mountain: A missing person is reported.  
**May 1**  
**12:15 a.m.**, Aldercrest: Caller reports vehicles driving fast and seemingly playing with each other in the immediate area; officers are unable to locate described vehicles.  
**5:26 a.m.**, N. Lincoln and 11th: A person is arrested on a warrant.  
**10:30 a.m., 12:00 p.m.**: A spate of property crimes were reported on S. Downing, S. Roosevelt and Broadway.  
**10:21 p.m.**, 12th and Prom: Officers assist other agency with an emergency medical call.

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