

## Sgt. Jason Goodding to be remembered at Feb. 5 vigil

Seaside Signal

On Feb. 5, 2016, Seaside Police Sgt. Jason Goodding was shot and killed while attempting to make a felony arrest. His memory will be recalled at a remembrance ceremony held at the Bob Chisholm Community Center, Wednesday, Feb. 5, at 6 p.m., the fourth anniversary of the shooting.

Goodding was 39 at the time of his death.



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**Sgt. Jason Goodding**

### BREW 22 BENEFITS FALLEN BADGE FOUNDATION

On Wednesday, Feb. 5, Sgt. Jason Goodding Day, Jeff Dunn of Brew 22 Coffee in Seaside announces \$1 from every drink will go to the Oregon Fallen Badge Association, to ensure fallen officers are given full honors for their sacrifice.

# Seaside man sentenced to prison for encouraging child sex abuse

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A Seaside man was sentenced to 20 years in prison Jan. 24 for encouraging child sex abuse.

Joshua Allen Pickering, 36, pleaded guilty to eight counts of encouraging child sex abuse in the second degree. He was originally charged with 18 counts for possession of child pornography.

Pickering has a long criminal history in Clatsop County, including numerous arrests and charges related to sex abuse and assault.

District Attorney Ron Brown argued that Pickering is anti-social and has not been open to treatment. He called three witnesses to the stand in court to testify to Pickering's behavior, including his mother.

Jail staff described Pickering as challenging to work with and volatile and threatening when he doesn't get what he wants.

His mother told the judge she fears her son and believes he is dangerous.

"When we're talking about sentencing, most of the time we're talking about trying to figure out a way to make the person whole, to make the defendant a productive and law-abiding citizen," Brown said. "But with some people, we find that we have to just look to protection of society."

Pickering's attorney described a childhood of abuse and unstable housing beginning when Pickering was removed from his

home at 9 years old.

According to testimony, Pickering lived in St. Mary's Home for Boys in Beaverton, Oregon State Hospital and a group foster home before coming back to Clatsop County as a teenager.

His attorney said Pickering has been homeless off and on and has not received sufficient mental health treatment.

Pickering asked the judge for "mercy" and suggested a 10-year prison sentence.

"I just really want to be able to show the court that I am not a lost cause. That I am not a monster or an animal, and that I do want to be a better person," Pickering said.

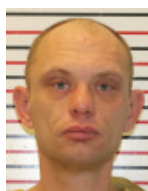
Judge Cindee Matyas said that, given his criminal history, Pickering qual-

ifies for a sentence of life in prison, and described the reduced sentence as a gift.

"I don't view you as a monster," Matyas said. "I view you as a very complicated, tragic individual. I have a lot of compassion for you, and how you got to this point. I also know that it is very difficult to supervise you in the community."

Matyas said she is not assured he will engage in the treatment he needs without a "reboot" in prison. She said prison may be a blessing in disguise because it can offer him a structured environment and a measure of success.

"You do have different sides," the judge said. "It's complicated how our personalities can develop based upon our experiences in life. And you have another side that is dark, very dark."



Joshua Allen Pickering

### PUBLIC SAFETY LOGS



Jan. 14

11:32 a.m., 800 block S. Holladay: Follow-up on a requested welfare check for a guest who hadn't been seen in a week but whose room was paid up. It was determined the subject is in jail in another county.

Jan. 15

8:25 a.m., 200 block 18th Avenue: Caller reports two neighborhood dogs running at large every morning. Dogs' owner is contacted and advised of the complaint.

10:22 a.m., 300 block S. Roosevelt: A missing person is reported.

11:01 p.m., 1700 block 12th Avenue: A disturbance is reported.

Jan. 16

12:49 p.m., S. Holladay Drive: Transients are given bus vouchers to Portland.

4:34 p.m., 200 block Avenue N: Caller requests welfare check on mother who she has not heard from in a month. Police check on woman who says she is fine and doesn't have a phone. Caller is advised.

11 p.m., N. Holladay: A person is arrested and charged with DUII.

Jan. 17

12:36 p.m., Forest Court: A missing person is reported.

Jan. 18

11:41 p.m., Second and Roosevelt: A person is arrested and charged with DUII.

Jan. 19

1:46 a.m., 300 block Broadway: A disturbance is reported.

2:53 a.m., Avenue A and Roosevelt: A person is arrested and charged with DUI.

2:34 p.m., Broadway Park: A subject is advised to remove his tent from the park.



Jan. 14

1:42 p.m., 1900 block S. Roosevelt: Emergency medical response.

9:02 p.m., 1600 block S. Columbia: A call for emergency medical response was changed to deceased person reported.

Jan. 15

3:01 p.m., 1400 block S. Columbia: Emergency medical response.

Jan. 16

5:18 p.m., 700 block Third Av-

enue: Emergency medical response.

Jan. 17

1:50 a.m., 600 block S. Columbia: Emergency medical response.

5:26 pm., Outlet Mall: Fire and police personnel on scene for a motor vehicle accident involving injuries.

6:21 p.m., Beerman Creek : Assistance is rendered.

Jan. 18

9:57 p.m., 1000 block Fourth Avenue: Emergency medical response.

Jan. 19

8:12 p.m., 1700 block 12th Avenue: Emergency medical response.

10:24 p.m., 8400 block Frontage Road: Fire alarm.



### Two-car accident blocks traffic

On Jan. 16 on Highway 26 near MP 28, a vehicle traveling east was coming off a hill when it began picking up speed; the driver applied the brakes but lost control; the vehicle spun out into the west lane.

The driver of a second vehicle saw the first vehicle coming into its lane but was unable to get out of the way and was struck on the driver's side door. Both vehicles came to a stop in the middle of the highway, blocking traffic.

ODOT was on scene to assist with traffic control. Classic Towing removed both vehicles. The operator of Vehicle 2 was cited for driving with a suspended license and failure to install the IID device. No injuries were reported.

### Gresham kids out having a "good time"

On Jan. 25 at 9:54 p.m. on Highway 26, MP 9.5, a 17-year-old male from Gresham was stopped for violation of the basic rule.

Police observed two 12-packs of White Claw-brand hard seltzer next to the passenger, another 17-year-old from Gresham. Other passengers were in the Mazda, none of them 21 years of age.

One of the back seat passengers rolled down the window and engaged the trooper in conversation; the trooper saw a green leafy substance in the youth's lap. Asked if he had marijuana on his person, the kid produced a green cylinder containing marijuana.

The driver was cited for being a minor in possession of alcohol, and the male passenger for being a minor in possession of marijuana. The contraband was removed from the scene.

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