

Structure fire



Seaside Signal

Local responders at a structure fire at 916 S. Holladay Monday, March 30. No one was hurt in the blaze, according to Seaside Fire Chief Joey Daniels, which drew response from Seaside, Gearhart and Cannon Beach firefighters.

County seeks applications for Planning Commission

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Clatsop County is seeking applications for two open seats on the Planning Commission.

The commission makes land use decisions and recommendations to county commissioners on amendments to the comprehensive plan.

The commission regularly meets the second Tuesday of each month, in Astoria, beginning at 10 a.m.

The open positions represent Clatsop Plains and Astoria with terms ending in June 2024.

The deadline to apply is 4 p.m. on June 5. Applications are available on the county's website.

Seaside High film club focuses on skills, solo projects

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Seaside Signal

Seaside High School senior Nathan Varner has a deep appreciation for film that he hopes will be passed along to future generations of high schoolers via the film club he established during the 2019-20 school year.

"The point was to get it started this year and see where it goes," said Varner, who also served as club president. "We've been really trying to make it something greater for the years to come."

Varner has been interested in film as far back as he can remember. He is especially intrigued by the universal power of movies and television shows to create an emotional response in viewers of all demographics and backgrounds. People receive a sense of thrill, joy and satisfaction from viewing films, he said, adding, "There are a lot of people who really enjoy going to the movies."

For Varner personally, cartoons and films helped him through some hard times, especially earlier in his life. He recalls watching shows that gave him a sense of connection and made him happy, adding,



Katherine Lacaze

Seaside High School senior Nathan Varner established a new film club at the school this year and hopes it will continue on under new leadership after he graduates.

"If I could help anybody to even remotely feel the same thing, I feel like that would fill me with joy."

Varner began planning for the film club near the end of the 2018-19 school year. He submitted a proposal to the Associated Student Body leadership to approve the new club and recruited Doug Mitchell to be the teacher adviser.

For the most part, however, the club has been student-run, with participation throughout the year hovering around a modest five members who contribute in whatever ways they can.

In the beginning, the group planned to collectively work on an animated short film to pitch to film

studios or television networks, but time got away from them and the unexpected coronavirus pandemic further impeded their efforts, Varner said.

Although the first year wasn't as productive as he wanted, Varner hopes doing a large-scale group project and participating in amateur film competitions will be regular features of the club moving forward.

"Hopefully when I graduate we have some people who want to take it over, and we can make it more productive," he said.

Access to equipment, knowledge

During the current school year, members have focused on cultivating their skills related to film development, sharing their individual knowledge with one another, and working on solo projects, such as making character designs, developing storyboards and screenwriting.

Varner filmed an introduction video for the class of 2023, which he felt was an immense honor since it will be the last class to spend time at the current building before the high school moves to its new home on the hill. He also recorded a few of the high school's theater productions, including

"Seussical" this year.

Another main aspect of film club, Varner said, is giving students resources to produce movies on their own. He is a member of the school's Future Business Leaders of America chapter, which possesses advanced audio and visual equipment, including a Sony HDR-AX2000 video recorder.

Through a partnership between the two clubs, students can borrow tripods, video cameras or other equipment to work on a project.

In the fall, Varner plans on attending Portland Community College to study applied science and eventually pursue a career in the film industry. However, even after graduation, Varner said, "I still plan to come down to Seaside and check in on film club."

Contributing something to the high school was rewarding for Varner, especially because he's felt supported academically and encouraged creatively at the institution.

"Going to Seaside High School has really helped me to realize I have something special that I could share, and that I should try to share it," he said. "I'm really thankful for everything."

PUBLIC SAFETY LOGS



March 27

2:40 a.m., Cove: Subjects reported gathering in the area with flashlights are reported. Police canvassing the area find no one.

11:36 a.m., 500 block Beach Drive: Caller requests welfare check on brother who has not been seen or heard from in a week. Police speak with the brother's building manager who reports brother left with a friend a week before to live in the woods.

12:36 p.m., N. Holladay: Police check on a person reported in emotional crisis. At the time of contact, the person was on the phone with a crisis hotline.

10:51 p.m., 300 block Hillside Loop: Property crimes are reported.

11:09 p.m., 1500 block Lea Way: Property crimes are reported.

March 28

12:08 a.m., 14th and Roosevelt: A subject reported yelling and creating a disturbance is told to stop.

8:18 a.m., Broadway and Holladay: The person earlier reported yelling and causing a disturbance continues to yell. Subject quieted down for a moment; not expected to stay quiet.

9:43 a.m. 900 block Avenue F: A deceased person is reported.

March 29

4:13 p.m., Broadway and Columbia: A person is cited for careless driving after witnesses report them doing "cookies" at an intersection downtown.

5:00 p.m. Beach/Cove: Officer educates subjects about walking on the beach while it's closed.

10:17 p.m., Highway 101 and Pacific Way: Officers assist another agency.

March 30

9 a.m., S. Ocean: Emergency medical response.

2:15 p.m., Farrell Court: Caller reports teen boys were belligerent and yelled at her when she told them no fishing in her neighborhood. Police on arrival determine teens have permission from the property owner.

8:14 p.m., 500 block 25th Avenue: Caller reports subjects staying at a vacation rental. Officer knocks on door, but gets no answer.

8:41 p.m., E. Van Buren, Cannon Beach: Officers assist Cannon Beach police with a disturbance.

March 31

2:02 a.m., 400 block S. Roosevelt: A person is charged with unlawful lodging.

10:27 a.m., 400 block Glenwood Court: Police assist Cannon Beach police with a disturbance.

1:23 p.m., Beach: Ten people are advised of beach closure.

2:06 p.m., Library: People are advised the library is closed and they must leave the area.

11:50 p.m., 1100 block Avenue F: A disturbance is reported.

April 1

3:42 a.m., Avenue A and Ocean Shore: Subject having a fire on the beach is advised the beach is closed. Subject says they will extinguish the fire and move on.

8:44 a.m., 1300 block Second Avenue: Subject reporting suspicious bags in her trash realizes it is her trash.

12:12 p.m., End of the World: Transient camp at End of the World by the sewer treatment plant are advised to pack up and move along.

8:00 p.m., 1900 block S. Franklin: A person is charged with reckless endangerment.

April 2

8:40 a.m., Library: A person is trespassed.

12:42 p.m., 1700 block S. Franklin: Emergency medical response.

5:42 p.m., 2700 block S. Roosevelt: Police respond to a report of a crowd gathering behind a business; police speak with the business owner who says they are having a burn pile and are practicing social distancing.

11:30 p.m., N. Holladay: A person is arrested on a warrant.



March 27

3:11 p.m., 2600 block Highway 101: Emergency medical response.

3:55 p.m., 600 block N. Wahnana: Fire investigation.

6:34 p.m., 300 block Fourth Avenue: Emergency medical response

8:42 p.m., 1000 block 24th Avenue: Emergency medical response.

March 28

12:34 p.m., Klootch Creek Park: Emergency medical response.

March 30

9:57 a.m., 900 block S. Holladay: Structure fire.

12:01 p.m., Boehm Acres: Emergency medical response.

11:25 p.m., Avenue G: Emergency medical response.

March 31

6:03 p.m., Highway 101 and Junction 26: Emergency medical response.

April 1

7:32 p.m., 33000 block Highway 26: Emergency medical response.



In their March report to City Council, Gearhart police reported two incidents of theft II (more than \$100 and less than \$1,000); and three of theft in the third degree, (less than \$100.)

Police made one arrest.

Police also responded to eight reports of trespass; two reports of harassment; and 19 disturbances.

Four animal incidents were reported; one unlawful entry into a motor vehicle and one fraud.

Gearhart police reported 44 traffic infractions and issued 73 warnings in March.

The department conducted 607 security checked, responded to three alarms and one open door. Assistance was rendered in 64 instances.



Feb. 2

11:11 a.m., emergency medical service, Mallard, Warrenton.

Feb. 5

8:15 a.m., emergency medical service, Kershul, Gearhart.

Feb. 7

5:40 p.m., emergency medical service, Pine, Gearhart.

Feb. 8

5:37 p.m., Alarm system sounded due to malfunction, Fifer Heights, Gearhart.

7:47 p.m., Some scare, odor of smoke, Marion, Gearhart.

10:42 p.m., emergency medical service, Marion, Gearhart.

Feb. 9

12:41 p.m., cover assignment, Lincoln, Seaside.

7:34 p.m., emergency medical service, Thirld, Gearhart.

10:53 p.m., emergency medical service, Adair, Gearhart.

Feb. 12

1:32, emergency medical service, dune, Gearhart.

Feb. 14

6:54 p.m., emergency medical service, B Street, Gearhart.

Feb. 15

8:13 a.m., emergency medical service, Mill Creek, Seaside.

3:28 p.m., emergency medical service, Manion, Surf Pines.

Feb. 18

1:11 p.m., emergency medical service, Cottage, Gearhart.

4:49 p.m. water problem, Avenue A, Seaside.

5:58 p.m., emergency medical service, Holladay, Seaside.

6:06 p.m., emergency medical service, Roosevelt, Seaside.

Feb. 19

10:08 p.m., emergency medical service, Sandy Ridge, Gearhart.

Feb. 20

2:40 p.m., Camper or RV fire, Columbia, Seaside.

2:59 p.m., Alarm system, unintentional activation, Spruce, Seaside.

Feb. 21

4:35 a.m., emergency medical service, Seventh, Gearhart.

7:29 a.m., emergency medical service, Highway 101, Warrenton.

5:55 p.m., emergency medical service, Dorymen, Warrenton.

10:23 p.m., emergency medical service, Dorymen, Warrenton.

Feb. 23

12:25 p.m., motor vehicle accident with injuries, Highway 101, Warrenton.

12:37 p.m., fire in motor home, camper, recreational vehicle, Necanicum View, Seaside.

6:02 p.m., emergency medical service, Dorymen, Warrenton.

9:37 p.m., emergency medical service, Country Avenue, Gearhart.

Feb. 24

12:21 p.m., emergency medical service, Stellar, Surf Pines.

Feb. 25

11:06 a.m., emergency medical service, Lake Front, Warrenton.

March 2

1:37 p.m., emergency medical service, High Ridge, Gearhart.

March 3

2:38 a.m., emergency medical service, Highway 101, Gearhart.

March 5

12:50 p.m., motor vehicle accident with injuries, Highway 101 at Beaumaris Lane, Gearhart.

March 6

9:08 a.m., , Highway 101, Gearhart.

1:22 p.m., emergency medical service, Dorymen, Warrenton.

March 8

6:55 a.m., camper or recreational vehicle fire, Sunset Beach.

7:29 a.m., emergency medical service, Country Avenue, Gearhart.

March 11

12:39 p.m., emergency medical service, South Shore, Warrenton.

12:47 p.m., attempted burning, illegal action, Anderson, Warrenton.

4:41 p.m., emergency medical service, Highway 101, Warrenton.

March 14

1:07 a.m., emergency medical service, Pacific, Gearhart.

3:45 p.m., cover assignment, standby, move-up, Lincoln, Seaside.

3:47 p.m., emergency medical service, Broadway, Seaside.

6 p.m., emergency medical service, Fourth and Prom, Seaside.

6:11 p.m., emergency medical service, Highway 101, Gearhart.

March 15

7:55 p.m., natural vegetation fire, beach at Peter Iredale, Warrenton.

March 16

8:06 a.m., emergency medical service, Anderson, Warrenton.

March 17

7:08 a.m., outside rubbish fire, Lewis and Clark, Seaside.

8:10 a.m., public service assistance, McCormick Gardens, Gearhart.

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