

Seaside man sentenced for child porn charges

Receives a 25-year term in prison

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A Seaside man was sentenced last week to 25 years in prison for charges related to child pornography.

David Norman Hall Sr., 52, pleaded no contest to four counts of using a child in display of sexually explicit conduct.

He was arrested in March 2019 after local authorities

received a tip from the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children that a computer in Clatsop County was being used to upload and download child pornography.

Beginning in 2015, Hall would pose as a younger man and sometimes a woman on platforms like Instagram and Google Hangouts, District Attorney Ron Brown said. He said Hall would send explicit photos he had of teenage girls or boys and



David Norman Hall Sr.

then try to get the children to send their own sexually explicit images back.

Brown said Hall had at least four victims between the ages of 10 and 14 years old living in different parts of the country.

"I do appreciate the fact that Mr. Hall has chosen to plead no contest," the district attorney said. "At least he's not forcing us to put on a trial with this kind of thing where ... it can cause

post-traumatic stress to the jurors, judges and everyone else who has to deal with this kind of child pornography and this topic."

Brown recommended a 25-year sentence because of Hall's criminal history involving children.

Hall was sentenced to more than 12 years in prison in 2000 after he was convicted of second-degree sodomy, first-degree sexual abuse, delivery of a controlled substance to a minor and endangering the welfare of a minor. Brown said he was delivering metham-

phetamine to children.

Hall's sentencing was conducted via teleconference because of restrictions in place at Circuit Court due to the coronavirus.

Brown, Hall's attorney, victims and others participated by phone. Hall participated by video from the Clatsop County Jail. Judge Cindee Matyas presided from the courtroom.

Two women spoke on behalf of their daughters and said they have been impacted by the experience. One mother said her daughter did not know bet-

ter and believed she was talking to a young boy.

"It takes a lot of guts for these young women to be part of an investigation which reveals the kind of conduct that you were involved in," Matyas said prior to Hall's sentencing.

"And it changes them. It will change them forever. No longer will they be as trusting. A lot of the innocence of childhood is lost," the judge said. "And without the support of friends and family, that truly have their best interest at heart, it takes a lot to recover."

OBITUARY

Sally Ruth Hartill

Hillsboro
Dec. 21, 1943 – April 22, 2020

On April 22, 2020, Sally Ruth Hartill, loving wife, mother, sister, grandmother and friend, passed away at the age of 76, surrounded by her loving family.

Born on Dec. 21, 1943, in Astoria, Oregon, Sally was the youngest of four children born to Bertha Sophie Palosaari and Hiski Edward Heinonen.

Sally's passion was for her loving husband, Richard (Dick) Hartill, her four children, Valeri, Gary, Marc and Rick, their lov-

ing partners, her nine grandchildren, eight great-grandchildren and the countless people who shared love with Sally throughout her life.

Sally attended St. Peter's Lutheran Church in Cornelius, Oregon, and worked many jobs that allowed her to work with, and befriend, many people in her 30 years in Hillsboro, Oregon.

A memorial will be held when people are free to gather.



Sally Hartill

PUBLIC SAFETY REPORTS



April 8

7:58 a.m., Beach: Subjects are warned to leave the beach.

10:05 a.m., S. Holladay: Drinking buddies observed imbibing in public dispose of their beverages and agree to move on.

11:20 a.m., 900 block N. Wahanna: A dog and its master are reunited.

12:14 p.m., Police headquarters: A person came in to register as a sex offender.

12:38 p.m., 400 block S. Roosevelt: A man reported swearing and screaming at people is unable to be located.

2:13 p.m., The Cove: Subjects are reported in the ocean.

11:03 p.m., 400 block S. Roosevelt: A distraught woman is provided with resource information, which she declined. She said she would seek help on her own.

April 9

10:24 a.m., 400 block N. Roosevelt: A person is trespassing.

10:31 a.m., 1000 block Avenue F: A person is trespassing.

11:10 a.m., 1200 block Seventh Avenue: A motor vehicle accident with injuries is reported.

2:09 p.m., S. Roosevelt: A person reported lying on the sidewalk tells police they are just enjoying the sunshine.

April 10

5:14 a.m., Comfort Suites, Broadway: A person is reported dumpster diving.

4:43 p.m., 900 block S. Holladay: Police speak with the operator of an RV parked in a business parking lot who refused to leave. After a brief conversation, they agree to leave.

5:21 p.m., S. Roosevelt: A person reported standing outside a marijuana shop asking people to make a purchase for him is advised to move along.

April 11

11:03 a.m., Avenue U and Grove: Transients reported using power plug to charge their phones are advised to leave the area.

8:29 p.m., Keepsake Drive: A disturbance is reported.

11:26 p.m., Prom and Avenue T: Subjects are warned of unlawful lodging.

April 12

1:47 a.m., 400 block 12th Avenue: Police respond to a report of a car dome light on. Vehicle was secure, nothing suspicious noticed.

4:55 a.m., Hillside Loop/Shore Terrace: A car accident is reported.

4:55 p.m., 1000 block Queen Street: People out on dirt bikes on a public roadway

are advised to put the bikes away.

8:06 p.m., 1000 block 24th Avenue: A deceased person is reported.

10:37 p.m., N. Wahanna: Harassment is reported.

April 13

12:13 a.m. N. Wahanna: Fire alarm.

12:33 a.m., 2125 S. Downing: Suspicious circumstances reported.

6:43 a.m., Seltzer Park: Subjects are warned of unlawful lodging.

8:06 a.m., 3200 block Sunset: Suspicious items are reported near the forest. Police advise caller the items belong to a transient known to go on private property. Contact was made with the subject who said he'd been living there awhile. He was advised no camping is allowed.

8:35 a.m., Ocean Way: A transient sleeping in a doorway is advised to be on his way.

10:02 a.m., Cooper Loop: A subject is given a citation for offensive littering.

10:56 a.m., Avenue I and the Prom: A subject drinking beer and lying in an empty lot is advised to keep moving.

April 14

2:52 a.m., Highway 101 Java Reef: Subjects are warned of unlawful lodging.

1:01 p.m., Skate Park: Young males are reported skating; police trespass one indefinitely for urinating in public; the others are advised to leave the state.

6:21 p.m., Beach: Caller reports four subjects on the beach; police advise them to leave.

7:54 p.m., Shore Terrace: Subjects appearing to be lodged in their motorhome parked on the street are advised they are in violation and agree to move along.

8:40 p.m., Highway 101 and Underhill Road: Police assist Clatsop County Sheriff's Office with a DUI.

April 15

12:40 p.m., S. Roosevelt: A large group of transients reported either fighting or dancing were advised of the ordinance against large gatherings.

8:11 p.m., Holladay and Avenue B: Parties engaged in a verbal disturbance agree to separate and leave the area.

9:41 p.m., Sixth Avenue: Caller reports someone in his backyard rifling through his things. Subject left the area, possibly in a car, prior to police arrival. Officers searching the area had negative results.

April 16

1:05 a.m., N. Prom: Dumpster diver is advised to cease his activity.

3:00 p.m., Avenue U and S. Downing: Two-car accident. No injuries reported.

8:34 p.m., Highway 101, Gearhart: Police assist Gearhart police.

April 17

7:59 a.m., 1000 block 12th Avenue: Police make contact with two occupied motor homes. The occupants are advised.

2:12 p.m., 1100 block N. Franklin: Police respond to a subject whose family locked him out of the house. Officer speaks to all family members, who are advised.

2:31 p.m., McDonald's: A caller reported an unpleasant interaction with a man who became irate with them in the McDonald's parking area. The caller said the man got out of his vehicle, lifted his shirt, and showed his tattoos in what was meant as a threatening gesture.

April 18

10:13 a.m., 600 block Necanicum: Caller complains about a motorhome parked on the street for a week. Officer says it's been two days. The vehicle's owner is contacted and says he has another place to store it and will get it off the street.

18:11 p.m., 500 block S. Roosevelt: A person is arrested on a warrant.

April 19

4:20 a.m., 400 block Avenue E: Caller reports his roommate is yelling nonstop. After speaking with both parties, a quiet atmosphere is resumed.

2:20 p.m., 500 block Beach Drive: Police respond to a report of a verbal disturbance created by a man who is angry about packages stolen off his porch.

April 20

1:01 p.m., Cove parking: Caller reports boys throwing rocks at seagulls and yelling profanities. Boys left the area prior to police arrival.

7:54 p.m., 1500 block S. Franklin: Police respond to a disturbance over people arguing how to best get a cat out of a tree. Disposition of the cat is unknown.

April 21

7:15 p.m., 400 block Avenue P: People reported fishing from a property in the neighborhood believed by the caller to be a rental tell police they are the homeowners and are living in the home.

April 22

7:58 a.m., N. Wahanna: A deceased person is reported.

1:58 p.m., Police headquarters: A registered sex offender reregistered by phone rather than in person due to COVID-19 restrictions.

9:26 p.m., Sunset: A person is advised to stay out of other people's driveways.

April 23

8:14 a.m., S. Roosevelt: A subject wanted on an active warrant from Washington state is arrested and transported to the Clatsop County jail awaiting extradition.

10:11 a.m., N. Wahanna: A missing person is reported.

3:01 p.m. 300 block Avenue U: Caller requests assistance with elderly mother with de-

mentia. They are advised of options.



April 9

1:06 a.m., 900 block N. Franklin: Emergency medical response.

1:18 p.m., 1200 block S. Holladay: Fire investigation.

April 10

12:59 p.m., 2400 block Highway 101: Fire investigation.

6:38 p.m., 900 block 26th Avenue: Fire investigation.

April 12

2:07 a.m., 1800 block S. Columbia: Emergency medical response.

11:10 a.m., 900 block N. Franklin: Emergency medical response.

April 14

3:10 p.m., 900 block S. Franklin: Emergency medical response. Hospital transport.

April 15

4:01 p.m. Avenue T and Beach: Motor vehicle accident with injuries.

10:23 p.m., 200 block Third Avenue: Emergency medical response.

11:51 p.m., 9000 block Clover Road: Structure fire.

April 16

11:07 p.m., Mill Creek: Emergency medical response.

April 17

10:09 a.m., 1100 block N. Franklin: Emergency medical response.

11:03 a.m., 300 block 18th Avenue: Emergency medical response.

11:30 a.m., Broadway Bridge: Water rescue.

9:59 p.m., 1700 block 12th Avenue: Emergency medical response.

April 18

12:52 a.m., 400 block 11th Avenue: Fire investigation.

April 19

7:07 a.m., Highway 26: Vehicle in the water; water rescue.

6:11 p.m., 1300 block Kyla Lane: Fire investigation.

April 21

6:14 a.m., 1300 block N. Holladay: Emergency medical response.

8:58 a.m., 300 block Hillside Loop: Emergency medical response.

12:54 p.m., 300 block 10th Avenue: Emergency medical response.

3 p.m., N. Wahanna: Emergency medical response.

9:24 p.m., 1800 block S. Columbia: Emergency medical response.

April 22

8:25 p.m., 500 block S. Edge-wood: Emergency medical response.

April 23

5:49 p.m., 1300 block N. Holladay: Emergency medical response.

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