



Cole Herrington recuperates after suffering a shark bite while surfing.

Amy Powell

Facebook

Amy Smith Powell and her son, Cole Herrington.

Shark: Herrington faces more surgeries in the future

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Memorial Hospital in Astoria before his transfer to a Portland trauma center.

Herrington, 20, is a 2018 Seaside High School graduate.

The surfers did a “great job” helping each other, Daniels added. “The lesson learned is that if you’re

going to recreate, make sure you’re not by yourself so if someone does get injured, you have somebody to call for help,” he said.

The shark was likely a white shark, Tiffany Boothe, of Seaside Aquarium, added.

White sharks can be seen year-round but not in large numbers.

This year has been very

quiet on the marine mammal front, she said, and there had not been reports of a shark in the area.

“Usually when there is an active shark close to shore we will receive reports of marine mammals, such as harbor seals or sea lions which have been bitten by a shark,” Boothe said. “When this happens we will alert the public to let them know that

there is a shark in the area.”

Herrington’s mother, Amy Smith Powell, shared her son’s story on a Facebook fundraiser page, asking assistance from the community to help pay for her trip from her home in Alabama to Oregon, and to help meet his health care costs.

“My son was attacked yesterday afternoon by

a shark while surfing,” she wrote. “He was taken to a trauma center two hours from home where he underwent his first surgery last night.”

He will be undergoing surgeries to repair his foot, ankle and leg, she wrote. A second surgery was scheduled Tuesday.

“More surgeries are in the future as the surgeons

work to regain full function of Cole’s foot and leg.”

Powell, who just finished nursing school, flew to Oregon from her home in Alabama to accompany him at the hospital.

To contribute to Herrington’s medical expenses, go to “Cole Herrington shark attack survivor” on gofundme.com.

How Seaside, Gearhart voted

By R.J. MARX
Seaside Signal

Seaside and Gearhart mimicked the rest of Clatsop County last month with both cities experiencing high voter turnout and supporting the Democratic candidates.

At the top of the ballot, President-elect Joe Biden won 54% of the vote countywide. Gearhart voted for Biden at 61%; in Seaside’s four precincts, Biden captured 58% of the 3,648 votes cast.

Like their counterparts in the county, Seaside and Gearhart decisively voted against making the county a Second Amendment sanctuary, as proposed by

ballot measure 4-205.

Almost 61% of the county opposed the measure, as did a nearly identical 61% in Seaside’s precincts 37, 38, 39 and 40 combined. About two-thirds of Gearhart voters opposed the measure. The numbers do not include voters in precinct 43, Stanley Acres.

Almost 52% of county voters in the Seaside School District approved extension of the option levy tax. In Seaside, 53% of voters showed their approval and in Gearhart about 54% voted in favor.

Voter turnout was more than 80% countywide, with 24,140 ballots cast out of the county’s 29,976 voters. Gearhart’s turnout

was a remarkable 86%; Seaside’s four precincts: 75%.

Debbie Boothe-Schmidt took just over half of the votes in the county, performing slightly better at 54% in Gearhart and 53% in Seaside. Suzanne Weber won overall with 54% of the vote in the entire district.

U.S. Sen. Jeff Merkley won 55% of the vote for U.S. senator and U.S. Rep. Suzanne Bonamici won reelection with 58% of votes cast. Merkley won more than 61% of the vote in Seaside and about the same percentage in Gearhart. Bonamici won 63% of the vote in Gearhart and 62% in Seaside’s four precincts.



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PEARL HARBOR DAY

Despite a lack of formal observances, veterans from the Seaside American Legion Post 99 threw a wreath and roses into the Necanicum River from the Pearl Harbor Memorial Bridge on Pearl Harbor Day.

PUBLIC SAFETY LOG



Nov. 27

4:04 p.m., Avenue G Bridge: Subjects reported under the bridge are advised to move along.

4:36 p.m., Avenue G and S. Edgewood: A person reported intoxicated is evaluated by police to require medical attention. They are transported to the hospital.

10:59 p.m., 300 block S. Roosevelt: Police responding to a request for a welfare check about a male subject reported “acting strange,” police determine the person is OK.

Nov. 29

12:22 a.m., Avenue C and S. Roosevelt: A person is arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of intoxicants.

10:18 a.m., 400 block S. Roosevelt: A person previously trespassed from a property tells police he is only there to watch over someone else’s belongings. He is advised of the complaint and will be moving on.

Nov. 30

8:53 a.m., 1200 block Ninth Avenue: Caller reports two men trespassing in his yard. Police are unable to locate.

1:12 p.m., 10th Avenue and the beach: A person is cited for driving on the beach.

5:18 p.m., End of the World: Caller reports being attacked by a dog on the beach. Prior to police arrival, the dog’s owner took the dog and left the scene.

10:22 p.m., 300 block Avenue A: Police make contact with a person reported lying on the ground. The person says they are ok and will be moving along.

Dec. 1

9:28 p.m., Police headquarters: A person came in for their annual sex offender registry.

9:57 p.m., 1000 block Ave. F: Caller reports subjects picking

mushrooms in the area. Police contact the subjects who say they are not looking for mushrooms but for a golf ball. They are advised to leave the area.

Dec. 2

1:52 a.m., 500 block N. Holladay: Subjects warned of trespass are warned for unlawful lodging.

1:59 a.m., 200 block S. Holladay: A trespassed subject is warned of unlawful lodging.

4:08 a.m., 2100 block Lewis and Clark Road: A woman reported going through trash bins says they are picking up items left out for them by a resident. Subject is advised of the complaint.

8:24 p.m., Second and Necanicum: Caller reports female screaming from a car she’s been kidnapped. Police pull over a car full of teens who deny all allegations.



Nov. 27

12:53 p.m., 200 block S. Roosevelt: Emergency medical response.

1:22 p.m., N. Wahanna: Emergency medical response.

2:29 p.m., 2100 block S. Franklin: Emergency medical response.

Nov. 29

5:32 p.m., 300 block Fourth Avenue: Emergency medical response.

10:58 p.m., Ave. G and S. Holladay: Ambulance on scene at a car accident. The driver is charged with DUII.

5:19 p.m., 1000 block S. Downing: Emergency medical response.

Dec. 2

1:18 p.m., 1900 Spruce Drive: Emergency medical response.



Domestic disturbance

State police assisted Clatsop County deputies with a report of a domestic violence situation that happened Dec. 3 at 7:36 a.m. on Bay Road. The situation was reported physical and involved a firearm. Several people were contacted and four were detained for investigation. Deputies trespassed one person from the property at the request of the property owner. No arrests were made. Police say there was no use of a firearm during this incident. A report was made for the district attorney. The person trespassed was an 18-year-old man from Seaside.



Gearhart Police reported one incident of Theft 2 in November, for thefts of more than \$100 and less than \$1,000, and one trespass, Chief Jeff Bowman said in his report to City Council. They recorded four assaults, one hit-and-run, 27 disturbances, and six animal-related incidents. Police issued 11 traffic warnings, five infractions and three crimes. Two traffic accidents were reported, one with injuries and the other with property damage. Police responded to four alarms and two open doors, and conducted 281 security checks. They rendered assistance 86 times. Six adults were listed as custody arrests.



Nov. 9

1:12 a.m., unintentional transmission of alarm, Sixth Street, Gearhart.

2:24 a.m., unintentional transmission of alarm, Sixth Street, Gearhart.

Nov. 10

11:11 p.m., emergency medical service, Wakeman, Gearhart.

Nov. 12

7:50 a.m., emergency medical service, Kershul, Gearhart.

Nov. 13

3:18 a.m., power line down, Cottage, Avenue E, Gearhart.

3:51 a.m., severe weather or natural disaster, Gearhart Loop, Gearhart.

7:37 a.m., smoke/CO alarm installation in battery replacement, Ocean, Gearhart.

Nov. 14

4:34 p.m., motor vehicle accident with injuries, 10th Street beach access, your heart.

5 p.m., fire, Ocean, Cannon Beach.

6:06 p.m., motor vehicle accident with no injuries. U.S. Highway 101, Warrenton.

6:46 p.m., building fire, Monroe, Seaside.

Nov. 15

7:20 p.m., chimney or flue fire, confined to chimney or flue, Ocean, Gearhart.

Nov. 16

12:12 p.m., lift assist with patient care report, E Street, Gearhart.

6:24 p.m., emergency medical service, Holladay, Seaside.

Nov. 18

7:06 p.m., emergency medical service, Dawson, Warrenton.

Nov. 19

2:31 a.m., Mercy Medical Service, Dawson, Warrenton.

7:15 a.m., alarm system sounded due to malfunction, Fairway, Gearhart.

9:44 a.m., system malfunction, Fairway, Gearhart.

4:39 p.m., electrical wiring/equipment, Taidy, Warrenton.

10:24 p.m., alarm system sounded due to malfunction, Fairway, Gearhart.

11:30 p.m., smoke detector activation due to malfunction, Fairway, Gearhart.

Nov. 20

9:47 a.m., emergency medical service, A Street, Gearhart.

10:22 a.m., emergency medical service, Fifth Street, Gearhart.

9:53 p.m., emergency medical service, 10th Street, Gearhart.

Nov. 22

4:50 p.m., motor vehicle accident with injuries, 4000 block, U.S. Highway 101, Gearhart.

Nov. 23

1 a.m., emergency medical service, Salminen, Gearhart.

Nov. 24

8:13 a.m., medical service, Lenore, Gearhart.

Nov. 25

7:13 p.m., emergency medical service, Marion Gearhart.

Nov. 26

9:16 a.m., emergency medical service, old bog, Warrenton.

Nov. 27

10:09 p.m., emergency medical service, Gearhart greens, Gearhart.

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