## Future generations inspired by Goodding's legacy

By R.J. MARX Seaside Signal

The tradition of honoring Sgt. Jason Goodding continued last Friday with a virtual presentation broadcast from the Seaside Civic and Convention Center.

Goodding, a 13-year member of the Seaside Police Department, was fatally shot on Feb. 5, 2016, as he was patrolling in downtown Seaside and attempting to serve a warrant on a known felon. Each year since, hundreds have gathered outside the Seaside Police Department to share their remembrances and inspiration provided by the former officer.

At the fifth annual memorial, Astor Landwehr, the Jason Goodding Memorial Scholarship recipient in 2018, attended the University of Oregon and transferred to Lane Community College to continue his education. He remembered Goodding as a highly respected coach with an infectious smile.

The size of candlelight vigils in his honor were a testament to Goodding's



Sgt. Jason Goodding

"strength and the care in this community," Landwehr said.

Goodding was 39 at the time of his death. He is survived by his wife and two daughters.

Ian McCrary, a 2017 Seaside High School graduate, was the second recipient of the memorial scholarship. Growing up, "police were at my house quite often," McCrary acknowledged.

'Because of this, the 10-year-old me decided that I wanted to be a police officer," McCrary recalled.

McCrary moved to Monmouth to attend Western



Retiring of the colors at the Sgt. Jason Goodding Memorial at the Seaside Civic and Convention Center.

Oregon University to pursue a bachelor's degree in criminal justice. He has applied for the Seaside Police Department's reserve program and hopes to become a full-time officer.

"I wouldn't be here where I'm at right now if it wasn't for those officers who came to my family's aid when I was 10 years old

and Sgt. Goodding and the way he impacted the community," McCrary said. "I'm eternally grateful to him.'

Lt. Guy Knight recalled Goodding as "not only an exceptional police officer, but an amazing person."

"He was constantly helping fellow officers, on navigating difficult cases, working through a search warrant or just listening to bounce an idea off of," Knight said. "Everyone knew they could talk to Sgt. Goodding. For community members he was always there. He also taught me not to be afraid to ask for help. At times he would ask others, that showed me as a team we could work together.

Knight urged vigil participants not only to mourn but celebrate Goodding's life.

"Invest in yourself and your family," he said. Spend time with your spouse. Go on vacation, smile, laugh.

"Jason had a huge con-tagious smile," he added. "Don't forget to smile a lot."

### OBITUARY

### **Patrick Glestad Ellsberg**

Vancouver, Washington July 13, 1949 — Feb. 4, 2021

Patrick Glestad Ellsberg, 71, beloved teacher and coach, passed on while putting on his running shoes on Feb. 4, 2021. Pat had taught and coached in the lower Columbia area for the last 40 years.

Born on July 13, 1949, in Vallejo, California, to Dr. Alan and Luella Ellsberg, Pat grew up in the San Francisco Bay Area, graduating from Terra Linda High School in San Rafael.

Pat went on to earn a degree in business from Chico State College, and a master's degree from the Haas School of Business at the University of California, Berkeley.

After working for several years as a project director for the government accounting office. Pat settled in Astoria, where he had family.

Pat taught for several years in the Business Management Program at Clatsop Community College, and finished a 30-year teaching stint at Lower Columbia College, where he headed the business department.

A record-setting high school shot and disc thrower, Pat competed successfully in masters meets all over the

Patrick Ellsberg

Northwest. His true love, however, was coaching, and he coached dozens of champion throwers at Neah-KahNie High School, Astoria High School and athletes from all over the Northwest. He joined his brother, Bob, in helping to lead the Astoria High School girls to a "three peat" state championship.

Pat loved to travel. He toured much of Europe and Asia over the years, first with friends, and later taking his whole family on long vacations around the world. He had a curious mind, and loved to see and do new things.

Putting his business background to use, Pat set up a business collecting books and sports memorabilia from around the Northwest and selling it to retailers. He filled his houses, both in Vancouver, Washington, and Manzanita, with books, and was able to make a nice profit on his pastime.

A major contributor to his community, Pat did public service as a third generation Rotarian, taking part in projects for several different clubs. Over his lifetime he gave to the Red Cross over 10 gallons of blood, doing all he could for his fellow man.

Pat met his wife, Vicki Beatty, in Astoria, and they had two children, Kristen and Kevin.

He is survived by his wife of 37 years, Vicki; his daughter, Kristen Ellsberg Lengvenis (Kevin); son, Kevin Ellsberg (Annabelle); three grandchildren; siblings, Bob Ellsberg (Claudia), Mary Ellsberg Bjornskov (Andre) and Suzanne Ellsberg Titchenal (Joe); brother-in-law, James Beatty (Angela); sister-in-law, Stephanie Beatty; and many nieces and nephews.

In lieu of flowers you may contribute in his honor to the Navy Seal Foundation, navysealfoundation.org/donate

# **SEASIDE POLICE DEPT.**

1:55 p.m., S. Wahanna: A person is arrested on an outstanding warrant.

who says they were hired to do the job.

11:57 a.m., 1600 block S. Franklin: A disturbance is reported. 2:47 p.m., Broadway and Columbia: Caller reports intoxicated man with two dogs falling down. On arrival, the man is unruly and intoxicated and not wanting medical attention. He is warned of his conduct.

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7:37 p.m., 1000 block Avenue F: A man and woman reported

11:04 a.m., 900 block Avenue I: Emergency medical response. Feb. 3

Holladay: Emergency medical

status. She said the 19-year-old, who lives in Washington, made several comments indicating self-harm. Clatsop County deputies located the young man first; they initiated contact and the male agreed to go to the hospital. Deputies retained three firearms for safekeeping.



#### Jan. 30

9:31 a.m., Avenue G and the beach: A person is arrested on an outstanding warrant.

11:25 a.m., 2100 block Lewis and Clark: Caller reports police breaking into his house; police advise him a furniture rental company left a note on his door and they are there to collect their furniture.

10:21 p.m., 500 block S. Prom: Caller reports an intoxicated woman knocking at her door. Police are unable to locate anyone of that description.

#### Feb. 1

2:59 p.m., Estuary parking area: Caller reports van and trailer set up in the parking area, believes the occupants are planning on staying overnight. Police contact subject who says he was kayaking and will be leaving shortly.

5:29 p.m., 1200 block S. Holladay: A missing person is reported.

#### Feb. 2

3:00 p.m., Norway Field: Suspicious circumstances reported by Gearhart police.

7:00 p.m., 400 block S. Lincoln: Drug paraphernalia found in a garage is collected for proper disposal.

8:35 p.m., 500 block Beach Drive: A disturbance is reported.

#### Feb. 3

1:10 p.m., First and Roosevelt: Caller contacted police to check on a boy she thought was too young to be outside by himself. The child was no longer outside when police arrived.

2:47 p.m., 800 block Sixth Avenue: Caller reports a company on the property tearing up his yard. Police speak with a representative for the company 5:25 p.m., First and Roosevelt: A person is arrested and charged with driving while under the influence of intoxicants —alcohol.

#### Feb. 4

3:38 a.m., Roosevelt and Avenue Q: Police assist another agency with a traffic stop.

1:42 p.m., 2100 block Lewis and Clark Road: Suspicious circumstances are reported.

4:42 p.m., 700 block F Street, Gearhart: Police assist another agency on a disturbance call.

5:31 p.m., 1000 block Avenue F: A trespassed subject on the property is advised to clean up arguing are gone prior to police arrival.



#### Jan. 28

Ocean Shore: Water rescue. Jan. 30

5:37 p.m., 1200 block S. Columbia: Fire alarm.

11:44 p.m., Avenue G and

Feb. 1 6:21 p.m., 85000 block U.S.

Highway 101: Emergency medical response. 8:19 p.m., 900 block N. Wahanna: Odor of gas/chemical/smoke

#### reported. Feb. 2

5:31 a.m., 800 block N.

4:29 p.m., Avenue U and beach grass: Fire investigation.

#### Feb. 4

response.

4:32 p.m., 600 block Necanicum: Emergency medical response.

10:44 p.m., 2300 block S. Roosevelt: Fire investigation regarding a blown transformer. Police assist another agency.



#### Suicidal male

Police went to the Sunset Beach area Jan. 17 at 3:10 p.m. looking for a young man whose mother, located in Washington, notified police of her son's mental

#### **Open container citations**

A yellow Mazda crashed Jan. 17 at 5:04 p.m. on U.S. Highway 101 and the U.S. Highway 26 junction after the driver took the curve at too high a speed and slid off the roadway. No injuries were reported. The driver and two other occupants of the car were cited for open container; the driver received additional citations including driving without insurance. Triangle Towing arrived on scene to impound the Mazda to Cannon Beach police. Mairsela Miguel Gomez, 23; Esmeralda Miguel-Andres, 18; and Josefina Jasmin Ramirez, 24, were given a courtesy lift to a motel in Seaside.

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