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EPD Officer Tim Bulski, who helped start the DUII car program, said EPD's DUII car may be the only one of its kind in the United States. He said other cities that were targeted by the Century Coalition used their money to buy DUII equipment for normal police cars, but did not get one specific car, as Eugene did.

The inside of the car is quite impressive. A \$5,500 camera that hangs down from the ceiling of the car can rotate 360 degrees to tape from all angles. When Harvey drives the car, the camera points straight ahead and tapes.

A three-inch monitor located in the center of the car's dashboard shows a clear picture of what the camera is recording. Harvey also wears a cordless microphone that transmits back to the car. The images captured by the camera and the sounds recorded by the cordless microphone are both put on a VHS cassette tape that is locked in the trunk of the car.

The car, which has been in service since Sept. 16, is also equipped with a \$3,000 lap-top computer and radar.

Once on the the streets, Harvey explained his mission. He said the DUII car's sole purpose is to arrest drunken drivers. He can go wherever he wants and does not normally respond to other calls.

However, Harvey said he pulls people over for a variety of offenses

Of my 328 DUIIs, I've only pulled over about eight people because I thought they were drunk," he said.

Harvey said radar is very useful because most of the drunken drivers he arrests are originally pulled over for speeding.

Shortly after saying that, Harvey pulls over a blue Subaru wagon for speeding on Sixth Avenue. He briefly talks to the driver before returning to the

Harvey said the 47-year-old woman driving the Subaru has told him she has had a couple glasses of wine. He directs the on-board camera toward a set of yellow lines in the parking lot where he has pulled the driver over. He brings the wom-an to the front of the car and begins giving her a set of tests.

In the first test, Harvey takes a pen and slowly moves it from the center of the woman's face outward on each side of the woman. The woman keeps her head still as she tracks the path of the pen.

Harvey said this test is designed to see if the woman's tracking ability is affected by alcohol. He said he looks to see if a suspect's eyes bounce as they track the pen, a sign of being drunk.

Next the woman is asked to walk along one of the painted lines in the parking lot. She is instructed to count nine steps while she walks heel to toe, turn around and take nine more steps back to her original position. The woman miscounts and walks only eight steps before she turns. On her way back the woman wobbles and her heel misses her toe several

The woman then is asked to stand on one leg as she counts from 1001 to 1030. The woman has trouble keeping her balance and uses her arms to right herself.

In the next test, the suspect is told to close her eyes and tilt her head up as she counts from 89 to 101, and back down to 89. After completing that test, the

woman is asked to estimate 30 seconds with Harvey timing her. The woman tells him to stop after 22 seconds.

Harvey then asks the woman to stand heel to toe as she recites the alphabet from the letter E to letter S. The woman wobbles and forgets to stop at the letter S.

In the final test, the woman stands with her eyes closed and is told to bring her hands up from her side and touch the end of her nose with her index finger. She misses the first time but connects on the next five

Harvey handcuffs the woman and places her under arrest for DUII. The woman begins to cry as she sits in the back seat of

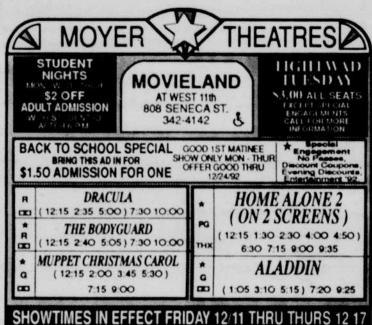
Upon arrival at the police station, the woman registers a .08 blood-alcohol level on the breathalyzer - the legal limit and enough for a DUII citation. The woman, still in tears, calls her son and asks him to come pick her up.

The son arrives and hugs his sobbing mother as Harvey walks past them.

"That's the part of the job that can get you down," Harvey said, "but she is not supposed to drink and drive. Hopefully, I taught her a lesson and she won't do it again."

The woman is just one example of the many people caught by the DUII car. More than 100 DUIIs have been processed by the car since it hit the streets in mid-September, Bukski said. EPD spokesman Tim Birr said EPD has cited 42 more DUIIs in September and October of this year than last year. Birr said the increase of DUIIs is a direct reflection of the effectiveness of







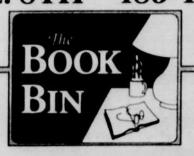
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