Tales from the Police Blotter

(Editor's Note: Names, ages, addresses, incidents and charges are provided by law enforcement agencies. All persons listed in this report are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Charges can be amended or dismissed.)

Wednesday, March 31

*At 7:49 a.m., two people were contacted at "Forks" State Park.

*In the 100 block of Kerby Street, some 35 CDs valued at \$600 and an fuel card were reported stolen.

*A driver was warned for speeding in the 25000 block of Redwood Hwy. at 8:32 a.m.

*Dar Lynn Dwyer, 44, was cited on a charge of speeding and warned for failure to carry proof of insurance on Redwood Hwy. at Waldemar Road at 9:13 a.m.

*It was noted that license plates had been removed from an abandoned vehicle on Hogue Drive.

*On Holland Loop, a pair of dogs, which appeared to the caller at 11:24 a.m. to be injured, were in fact, fine.

*Deputies aided American Medical Response (AMR) medics and Illinois Valley firefighters who helped free a man pinned beneath a tractor in the 28000 block of Redwood Hwy. at 11:53 a.m.

*Gregory Wayne Sampley, 51, was arrested on warrants charging failure to appear (FTA) on charges of being a felon in possession of a firearm, carrying a dangerous weapon, menacing, FTA on charges of possession of a controlled substance (PCS), and DUII. He was also charged with driving while suspended (DWS),

driving uninsured, switched license plates, open container, DUII and giving false information. He was given a ride to Josephine County Jail.

*Wilfred Clarence Coddington, 48, was arrested on charges of failure to comply (FTC) with terms of a security release and two counts seconddegree assault and manufacture a controlled substance in the 400 block of O'Brien Road at 2:08 p.m.

*"Excessively loud" music from a residence on S. Sawyer Avenue was reported at 4:53 p.m. The resident was later contacted and he turned it down.

*Medical assistance was rendered to a person who walked in to the AMR station on W. Lister Street at 5:05 p.m.

*A man and a woman, who had been driving erratically, pulled off Redwood Hwy. at Briggs Valley Road and acted agitated and upset, said a third driver who phoned at 6:47 p.m. All drivers were gone when a deputy arrived.

*A silver minivan headed south toward Cave Junction on Redwood Hwy. near Finch Road at 9:43 p.m. was speeding and passing erratically, a caller said.

Thursday, April 1

*Stolen from a vehicle parked overnight at the Junction Inn were the title to the vehicle, \$80 cash, Social Security cards and insurance papers, a man said at 7:38 a.m.

*A mother said her son was jumped by 13 to 18 students the day before at Lorna Byrne Middle

School on the playground during lunch. She said this is a continuing problem. She was advised to phone back when she could furnish names suspects.

*A mentally ill young man, off his medication, pulled the emergency brake and fled his mother's moving vehicle on Redwood Hwy. at Caves Hwy. at 8:23 a.m.

*A driver with a disabled vehicle on Redwood Hwy. at Wild Park Lane was assisted at 9:08 a.m.

David S. Lea, 22, was cited on charges of speeding and warned for failure to carry proof of insurance on E. River Street at Old Stage Road.

*Carrie E. McCracken, 24, was cited on charges of failure to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk and improper display on N.

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Redwood Hwy. at Lister

*The guide wire which runs from pole to pole to stabilize traffic signals on Redwood Hwy. at Watkins Street was clipped by a driver at 1:10 p.m. ODOT was advised

*Cristie Marie Stewart, 22, was cited on a charge of failure to yield to a pedestrian in a crosswalk on S. Redwood Hwy.

*In the 100 block of S. Redwood Hwy. at 4:45 p.m., a woman bleeding from the head was yelling at a man to leave. She said she had been hit by another woman with a beer bottle. She refused medical aid.

*Two men were having a physical altercation on a parking lot in the 100 block of S. Redwood Hwy. at 5:34 p.m.

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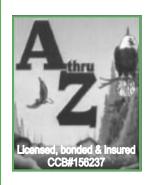


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