

Drug dogs join OSP ...

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people,” said Maj. Dan Durbin, commander of the OSP Operations Bureau.

“The drug dogs,” he said, “will provide investigative and interagency support for searching buildings, cars, luggage, packages, and can help at airports and schools.”

Prior to obtaining the two new drug dogs, OSP had a dog in Portland for arson-related investigations, and a dog in Southern Oregon for drug investigations.

With the new dogs, OSP now has three dogs trained to detect marijuana, cocaine, methamphetamine, and heroin.

During the first two months, the new dogs have proven their value in several cases leading to the discovery of illegal drugs on state highways and in its communities.

“Judge” and “Cookie” are the first two drug dogs to be assigned to OSP’s Patrol Services Division. They accompany their handlers on patrol in specially equipped patrol cars designed to protect the dogs.

One feature is designed to prevent the interiors from becoming too hot for the K-9 cops. When the interior temperatures reach 80 degrees, the rear-side windows automatically roll down and the car horns sound to alert the handler.

Detective David Beck has been working with dogs for 14 years while assigned to the OSP Criminal Investigations Division. Beck has been working with his second drug dog during the last 3 ½ years with excellent results.

“To date, my dog has been instrumental in locating about \$1.5 million cash suspected of being drug proceeds or for facilitating criminal activity,” said Beck.

Besides the cash, Beck and his dog have been involved with separate cases that led to the discovery of 38 kilos (approximately 95 pounds) of cocaine, 14 pounds of methamphetamine; and in November, 40 pounds of marijuana found hidden in a car.

“Cookie,” a 5-year old female yellow Lab, is assigned to the Central Point Area Command office with her trainer, Trooper Greg Costanzo. During the first two months, “Cookie” and Costanzo have “made” 10 drug-related cases, most during traffic stops on Interstate 5.

“Judge,” a 2-year old male black Lab, is assigned to the Pendleton Area Command office with his trainer, Trooper Dan Chichester. The dog and trooper recently assisted in a major investigation in northeast Oregon that involved the discovery of meth labs.

Everything that is really great and inspiring is created by the individual who can labor in freedom.

- Albert Einstein -

C21 awards

Century 21 Harris & Taylor employees from the Cave Junction and Grants Pass offices garnered numerous honors, bestowed during an annual awards program Thursday, March 16 at Seven Feathers.

Based on 2005 accomplishments, among superior standouts from the S.W. Oregon coastal and inland region, was Jim Frick from the CJ office. Among other recognition he was cited for being a \$15 million producer.

Also from the CJ office: Sandy Glamack and Steve Lyons were recognized for being \$3 million producers.

Tami Motif and Carol Doering were cited as \$2 million producers, and Luz Moore received an award as a \$1 million rookie (two years or less with C21).

Glamack also was acknowledged as a Ruby Producer.

With 99 listings, Frick received the first-place award in the Broker Council as top listing agent. He also gained the first-place award from the Broker Council for closing 85 sides.

And Frick was honored as a Double Centurion Producer.

The C21 Harris & Taylor operation was given a 2005 Quality Service Office Award, and one for being a Centurion Office.

Award recipients from the GP office included Lori Mecca, \$8 million producer, Centurion Producer, and Centurion Honor Society membership for being a Centurion-producing agent for five consecutive years.

Also, Dwain Smallwood and Darlene Mavity, \$2 million producers; and Brad Lamont, Quality Service Award, and Centurion Producer.



(From left) Luz Moore, Jim Frick, Tami Motif, Steve Lyons, and Sandy Glamack. (Photo by 'Illinois Valley News')



(From left) Dwain Smallwood, Lori Mecca, Jim Frick, Darlene Mavity, and Rella Taylor, who is co-owner of C21 Harris & Taylor. (Photo by 'Illinois Valley News')



ILLINOIS VALLEY REAL ESTATE agents were hosted by First American Title Co. Tuesday, March 14 for processing a minimum \$1 million each through the company during 2005. They were taken to a Grants Pass restaurant. Those taken by limousine included (from left) Pat Brown and Annita LeGaux of Junction Realty with Sharon Williams of First American; Carol Doering, Tami Motif, and Sandy Glamack of Century 21 Harris & Taylor; and Lilly Lee Vasquez of Real Estate Online. Also on the trip were C21’s Steve Lyons and Jim Frick; Larry Smith from Palmer Realty; Debi Buchanan and Janet Prescott of Oregon Mt. Real Estate; and from I.V. Real Estate, Craig Kern, Tonya Box, Cilicia Philimon, and Lynn Johnson. (Photos by Dale & Elaine Sandberg)

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