

‘Trick or Treating’ safety tips offered

It’s understandable that parents and children have concerns when planning for Halloween activities.

To assist, the Oregon State Police/Missing Children Clearinghouse (OSP/MCC), and the National Center for Missing and Exploited Children (NCMEC) offer “Trick or Treating” safety tips, as well as free Children Identification Kits available in Spanish and English.

“Child safety is important year-round, but Halloween is an especially important time for parents and children to pay extra attention to their surroundings and not let their guard down,” said Nancy McBride, NCMEC national safety director. “It is important that parents exercise a few basic safety precautions to help ensure that Halloween is fun and safe.”

1) Be sure that older children take friends, and that younger children are accompanied by a trusted adult when “Trick or Treating.”

2) Accompany younger children to the door of every home they approach, and make sure that parents and guardians are familiar with every home and all people from which the children receive treats.

3) Teach children to never enter a home without prior permission from their parents or guardians.

4) Teach children to never approach a vehicle, occupied or not, unless they are accompanied by a parent

or guardian.

5) Make sure that all children wear reflective clothing and carry a glow stick when out at dusk and at night.

6) Make sure that children are able to see and breathe properly and easily when using facial masks. All costumes and masks should be clearly marked as flame-resistant.

7) Teach children to never approach a home that is not well lit inside and outside.

8) Teach children to stay alert for any suspicious incidents and report them to their parents, guardians, or the proper authority.

9) Teach children that if anyone tries to grab them to make a scene; loudly yell, “This person is not my father/mother/guardian,” and make every effort to get away by kicking, screaming, and resisting.

10) Consider organizing or attending parties at home, in schools, or in community

centers as a good alternative to “Trick or Treating.”

“Available year-round through OSP/MCC, ID Complete Child Identification and DNA kits are a proactive method to be prepared in case your child ever becomes missing,” said Judy Hayes of the OSP/MCC. “These kits are not only helpful when you need them most, but are also a great way to open communication lines with your children regarding child safety.”

The kits were purchased with money raised during the 11th annual Oregon State Police Missing Children Golf Benefit held in Salem last month. More than \$14,000 was raised this year that will help buy 26,000 child ID kits.

To obtain a child ID Complete kit, phone (800) 282-7155, or e-mail child.idkits@state.or.us. Provide your name, address, number of kits needed and a call-back phone number when making a request.

Special enforcement team nabs GP theft, drug suspect

A special law enforcement team on Thursday, Oct. 22 arrested a Grants Pass man, who is charged with first-degree theft involving a firearm, and second-degree possession of a controlled substance/methamphetamine.

The Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety (GPDPS) added that it served a search warrant

at 1907 Southside Road; the residence of Hank Mathiasen, 39. The warrant was related to a stolen firearm pawned by Mathiasen at Cash Connection in April, said GPDPS.

The agency utilized the SAFE team (Special Activity and Felony Enforcement) to serve the warrant.

Tales from the Police Blotter

(Editor’s Note: Factual information for ‘Blotter’ is provided by official law enforcement agencies. All persons listed are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law. Charges can be amended or dismissed.)

Friday, Oct. 16

*On Watkins Street a woman was warned about selling items from her vehicle on a roadway.

*A driver complained that in front of the Cave Junction Post Office another driver, while parking illegally along the yellow curb, backed into her car. The other driver essentially shrugged the matter off, the caller said, by stating that she’d “only be there for a few minutes.” and besides, there was no damage.

*On N. Redwood Hwy. at Hanby Lane, Ryan P. Harris, 35, was cited on a charge of speeding (57 mph in a 45 mph zone).

*Bryan R. Gove, 38, was cited on a charge of speeding (64 mph in a 45 mph zone) on Redwood Hwy. at Ken Rose Lane at 5:27 p.m.

*Yelling and gunshots were heard from a Pinecone Drive residence where a disturbance was reported at 5:41 p.m. One man suffered a wound to his forehead, but refused medical attention. The gun was fired to break up a fight, it was noted.

*Tayna Lynn Henry Norris, 48, was cited on a charge of speeding (60 mph in a 45

mph zone) on S. Redwood Hwy. at 7:19 p.m.

*At milepost 32 on Redwood Hwy., David P. Hallowell, 61, was cited on a charge of speeding (70 mph in a 55 mph zone).

*William Francis Burfield, 41, was cited on a charge of driving while suspended (DWS) and speeding on Redwood Hwy. at Rockydale Road at 7:42 p.m.

*Drivers Craig Paz, 42; and Thomas Carl Rector, 58, were cited on charges of speeding in the 31000 block of Redwood Hwy.

*Jeffrey Becker, 27, was cited on a charge of speeding (55 mph in a 45 mph zone) on Redwood Hwy. at Rockydale Road at 8:51 p.m.

*Two people were warned against trespassing in the 200 block of S. Redwood Hwy. Another man was warned for camping in city limits on W. Watkins Street.

*Two people with bloody faces fled from a motor vehicle accident in the 3000 block of Takilma Road at 11:03 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 17

*James Charles Warner, 18, was contacted on Holland Loop at 12:23 a.m. He was cited on a charge of minor in possession of alcohol. It was noted that Warner had injuries on his face and forearm, and a large amount of blood on his pants.

*Jedadian Jennings Wissler, 32, was cited on Rockydale Road on a charge of speeding (75 mph in a 55 mph zone).

*A Laurel Road resident said that a transient person on

her property was yelling and threatening her. Subsequently Jeremy Justin Beck, 30, was cited on charges of failure to appear (FTA) on original charges of fourth-degree assault and second-degree burglary. His BAC was noted to be .26, and he was lodged at Josephine County Jail.

*People in a loud little pickup truck were said trespassing on Deer Creek Road at 8:30 p.m.

*In the 27000 block of Redwood Hwy., Joseph Allen Krull, 38, was cited on a charge of speeding (57 mph in a 45 mph zone).

*Kevin Eugen Modrich, 50, was cited on a charge of DWS on N. Kerby Avenue.

*Donald Michael Gish, 42, was cited on a charge of speeding (56 mph in a 40 mph zone).

Sunday, Oct. 18

*Theft of a Toyota Corolla from an O’Brien Street residence was reported at 8:05 a.m.

*J.R. Foster, 50, was cited on a charge of fourth-degree assault following a disturbance on S. Old Stage Road.

Monday, Oct. 19

*An Illinois Valley High School student reportedly came to class intoxicated. He was sent home.

Tuesday, Oct. 20

*Theft of approximately \$3,900 worth of items from a S. Old Stage Road home was reported.

*Following a disturbance on W. Watkins Street, Jeremy Justin Beck, 30, was lodged in Josephine County Jail on a charge of probation violation.



Illinois Valley Fire District (IVFD) personnel responded with two engines and a tender on Friday, Oct. 23 to a 7 p.m. alarm at the former Family Tree Nursery on S. Junction Avenue. Crews fought the fire for some two hours. Rural Metro and Grants

Pass Dept. of Public Safety also responded. Damage to the vacant structure was estimated at \$10-15,000. No injuries were reported. The cause is under investigation. (Photo by Dale & Elaine Sandberg, IVFD Media Dept.)

Where’s the fire?

Following are alarms to which Illinois Valley Fire District responded through Sunday, Oct. 25:

Monday, Oct. 19

*12:21 a.m., medical assist, 20000 block Redwood Hwy.

*3:05 a.m., structure fire, 1000 block Dick George Road

*9:44 a.m., medical assist, 400 block Addison Lane

*12:05 p.m., outdoor smoke investigation, 300 block Mesa Verde Drive

*7:27 p.m., MVA, 16000 block Redwood Hwy.

*7:36 p.m., illegal open burn, 24000 block Redwood Hwy.

Tuesday, Oct. 20

*5:32 a.m., medical assist, 200 block Ollis Road

*8:20 a.m., outdoor smoke investigation, 1000 block Dick George Road

*11:19 a.m., medical assist, 100 block Kerby Avenue

*4:38 p.m., medical assist, 200 block Watkins Street
Wednesday, Oct. 21

*12:50 a.m., medical assist, 5000 block Dick George Road

*9:32 a.m., medical assist with landing zone, 100 block Patton Bar Road

*2:33 p.m., ADT alarm, 600 block River Street

*6:40 p.m., medical assist, 6000 block Lakeshore Drive

*11:42 p.m., structure fire mutual aid, 300 block Riverbanks Road

Thursday, Oct. 22

*9:29 a.m., medical assist, 10000 block Redwood Hwy.

*2:41 p.m., medical assist, 200 block Watkins Street

*9:56 p.m., medical assist, 100 block Kerby Mainline Road

Friday, Oct. 23

*8:36 a.m., assist the public, Water ISS, 100 block Junction Avenue

*2:51 p.m., mutual aid, Redwood Hwy./Wonder Lane

*4:07 p.m., MVA, Redwood Hwy./Laurel Road

*6:58 p.m., structure fire, 400 block Junction Avenue

*9:01 p.m., MVA, 1600 block Deer Creek Road

*11:36 p.m., structure fire, 17000 block Redwood Hwy.

Saturday, Oct. 24

*7:56 a.m., medical assist, 100 block Holton Creek Road

*12:21 p.m., medical assist, 400 block Aquarius Way

*6:06 p.m., structure fire, 1700 block Happy Camp Road

Sunday, Oct. 25

*5:38 a.m., medical assist, 100 block Hogue Drive

*5:35 p.m., medical assist, 6000 block Rockydale Road

*6:35 p.m., medical assist, 100 block Aries Lane

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