

Tales from the Rural Patrol

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Tuesday, July 23

*Some irate jerk with messy hair caused a commotion inside Illinois Valley Visitor Center at 12:05 p.m., claiming that he had lost his wallet. Visitors were present. The man, said to be a transient wearing jeans and a blue sweatshirt, was hitting items in the building, and was warned about criminal trespass.

*Rogue Area Drug Enforcement (RADE) officers were advised that a guy was growing more than 1,500 marijuana plants at a location on Old Stage Road.

*Josephine County Animal Control responded to Lister Way after a report that there was a dead dog and several skinny puppies, and deceased rabbits in hutches.

*Sexual abuse of boys by a man for several months on Deer Creek Road was reported.

*Josephine County Public Works was notified of a 4-foot-wide boulder on the roadway in the vicinity of Happy Camp Road or Waldo Road. The caller wasn’t sure where she saw the thing.

*At 12:40 p.m. a distraught, disturbed transient wearing a white T-shirt and tan pants was reported causing a disturbance at the USFS Illinois Valley Ranger District office, saying that he had lost his wallet and that no one would help him. He was warned about criminal trespass.

*Although there was a complaint that at a transient camp in some dense vegetation behind Shop Smart Food Warehouse a woman had a newborn baby, investigation found the report unsubstantiated.

*A transient wearing jeans and a tan T-shirt was reported causing problems at the Oregon DMV of-

fice in Cave Junction. He was “trespassed.”

*While trying to dig a well, a man said, he was harassed for unknown reasons by neighbors of his customer on Lone Mtn. Road. He stated that he has no idea why they tried to provoke him into a fight.

*Outside the Valley:

--Evil people pried open a garage door on S. Livingston Way, and residents discovered that their home had been ransacked, and that their motorcycle and helmet were missing. Also reported taken: a .38-caliber handgun, a 42-inch plasma TV, three laptop computers, a video camera, and a fire safe containing several thousand dollars, ID, birth certificates, passports and Social Security cards. And a chainsaw (it wasn’t in the safe though).

--Damage was estimated at \$7,000 after vandals got through with a vacant house on Amber Lane. (Some people know how to party).

Wednesday, July 24

*People on Lone Mtn. Road said that a neighbor with a screw driver trespassed on their land and that maybe she was going after their irrigation pump because they had been accused unjustifiably of damaging her pump.

*It appeared that a man in a van tried to impede passage of another driver on Lone Mtn. Road when they went to feed a neighbor’s animals.

*The saga of Lone Mtn. Road continued as a man said that in connection with easement problems revolving around a water pump, he feels that he is being “bullied, intimidated and I am scared for my safety as well as anyone who comes to our property.” He added that a neighbor told someone who had permission to be on the complainant’s property that he wanted to “beat the shit out

of him.”

*RADE and Animal Control were to be notified of a situation on Lakeshore Drive involving animals not cared for properly and possible growing of marijuana.

*So here’s what happened: A man reported the loss of a \$200 pair of fire boots and \$200 worth of other items taken from his vehicle on Eight Dollar Road near the Little Falls Trailhead. Later a man, who was unidentified in the daily logs, was stopped on Hay’s Hill on a charge of driving under the influence of an intoxicant (DUII). It also was noted that the trailhead sign and other USFS signs in the area were damaged by a reckless driver. The complainant has a license plate that fell off the suspect’s vehicle. And the victim’s stolen items were found in the suspects pickup truck. That’s about it.

*Two men became belligerent and threatening to a woman’s stepfather on Smith Sawyer Road when he asked them what they were doing on his property, the woman stated.

*In Selma, a man said that a woman keeps calling him and threatening to shoot him if he comes up her driveway because, he feels, he didn’t help her with something once. She was contacted, and denied the allegations.

*Numerous transients were told to get the heck out of an abandoned red house at Watkins Street and Caves Avenue.

*A Selma resident said that a man on parole shoots guns at all hours of the day and night.

*Dirty rotten thieves gave Selma a black eye, as several campers on Mallard Loop in the county-owned portion of Lake Selmac stole all sorts of items including motorcyclist jackets, gloves and helmets, plus coolers full of food.

*Following a 911 hang-up call from S. Kerby Avenue several children were counseled about misuse of

the emergency line.

*A wood-and-goat hide bongo drum was taken from a man’s vehicle while he looked for crawdads near the green bridge campground out Illinois River Road. Later it was recovered in a vehicle whose driver had been arrested on a DUII charge.

*Not in the Valley:

--Burglars on Trollview Road turned out to be pest exterminators. They were reported as burglars by a girl because her mom hadn’t told her that the pest crew was coming.

--Motorcyclists driving as fast as bats from Hell were reported from two rural Grants Pass locations.

--While people were in the process of moving to Portland, their Merlin home was ransacked. Missing were items including copper wire, a computer, alcoholic beverages and personal care products. The rotten punks apparently were looking for hidden money, which was not in the house, the owner said.

--After his credit card was stolen from his car, said a New Hope Road resident, the cretin who took it used it to score \$220 from an ATM.

--Also on New Hope, a resident reported hearing noises the night before, and when she went to wash some clothes today, the washer was missing.

--Still on New Hope, a resident said that upon returning home after a three-day camping trip, he found that his house “had been trashed,” and that missing were his prescription medication, laptop computer and cell phone. (Suggestion: Move away from New Hope Road).

Friday, July 26

*Search And Rescue personnel were to be called out due to a missing hiker at Oregon Caves National Monument, but were cancelled pretty quickly once the hiker was found.

*Theft of pain medication from a car on Watkins Street was reported.

*Upon receiving an intruder alert from Laurel Road, the call was listed as “beyond available resources.”

*In the county elsewhere:

--Theft of a 1-ton flatbed truck with items on it including an air compressor was reported on Sunny Valley Loop. (They’ll steal anything).

--First-degree burglary at a home on Brookhurst Way was the subject of a complaint when the owner returned after being hospitalized. (Great welcome home).

--OSP arrested Matthew Albert Rosenberry, 33, under a Josephine County Sheriff’s Office felony warrant charging probation violation/assault.

--Prescription drugs were said to be stolen from a mailbox on Limpy Creek Road.

Saturday, July 27

*The public was assisted in Selma in connection with child custody issues.

*A 911 hang-up call was received from Old Stage Road.

*Aaron Lyn Williams, 30, was cited to appear by OSP under a JCSO warrant charging failure to appear on a charge of DUII.

*Elsewhere in the county:

--A homeless man who uses heroin was listed as probably the burglar who has been taking items from homes in the Pyle Drive area.

--Theft of a \$1,400 computer was reported from Cloverlawn Drive.

--Numerous other complaints about this and that were received.

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WHERE’S THE ALARM?

*The volunteers and staff of the
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responded to these recent Emergency calls...*

07/22- Monday

17900 block of REDWOOD HWY, Grass Fire

29200 block of REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency

100 block of DRAPER VALLEY RD, Assist to Public

37400 block of REDWOOD HWY, Outdoor Smoke

200 block of BEAVER MEADOW RD, Medical Emergency

100 block of S JUNCTION AVE, Fire Alarm

600 block of S SCHOOL HOUSE CREEK RD, Small Vehicle Fire

07/23 - Tuesday

200 block of N REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency

1000 block EIGHT DOLLAR RD, Medical Emergency

24000 block REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency

300 block MADRONA DR , Medical Emergency

24500 block REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency

07/24 - Wednesday

200 block S KERBY AVE, Open Burn

4400 block CAVES HWY, Traffic Accident

7900 block CAVES HWY, Traffic Accident

REDWOOD HWY/DEER CREEK RD, Medical Emergency

100 block HOLTON CREEK RD, Medical Emergency

07/25 - Thursday

700 block WHITE SCHOOL RD, Grass Fire

24500 block REDWOOD HWY, Traffic Accident

500 block S JUNCTION AVE, Traffic Accident

600 block CAVES HWY, Medical Emergency

1700 block WHITE SCHOOL RD, Grass Fire

500 block REEVES CREEK RD, Traffic Accident

LAKESHORE DR / REDWOOD HWY, Open Burn

07/26 - Friday

200 block OLLIS RD, Structure Fire

CROOKS CREEK RD/MOONEY MOUNTAIN RD, Outdoor Smoke

1700 block WHITE SCHOOL RD, Grass Fire

33200 block REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency

100 block S KERBY AVE, Medical Emergency

27700 block REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency

4400 block DICK GEORGE RD, Outdoor Smoke

07/27 - Saturday

300 block PINE CONE DR, Open Burn

WHITE SCHOOL RD / CAVES HWY, Grass Fire

900 block CAVES HWY, Medical Emergency

200 block OLLIS RD, Indoor Smoke

200 block DEER CREEK RD, Fire Alarm

2000 block WHITE SCHOOL RD, Grass Fire

07/28 - Sunday

100 block S REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency

WALDO RD / ROCKYDALE RD, Grass Fire

200 block HUMMINGBIRD RD, Lift Assist

100 block PATTON BAR RD, Medical Emergency

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1- Skier's transport; 5- The Lion; 8- Winglike parts; 12- Artery that feeds the trunk; 14- Corker; 15- Caribbean dance music; 16- Emancipated; 17- Put a lid ____!; 18- Greek vowels; 19- Mosaic pieces; 21- Safe; 23- Religious sch.; 24- Invoice abbr.; 25- Paris possessive; 26- Silly; 30- Sir ____ Newton was an English mathematician; 32- Chicago hub; 33- Policy of segregation; 37- Female horse; 38- Factory; 39- Sock ____ me!; 40- Breed of riding horse; 42- World-weary; 43- Flaps; 44- Extreme paleness; 45- Belonging to us; 48- Oysters ____ season; 49- Hair goop; 50- System of social perfection; 52- Actual elapsed period; 57- Mah-jongg piece; 58- Small combo; 60- Otic; 61- Model Macpherson; 62- Circular band; 63- Pipe cleaner; 64- Film spool; 65- Shaggy-haired wild ox; 66- Sinn ____;

Down

1- 27th president of the U.S; 2- Drill a hole; 3- Son of Zeus in Greek mythology; 4- Numbered rds.; 5- Crescent-shaped figure; 6- Certain Ivy Leaguer; 7- Outwit; 8- Just ____!; 9- Water lily; 10- Without ____ in the world; 11- Moves with care; 13- ____ Fideles; 14- Rich soil; 20- Actor Fernando; 22- Coup d'____; 24- Yoga posture; 26- Body of an organism; 27- Fellow; 28- Over-50 org.; 29- Rare delight; 30- Bridge declaration; 31- Penetrating cold; 33- Crazy as ____; 34- Catchall abbr.; 35- Wishing won't make ____; 36- Active one; 38- Chiropody; 41- Actress Petty; 42- Simple song; 44- Green shade; 45- External; 46- Useful; 47- Esther of "Good Times"; 49- An earth sci.; 51- Rind; 52- Skating area; 53- Sod; 54- Dies ____; 55- The ____ Love; 56- North Carolina university; 59- Narrow inlet;

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