

Tales from the Rural Patrol

(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.)

Tuesday, July 30

*Warning: Officers were advised of an attempt to locate an older, balding man with white hair and a messy beard who might be trying to solicit children with ice cream. He is driving a Chevy van with chipped paint and has been seen in the Kerby/Cave Junction areas as well as parts of Grants Pass. (Parents & guardians: Alert your children and be on the lookout yourselves.)

*In a continuing situation a Kerby resident phoned to reiterate that he believes that his neighbor is shooting his cats with a pellet gun, and that if law enforcement doesn't "get out here now and do something about it all Hell will break loose." Later he said that he'll contact an attorney.

*The body of Dr. Dan Fiske, a veterinarian who operated Crossroads Animal Hospital, and who served as president of the Cave Junction City Council, was found in his business on Caves Hwy. at 8:16 a.m. (Subsequently, Counselor Daniel Dalegowski was elected during an emergency meeting to serve as president; a replacement for Fiske will be chosen by the council.)

*An apparently non-religious

person broke the locks off the fuse box to cut power at the Valley Evangelical Free Church. The person next threw a steel grate through the kitchen window and climbed in, which set off an alarm. That cut short his time, and he escaped with a limited number of items. (Reminder: Thou shalt not steal.)

*There was a complaint that in Downtown Cave Junction a pit bull jumped from a vehicle and tried to jump into the complainant's vehicle to attack her dog. The vehicle incurred scratches.

*Names of a burglary suspect with a pony tail and his fence are known in connection with theft of gardening equipment and tools from a place on S. Old Stage Road.

*Trespassers with odd nicknames were reported at the I.V. Senior Center Thrift Shop, but they left.

*Squatters on Hummingbird Road were said to be growing the dreaded marijuana plant.

*At 3:21 p.m. a pickup truck was upside-down at Hwy. 199 and Kerby Street. Those inside (who apparently got out) said they didn't need help. OSP responded.

*Elsewhere, outside the Valley:

--The home, shop and pickup truck of a Thornridge Lane resident were ransacked while the owner was away.

--Ryan Briney, 29, was arrested by Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety (GPDPS) under a non-bail warrant from Josephine County Sheriff's Of-

fice (JCSO) charging parole violation detainer/unauthorized use of a vehicle. He was jailed.

--Julie Star Gilkey, 39, was arrested by Jackson County lawmen under a JCSO warrant charging failure to appear on a charge of possession of a controlled substance/methamphetamine. She was placed in a jail.

--Jerry L. Lee, 36, was arrested by GPDPS under a JCSO warrant charging parole violation/weapon use. He went to jail.

--A widow on Soldier Creek Road said that someone stole her wedding rings. Strangely enough, a wedding ring valued at approximately \$3,500 was reported stolen from Cedar Flat Road.

--Some \$2,300 worth of items, including rings that included wedding bands, were reported stolen from Thornbrook Drive. (Is nothing sacred?)

Thursday, Aug. 1

*At 8:21 a.m. a 911 hang-up call was received. It seemed to come from the Illinois Valley Visitor Center. It might also have come from the U.S. Forest Service's I.V. Ranger District office. But there was no problem that anyone could find.

*All sorts of threats were said to be made against a woman on Crest Drive, including knocking out all her teeth, and the culprit is putting photos of her naked on Facebook, she said.

*Someone driving a white, old-

er box-type truck with a pink stripe around the bottom was said to be doing so recklessly in Kerby. OSP was notified.

*Elsewhere in Josephine County:

--Numerous telephone calls were received about a suspicious vehicle (and likely a suspicious person inside) in the Foothill Blvd./Jones Creek Road area. Residents were concerned that their neighborhood was being checked out for possible burglaries. The driver apparently was knocking at doors and asking for water. (Sounds like "casing the joint.")

--A man on medication in rural GP reported that someone with a gun was under his home, and that 10 to 15 people were staring at him. The man's mother said that she'd look into having his meds adjusted.

--Some \$400 worth of towels, wrenches and clothing were reported taken from his home, said a man on Gordon Way. He feels that someone has a key to his door locks. (Hint: change the locks.)

--Third-degree theft involving an Oregon Trail (welfare) card with \$500 credit on it was reported by a woman, who said that it was taken from her glove compartment on Allen Creek Road.

--At a Wolf Creek business a panhandler was yelling at customers. The caller was advised that it was "beyond available resources" to respond.

--Animal Control was to be contacted about a crying goat on Gordon Way that might not have food.

Saturday, Aug. 3

*Near Selma off Hwy. 199 a load of hay was dumped (accidentally). The owner retrieved it.

*That's it for today in the Valley.

*Elsewhere, but still close to home:

--Second-degree burglary was reported at a business on Upper River Road. The jerks pushed an air conditioner into the building to gain access.

--On Onion Mtn. Road an abandoned car was found in a ditch with the keys on the ground. The owner later reported it stolen.

--On Woodland Park Road a resident stated that an apparently bogus Pacific Power employee was looking around. PacPow stated that the man was not an employee and was driving a truck that's not a company rig.

--There was a complaint from Rogue River Hwy. that a mentally disturbed, aggressive woman was breaking a man's stuff and might have damaged him.

--Someone speaking Spanish apparently was trying to reach a woman's ex-husband in rural GP to have him call his mother.

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Illinois Valley News in the Art Walk

**AUGUST 9
5 - 7 P.M.**

Featuring: Artwork FROM Faith Peabody
Deer Creek Wine's
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WHERE'S THE ALARM?

The volunteers and staff of the Illinois Valley Fire District responded to these recent Emergency calls...

07/29 - Monday

23100 block REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency
100 block KERBY MAINLINE RD, Medical Emergency
24500 block REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency
700 block WALDO RD, Fire Alarm
REDWOOD HWY/LAKESHORE DR, Medical Emergency

07/30 - Tuesday

400 block CAVES HWY, Medical Emergency
5400 block LAKESHORE DR, Open Burn
35000 block REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency
24000 block REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency
16900 block REDWOOD HWY, Traffic Accident
100 block KERBY ST, Traffic Accident
100 block HOLTON CREEK RD, Medical Emergency
100 block SHADYWOOD DR, Assist to Public

07/31 - Wednesday

35700 block REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency
HOLLAND LOOP RD / CAVES HWY, Traffic Accident

08/1 - Thursday

11300 block TAKILMA RD, Medical Emergency
700 block LOGAN CUT DR, Medical Emergency

08/02 - Friday

1000 block AIRPORT DR, Medical Emergency
100 block HOLTON CREEK RD, Medical Emergency

08/03 - Saturday

5800 block ROCKYDALE RD, Medical Emergency
4900 block HAPPY CAMP RD, Traffic Accident
23600 block REDWOOD HWY, Traffic Accident
200 block GOLD CANYON DR, Open Burn

08/04 - Sunday

200 block JOSEPHINE AVE, Structure Fire
200 block SHADYWOOD DR, Medical Emergency



Rattlesnake bites are serious medical emergencies. IVFD responded to two of them this week.

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1- Flat sound; 5- Rubbish; 10- Pops; 14- Batting Babe; 15- Large artery; 16- Sewing case; 17- Eye drop; 18- Feudal estate; 19- Coil; 20- Jason's ship; 21- Makes known; 23- Ply; 25- Crucial; 26- Golf hazard; 31- Unite; 35- Mineral suffix; 36- Summarize; 38- Kid leather; 40- Type of tide; 42- Jeter of the Yankees; 44- Overly submissive; 45- "Of course!"; 47- Narrow groove; 49- Vane dir.; 50- Clan symbol; 52- Eyeglasses with tinted lenses; 54- Small batteries; 56- Miracle-; 57- Inflammation of the stomach; 62- Eye part; 66- Killer whale; 67- Thin soup; 68- I did it!; 69- Oscar winner Patricia; 70- Vive !; 71- Nights before; 72- Shrek, for one; 73- Bar, legally; 74- Narrow inlets;

Down

1- Mex. miss; 2- Plaintiff; 3- All-male; 4- Burial cloth; 5- Interfered with; 6- Crowd noise; 7- River through Florence; 8- Inventory; 9- Section of New York City; 10- Sandwich shop; 11- Mighty mite; 12- Couples; 13- Little drink; 22- Affirmative votes; 24- Orch. section; 26- Fein; 27- Bothered; 28- Peachy!; 29- Deck quartet; 30- Components; 32- Pirate liquor; 33- Actress Davis; 34- Paradises; 37- South American country, famous for Macchu Picchu; 39- Just manages, with "out"; 41- Agt.'s take; 43- Monarchy; 46- Pressure; 48- Cabinet dept.; 51- Metamorphosed limestone; 53- Linger aimlessly; 55- Fathers; 57- Diver Louganis; 58- Rent-; 59- Shopaholic's delight; 60- Civil wrong; 61- Langston Hughes poem; 63- Sitarist Shankar; 64- It's a thought; 65- Impudence; 66- Lennon's lady;

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