

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.)

Monday, Aug. 5

--It apparently was a calm day around the Valley, as no incidents were logged.

*Not in the Valley:

--Two shotguns reported stolen were recovered by the Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety (GPDPS).

--Elizabeth M. Higdon, 46, after being arrested by Medford Police under a Josephine County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) warrant charging failure to appear (FTA) on a charge of contempt of court, was cited to appear.

--Debra A. Elder Lambeth, 60, was arrested by Roseburg Police under a JCSO warrant charging FTA in connection with charges of driving under the influence of an intoxicant (DUII) and reckless driving.

--Carl Michael Green, 53, subsequent to arrest by GPDPS under a JCSO warrant charging FTA on charges of fourth-degree assault, interference with making a report and harassment, was cited to appear.

--Alton Clayton McGary III, 29, arrested by GPDPS under a JCSO warrant charging failure to comply in connection with a DUII charge, was cited to appear.

--Arrested by GPDPS under a JCSO no-bail retainer warrant charging parole violation in connection with first-degree burglary, Harley E. Boitz (date of birth not provided) was placed in the JoCo jail.

--OSP recovered a weapon reported stolen in Josephine County.

Tuesday, Aug. 6

*There was a civil matter on June Drive involving the sale of a truck because the buyer said it was not what was represented, but the owner said that she still should get the full amount.

*From Kerby came a call that a woman was concerned because she saw her ex-boyfriend walking around with a gas can, and she did not want him to use her pickup truck without permission.

*At a location near Cave Junction a woman was freaking out due to changing her meds, and became belligerent and aggressive. She had to be pepper-sprayed, and was taken under protective custody to Three Rivers Community Hospital (TRCH) in Grants Pass.

*Outside the Valley:

--The driver of a 54,000-pound water tender died in a rollover crash of the vehicle on Bear Camp Road. The truck is registered to Ace Earth Moving owned by Wade Comyford. The tender was being used by the county fire department under a fire interagency agreement. The deceased was not immediately identified.

--Although it was reported that a camper at Griffin Park was going to kill himself due to medical problems, the man explained that the complainant overreacted to some comments. (Some days are like that.)

--Evil-doers kicked in two doors, ransacked a house on Timber Ridge Road and stole a man's prescription drugs, American Indian items, and jewelry that was his late wife's. They yanked a pillowcase off the man's bed to haul away their ill-gotten goods. (Not nice people.)

--Following a report of a suspicious situation involving a grocery

cart and a truck that seemed to contain many numerous items including construction equipment, possibly stolen, Jerrod Michael Pehl, 46, was arrested under a California felony warrant issued by that state's parole-and-probation agency. Pehl then ended up in the JoCo jail.

--Harassment, trespassing, menacing and a marijuana-growing braggart were among other incidents in rural Grants Pass. (A lot of that going on.)

--At a Merlin Road trailer park, a woman got PO'ed at her boyfriend and came around with several girlfriends, hooked a pickup truck to the guy's trailer and drove away while the water, sewer and electrical lines still were connected, causing damage. (Wow!) The park owner has insurance.

Wednesday, Aug. 7

*Assault was reported at Lake Selmac after a man moved another guy's pickup truck because it was blocking his view and exit. The pickup owner is accused of the assault, which resulted in the other man being knocked unconscious, kicked while down and suffering injuries requiring treatment at TRCH. Although the victim has a concealed weapon with a permit and drew it, he didn't use it. (No comment.)

*When a Lone Mtn. Road resident returned home she said that she saw someone darting across her driveway. She found evidence that someone tried to break into her home, and feels that the situation could be related to a dispute with neighbors.

*Because her vehicle was stolen, a Selma resident has been going around yelling at neighbors and threatening them, said a complainant.

*Jubilee Park was checked shortly before 2 p.m.

*A restraining order was served on McMullen Creek Road.

*Someone was said to be driving recklessly in the Takilma Road/Holland Loop area. No patrol cars were in the area.

*Away from the Valley:

--Because of a landlord dispute in Sunny Valley a woman was yelling, screaming, pulling up plants, throwing items around and generally causing a disturbance. (The tenant from Hell?)

--On Williams Hwy. a man was upset because his girlfriend's son picked up a sledge hammer and threatened to kill him with it. (Yikes!)

--Jackpine Drive is the location, said a complainant, where there might be a "kept woman." The Dept. of Human Services was notified.

--On Sand Creek Road a man eating a hamburger knocked on a resident's door, mumbled and "seemed out of it." (Mad Cow Disease?)

--Several residential alarms were not responded to; listed as "beyond available resources."

Thursday, Aug. 8

*Theft of a white 2004 Mazda from a Thompson Creek Road location was reported. The owner said that a spare key was inside the car.

*Because a friend died recently a Selma resident was considering suicide. But the situation smoothed out thanks to friends.

*An AARP agent spent more than an hour on the telephone speaking with an O'Brien resident, as she was extremely depressed and contemplating suicide. The resident was contacted and found to be OK.

*There was a complaint from a Selma home owner that four homeless people are using his place as an address to file for medical marijuana

cards, plus food stamps and other welfare benefits.

*Distant from the Valley:

--Robert William Wright, 44, was arrested under some sort of warrant and placed in county jail.

--Numerous other incidents were logged in the rural GP area, mostly the same as noted in previous reports, but also including the theft of two motorcycles.

Saturday, Aug. 10

*Someone on McMullen Creek Road was served a restraining order.

*A report on menacing was referred to the district attorney's office after an incident on Hays Cut-Off in which a resident said that neighbors were destroying a fence, using a chainsaw and displaying a contact taser device. Rural/Metro Fire Dept. was notified of the illegal chainsaw use due to the high fire danger; Oregon Dept. of Forestry sent a unit to the scene.

*Two 911 hang-up calls were received from Deer Creek Road, but nothing was found amiss.

*At 30 past noon, a door alarm was received from the DMV office in Cave Junction, but was logged as "beyond available resources."

*Around rural Grants Pass:

--Domestic violence and three large, aggressive dogs that had to be pepper-sprayed by OSP figured in a call from Williams Hwy.

--Theft of a gun, someone trying to get through National Guardsmen keeping people away from a wildfire, trespassing and several other situations of people just not doing well were among a potpourri of incidents.

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WHERE'S THE ALARM?

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

08/05 - Monday

400 block SHERIER RD, Medical Emergency
200 block W WATKINS ST, Traffic Accident
200 block HONEYBEE LN, Medical Emergency
600 block LAKESHORE DR, Power Line Problems
5800 block ROCKYDALE RD, Medical Emergency

08/06 - Tuesday

300 block MADRONA DR, Medical Emergency
500 block CAVES HWY, Medical Emergency

08/07 - Wednesday

3700 block TAKILMA RD, Medical Emergency
300 block S JUNCTION AVE, Medical Emergency
17300 block REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency
1200 block ARROWHEAD DR, Fire Alarm
100 block S REDWOOD HWY, Traffic Accident
300 block PINE CONE DR, Medical Emergency

08/08 - Thursday

30900 block REDWOOD HWY, Grass Fire

08/09- Friday

ALTHOUSE CREEK RD / BROWNTOWN RD, Grass Fire
300 block WOOD DUCK LN, Medical Emergency

08/10 - Saturday

1700 block ROCKYDALE RD, Traffic Accident
600 block CAVES HWY, Medical Emergency

08/11 - Sunday

2500 block CAVES HWY, Medical Emergency
500 block SQUAW MOUNTAIN RD, Medical Emergency
1500 block PAGE CREEK RD, Grass Fire
9000 block TAKILMA RD, Traffic Accident



IVFD Responded to a Rollover Traffic Accident on Takilma Rd. Above—volunteer Captain Tom Zulliger uses hydraulic cutters to remove the vehicle's roof.

Across

1- Kingdom; 6- Dupes; 10- Bridge seat; 14- Foil maker; 15- Land map; 16- Serpents; 17- Singer LaBelle; 18- ___ do; 19- Cut; 20- The Mustangs' sch.; 21- Folded food; 23- Wharves; 24- Wide open; 26- ___ having fun yet?; 27- Actress Dolores; 29- Actress Stevens; 31- Potpourri; 32- Mail unit; 33- Aussie hopper; 36- In spite of; 40- Some; 41- Model Campbell; 42- Antiquing agent; 43- Take the honey and run; 44- Hinder; 46- Turkish money; 48- March man; 49- Long-tailed parrot; 50- Low cards; 52- Numbered rd.; 55- Black cuckoos; 56- Actor Julia; 57- Brown ermine; 59- ___-Ball; 60- Small mountain; 61- French textile city; 62- Singer Vikki; 63- Corrida cries; 64- Sporting blades;

Down

1- Emulates Eminem; 2- Jack of "Rio Lobo"; 3- Reality; 4- Used car locale; 5- Rum cocktail; 6- Aromatic fragrance; 7- Choir member; 8- Friends; 9- Letters on a Cardinal's cap; 10- Simpler; 11- Good ___; 12- Steeple; 13- Cookbook amts.; 22- GI mail drop; 23- Primp; 25- Increase in size; 26- Mogul capital until 1658; 27- Lady of Spain; 28- North Carolina university; 29- "Who's there?" reply; 30- Don't look at me!; 32- Boutique; 33- Meaningless talk; 34- Dedicated to the ___ Love; 35- Man-eating giant of popular folklore; 37- Relative by marriage; 38- New Mexico art colony; 39- 24 hour periods; 43- Rubber; 44- Salty sauce; 45- Scuffle; 46- Sri ___; 47- More aloof; 48- Vends; 49- Not fem.; 50- Follow; 51- Dominion; 53- Yarn; 54- French summers; 56- Letter after pi; 58- Apex;

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