

# Tales from the Rural Patrol

(Editor’s Note: Factual information for ‘Tales’ 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.)  
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### Monday, Nov. 24

\*The Josephine County Sheriff’s Office (JCSO) notified ODOT that a “Stop” sign was down at Redwood Hwy. and Hogue Drive (which end of Hogue not noted).  
\*A deputy responded to a report of a secluded, vacant, vandalized house on Barlow Street. There was “thousands of dollars in damage.” The front door was kicked in and walls were damaged so badly that you could see into adjoining rooms; doors were ripped from their hinges and cigarette butts were “all over.” A glass jewelry case not from the house was left behind. A report on first-degree burglary and first-degree criminal mischief was to follow.  
\*JCSO was notified at 11:20 a.m. by Oregon State Police that it had received a call at around 4:30 a.m. about an injured man dumped on the lawn at Washington Federal Bank. It was stated that the man had “severe assault injuries” to his head and that “a large crowd accumulated and (people) were upset that medics would not respond in” (as) no law enforcement was available. American Medical Response eventually went in and took the victim to Three Rivers Community Hospital (TRCH) in Grants Pass. The hospital “refused to provide any information about any subject being brought to the ER.” He checked himself out at 8 a.m. The 911 Center stated that “there was another incident last week with a transient being beaten and dumped in the same area.”

\*Creeps used a crowbar to break into a home on Schumacher Street, but apparently didn’t take anything. The resident died three months ago, and the place is in probate.  
\*The possibility of an intoxicated motorist near milepost 19 of Redwood Hwy. at 1:19 p.m. was checked without locating one.  
\*The driver of a Walmart semitruck and trailer stopped a deputy at Redwood Hwy. and Lakeshore Drive to ask directions. (What? He didn’t know where the nearest Walmart is?).  
\*Following a 911 hang-up call from Caves Hwy. it was determined that the phone used was in some guy’s pocket, and he said that he didn’t mean to phone 911.  
\*Someone on Ollis Road wanted to talk to a deputy about a stolen bicycle.  
\*At 4:47 p.m. a call was received about a truck/trailer rig blocking Redwood Hwy. at Sis’s Gap after the driver lost control. Heavy damage was reported. (The log lists no further data).

### Outside the Valley

\*Twenty calls and incidents were logged including four tagged by JCSO as “beyond available resources” (BAR).

### Tuesday, Nov. 25

\*Possible burglary to a custodial shed at Lorna Byrne Middle School was reported.  
\*Something might have happened somewhere in Cave Junction. Twice.  
\*At River Street and Junction Avenue a motorist (name not in log/NIL) was warned about not wearing a seat belt. Three other motorists (NIL) were warned in CJ about defective tail lights, and two (NIL) for bad head lights. Another

motorist (NIL) was cited on a charge of “improper mud flaps” and his vehicle was impounded after a consent search, sought by his probation officer, came up negative. (My guess is as good as yours.)  
\*An “information” note recorded that a deputy was out with what seemed to be an injured coyote (NIL) in the Hanby Subdivision. Later it was noted that a three-legged coyote in a cage, likely the one checked earlier, had fled. (There must be more to this story!)  
\*In the 200 block of Caves Avenue a reported stolen knife was found in a truck glove box, and the garage door was damaged.  
\*The driver (NIL) of a vehicle with Florida license plates was warned at Redwood Hwy. and Airport Drive about operating an unsafe vehicle. A motorist (NIL) in CJ was warned about an illegal U-turn. And two motorists (NIL) in CJ were warned about failure to use head lights.  
\*A woman found a drivers license in CJ.

\*There was a report that on Halloween night a woman (NIL) was assaulted in Jubilee Park and that “a large party was watching and cheering on.” Injuries were listed as an eye hemorrhage, broken nose, lip and clavicle, and that the brave a---e (NIL) kicked her 30 times in the face, chest, nose and stomach. The “reason for the assault is unknown.” (That’s just sickening.)

### Outside the Valley

\*Looks like 21 calls and incidents including two marked BAR.

### Wednesday, Nov. 26

\*There was an attempt to locate an abandoned van on McMullen Creek Road near Three Mill Road.  
\*On Kerby Avenue a resident

(NIL) flagged down a deputy “asking for assistance with a detail.”  
\*An attempt was made to serve legal papers on Patton Bar Road.  
\*“Defective tail light” was the reason for a traffic stop in CJ.

### Outside the Valley

\*Fourteen log items today.

### Thanksgiving, Nov. 27

\*Valleyites must have been stuffed with goblin’ as no calls were logged. Good gravy!  
**Outside the Valley**  
\*Eight calls.

### Friday, Nov. 28

\*That apparently injured coyote was seen in the vicinity of Hanby Lane, Cottage Park Drive and Shadowbrook Drive.  
\*There was an attempt to serve a restraining order on Kerby Avenue.  
\*Elder abuse was investigated on Frederick Court with the result that a woman (NIL) was taken in by TRCH until some public agency or other could find a place for her to live.

### Outside the Valley

\*Like 13 log items.

### Saturday, Nov. 29

\*JoCo Animal Control was to be notified of a dead horse in a ditch in the area of Takilma Road and Holland Loop. There was speculation that it might be the animal a woman reported missing the week before.  
\*Some weirdo wearing a ball cap backwards approached a woman at 1:09 p.m. on a CJ parking lot “and asked to trade a \$10 bill for a \$20 bill.” The woman told him that she “had no money” and the guy responded, “Yeah right”

and went off to put the touch on someone else. No deputy was available in the area (BAR) “due to other emergency calls.”  
\*At 1:18 p.m. there was an intruder alarm at the Siskiyou Community Health Center, and it was termed BAR by JCSO.  
\*Michelle Ann Marie Fischer, 40, was arrested under two warrants from the Grants Pass Dept. of Public Safety listing failure to appear on a charge of criminal driving while suspended and some other violation seemingly not connected to the motor vehicle code. Her arrest followed a big ruckus on Prottzman Way with screaming, cursing, yelling, shooting, motor vehicles being driven this way and that, and the accusation that the place is a meth lab.

### Outside the Valley

\*There were 11 log items.

### Sunday, Nov. 30;

\*From CJ came a call involving someone worried about an intoxicated woman wanting to pick up her two children. Shortly thereafter another similar call was received from a different location. The data were logged for information until those involved could be contacted.  
\*Gunshots and possibly fireworks were reported from the 7000 block of Takilma Road.  
\*People on Schoolhouse Road had some problems resulting in info about a possible fourth-degree assault case being referred to the county D.A.  
\*A “suspicious person” with “arms in his pockets” was reported running behind the Junction Inn. (Apparently arms with fingers and not bullets.)  
**Outside the Valley**  
\*Lucky 13 calls.

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Time to start thinking about Christmas We have layaway

## WHERE’S THE ALARM?

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

### 11/24-Monday

3200 blk LAKESHORE DR, Lift Assist  
REDWOOD HWY / GOLD CANYON DR, Traffic Accident  
200 blk N REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency

### 11/25-Tuesday

2700 blk CAVES HWY, Medical Emergency  
9500 blk TAKILMA RD, Lift Assist  
700 blk LAUREL RD, Medical Emergency

### 11/26-Wednesday

3200 blk LAKESHORE DR, Lift Assist  
200 blk OLLIS RD, Medical Emergency  
3200 blk LAKESHORE DR, Lift Assist  
400 blk KIRKHAM RD, Medical Emergency  
1100 blk DEER CREEK RD, Medical Emergency

### 11/27-Thursday

600 blk PINEWOOD WAY, Medical Emergency  
800 blk CAVES HWY, Medical Emergency  
400 blk LOGAN CUT DR, Medical Emergency  
2000 blk WALDO RD, Traffic Accident

### 11/29-Saturday

200 blk FIR DR, Lift Assist  
300 blk LOGAN CUT DR, Lift Assist  
300 blk HAMILTON AVE, Medical Emergency  
3700 blk TAKILMA RD, Fire Assist to Public  
200 blk FIR DR, Medical Emergency  
300 blk MYRNA LN, Open Burn  
100 blk WALTERS DR, Medical Emergency  
300 blk W LISTER ST, Medical Emergency

### 11/30-Sunday

5700 blk ROCKYDALE RD, Medical Emergency  
200 blk W WATKINS ST, Medical Emergency  
7900 blk CAVES HWY, Medical Emergency  
24500 blk REDWOOD HWY, Medical Emergency

## Portable Electric Heater Safety:

- Plug your heater directly into a wall outlet; don’t use an extension cord.
- Don’t use the heater if the cord gets hot, is frayed, or is cracked.
- Keep electric heaters at least 36” from combustibles such as blankets, furniture, clothing, paper, draperies, etc.
- Vacuum any lint or dust from the heater.
- The heater should have a working thermostat.
- The heater should have an element guard.
- Turn off heaters when family members are sleeping or leave the house.
- Do not hang items to dry over a portable heater.
- Keep heaters out of traffic areas or exit systems.
- Always ensure an adult is present when a portable heater is in use.
- Ensure you have working smoke detectors and test them frequently.



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## ACROSS

- 1) Subway map abbr.
- 4) Early fifth-century year
- 8) Dreadlocks wearer
- 13) Bud
- 14) Mechanical recitations
- 16) Singer John
- 17) Transfusion letters
- 18) Stave off
- 19) Nonsense
- 20) Recording industry technician
- 23) Tin Lizzie
- 24) Director Kazan
- 25) Kingston Trio hit with the lyric "Fight the fare increase!"
- 28) Fray, e.g.
- 30) Santa \_\_\_: Southwestern mountains
- 32) Obsessed whale hunter
- 35) It's not free of charge
- 37) Hoity-toity types
- 38) One with a busy engagement calendar
- 42) Take in or let out
- 43) Petal puller's pronoun
- 44) Way out there
- 45) Sicilian seaport
- 48) SOS responder
- 50) Prefix with thermal
- 51) Actress Catherine \_\_\_-Jones
- 53) Belief in one god
- 57) Kitchen appliance
- 60) Family car
- 62) Turkish titles
- 63) Galadriel in "The Lord of the Rings," e.g.
- 64) Deadly virus
- 65) Ruled perch?
- 66) Ike's 1940s command
- 67) Family car
- 68) With 69-Across, what 20-, 38- and 57-Across do
- 69) See 68-Across

## DOWN

- 1) Jerk
- 2) Forbidden thing
- 3) One way to read
- 4) Nursery need
- 5) Woodworking joint
- 6) Santa Monica-to-Jacksonville rte.
- 7) Threshold
- 8) Run through lines
- 9) Soothing succulent
- 10) Leaves in a huff
- 11) Pump part
- 12) Vague amount
- 15) Circus support
- 21) Ones with much to learn
- 22) German's "never"
- 26) Indian drum
- 27) Nineveh's land: Abbr.
- 29) Hold up
- 31) Brings to a boil
- 32) "Same here"
- 33) Green targets
- 34) Hurricanes and tornadoes, in insurance policies
- 36) School sweater letters
- 39) Grand Canyon State native
- 40) Calendar abbr.
- 41) Precedent-setting trial
- 46) Outlaw Kelly
- 47) Bond trader's phrase
- 49) Well-developed, in a way
- 52) Shop jargon
- 54) "\_\_\_ to recall ..."
- 55) Conductor Sir Georg
- 56) Dahl's "Fantastic" title critter
- 58) "Return of the Jedi" dancing girl
- 59) "This is bad!"
- 60) "Rushmore" director Anderson
- 61) Civil War prez