

Tales from the Rural Patrol

(Editor's note: Factual information for 'Patrol' 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, Jan. 2

*There was an unoccupied red Ford Explorer in the ditch near the Cave Junction pool at 10:55 a.m.

*A Ford Ranger blocked the westbound lane of Lakeshore Drive at 10:59 a.m., so a tow company was summoned. The Ranger's owner arrived and admitted that she had parked in the road for her convenience. The tow was cancelled, and she was conveniently issued a citation for impeding traffic.

*At 11:25 a.m., Josephine County Sheriff's Office (JCSO) helped get a Subaru out of a ditch in the 22000 block of Redwood Hwy.

*A deputy gathered facts at 112 S. Redwood Hwy. at 11:38 a.m.

*JCSO assisted American Medical Response on Hanby Lane at 11:46 a.m.

*At 12:41 p.m. a man in the 7000 block of Lone Mountain Road checked on his mother, and she was unresponsive. Illinois Valley Funeral Directors were advised, but they were on delayed response due to road conditions.

*Pacific Power was advised of downed power lines in the 6500 block of Deer Creek Road at 12:53 p.m. Josephine County Public Works needed to respond to prevent passing vehicles from driving over the lines.

*A deputy investigated the 300 block of Burgundy Lane at 2:36 p.m.

Outside the Valley

*Twenty-six incidents.

Tuesday, Jan. 3

*A concerned citizen was worried about her elderly neighbor in the 400 block of Glendon Road. There was no power in the area, and roads were blocked due to the storm. In true Cave Junction style, another kind neighbor saved the day and plowed the road up to her house so they could check on her.

*A red Ford Ranger was abandoned in the middle of the road at 25658 Redwood Hwy. for a short time at 10:16 a.m. The driver soon returned and drove away.

*The storm created

several incidents on Deer Creek Road. At 10:33 a.m., Pacific Power was notified that there was a tree into a power line at MP 2 on Deer Creek Road.

*At 11:03 a deputy checked the 7800 block of Deer Creek Road.

*A generator was charging the battery of an unoccupied vehicle in the 8800 block of Deer Creek Road at 11:20 a.m.

*Roadway conditions created difficulties in navigation in the 7800 block of Deer Creek Road at 11:28 a.m.

*JCSO went to the 7800 block of Deer Creek Road in search of an individual who no longer lived at that location. New tenants moved there in April.

*A driver couldn't get down the driveway at 6154 Deer Creek Road at 12:00 p.m., but did their best to leave room for other cars to go around on the roadway.

*A semi-tractor was stuck in snow in a ditch in the 4500 block of Lakeshore Drive at 12:14 p.m.

*At 12:35 p.m. a one-foot diameter tree was resting at a 45-degree angle against phone wires at MP 23 on Hwy. 199. Oregon Department of Transportation crews were aware of the problem, and they were trying to contact Charter Communications.

*The gas station at 112 S. Redwood Hwy. was closed at 12:55 p.m.

*At 1:03 p.m. license plates were recovered from a vehicle at 340 N. Sawyer Ave. because of a mismatch with the records at Department of Motor Vehicle. The motorist was cited into Cave Junction Municipal Court for driving without insurance and registration, and for driving on a suspended license.

*A driver at 520 W. River St. was warned for expired tags at 1:20 p.m.

*A daughter in the 400 block of S. Junction Avenue phoned 911 because her mother's boyfriend was throwing things and fighting with her mom at 1:29 p.m. He tried to leave, but the snow was too deep in the driveway. (Cabin fever.)

*At 1:33 a car was blocking traffic in one lane of Hwy. 199 at MP 35. Good Samaritans brought the driver to the store to get fuel.

*Four-wheel drive didn't help when a Chevy pickup truck crashed into a power pole at 3797 Deer Creek Road

at 2:20 p.m.

*A 2005 Toyota was towed from MP 40 of Hwy. 199 following a non-injury crash at 3:11 p.m.

*JCSO provided traffic control at 3:31 p.m. while a dark-colored Toyota was towed from a ditch in the 1600 block of Deer Creek Road.

*Middle-aged folks in the 200 block of Madrona Drive were stranded with no food, water, or electricity at 4:11 p.m. They were disabled and could not navigate the 2-3 feet of snow on the road for transport to the Red Cross Station. City of Cave Junction Public Works arrived and attempted to plow the road.

*The 911-call from the 7200 block of Rockydale Road at 4:46 p.m. was an accidental misdial.

Outside the Valley

*Seventeen situations.

Wednesday, Jan. 4

*A 20-inch diameter tree was blocking the roadway at 6390 Lakeshore Drive at 9:13 a.m.

*At 9:14 a.m. a downed tree was blocking the road in the 200 block of Madrona Drive. The city of CJ Public Works director was aware of the issue, but his hands were tied because the city only has a pickup truck snow plow which wasn't designed to handle heavy snow.

Residents in that area did have electricity, and their friends provided food, so they were OK until the tree could be removed.

*A devoted daughter-in-law was worried about her husband's relatives who were snow-bound in the 300 block of Woods Way at 10:14 a.m. They were blocked in by a downed tree, and had no electricity. JCSO helped the son access their residence, and they were OK.

*A caring employer was concerned that one of the employees did not have enough supplies to weather the storm. A deputy went on foot to the 5700 block of Lakeshore Drive, and found that the residents there did not need assistance, and they had enough food and water for a few days.

*At noon, there was a tree crossing a downed communications line on the road at MP 23 on Hwy. 199. The line was knocked down on Jan. 3.

*No one had heard from a 72-year-old woman in the 8500 block of Deer Creek Road for three days, and

she has a history of medical issues. Her daughter requested a welfare check because she feared her mother had no food, firewood, or electricity. A tree in the road had been removed, but downed power lines prevented access to her residence. JCSO brought the woman into Selma so that she could be transported to Three Rivers Community Hospital in Grants Pass.

*Several residents in the 700 block of Rough and Ready Creek were having a tough time dealing with three feet of snow at 12:31 p.m. They needed help getting out because they were out of food. They were trying to find someone with equipment capable of clearing the driveway.

*A wise elderly woman in the 300 block of Jackadel Lane did not need any assistance at 1:08 p.m. because she was well-prepared with plenty of food, water, and wood heat.

*Dangerous winter driving conditions didn't matter to a buffoon who was driving 70 mph across Sauer's Flat and past the Illinois Valley Golf Course at 2:31 p.m.

*A driverless vehicle was causing a road hazard in the travel lane at 407 W. River St. at 2:40 p.m., so it was towed. A certified letter will be mailed to the last known registered owner.

*An elderly woman in the 100 block of Hays Cutoff Road had been without heat for two days, so a deputy walked past a locked gate to check on her. The gutsy gal said she was cold, but she was OK and declined assistance.

*JCSO rendered assistance to wheel-chair bound people in the 7500 block of Holland Loop because their family members couldn't make it to their home. Two feet of snow, downed power lines and a fallen tree blocked their access.

*The driver of a black 4-Runner was warned for expired registration at 3:40 p.m. in a parking lot in Cave Junction.

*A deputy stopped by a gas station at 112 S. Redwood Hwy. at 3:47 p.m.

*A rugged 89-year-old guy was weathering the storm just fine, even though he can't walk at all and had no electricity or heat at his home in the 1100 block of Deer Creek Road.

*Law enforcement patrolled Lurline Lane at 4:03

p.m.

*A pedestrian flagged down a deputy at 4:18 p.m. near Gamay Drive and Merlot Drive.

*A Colt revolver manufactured by Connecticut Valley Arms Corp. was found during a traffic stop at S. Caves Avenue and Caves Hwy. at 4:27 p.m. The driver was cited into CJ Municipal Court for driving without insurance or registration and driving on a suspended license.

*Red Cross asked law enforcement to transport a family in the 25100 block of Redwood Hwy. to the warming station, but they no longer needed help.

*JCSO patrolled the 300 block of Clear Creek Road at 5:13 p.m.

Outside the Valley

*Thirteen log entries.

Thursday, Jan. 5

*A landlord allegedly punched a tenant in the 36500 block of Redwood Hwy. at 8:37 a.m. during an argument regarding non-payment of an electric bill.

*JCSO and Search and Rescue were headed to assist three people, two dogs and a cat from Road 40-7-04 outside of CJ at 10:22 a.m. The menagerie saved themselves before the cavalry arrived.

*A deputy cruised through Forest Creek Road and Thompson Creek Road at 10:38 a.m.

*A nephew was concerned about his aunt in the 400 block of Glendon Road because the last he heard from her, she was without electricity, and she was boiling snow for water. He could not reach her by telephone, so he requested a welfare check. Independent Auntie walked to a neighbor's house.

*At 10:46 a.m. a deputy brought a man from Briar Lane to a Red Cross shelter in CJ because he had no electricity or heat.

*The residents in the 500 block of Terrace Heights Drive were OK at 11:27 a.m.

*Four cold people from the 600 block of Forest Creek Road were dropped off at the Red Cross Shelter in CJ at 5:24 p.m.

*A resident of Deer Creek Road fired two warning shots at a guy in a rusty red truck at 12:42 p.m. The truck driver had been trespassed from that location years ago, and there was an ongoing problem with harassment stemming from his menacing

behavior. Advice was provided regarding obtaining a restraining order.

*On Dec. 5, a guy driving a golf cart lost a large sum of money between First Community Bank and E. Watkins Street and S. Caves Avenue. He reported the incident on Dec. 29 because the money was never located.

*Two people and their dogs were rescued from the 15000 block of Kerby Mainline Road because they were out of propane and had not eaten in two days. A deputy brought them to stay with their family in the Kerby Trailer Park at 3:05 p.m.

*A fellow was walking down the 200 block of S. Caves Avenue at 1:09 p.m. when his grocery bag ripped. When he approached a nearby house with a porch light, the occupant greeted him with a gun and laser instead of a paper bag.

*On Dec. 19, several items were stolen from a locked vehicle that was parked in a driveway in the 200 block of W. Palmer Street. The list consisted of a Carhartt bag, Pendleton blanket, first-aid kit, knife tool, binoculars and a tool kit.

*Early morning on Dec. 19, a stranger tried to break into an occupied house in the 34900 block of Redwood Hwy. Two weeks before that, a battery was stolen from a solar gate.

*Trespassers were cutting holes in fences and locks off gates in the 900 block of Kerby Mainline Road, according to Southern Oregon Sanitation. Once inside, the rebels were stealing trash, tires, cans, and bottles. Between Saturday night and Monday morning, five fires were started with tires in dumpsters.

*A hostile couple refused to allow fire units to respond to a fully-involved structure fire in the 37000 Redwood Hwy. at 4:35 p.m. The presence of law enforcement changed their attitudes.

Outside the Valley

*Twenty-six incidents.

Friday, Jan. 6

*A fellow in the 17500 block of Redwood Hwy. was snowed in, and his one small heater was running out of kerosene at 9:19 a.m. If his friend didn't show up with more kerosene, he would phone for help.

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ACROSS

- 1) Get hot online
- 8) Slithery squeezer
- 11) San Francisco/Oakland separator
- 14) Signature Southern vegetable
- 18) Treeless tract
- 20) High esteem
- 22) Motley
- 23) Basis for evaluating an archaeology dig?
- 25) "Goodness gracious!"
- 26) "Wide Sargasso Sea" author Jean
- 27) Chain founded by Ingvar Kamprad
- 28) 2016 A.L. Manager of the Year Francona, familiarly
- 29) Heartthrob
- 30) Medicare segment
- 32) As to
- 34) Called the shots
- 35) Warning to Bo Peep that her sheep are really hiding nearby?
- 44) "The Sage of Concord"
- 45) Romeo or Juliet
- 46) South of France
- 47) Holds firmly
- 48) Dilates
- 50) Times for vespers
- 54) Knock for a loop
- 55) Schleps
- 58) "When leaving the beach, hose off your feet before putting on your shoes"?
- 62) Jiffs
- 64) Slip cover
- 66) Yorkshire river
- 67) Bygone bird
- 68) Must choose among less volatile investment options?

DOWN

- 73) Bossy remark?
- 76) Wine center NNE of Monaco
- 77) Flaw-spotting aid
- 78) Canterbury's county
- 81) Infant dressed for rain?
- 85) Bas-relief medium
- 87) Dashed
- 89) Cavaradossi's "Recondita armonia," for one
- 90) Cooper's creations
- 92) Green need
- 94) Bring in
- 98) Where Java may be found
- 99) Before
- 100) Have a good day birding?
- 105) Pitcher's pride
- 106) Meh
- 107) Breaks
- 108) Nursing a sprain, perhaps
- 110) "Good going!"
- 113) Stunned accusation
- 114) Come together
- 118) Fever with chills
- 119) Paragraph in a lemon law?
- 123) Needle holder
- 124) Espionage asset
- 125) More frothy
- 126) River to the Fulda
- 127) It's used for some trips
- 128) WWII venue
- 129) ___ step: deceptive hoops tactic

DOWN

- 1) Attendee
- 2) Moonfish
- 3) Darned
- 4) Quaint stopovers
- 5) Italian counterpart of the BBC
- 6) Prince Valiant's son
- 7) Shackle
- 8) Onetime California oil town
- 9) ___ the fields we go"
- 10) Kind of prof.
- 11) Marching orders?
- 12) Radar or laser
- 13) Accountant's initialism
- 14) European automaker that was originally a sewing machine company
- 15) Rwanda's capital
- 16) Didn't just criticize
- 17) Put on
- 19) Invite for
- 21) Honor society leader?
- 24) Reach a high
- 29) Clan clash
- 30) "Hey... over here!"
- 31) "___ good name is ne'er retriev'd": John Gay
- 33) King of France
- 35) "His," to Bierce
- 36) Gives off
- 37) Variety show
- 38) Soak
- 39) "Yea, verily"
- 40) Outlaw Kelly
- 41) Thug's thousands
- 42) "The King and I" role
- 43) City on the Dnieper
- 48) Winning Super Bowl III coach Ewbank
- 49) Busybodies
- 51) Get-up-and-go
- 52) "Foucault's Pendulum" author
- 53) Yellow ___
- 56) Start of a tribute
- 57) Pride and prejudice
- 59) Fools
- 60) Faulkner's "___ Lay Dying"
- 61) Card collection
- 63) Car from Trollhattan
- 65) NBC show since 1975
- 69) After-dinner drink letters
- 70) Literary fold
- 71) Third of seven: Abbr.
- 72) "Fine" holder of fish?
- 73) Wharton deg.
- 74) Crew member
- 75) Kimono closer
- 79) Away from the office
- 80) In a tough spot

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