

## Smith Says He Shared Name with OSP

By Gina Perkins

Jason Smith, who was mentioned in a Jan. 28, 2016 piece appearing in the *Record-Courier* called, "Sheriff Latest to be Badgered at Commission Meeting," says that he did share the name of the person who provided the private Facebook message exchange between the individual(s) impersonating Gary Dielman online and former 5J School Board member, Mark Henderson, with the Oregon State Police investigator.

"I asked the OSP officer if a crime had been committed. His answer was, 'maybe.' At that time, I contacted the party whom I suspected sent me the exchange with Henderson and informed them of the investigation. After receiving confirmation that this was the party who sent

me the communication (speaking of online impostors), I received permission from them to inform OSP of their identity. I then forwarded this information to OSP," stated Smith who later added, "I did hesitate to say for a number of reasons, but mostly because I was not even positive who it was that actually sent it to me to begin with. I needed to verify it."

District Attorney Matt Shirliff has stated, "We will go back and check the reports."

Smith had written in an Op-Ed appearing some time ago in another newspaper that he informed OSP he could not help them any further. He did not include that he had provided the name to OSP in that Op-Ed.

"Logically, the purported screen shot could have went through any number of online sources before I received it," Smith added.

The *Record-Courier* stated in the Jan. 28 article that, "Only the impersonator could have shared this with Smith" and wishes to clarify the message could have been distributed by other means and individuals who were not the impersonator. Private messages exchanged on Facebook (just like a mailed letter) are initially known only to the sender and recipient unless and until someone else gains access to the information.

Henderson stated that for a time prior to knowing the individual with whom he had been communicating was an impostor, he thought perhaps someone had gained access to his computer. The Facebook message between the impostor and Henderson contained statements about Smith.

There is no evidence to suggest that Smith had any involvement of the online impersonation of local historian and outspoken citizen, Gary Dielman.

The Facebook impersonation of Dielman came to light during the time of the last local primary election. Henderson had unknowingly been communicating with the impostor for months and perhaps for more than a year. Henderson has since relocated with his family from Baker County.

## Hundreds of Items Thought to be Stolen in Community Found During Arrest

On Feb. 7, 2016, at about 7:45 a.m., the Baker City Police Department executed a narcotics related search warrant at 3450 Kirkway Drive in Baker City. One subject was arrested and a second was removed from the residence while Baker City Drug Canine "Capa" was deployed by his handler, Officer Coletton Smith.

Capa alerted at multiple locations in the residence where drug paraphernalia and small amounts of Methamphetamine were discovered along with over \$800 in cash. Also seized was over 200 pieces of evidence, mostly items believed to have been stolen in our community, to include bicycles and electronics. One firearm was also seized.

Arrested at the scene was: Justin Dean Bruce born Aug. 17, 1989

- Possession of a Controlled Substance Methamphetamine
- Manufacture of a Controlled Substance Methamphetamine
- Delivery of a Controlled Substance Methamphetamine
- Theft 1 by Receiving
- Felon in Possession of a Firearm

This investigation will be continuing, based on further information gained throughout this warrant service operation. Additional arrests are likely.

## Public Invited to Program on Huntington's Colorful History

The Historical Society invites the public to celebrate Oregon's birthday on Monday, Feb. 15, with a free event at the Baker Heritage Museum, 2480 Grove St., at 7 p.m. Oregon became a state on Feb. 14, 1859.

The party in the museum's ballroom will include a program called "Huntington's Colorful History," presented by Bill Burley who has an extensive background in the history of Huntington, including the railroad, the stern-wheeler, and the development of Huntington and the Farewell Bend area. Huntington will be celebrating its 125 year of incorporation this year.

The program including history and anecdotes about the Huntington area is anticipated to last about one hour, with time afterward for questions and answers. Refreshments will include a birthday cake for Oregon, cookies, punch and coffee.

New members are always invited to join the Baker County Historical Society. Memberships application forms are available at each public program. The cost is \$10 annually per individual/family, or \$100 for a lifetime membership.

More information is available online at [www.bakerheritagemuseum.com](http://www.bakerheritagemuseum.com).

## Obituaries

## Wilbur Cecil King

Sept. 1926 - Feb. 2016

Wilbur Cecil King, 89, a long-time resident of Baker City, died Feb. 2, 2016, at Ashley Manor from complications after a series of strokes. Arrangements are being made through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel.

Wilbur was born on Sept. 12, 1926, in Hereford, Oregon to William and Beatrice (Van Cleave) King. He lived with his family on the King Ranch in Audrey, Oregon and attended the Big Flat and Hereford schools until moving to Aumsville, Oregon. After graduating high school in Aumsville and briefly working as a logger, he returned to Baker City.

In 1952, he married the love of his life, Doris Jean Myers. "Til death do us part," was never a more true or fulfilled promise. They were inseparable until Doris' death in 2014.

Wilbur thrived in the mountains. If a man's wealth is counted in the quantity of huckleberries he possessed, he was a very rich man. He was an avid hunter, fisherman, mushroom picker, and reveled in camping and picnicking. He shared the joy of the outdoors with his family and untold hours were spent teaching the grandkids how to fish. His fishing buddies, George and Bill, took him fishing until he no longer could go with them. Some of his last thoughts were of fishing and the hope that Doris would know where all the good fishing holes were when they were reunited.

He worked many years as the debarker operator at Ellingson's Lumber Co. and spent weekends mining in a hard-rock mine in Greenhorn. After retirement, he volunteered hundreds of hours at the Oregon Trail Interpretive Center.

Wilbur is very loved by his family and friends and will be greatly missed. He was always quick with a smile and a hug.

His last few months were spent in the exceptional care of the loving caregivers of Ashley Manor. They deserve appreciation that words cannot express.

Survivors include his only child Doni Bruland and her husband Craig, grandchildren Ben Clair and his wife Nancy, Alice Clair, step-grandson Shan Bruland, two great-granddaughters, a brother and two sisters, and many brothers and sisters-in-law, nieces, nephews, cousins, and friends.

He was preceded in death by his beloved wife Doris, his father and mother William and Beatrice King, parents' in-law Ray and Alice Myers, and many other family members and friends.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Stroke Association through Gray's West & Co. Pioneer Chapel, 1500 Dewey Ave. Baker City, OR 97814.

To light a candle in memory of Wilbur, please visit: [www.grayswest.com](http://www.grayswest.com)

## Robert (Bob) Allen Casteel

Sept. 1937 - Jan. 2016

Robert (Bob) Allen Casteel, 78, of Baker City died Jan. 26, 2016 at his residence. A private graveside service will be held in the spring.

Bob was born on Sept. 23, 1937 in Denver, Colorado to Leonard C. Casteel and Laura Bliss. After finishing high school, Bob joined the United States Navy and served for four years. On April 15, 1972 Bob married Cora Elizabeth Ireland in Nevada.

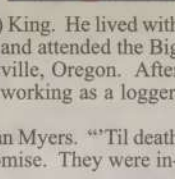
Bob worked at one time for Valley Metal in California as a semi-truck driver. Over the years, Bob fell in love with Baker City and eventually relocated to the area with his family. He was well liked by everyone he met and he was always there if you needed him. Bob loved being around his family and his grandchildren. He also had a passion for fishing and hunting in his spare time.

He is survived by son Danny Casteel of Colorado Springs, son James Shelton of Baker City, daughter Debbie Casteel of Colorado Springs, daughter Rochelle Stoakes of Baker City, son Dennis Shelton of Baker City, daughter Trudy Casteel of Colorado Springs, daughter Robin Llamas of California, daughter Robin Casteel of Colorado Springs, and daughter Mickie Sharp of La Grande. Bob is also survived by numerous grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great-grandchildren.

Bob is preceded in death by his wife Elizabeth, three brothers; Ervin, Dwayne and Buddy Casteel, and two sisters; Mary Bollinger and Frances Casteel.

Memorial contributions may be made to the American Cancer Society through Coles Tribute Center, 1950 Place St. Baker City, OR 97814.

To light a candle in memory of Bob, please visit: [www.colestrubute-center.com](http://www.colestrubute-center.com)



## News of Record

## Marriages

Feb. 5 - Dustyn Robert McMurdo to Tia Jasmine Aguirre, both of Baker City.

## News of Record

Jan. 31 - Warrant Arrest (Out of County Warrant): Jason Richard Harris, 36, 1151 SE Elm St., 9:16 a.m. between Elm and Grace Streets; jailed.

Jan. 31 - Contempt of Court (Baker County Justice Court Warrant): Joshua Gerald Vanderpool, 35, 2380 East St., 9:37 a.m. at his residence; jailed.

Jan. 31 - Warrant Arrest (Baker County Circuit Court): Travis Steven Radle, 20, 1560 Indiana Ave., 3:52 p.m. at his residence; cited and released.

Feb. 1 - Possession of Controlled Substance Meth and Parole and Probation Detainer: Glen Michael Smith, 33, transient, 8:20 p.m. between Campbell and Grove Streets; jailed.

Feb. 2 - Driving While Suspended-Misdemeanor: Todd Jeffrey Hamm, 48, 2495 Second St., 2:31 p.m. between Ninth and Carter Streets; jailed.

Feb. 2 - Failure to Abide by the Conditions of DUII Diversion (Baker County Warrant): Brock Michael Johnson, 24, 1970 Myrtle Street, 4:06 p.m. at 1768 Auburn Ave.; cited and released.

Feb. 3 - Disorderly Conduct II: Cory John Anderson, 29, 1403 Broadway Ave., 1:28 a.m. between Thirteenth and D Streets; jailed.

Feb. 6 - Contempt of Court (Yamhill County Warrant): Mark Thornton, age and address unknown, 10:05 a.m. 1768 Auburn Ave.; jailed.

## Judgments

Jan. 20 - State of Oregon vs. Alexander Terry Wayne Dyke for Criminal Mischief II; class A misdemeanor.

Jan. 21 - State of Oregon vs. Stephen Kenneth Andvik for Driving under the Influence of Intoxicants; class A misdemeanor.

Jan. 21 - State of Oregon vs. Lucas Chad Barajas; restitution ordered to be paid to Dewey Jacobs.

Jan. 21 - State of Oregon - Department of Human Resources and Emma Dooley vs. Chad Follett for Domestic Relations Petition; Chad Follett ordered to pay child support.

Feb. 4 - State of Oregon vs. Jerry Eugene Rioux for Theft II; class A misdemeanor. Restitution ordered to be paid to Jordan Owens.

## Oregon State Police Log

Feb. 1 - Criminal Possession of Rented Personal Property (Union County Warrant): Virginia Linn Hanewinkel, 28, of Baker City. At 4:19 p.m., Hanewinkel was stopped for a traffic violation on Tenth Street, near L Street in Baker City. The warrant was confirmed and she was arrested and lodged at the Baker County Jail. The vehicle was released to family.

Feb. 2 - Warrant Arrest (Fugitive from Other State): Rodney Scott VanCleave, 22, of Auburn, Wash. At approximately 8:18 a.m. a traffic stop was initiated near milepost 280 on I 84 Eastbound.

The driver was slow to yield and came to a stop at milepost 286. The warrant was confirmed through the Southern Command Center and VanCleave was taken into custody. The vehicle was removed by Fenn's Towing.

Feb. 3 - On I-84, milepost 304 eastbound, 7:53 p.m.: A Ford F-250 driven by Tyrell Howard Short, 30, of Boise, hit black ice, lost control and slid into the median concrete divider. The vehicle impacted the barrier and then spun off of it, travelling across both freeway lanes before coming to an uncontrolled rest on the right shoulder. No injuries or property damages were reported and vehicle was towed.

Feb. 3 - On I-84, milepost 304 eastbound, 8:05 p.m.:

Officer narrative reads: Unit 1 was merging onto I 84 eastbound at mp 304 on ramp. Unit 1 failed to yield the right of way to Unit 2 that was travelling eastbound on I 84. Units left the roadway by way of the right shoulder. The vehicles involved in the accident were a red Chrysler PT Cruiser, driven by Tina Marie Hopkins, 44, with passenger David Alton Hopkins, 55, both of Spokane Valley, Wash., and a grey Toyota Camry driven by Sam Miles Hoover, 30, and his passenger Weston Rich Bailey, 21, both of Kuna, Ida. No injuries were reported.

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