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Keizer police officers executed a search warrant on the house that resulted in ousting a pair of sisters and their children, among others, who were squatting inside.

"Last month, (the Community Response Unit) began receiving complaints from neighbors and patrol officers regarding this house. The complaints described a high volume of foot traffic, noise at night, garbage piling up and suspicious people loitering in and around the location," said Sgt. Robert Trump.

In the process of investigating the situation, police officials learned that the home — which is only several hundred yards south of Gubser Elementary School — was a foreclosure owned by Deutsche Bank.

The women who appeared to be the full-time residents — Stephanie Kahler, 37, and Jenny Kahler, 41 — were contacted and interviewed. Police told the women they needed to leave or face arrest, but they remained.

In the meantime, KPD enlisted the help of Ben Crosby, the city's code enforcement officer.

Crosby found solid waste violations, a broken down pick-up with expired plates, piles of trash and more.

"I also found numerous housing code violations, the big one being a bedroom being built in the garage with no secondary egress or heating. They were using multiple heaters powered by extension cords throughout the house. Other housing violations were: missing outlets, exposed live wires, holes in the drywall and missing smoke detectors," Crosby said.

When police served the search warrant, the Kahlers weren't the only ones in the home.

"Inside and associated with the home, CRU (officers) found methamphetamine and hypodermic needles, and several people with extensive criminal histories were known to associate and/or live inside the home while it was bank-



Jenny Kahler



Stephanie Kahler

owned," Trump said.

Two juveniles, the 13- and 16-year-old children of the Kahlers, were interviewed by child welfare workers and re-

leased to their mothers after they were arrested and released.

Three pit bull dogs, several smaller dogs and a cat were released to a relative.

The Kahlers were both cited for seven counts of criminal trespass, carrying fines of \$35,000 each, and one count of criminal misconduct each, which will cost them another \$1,000 each.

In talking about the arrests with members of the city council at a meeting Mon-

day, Feb. 6., KPD Chief John Teague said that even those hefty fines didn't rise to the seriousness of the crime.

"The penalty is minimal, but we are working to felonize it," Teague said. "In the past, we've dealt with people who use a website that broadcasts the addresses of homes like this for the purpose of directing people to move in and squat."

This is the fourth time in recent years that KPD officers have had to roust squatters

from foreclosed homes, but Teague also urged residents to inform the police when they see suspicious activity.

"We track a lot of foreclosed homes by working with banks, but we can't track them all. If you live in a neighborhood with a home like this and you see disreputable things going on, let us know," Teague said.

The non-emergency number for the Keizer Police Department is 503-390-3713.

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Irene Greene

October 3, 1917 — January 30, 2017

Our beloved grandmother passed away at the age of 99 while residing at Rosewood Court Senior Center. She was born in Winnipeg, Canada, and lived in Keizer for many years. Preceding Irene in death were her husband of 55 years, David Greene and daughter, Carol Smith. Surviving Irene

are her daughter, Sandra, three grandchildren, and numerous great-grandchildren. She was loved by all and will be missed greatly. In keeping with her request, there will be no services. Irene will be laid to rest next to her beloved husband and daughter at City View Cemetery.

Emmalene JoAnn Dickey

January 9, 1927 — January 22, 2017

After a long period of declining physical health, Emmalene JoAnn Dickey passed away peacefully on Jan. 22, 2017.

She was born in Bay City, Ore., to Archie and Ruth Sybil Bair on Jan. 9, 1927. JoAnn, as she was known most of her life, spent her early years growing up in Bay City, and then moved to Salem where she graduated from Salem High School (now North Salem High School).

She married Everett Philip Dickey in 1952. They were married for 60 years at the time of his death on Aug. 2, 2013.

After they married they lived for a short time in Eugene before moving to Canby. In 1955, they moved to Salem and then later Keizer. Before JoAnn was married she worked as a telephone operator in Salem. When she and Phil started a family, JoAnn primarily stayed at home to raise their three children.

She worked in the canneries during the summers, and also worked in elections, both at the local precinct and in the elections office when living in Keizer. JoAnn enjoyed time with family, cooking, canning, sewing. One of her favorite places to visit was the Oregon coast. She also had

a great sense of humor and really enjoyed spending time with her cousins, nieces, and nephews. A visit by several of her nieces earlier in 2016 brought a big smile to her face, and joy that had become so rare for her as her condition continued to get worse.

JoAnn was a committed Christian and lived her commitment out in her life. JoAnn and Phil were long time members of the Salem Foursquare Church on Broadway. She was a regular member of the choir, sang solos and duets with Phil, played the organ, and helped produce the weekly church bulletin. Many have recalled her kindness, and her positive influence on their lives upon hearing the news of her passing. Her faith carried through both the good and bad times of life. Even as her health continued to deteriorate and pain would worsen she would lean on her faith to carry her through the difficult times.

JoAnn was preceded in death by Phil, her husband of 60 years. She is survived by her daughter Debbie Fischer, sons Stephen (Diana), and Chris (Mary), five grandchildren, and seven great-grandchildren.

Arrangements are by Virgil T. Golden Funeral Services and interment is at Belcrest Memorial Gardens in Salem.

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Elliott wasn't even aware the store was nominated until he got a call a few days before the National Association of Music Merchants conference in January. Representatives Sound and Music Retailer told him to stop by the organization's table

to pick up an award.

With a big box retailer across town in Keizer Station and literally thousands of competitors online — all of which generally offer the same merchandise at comparable prices — Elliott said top-notch customer service is the one thing the store can do to separate itself from the pack.

"We focus hard on making sure we ask good questions, understanding what the customer needs and then making sure that we deliver on that," he said. "It's not uncommon for us, after hours, to run out and help a customer who is having trouble with something that they bought from us. If they bought an amp and they are at a show where it isn't working, we'll run out a loaner for them."

Since most of the employees are also musicians, first-hand knowledge of the gear that makes them passionate about playing makes it easy to relate to customers' needs and troubles when they occur.

In addition to the store itself, Elliott is passionate about giving back to the community. Donations of refurbished guitars helped McNary High School and Judson Middle School launch guitar classes in recent years and he's always on the lookout for ways to continue such efforts. He said the next phase of his ownership is to put more emphasis on what he calls Play it Forward.

"Our goal is to simply never stop earning it," he said of the customer service award.

Our Mom, Jo Bolf, died peacefully in her sleep. She was born in Flasher, North Dakota to Michael and Genevieve Beehler. Mom grew up with two older brothers and a younger brother. When Mom was a young girl the family moved from North Dakota to Portland, Oregon. In 1951 Mom married Edward H. Bolf.

The Bolf's were a founding family for St. Edward Catholic Church in Keizer, Oregon. Throughout Mom's years she was a member of many groups, clubs, and organizations that had a common thread of helping others.

Mom dedicated her life to raising her children and supporting them in their various activities. Mom was an avid reader, as well as, a gracious hostess whether it was for one of the many family gatherings she hosted or church related functions. Mom was an often sought after cake decorator. She enjoyed making wedding cakes as much as birthday and special-occasion cakes. She spent summers picking berries at Nolan's farm with her children and worked at LaFollette's farm stand for years. Once her children were raised and out of the house she worked at the Marion County Elections Office during elections. Most recently, Mom enjoyed the "quiet" after-years of happy, healthy and loud children, grandchildren, and great-grandchildren.

Josephine Bolf

March 19, 1930 — January 31, 2017

We know she is in heaven with her parents, brothers and husband, Ed Bolf. Mom is survived by all seven of

her children; Mary Jane "Janie" (Rich); Becki (Tom); Ed (Sharon); Janice (Jeff); Judy; Nancy; and Jennifer (Noemi); 10 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Mom will be fondly remembered by her children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren for her, generous heart, gentle guidance, patience, and impish sense of humor.

Services were held on Saturday, February 4th at St. Edwards Church, 5303 River Road, Keizer, Oregon.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Father Taaffe Foundation through St. Edwards Church.



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