

# Woman in crisis threatens neighbor

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A 41-year-old Keizer woman was taken to the Oregon State Hospital after threatening a neighbor with a knife Thursday, Dec. 7.

The incident began about 8 a.m.

"We received a report that she had swung a knife at one of her neighbors and threatened to 'cut you into a million pieces,'" said Deputy Chief Jeff Kuhns of the Keizer Police Department.

Keizer officers responded to the call at 195 Churchdale Avenue N. and found the woman outside her home. During the next several minutes, she entered and exited her home without making contact with anyone else. Her home is a duplex and the neighbor she threatened lived in the connected unit.

Kuhns said the initial response was handled with a hands-off approach because the woman appeared to be suffering from an emotional disturbance and had violent encounters with police in the past. Officers waited to see if the incident would de-escalate on its own, but neighbors reported being fearful of leaving their home prompting officers to step in.

"Some of these incidents have ended tragically across the United States. Law enforcement has been questioned about the response to such incidents and sometimes the suspect doesn't have the mental capability to form intent or know they might have

committed a crime. Many times we walk away," Kuhns said.

Sgt. Trevor Wenning and Sgt. Bob Trump crafted a plan and retrieved ballistic shields from the Keizer police station as well as less-than-lethal weapons.

"Officers then formed a stick - a line of police officers - and began approaching the house behind the shields while calling out to her over a megaphone," Kuhns said.

At the same time, another officer was stationed in the rear of the house in case the woman emerged from there. As officers were approaching, the woman went out the back of the home and began smoking a cigarette where she encountered the officer.

"There were a few tense minutes, but she ended up surrendering without any further incident," Kuhns said.

Police took her into custody because they believe she posed a danger to herself and others, but no charges were filed against her.

"This has become the new norm," said Kuhns. "They don't always end this way. The officers involved did an excellent job in coming up with a plan. It also helped that the call came in when a lot of other officers were coming on duty."

The Marion County Sheriff's Office has developed teams to respond to such incidents, but none were available at the time of the call, Kuhns said.

## MONDAY, DEC. 4

- 2:45 a.m. - Theft from building on 4900 block 5th Place NE.
- 11:12 a.m. - DUII and hit-and-run on intersection of River Road N and Stark Street N.
- 11:13 a.m. - Counterfeit currency on 6400 block Keizer Station Blvd NE.
- 12:47 p.m. - Theft on 5100 block Wittenberg Lane NE.
- 3:38 p.m. - Traffic accident resulting in injury on 6400 block Keizer Station Blvd NE.
- 5:40 p.m. - Traffic accident resulting in injury on intersection of 14th Avenue NE and Lockhaven Drive NE.
- 8:00 p.m. - Theft from vehicle on 1600 block Chelan Street NE.
- 10:00 p.m. - Theft from vehicle on 4300 block Northside Drive NE.

## TUESDAY, DEC. 5

- 1:00 p.m. - Shoplifting on 6100 block Ulali Drive NE.
- 3:00 p.m. - Shoplifting on 6100 block Ulali Drive NE.
- 5:26 p.m. - Traffic accident resulting in injury on intersection of Lockhaven Drive NE and Chemawa Road NE.
- 7:00 p.m. - Sudden death on 7600 block Wheatland Road N.

## WEDNESDAY, DEC. 6

- 12:33 a.m. - Arrest for DUII and refusal to test for intoxicants on intersection of Weeks Drive NE and Cherry

- Avenue N.
- 1:47 p.m. - Theft on 1100 block Clearview Avenue NE.
- 8:00 p.m. - Theft from vehicle on 4700 block Brandon Court NE.

## THURSDAY, DEC. 7

- 1:40 a.m. - Hit-and-run on 4400 block 18th Avenue NE.
- 3:30 a.m. - Burglary of business on 4900 block River Road N.
- 7:49 a.m. - Use/display of weapons on 100 block Churchdale Avenue N.
- 9:55 a.m. - Theft from vehicle on 2000 block Brandon Avenue NE.
- 11:30 a.m. - Unlawful entry into vehicle on 3200 Jack Street N.
- 3:30 p.m. - Theft from vehicle on 1200 block McGee Court NE.
- 7:55 p.m. - Robbery of business on 4900 block River Road N.
- 8:00 p.m. - Fraudulent use of credit card and unlawful entry into vehicle on 4400 block Northside Drive NE.
- 8:32 p.m. - Use/display of weapons on intersection of Verda Lane NE and Chemawa Road NE.
- 10:00 p.m. - Theft from vehicle and fraudulent use of credit card on 1600 block Kelly Street NE.
- 11:00 p.m. - Theft from vehicle on 1200 block McGee Court NE.

## FRIDAY, DEC. 8

- 1:00 p.m. - Theft on 600 block Manbrin Drive N.
- 4:01 p.m. - Hit-and-run on intersection of Chemawa Road NE and Chetco Court NE.
- 5:27 p.m. - Arrest for shoplifting on 6200 block Ulali Drive NE.
- 6:03 p.m. - Shoplifting on 6200 block Ulali Drive NE.
- 11:00 p.m. - Theft on 5400 block McLeod Lane NE.
- 11:11 p.m. - Arrest for menacing display or use of weapons on 500 block Cummings Lane N.

## SATURDAY, DEC. 9

- 9:15 a.m. - Sudden death on 5300 block Jeffrey Court N.
- 9:30 a.m. - Traffic accident on 4900 block River Road N.
- 7:57 p.m. - Arrest for menacing use or display of weapons on 500 block Cummings Lane N.
- 8:23 p.m. - Assault on 3700 block River Road N.

## SUNDAY, DEC. 10

- 2:02 a.m. - Arrest for restraining order violation, physical harassment, assault, and threats on 600 block Dietz Avenue NE.

## MONDAY, DEC. 11

- 2:34 a.m. - Armed robbery of business on 100 block Chemawa Road N.

## NO INSURANCE

Colin Timothy Sawyer, \$500; Adriana Marie Morales, \$500; Bernard Joel Sierzega, \$500; Zachary McCauley Reitzer, \$542.

## DRIVING WHILE SUSPENDED

Colin Timothy Sawyer, \$1,058; Adriana Marie Morales, \$1,058; Cassandra Jimenez, \$1,058; Bernard Joel Sierzega, \$1,058; Monique Rene Klose, \$1,058; Silvia Denyse Hernandez, \$487; Edwin Arturo Garcia, \$487.

## SPEEDING

Sarah Lacey Fabienne Karnes, \$292; Brihana Angela Mercedes Stone, \$362; Deri Panji Sanusi, \$292.

## OTHER

Colin Timothy Sawyer, failure to use special left-turn lane, \$500; Bernard Joel Sierzega, unregistered vehicle, \$200; Dionne Marvis John, outdated vehicle registration, \$242; Lisa Hernandez Marin, illegal U-turn, \$292; Erin D. Priest-Rhodes, prohibited parking, \$92; Jennifer Yamilex Hayworth, failure to yield, \$542; Andrew James Tompkins, dangerous left turn, improper lane change, and no fenders, \$1,292; Angela R. Jennings, prohibited parking, \$142; Soraida Lucrecia Quintanilla, careless driving, \$245; David Alan Stevens, careless driving, \$395; Brett Douglas Salmon, \$35; Charles Cameron Lee Bock, unregistered vehicle, \$40; Molly Elizabeth Roth, outdated vehicle registration, \$40.

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